

# Immigrants Are Major Contributors to Georgia's Manufacturing Industry

*An estimated **126,000** immigrants work in Georgia's manufacturing industry, making up **20%** of Georgia's manufacturing workforce.*

**Immigrants of all backgrounds boost Georgia's manufacturing industry.** Some 49,000 immigrants, or about 39% of all immigrants in Georgia's manufacturing industry, are U.S. citizens. About 19,000 are lawful permanent residents, and 6,000 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 7,000 workers in Georgia's manufacturing industry. 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—number 6,000 workers in Georgia's manufacturing industry. Meanwhile, an estimated 12,000 immigrants working in Georgia'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 18,000 manufacturing industry workers in Georgia.**

**\$5.4 billion**

Annual combined income from immigrant manufacturing industry workers

**\$1.7 billion**

Annual combined taxes paid by immigrant manufacturing industry workers

**3,000**

Self-employed immigrant manufacturing industry workers