

# Immigrants Make MI-9 Stronger

*An estimated **39,000** immigrants live in MI-9, making up **5%** of the total population.*

*Immigrants live in **9%** of households in MI-9.*

Immigrants contribute to every sector of MI-9's economy. Some 6% of MI-9's labor force are immigrants, including 4% of the construction industry, 8% of manufacturing, 7% of business services, and 5% of leisure and hospitality.

About 5,000 immigrants in MI-9 work in STEM-related jobs, of which 23% are temporary immigrants on H-1B and other temporary work visas. In all, 15% of STEM degree holders in MI-9 are immigrants.

Immigrants of all backgrounds boost MI-9's communities. Some 23,000 immigrants, or about 59% of all immigrants in MI-9, are U.S. citizens. About 7,000 are lawful permanent residents, and 4,000 are temporary immigrants (including nonimmigrant visa holders and international students).

Some 13,000 are either undocumented immigrants or live with an undocumented immigrant. Some 2,000 U.S. citizen children in MI-9 live with an undocumented parent, while some 1,000 U.S. citizen spouses are married to an undocumented immigrant. Some 3,000 undocumented individuals in MI-9 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 \$41 million annually to MI-9's economy.**

An estimated 1,000 immigrants in MI-9 are waiting for a decision on their asylum claim, and contribute \$40 million to MI-9's economy annually.

**\$1.6 billion**

Annual spending power

**\$521 million**

Annual combined taxes paid

**3,000**

Self-employed

**44%**

With college or advanced degrees

**94%**

Earn above the minimum needed to live