

Immigrants Make IA-4 Stronger

*An estimated **51,000** immigrants live in IA-4, making up **7%** of the total population.*

*Immigrants live in **8%** of households in IA-4.*

Immigrants contribute to every sector of IA-4's economy. Some 8% of IA-4's labor force are immigrants, including 11% of the construction industry, 9% of agriculture, 17% of manufacturing, 6% of business services, and 10% of leisure and hospitality.

About 2,000 immigrants in IA-4 work in STEM-related jobs, of which 25% are temporary immigrants on H-1B and other temporary work visas. In all, 17% of STEM degree holders in IA-4 are immigrants.

Immigrants of all backgrounds boost IA-4's communities. Some 10,000 immigrants, or about 20% of all immigrants in IA-4, are U.S. citizens. About 14,000 are lawful permanent residents, and 4,000 are temporary immigrants (including nonimmigrant visa holders and international students).

An estimated 6% of individuals in IA-4, or some 45,000, are either undocumented immigrants or live with an undocumented immigrant. Some 13,000 U.S. citizen children in IA-4 live with an undocumented parent, while some 2,000 U.S. citizen spouses are married to an undocumented immigrant. Some 10,000 undocumented individuals in IA-4 have lived in the U.S. for more than 10 years, with 5,000 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 5,000 and contribute **\$120 million annually to IA-4's economy**. They also contribute \$17 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 **\$48 million to IA-4's economy** in 2024. Meanwhile, an estimated 5,000 immigrants in IA-4 are waiting for a decision on their asylum claim, and contribute \$104 million to IA-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 5,000 workers in IA-4's labor force, and paying an estimated \$24 million annually in state and local taxes.**

\$1.4 billion

Annual spending power

\$425 million

Annual combined taxes paid

1,000

Self-employed

26%

With college or advanced degrees

85%

Speak English

78%

Earn above the minimum needed to live