

# Immigrants Make OR-6 Stronger

*An estimated **101,000** immigrants live in OR-6, making up **14%** of the total population.*

*Immigrants live in **21%** of households in OR-6.*

Immigrants contribute to every sector of OR-6's economy. Some 18% of OR-6's labor force are immigrants, including 23% of the construction industry, 61% of agriculture, 29% of manufacturing, 15% of business services, and 18% of leisure and hospitality.

About **5,000** immigrants in OR-6 work in **STEM-related jobs**, of which 19% are temporary immigrants on H-1B and other temporary work visas. In all, 23% of STEM degree holders in OR-6 are immigrants.

Immigrants of all backgrounds boost OR-6's communities. Some 38,000 immigrants, or about 37% of all immigrants in OR-6, are U.S. citizens. About 29,000 are lawful permanent residents, and 2,000 are temporary immigrants (including nonimmigrant visa holders and international students).

An estimated **9%** of individuals in OR-6, or some **66,000**, are either **undocumented immigrants or live with an undocumented immigrant**. Some 12,000 U.S. citizen children in OR-6 live with an undocumented parent, while some 3,000 U.S. citizen spouses are married to an undocumented immigrant. Some 20,000 undocumented individuals in OR-6 have lived in the U.S. for more than 10 years, with 13,000 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 \$131 million annually to OR-6's economy**. They also contribute \$17 million in state and local taxes each year. Some 3,000 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 \$35 million to OR-6's economy** in 2024. Meanwhile, an estimated 4,000 immigrants in OR-6 are waiting for a decision on their asylum claim, and contribute \$107 million to OR-6'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 9,000 workers in OR-6's labor force, and paying an estimated \$39 million annually in state and local taxes.**

**\$3.4 billion**

Annual spending power

**\$1.1 billion**

Annual combined taxes paid

**8,000**

Self-employed

**26%**

With college or advanced degrees

**84%**

Speak English

**86%**

Earn above the minimum needed to live