

NC Department of Commerce

Division of Workforce Solutions

Agricultural Services



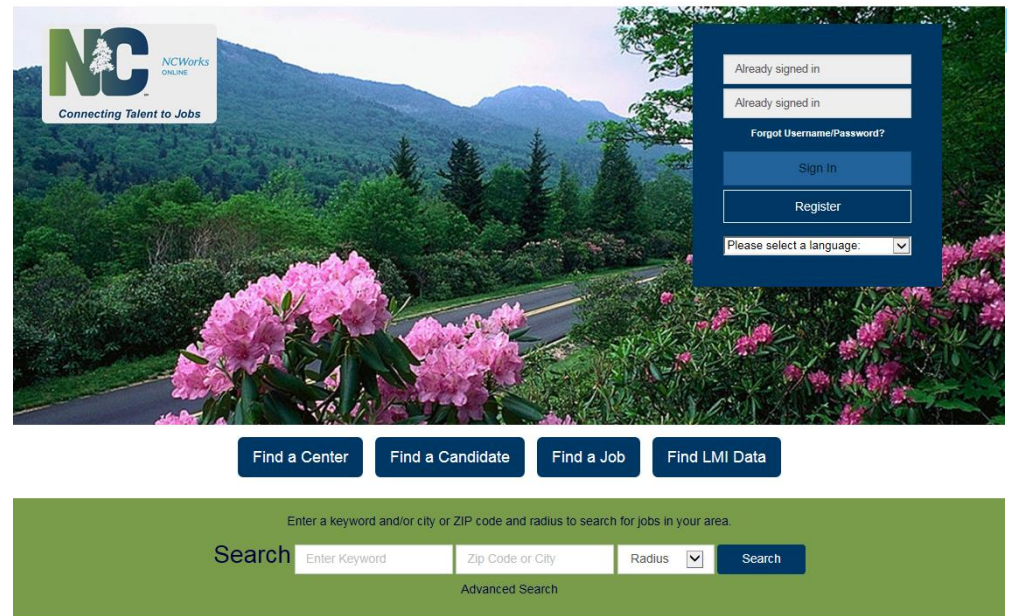
Our Mission is Simple:

We help people in North Carolina find jobs

We administer a statewide system of workforce programs to provide comprehensive employment and training services to job seekers and employers.

Agricultural Employment Services staff:

- 15 Agricultural Employment Consultants (AECs) based in NCWorks Career Centers across the state.
- 4 regional Agricultural Field Supervisors
- State Program Manager
- 2 Foreign Labor Coordinators



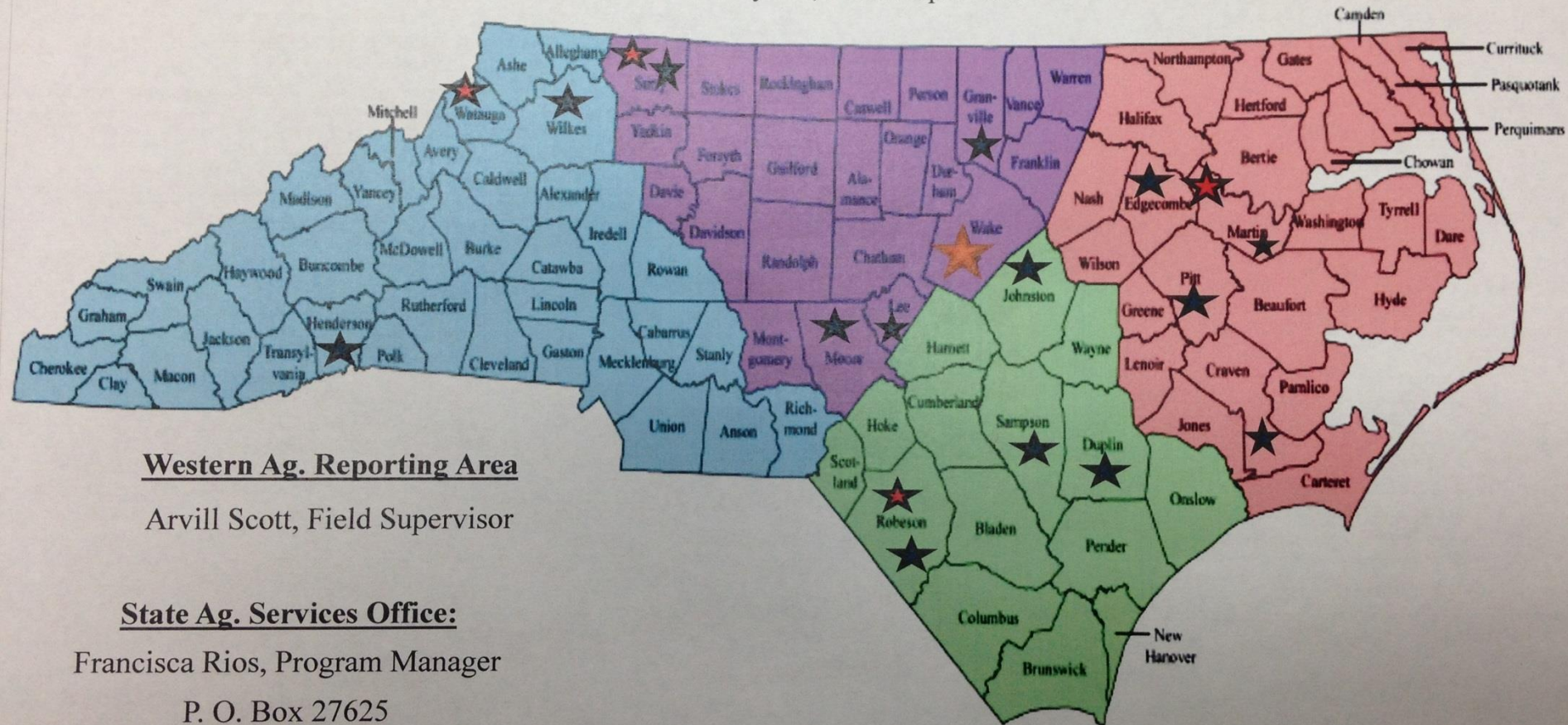
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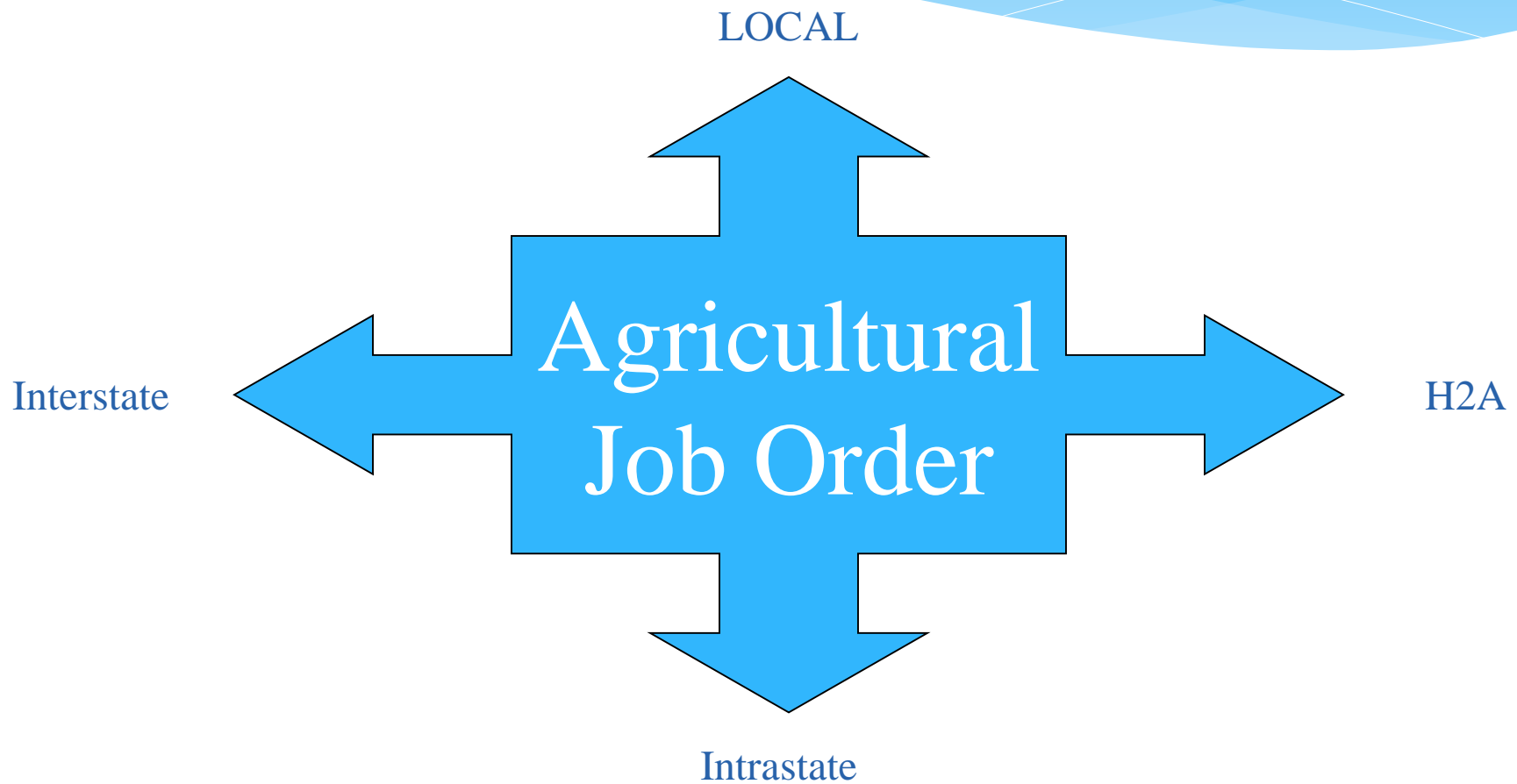
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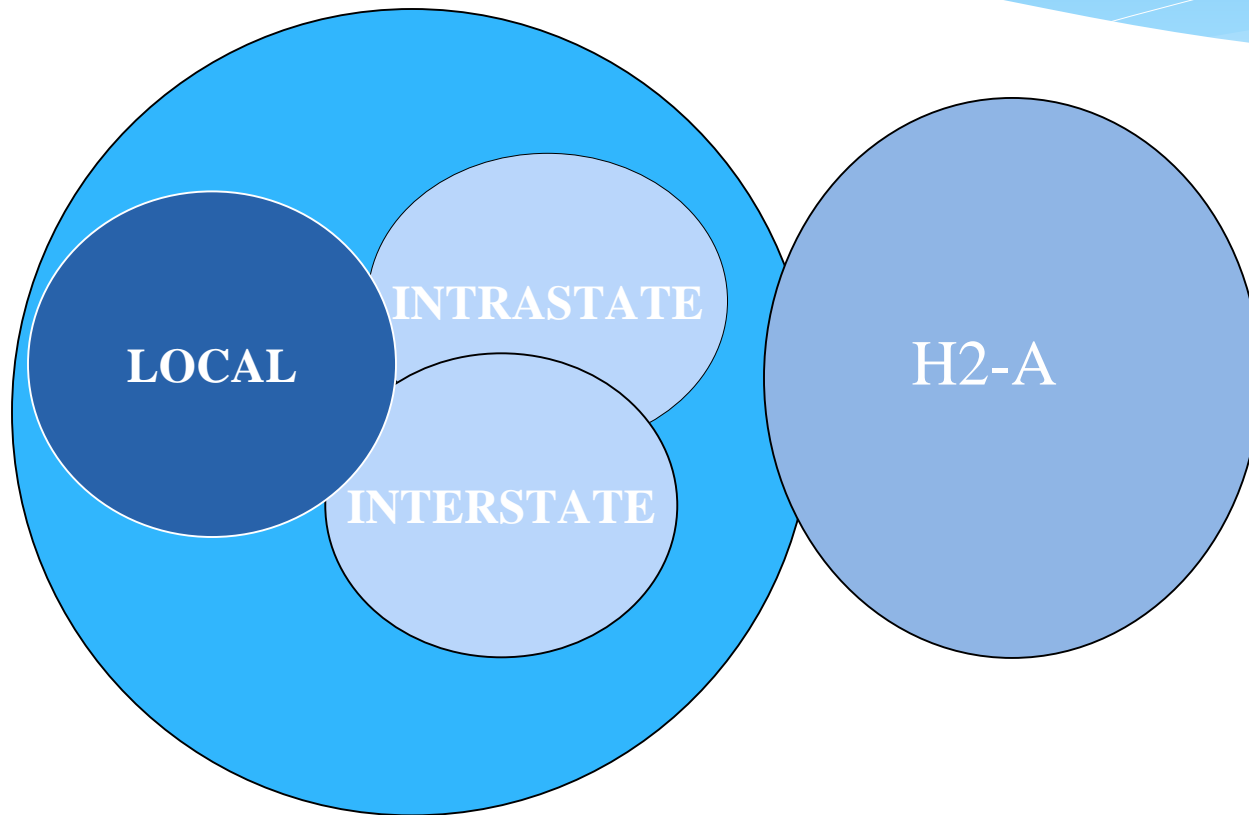
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Labor Options



Agricultural Recruitment System & H-2A



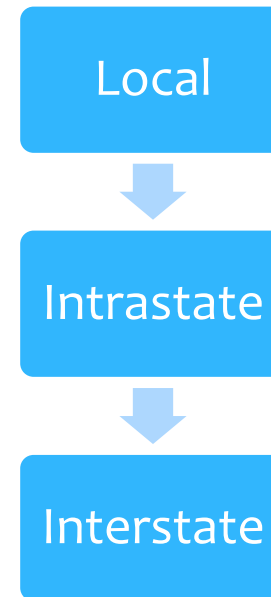
The ARS system can function by itself, but the H2-A program relies on outcomes from ARS

Agricultural Recruitment System

What is it

- Helps agricultural employers recruit qualified workers on a temporary or seasonal basis.
- Provides workers seeking temporary agricultural employment with opportunities for such employment.
- The Wagner-Peyser Act provides authority for the ARS (20 CFR 653.500-653.503)

How it works

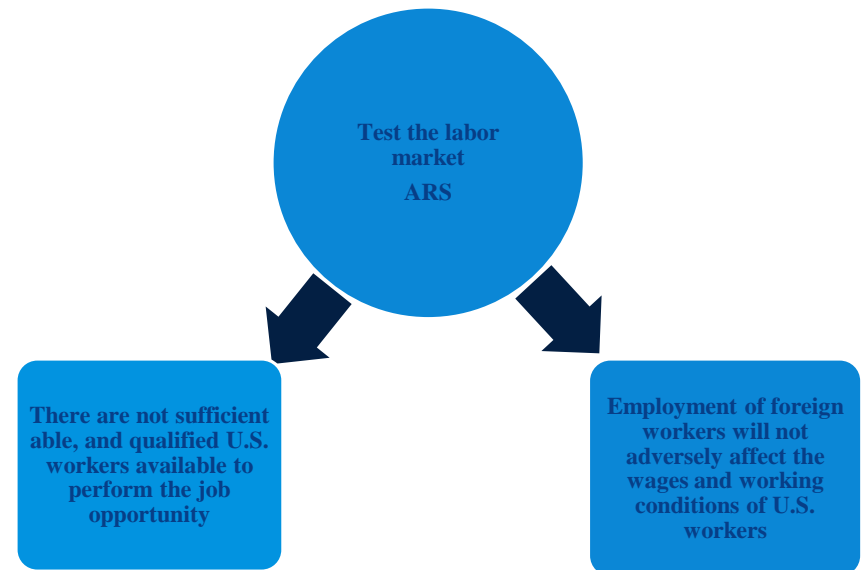


H2A Program

What is it

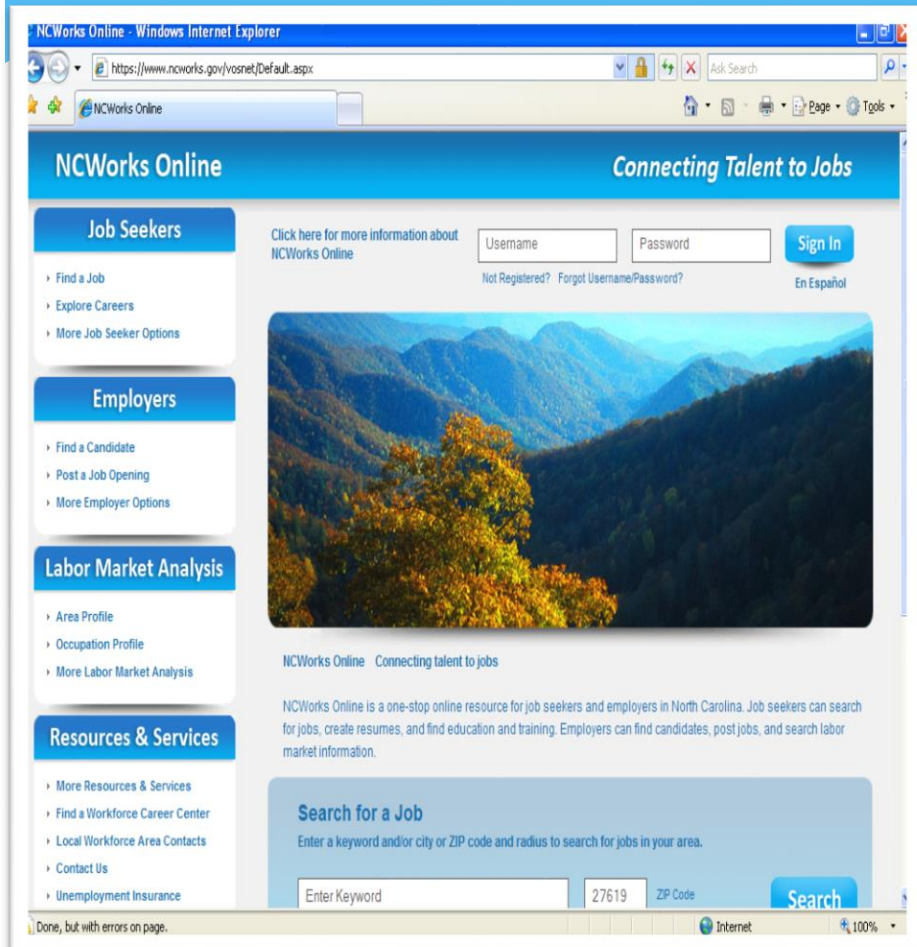
- The H2A program allows agricultural employers to bring in foreign labor where there is a lack of available workforce.
- The Agricultural Services unit processes these temporary alien certification requests in NC.
- Agricultural Services staff provide training as well as updates to the H2A process to employers and local workforce office staff.

How it works



NCWorks Online

Is a one-stop online resource for job seekers and employers in North Carolina



Employers

- Find a candidate
- Post a job opening
- Find labor market information

Job seekers

- Find a job
- Explore careers
- Training and Education Programs

Assist growers and Farm Labor Contractors with questions concerning the various farm labor rules and regulations.

- The Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA)
- The Migrant and Seasonal Agricultural Worker Protection Act (MSPA)
- Housing Regulations
- Wages
- Field sanitation standards
- Child Labor Laws
- Record Keeping



Register Farm Labor Contractors

Before performing any farm labor contracting activity, farm labor contractors must register with the U.S Department of Labor (DOL) and obtain a certificate of registration.

If farm labor contractors intend to provide housing or transportation, then they must register to request the following:

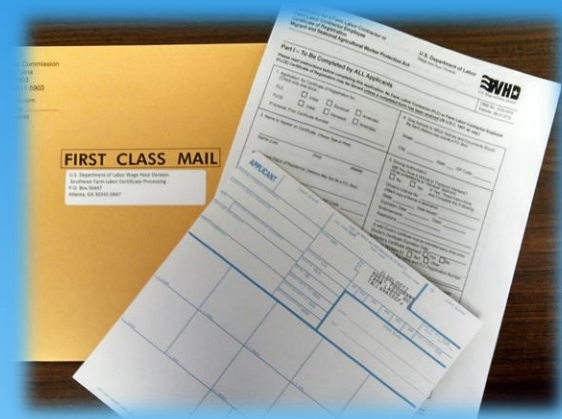
Driving Authorization

Transportation Authorization

Housing Authorization

Applications for registration can be made at workforce offices of the NC Department of Commerce/Division of Workforce Solutions

No cost registration.

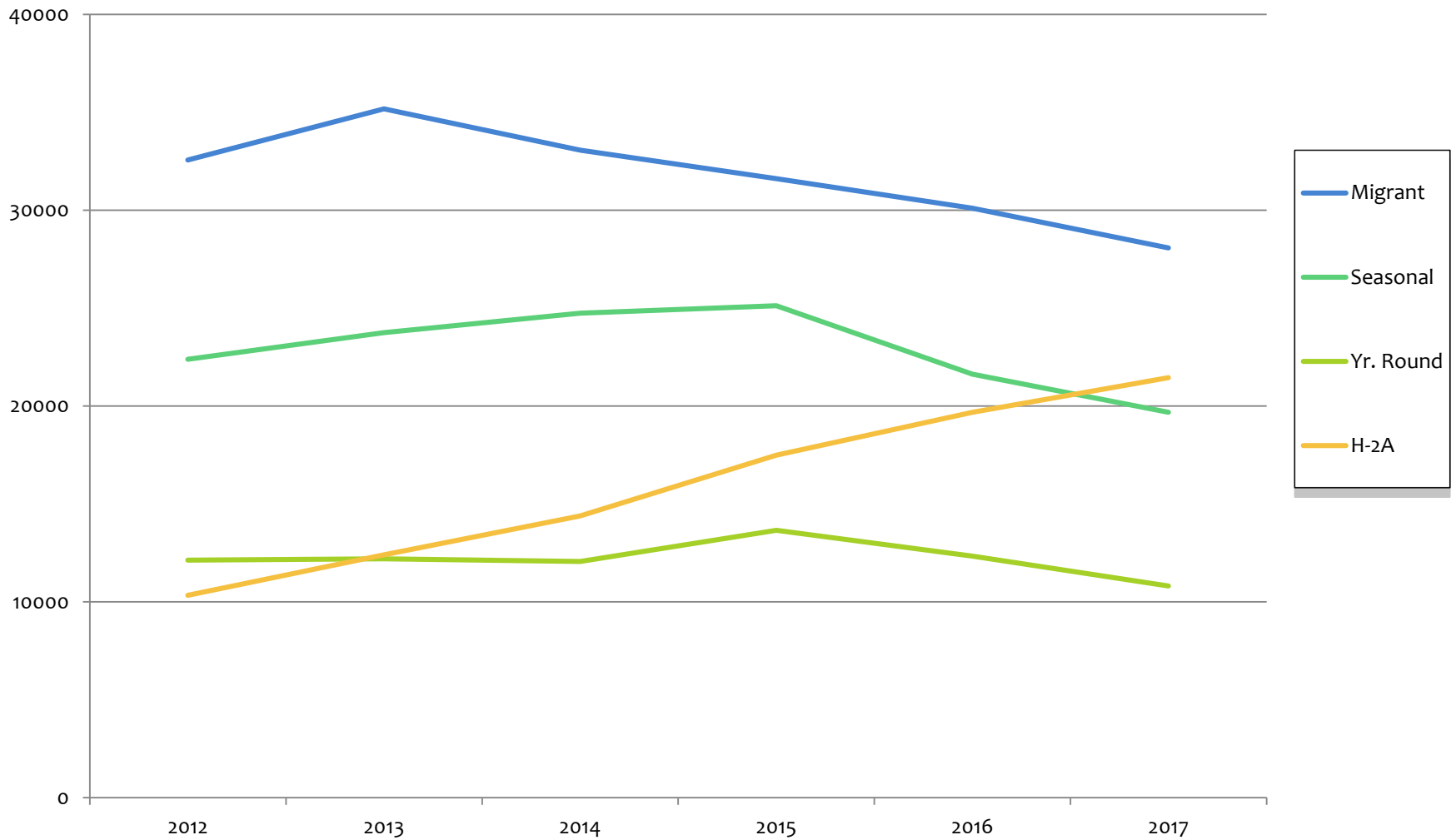


Provide Outreach Services to Migrant and Seasonal Farm Workers (MSFW)

- Assist farm workers by locating agencies that can provide them with services that they may need.
- Help agencies that offer assistance to the agricultural community locate people who can utilize their services.
- Coordinate services with other supportive services agencies.

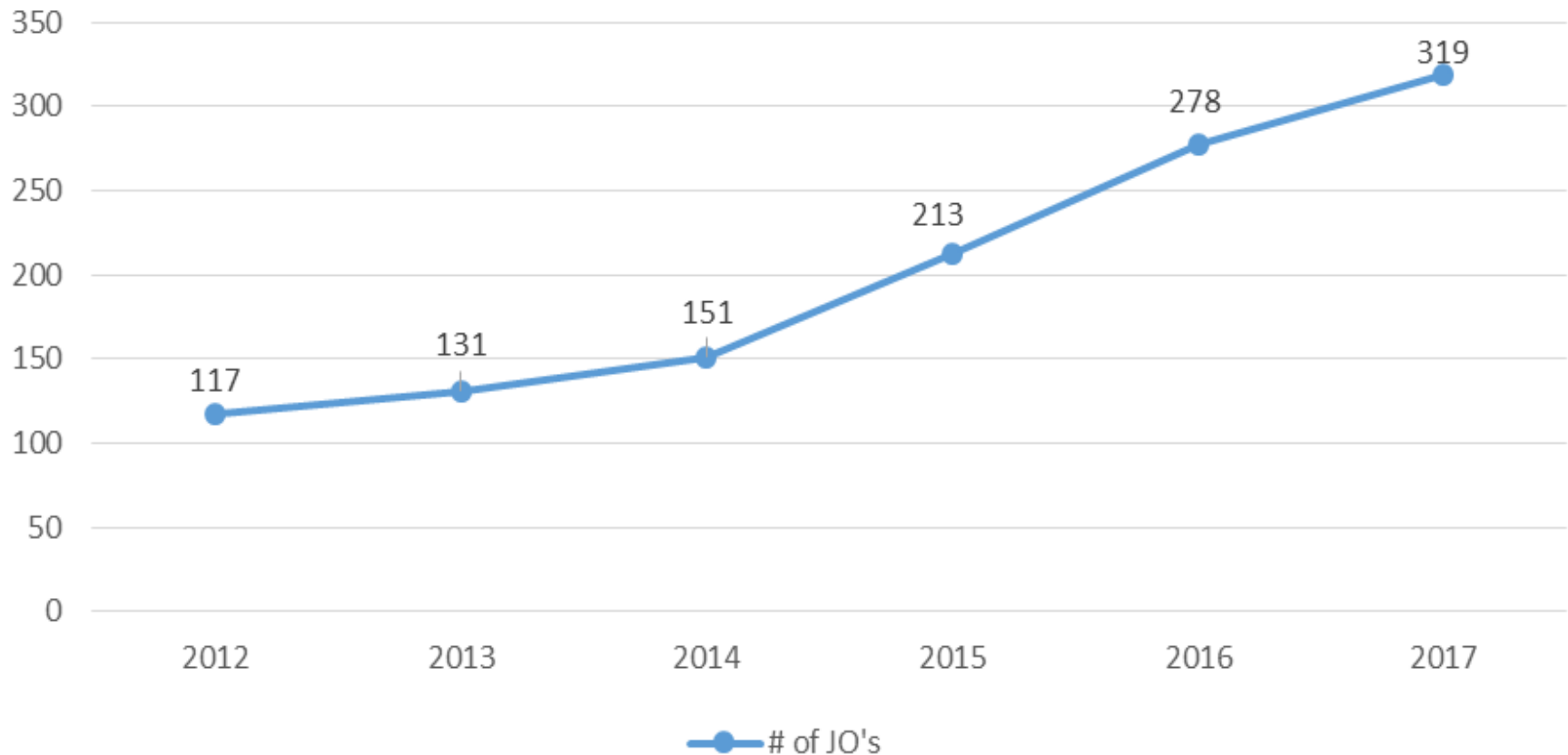


NC Farmworker Population 2012 to 2017



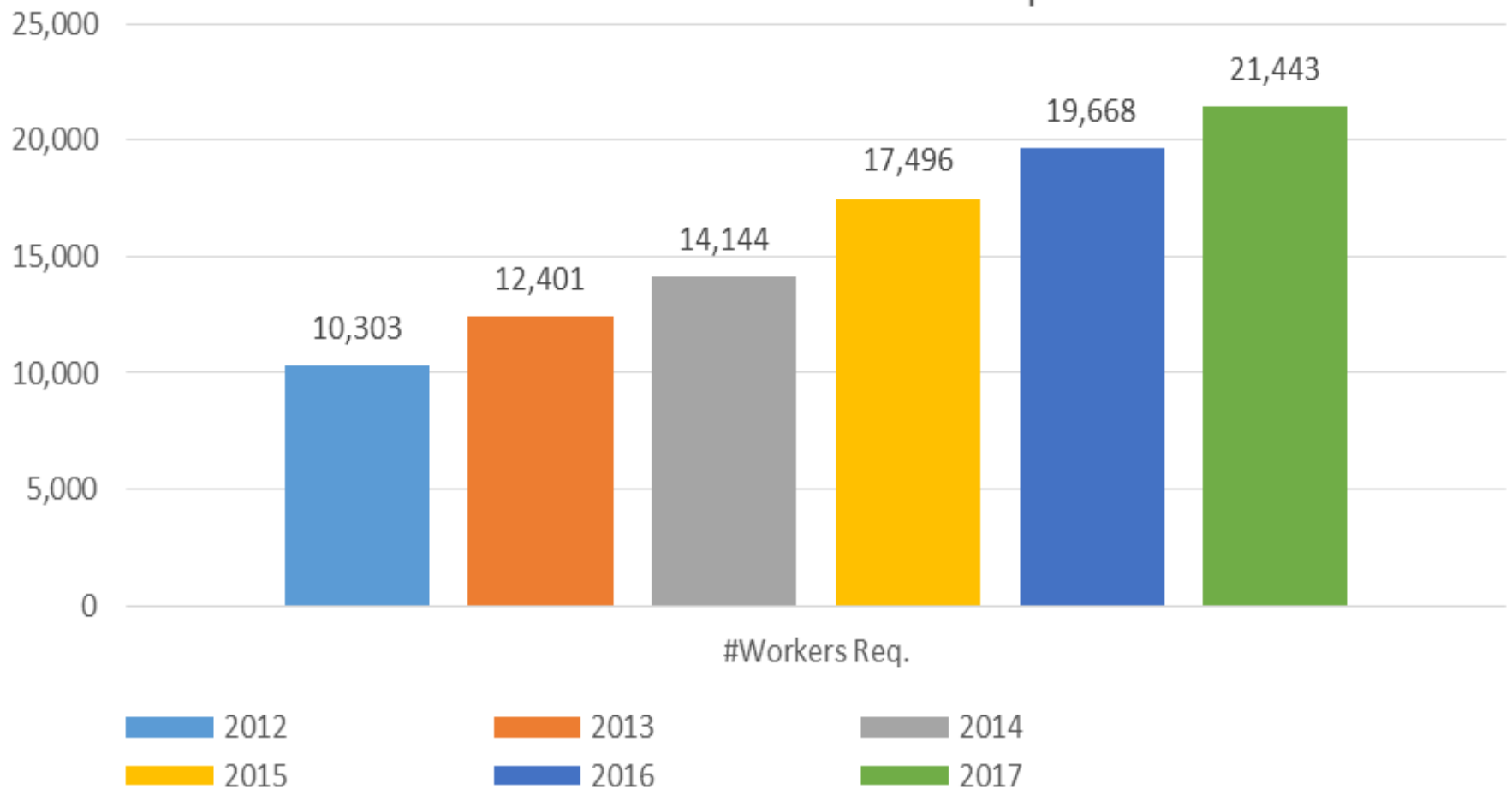
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H2A Job Orders - # of Job Orders



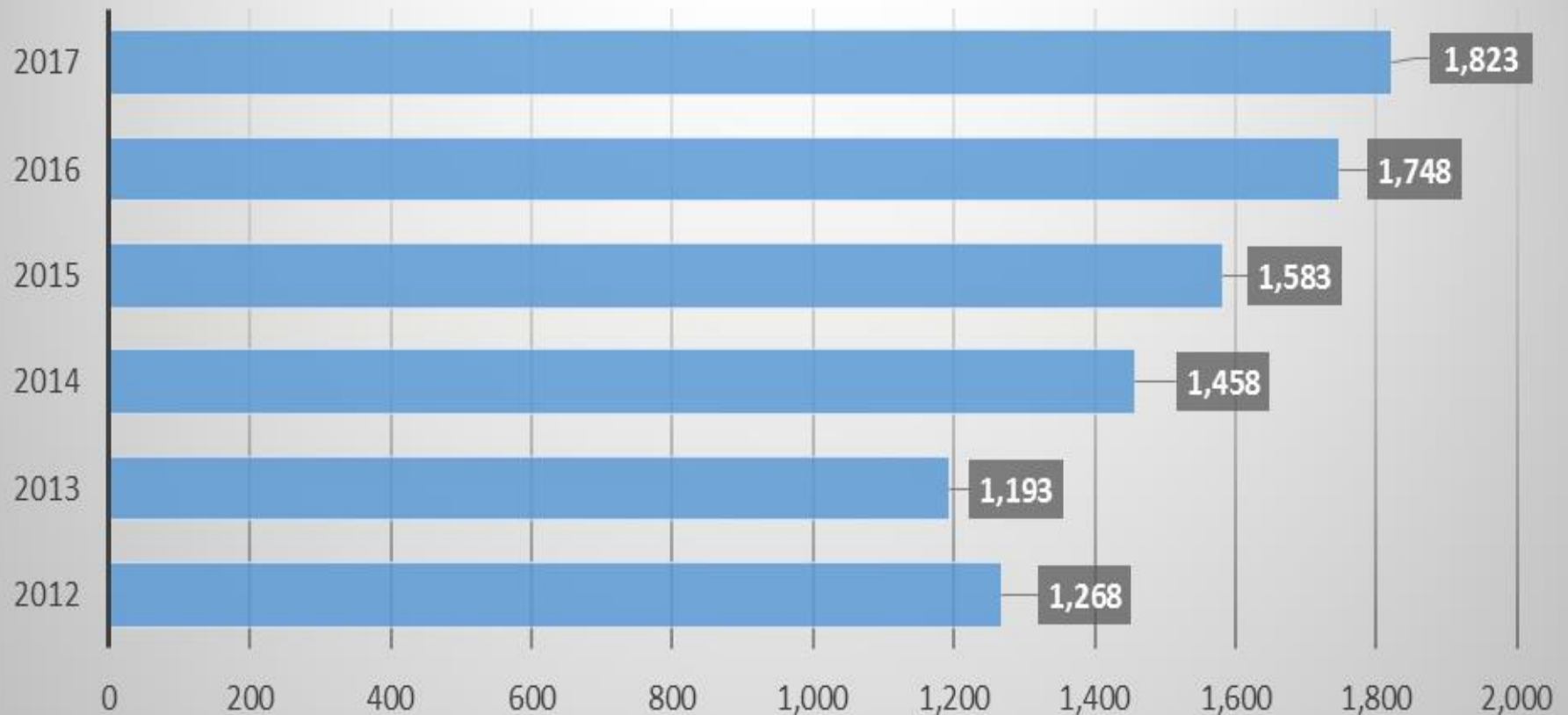
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H2A Job Orders - # of Workers Requested



Agriculture Services 2012-2017

H2A Job Orders - # of Growers



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**If you would like more information about the agricultural services,
please contact the nearest Agricultural Employment Consultant.
A list of workforce offices can be found at www.ncworks.gov or
you can call 919-814-0544**