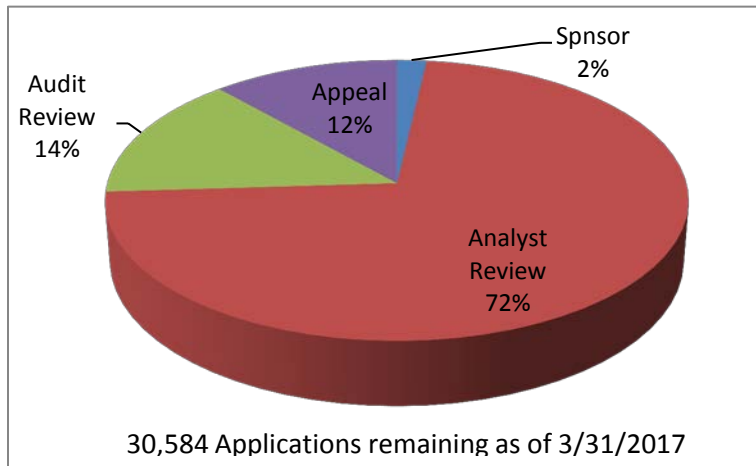# OFFICE OF FOREIGN LABOR CERTIFICATION

Permanent Labor Certification Program – Selected Statistics, FY 2017 YTD

Applications Received[1]

FYTD	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	% FY Change from FY16
48,506	22,553	25,953	-	-	+4.2%

Processing Status of Active PERM Applications

30,584 Applications remaining as of 3/31/2017

Applications Processed

Determination	FYTD	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Certified	44,727	22,513	22,214	-	-
Denied	2,988	1,454	1,534	-	-
Withdrawn	1,671	806	865	-	-

Processing Times: http://icert.doleta.gov/

- Cumulative numbers may not match the numbers on previous reports due to changes in case processing status.

- Advanced Degree is defined as Master's and/or Doctorate Degree

[1] Please note that applications received will not match posted disclosure data as this data set only includes adjudicated applications.

Review of Applications Certified FYTD

(% of total certified FY 2017TD)			
Top 5 Occupations (O*Net Job Family)	Computer and Mathematical	25,627	57%
	Architecture and Engineering	3,640	8%
	Management	3,362	8%
	Business and Financial Operations	2,632	6%
	Education, Training, and Library	1,387	3%
Top 5 Work Site States	California	10,498	23%
	Texas	5,970	13%
	New Jersey	3,728	8%
	New York	3,449	8%
	Washington	2,092	5%
Top 5 Industries (NAICS Code by Industry)	Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	33,356	75%
	Manufacturing	13,758	31%
	Information	5,877	13%
	Finance and Insurance	4,493	10%
	Retail Trade	3,774	8%
Top 5 Visa Classifications	H-1B	31,924	71%
	Blank	2,741	6%
	L-1	2,722	6%
	F-1	2,414	5%
	Not in USA	1,753	4%
Top 5 Countries of Citizenship	India	24,490	55%
	China	3,905	9%
	South Korea	2,993	7%
	Canada	1,573	4%
	Mexico	1,001	2%
Minimum Education Requirements	Advanced Degree*	20,418	46%
	Bachelor's	17,419	39%
	Less than Bachelor's	5,409	12%
	Other	1,480	3%