

# Immigrants Are Major Contributors to Texas's Manufacturing industry

*An estimated **467,000** immigrants work in Texas's manufacturing industry, making up **29%** of Texas's manufacturing workforce.*

**Immigrants of all backgrounds boost Texas's manufacturing industry.** Some 179,000 immigrants, or about 38% of all immigrants in Texas's manufacturing industry, are U.S. citizens. About 73,000 are lawful permanent residents, and 36,000 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 23,000 workers in Texas's manufacturing industry. Some 9,000 are Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) recipients.

**Temporary Protected Status (TPS) holders**—immigrants who cannot safely return to their home countries—number 14,000 workers in Texas's manufacturing industry. Meanwhile, an estimated 31,000 immigrants working in Texas's manufacturing 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 61,000 manufacturing industry workers in Texas.**

**\$25 billion**

Annual combined income from immigrant manufacturing industry workers

**\$8 billion**

Annual combined taxes paid by immigrant manufacturing industry workers

**19,000**

Self-employed immigrant manufacturing industry workers