

OFFICE OF FOREIGN LABOR CERTIFICATION

Permanent Employment Program –
Selected Statistics, Fiscal Year (FY) 2026 Q2

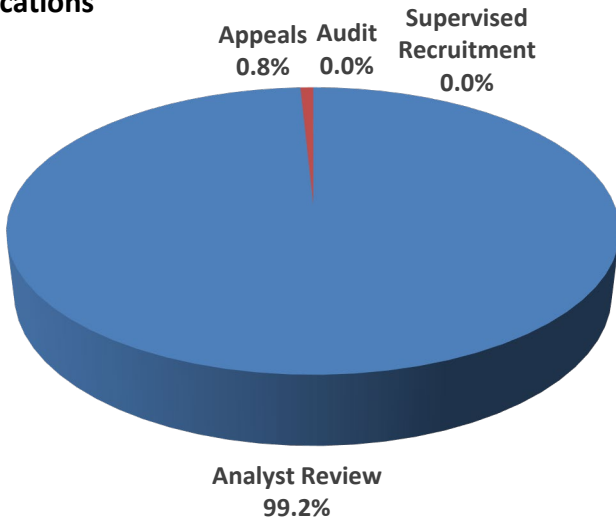
Applications Received¹

FY 26	Q1 (Oct-Dec)	Q2 (Jan-Mar)	Q3 (Apr-Jun)	Q4 (Jul-Sept)	% Change from FY 2025
55,361	30,757	24,604	--	--	0.0% ²

Applications Processed

Action	FY 26	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Certified	55,218	16,199	39,019	--	--
Denied	1,925	533	1,392	--	--
Withdrawn	2,953	1,377	1,576	--	--
Total	60,096	18,109	41,987	--	--

Processing Status of Active PERM Applications



147,884 applications remaining as of 3/31/2026

¹Includes all applications submitted for processing during the reporting period.

²Increase of only seven cases from the reporting period in FY 2025.

Review of Applications Certified FY 2026 (% of total certified FY 2026)			
Top 10 Occupations (based on SOC Group)	Software Developers	12,728	23.1%
	Computer Systems Analysts	2,565	4.6%
	Fast Food & Counter Workers	1,436	2.6%
	Data Scientists	1,401	2.5%
	Project Management Specialists	1,364	2.5%
	Medical & Clinical Laboratory Technicians	1,157	2.1%
	Meat, Poultry, & Fish Cutters & Trimmers	1,139	2.1%
	Software Quality Assurance Analysts & Testers	1,008	1.8%
	Electronics Engineers, Except Computer	831	1.5%
	Computer & Info Systems Managers	801	1.5%
Top 10 States of Employment	California	9,663	17.5%
	Texas	5,527	10.0%
	New York	4,049	7.3%
	New Jersey	2,750	5.0%
	Georgia	2,622	4.7%
	Florida	2,429	4.4%
	Illinois	2,383	4.3%
	Pennsylvania	1,816	3.3%
	Massachusetts	1,752	3.2%
	Roving Worksites	2,467	4.5%
Top 10 Industries (NAICS Code by Industry)	Professional, Scientific, & Technical Services	14,948	27.1%
	Manufacturing	9,129	16.5%
	Finance & Insurance	5,019	9.1%
	Information	4,236	7.7%
	Admin. & Support & Waste Management	3,780	6.8%
	Health Care & Social Assistance	3,469	6.3%
	Accommodation & Food Services	3,424	6.2%
	Retail Trade	2,251	4.1%
	Education Services	1,787	3.2%
	Construction	1,546	2.8%