

Immigrants Make GA-4 Stronger

*An estimated **221,000** immigrants live in GA-4, making up **28%** of the total population.*

*Immigrants live in **31%** of households in GA-4.*

Immigrants contribute to every sector of GA-4's economy. Some 32% of GA-4's labor force are immigrants, including 67% of the construction industry, 69% of agriculture, 45% of manufacturing, 28% of business services, and 33% of leisure and hospitality.

About 11,000 immigrants in GA-4 work in STEM-related jobs, of which 15% are temporary immigrants on H-1B and other temporary work visas. In all, 31% of STEM degree holders in GA-4 are immigrants.

Immigrants of all backgrounds boost GA-4's communities. Some 77,000 immigrants, or about 35% of all immigrants in GA-4, are U.S. citizens. About 38,000 are lawful permanent residents, and 9,000 are temporary immigrants (including nonimmigrant visa holders and international students).

An estimated 20% of individuals in GA-4, or some 164,000, are either undocumented immigrants or live with an undocumented immigrant. Some 30,000 U.S. citizen children in GA-4 live with an undocumented parent, while some 4,000 U.S. citizen spouses are married to an undocumented immigrant. Some 38,000 undocumented individuals in GA-4 have lived in the U.S. for more than 10 years, with 21,000 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 11,000 and contribute **\$279 million annually to GA-4's economy**. They also contribute \$35 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 8,000 and contributed **\$196 million to GA-4's economy** in 2024. Meanwhile, an estimated 33,000 immigrants in GA-4 are waiting for a decision on their asylum claim, and contribute \$883 million to GA-4'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 **26,000 workers in GA-4's labor force, and paying an estimated \$125 million annually in state and local taxes**.

\$7.0 billion

Annual spending power

\$2.2 billion

Annual combined taxes paid

18,000

Self-employed

28%

With college or advanced degrees

83%

Speak English

85%

Earn above the minimum needed to live