OFFICE OF FOREIGN LABOR CERTIFICATION

H-2B Temporary Non-Agricultural Program –
Selected Statistics, Fiscal Year (FY) 2026

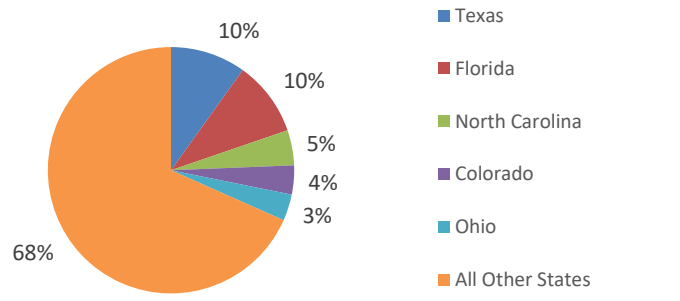
Applications Received[1]

FY 26	Q1 *(Oct-Dec)*	Q2 *(Jan-Mar)*	Q3 *(Apr-Jun)*	Q4 *(Jul-Sept)*	% Change from FY 2025
20,754	3,187	13,428	313	3,826	18.4%

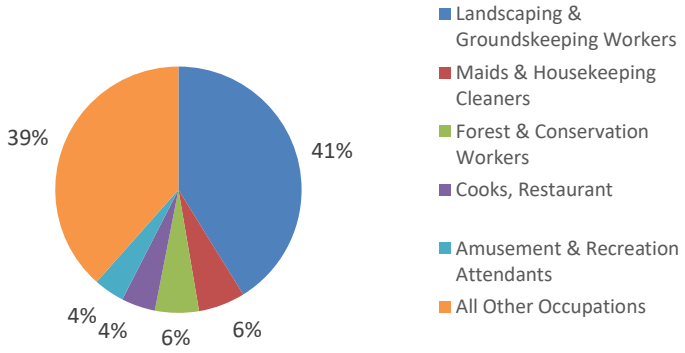
Applications Processed

Determinations	FY 26	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Total Processed	20,741	1,807	8,541	6,745	3,648
- Certified	15,686	1,594	6,191	4,726	3,175
- Denied	1,232	96	272	596	268
- Withdrawn	3,749	100	2,058	1,397	194
- Rejected	74	17	20	26	11
Positions Requested	355,550	42,945	143,190	100,653	68,762
Positions Certified	266,330	38,926	98,821	68,859	59,724
Processed Timely[2]	50.3%	82.5%	59.3%	1.7%	92.8%

Top States



Top Occupations



Review of Positions Certified FY 2026 (% of total certified FY 2026)

Top 10 States of Employment	Texas	26,355	9.9%
	Florida	26,233	9.8%
	North Carolina	12,298	4.6%
	Colorado	10,146	3.8%
	Ohio	9,269	3.5%
	South Carolina	9,258	3.5%
	Pennsylvania	9,091	3.4%
	Louisiana	8,984	3.4%
	Michigan	8,609	3.2%
	New York	8,223	3.1%
Top 10 Occupations (based on SOC Codes)	Landscaping and Groundskeeping Workers	109,664	41.2%
	Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners	16,354	6.1%
	Forest and Conservation Workers	15,345	5.8%
	Cooks, Restaurant	11,843	4.4%
	Amusement & Recreation Attendants	10,725	4.0%
	Construction Laborers	10,037	3.8%
	Meat, Poultry, and Fish Cutters and Trimmers	7,225	2.7%
	Waiters & Waitresses	7,070	2.7%
	Fast Food and Counter Workers	5,497	2.1%
	Janitors & Cleaners	5,379	2.0%
Top 10 Employers[3] (based on unique FEINs)	Landscape Workshop, LLC	2,983	1.1%
	Progressive Solutions LLC	2,316	0.9%
	Genuine Builders, Inc.	2,136	0.8%
	ABC Professional Tree Services, Inc.	2,037	0.8%
	Brightview Landscapes, LLC	1,096	0.4%
	Triple H Services, LLC	1,069	0.4%
	Rotolo Consultants, Inc	1,023	0.4%
	Smart Home Pros, Inc.	996	0.4%
	Yellowstone Landscape – Southeast, LLC	916	0.3%
	Strongwood Forestry, Inc.	846	0.3%

[1]Includes all applications submitted for processing during the reporting period.
[2]Percent of applications processed no later than 30 days before the start date of need.
[3]All calculations are aggregated based on the unique FEIN submitted by the employer. Multiple appearances of the same employer name may occur when associated with multiple FEINs.

Data as of September 30, 2026. All figures are rounded and calculated based on data submitted by employers for processing.