

Sales Leaders

Requalification and Retention*

Sales Leaders Statistics (excluding China)

	2020	2019		
	(in thou	(in thousands)		
January 1 total sales leaders	615.4	560.5		
January and February new sales leaders	31.7	32.1		
Sales leaders who did not requalify [†]	(149.7)	(127.8)		
Other sales leaders (resigned, conversions, etc.)	(2.6)	(3.0)		
Total end of February sales leaders	494.9	461.8		

Sales Leaders Retention (excluding China)

	2020	2019		
Year Ended January 31	(in thous	(in thousands)		
Sales leaders needed to requalify	446.2	398.5		
Sales leaders who did not requalify [†]	(149.7)	(127.8)		
Total requalified	296.5	270.7		
Retention rate †	66.5%	67.9%		

Sales Leaders Statistics and Retention Rate

	2020	2019	2020	2019	
	Sales lead	Sales leaders (in thousands)		Retention rate	
North America	71.2	66.3	65.4%	73.2%	
Mexico	72.9	75.5	66.6%	69.9%	
South and Central America	61.5	64.9	60.7%	62.2%	
Europe, Middle East and Africa	130.4	121.3	70.6%	71.3%	
Asia Pacific (excluding China)	158.8	133.8	65.7%	64.4%	
Total sales leaders (excluding China)	494.9	461.8	66.5%	67.9%	
China	70.7	89.1			
Total sales leaders worldwide	565.6	550.9			

^{*} This information should be read in conjunction with the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2019 for further information on sales leader requalification and retention. Requalification and retention results exclude certain markets for which, due to local operating conditions, sales leaders were not requalify for the years presented here; such exclusions are not material to the Company's retention results. Amounts may not total due to rounding.

[†] For the requalification shown, certain markets have utilized a lower requalification threshold. Also, with revised business requirements in place for U.S. and U.S. Territories, we have utilized for each of these years a requalification equalization factor for U.S. Members to better align their requalification thresholds with Members in other countries. The figures of 66.5% and 67.9% for 2020 and 2019, respectively, include the effect of both the lower requalification thresholds and the equalization factor in the U.S. and U.S. Territories. Excluding both these effects, the retention rates for 2020 and 2019 would have been 62.2% and 64.4%, respectively.