

# H-2B Visa Program Reporting: Top 15 Petitioners

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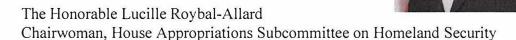
# Message from the Acting Director

June 29, 2021

I am pleased to submit the following report, "H–2B Visa Program Reporting: Top 15 Petitioners," which was prepared by U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS).

This document was compiled pursuant to direction in the Joint Explanatory Statement and House Report 116-458, which accompany the Fiscal Year (FY) 2021 Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Appropriations Act (P.L. 116-260).

This report is being provided to the following Members of Congress:



The Honorable Chuck Fleischmann Ranking Member, House Appropriations Subcommittee on Homeland Security

The Honorable Chris Murphy Chair, Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on Homeland Security

The Honorable Shelly Moore Capito Ranking Member, Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on Homeland Security

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If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (240)-721-4002.

Sincerely,

Tracy L. Renaud Acting Director

U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services

# **Executive Summary**

This report fulfills the direction set forth in the Joint Explanatory Statement and in House Report 116-458, both accompanying the FY 2021 DHS Appropriations Act (P.L. 116-260). It provides a list of the top 15 H-2B petitioners by the number of approved workers in FY 2020. USCIS published the FY 2020 annual report on the "Characteristics of H-2B Nonagricultural Temporary Workers" on USCIS's public website.<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See <a href="https://www.uscis.gov/sites/default/files/document/reports/H-2B-FY20-Characteristics-Report.pdf">https://www.uscis.gov/sites/default/files/document/reports/H-2B-FY20-Characteristics-Report.pdf</a>. Accessed 3/29/2021.



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# I. Legislative Language

This report fulfills the direction set forth in the Joint Explanatory Statement and House Report 116-458, which accompany the Fiscal Year (FY) 2021 Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Appropriations Act (P.L. 116-260).

The Joint Explanatory Statement includes the following statement:

*H-2B Visa Program Reporting*.—Not later than 120 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Department shall provide a report to the Committees on the distribution of H-2B visas, which should contain, but not be limited to, a tabulation of the percent of overall visas issued to the top 15 employers.

House Report 116-458 states:

*H-2B Visa Program Reporting.*—Within 120 days of the date of enactment of this Act, the Department shall report to the Committee on the distribution of visas granted through the H-2B program. The report should contain, but not be limited to, a tabulation of the percent of overall visas issued to the top 15 employers.

# II. Background

This report fulfills the requirement set forth in the Joint Explanatory Statement and House Report 116-458, both accompanying the FY 2021 DHS Appropriations Act (P.L. 116-260). This report provides a list of the top 15 H-2B petitioners by the number of approved workers in FY 2020. USCIS also notes that USCIS published the FY 2020 annual "Characteristics of H-2B Nonagricultural Temporary Workers" report on USCIS's public website. The report provides, among other things, information on H-2B visas issued by the Department of State, by countries of nationality and by occupations, and information on the visas revoked or otherwise terminated.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> See <a href="https://www.uscis.gov/sites/default/files/document/reports/H-2B-FY20-Characteristics-Report.pdf">https://www.uscis.gov/sites/default/files/document/reports/H-2B-FY20-Characteristics-Report.pdf</a>. Accessed 3/29/2021.

# III. Data Report: Top 15 H-2B Petitioners

Table 1 below shows the top 15 companies, by the number of approved workers, that submitted petitions for H-2B workers in FY 2020. In addition, the table shows the number of petitions filed by all other companies. In total, the top 15 petitioners were approved for 12,816 workers or about 14 percent of all approved H-2B workers in FY 2020. Note that the number of approved beneficiaries may not reflect the number of workers ultimately issued visas by the Department of State (DOS) or that acquired H-2B status because, among other reasons, some positions may not have been filled, some approved workers may not have received a visa from DOS, or some workers ultimately may not have traveled to the United States.

Table 1: Top 15 H-2B Employers, FY 2020

Last Four Digits of		Petitioner's	Number of Approved
the Tax ID Number	Petitioner (Company) Name	State	Beneficiaries
2463	TRIDENT SEAFOODS CORP	Washington	1,852
7036	PROGRESSIVE SOLUTIONS LLC	Arkansas	1,401
	IMPERIAL PACIFIC		
	INTERNATIONAL		
	COMMONWEALTH OF THE	Northern	
	NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS	Mariana	
2760	LLC	Islands	1,092
7126	UNISEA INC	Washington	977
4879	ALPHA SERVICES LLC	Idaho	938
	FAITH FORESTRY SERVICES		
8309	INC	Mississippi	933
2025	SILVER BAY SEAFOODS LLC	Washington	798
2180	ICICLE SEAFOODS INC	Washington	749
6456	PETER PAN SEAFOODS INC	Washington	664
	BVL3834 BRIGHTVIEW		
4313	LANDSCAPES LLC	Pennsylvania	625
5468	ISCIN LLC	Texas	600
	CORE TECH CONSTRUCTION		
0454	CORP	Guam	576
3151	GREAT ARROW BUILDERS LLC	Pennsylvania	566
	ABC PROFESSIONAL TREE		
6297	SERVICES INC	Virginia	546
4616	BLACK CONSTRUCTION CORP	Guam	499
All Other Companies			79,899
<b>Grand Total</b>			$92,715^3$

Source: USCIS. Data are as of March 2021.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> The number of approved beneficiaries is more than the 66,000 cap because not all beneficiaries who are approved will receive a visa and/or will be admitted to the United States in H-2B status. USCIS utilizes historical data related to approvals, denials, revocations, and other relevant factors to determine whether it has received a sufficient number of petitions to ensure that the statutory cap will be met but not exceeded. See 8 CFR § 214.2(h)(8)(vii).