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# 8(a) STARS III Snapshot - January 2024

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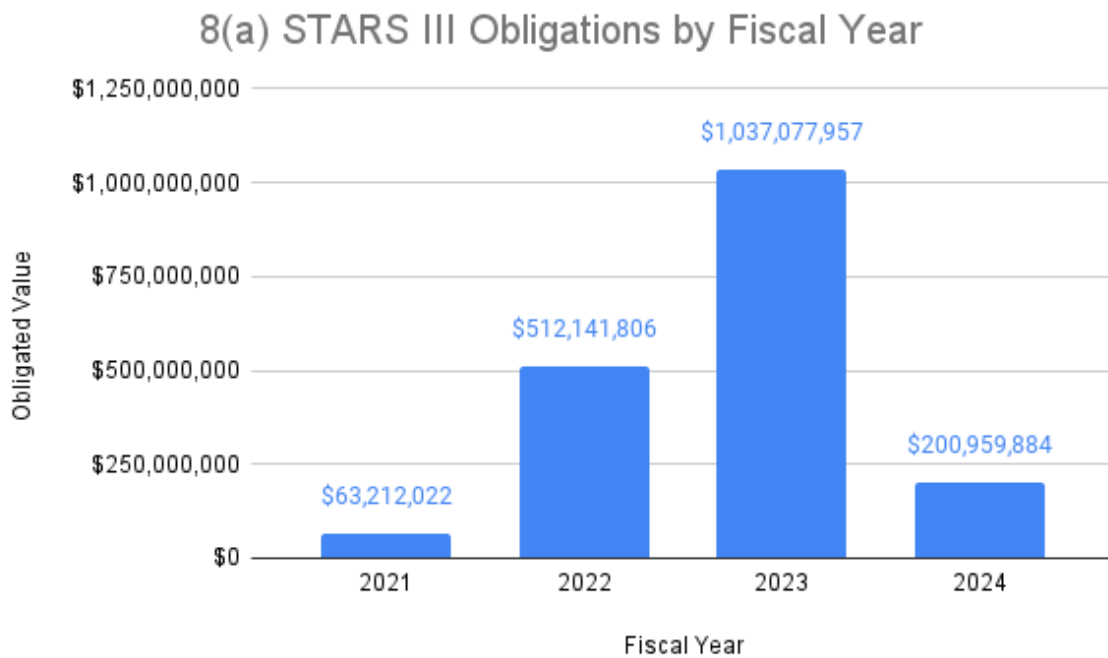
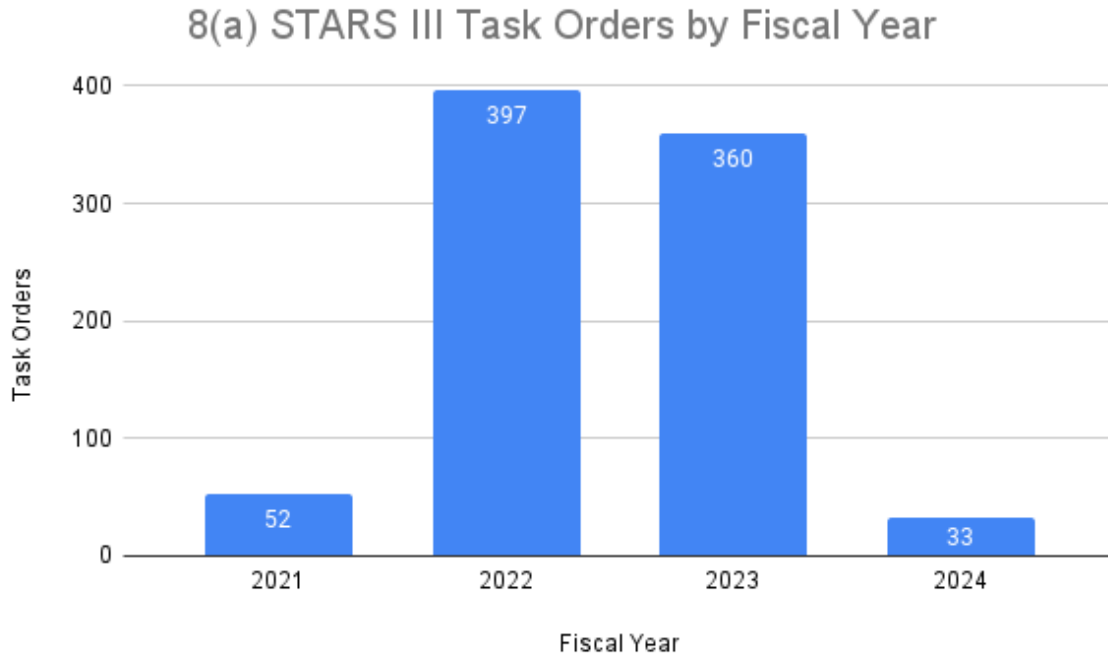
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# 8(a) STARS III Sales



## Rising STARS

Industry Partners Receiving their First Task Order Awards in January.

GOLDEN TECH SYSTEMS INC.

## Top 10 Agencies

Agencies	Task Orders	Obligated Value
DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY	136	\$275,722,411.33
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES	98	\$258,859,295.65
DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY	95	\$219,778,211.44
DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE	57	\$122,925,661.79
DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY	51	\$120,224,903.09
SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION	14	\$119,439,390.39
DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE	43	\$100,352,730.87
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE	64	\$100,254,392.09
DEPARTMENT OF LABOR	31	\$90,561,586.95
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE	42	\$77,509,501.08

Source: GWAC Dashboards—[www.gsa.gov/gwacsdashboards](http://www.gsa.gov/gwacsdashboards)



### 8(a) STARS III Trivia

**If your customer is not sure if their requirement fits the scope of the GWAC they should:**

- A. Issue the task order award
- B. Contact a GSA Customer Service Director (CSD) for clarification
- C. Request an advance scope compatibility review
- D. Call the S3 team and talk through the scope

**Which of the following contact types is not available on the 8(a) STARS III GWAC?**

- A. Cost type contracting
- B. Time and material
- C. Firm fixed price
- D. Labor hour

**Check your answers below!**



## GSA eBuy Postings

Scope/Scope Sub-Area	RFPs	RFIs
Main Scope	7	34
Emerging Technology	1	0
OCONUS	0	5



## DPA Training Schedule

### Live Webinar Training

- Tuesday, March 12, 2024 2:00 PM ET: Have your customers register [here](#).

### 24/7 On Demand DPA Training

- [YouTube](#)

Be sure to share these training opportunities with your customers.

## DPAs Issued - 14 added in January

Top 15 Agencies by DPA Holders	# of DPA Holders
Department of Homeland Security	165
General Services Administration	125
Department of Defense	116
Department of the Air Force	104
Department of the Treasury	80
Department of Health and Human Services	74
Department of the Interior	70
Department of Agriculture	69
Department of the Army	69
Department of Commerce	50
Department of the Navy	48
Department of Justice	31
Department of Transportation	29
Department of State	22
Small Business Administration	19
14 DPAs were issued in Jan	
1260 Total DPAs have been issued to date	



### Useful Information

- Appendix IX of the Small Business GWAC Ordering Guide has been updated to reflect locality differentials as of January 2024. Agency COs can use these to adjust awarded labor rates when performance is outside the Washington-Baltimore-Arlington area.

- The 8(a) STARS III GWAC is highlighted in a recent Office of Management and Budget memo that addresses increasing small business participation on multiple-award contracts.
- Did you miss the 8(a) STARS III Ask The OSDBU webinar held on January 25th? Don't worry, we recorded it for you. The recording can be accessed [here](#).
- For the latest news from the SBA regarding the Ultima Services Corp v. U.S. Dept of Agriculture court case and a Guide for Demonstrating Social Disadvantage visit the SBA's Certify Helpdesk webpage at <https://sbaone.atlassian.net/wiki/spaces/CHDB/overview>
- Starting in mid-February and continuing over the course of several weeks, all STARS III contracts will be modified to add FAR 52.204-30, Federal Acquisition Supply Chain Security Act Orders-Prohibition. The team will use DocuSign to distribute the bilateral modifications, so watch for related notices which will be sent to all 8(a) STARS III Program Managers.
- Members of the 8(a) STARS III team facilitated several meetings with industry partners at the 2024 National 8(a) Association Small Business Conference. Thank you to those 8(a) STARS III industry partners who participated in the sessions.







**Trivia Answers**

If your customer is not sure if their requirement fits the scope of the GWAC they should:

**C. Request an advance scope compatibility review**

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**A. Cost type contracting**

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