

# Immigrants Are Major Contributors to Ohio's Construction Industry

*An estimated **34,000** immigrants work in Ohio's construction industry, making up **8%** of Ohio's construction workforce.*

**Immigrants of all backgrounds boost Ohio's construction industry.** Some 9,000 immigrants, or about 25% of all immigrants in Ohio's construction industry, are U.S. citizens. About 5,000 are lawful permanent residents, and 1,000 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 2,000 workers in Ohio's construction 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 1,000 workers in Ohio's construction industry. Meanwhile, an estimated 5,000 immigrants working in Ohio's construction 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 construction industry workers in Ohio.**

**\$1.3 billion**

Annual combined income from immigrant construction industry workers

**\$358 million**

Annual combined taxes paid by immigrant construction industry workers

**10,000**

Self-employed immigrant construction industry workers