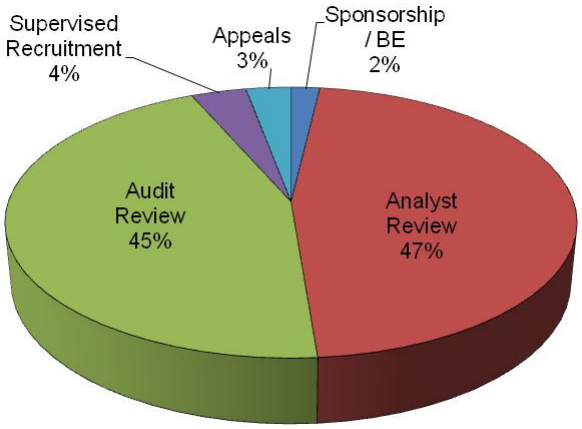
OFFICE OF FOREIGN LABOR CERTIFICATION

Permanent Labor Certification Program – Selected Statistics, FY 2012 YTD

Applications Received				
YTD Oct. 1, 2011 – Sep. 16, 2012	Oct. 1 – Dec. 31, 2011	Jan. 1 – Mar. 31, 2012	Apr. 1 – Jun. 30, 2012	Jul. 1 – Sep. 16, 2012
67,400	13,300	17,100	21,200	15,800

Processing Status of Active PERM Applications



(23,700 applications as of Sept. 16, 2012)

Applications Processed	YTD Oct. 1, 2011 – Sep. 16, 2012*	Oct. 1 – Dec. 31, 2011	Jan. 1 – Mar. 31, 2012	Apr. 1 – Jun. 30, 2012	Jul. 1 – Sep. 16, 2012
Certified	51,600	9,500	7,100	17,200	17,800
Denied	7,800	2,900	2,100	1,900	2,100
Withdrawn	3,200	600	800	1,100	800

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

*Cumulative numbers for the fiscal year to date will not necessarily reflect the sum of the quarter numbers due to changes in processing status. These numbers may not match the numbers on previous reports due to changes in calculations and criteria.
All numbers and percentages are rounded and provided for reference only.
**Advanced Degree is defined as Master's and/or Doctorate Degree.

Review of Applications Certified FY 2012 (% of total certified between Oct. 1, 2011 to Sep. 16, 2012)			
Top 5 Occupations (O*Net Job Family)	Computer / Math	27,800	54%
	Architecture / Engineering	5,300	10%
	Management	4,600	9%
	Business / Financial	3,300	6%
	Healthcare Practitioners & Technical	2,900	6%
Top 5 Work Site States	California	11,400	22%
	New Jersey	5,200	10%
	New York	4,400	9%
	Texas	4,400	9%
	Washington	3,000	6%
Top 5 Industries (NAICS Code by Industry)	IT Related	22,600	44%
	Manufacturing	7,700	15%
	Information, Media, Telecommunication	4,500	9%
	Education	3,600	7%
	Finance and Insurance	3,200	6%
Top 5 Visa Classifications	H-1B, H-1B1	42,200	82%
	Blank	2,300	4%
	L-1	2,100	4%
	F-1	1,400	3%
	Parolee	900	2%
Top 5 Countries of Citizenship	India	28,700	56%
	China	3,100	6%
	Canada	2,600	5%
	South Korea	2,500	5%
	Philippines	1,400	3%
Minimum Education Requirements	Advanced Degree**	27,000	52%
	Bachelor's Degree	19,900	39%
	Other	2,700	5%
	Less than Bachelor's	2,000	4%

All figures are rounded and not audited

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