

Immigrants Make MI-3 Stronger

*An estimated **64,000** immigrants live in MI-3, making up **8%** of the total population.*

*Immigrants live in **11%** of households in MI-3.*

Immigrants contribute to every sector of MI-3's economy. Some 11% of MI-3's labor force are immigrants, including 10% of the construction industry, 55% of agriculture, 20% of manufacturing, 7% of business services, and 3% of leisure and hospitality.

About 5,000 immigrants in MI-3 work in STEM-related jobs, of which 18% are temporary immigrants on H-1B and other temporary work visas. In all, 20% of STEM degree holders in MI-3 are immigrants.

Immigrants of all backgrounds boost MI-3's communities. Some 26,000 immigrants, or about 41% of all immigrants in MI-3, are U.S. citizens. About 16,000 are lawful permanent residents, and 2,000 are temporary immigrants (including nonimmigrant visa holders and international students).

An estimated 6% of individuals in MI-3, or some 43,000, are either undocumented immigrants or live with an undocumented immigrant. Some 9,000 U.S. citizen children in MI-3 live with an undocumented parent, while some 1,000 U.S. citizen spouses are married to an undocumented immigrant. Some 13,000 undocumented individuals in MI-3 have lived in the U.S. for more than 10 years, with 9,000 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 **\$155 million annually to MI-3's economy**. They also contribute \$18 million in state and local taxes each year. 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—numbered 1,000 and contributed **\$52 million to MI-3's economy** in 2024. Meanwhile, an estimated 3,000 immigrants in MI-3 are waiting for a decision on their asylum claim, and contribute \$105 million to MI-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 **5,000 workers in MI-3's labor force, and paying an estimated \$24 million annually in state and local taxes**.

\$2.4 billion

Annual spending power

\$716 million

Annual combined taxes paid

4,000

Self-employed

29%

With college or advanced degrees

91%

Speak English

91%

Earn above the minimum needed to live