

OFFICE OF FOREIGN LABOR CERTIFICATION

H-2A Temporary Agricultural Labor Certification Program - Selected Statistics, FY 2016 YTD

Applications Received¹

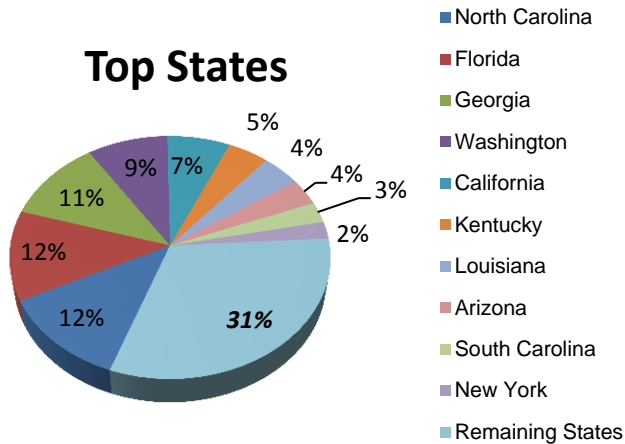
FYTD	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	% QTR Change FY15
7,762	1,755	3,861	2,146	--	17.7%

Applications Processed

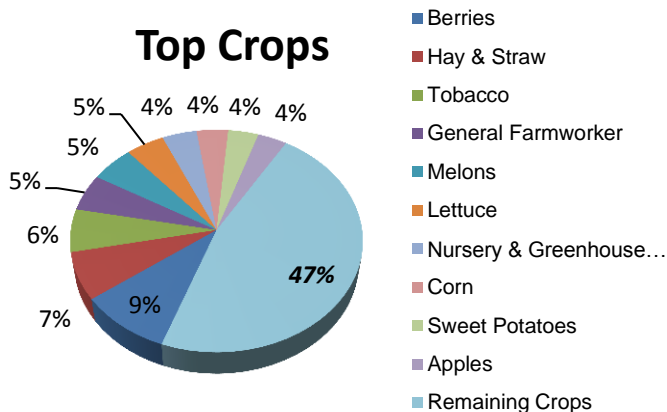
Determination	FYTD	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Total Determinations	7,392	1,147	3,653	2,592	--
- Certified	7,100	1,065	3,557	2,478	--
- Denied	151	43	54	54	--
- Withdrawn	141	39	42	60	--
Positions Requested	138,634	24,564	52,288	61,782	--
Positions Certified	133,739	23,780	50,959	59,000	--
Processed Timely²	94.4%	99.3%	90.5%	96.2%	--

Review of Positions Certified FYTD (% of total certified FY 2016)			
Top 10 States	North Carolina	16,334	12.2%
	Florida	16,059	12.0%
	Georgia	14,912	11.2%
	Washington	11,990	9.0%
	California	9,327	7.0%
	Kentucky	6,097	4.6%
	Louisiana	5,791	4.3%
	Arizona	4,737	3.5%
	South Carolina	3,702	2.8%
	New York	3,017	2.3%
Top 10 Employers	North Carolina Growers Association (NCGA)	10,619	7.9%
	Washington Farm Labor Assn. (WAFLA)	8,497	6.4%
	Fresh Harvest, Inc.	3,507	2.6%
	Zirkle Fruit Company	2,596	1.9%
	Elkhorn Packing Company	2,174	1.6%
	Rodrigo Gutierrez-Tapia	2,198	1.6%
	Virginia Agricultural Growers Assn. (VAGA)	1,642	1.2%
	R and R Harvesting, Inc.	1,585	1.2%
	Foothills Packing, Inc.	1,340	1.0%
	Triple F Harvesting, LLC	997	0.7%
Top 10 Crops/Occupations	Berries ³	12,605	9.4%
	Hay and Straw ⁴	9,249	6.9%
	Tobacco ⁵	8,372	6.3%
	General Farmworker	7,198	5.4%
	Melons ⁶	7,103	5.3%
	Lettuce ⁷	6,264	4.7%
	Nursery and Greenhouse Workers	5,626	4.2%
	Corn ⁸	5,165	3.9%
	Apples ⁹	4,954	3.7%
	Sweet Potatoes	4,762	3.6%

Top States



Top Crops



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

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, recruitment report) necessary for the OFLC Certifying Officer to issue a final determination 30 days before the start date of need.

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

⁴Hay and Straw Category includes of listed Primary Crops of Alfalfa and Hay and Straw

⁵Tobacco Category includes of listed Primary Crops of Air-Cured, Burley, Cutting, Flue-Cured, Setting, Stripping and Tobacco

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

⁷Lettuce Category includes of listed Primary Crops of Iceberg, Lettuce and Romaine

⁸Corn Category includes of listed Primary Crops of Corn and Sweet Corn

⁹Apples Category includes of listed Primary Crops of Apple Drops, Apples, Dwarf Apples, and Granny Apples