

Immigrants Make GA-11 Stronger

*An estimated **106,000** immigrants live in GA-11, making up **13%** of the total population.*

*Immigrants live in **17%** of households in GA-11.*

Immigrants contribute to every sector of GA-11's economy. Some 16% of GA-11's labor force are immigrants, including 32% of the construction industry, 26% of agriculture, 20% of manufacturing, 21% of business services, and 13% of leisure and hospitality.

About 9,000 immigrants in GA-11 work in STEM-related jobs, of which 12% are temporary immigrants on H-1B and other temporary work visas. In all, 26% of STEM degree holders in GA-11 are immigrants.

Immigrants of all backgrounds boost GA-11's communities. Some 46,000 immigrants, or about 43% of all immigrants in GA-11, are U.S. citizens. About 14,000 are lawful permanent residents, and 5,000 are temporary immigrants (including nonimmigrant visa holders and international students).

An estimated 10% of individuals in GA-11, or some 79,000, are either undocumented immigrants or live with an undocumented immigrant. Some 14,000 U.S. citizen children in GA-11 live with an undocumented parent, while some 2,000 U.S. citizen spouses are married to an undocumented immigrant. Some 22,000 undocumented individuals in GA-11 have lived in the U.S. for more than 10 years, with 15,000 of those living in the U.S. for more than 20 years.

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 8,000 and contribute **\$185 million annually to GA-11's economy**. They also contribute \$23 million in state and local taxes each year. Some 2,000 are Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) recipients.

Temporary Protected Status (TPS) holders—immigrants who cannot safely return to their home countries—numbered 2,000 and contributed **\$51 million to GA-11's economy** in 2024. Meanwhile, an estimated 11,000 immigrants in GA-11 are waiting for a decision on their asylum claim, and contribute \$206 million to GA-11's economy annually.

Immigrant groups currently protected from deportation—DACA recipients, TPS holders, people seeking asylum, and those waiting for a permanent residency visa—have access to work authorizations, making up an estimated **8,000 workers in GA-11's labor force, and paying an estimated \$33 million annually in state and local taxes**.

\$4.2 billion

Annual spending power

\$1.4 billion

Annual combined taxes paid

15,000

Self-employed

41%

With college or advanced degrees

90%

Speak English

89%

Earn above the minimum needed to live