

Office of Refugee and Immigrant Assistance Program

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Refugee and Immigrant Assistance Program

The Office of Refugee and Immigrant Assistance (ORIA) administers about 11 programs to help refugees and other immigrants become self-sufficient and adjust to life in the United States. Data provided in this section highlights three prominent ORIA programs:

- Limited English Proficient (LEP) Pathway Program – provides employment services including job skills training, job search and employment placement assistance. The program also provides work experience and community service placements, and English as a Second Language (ESL) classes.
- Refugee Resettlement Assistance (RRA) – provides home management workshops and information and referral to access services such as health care, school enrollment for children, subsidized housing, elder services, and transportation.
- Naturalization Services (NS) – assists with completion and submittal of the application for Naturalization, including application and required finger printing fees, fee waiver requests, citizen training and instruction, including classes in American history and civics, English language training needed for the citizenship test, and assistance in obtaining test exemptions when appropriate.

Highlights:

- LEP Pathway expansions/pilots for Intensive ESL and Skills Training began in April 2013 and ended in June 2013. It served an average of 84 clients per month.
- In SFY 2013, LEP Pathway served a total of 4,946 clients – of which 67.4% were refugees. An average of 61.9% of LEP Pathway clients received TANF/SFA per month.
- In SFY 2013, RRA served a total of 3,439 clients. The most highly used RRA services include Information and Referral Services for immigration and housing services, as well as Home Management Workshops for topics such as Health and Safety and Family Self Sufficiency.
- In SFY 2013, NS served a total of 3,108 clients. The majority of clients served were female (63.1%), 78.1% have resided in the U.S. for 6 years or longer, and 21.5% were age 65 and over.

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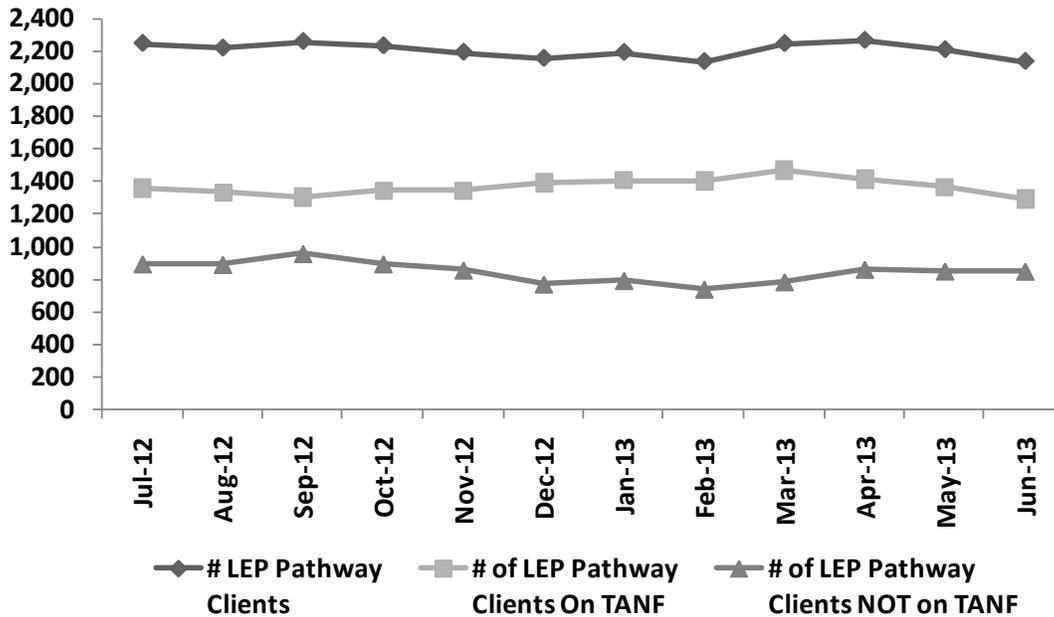
**Selected ORIA Program Characteristics
SFY 2012 and SFY 2013**

Sources: ESA-ACES and MAPPER Data

	SFY 2012 (July 2011 – June 2012)	SFY 2013 (July 2012 – June 2013)
Average Number of LEP Pathway Clients, Per Month and Range	2,398 (2,323 – 2,499)	2,207 (2,134 – 2,266)
Average Number of LEP Pathway Clients on TANF/SFA, Per Month and Range	1,613 (1,520 – 1,684)	1,365 (1,289 – 1,466)
Average Number of LEP Pathway ESL Clients, Per Month and Range	1,441 (1,328 – 1,527)	1,302 (1,177 – 1,431)
Average Number of Clients Receiving Resettlement Assistance (RRA) Service, Per Month and Range	528 (361 – 803)	554 (196 – 719)
Average Number of Clients Receiving Naturalization Services, Per Month and Range	542 (145 – 1,006)	450 (38 – 1,085)
Average Number of LEP Pathway Clients Who Received Employment Services, Per Month and Range	1,611 (1,460 – 1,909)	1,487 (1,318 – 1,689)
Average Number of LEP Pathway Clients Who Received Employment Services and Entered Employment, Per Month and Range	150 (96 – 202)	141 (81 – 182)

**ORIA LEP Pathway Adult Clients
SFY 2013**

Sources: ESA-ACES and MAPPER Data



	Total LEP Pathway Clients	LEP Clients on TANF/SFA		LEP Clients Not on TANF/SFA	
		Total	Percent	Total	Percent
July	2,247	1,355	60.3%	892	39.7%
August	2,218	1,330	60.0%	888	40.0%
September	2,259	1,303	57.7%	956	42.3%
October	2,232	1,340	60.0%	892	40.0%
November	2,192	1,339	61.1%	853	38.9%
December	2,154	1,388	64.4%	766	35.6%
January	2,191	1,403	64.0%	788	36.0%
February	2,134	1,400	65.6%	734	34.4%
March	2,246	1,466	65.3%	780	34.7%
April	2,266	1,408	62.1%	858	37.9%
May	2,208	1,361	61.6%	847	38.4%
June	2,135	1,289	60.4%	846	39.6%
Mo. Avg.	2,207	1,365	61.9%	842	38.1%

**ORIA LEP Pathway TANF/SFA Adult Clients
By Language
June 2013 Snapshot**

Sources: ESA-ACES and MAPPER Data

Language¹	Number	Percent
Albanian	1	0.1%
Amharic	29	2.2%
Arabic	161	12.5%
Bengali	1	0.1%
Burmese	36	2.8%
Cambodian (Khmer)	10	0.8%
Chinese	7	0.5%
Dari	2	0.2%
English	379	29.4%
Farsi	28	2.2%
French	12	0.9%
Korean	1	0.1%
Oromo	16	1.2%
Punjabi	1	0.1%
Romanian	2	0.2%
Russian	113	8.8%
Samoan	3	0.2%
Serbo-Croatian	1	0.1%
Somali	188	14.6%
Spanish	74	5.7%
Swahili	8	0.6%
Tagalog	2	0.2%
Tigrigna	35	2.7%
Tongan	1	0.1%
Trukese	5	0.4%
Ukrainian	7	0.5%
Urdu	8	0.6%
Vietnamese	47	3.6%
Other Language	111	8.6%
Total	1,289	100.0%

¹ Client self-reported data from ACES.

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**ORIA LEP Pathway Adult Client Demographics
June 2013 Snapshot & Annual Unduplicated**

Sources: ESA-ACES, eJAS and MAPPER Data

ESL Level ²	June 2013		Annual	
	June 2013	Percent	Unduplicated	Percent
Level 1	590	27.6%	1,211	24.5%
Level 2	429	20.1%	890	18.0%
Level 3	372	17.4%	842	17.0%
Level 4	249	11.7%	611	12.4%
Level 5	106	5.0%	256	5.2%
Level 6	37	1.7%	88	1.8%
Level 7	2	0.1%	7	0.1%
ESL Class Only ³	96	4.5%	250	5.1%
Other ⁴	254	11.9%	791	16.0%
Total	2,135	100.0%	4,946	100.0%

Immigrant Status ⁵	June 2013		Annual	
	June 2013	Percent	Unduplicated	Percent
Amerasian	7	0.3%	15	0.3%
Asylee	72	3.4%	172	3.5%
Cuban/Haitian Entrants	4	0.2%	6	0.1%
Non-Refugee	523	24.5%	1,389	28.1%
Refugee	1,522	71.3%	3,332	67.4%
Special Immigrant	5	0.2%	15	0.3%
Victim Of Trafficking	1	0.0%	1	0.0%
Unknown	1	0.0%	16	0.3%
Total	2,135	100.0%	4,946	100.0%

² 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.

³ Includes clients receiving ESL instructions who were not tested or did not get a level gain during the reporting period.

⁴ Includes LEP Pathway clients who did not receive ESL services.

⁵ See pages 25-26 of this section for definitions.

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**ORIA LEP Pathway Adult Clients by Region
June 2013 Snapshot**

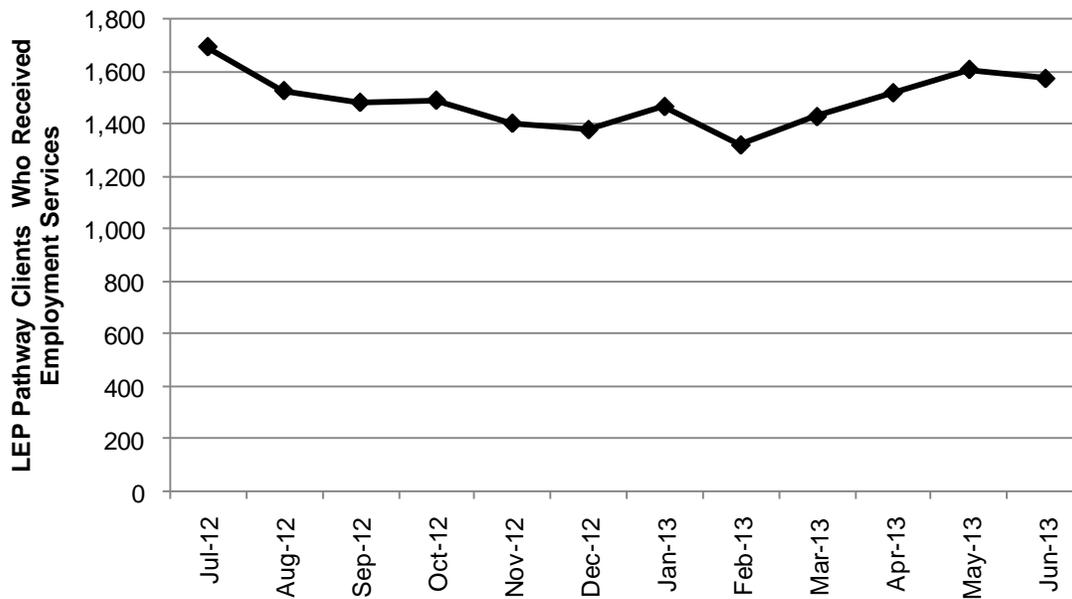
Sources: ESA-ACES and MAPPER Data

Region⁶	Number	Percent
Region 1	319	14.9%
Region 2	1,619	75.8%
Region 3	197	9.2%
Total	2,135	100.0%

⁶ Data shows the number of clients served by ORIA service providers by region. Clients generally live in the same region as their service provider.

**ORIA LEP Pathway Adult Clients Who Received Employment Services
SFY 2013**

Sources: ESA ACES and MAPPER Data



SFY 2013	ORIA LEP Pathway Adults	ORIA LEP Pathway Adults Who Received Employment Services		ORIA LEP Pathway Adults Who Entered Employment	
		Number	Percent	Number	Percent ⁷
July	2,247	1,689	75.2%	182	10.8%
August	2,218	1,523	67.8%	169	11.1%
September	2,259	1,479	65.8%	161	10.9%
October	2,232	1,487	66.2%	141	9.5%
November	2,192	1,400	62.3%	116	8.3%
December	2,154	1,376	61.2%	81	5.9%
January	2,191	1,463	65.1%	120	8.2%
February	2,134	1,318	58.7%	108	8.2%
March	2,246	1,425	63.4%	154	10.8%
April	2,266	1,515	67.4%	165	10.9%
May	2,208	1,603	71.3%	162	10.1%
June	2,135	1,569	69.8%	130	8.3%
Mo. Avg.	2,207	1,487	66.2%	141	9.5%

⁷ Percent is based on the number of LEP Pathway clients who received Employment Services.

**ORIA LEP Pathway Adult Clients Who Received
Employment Services – Demographics
June 2013 Snapshot**

Sources: ESA ACES and MAPPER Data

Characteristic	Number	Percent
TOTAL	1,569	100%
Gender		
Female	823	52.5%
Male	746	47.5%
Time in US		
One Year and Less	744	47.4%
2 - 5 Years	476	30.3%
6 - 10 Years	160	10.2%
> 10 Years	189	12.0%
Age		
16 – 24 Years Old	160	9.9%
25 – 34 Years Old	518	32.9%
35 – 44 Years Old	509	32.5%
45 – 54 Years Old	302	19.4%
55 – 64 Years Old	78	5.1%
65 and Older	2	0.1%
Avg. Age of Adults		37.6 Years Old

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**ORIA LEP Pathway Adult Clients Who Received
Employment Services by Region
June 2013 Snapshot**

Source: ESA-MAPPER Data

Region⁸	Number	Percent
Region 1	194	12.4%
Region 2	1,231	78.4%
Region 3	144	9.2%
Total	1,569	100.0%

⁸ Data shows the number of clients served by ORIA service providers by region. Clients generally live in the same region as their service providers.

**ORIA LEP Pathway Adult Clients Who Received
Employment Services by Primary Language
June 2013 Snapshot**

Sources: ESA-ACES and MAPPER Data

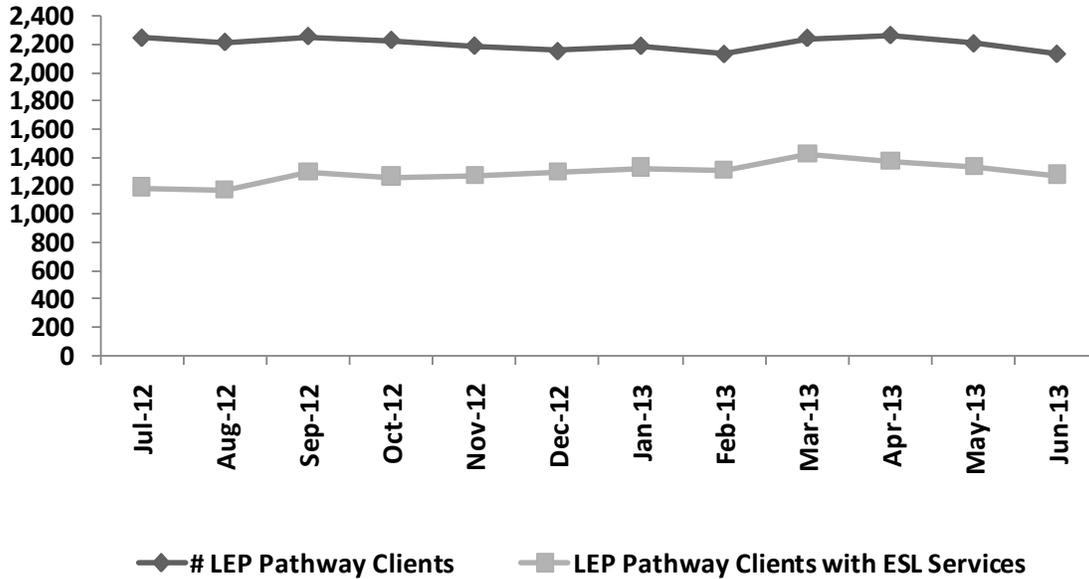
Primary Language⁹	Number	Percent
Albanian	1	0.06%
Amharic	43	2.74%
Arabic	172	10.96%
Burmese	94	5.99%
Cambodian (Khmer)	8	0.51%
Chinese	7	0.45%
Dari	2	0.13%
English	475	30.27%
Farsi	32	2.04%
French	12	0.76%
French Creole	1	0.06%
Korean	3	0.19%
Oromo	17	1.08%
Punjabi	1	0.06%
Romanian	3	0.19%
Russian	125	7.97%
Samoan	3	0.19%
Somali	210	13.38%
Spanish	58	3.70%
Swahili	6	0.38%
Tagalog	2	0.13%
Tigrigna	68	4.33%
Trukese	2	0.13%
Ukrainian	7	0.45%
Urdu	6	0.38%
Vietnamese	45	2.87%
Other Language	166	10.58%
Total	1,569	100.0%

⁹ Client self-reported data from ACES.

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**ORIA LEP Pathway Adult Clients Who Received ESL Services
SFY 2013**

Sources: ESA-ACES, eJAS and MAPPER Data



SFY 2013	ORIA LEP Pathway Clients	ORIA LEP Pathway ESL Clients	
	Number	Number	Percent
July	2,247	1,196	53.2%
August	2,218	1,177	53.1%
September	2,259	1,307	57.9%
October	2,232	1,271	56.9%
November	2,192	1,278	58.3%
December	2,154	1,301	60.4%
January	2,191	1,335	60.9%
February	2,134	1,316	61.7%
March	2,246	1,431	63.7%
April	2,266	1,385	61.1%
May	2,208	1,341	60.7%
June	2,135	1,284	60.1%
Mo. Avg.	2,207	1,302	59.0%

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**ORIA LEP Pathway Adult Clients Who Received
ESL Services – Demographics
June 2013 Snapshot**

Source: ESA MAPPER Data

Characteristic	Number	Percent
TOTAL	1,284	100.0%
Gender		
Female	747	58.2%
Male	537	41.8%
Time in US		
One Year and Less	745	58.9%
2 - 5 Years	334	26.4%
6 - 10 Years	89	7.0%
> 10 Years	96	7.6%
ESL level		
Level 1	434	33.8%
Level 2	298	23.2%
Level 3	237	18.5%
Level 4	154	12.0%
Level 5	64	5.0%
Level 6	19	1.5%
Level 7	2	0.2%
English Class Only ¹⁰	76	5.9%
Age		
16 – 24 Years Old	148	11.5%
25 – 34 Years Old	400	31.2%
35 – 44 Years Old	380	29.6%
45 – 54 Years Old	255	19.9%
55 – 64 Years Old	87	6.8%
65 and Older	14	1.1%
Avg. Age of Adults	38.5 Years Old	

¹⁰ Includes ESL Instruction clients who were either newly enrolled or were not tested during the reporting period.

**ORIA LEP Pathway Adult Clients Who Received
ESL Services by Region
June 2013 Snapshot**
Source: ESA-MAPPER Data

Region¹¹	Number	Percent
Region 1	239	18.6%
Region 2	939	73.1%
Region 3	106	8.3%
Total	1,284	100.00%

¹¹ Data shows the number of clients served by ORIA service providers by region. Clients generally live in the same region as their service providers.

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**ORIA LEP Pathway Adult Clients Who Received
ESL Services by Primary Language
June 2013 Snapshot**

Sources: ESA-ACES, eJAS and MAPPER Data

Primary Language¹²	Number	Percent
Albanian	1	0.1%
Amharic	32	2.5%
Arabic	192	15.0%
Bengali	1	0.1%
Burmese	73	5.7%
Cambodian (Khmer)	7	0.5%
Chinese	4	0.3%
Dari	2	0.2%
English	319	24.8%
Farsi	36	2.8%
French	17	1.3%
French Creole	1	0.1%
Haitian-Creole	1	0.1%
Korean	1	0.1%
Malaysian	2	0.2%
Oromo	15	1.2%
Pashto	3	0.2%
Persian	1	0.1%
Romanian	7	0.5%
Russian	102	7.9%
Samoan	1	0.1%
Somali	160	12.5%
Spanish	55	4.3%
Swahili	10	0.8%
Tagalog	2	0.2%
Tigrigna	38	3.0%
Tongan	1	0.1%
Trukese	5	0.4%
Turkish	1	0.1%
Ukrainian	5	0.4%
Urdu	5	0.4%
Vietnamese	25	1.9%
Other Language	159	12.4%
Total	1,284	100.0%

¹² Client self-reported data from ACES.

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ORIA LEP Pathway Adult Clients Expansion Program¹³
SFY 2013

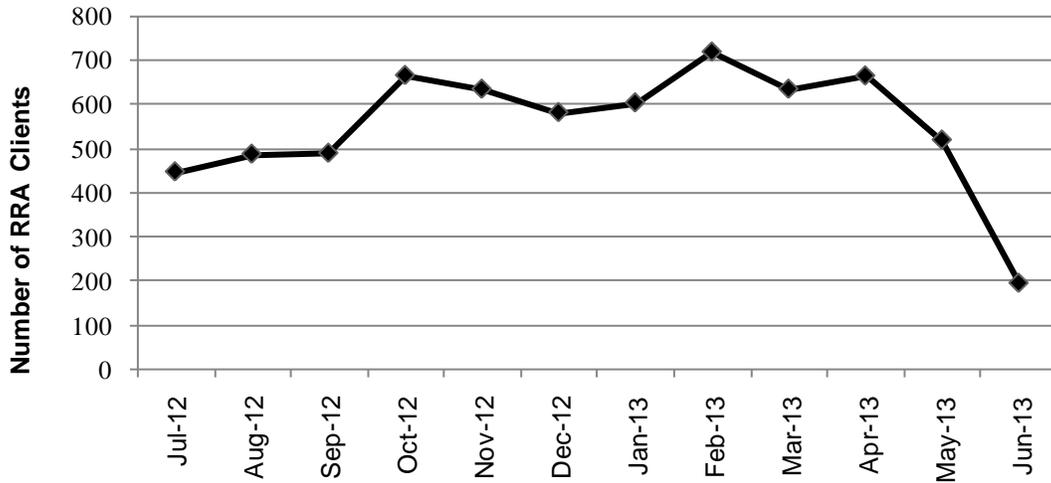
Source: ESA-MAPPER Data

SFY 2013	ORIA LEP Pathway Clients	Expansion Program Participants Number	Expansion Programs	
			Intensive ESL	Skills Training
April	2,266	90	57	33
May	2,208	86	50	36
June	2,135	75	45	30
3-Mo. Avg.	2,203	84	51	33

¹³ The LEP Pathway Expansion program began in April 2013 and ran through June 2013.

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ORIA Refugee Resettlement Assistance (RRA) Clients
SFY 2013

Source: ESA MAPPER Data



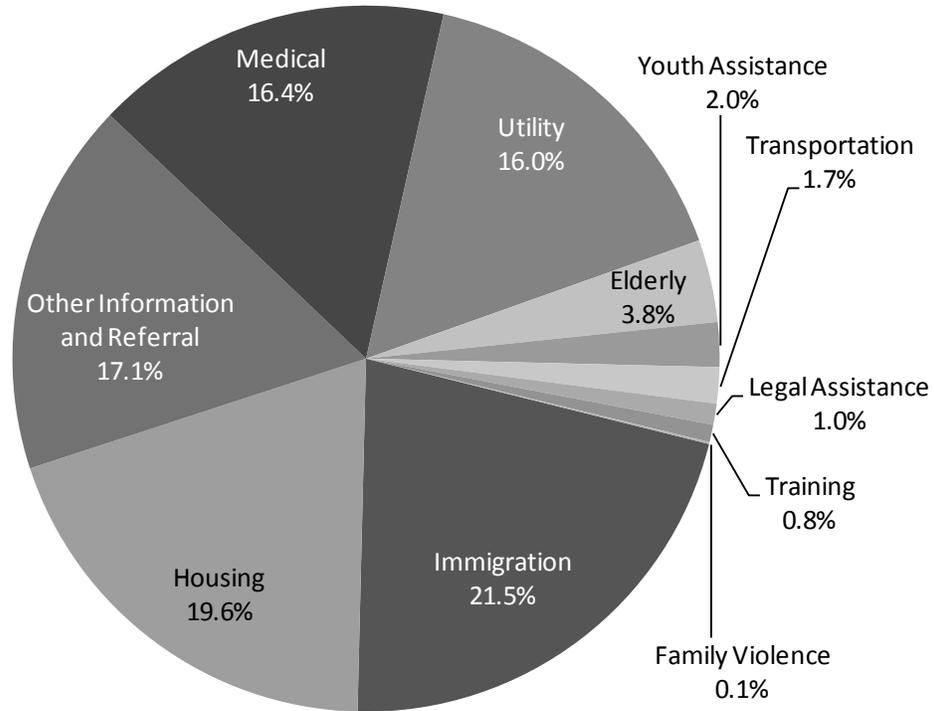
SFY 2013	RRA Clients¹⁴
July	448
August	488
September	490
October	666
November	635
December	582
January	604
February	719
March	635
April	665
May	520
June	196
Mo. Avg.	554

¹⁴ Services are provided based on funding available, more services are paid at the start of the fiscal year when funds are available; as funds deplete towards the end of the year, so do the services provided.

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**ORIA RRA Services Provided - Information & Referral Services
SFY 2013**

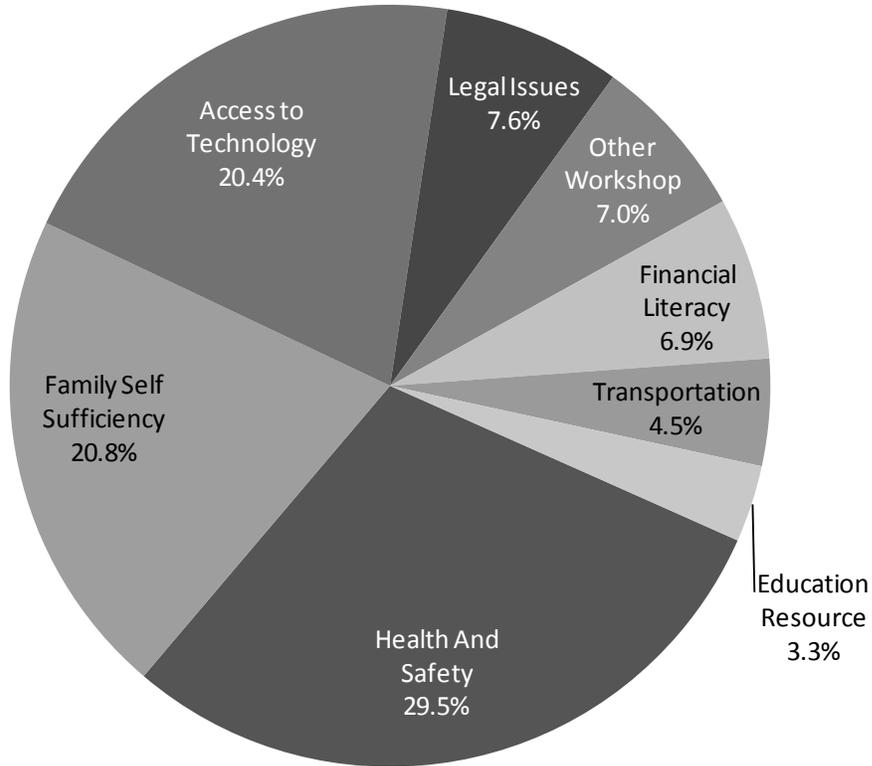
Source: ESA MAPPER Data



Information & Referral Service Type	Number of Services	Percent
Immigration	1,871	21.5%
Housing	1,705	19.6%
Other Information and Referral	1,492	17.1%
Medical	1,429	16.4%
Utility	1,396	16.0%
Elderly	329	3.8%
Youth Assistance	178	2.0%
Transportation	144	1.7%
Legal Assistance	84	1.0%
Training	69	0.8%
Family Violence	8	0.1%
Total	8,708	100%

**ORIA RRA Services Provided - Home Management Workshops
SFY 2013**

Source: ESA MAPPER Data



Home Management Workshops by Type	Number of Services	Percent
Health And Safety	786	29.5%
Family Self Sufficiency	555	20.8%
Access to Technology	542	20.4%
Legal Issues	201	7.6%
Other Workshop	186	7.0%
Financial Literacy	184	6.9%
Transportation	121	4.5%
Education Resource	87	3.3%
Total	2,662	100%

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**ORIA Clients Receiving RRA Services by Region
Annual Unduplicated, SFY 2013**

Source: ESA MAPPER Data

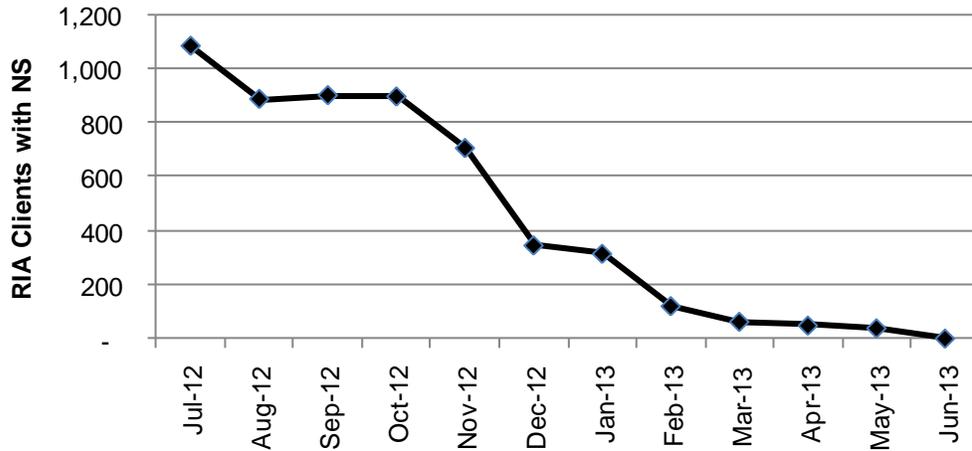
Region¹⁵	Annual Unduplicated	Percent
Region 1	698	20.3%
Region 2	2,464	71.6%
Region 3	277	8.1%
Total	3,439	100%

¹⁵ Data shows the number of clients served by ORIA service providers by region. Clients generally live in the same region as their service providers.

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**ORIA Clients Who Received Naturalization Services (NS)
SFY 2013**

Source: ESA MAPPER Data



SFY 2013	ORIA Clients Who Received NS ¹⁶
July	1,085
August	888
September	902
October	897
November	706
December	345
January	314
February	120
March	62
April	48
May	38
June	-
Mo. Avg.	450

¹⁶ Monthly counts are based on service report month. Services are provided based on funding available, more services are paid at the start of the fiscal year when funds are available; as funds deplete towards the end of the year, so do the services provided. There were no payments in June.

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**ORIA Clients Who Received
Naturalization Services by Status
SFY 2013**

Source: ESA MAPPER Data

SFY 2013	ORIA Clients who Received NS	Submitted Naturalization Application (N-400)	Clients who Naturalized¹⁷	Outreach Clients Who Naturalized	Outreach Clients who had Pre- Screening Services
July	1,085	329	350	53	31
August	888	259	164	28	31
September	902	223	236	27	28
October	897	232	198	29	30
November	706	184	149	23	29
December	345	89	85	14	7
January	314	94	94	11	4
February	120	50	32	-	6
March	62	36	10	-	4
April	48	23	5	-	-
May	38	20	4	-	-
June	-	-	-	-	-
Mo. Avg.	450	128	111	15	14
Unduplicated	3,108	1,538	1,327	185	170

¹⁷ Naturalized: U.S. citizenship is conferred.

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**ORIA Naturalization Services Client Demographics
SFY 2013**

Source: ESA MAPPER Data

Characteristic	Number	Percent
TOTAL	3,108	100%
Gender		
Female	1,934	63.1%
Male	1,174	36.9%
Immigrant Status¹⁸		
Amerasian	12	0.4%
Asylee	40	1.3%
Cuban/Haitian Entrants	1	0.0%
Deportation Withheld	3	0.1%
Refugee	1,364	43.9%
Non-Refugee	1,622	52.2%
Unknown	66	2.1%
Time in US		
One Year or Less	7	0.2%
2 – 5 Years	666	21.4%
6 – 10 Years	1,241	39.9%
More than 10 Years	1,188	38.2%
Unknown	6	0.2%
Age		
18 – 24 Years Old	341	11.0%
25 – 34 Years Old	638	20.5%
35 – 44 Years Old	581	18.7%
45 – 54 Years Old	474	15.3%
55 – 64 Years Old	406	13.1%
65 and Older	668	21.5%
Avg. Age of Adults		47.4 Years Old

¹⁸ See pages 25-26 of this section for definitions.

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**ORIA Adult Clients Who Received
Naturalization Services by Region
SFY 2013**

Source: ESA-MAPPER Data

Region¹⁹	Number	Percent
Region 1	531	17.1%
Region 2	1,883	60.6%
Region 3	694	22.3%
Total	3,108	100.00%

¹⁹ Data shows the number of clients served by ORIA service providers by region. Clients generally live in the same region as their service providers.

**ORIA Naturalization Services Clients by Country of Origin
SFY 2013**

Source: ESA MAPPER Data

Country	Number of Clients	Percent
Afghanistan	10	0.3%
Belarus (Belorussia)	28	0.9%
Bosnia-Herzegovina	22	0.7%
Burundi	26	0.8%
Cambodia Kampuchea	136	4.4%
Chile	42	1.4%
China	52	1.7%
El Salvador	10	0.3%
Eritrea	24	0.8%
Ethiopia	74	2.4%
Georgia	10	0.3%
India	23	0.7%
Iran	56	1.8%
Iraq	54	1.7%
Kazakhstan	21	0.7%
Korea (North)	12	0.4%
Korea (South)	76	2.4%
Laos	30	1.0%
Mexico	337	10.8%
Moldova	121	3.9%
Morocco	19	0.6%
Myanmar (Burma)	40	1.3%
Peru	12	0.4%
Philippines	73	2.3%
Romania	10	0.3%
Russia	437	14.1%
Somalia	258	8.3%
Sudan	43	1.4%
Thailand	10	0.3%
Ukraine	465	15.0%
Uzbekistan	14	0.5%
Vietnam	264	8.5%
Western Samoa	12	0.4%
Unknown	95	3.1%
Countries with 9 or Fewer Clients ²⁰	192	6.2%
Total	3,108	100.0%

²⁰ Akrotiri, Albania, Armenia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Benin, Bhutan, Bolivia, Brazil, Bulgaria, Cameroon, Columbia, Congo, Costa Rica, Croatia, Cuba, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Egypt, Estonia, Fiji, France, Gambia, Germany, Guatemala, Haiti, Honduras, Hong Kong, Indonesia, Jordan, Kenya, Kosovo, Kuwait, Kyrgyzstan, Latvia, Lebanon, Liberia, Libya, Lithuania, Madagascar, Nepal, Nicaragua, Nigeria, Norway, Pakistan, Rwanda, Saint Martin, Senegal, Slovakia, South Africa, Syria, Taiwan, Togo, Tonga, Trinidad & Tobago, Turkey, Turkmenistan, United Kingdom, Uruguay, Venezuela, Yemen, Zambia, Zimbabwe

Glossary

Definitions of Immigrant and USCIS Entry 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, or Haitian Refugee Immigration Fairness Act, or those granted “special status” under the Refugee Education Assistance Act.

Deportation Withheld –The formal removal of an alien from the U.S. when the alien has been found removable for violating the immigration laws. Deportation is ordered by an immigration judge without any punishment being imposed or contemplated.

Lawful Permanent Resident – A person 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 -- Persons who enter the U.S. as refugees, Cuban-Haitian Entrants, Amerasians, asylees, Special Immigrant Visa holders, and victims of human trafficking are considered to be refugees as they are eligible for refugee benefits under federal law. All other immigrants served in the LEP Pathway and Naturalization Services are considered to be “non-refugee”. These groups include: Citizen of Marshall Islands/Micronesia, Conditional Entrant, Lawful Permanent Resident Alien, Parolee Paroled One Year or More, Permanent Residing Under Color Of Law, Temp Resident Ineligible (Not Valid After 10/15/06), Temporary Protected Status Individuals, Temporary Residents as Amnesty Beneficiaries, 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

Parolee – An alien allowed entry to 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, who are residing in the U.S. indefinitely, and USCIS is aware of their presence but is not taking steps to enforce their departure.

Refugee - Noncitizen given permission to live in the U.S. because he or she was 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 his or her home country.

Special Immigrant - A person who qualifies for a green card (permanent residence) under the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) due to particular 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 worker for or on behalf of the U.S. Government in Iraq, In order 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 in TPS individuals may apply for nonimmigrant status, file for an adjustment to his or her immigration status and apply for other immigration benefit or protection to which he or she is eligible to receive.

Temporary Residents as Amnesty Beneficiaries – 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 INA.

Victim of Human Trafficking - Individuals who are or were subject to a form of modern-day slavery in which traffickers lure them 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 other 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. The T nonimmigrant visa allows victims to remain in the U.S. to assist in the investigation or prosecution of human traffickers. Once a T nonimmigrant visa is granted, a victim can apply for permanent residence after three years. U nonimmigrant status provides immigration protection to crime victims who have suffered substantial mental or physical abuse as a result of the crime. The U visa allows victims to remain in the U.S. and assist law enforcement authorities in the investigation or prosecution of the criminal activity.