

Immigrants Are Major Contributors to North Carolina's Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities Industry

*An estimated **41,000** immigrants work in North Carolina's transportation, warehousing, and utilities industry, making up **11%** of North Carolina's transportation, warehousing, and utilities workforce.*

Immigrants of all backgrounds boost North Carolina's transportation, warehousing, and utilities industry. Some 18,000 immigrants, or about 43% of all immigrants in North Carolina's transportation, warehousing, and utilities industry, are U.S. citizens. About 7,000 are lawful permanent residents, and 2,000 are temporary immigrants on a nonimmigrant visa.

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 3,000 workers in North Carolina's transportation, warehousing, and utilities industry. Some 1,000 are Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) recipients.

Temporary Protected Status (TPS) holders—immigrants who cannot safely return to their home countries—number 2,000 workers in North Carolina's transportation, warehousing, and utilities industry. Meanwhile, an estimated 3,000 immigrants working in North Carolina's transportation, warehousing, and utilities industry are waiting for a decision on their asylum claim.

Immigrant groups protected from deportation—DACA recipients, TPS holders, people seeking asylum, and those waiting for a permanent residency visa—**have access to work permits, making up an estimated 7,000 transportation, warehousing, and utilities industry workers in North Carolina.**

\$1.6 billion

Annual combined income from immigrant transportation, warehousing, and utilities industry workers

\$0.4 billion

Annual combined taxes paid by immigrant transportation, warehousing, and utilities industry workers

8,000

Self-employed immigrant transportation, warehousing, and utilities industry workers