

Immigrants Are Major Contributors to Florida's Manufacturing Industry

*An estimated **236,000** immigrants work in Florida's manufacturing industry, making up **32%** of Florida's manufacturing workforce.*

Immigrants of all backgrounds boost Florida's manufacturing industry. Some 120,000 immigrants, or about 51% of all immigrants in Florida's manufacturing industry, are U.S. citizens. About 35,000 are lawful permanent residents, and 14,000 are temporary immigrants on a nonimmigrant visa.

Dreamers—undocumented immigrants who came to the U.S. as children before 2021 and are either in school or have graduated from high school—number 5,000 workers in Florida's manufacturing industry. Some 1,000 are Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) recipients.

Temporary Protected Status (TPS) holders—immigrants who cannot safely return to their home countries—number 8,000 workers in Florida's manufacturing industry. Meanwhile, an estimated 34,000 immigrants working in Florida's manufacturing industry are waiting for a decision on their asylum claim.

Immigrant groups protected from deportation—DACA recipients, TPS holders, people seeking asylum, and those waiting for a permanent residency visa—**have access to work permits, making up an estimated 46,000 manufacturing industry workers in Florida.**

\$11.5 billion

Annual combined income from immigrant manufacturing industry workers

\$3.5 billion

Annual combined taxes paid by immigrant manufacturing industry workers

19,000

Self-employed immigrant manufacturing industry workers