

# **USCIS EB-5 Visa I-526 and I-829 Petition Statistics**

Updated in September 2021 with data through FY2021 Q3 (April 2021–June 2021)

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## Regional Center Team Involved in More Than \$3 Billion of Leveraged **Buyouts, IPOs, and Commercial Real Estate Development**



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# EB5 Affiliate Network Operates 15 Regional Centers with Geographic Coverage of 20+ States and Washington, D.C.





### EB-5 Investors from 60+ Countries

Investors from a wide variety of backgrounds consistently find value in EB5AN's investment approach.

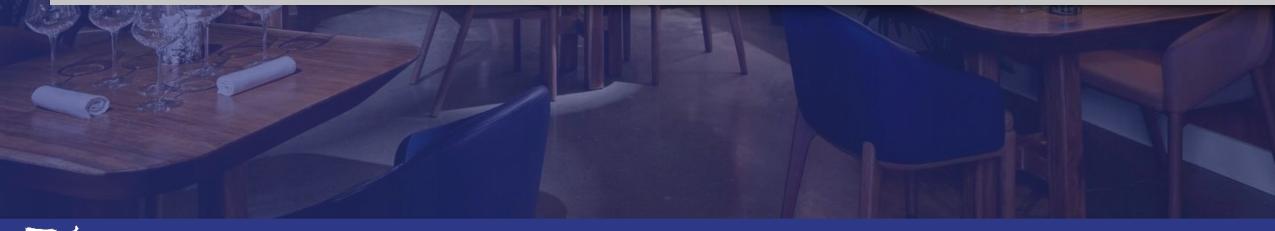






# El Cielo Restaurant Direct EB-5 Project Overview

A \$500,000 preferred equity investment with a 2.0% annual return and direct EB-5 job creation





### El Cielo Restaurant (Equity) EB-5 Direct Investment

Qualifies as a high unemployment TEA under the current rules – \$500K investment.





#### **Award Winning, Destination Restaurant**

**Michelin** Star **Award** 

Direct EB-5 investment \$1.5M, 45% of total cost

Total project cost \$3.35M

One of 4 El Cielo Restaurants

Only 3 **EB-5 Investor** Slots

2.0% **Preferred Annual** Return

Total job creation 15.0 jobs per investor

**Highly Experienced Operator** 

**Escrow** with **Signature** Bank

The El Cielo Restaurant EB-5 direct investment project is a unique opportunity for EB-5 investors to invest in a proven business model with 3 proven locations, and still meet EB-5 visa program requirements

El Cielo **Highlights**  The El Cielo concept was started in Colombia and has expanded to Miami and Washington, D.C -All Managed by the lead chef Juan Manuel Barrientos

4 locations of the same concept

Chef has won multiple awards and is world renowned

Michelin Star Winner; **Opened in Sept 2020** 

Only 3 EB-5 investor slots with a high-job cushion

2% preferred return and a clear exit strategy that complies with EB-5 program rules



# German Doner Kebab Restaurant **Direct EB-5 Project Overview**

A \$500,000 preferred equity investment with a 2.0% annual return and direct EB-5 job creation



### German Doner Kebab Restaurant (Equity) EB-5 Direct Investment

Qualifies as a high unemployment TEA under the current rules – \$500K investment.



#### German Doner Kebab Restaurant Born 1989

**Franchise Expansion to** 7 New **Locations** 

Direct EB-5 investment \$3.5M, 60% of total cost

Total project cost \$6.0M

1,000+ Google and Yelp Reviews

Only 7 **EB-5 Investor** Slots

2.0% **Preferred Annual** Return

Total job creation jobs per investor

**Financial and Immigration Diversification**  **Escrow** with **Signature** Bank

## The German Doner Kebab Restaurant EB-5 direct investment project is a unique opportunity for EB-5 investors to invest in a proven, global business model with 80+ units already open and profitable

German Doner Kebab **Highlights**  GDK Franchisees allotted for

75+ units in US to be developed in the next 5 years

1,000+ Google and Yelp online reviews and 50+ articles

**Diversified EB-5** franchise chain investment with 7 locations

First of the 7 EB-5 project locations is already open.

Remaining 6 locations opening in March 2022. Only 7 EB-5 investor

slots with a high-job cushion 2% preferred return and a clear exit strategy that complies with EB-5 program rules



# MGM Mandalay Bay Restaurant and Speakeasy, Las Vegas **Direct EB-5 Business Overview**

A \$500,000 preferred equity investment with a 3.0% annual return and direct EB-5 job creation





#### MGM Mandalay Bay Restaurant and Speakeasy, EB-5 Direct Investment

Qualifies as a high unemployment TEA under the current rules – \$500K investment.









#### **Award Winning, Destination Restaurant**

**Established Brands** 

Direct EB-5 investment \$2.5M

Total project cost \$3.23M

Successful **Bold New Concepts** 

Total job creation 25.6 jobs per investor

Only 5 **EB-5 Investor** Slots

3.0% **Preferred Annual** Return

**Backed by** Queens **Hospitality**  **Escrow** with **Signature** Bank



The MGM Mandalay Bay Restaurant and Speakeasy, EB-5 direct investment project, is a unique opportunity for EB-5 investors to invest in successful new restaurant and nightlife concepts with a growing track record of success

MGM **Mandalay** Bay Restaurant and **Speakeasy Highlights** 

Queens Hospitality focuses on creating innovative customer driven experiences that inspire and evolve the hospitality industry

Located in MGM **Mandalay** Bay

Founder & CEO Chris Viso is a **Rising Hospitality Innovator** 

Walking distance to Allegiant **Stadium – 70,000** capacity with 100+ annual events

Only 5

EB-5 investor slots with a high-job cushion

3% preferred return and a clear exit strategy that complies with EB-5 program rules

### Important Investment Information

All EB-5 investments must be "at risk" per USCIS requirements. Risk of loss exists. Any protections and guaranties negotiated at fund level are not exercisable by individual investors themselves but are administered by fund management only. No guaranties exist regarding individual investors' ability to be repaid.

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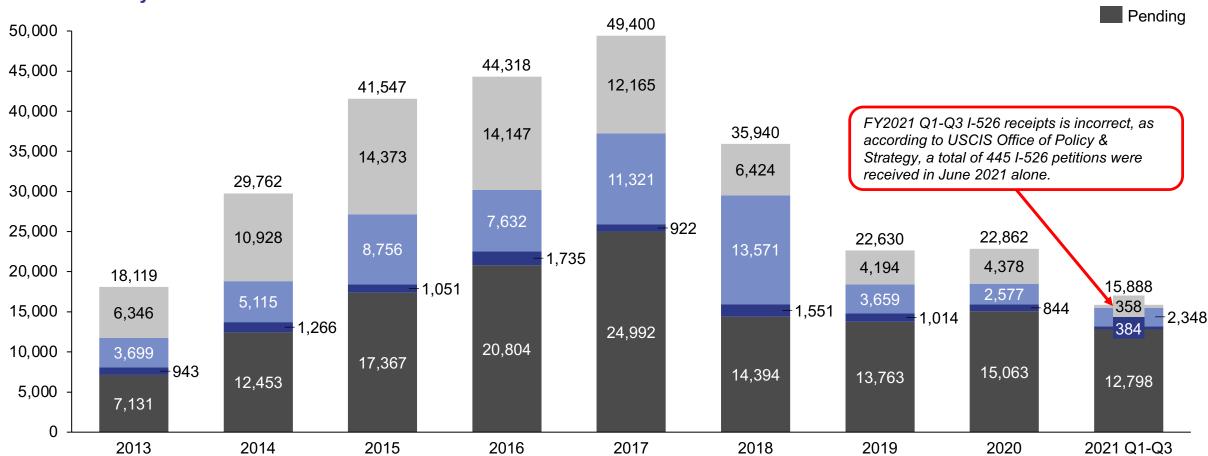


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## I-526 Petitions by Case Status

By fiscal year, FY2013–2021 Q3





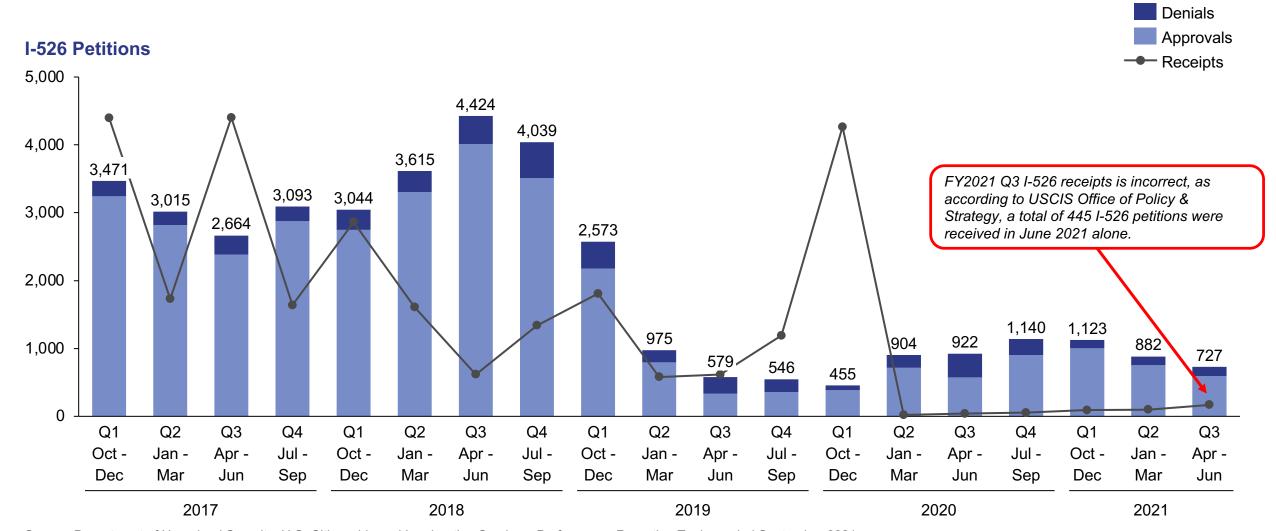
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Receipts **Approved Denied** 

### I-526 Petition Processing and Receipts

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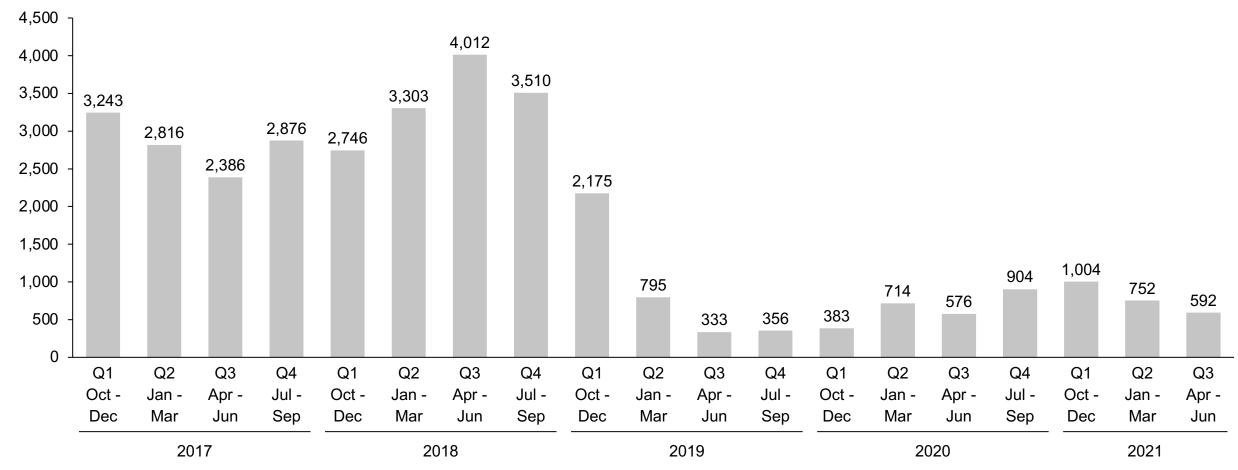




### **I-526 Petition Approvals**

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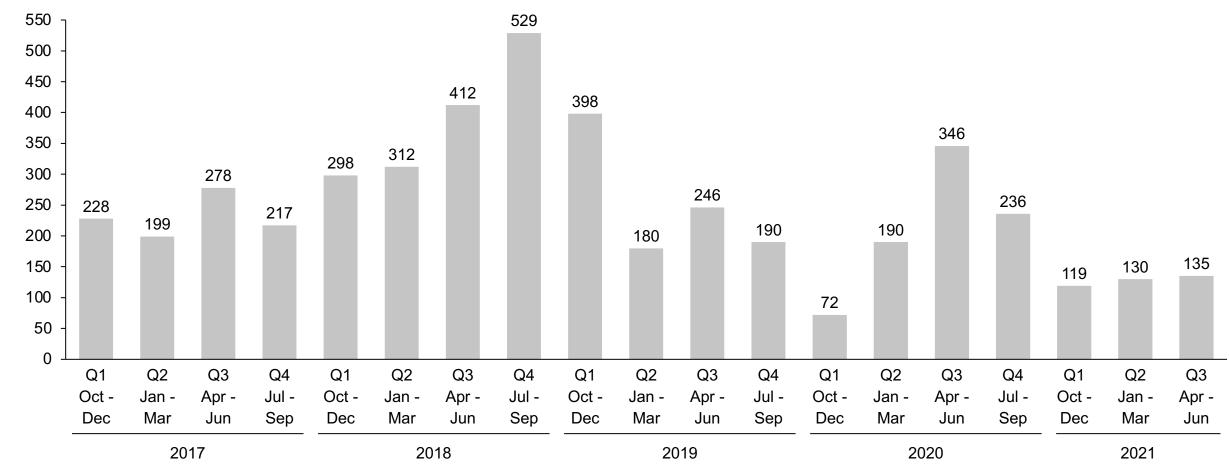




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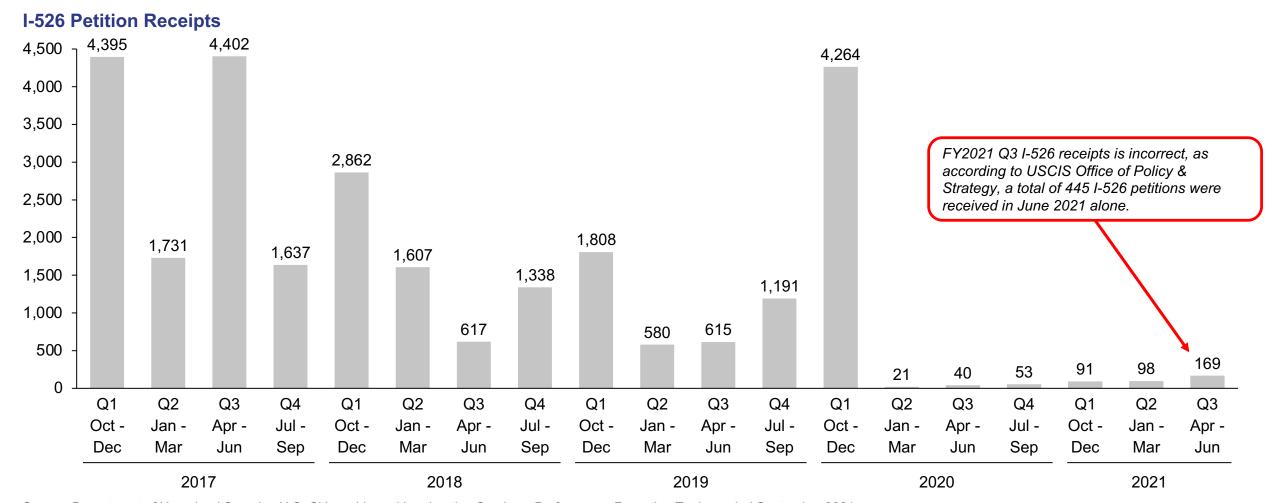






### **I-526 Petition Receipts**

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### **I-526 Petitions by Case Status**

By fiscal year, FY2013–2021 Q3

FY2021 Q1-Q3 I-526 receipts is incorrect, as according to USCIS Office of Policy & Strategy, a total of 445 I-526 petitions were received in June 2021 alone.

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021 Q1-Q3
Petitions received	6,346	10,928	14,373	14,147	12,165	6,424	4,194	4,378	358
Growth rate	5%	72%	32%	-2%	-14%	-47%	-35%	4%	-92%
Approved	3,699	5,115	8,756	7,632	11,321	13,571	3,659	2,577	2,348
Approved rate	1%	38%	71%	-13%	48%	20%	-73%	-30%	-9%
Denied	943	1,266	1,051	1,735	922	1,551	1,014	844	384
Denied rate	-1%	34%	-17%	65%	-47%	68%	-35%	-17%	-55%
Pending	7,131	12,453	17,367	20,804	24,992	14,394	13,763	15,063	12,798
Pending rate	42%	75%	39%	20%	20%	-42%	-4%	9%	-15%



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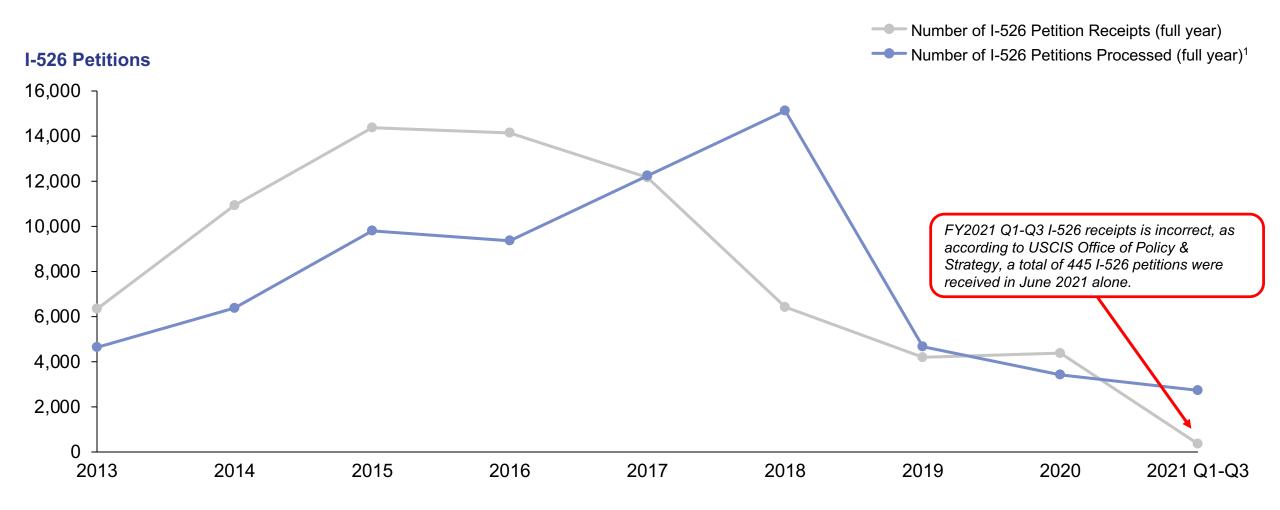
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	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3
Petitions received	2,862	1,607	617	1,338	1,808	580	615	1,191	4,264	21	40	53	91	98	169
Growth rate	75%	-44%	-62%	117%	35%	-68%	6%	94%	258%	-100%	90%	33%	72%	8%	72%
Approved	2,746	3,303	4,012	3,510	2,175	795	333	356	383	714	576	904	1,004	752	592
Approved rate	-5%	20%	21%	-13%	-38%	-63%	-58%	7%	8%	86%	-19%	57%	11%	-25%	-21%
Denied	298	312	412	529	398	180	246	190	72	190	346	236	119	130	135
Denied rate	37%	5%	32%	28%	-25%	-55%	37%	-23%	-62%	164%	82%	-32%	-50%	9%	4%
Pending	22,475	20,455	17,126	14,394	13,508	13,105	13,070	13,763	17,468	16,633	15,955	15,063	13,746	13,044	12,798
Pending rate	-10%	-9%	-16%	-16%	-6%	-3%	0%	5%	27%	-5%	-4%	-6%	-9%	-5%	-2%



### I-526 Petition Receipts Versus Processing

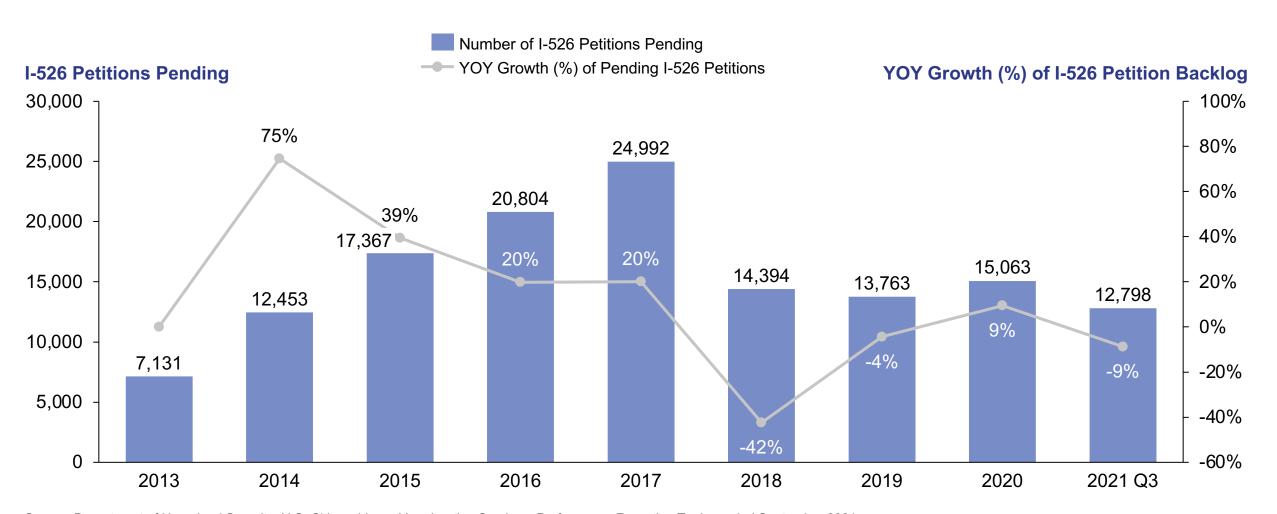
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## I-526 Petitions Pending and Year-Over-Year Backlog Growth

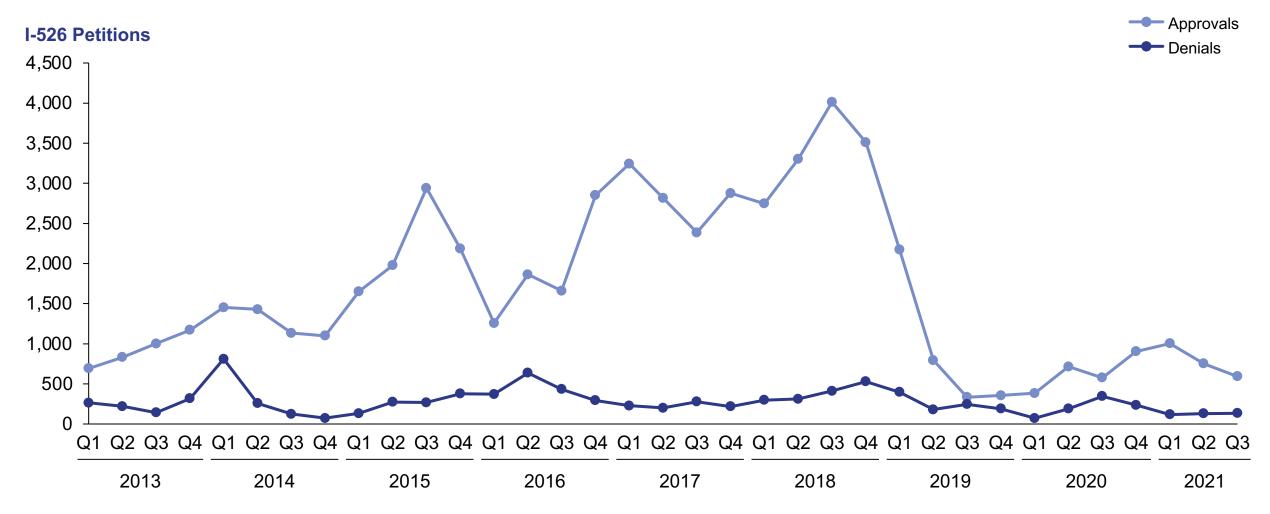
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### I-526 Petition Approval and Denial Trends

By quarter, FY2013-2021 Q3





### I-526 Petition Approval and Denial Rates

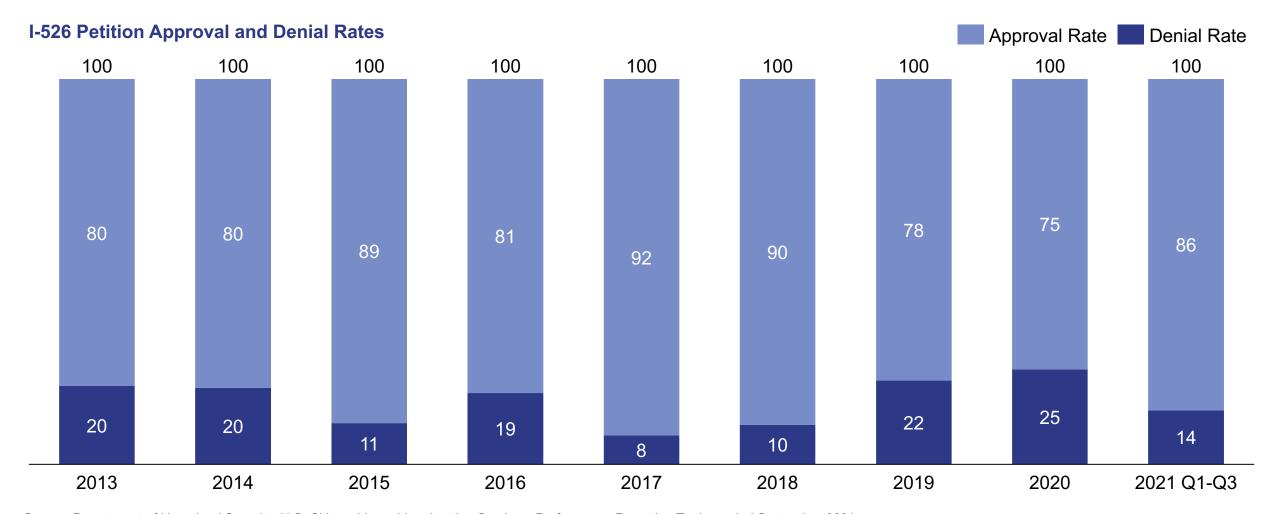
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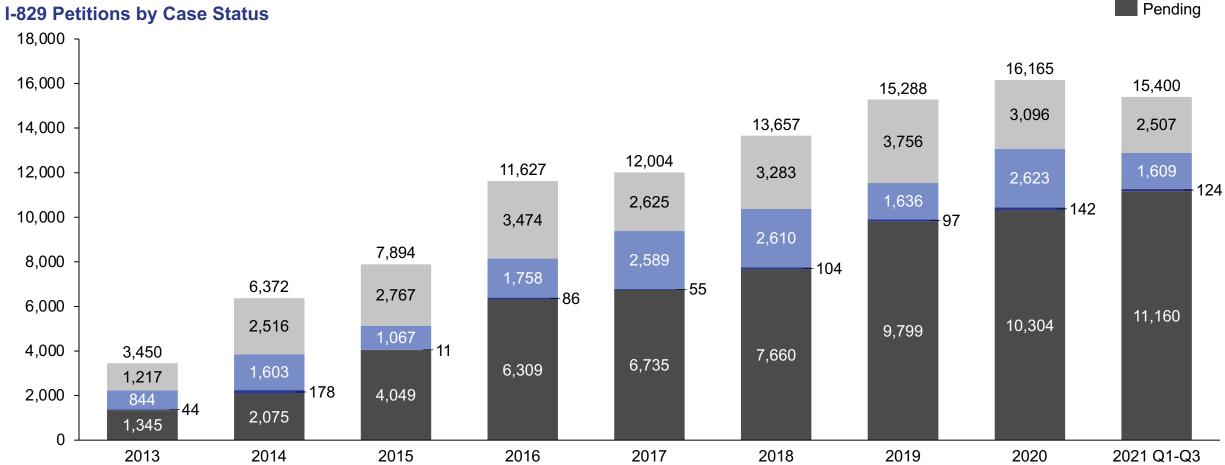


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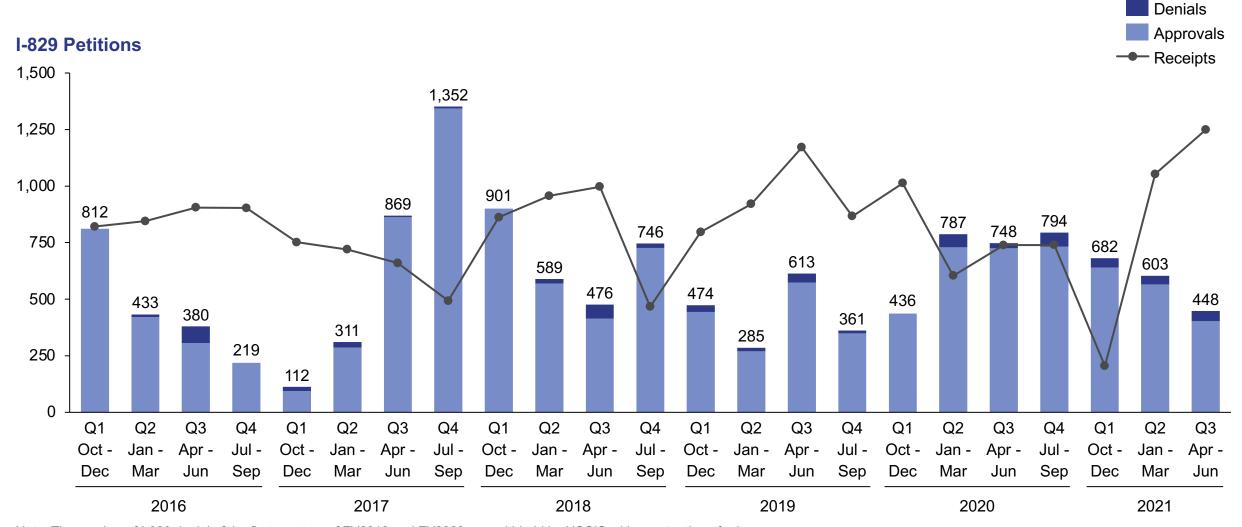


Receipts

**Approvals Denials** 

### I-829 Petition Processing and Receipts

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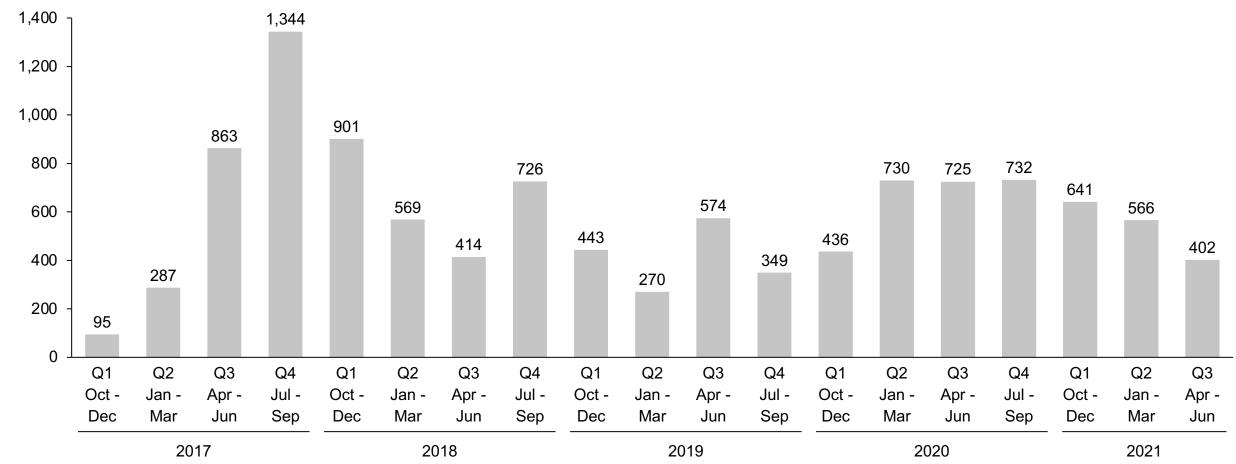
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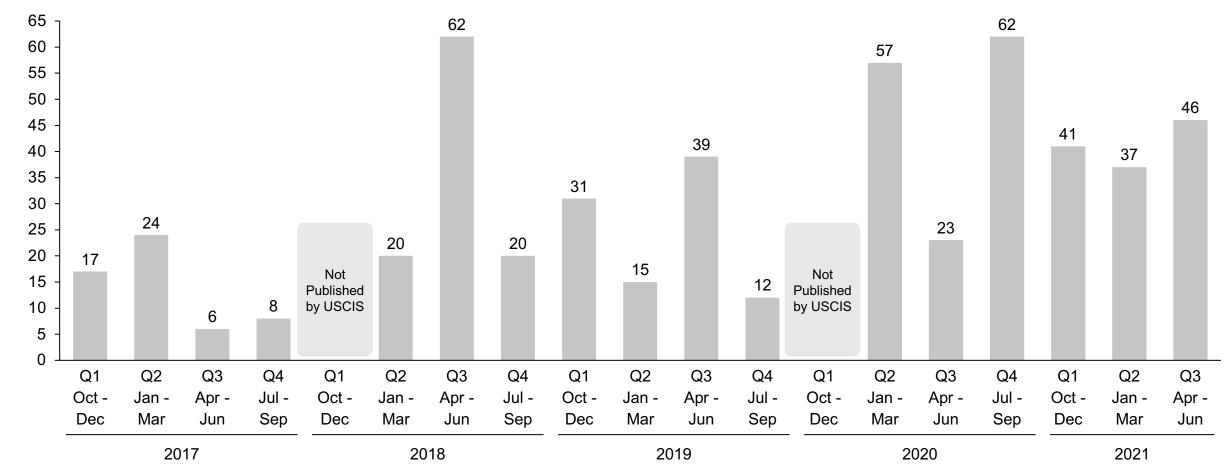




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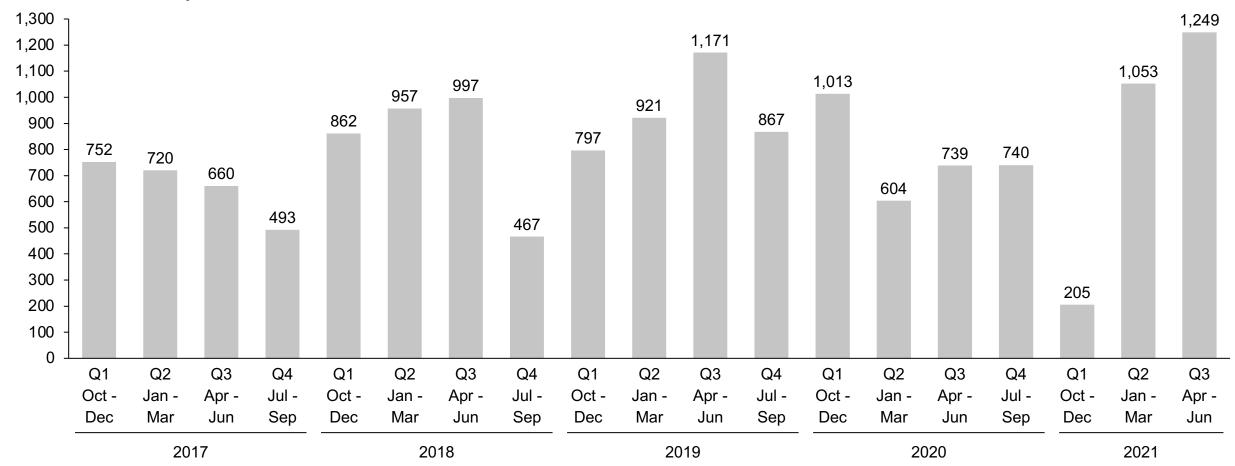




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By quarter, FY2017-2021 Q3

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### **I-829 Petitions by Case Status**

By fiscal year, FY2013–2021 Q3

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021 Q1-Q3
Petitions received	1,217	2,516	2,767	3,474	2,625	3,283	3,756	3,096	2,507
Growth rate	71%	107%	10%	26%	-24%	25%	14%	-18%	-19%
Approved	844	1,603	1,067	1,758	2,589	2,610	1,636	2,623	1,609
Approved growth rate	15%	90%	-33%	65%	47%	1%	-37%	60%	-39%
Denied	44	178	11	86	55	104	97	142	124
Denied growth rate	-27%	305%	-94%	682%	-36%	89%	-7%	46%	-13%
Pending	1,345	2,075	4,049	6,309	6,735	7,660	9,799	10,304	11,160
Pending growth rate	33%	54%	95%	56%	7%	14%	28%	5%	8%



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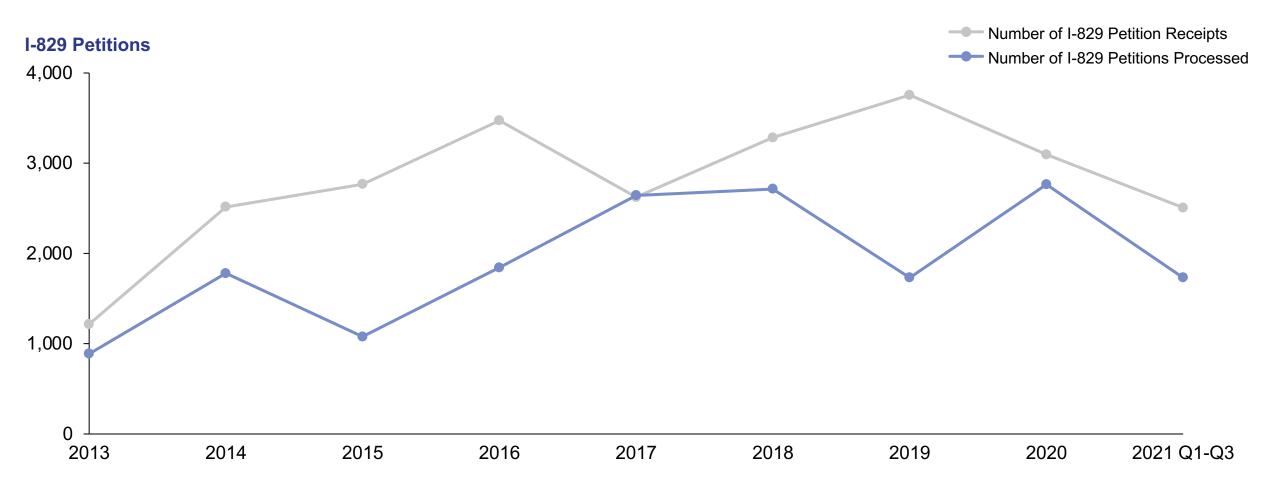
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Petitions received	752	720	660	493	862	957	997	467	797	921	1,171	867	1013	604	739	740	205	1,053	1,249	
Growth rate	-17%	-4%	-8%	-25%	75%	11%	4%	-53%	71%	16%	27%	-26%	17%	-40%	22%	0%	-72%	414%	19%	
Approved	95	287	863	1,344	901	569	414	726	443	270	574	349	436	730	725	732	641	566	402	
Approved growth rate	-57%	202%	201%	56%	-33%	-37%	-27%	75%	-39%	-39%	113%	-39%	25%	67%	-1%	1%	-12%	-12%	-29%	
Denied	17	24	6	8	D	20	62	20	31	15	39	12	D	57	23	62	41	37	46	
Denied growth rate	-	41%	-75%	33%	_	_	210%	-68%	55%	-52%	160%	-69%	_	-	-60%	170%	-34%	-10%	24%	
Pending	7,072	7,709	7,645	6,735	6,243	7,447	-7,818	7,660	8,119	8,821	9,295	9,799	10,373	10,309	10,332	10,304	9,894	10,356	11,160	
Pending growth rate	12%	9%	-1%	-12%	-7%	19%	-205%	-198%	6%	9%	5%	5%	6%	-1%	0%	0%	-4%	5%	8%	

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## I-829 Petition Receipts Versus Processing

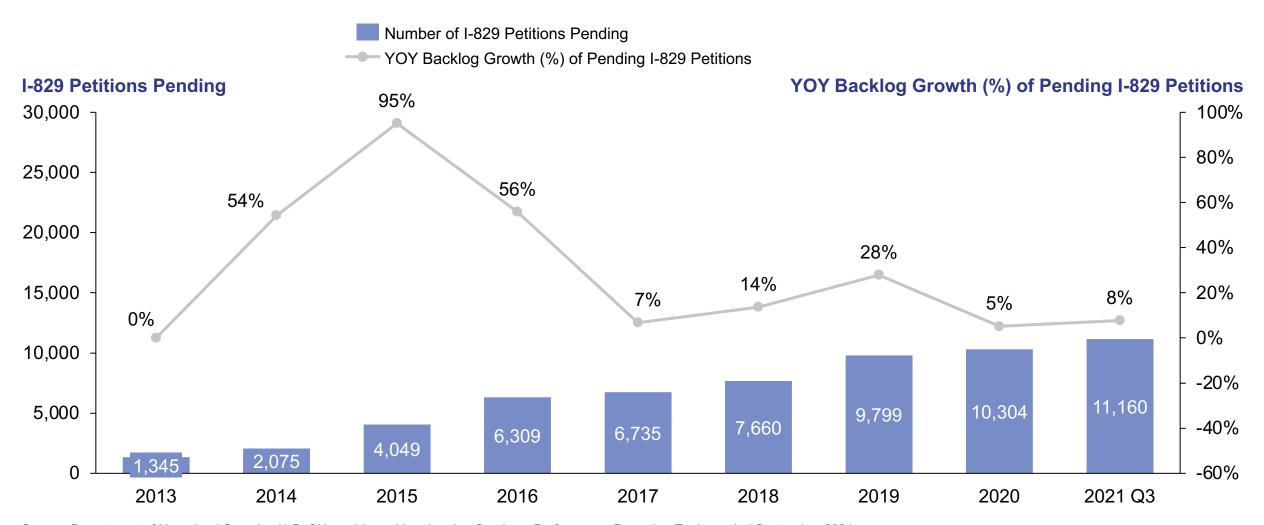
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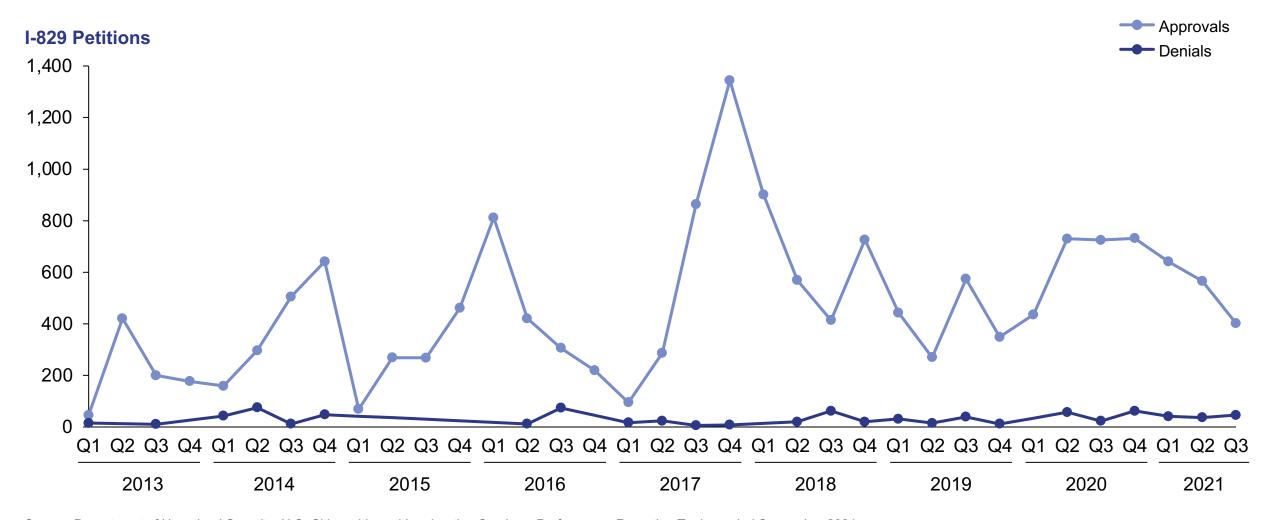
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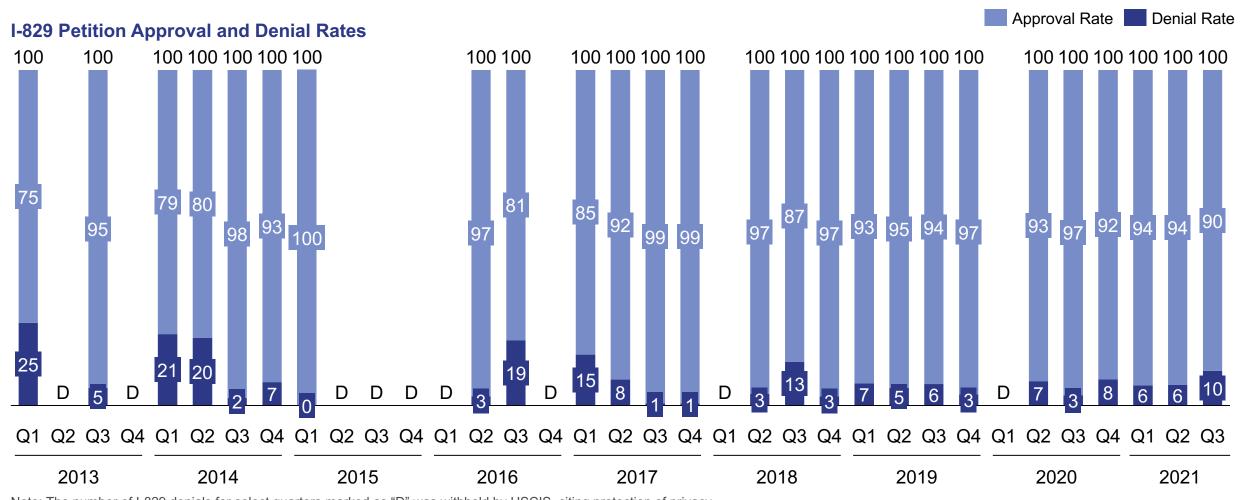
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#### I-829 Petition Approval and Denial Rates

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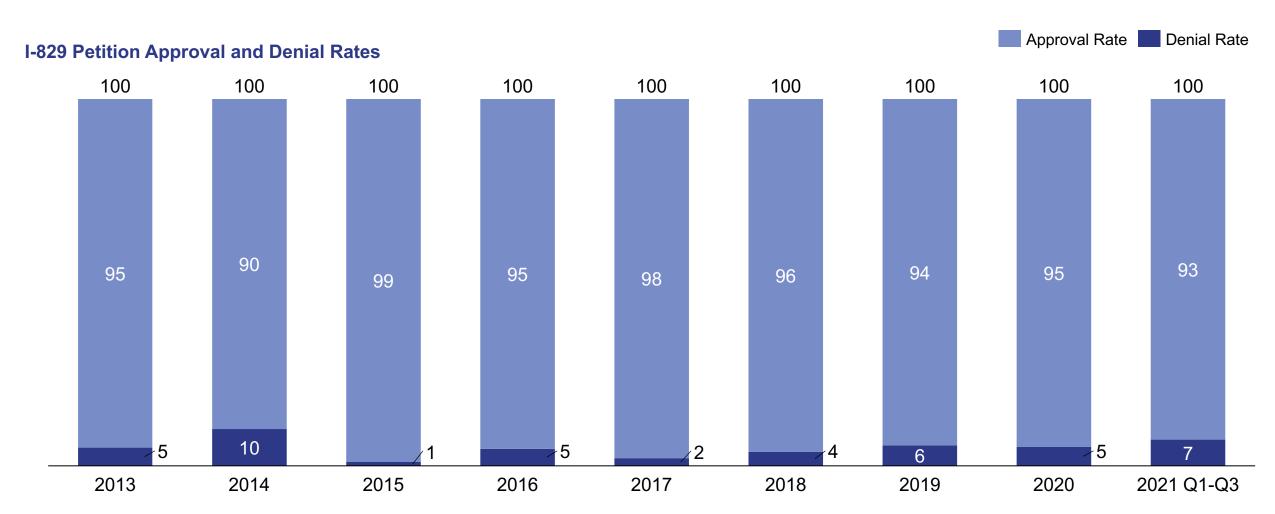


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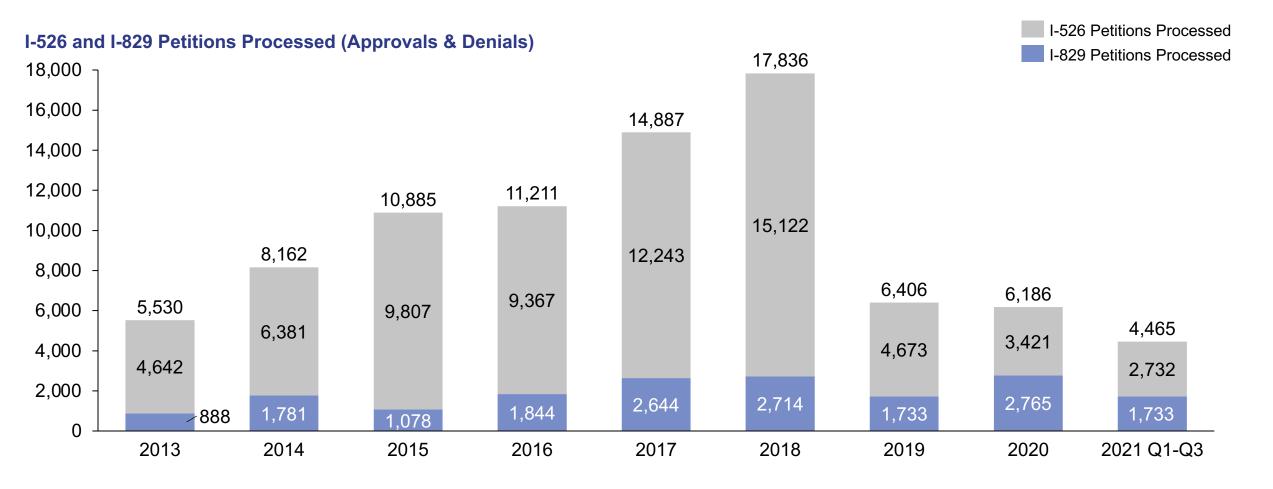
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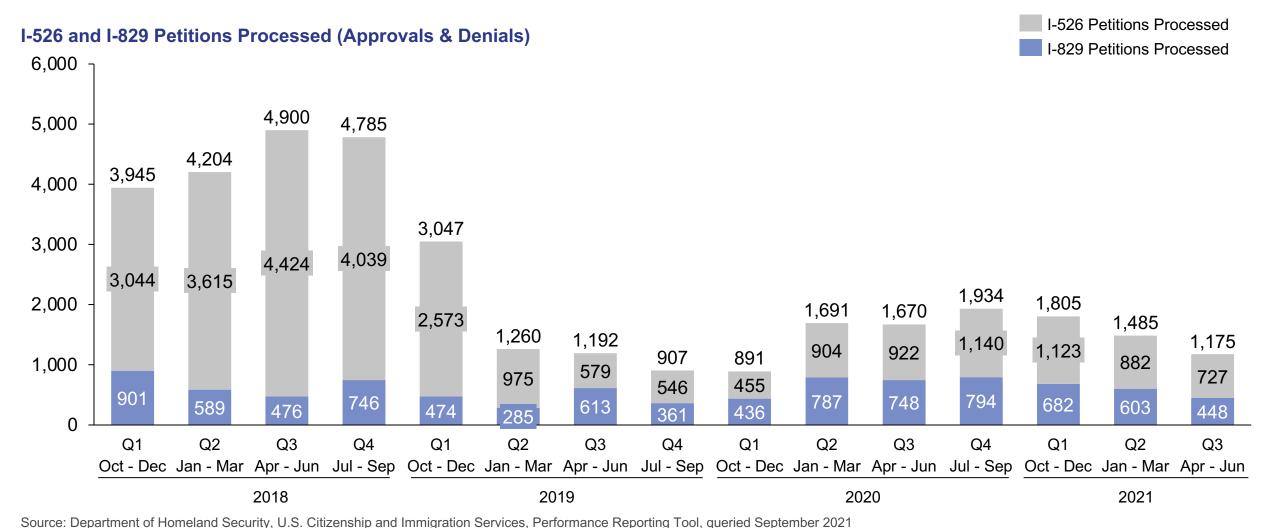
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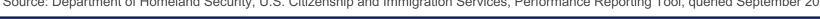




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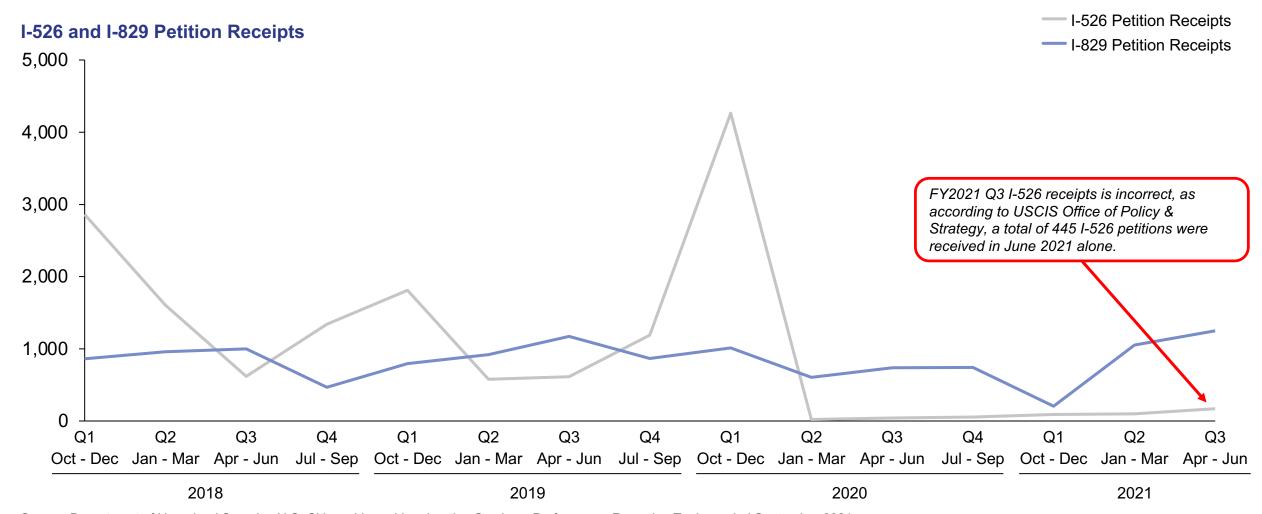






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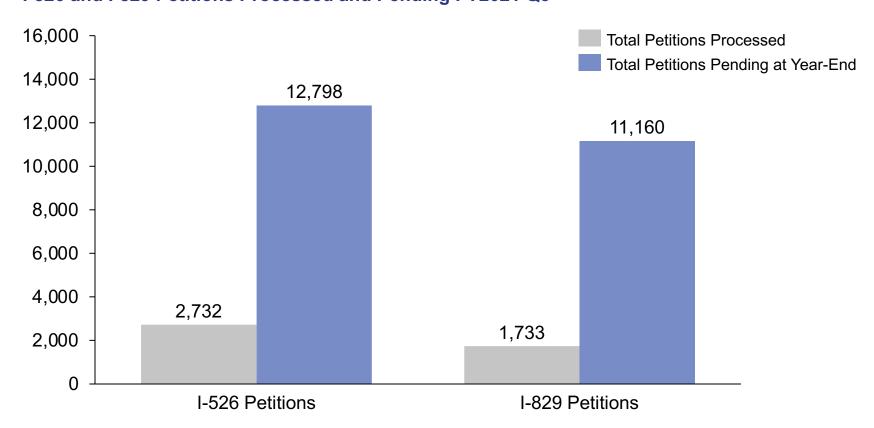






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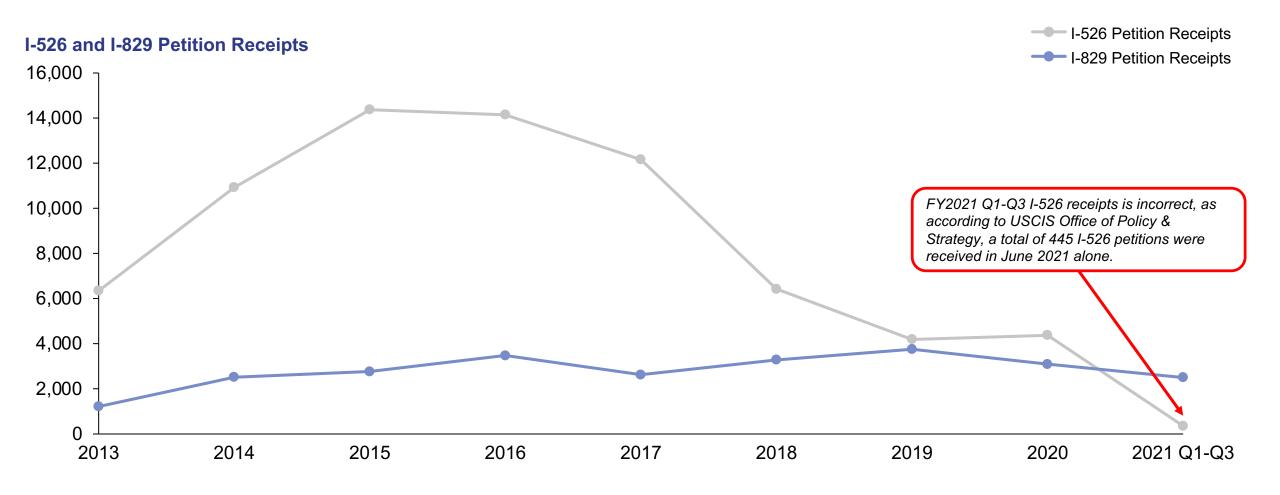
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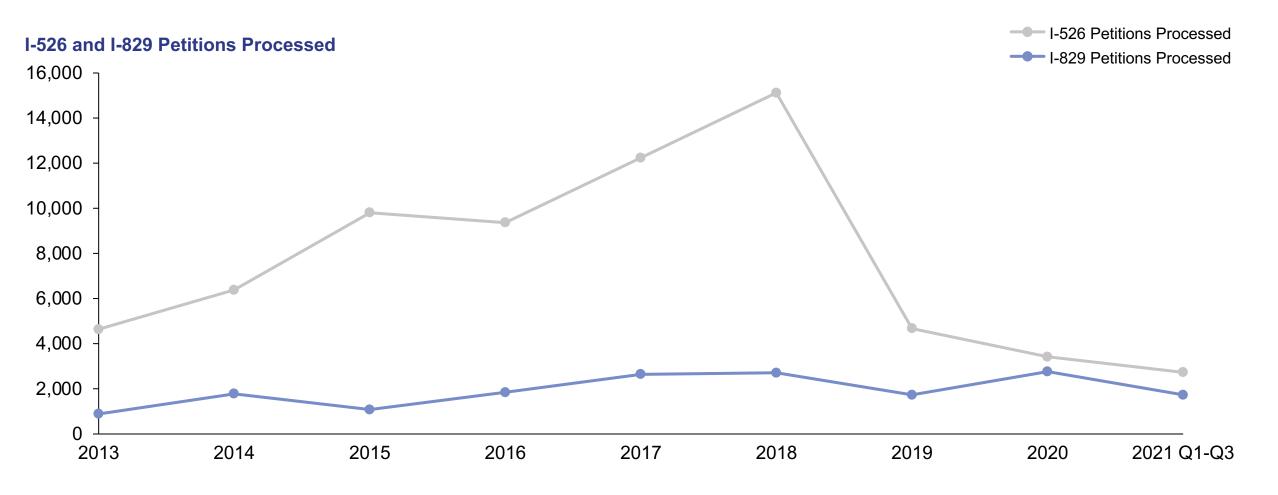
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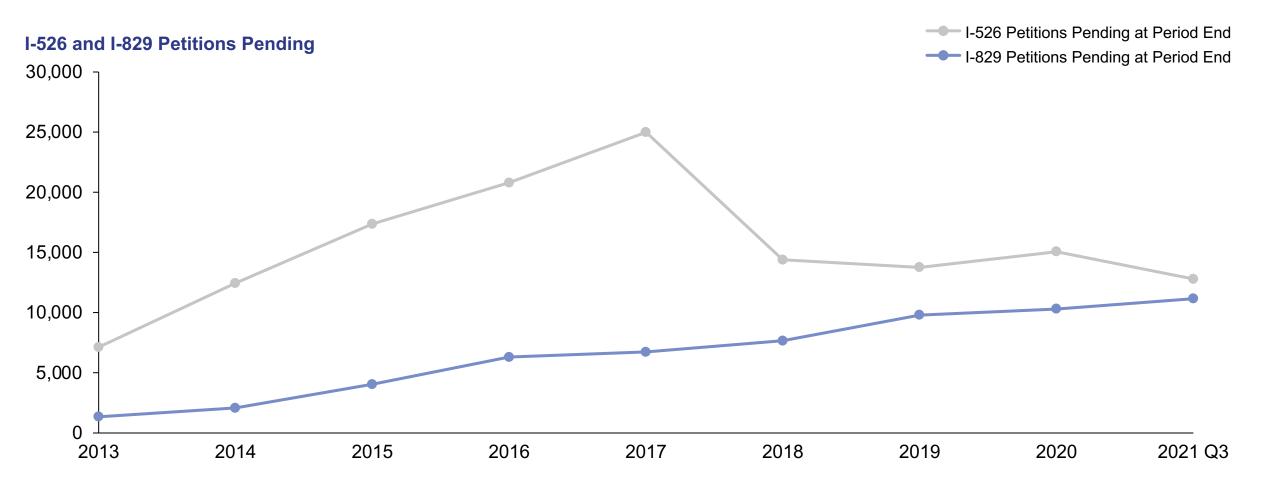
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