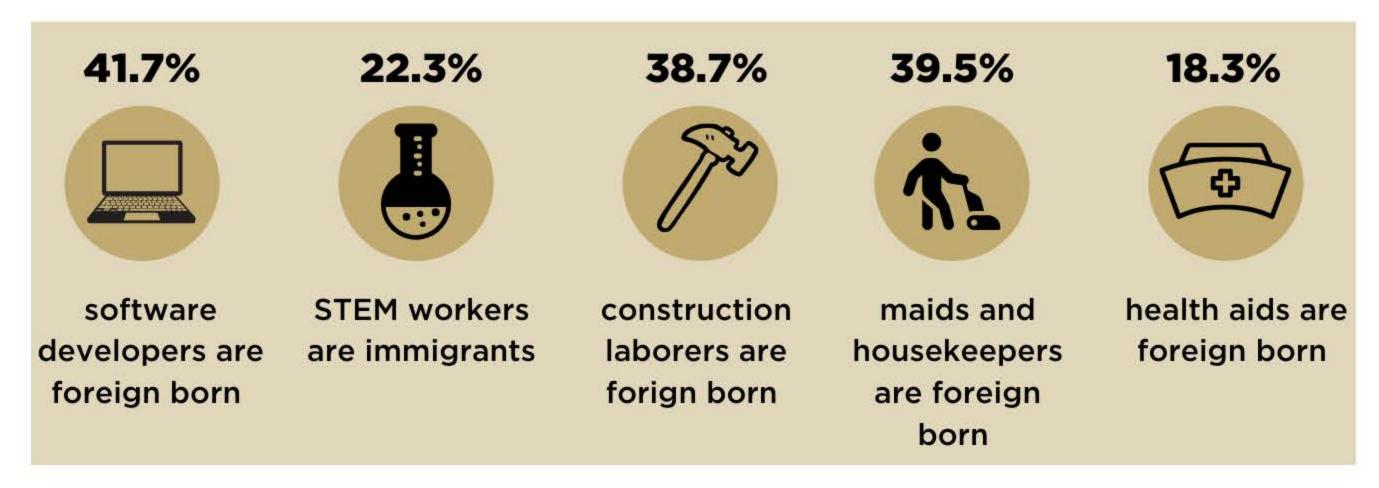


Growing Georgia's Workforce

Through strategic, targeted efforts, we can increase the number of skilled workers in our state. This will lead to better jobs, increased economic mobility, and a more prosperous state. Immigration is important to our history and an essential part of our future.



OPPORTUNITY: 81% of Georgian's believe it is important to develop state level immigration reform to address workforce issues.

Policy Recommendations:

To ensure businesses have the talent needed to restart the economy:

- Increase visas for high tech workers to support growing industries in the state.
- Reform existing H1-B visa programs to include additional skilled agriculture workers in other areas such as dairy.
- Redesign workforce programs to remove barriers as workers upskill and re-skill as new technologies and innovations create new demand for workers.

To engage more individuals in our workforce to build stronger communities:

- Enact policies that expand access to higher education for Georgia high school graduates.
- Develop tailored upskilling training programs in Rural Georgia to increase skilled talent in local communities across the state.