

Immigrants Are Major Contributors to Florida's Wholesale and Retail Industry

*An estimated **540,000** immigrants work in Florida's wholesale and retail industry, making up **28%** of Florida's wholesale and retail workforce.*

Immigrants of all backgrounds boost Florida's wholesale and retail industry. Some 257,000 immigrants, or about 48% of all immigrants in Florida's wholesale and retail industry, are U.S. citizens. About 71,000 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 20,000 workers in Florida's wholesale and retail 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 35,000 workers in Florida's wholesale and retail industry. Meanwhile, an estimated 91,000 immigrants working in Florida's wholesale and retail 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 128,000 wholesale and retail industry workers in Florida.**

\$18 billion

Annual combined income from immigrant wholesale and retail industry workers

\$5 billion

Annual combined taxes paid by immigrant wholesale and retail industry workers

56,000

Self-employed immigrant wholesale and retail industry workers