






November 2022 Visa Bulletin Updates on Final Action Dates for Employment-Based Preference Cases and Dates for Filing of Employment-Based Visa Applications

A. NOVEMBER 2022 FINAL ACTION DATES FOR EMPLOYMENT-BASED PREFERENCE CASES CHART:

Employment-based	All Chargeability Areas Except Those Listed	CHINA-mainland born	EL SALVADOR GUATEMALA HONDURAS	INDIA	MEXICO	PHILIPPINES
1 st	C	C	C	C	C	C
2 nd	C	08JUN19	C	01APR12	C	C
3 rd	C	15JUN18	C	01APR12	C	C
Other Workers	01JUN20	01DEC12  Moved forward by 90 Days	01JUN20	01APR12	01JUN20	01JUN20
4 th	C	C	15MAR18	C	15SEP20	C
Certain Religious Workers	C	C	15MAR18  Updated from 'Unauthorized' Status	C	15SEP20  Updated from 'Unauthorized' Status	C
5 th Unreserved (Including C5, T5, I5, R5)	C	22MAR15	C	08NOV19	C	C
5 th Set Aside: Rural (20%)	C	C	C	C	C	C
5 th Set Aside: High Unemployment (10%)	C	C	C	C	C	C
5 th Set Aside: Infrastructure (2%)	C	C	C	C	C	C

B. NOVEMBER 2022 DATES FOR FILING OF EMPLOYMENT-BASED VISA APPLICATIONS CHART:

Employment-based	All Chargeability Areas Except Those Listed	CHINA-mainland born	EL SALVADOR GUATEMALA HONDURAS	INDIA	MEXICO	PHILIPPINES
1 st	C	C	C	C	C	C
2 nd	C	08JUL19	C	01MAY12	C	C
3 rd	C	15JUL18	C	01JUL12	C	C
Other Workers	08SEP22	01NOV15	08SEP22	01JUL12	08SEP22	08SEP22
4 th	C	C	15APR18	C	15OCT20	C
Certain Religious Workers	C	C	15APR18	C	15OCT20	C
5 th Unreserved (Including C5, T5, I5, R5)	C	01JAN16	C	08DEC19	C	C
5 th Set Aside: (Rural - 20%)	C	C	C	C	C	C
5 th Set Aside: (High Unemployment - 10%)	C	C	C	C	C	C
5 th Set Aside: (Infrastructure - 2%)	C	C	C	C	C	C

As seen in the marked visa bulletin charts above, here are the major updates on the November 2022 Visa Bulletin:

A. For final action dates for employment-based preference cases:

- The final action date for applications by those born in mainland China under the ‘Other Workers’ category was updated by 90 days from ‘01SEP12’ to ‘01DEC12.’
- The final action dates for applications by those from El Salvador, Guatemala, and Honduras under the ‘Certain Religious Workers’ category was updated from ‘Unauthorized’ to ‘15MAR18.’
- The final action dates for applications by those from Mexico under the ‘Certain Religious Workers’ category was updated from ‘Unauthorized’ to ‘15SEP20.’

B. For dates for filing of employment-based visa applications:

- No changes/updates were made.

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