

Number of Form I-140, Immigrant Petition for Alien Worker Petitions Received and Current Status for All Countries
By Fiscal Year Received and Current Status
Fiscal Years 2013 to 2023 (Q1-Q3)



Petitions by Employment Preference	Fiscal Year Received											TOTAL
	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	
TOTAL	71,574	87,021	102,926	147,622	139,402	137,525	148,436	129,546	178,814	165,310	137,731	1,445,907
Approved	64,503	79,357	94,063	134,230	124,997	124,111	135,179	120,033	169,057	153,430	107,531	1,306,491
Denied	6,514	6,951	8,117	11,175	12,444	12,643	12,640	9,047	8,745	9,257	4,821	102,354
Pending, Other ¹	557	713	746	2,217	1,961	771	617	466	1,012	2,623	25,379	37,062
First Preference (EB1)												
Total Petitions	20,025	22,591	24,488	28,415	31,778	28,296	24,043	21,319	21,979	25,889	26,903	275,726
Approved	17,600	19,826	21,805	25,073	27,126	23,137	19,379	17,461	18,453	21,472	17,964	229,296
Denied	2,407	2,702	2,647	3,283	4,603	5,123	4,624	3,803	3,237	3,332	2,074	37,835
Pending, Other ¹	18	63	36	59	49	36	40	55	289	1,085	6,865	8,595
<i>Approvals by Category</i>												
Aliens with Extraordinary Ability (E11)	4,219	4,965	5,920	7,206	8,449	7,175	4,679	4,207	5,368	6,965	5,894	65,047
Outstanding Professors or Researchers (E12)	3,239	3,370	3,611	3,538	3,814	3,652	3,003	2,600	3,394	3,890	3,528	37,639
Multinational Executives or Managers (E13)	10,142	11,491	12,274	14,329	14,863	12,310	11,697	10,654	9,691	10,617	8,542	126,610
Second Preference (EB2)												
Total Petitions	40,758	48,642	58,208	81,808	69,854	69,674	78,002	67,464	70,482	84,358	66,724	735,974
Approved	38,274	45,900	54,953	77,643	66,009	66,108	73,849	63,948	66,816	78,882	51,275	683,657
Denied	2,478	2,729	3,245	4,149	3,822	3,552	4,122	3,431	3,365	4,375	2,229	37,497
Pending, Other ¹	6	13	10	16	23	14	31	85	301	1,101	13,220	14,820
<i>Approvals by Category</i>												
Professionals with Advanced Degrees (E21) ²	34,041	41,178	49,462	71,707	59,040	59,012	63,568	51,798	54,733	61,499	35,546	581,584
Third Preference (EB3)												
Total Petitions	9,555	14,624	18,733	34,179	35,125	38,352	45,572	40,369	86,014	54,674	43,811	421,008
Approved	8,631	13,627	17,303	31,511	31,857	34,854	41,950	38,624	83,788	53,076	38,292	393,513
Denied	920	984	1,417	2,606	3,157	3,419	3,575	1,710	2,045	1,459	485	21,777
Pending, Other ¹	4	13	13	62	111	79	47	35	181	139	5,034	5,718
<i>Approvals by Category</i>												
Skilled Workers (E31)	3,628	3,760	7,800	11,236	11,969	11,873	15,807	14,798	15,839	19,213	17,217	133,140
Professionals with Baccalaureate Degrees (E32)	4,600	9,528	8,458	16,890	16,349	18,819	20,590	17,620	60,786	24,610	14,409	212,659
Needed Unskilled Workers (EW3)	403	339	1,045	3,385	3,539	4,162	5,553	6,206	7,163	9,253	6,666	47,714
Other and Unknown³												
Approved	-	-	1	4	2	7	-	-	-	-	-	14
Denied	-	-	-	1	1	6	-	-	-	-	-	9
Pending, Other ¹	-	-	-	3	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	5

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By Fiscal Year Received and Current Status
Fiscal Years 2013 to 2023 (Q1-Q3)



Petitions by Employment Preference	Fiscal Year Received											TOTAL
	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	
TOTAL	31,846	38,085	47,715	70,025	62,351	58,617	64,916	52,922	96,516	72,579	48,280	643,852
Approved	28,979	35,222	43,962	65,263	58,145	54,887	61,638	50,530	93,344	70,486	41,630	604,086
Denied	2,767	2,754	3,671	4,615	4,074	3,634	3,199	2,321	2,959	1,811	648	32,453
Pending, Other ¹	100	109	82	147	132	96	79	71	213	282	6,002	7,313
First Preference (EB1)												
Total Petitions	5,104	6,896	6,722	8,506	9,421	8,753	7,875	6,980	8,157	9,003	9,158	86,575
Approved	4,634	6,368	6,127	7,736	8,498	7,579	6,884	6,194	7,238	8,043	6,648	75,949
Denied	468	525	594	767	914	1,170	982	778	884	797	452	8,331
Pending, Other ¹	2	3	1	3	9	4	9	8	35	163	2,058	2,295
Approvals by Category												
Aliens with Extraordinary Ability (E11)	632	821	942	1,128	1,392	1,264	944	893	1,376	1,651	1,230	12,273
Outstanding Professors or Researchers (E12)	948	985	1,020	1,077	1,134	1,228	931	840	1,229	1,344	1,183	11,919
Multinational Executives or Managers (E13)	3,054	4,562	4,165	5,531	5,972	5,087	5,009	4,461	4,633	5,048	4,235	51,757
Second Preference (EB2)												
Total Petitions	22,404	26,630	33,810	50,533	43,538	41,083	45,116	36,417	38,971	46,527	29,347	414,376
Approved	20,940	25,026	31,583	47,576	41,004	39,214	43,509	35,242	37,962	45,766	26,065	393,887
Denied	1,462	1,598	2,226	2,950	2,521	1,867	1,601	1,169	983	715	138	17,230
Pending, Other ¹	2	6	1	7	13	2	6	6	26	46	3,144	3,259
Approvals by Category												
Professionals with Advanced Degrees (E21) ²	20,421	24,449	30,866	46,924	40,340	38,605	42,715	34,108	36,830	44,656	25,005	384,919
Third Preference (EB3)												
Total Petitions	3,759	4,137	6,778	10,618	9,185	8,613	11,799	9,441	49,273	16,936	9,700	140,239
Approved	3,405	3,828	6,251	9,951	8,643	8,094	11,245	9,094	48,144	16,677	8,917	134,249
Denied	351	308	524	662	540	519	550	344	1,039	245	49	5,131
Pending, Other ¹	3	1	3	5	2	-	4	3	90	14	734	859
Approvals by Category												
Skilled Workers (E31)	1,414	1,241	3,054	4,010	4,236	2,924	3,940	3,342	4,714	3,827	2,027	34,729
Professionals with Baccalaureate Degrees (E32)	1,978	2,580	3,188	5,915	4,389	5,145	7,254	5,731	43,391	12,818	6,877	99,266
Needed Unskilled Workers (EW3)	13	7	9	26	18	25	51	21	39	32	13	254
Other and Unknown³												
Approved	-	-	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	3
Denied	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
Pending, Other ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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 By Fiscal Year Received and Current Status
 Fiscal Years 2013 to 2023 (Q1-Q3)



Petitions by Employment Preference	Fiscal Year Received											TOTAL
	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	
TOTAL	7,635	12,616	11,602	16,987	17,497	18,698	20,491	20,041	24,709	19,936	18,257	188,469
Approved	6,983	11,718	10,701	15,322	15,645	16,755	18,161	18,225	23,217	18,164	14,158	169,049
Denied	573	748	688	1,077	1,497	1,814	2,234	1,741	1,342	1,411	970	14,095
Pending, Other ¹	79	150	213	588	355	129	96	75	150	361	3,129	5,325
First Preference (EB1)												
Total Petitions	3,663	4,380	4,799	5,260	6,055	5,928	5,597	4,374	4,403	5,626	6,867	56,952
Approved	3,250	3,821	4,307	4,612	4,944	4,514	3,747	2,982	3,377	4,252	4,224	44,030
Denied	408	523	468	608	1,093	1,412	1,836	1,364	935	1,116	840	10,603
Pending, Other ¹	5	36	24	40	18	2	14	28	91	258	1,803	2,319
<i>Approvals by Category</i>												
Aliens with Extraordinary Ability (E11)	1,416	1,788	2,087	2,363	2,707	2,368	1,754	1,304	1,614	2,264	2,325	21,990
Outstanding Professors or Researchers (E12)	1,354	1,404	1,487	1,318	1,337	1,314	1,172	1,024	1,329	1,527	1,473	14,739
Multinational Executives or Managers (E13)	480	629	733	931	900	832	821	654	434	461	426	7,301
Second Preference (EB2)												
Total Petitions	3,448	4,068	5,136	7,517	6,413	8,206	10,823	10,895	9,883	10,241	8,963	85,593
Approved	3,355	3,965	5,052	7,358	6,210	7,964	10,527	10,598	9,612	9,958	7,734	82,333
Denied	93	102	83	154	199	241	296	288	251	230	120	2,057
Pending, Other ¹	-	1	1	5	4	1	-	9	20	53	1,109	1,203
<i>Approvals by Category</i>												
Professionals with Advanced Degrees (E21) ²	2,524	3,291	4,339	6,618	5,442	7,191	8,543	7,915	7,622	7,331	5,284	66,100
Third Preference (EB3)												
Total Petitions	403	4,006	1,394	3,551	4,674	4,435	3,980	4,730	10,385	4,026	2,355	43,939
Approved	378	3,932	1,342	3,352	4,490	4,277	3,887	4,645	10,228	3,954	2,200	42,685
Denied	25	71	51	162	143	134	86	84	149	56	7	968
Pending, Other ¹	-	3	1	37	41	24	7	1	8	16	148	286
<i>Approvals by Category</i>												
Skilled Workers (E31)	84	96	173	380	363	343	416	371	470	358	380	3,434
Professionals with Baccalaureate Degrees (E32)	257	3,808	1,074	2,688	3,917	3,746	3,284	4,159	9,641	3,347	1,781	37,702
Needed Unskilled Workers (EW3)	37	28	95	284	210	188	187	115	117	249	39	1,549
Other and Unknown³												
Approved	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Denied	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pending, Other ⁴	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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 Fiscal Years 2013 to 2023 (Q1-Q3)



Petitions by Employment Preference	Fiscal Year Received											TOTAL
	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	
TOTAL	3,039	3,099	4,347	4,708	5,248	5,418	7,910	7,124	6,147	10,332	10,834	68,206
Approved	2,615	2,685	3,688	3,731	3,746	3,927	6,341	6,810	5,910	9,998	9,450	58,901
Denied	366	366	602	894	1,419	1,391	1,471	295	186	288	136	7,414
Pending, Other ¹	58	48	57	83	83	100	98	19	51	46	1,248	1,891
First Preference (EB1)												
Total Petitions	106	128	101	116	145	160	106	93	90	101	98	1,244
Approved	88	99	81	93	113	138	90	80	81	79	59	1,001
Denied	18	29	20	23	32	22	16	13	8	9	6	196
Pending, Other ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	13	33	47
Approvals by Category												
Aliens with Extraordinary Ability (E11)	11	23	11	12	21	16	12	8	16	15	11	156
Outstanding Professors or Researchers (E12)	5	3	5	4	7	-	6	5	2	4	1	42
Multinational Executives or Managers (E13)	72	73	65	77	85	122	72	67	63	60	47	803
Second Preference (EB2)												
Total Petitions	1,562	1,377	1,097	1,332	1,019	772	586	407	373	380	198	9,103
Approved	1,357	1,179	944	1,108	824	632	450	377	355	362	140	7,728
Denied	203	197	153	222	193	140	134	29	18	16	14	1,319
Pending, Other ¹	2	1	-	2	2	-	2	1	-	2	44	56
Approvals by Category												
Professionals with Advanced Degrees (E21) ²	1,306	1,124	900	1,065	787	598	408	344	316	306	107	7,261
Third Preference (EB3)												
Total Petitions	1,263	1,513	2,947	2,994	3,865	4,349	7,101	6,605	5,666	9,835	10,519	56,657
Approved	1,170	1,407	2,663	2,530	2,809	3,156	5,801	6,353	5,474	9,557	9,251	50,171
Denied	93	104	282	464	1,048	1,191	1,295	249	157	260	112	5,255
Pending, Other ¹	-	2	2	-	8	2	5	3	35	18	1,156	1,231
Approvals by Category												
Skilled Workers (E31)	673	916	1,934	1,486	2,006	2,350	4,711	5,047	4,294	7,264	7,778	38,459
Professionals with Baccalaureate Degrees (E32)	433	450	666	790	542	582	630	635	608	1,150	808	7,294
Needed Unskilled Workers (EW3)	64	41	63	254	261	224	460	671	572	1,143	665	4,418
Other and Unknown³												
Approved	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1
Denied	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pending, Other ⁴	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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Petitions by Employment Preference	Fiscal Year Received											TOTAL
	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	
TOTAL	852	1,015	1,324	2,059	2,640	3,416	4,271	4,583	5,440	7,179	7,607	40,386
Approved	751	893	1,201	1,870	2,323	2,730	3,303	3,615	4,334	5,374	3,957	30,351
Denied	92	111	110	177	299	669	949	917	972	1,312	753	6,361
Pending, Other ¹	9	11	13	12	18	17	19	51	134	493	2,897	3,674
First Preference (EB1)												
Total Petitions	451	497	751	1,033	1,347	1,303	1,019	1,080	1,063	1,173	1,090	10,807
Approved	387	430	683	915	1,150	1,057	849	906	885	975	679	8,916
Denied	62	67	67	118	197	244	169	170	156	125	71	1,446
Pending, Other ¹	2	-	1	-	-	2	1	4	22	73	340	445
Approvals by Category												
Aliens with Extraordinary Ability (E11)	59	98	150	226	325	351	194	219	250	346	187	2,405
Outstanding Professors or Researchers (E12)	22	25	24	21	41	31	35	39	29	58	50	375
Multinational Executives or Managers (E13)	306	307	509	668	784	675	620	648	606	571	442	6,136
Second Preference (EB2)												
Total Petitions	267	361	356	577	644	1,265	2,034	2,306	2,873	4,196	4,921	19,800
Approved	254	337	340	555	572	896	1,334	1,593	2,031	2,697	1,960	12,569
Denied	12	24	16	22	72	368	693	676	745	1,107	651	4,386
Pending, Other ¹	1	-	-	-	-	1	7	37	97	392	2,310	2,845
Approvals by Category												
Professionals with Advanced Degrees (E21) ²	199	281	288	472	353	444	406	385	490	452	270	4,040
Third Preference (EB3)												
Total Petitions	127	142	202	426	625	821	1,201	1,183	1,490	1,786	1,583	9,586
Approved	110	126	178	400	601	775	1,120	1,116	1,418	1,702	1,318	8,864
Denied	17	16	24	26	24	45	81	67	70	78	31	479
Pending, Other ¹	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	2	6	234	243
Approvals by Category												
Skilled Workers (E31)	48	39	62	132	202	242	339	319	440	409	321	2,553
Professionals with Baccalaureate Degrees (E32)	58	84	108	251	348	426	602	429	414	368	300	3,388
Needed Unskilled Workers (EW3)	4	3	8	17	51	107	179	368	564	925	697	2,923
Other and Unknown³												
Approved	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	2
Denied	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pending, Other ⁴	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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By Fiscal Year Received and Current Status
Fiscal Years 2013 to 2023 (Q1-Q3)



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Petitions by Employment Preference	Fiscal Year Received											TOTAL
	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	
TOTAL	3,497	3,865	5,523	9,549	7,679	6,443	5,654	4,816	4,550	4,728	3,791	60,095
Approved	3,098	3,339	4,856	7,747	6,382	5,772	5,026	4,328	4,229	4,330	2,981	52,088
Denied	351	436	557	1,133	897	600	594	463	284	317	108	5,740
Pending, Other ¹	48	90	110	669	400	71	34	25	37	81	702	2,267
First Preference (EB1)												
Total Petitions	692	571	656	744	715	653	514	441	438	536	485	6,445
Approved	584	448	559	644	596	537	404	355	369	453	334	5,283
Denied	108	123	97	100	119	116	110	86	61	59	27	1,006
Pending, Other ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	24	124	156
<i>Approvals by Category</i>												
Aliens with Extraordinary Ability (E11)	151	114	159	190	214	201	104	101	100	125	93	1,552
Outstanding Professors or Researchers (E12)	66	51	69	85	103	74	52	29	53	65	62	709
Multinational Executives or Managers (E13)	367	283	331	369	279	262	248	225	216	263	179	3,022
Second Preference (EB2)												
Total Petitions	2,096	2,315	2,696	2,977	2,477	2,347	2,345	2,315	2,056	2,044	1,685	25,353
Approved	1,953	2,145	2,488	2,740	2,204	2,131	2,025	2,009	1,857	1,842	1,242	22,636
Denied	143	170	206	237	272	215	320	303	180	176	61	2,283
Pending, Other ¹	-	-	2	-	1	1	-	3	19	26	382	434
<i>Approvals by Category</i>												
Professionals with Advanced Degrees (E21) ²	1,386	1,486	1,684	1,879	1,193	1,128	988	718	797	696	397	12,352
Third Preference (EB3)												
Total Petitions	617	840	1,959	4,913	3,911	3,287	2,724	2,027	2,043	2,128	1,612	26,061
Approved	561	746	1,809	4,362	3,582	3,103	2,597	1,964	2,003	2,035	1,405	24,167
Denied	56	94	146	542	307	166	123	63	39	80	19	1,635
Pending, Other ¹	-	-	4	9	22	18	4	-	1	13	188	259
<i>Approvals by Category</i>												
Skilled Workers (E31)	310	378	738	1,465	1,058	858	718	562	526	564	563	7,740
Professionals with Baccalaureate Degrees (E32)	195	238	496	1,170	1,138	1,247	1,086	852	930	845	514	8,711
Needed Unskilled Workers (EW3)	56	130	575	1,727	1,386	998	793	550	547	626	328	7,716
Other and Unknown³												
Approved	-	-	-	3	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	4
Denied	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	2
Pending, Other ⁴	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2

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