

# Immigrants Make GA-3 Stronger

*An estimated **53,000** immigrants live in GA-3, making up **7%** of the total population.*

*Immigrants live in **10%** of households in GA-3.*

Immigrants contribute to every sector of GA-3's economy. Some 9% of GA-3's labor force are immigrants, including 12% of the construction industry, 15% of agriculture, 13% of manufacturing, 14% of business services, and 8% of leisure and hospitality.

About 2,000 immigrants in GA-3 work in STEM-related jobs, of which 12% are temporary immigrants on H-1B and other temporary work visas. In all, 15% of STEM degree holders in GA-3 are immigrants.

Immigrants of all backgrounds boost GA-3's communities. Some 23,000 immigrants, or about 44% of all immigrants in GA-3, are U.S. citizens. About 8,000 are lawful permanent residents, and 3,000 are temporary immigrants (including nonimmigrant visa holders and international students).

An estimated 5% of individuals in GA-3, or some 38,000, are either undocumented immigrants or live with an undocumented immigrant. Some 9,000 U.S. citizen children in GA-3 live with an undocumented parent, while some 2,000 U.S. citizen spouses are married to an undocumented immigrant. Some 12,000 undocumented individuals in GA-3 have lived in the U.S. for more than 10 years, with 8,000 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 4,000 and **contribute \$118 million annually to GA-3's economy**. They also contribute \$15 million in state and local taxes each year. 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—numbered 1,000 and **contributed \$42 million to GA-3's economy** in 2024. Meanwhile, an estimated 2,000 immigrants in GA-3 are waiting for a decision on their asylum claim, and contribute \$49 million to GA-3'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 4,000 workers in GA-3's labor force, and paying an estimated \$15 million annually in state and local taxes.**

**\$2.1 billion**

Annual spending power

**\$686 million**

Annual combined taxes paid

**6,000**

Self-employed

**32%**

With college or advanced degrees

**96%**

Speak English

**91%**

Earn above the minimum needed to live