

Immigrants Make LA-3 Stronger

*An estimated **37,000** immigrants live in LA-3, making up **5%** of the total population.*

*Immigrants live in **4%** of households in LA-3.*

Immigrants contribute to every sector of LA-3's economy. Some 5% of LA-3's labor force are immigrants, including 16% of the construction industry, 18% of agriculture, 8% of manufacturing, 4% of business services, and 7% of leisure and hospitality.

About 1,000 immigrants in LA-3 work in STEM-related jobs, of which 28% are temporary immigrants on H-1B and other temporary work visas. In all, 15% of STEM degree holders in LA-3 are immigrants.

Immigrants of all backgrounds boost LA-3's communities. Some 9,000 immigrants, or about 24% of all immigrants in LA-3, are U.S. citizens. About 8,000 are lawful permanent residents, and 1,000 are temporary immigrants (including nonimmigrant visa holders and international students).

Some 30,000 are either undocumented immigrants or live with an undocumented immigrant. Some 6,000 U.S. citizen children in LA-3 live with an undocumented parent, while some 1,000 U.S. citizen spouses are married to an undocumented immigrant. Some 4,000 undocumented individuals in LA-3 have lived in the U.S. for more than 10 years, with 1,000 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 2,000 and **contribute \$48 million annually to LA-3's economy**. They also contribute \$7 million in state and local taxes each year.

Temporary Protected Status (TPS) holders—immigrants who cannot safely return to their home countries—numbered 4,000 and **contributed \$47 million to LA-3's economy** in 2024. Meanwhile, an estimated 7,000 immigrants in LA-3 are waiting for a decision on their asylum claim, and contribute \$184 million to LA-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 2,000 workers in LA-3's labor force, and paying an estimated \$27 million annually in state and local taxes.**

\$949 million

Annual spending power

\$300 million

Annual combined taxes paid

5,000

Self-employed

24%

With college or advanced degrees

79%

Speak English

68%

Earn above the minimum needed to live