

# Immigrants Make Montana Stronger

*An estimated **24,000** immigrants live in Montana, making up **2%** of the total population.*

*Immigrants live in **4%** of households in Montana.*

About **1,000** immigrants in Montana work in **STEM-related jobs**, of which 7% are temporary immigrants on H-1B and other temporary work visas.

**Immigrants of all backgrounds boost Montana's communities.** Some 10,000 immigrants, or about 41% of all immigrants in Montana, are U.S. citizens. About 6,000 are lawful permanent residents, and 2,000 are temporary immigrants (including nonimmigrant visa holders and international students).

**Some 9,000, are either undocumented immigrants or live with an undocumented immigrant.** Some 1,000 U.S. citizen children in Montana live with an undocumented parent, while some 1,000 U.S. citizen spouses are married to an undocumented immigrant. Some 1,000 undocumented individuals in Montana 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 1,000 and **contribute \$31 million annually to Montana's economy.** They also contribute \$4 million in state and local taxes each year. Some 100 are Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) recipients.

**\$876 million**

Annual spending power

**\$246 million**

Annual combined taxes paid

**5,000**

Self-employed

**39%**

With college or advanced degrees

**90%**

Speak English

**93%**

Earn above the minimum needed to live