

Immigrants Are Major Contributors to the U.S. Wholesale and Retail Industry

*An estimated **4,362,000** immigrants work in the U.S. wholesale and retail industry, making up **16%** of the U.S. wholesale and retail workforce.*

Immigrants of all backgrounds boost the U.S. wholesale and retail industry. Some 1,980,000 immigrants, or about 45% of all immigrants in the U.S. wholesale and retail industry, are U.S. citizens. About 833,000 are lawful permanent residents, and 171,000 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 259,000 workers in the U.S. wholesale and retail industry. Some 67,000 are Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) recipients.

Temporary Protected Status (TPS) holders—immigrants who cannot safely return to their home countries—number 126,000 workers in the U.S. wholesale and retail industry. Meanwhile, an estimated 335,000 immigrants working in the U.S. wholesale and retail 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 554,000 wholesale and retail industry workers in the U.S.**

\$159 billion

Annual combined income from immigrant wholesale and retail industry workers

\$53 billion

Annual combined taxes paid by immigrant wholesale and retail industry workers

466,000

Self-employed immigrant wholesale and retail industry workers