

Immigrants Make IA-1 Stronger

*An estimated **39,000** immigrants live in IA-1, making up **5%** of the total population.*

*Immigrants live in **6%** of households in IA-1.*

Immigrants contribute to every sector of IA-1's economy. Some 7% of IA-1's labor force are immigrants, including 9% of the construction industry, 9% of agriculture, 13% of manufacturing, 4% of business services, and 4% of leisure and hospitality.

About 3,000 immigrants in IA-1 work in STEM-related jobs, of which 34% are temporary immigrants on H-1B and other temporary work visas. In all, 16% of STEM degree holders in IA-1 are immigrants.

Immigrants of all backgrounds boost IA-1's communities. Some 13,000 immigrants, or about 32% of all immigrants in IA-1, are U.S. citizens. About 12,000 are lawful permanent residents, and 4,000 are temporary immigrants (including nonimmigrant visa holders and international students).

Some 20,000, are either undocumented immigrants or live with an undocumented immigrant. Some 4,000 U.S. citizen children in IA-1 live with an undocumented parent, while some 2,000 U.S. citizen spouses are married to an undocumented immigrant. Some 4,000 undocumented individuals in IA-1 have lived in the U.S. for more than 10 years, with 2,000 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 1,000 and **contribute \$20 million annually to IA-1's economy.** They also contribute \$3 million in state and local taxes each year.

An estimated 1,000 immigrants in IA-1 are waiting for a decision on their asylum claim, and contribute \$28 million to IA-1's economy annually.

\$1.2 billion

Annual spending power

\$384 million

Annual combined taxes paid

2,000

Self-employed

39%

With college or advanced degrees

93%

Speak English

77%

Earn above the minimum needed to live