

OFFICE OF FOREIGN LABOR CERTIFICATION

H-2A Temporary Agricultural Labor Certification Program - Selected Statistics, FY 2017

Applications Received

| FY 2017 | Q1 | Q2 | Q3 | Q4 | % Change FY16 |
|---------|-------|-------|-------|-------|---------------|
| 10,115 | 2,355 | 4,131 | 2,438 | 1,191 | 14.9% |

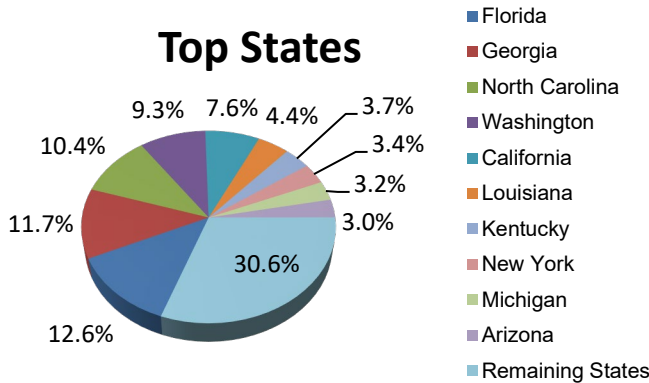
Applications Processed

| Determination | FY 2017 | Q1 | Q2 | Q3 | Q4 |
|--|---------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Total Determinations | 10,097 | 1,549 | 4,418 | 2,690 | 1,440 |
| - Certified | 9,797 | 1,495 | 4,334 | 2,601 | 1,367 |
| - Denied | 144 | 28 | 39 | 45 | 32 |
| - Withdrawn | 156 | 26 | 45 | 44 | 41 |
| Positions Requested¹ | 206,156 | 28,964 | 70,409 | 65,405 | 41,378 |
| Positions Certified | 200,049 | 28,013 | 68,834 | 62,966 | 40,236 |
| Processed Timely² | 97.6% | 98.7% | 98.0% | 97.1% | 95.9% |

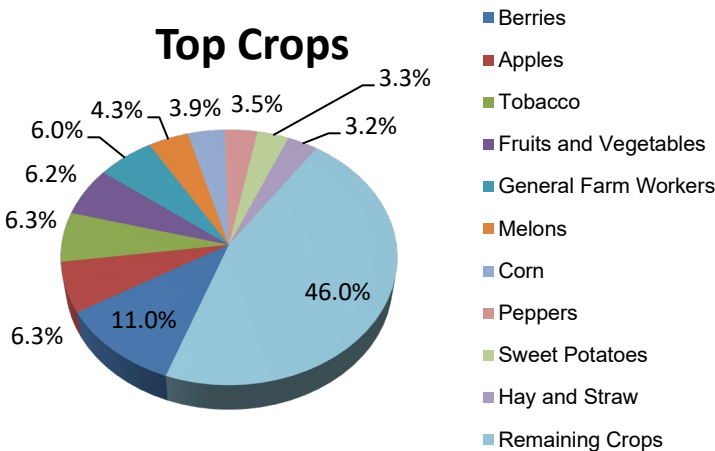
Review of Positions Certified FY 2017 (% of total certified FY 2017)

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|---------------------------------|--|--------|-------|
| Top 10 States | Florida | 25,303 | 12.6% |
| | Georgia | 23,421 | 11.7% |
| | North Carolina | 20,713 | 10.4% |
| | Washington | 18,535 | 9.3% |
| | California | 15,232 | 7.6% |
| | Louisiana | 8,875 | 4.4% |
| | Kentucky | 7,403 | 3.7% |
| | New York | 6,870 | 3.4% |
| | Michigan | 6,432 | 3.2% |
| | Arizona | 6,060 | 3.0% |
| Top 10 Employers | North Carolina Growers Association, Inc. | 11,947 | 6.0% |
| | WAFLA | 7,134 | 3.6% |
| | Fresh Harvest, Inc. | 4,623 | 2.3% |
| | Zirkle Fruit Company | 2,970 | 1.5% |
| | Elkhorn Packing Co, LLC | 2,653 | 1.3% |
| | Stemilt Ag. Services LLC. | 2,082 | 1.0% |
| | R & R Harvesting, Inc. | 1,999 | 1.0% |
| | Foothill Packing, Inc. | 1,854 | 0.9% |
| | Peri & Sons Farms, Inc. | 1,739 | 0.9% |
| | Virginia Agricultural Growers Assoc., Inc. | 1,602 | 0.8% |
| Top 10 Crops/Occupations | Berries ³ | 21,946 | 11.0% |
| | Apples ⁴ | 12,697 | 6.3% |
| | Tobacco ⁵ | 12,534 | 6.3% |
| | Fruits and Vegetables | 12,465 | 6.2% |
| | General Farm Workers | 12,037 | 6.0% |
| | Melons ⁶ | 8,535 | 4.3% |
| | Corn ⁷ | 7,818 | 3.9% |
| | Peppers ⁸ | 6,903 | 3.5% |
| | Sweet Potatoes | 6,662 | 3.3% |
| | Hay and Straw ⁹ | 6,411 | 3.2% |

Top States



Top Crops



¹ Positions requested derived from data not publicly disclosed.

² Percent of complete H-2A applications resolved 30 days before the start date of need. A complete H-2A application is defined as one containing all the documentation (e.g., housing inspection report, workers' compensation, recruitment report) necessary for the OFLC Certifying Officer to issue a final determination 30 days before the start date of need.

³Berries Category includes Primary Crops of Berries, Blackberries, Blueberries, Cranberries, Raspberries, and Strawberries.

⁴Apples Category includes Primary Crops of Apple Drops and Apples.

⁵Tobacco Category includes Primary Crops of Burley, as well as Cutting, Flue-Cured, Setting, and Stripping Tobacco.

⁶Melons Category includes Primary Crops of Cantaloupes, Melons, and Watermelons

⁷Corn Category includes Primary Crops of Corn and Sweet Corn.

⁸Peppers Category includes Primary Crops of Bell Peppers, Chili Peppers, Jalapeno Peppers, Peppers, and Sweet Peppers

⁹Hay and Straw Category includes Primary Crops of Alfalfa and Hay and Straw.