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8(a) STARS III Snapshot - April 2025

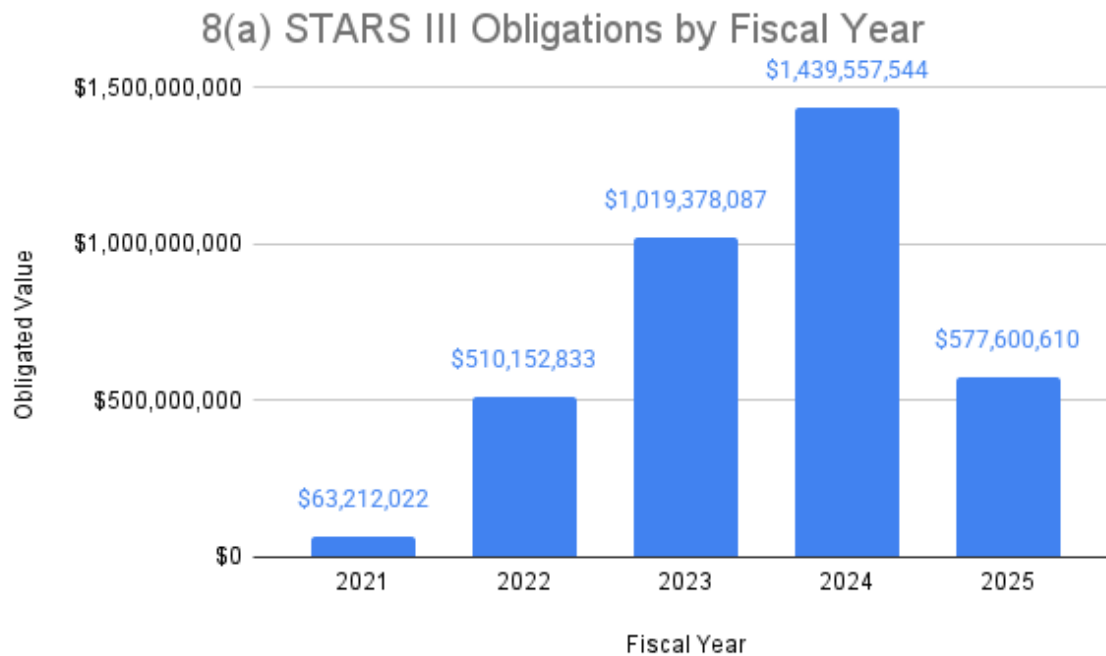
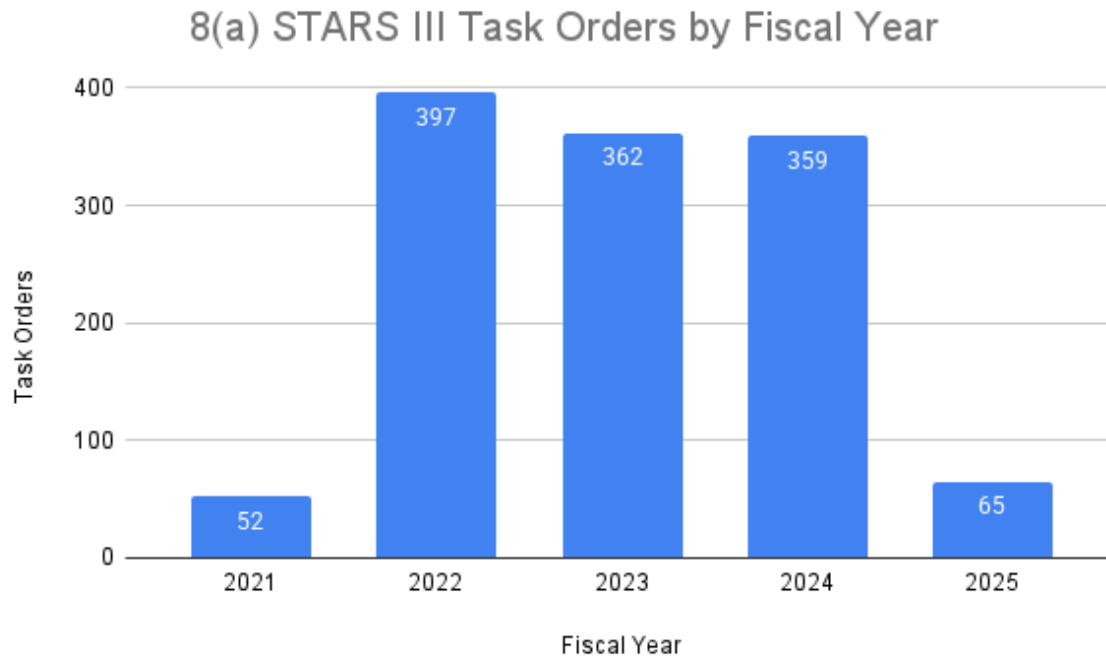
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8(a) STARS III Sales



Top 10 Agencies

Agency Users	Task Orders	Obligated Value
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES	144	\$558,490,141.73
DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY	148	\$502,193,501.35
DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY	220	\$487,110,348.61
DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE	76	\$280,925,342.00
DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE	74	\$261,303,608.48
DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY	62	\$220,949,576.04
SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION	20	\$181,668,279.61
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE	86	\$179,097,198.00
DEPARTMENT OF LABOR	45	\$150,476,485.00
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE	55	\$127,869,700.48

Source: GWAC Dashboards—<https://d2d.gsa.gov/report/gsa-fas-gwac-sales-dashboard>



8(a) STARS III Trivia

Check your answers below!



- 1) Which statement is not true of labor rates?
- A. Is inclusive of all direct and indirect cost
 - B. Allows personnel an/or facility security clearance up to the Secret level
 - C. Includes the Contract Access Fee (CAF)
 - D. Is for performance within the Contiguous United States and non-foreign work areas

- 2) Industry partners may find their rates posted at
- A. 8(a) STARS III Pricing page - <https://www.gsa.gov/technology/it-contract-vehicles-and-purchasing-programs/gwacs/8a-stars-iii/pricing>
 - B. GSA eLibrary website - <https://www.gsaelibrary.gsa.gov/>
 - C. GSA Advantage website - <https://gsaadvantage.gsa.gov/>
 - D. GSA Vendor Support Center - vsc.gsa.gov

GSA eBuy Postings

Scope/Scope Sub-Area	RFPs	RFIs
Main Scope	4	14
Emerging Technology	0	0
OCONUS	0	0



DPA Training Schedule

Live Webinar Training

- 8(a) STARS III DPA Training: Tuesday, May 13, 2025 2:00 PM ET, Customers can register [here](#).
- All GWAC DPA Training, Tuesday, June 3, 2025 1:00 PM ET, Customers can register [here](#).
- 8(a) STARS III DPA Training: Tuesday, June 10, 2025 2:00 PM ET, Registration is not live yet, please check [GSA Events](#) page for registration link

24/7 On Demand DPA Training

- [YouTube](#)

Be sure to share these training opportunities with your customers.

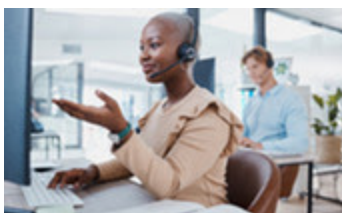
DPAs Issued - 24 added in April

Top 15 Agencies by DPA Holders	# of DPA Holders
Department of Homeland Security	216
General Services Administration	159
Department of Defense	159
Department of the Air Force	134
Department of Health and Human Services	118
Department of the Treasury	105
Department of the Interior	86
Department of Agriculture	82
Department of the Army	75
Department of the Navy	71
Department of Commerce	65
Department of Justice	40
Department of Transportation	34
Department of State	32
Government Agency Not Otherwise Specified	28
24 DPAs were issued in Apr 2025	
1634 Total DPAs have been issued to date	



Useful Information

- Contract year 4 ends on July 1, 2025, regardless of when your award was made. Please review sections G.19 and G.20 of your contract and begin preparing to complete these annual reporting requirements which are due no later than July 31, 2025.



Reminders



- 8(a) STARS III industry partners must include the GSA contract access fee (CAF) as a **separate element / line item** on all quotes/proposals in accordance with section B.6.3 of your contract.
- If you need assistance with CPRM, you can find self-paced training modules on the CPRM homepage under the Access to Training Modules link (<https://assist.gsa.gov/assist2-web/help>) You can filter training offerings by selecting CPRM from the Tab filter.
- Do you need help keeping track of the 8(a) STARS III contract deliverables? Consider downloading the "8(a) STARS III Contract Deliverables" table from the [8\(a\) STARS III Resource Center](#). This resource is located in the Contract Resources section.
- Most master contract-related communications will come from s3@gsa.gov. Please ensure s3@gsa.gov is in your 'safe sender list' and please reply to s3@gsa.gov rather than the individual listed as 'sent by' in the message header. All members of the STARS III team have access to s3@gsa.gov messages and having those messages in a common location simplifies responding to your inquiries.
- The 8(a) STARS III Pricing Tool currently displays awarded labor rates through Contract Year 5. Your awarded labor rates for all contract years was provided as an Excel file with your signed award documents; and those rates should be used for task order proposals that require pricing beyond year 5. Rates for Contract Years 6 through 13 will be adjusted prior to the option period as discussed at section B.13 of your STARS III contract
- 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.
- Check out the National 8(a) Association's [Calendar of Events](#) if you are interested in learning more about upcoming opportunities to engage with federal agencies and network with other federal contractors.
- Laura Stanton, GSA Assistant Commissioner for the Office of Information Technology Category recently featured the 8(a) STARS III GWAC in her Great Government Through Technology Blog. You can check out the Celebrating a Major Small Business Milestone blog posting [here](#).

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Trivia Answers

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