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Provides services through local government, community and technical colleges, refugee resettlement agencies, ethnic community-based organizations, and other service provider agencies to help people from refugee and immigrant backgrounds achieve economic stability and integrate into local communities.

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ORIA Program Overview

The Office of Refugee and Immigrant Assistance (ORIA) uses federal and state resources to administer 21 different programs across the state that help people who are eligible for federal refugee resettlement services or who are receiving cash or food assistance and are limited English proficient to achieve economic stability and integrate into life in the United States. Data provided in this section highlights four prominent ORIA programs:

- **The Limited English Proficient (LEP) Pathway** – As part of the Washington WorkFirst program, ORIA partners with 19 different organizations to provide employment services and 17 organizations to offer vocational English language programs. Employment services include activities such as job skills training, job search, employment placement, and retention assistance. English as a Second Language (ESL) classes are offered by colleges and community-based organizations and are based on the student's skill level. Curricula is focused on lessons that help participants gain the vocabulary needed in the workplace and other areas of their lives. Participants eligible for the LEP Pathway program may be recipients of ESA's cash assistance programs, such as Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF), State Family Assistance (SFA), or Refugee Cash Assistance (RCA), or have a refugee or humanitarian immigrant status and have been in the country less than five years.

- **The Naturalization Services (NS) Program** – Assists with the application and preparation process to help low-income permanent residents become U.S. citizens. ORIA partners with the City of Seattle's New Americans Program and 15 community-based organizations. Services include preparing the application and fee waiver requests, assistance in obtaining test exemptions when appropriate, and interview preparation. Providers offer classes in American history and civics, as well as English language training needed for the citizenship test.

- **Promoting Refugee Integration, Mobility and Empowerment (PRIME) Program** – Provides employment services to refugees and immigrants who receive federal Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits and are not receiving federal cash assistance, such as TANF or RCA. The services promote their integration into new communities and increase their mobility through coaching on how to independently navigate community systems and resources. Participants use the knowledge gained to empower themselves and rebuild their lives as they fulfill their dreams or goals.

- **ORIA Basic Food Employment and Training (BFET) Program** – Provides employment services to refugees and immigrants who are not receiving federal cash assistance, such as TANF or RCA, but receive federal SNAP benefits. Individuals who have active SNAP benefits are eligible for Washington's BFET program. Participation is voluntary and may include job search, job search training (soft skills), educational services (adult basic education and ESL), workforce skills training (vocational education), assistance with establishing small businesses, post-employment services, support services, and other employment opportunities.

Additional information, including the eligibility criteria, funding sources, and services/benefits provided, is available in the **Program Descriptions** section of the Briefing Book.

Highlights

In SFY 2025, the LEP Pathway Program served a total of **12,372** unduplicated clients. Out of those served, **7,792** clients (63.0%) participated in Employment Services, of which **3,207** (41.2%) successfully entered employment, and **7,627** (61.6%) clients received English as a Second Language (ESL) services.

In SFY 2025, the Naturalization Service Program served a total of **4,071** clients and helped **1,763** people become U.S. citizens.

In SFY 2025, the PRIME Program served a total of **3,819** clients.

In SFY 2025, ESA's BFET program served a total of **715** clients through ORIA.

TECHNICAL NOTES

DATA SOURCES: Data reported in this chapter were extracted from the ESA – MyRIA and eJAS databases between October and December 2025.

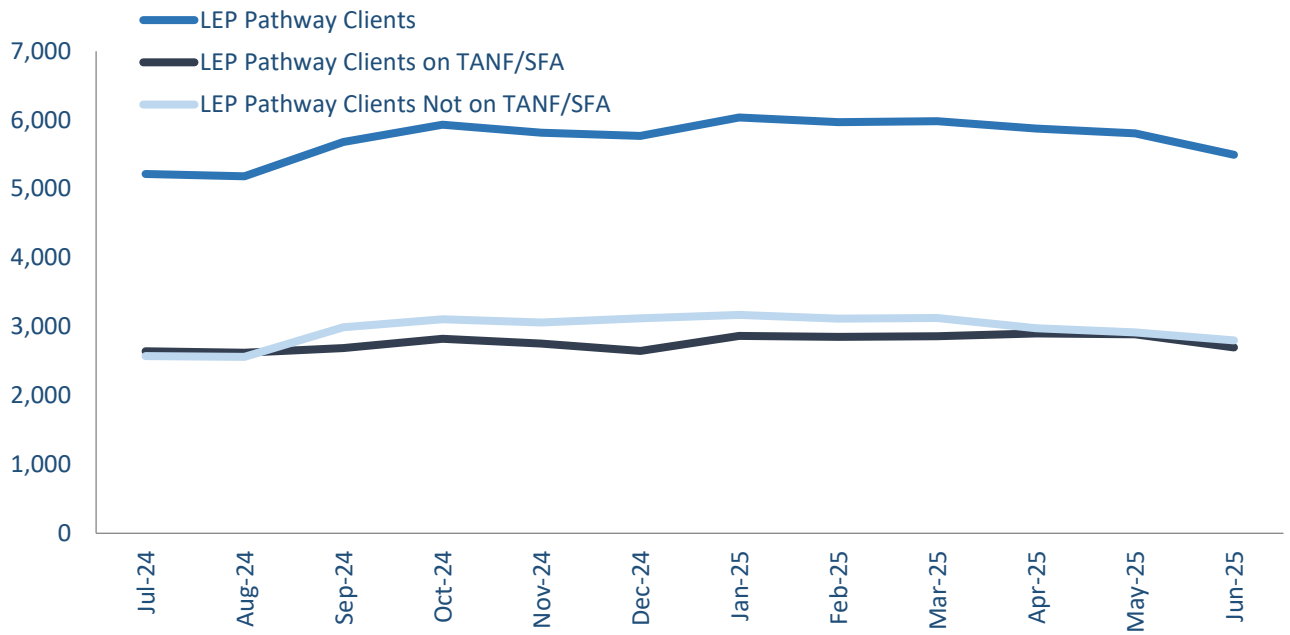
DATA NOTES:

- Percentages may not add up to expected totals due to rounding.
- Regional reports present the number of clients served by ORIA service providers in each DSHS region. A client's residence and service provider are usually in the same region.
- Primary language results are based on the client's self-reported data in ESA's ACES database.
- Primary language is the language in which the client wishes to communicate with DSHS, as indicated on the client's application or eligibility review.

Selected ORIA Program Overview, SFY 2024 and SFY 2025

	SFY 2024 (July 2023-June 2024)	SFY 2025 (July 2024-June 2025)	Change
Average Number of LEP Pathway Clients Per Month & Range	5,590 (5,139 - 5,859)	5,731 (5,184 - 6,038)	*2.5% (Increase)*
Average Number of LEP Pathway Clients on TANF/SFA Per Month & Range	2,380 (2,115 - 2,869)	2,771 (2,622 - 2,902)	*16.4% (Increase)*
Average Number of LEP Pathway ESL Clients Per Month & Range	3,340 (2,836 - 3,629)	3,523 (2,880 - 3,865)	*5.5% (Increase)*
Average Number of LEP Pathway Clients Who Received Employment Services Per Month & Range	2,928 (2,787 - 3,122)	3,071 (2,752 - 3,260)	*4.9% (Increase)*
Average Number of LEP Pathway Clients Who Received Employment Services and Entered Employment Per Month & Range	254 (200 - 370)	285 (256 - 342)	*12.4% (Increase)*
Average Number of Clients Receiving Naturalization Services Per Month & Range	652 (565 - 749)	656 (520 - 770)	*0.7% (Increase)*
Average Number of PRIME Clients Per Month & Range	752 (550 - 925)	718 (604 - 828)	*-4.5% (Decrease)*

LEP Pathway Clients, SFY 2025



SFY 2025	Total LEP Pathway Clients	LEP Pathway Clients on TANF/SFA		LEP Pathway Clients Not on TANF/SFA	
		Total	Percent	Total	Percent
July	5,216	2,641	50.6%	2,575	49.4%
August	5,184	2,622	50.6%	2,562	49.4%
September	5,681	2,691	47.4%	2,990	52.6%
October	5,931	2,824	47.6%	3,107	52.4%
November	5,816	2,753	47.3%	3,063	52.7%
December	5,770	2,646	45.9%	3,124	54.1%
January	6,038	2,867	47.5%	3,171	52.5%
February	5,971	2,852	47.8%	3,119	52.2%
March	5,986	2,861	47.8%	3,125	52.2%
April	5,878	2,902	49.4%	2,976	50.6%
May	5,806	2,890	49.8%	2,916	50.2%
June	5,498	2,698	49.1%	2,800	50.9%
Monthly Average	**5,731**	**2,771**	**48.3%**	**2,961**	**51.7%**
Annual Unduplicated	**12,372**	**6,984**	**56.5%**	**5,388**	**43.5%**

LEP Pathway Clients by Primary Language, June 2025 Snapshot

ESA's Community Services Division (CSD) collects information about a client's primary language during the initial application interview for public assistance. The information presented in the chart below reflects the language in which the client preferred to receive communication from DSHS. A number of contributing factors lead to English being selected as the primary language for a client, such as preference for documents to be written in English. LEP Pathway providers test and work with clients in the appropriate language using bilingual-bicultural staff or telephonic interpretation based on the needs of the clients.

Language	# of Clients	% of Total
Total	**5,498**	**100.0%**
Dari	1,169	21.3%
Spanish	922	16.8%
Ukrainian	794	14.4%
English	617	11.2%
Russian	597	10.9%
Pashto	275	5.0%
Arabic	213	3.9%
Portuguese	151	2.7%
French	131	2.4%
Tigrigna	116	2.1%
Somali	72	1.3%
Farsi	71	1.3%
Haitian Creole	65	1.2%
Languages with Fewer than 50 Clients[1]	305	5.6%

[1] Includes languages not on the ACES language list.

LEP Pathway Clients by DSHS Region, June 2025 Snapshot

ESA's ORIA partners with 19 different employment providers and 17 different ESL providers to offer services in each of DSHS's three regions. Data is based on the DSHS region in which a client's ORIA service provider is located. A client's residence and service provider are usually in the same region. ORIA's services concentrate in areas with the highest numbers of recent refugee arrivals, such as King County in Region 2.

Region[2]	# of Clients	% of Total
Region 1	854	15.5%
Region 2	3,885	70.7%
Region 3	759	13.8%
Total	**5,498**	**100.0%**

[2] Data is based on the DSHS region in which a client's ORIA service provider is located. A client's residence and service provider are usually in the same region.

LEP Pathway Clients by Country of Origin, SFY 2025

Country	# of Clients	Percent
Total	**12,372**	**100.0%**
Ukraine	3,637	29.4%
Afghanistan	2,945	23.8%
Venezuela	908	7.3%
Russia	440	3.6%
Angola	386	3.1%
Colombia	383	3.1%
Mexico	369	3.0%
Congo, Democratic Republic of	288	2.3%
Haiti	255	2.1%
Eritrea	210	1.7%
Syria	202	1.6%
Cuba	178	1.4%
Somalia	154	1.2%
Ethiopia	151	1.2%
Guatemala	132	1.1%
Honduras	127	1.0%
Iraq	118	1.0%
Sudan	112	0.9%
Nicaragua	107	0.9%
Peru	96	0.8%
Marshall Islands	86	0.7%
Micronesia	86	0.7%
Myanmar (Burma)	85	0.7%
Moldova	82	0.7%
Iran	63	0.5%
Belarus (Belorussia)	57	0.5%
Countries with Fewer than 50 Clients[3]	715	5.8%

[3] Includes countries not on the ACES country of origin list as well as unknown countries of origin.

Demographics of LEP Pathway Clients, June 2025 Snapshot

Characteristic	All Clients # of Clients	All Clients % of Total Clients
Total Clients	**5,498**	**100.0%**

Gender	All Clients	
Female	3,305	60.1%
Male	2,193	39.9%
Unknown	0	0.0%

Time in the U.S.	All Clients	
Less Than 2 Years	3,931	71.5%
2 – 5 Years	1,304	23.7%
6 – 10 Years	144	2.6%
> 10 Years	91	1.7%
Not Reported/Unidentifiable	28	0.5%

Immigrant Status	All Clients	
Refugee[4]	2,759	50.2%
Special Immigrant	1,036	18.8%
Temporary Resident[5]	941	17.1%
Parolee Paroled One Year Or More	206	3.7%
Lawful Permanent Resident Noncitizen	168	3.1%
Asylee[6]	150	2.7%
Citizen Of Marshall Islands/Micronesia	83	1.5%
Cuban/Haitian Entrants	61	1.1%
Immigration Status Categories with Fewer than 50 Clients[7]	94	1.7%

[4] Refugees includes Afghan and Ukrainian Humanitarian Parolees who did not enter the U.S. with refugee status, but were eligible for all federal benefits available to refugees.
[5] Includes amnesty beneficiaries and individuals eligible for state funded benefits that do not have a separate code; e.g. those paroled for less than one year and asylum applicants.
[6] Includes people who have applied for and were granted asylum from the U.S. government.
[7] Includes Other/Not Reported.

Demographics of LEP Pathway Clients, June 2025 Snapshot (continued)

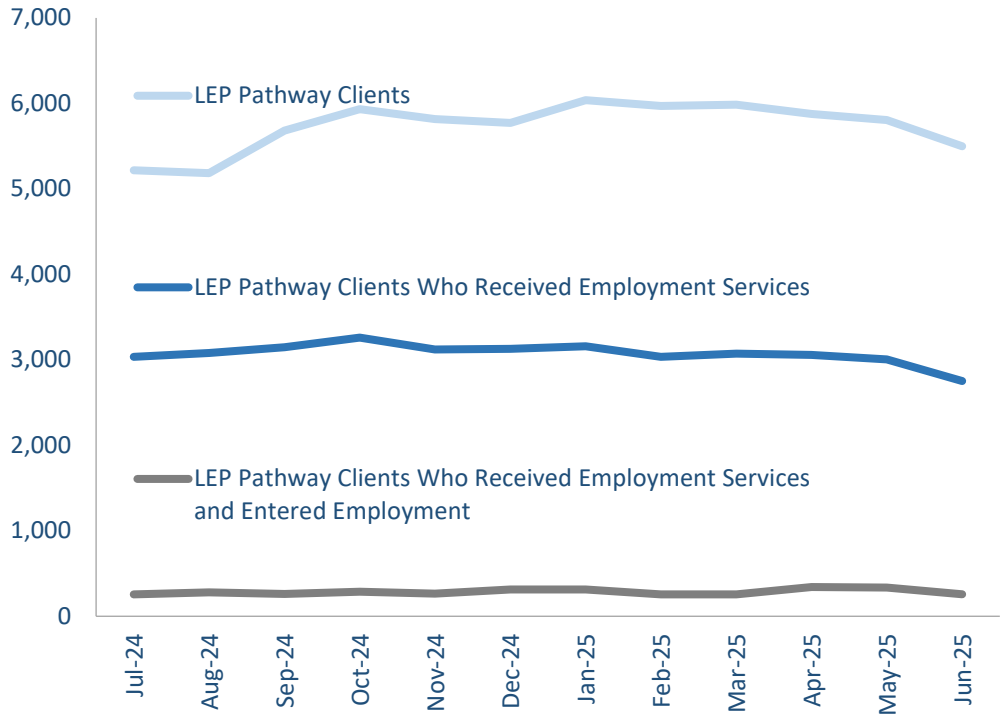
ESL Level[8]	All Clients # of Clients	All Clients % of Total Clients
Level 1	1,417	25.8%
Level 2	859	15.6%
Level 3	673	12.2%
Level 4	443	8.1%
Level 5	216	3.9%
Level 6	53	1.0%
Other[9]	1,837	33.4%

Age	All Clients	
16 – 24 Years Old	655	11.9%
25 – 34 Years Old	1,931	35.1%
35 – 44 Years Old	1,808	32.9%
45 – 54 Years Old	798	14.5%
55 – 64 Years Old	248	4.5%
65 and Older	58	1.1%
Avg. Age of Clients	36.3 Years Old	

[8] English as a Second Language (ESL) proficiency levels are based on Comprehensive Adult Student Assessment Systems (CASAS) standards. ESL Level 1 indicates the client's English proficiency skills are at the low end of the scale, while higher ESL levels indicate higher English proficiencies.

[9] Includes LEP Pathway clients who did not receive ESL services.

LEP Pathway Clients Who Received Employment Services, SFY 2025



SFY 2025	# of LEP Pathway Clients	LEP Pathway Clients Who Received Employment Services		LEP Pathway Clients Who Received Employment Services and Entered Employment[10]	
		# of Clients	Percent	# of Clients	Percent[11]
July	5,216	3,036	58.2%	256	8.4%
August	5,184	3,080	59.4%	281	9.1%
September	5,681	3,146	55.4%	262	8.3%
October	5,931	3,260	55.0%	287	8.8%
November	5,816	3,121	53.7%	263	8.4%
December	5,770	3,129	54.2%	315	10.1%
January	6,038	3,160	52.3%	312	9.9%
February	5,971	3,036	50.8%	256	8.4%
March	5,986	3,073	51.3%	256	8.3%
April	5,878	3,059	52.0%	342	11.2%
May	5,806	3,004	51.7%	335	11.2%
June	5,498	2,752	50.1%	259	9.4%
Monthly Average	**5,731**	**3,071**	**53.6%**	**285**	**9.3%**
Annual Unduplicated	**12,372**	**7,792**	**63.0%**	**3,207**	**41.2%**

[10] Entry to employment for LEP Pathway clients is based on the ORIA eJAS database.
[11] Percent is based on the number of LEP Pathway clients who received Employment Services.

LEP Pathway Clients Who Received Employment Services by Primary Language, June 2025 Snapshot

Language[12]	# of Clients	% of Total
Total	**2,752**	**100.0%**
Dari	645	23.4%
Spanish	399	14.5%
English	322	11.7%
Ukrainian	291	10.6%
Russian	238	8.6%
Pashto	138	5.0%
Arabic	127	4.6%
Tigrigna	86	3.1%
French	84	3.1%
Portuguese	83	3.0%
Somali	59	2.1%
Languages with Fewer than 50 Clients[13]	280	10.2%

[12] Client self-reported data from ACES.
[13] Includes languages not on the ACES languages list.

LEP Pathway Clients Who Received Employment Services by DSHS Region, June 2025 Snapshot

Region[14]	# of Clients	% of Total
Region 1	322	11.7%
Region 2	2,115	76.9%
Region 3	315	11.4%
Total	**2,752**	**100.0%**

[14] Data is based on the DSHS region in which a client's ORIA service provider is located. A client's residence and service provider are usually in the same region.

LEP Pathway Clients Who Received Employment Services by Country of Origin, SFY 2025

Country	# of Clients	Percent
Total	**7,792**	**100.0%**
Ukraine	2,106	27.0%
Afghanistan	2,041	26.2%
Venezuela	495	6.4%
Angola	279	3.6%
Russia	246	3.2%
Haiti	192	2.5%
Eritrea	164	2.1%
Mexico	154	2.0%
Colombia	153	2.0%
Congo, Democratic Republic of	147	1.9%
Syria	138	1.8%
Somalia	135	1.7%
Cuba	128	1.6%
Ethiopia	125	1.6%
Guatemala	89	1.1%
Iraq	88	1.1%
Nicaragua	85	1.1%
Honduras	81	1.0%
Micronesia	70	0.9%
Congo	65	0.8%
Myanmar (Burma)	64	0.8%
Sudan	61	0.8%
Marshall Islands	57	0.7%
Countries with Fewer than 50 Clients[15]	629	8.1%

[15] Includes countries not on the ACES country of origin list as well as unknown countries of origin.

Demographics of LEP Pathway Clients Who Received Employment Services, June 2025 Snapshot

Characteristic	All Clients # of Clients	All Clients % of Total Clients
Total Clients	**2,752**	**100.0%**

Gender	All Clients	
Female	1,384	50.3%
Male	1,368	49.7%
Unknown	0	0.0%

Time in the U.S.	All Clients	
Less Than 2 Years	2,064	75.0%
2 – 5 Years	488	17.7%
6 – 10 Years	109	4.0%
> 10 Years	71	2.6%
Not Reported/Unidentifiable	20	0.7%

Immigrant Status	All Clients	
Refugee[16]	1,330	48.3%
Special Immigrant	551	20.0%
Temporary Resident[17]	402	14.6%
Lawful Permanent Resident Noncitizen	119	4.3%
Asylee[18]	95	3.5%
Parolee Paroled One Year Or More	89	3.2%
Citizen Of Marshall Islands/Micronesia	67	2.4%
Immigration Status Categories with Fewer than 50 Clients[19]	99	3.6%

[16] Refugees includes Afghan and Ukrainian Humanitarian Parolees who did not enter the U.S. with refugee status, but were eligible for all federal benefits available to refugees.
[17] Includes amnesty beneficiaries and individuals eligible for state funded benefits that do not have a separate code; e.g. those paroled for less than one year and asylum applicants.
[18] Includes people who have applied for and were granted asylum from the U.S. government.
[19] Includes Other/Not Reported.

Demographics of LEP Pathway Clients Who Received Employment Services, June 2025 Snapshot (continued)

ESL Level[20]	All Clients # of Clients	All Clients % of Total Clients
Level 1	521	18.9%
Level 2	255	9.3%
Level 3	182	6.6%
Level 4	99	3.6%
Level 5	<50	-
Level 6	<50	-
Other[21]	1,643	59.7%

Age	All Clients	
16 – 24 Years Old	339	12.3%
25 – 34 Years Old	933	33.9%
35 – 44 Years Old	936	34.0%
45 – 54 Years Old	423	15.4%
55 and Older	121	4.4%
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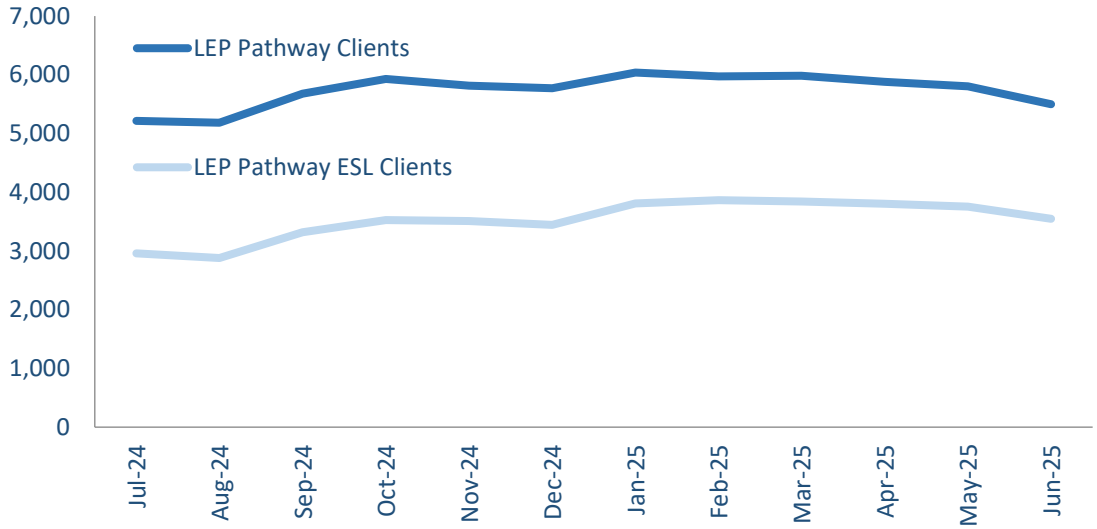
Avg. Age of Clients	36.1 Years Old	

[20] English as a Second Language (ESL) proficiency levels are based on Comprehensive Adult Student Assessment Systems (CASAS) standards. ESL Level 1 indicates the client's English proficiency skills are at the low end of the scale, while higher ESL levels indicate higher English proficiencies.

[21] Includes LEP Pathway clients who received Employment Services, but did not receive ESL services.

LEP Pathway Clients Who Received ESL Services, SFY 2025



SFY 2025	LEP Pathway Clients	LEP Pathway ESL Clients	
		# of Clients	Percent
July	5,216	2,959	56.7%
August	5,184	2,880	55.6%
September	5,681	3,321	58.5%
October	5,931	3,525	59.4%
November	5,816	3,511	60.4%
December	5,770	3,447	59.7%
January	6,038	3,812	63.1%
February	5,971	3,865	64.7%
March	5,986	3,844	64.2%
April	5,878	3,802	64.7%
May	5,806	3,757	64.7%
June	5,498	3,549	64.6%
Monthly Average	**5,731**	**3,523**	**61.5%**
Annual Unduplicated	**12,372**	**7,627**	**61.6%**

LEP Pathway Clients Who Received ESL Services by Primary Language, June 2025 Snapshot

Language	# of Clients	% of Total
Total	**3,549**	**100.0%**
Dari	755	21.3%
Spanish	618	17.4%
Ukrainian	569	16.0%
Russian	430	12.1%
English	361	10.2%
Pashto	178	5.0%
Arabic	123	3.5%
Portuguese	109	3.1%
French	86	2.4%
Tigrigna	55	1.5%
Languages with Fewer than 50 Clients[22]	265	7.4%

[22] Includes languages not on the ACES language list.

LEP Pathway Clients Who Received ESL Services by DSHS Region, June 2025 Snapshot

Region[23]	# of Clients	% of Total
Region 1	649	18.3%
Region 2	2,348	66.2%
Region 3	552	15.6%
Total	**3,549**	**100.0%**

[23] Data is based on the DSHS region in which a client's ORIA service provider is located. A client's residence and service provider are usually in the same region.

LEP Pathway Clients Who Received ESL Services by Country of Origin, SFY 2025

Country	# of Clients	% of Total
Total	**7,627**	**93.7%**
Ukraine	2,313	30.3%
Afghanistan	1,677	22.0%
Venezuela	663	8.7%
Colombia	316	4.1%
Angola	288	3.8%
Russia	279	3.7%
Mexico	270	3.5%
Syria	130	1.7%
Haiti	122	1.6%
Congo, Democratic Republic of	118	1.5%
Eritrea	115	1.5%
Sudan	83	1.1%
Guatemala	77	1.0%
Iraq	72	0.9%
Cuba	70	0.9%
Ethiopia	67	0.9%
Peru	65	0.9%
Nicaragua	64	0.8%
Honduras	61	0.8%
Moldova	56	0.7%
Somalia	56	0.7%
Congo	53	0.7%
Countries with Fewer than 50 Clients[24]	612	8.0%

[24] Includes countries not on the ACES country of origin list as well as unknown countries of origin.

Demographics of LEP Pathway Clients Who Received ESL Services, June 2025 Snapshot

Characteristic	All Clients # of Clients	All Clients % of Total Clients
Total Clients	**3,549**	**100.0%**

Gender	All Clients	
Female	2,373	66.9%
Male	1,176	33.1%
Unknown	0	0.0%

Time in the U.S.	All Clients	
Less Than 2 Years	2,569	72.4%
2 – 5 Years	896	25.2%
6 – 10 Years	<50	-
> 10 Years	<50	-
Not Reported/Unidentifiable	10	0.3%

Immigrant Status	All Clients	
Refugee[25]	1,825	51.4%
Temporary Resident[26]	675	19.0%
Special Immigrant	666	18.8%
Parolee Paroled One Year Or More	138	3.9%
Lawful Permanent Resident Noncitizen	75	2.1%
Asylee[27]	69	1.9%
Immigration Status Categories with Fewer than 50 Clients[28]	101	2.8%

[25] Refugees includes Afghan and Ukrainian Humanitarian Parolees who did not enter the U.S. with refugee status, but were eligible for all federal benefits available to refugees.
[26] Includes amnesty beneficiaries and individuals eligible for state funded benefits that do not have a separate code; e.g. those paroled for less than one year and asylum applicants.
[27] Includes people who have applied for and were granted asylum from the U.S. government.
[28] Includes Other/Not Reported.

Demographics of LEP Pathway Clients Who Received ESL Services, June 2025 Snapshot (continued)

ESL Level[29]	All Clients # of Clients	All Clients % of Total
Level 1	1,232	34.7%
Level 2	781	22.0%
Level 3	630	17.8%
Level 4	421	11.9%
Level 5	201	5.7%
Level 6	<50	-
Other[30]	50+	-

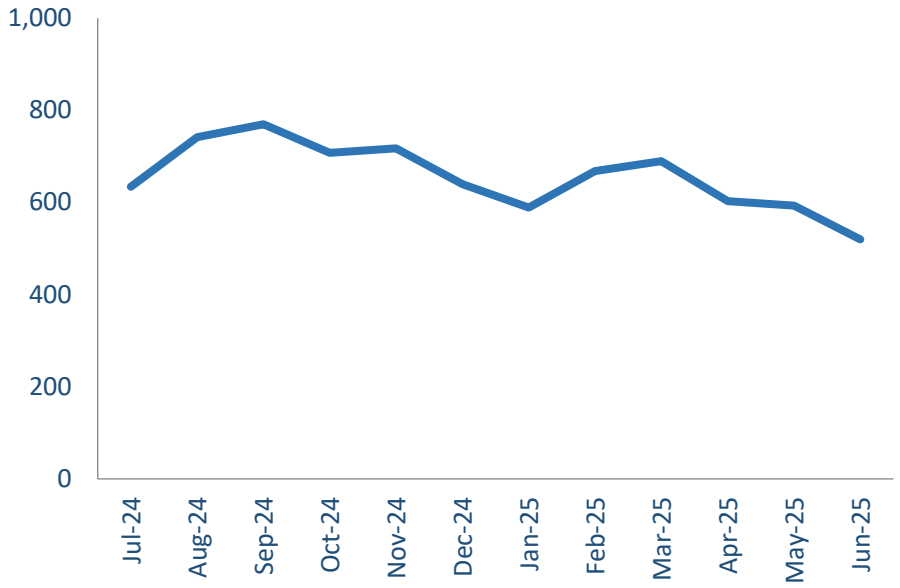
Age	All Clients	
16 – 24 Years Old	409	11.5%
25 – 34 Years Old	1,252	35.3%
35 – 44 Years Old	1,146	32.3%
45 – 54 Years Old	511	14.4%
55 – 64 Years Old	178	5.0%
65 and Older	53	1.5%
Avg. Age of Clients	36.6 Years Old	

Veteran Status	All Adults	
Veteran	7	0.2%

[29] English as a Second Language (ESL) proficiency levels are based on Comprehensive Adult Student Assessment Systems (CASAS) standards. ESL Level 1 indicates the client's English proficiency skills are at the low end of the scale. Higher ESL levels indicate higher English proficiencies.

[30] Includes clients receiving ESL instruction who were not tested or whose ESL level was not reported during the reporting period.

Naturalization Services (NS) Clients, SFY 2025



SFY 2025	# of Reported NS Clients	# of Naturalization Application Assistance Reported	# of Naturalized Clients Reported by Providers[31]
July	634	168	98
August	742	183	161
September	770	196	188
October	708	190	136
November	718	152	180
December	640	162	166
January	589	135	106
February	668	185	183
March	690	201	189
April	603	188	117
May	593	157	148
June	520	119	91
Monthly Average	**656**	**170**	**147**
Annual Unduplicated	**4,071**	**2,036**	**1,763**

[31] Naturalized: U.S. citizenship was conferred.

Naturalization Service Clients by Primary Language, June 2025 Snapshot

Language	# of Clients	% of Total
Total	**520**	**100.0%**
English	86	16.5%
Russian	76	14.6%
Dari	66	12.7%
Spanish	63	12.1%
Ukrainian	60	11.5%
Languages with Fewer than 50 Clients[32]	169	32.5%

[32] Includes languages not on the ACES language list.

Naturalization Service Clients by DSHS Region, June 2025 Snapshot

Region[33]	# of Clients	% of Total
Region 1	117	22.5%
Region 2	318	61.2%
Region 3	85	16.3%
Total	**520**	**100.0%**

[33] Data is based on the DSHS region in which a client's ORIA service provider is located. A client's residence and service provider are usually in the same region.

Naturalization Service Clients by Country of Origin, SFY 2025

Country	# of Clients	% of Total
Total	**4,071**	**100.0%**
Ukraine	878	21.6%
Afghanistan	663	16.3%
Mexico	515	12.7%
Vietnam	281	6.9%
Russia	153	3.8%
Iraq	126	3.1%
Moldova	117	2.9%
Ethiopia	111	2.7%
Myanmar (Burma)	98	2.4%
Korea (South)	80	2.0%
Philippines	79	1.9%
Eritrea	76	1.9%
Cambodia Kampuchea	63	1.5%
Congo, Democratic Republic of	58	1.4%
Countries with Fewer than 50 Clients[34]	773	19.0%

[34] Includes countries not on the ACES country of origin list as well as unknown countries of origin.

Demographics of Naturalization Service Clients, June 2025 Snapshot

Characteristic	All Clients # of Clients	% of Total
Total Clients	**520**	**100.0%**

Gender	All Clients	
Female	313	60.2%
Male	207	39.8%
Unknown	0	0.0%

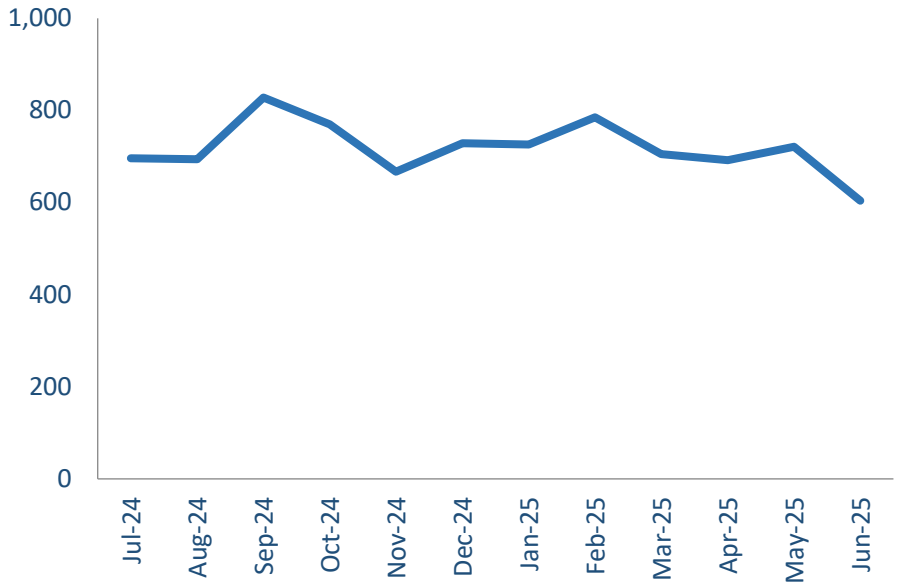
Time in the U.S.	All Clients	
Less Than 2 Years	0	0.0%
2 – 5 Years	162	31.2%
6 – 10 Years	217	41.7%
> 10 Years	141	27.1%
Not Reported	0	0.0%

Immigrant Status	All Clients	
Refugee[35]	221	42.5%
Non-Refugee	217	41.7%
Special Immigrant	50+	-
Immigration Status Categories with Fewer than 50 Clients[36]	<50	-

Age	All Clients	
15 and Younger	58	11.2%
16 – 24 Years Old	62	11.9%
25 – 34 Years Old	72	13.8%
35 – 44 Years Old	113	21.7%
45 – 54 Years Old	75	14.4%
55 – 64 Years Old	55	10.6%
65 and Older	85	16.3%
Average Age of Clients	41.5 Years Old	

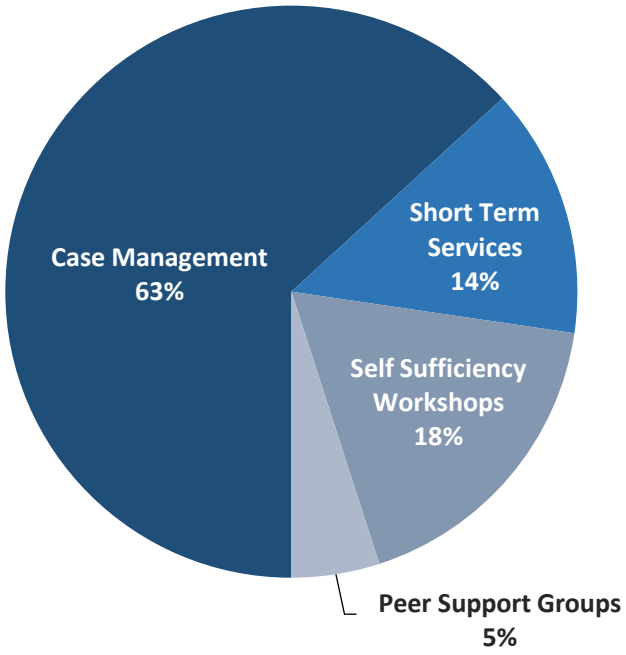
[35] Refugees includes Afghan and Ukrainian Humanitarian Parolees who did not enter the U.S. with refugee status, but were eligible for all federal benefits available to refugees.
[36] Includes Other/Not Reported.

PRIME Clients, SFY 2025



SFY 2025	Total PRIME Clients
July	696
August	694
September	828
October	770
November	667
December	729
January	726
February	785
March	705
April	692
May	721
June	604
Monthly Average	**718**
Annual Unduplicated	**3,819**

PRIME Services by Category, SFY 2025



PRIME Service Category	# of Services	Percent of Total Services	# of Unduplicated Clients[37]
Case Management	7,418	63.2%	1,908
Self Sufficiency Workshops	1,657	14.1%	1,197
Short Term Services	2,078	17.7%	1,525
Peer Support Groups	584	5.0%	108
Total	**11,737**	**100.0%**	

[37] Numbers reflect unduplicated clients within each service category. A client may receive more than one type of services in the SFY. In this case, the client is counted in each service category.

PRIME Clients by Primary Language, June 2025 Snapshot

Language	# of Clients	% of Total
Total	**604**	**100.0%**
Dari	182	30.1%
English	109	18.0%
Spanish	77	12.7%
Languages with Fewer than 50 Clients[38]	236	39.1%

[38] Includes languages not on the ACES language list.

PRIME Clients by DSHS Region, June 2025 Snapshot

Region[39]	# of Clients	% of Total
Region 1	204	33.8%
Region 2	309	51.2%
Region 3	91	15.1%
Total	**604**	**100.0%**

[39] Data shows the number of clients served by ORIA service providers by region. Clients generally live in the same region as their service provider.

PRIME Clients by Country of Origin, SFY 2025

Country	# of Clients	% of Total
Total	**3,819**	**100.0%**
Afghanistan	1,378	36.1%
Ukraine	1,299	34.0%
Eritrea	170	4.5%
Syria	145	3.8%
Venezuela	92	2.4%
Dem. Rep. Congo	72	1.9%
Guatemala	72	1.9%
Iraq	60	1.6%
Haiti	56	1.5%
Sudan	55	1.4%
Somalia	53	1.4%
Countries with Fewer than 50 Clients[40]	367	9.6%

[40] Includes countries not on the ACES country of origin list as well as unknown countries of origin.

Demographics of PRIME Clients, June 2025 Snapshot

Characteristic	All Clients # of Clients	% of Total
Total Clients	**604**	**100.0%**

Gender	All Clients	
Female	264	43.7%
Male	340	56.3%
Unknown	0	0.0%

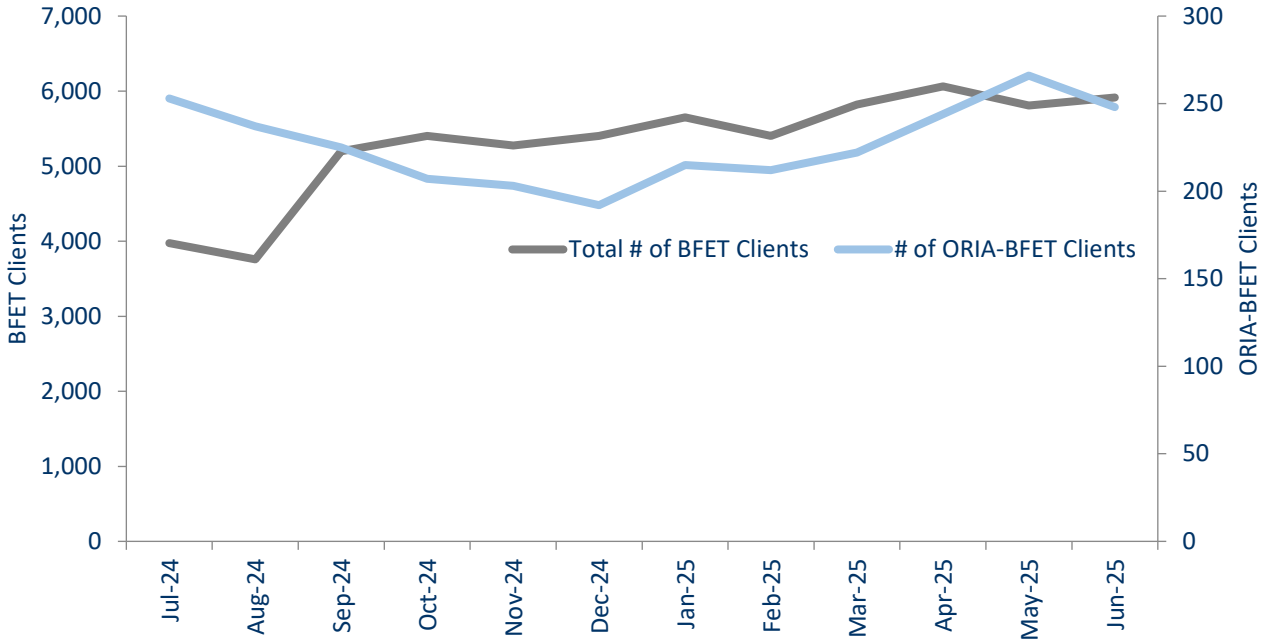
Time in the U.S.	All Clients	
Less Than 2 Years	463	76.7%
2 – 5 Years	141	23.3%
6 – 10 Years	0	0.0%
> 10 Years	0	0.0%

Immigrant Status[41]	All Clients	
Refugee[42]	235	38.9%
Special Immigrant	199	32.9%
Parolee Paroled One Year Or More	98	16.2%
Asylee[43]	50+	-
Immigration Status Categories with Fewer than 50 Clients[44]	<50	-

Age	All Clients	
< 16 Years Old	0	0.0%
16 – 24 Years Old	81	13.4%
25 – 34 Years Old	157	26.0%
35 – 44 Years Old	205	33.9%
45 – 54 Years Old	94	15.6%
55 and Older	67	11.1%
Avg. Age of Clients	38.4 Years Old	

[41] See Glossary at the end of this chapter for definitions.
[42] Refugees includes Afghan and Ukrainian Humanitarian Parolees who did not enter the U.S. with refugee status, but were eligible for all federal benefits available to refugees.
[43] Includes people who have applied for and were granted asylum from the U.S. government.
[44] Includes Other/Not Reported.

ORIA Basic Food Employment & Training (BFET) Clients[45], SFY 2025



SFY 2025	Total # of BFET Clients	# of ORIA BFET Clients[46]
July	**3,975**	253
August	**3,758**	237
September	**5,199**	225
October	**5,401**	207
November	**5,276**	203
December	**5,402**	192
January	**5,649**	215
February	**5,404**	212
March	**5,821**	222
April	**6,063**	244
May	**5,810**	266
June	**5,915**	248
Monthly Average	**5,306**	**227**
Annual Unduplicated	**13,266**	**715**

[45] A typical BFET activity lasts over 30 days, so the monthly client counts include duplications.
[46] BFET clients served by DSHS Office of Refugee and Immigrant Assistance (ORIA).

Demographics of ORIA-BFET Clients, June 2025 Snapshot

Characteristic	All Clients # of Clients	All Clients % of Total Clients
Total Clients	**248**	**100.0%**

Gender	All Clients	
Female	158	63.7%
Male	90	36.3%
Not Reported/ Unidentifiable	0	0%

Immigrant Status[47]	All Clients	
Refugee[48]	131	52.8%
Special Immigrant	62	25.0%
Immigration Status Categories with Fewer than 50 Clients[49]	55	22.2%

Age	All Clients	
Under 18 Years Old	<50	-
18 - 24 Years Old	<50	-
25 - 34 Years Old	87	35.1%
35 - 44 Years Old	78	31.5%
45+ Years Old	51	20.6%
Average Age of Clients	36.3 Years	

[47] See Glossary at the end of this chapter for definitions.
[48] Refugees includes Afghan and Ukrainian Humanitarian Parolees who did not enter the U.S. with refugee status, but were eligible for all federal benefits available to refugees.
[49] Includes Other/Not Reported.

Glossary

Definitions of Immigrant and USCIS Entry Status

Afghan Humanitarian Parolee – Afghan individuals granted humanitarian parole by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, between July 31, 2021 and December 16, 2022, or current ORR guidelines if expanded, and who are eligible to apply for federally-funded benefits, resettlement assistance, and other benefits available to refugees. The date of eligibility for the Afghan Humanitarian Parolee (AHP) population is October 1, 2021, or their date of entry into the community, whichever is later. The AHP population is eligible for ORR benefits and services until September 30, 2023 or the end of the individual's parole term, whichever is later, unless amended by law or the individual gains another ORR-eligible category or status.

Amerasian – U.S. citizen-fathered child born in Korea, Vietnam, Laos, Cambodia or Thailand after 1950 and before Oct 22, 1982.

Asylee – A person granted protection from removal from the U.S. by the Department of Homeland Security who is unable or unwilling to return to his or her home country because of persecution or a well-founded fear of persecution based on race, religion, nationality, political opinion, or membership in a social group.

Citizen of Marshall Islands/Micronesia – These individuals are not U.S. citizens or nationals, but they may enter the U.S. as non-immigrants without visas and may stay without a time restriction. They may work, travel and apply for permanent residency status in the U.S. during their stay. Admission to the U.S. is not guaranteed and the U.S. has the right to set terms and conditions on the stay.

Conditional Entrant – An individual who is admitted to the U.S. under a provision of the pre-1980 immigration law because of persecution or fear of persecution in his or her home country.

Cuban/Haitian Entrant – A national of Cuba or Haiti who was paroled in the U.S., whether the parole document expressly stated "Cuban/Haitian entrant" or not, or was granted any other special status. Includes nationals of these countries who are in the U.S. under a variety of circumstances, including persons paroled on any basis, those involved in deportation proceedings, asylum applicants, those granted adjustment to lawful permanent resident status under the Cuban Adjustment Act, Nicaraguan Adjustment and Central American Relief Act, Haitian Refugee Immigration Fairness Act, or those granted "special status" under the Refugee Education Assistance Act.

Lawful Permanent Resident Noncitizen – A noncitizen who has been granted the legal right to live and work in the U.S. and travel outside the U.S. without interference.

Non-Refugee – Immigrants served by the LEP Pathway and Naturalization Services programs who do not meet the definition of refugee (see next page). These persons include: Citizen of Marshall Islands/Micronesia, Conditional Entrant, Lawful Permanent Resident, Parolee Paroled One Year or More, Permanent Residence Under Color of Law, Temporary Resident Ineligible (Not Valid After 10/15/06), Temporary Protected Status Individuals, Temporary Residents, and the spouse or child of a U.S. citizen whose visa petition has been approved and has a pending application for adjustment of status.

Outreach Participants for Naturalization Services – Individuals who meet one of these criteria: (1) refugees who arrived in the U.S. on or after August 22, 1996, who are currently receiving SSI, have been in the U.S. for at least four years, and have not naturalized; (2) refugees who are currently receiving Aged, Blind or Disabled (ABD) cash assistance; or (3) lawful permanent residents whose only barrier to receiving SSI is naturalization, including those who are currently receiving ABD and unable to meet the federal requirement of 40 work quarters or have been in the U.S. for less than 10 years.

Parolee Paroled One Year or More – A person allowed entry into the U.S. by the Department of Homeland Security for urgent medical or humanitarian reasons or other emergencies.

Permanently Residing Under Color of Law – Noncitizens who are not considered "qualified aliens" under federal law for purposes of determining eligibility for public assistance, who are residing in the U.S. indefinitely, and whose presence USCIS is aware of but is not taking steps to enforce their departure.

Refugee – A noncitizen who has been given permission to live in the U.S. because they were persecuted, or has a well-founded fear of persecution on account of race, nationality, religion, political opinion, or membership in a particular social group, in their home country. Refugee categories under federal law include: persons who enter the U.S. as refugees, Cuban-Haitian Entrants, Amerasians, asylees, Special Immigrant Visa holders, and victims of human trafficking.

Special Immigrant – A person who qualifies for a green card (permanent residence) under the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) due to various reasons. In recent years, this status has been given to Afghanistan or Iraq nationals who support the U.S. Armed Forces as translators and Iraq nationals who worked for or on behalf of the U.S. Government in Iraq. To apply for immigration documents under this status, an individual must fill out a petition documenting his or her circumstances and submit the petition to USCIS.

Temporary Protected Status (TPS) Individuals – The Secretary of Homeland Security may designate a foreign country for TPS due to conditions in the country that temporarily prevent the country's nationals from returning safely, or in certain circumstances, where the country is unable to handle the return of its nationals adequately. During a designated period, individuals who are TPS beneficiaries or who are found preliminarily eligible for TPS upon initial review of their cases are not removable from the U.S., may obtain work authorization and may be granted authorization to travel. TPS does not lead to permanent residency status but while in TPS status individuals may apply for nonimmigrant status, file for an adjustment to his or her immigration status, and apply for other immigration benefits or protection which they are eligible to receive.

Temporary Residents– Lawful temporary residents under the amnesty program of the Immigration Reform and Control Act (IRCA), including those admitted under Sections 210 ("special agricultural workers") and 245A of the Immigration and Nationality Act (INA). Includes amnesty beneficiaries and individuals eligible for state funded benefits that do not have a separate code; e.g. those paroled for less than one year and asylum applicants.

Ukrainian Humanitarian Parolee – A citizen or national of Ukraine who was paroled into the United States between February 24, 2022 and September 30, 2024 due to urgent humanitarian reasons, or non-Ukrainian individuals who last habitually resided in Ukraine and who were paroled into the U.S. within the same timeframe.

Victim of Human Trafficking – Individuals who are or were subject to a form of modern-day slavery in which traffickers typically lure victims with false promises of employment and a better life. Traffickers often take advantage of poor, unemployed individuals who lack access to social safety nets. There are two types of immigration relief provided to victims of human trafficking and related crimes: (1) T nonimmigrant status (T visa) and (2) U nonimmigrant status (U visa). Victims of severe forms of human trafficking are eligible for a T visa, which allows victims to remain in the U.S. to assist in the investigation or prosecution of human traffickers. Once a T visa is granted, a victim can apply for permanent residence after three years. The U visa provides immigration protection to crime victims who have suffered substantial mental or physical abuse as a result of trafficking or related crimes and allows victims to remain in the U.S. and assist law enforcement authorities in the investigation or prosecution of the criminal activity.

Withholding of Removal – A special type of order issued by an immigration judge to a person who demonstrates more than a 50 percent chance that they will be persecuted if they return to their home country. The person is permitted to remain in the country.