On September 5, 2017, the U.S. Department of Homeland Security rescinded the June 15, 2012 DHS Memorandum: "Exercising Prosecutorial Discretion with Respect to Individuals Who Came to the United States as Children." This ended the five year policy known as DACA established by the Obama administration to allow young immigrants without lawful status to receive a renewable two year reprieve from removal, work authorization, and participation in the Social Security Program. The USCIS is no longer accepting new requests and it will only accept renewals until October for those expiring in the next six months.

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What is DACA?

The Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) is a program established by the Obama administration in 2012 that allows unauthorized immigrants that came to the U.S. as children to avoid deportation and receive permission to work and study in the U.S.

Applicants must be:

Under 31 years old in 2012.

In the U.S. before turning 16 years old.

Residing continuously in the U.S. since 2007.

Enrolled in school, hold a high school diploma, GED, or be a veteran.

Without a lawful status in 2012.

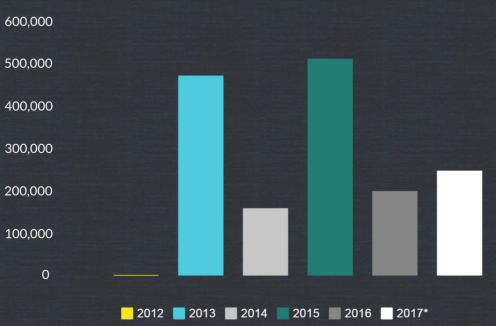
Not convicted of a felony or misdemeanors. Not pose a threat to national security or public safety.

Located in the U.S. in 2012.

Located in the U.S. when applying.

787,580 DACA applicants have been approved for 2-year work permits since 2012. work permits since 2012.

Number of requests per year



Source: Washington Post, http://wapo.st/2xiCZ3F

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