

# Immigrants Make MA-4 Stronger

*An estimated **124,000** immigrants live in MA-4, making up **16%** of the total population.*

*Immigrants live in **23%** of households in MA-4.*

**Immigrants contribute to every sector of MA-4's economy.** Some 19% of MA-4's labor force are immigrants, including 29% of the construction industry, 25% of manufacturing, 20% of business services, and 12% of leisure and hospitality.

**About 13,000 immigrants in MA-4 work in STEM-related jobs,** of which 18% are temporary immigrants on H-1B and other temporary work visas. In all, 30% of STEM degree holders in MA-4 are immigrants.

**Immigrants of all backgrounds boost MA-4's communities.** Some 62,000 immigrants, or about 50% of all immigrants in MA-4, are U.S. citizens. About 33,000 are lawful permanent residents, and 9,000 are temporary immigrants (including nonimmigrant visa holders and international students).

**An estimated 6% of individuals in MA-4, or some 44,000, are either undocumented immigrants or live with an undocumented immigrant.** Some 9,000 U.S. citizen children in MA-4 live with an undocumented parent, while some 2,000 U.S. citizen spouses are married to an undocumented immigrant. Some 8,000 undocumented individuals in MA-4 have lived in the U.S. for more than 10 years, with 4,000 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 4,000 and **contribute \$91 million annually to MA-4's economy.** They also contribute \$11 million in state and local taxes each year.

**Temporary Protected Status (TPS) holders**—immigrants who cannot safely return to their home countries—numbered 2,000 and **contributed \$48 million to MA-4's economy** in 2024. Meanwhile, an estimated 7,000 immigrants in MA-4 are waiting for a decision on their asylum claim, and contribute \$173 million to MA-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 3,000 workers in MA-4's labor force, and paying an estimated \$25 million annually in state and local taxes.**

**\$6.5 billion**

Annual spending power

**\$2.6 billion**

Annual combined taxes paid

**7,000**

Self-employed

**49%**

With college or advanced degrees

**94%**

Speak English

**92%**

Earn above the minimum needed to live