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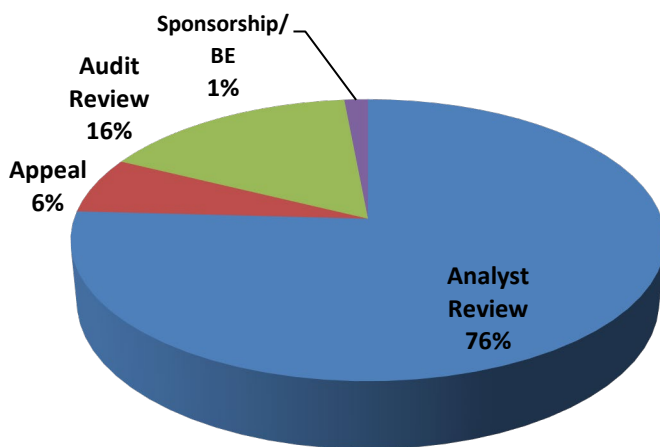## Permanent Labor Certification Program – Selected Statistics, FY 2017

Applications Received[1]					
FY 2017	**Q1**	**Q2**	**Q3**	**Q4**	**% FY Change from FY16**
105,034	22,550	25,983	30,675	25,826	8%

Processing Status of Active PERM Applications

Sponsorship/BE 1%
Audit Review 16%
Appeal 6%
Analyst Review 76%

38,819 Applications remaining as of 9/30/2017

Applications Processed					
Determination[2]	**FY 2017**	**Q1**	**Q2**	**Q3**	**Q4**
Certified	87,609	22,510	22,198	25,696	17,205
Denied	6,413	1,447	1,404	2,277	1,285
Withdrawn	3,581	806	865	1,021	889

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

Review of Applications Certified FYTD			
(% of total certified FY 2017TD)			
Top 5 Occupations (O*Net Job Family)	Computer and Mathematical	51,170	58%
	Architecture and Engineering	7,165	8%
	Management	6,309	7%
	Business and Financial Operations	5,039	6%
	Education, Training and Library	2,962	3%
Top 5 Work Site States	California	21,000	24%
	Texas	12,003	14%
	New Jersey	6,603	8%
	New York	6,551	7%
	Washington	4,815	5%
Top 5 Industries (NAICS Code by Industry)	Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	38,927	44%
	Manufacturing	13,282	15%
	Information	7,594	9%
	Finance and Insurance	5,471	6%
	Retail Trade	4,476	6%
Top 5 Visa Classifications	H-1B	62,531	71%
	L-1	5,657	6%
	Blank	5,254	6%
	F-1	5,164	6%
	Not in USA	2,953	3%
Top 5 Countries of Citizenship	India	47,959	55%
	China	7,886	9%
	South Korea	5,373	6%
	Canada	3,101	4%
	Mexico	2,031	2%
Minimum Education Requirements	Advanced Degree[3]	40,255	46%
	Bachelor's	34,557	39%
	Less than Bachelor's	10,044	11%
	Other	2,732	3%

[1]Please note that applications received will not match posted disclosure data as this data set only includes adjudicated applications.
[2]Cumulative numbers may not match the numbers on previous reports due to changes in case processing status.
[3]Advanced Degree is defined as Master's and/or Doctorate Degree