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Foreign State	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
<b>Africa</b>										
Algeria	65	80	66	62	71	78	67	104	110	87
Angola	13	4	6	15	4	3	15	12	8	15
Benin	4	3	4	17	19	12	7	3	3	6
Botswana	3	4	11	6	4	3	4	2	4	1
Burkina Faso	5	3	6	2	-	-	6	5	4	7
Burundi	1	5	3	10	5	3	2	7	0	4
Cameroon	50	70	86	119	114	186	120	92	110	126
Cape Verde	233	242	263	430	287	342	284	234	230	261
Central African Republic	-	1	4	-	1	1	2	2	1	2
Chad	-	1	2	1	1	2	3	4	3	1
Comoros	-	-	2	2	-	-	1	-	2	2
Congo, Republic of the	4	3	8	2	2	2	2	10	7	4
Congo, Democratic Republic of the	32	47	48	70	52	26	23	50	37	70
Cote d'Ivoire	36	31	51	65	45	66	83	110	83	131
Djibouti	1	2	5	12	4	3	4	5	1	1
Egypt	882	966	1,219	1,375	986	914	870	970	849	678
Equatorial Guinea	1	1	-	2	2	-	-	-	1	-
Eritrea	167	237	216	189	126	110	166	198	261	232
Ethiopia	472	753	885	1,296	991	1,249	1,053	878	869	1,094
Gabon	-	1	5	6	7	-	6	5	2	3
Gambia	7	25	19	26	21	47	32	40	47	42
Ghana	410	433	766	1,074	945	836	961	743	800	1,005
Guinea	13	11	19	21	24	27	39	33	26	41
Guinea-Bissau	-	-	5	-	6	-	2	3	2	2
Kenya	101	104	144	146	99	137	169	145	211	245
Lesotho	1	4	7	2	2	5	2	-	7	6
Liberia	311	284	324	458	354	298	222	210	235	174
Libya	37	45	47	55	64	41	67	53	47	40
Madagascar	7	4	10	8	6	5	11	13	11	11
Malawi	4	10	7	6	7	7	12	4	6	11
Mali	2	9	12	6	8	16	14	18	12	19
Mauritania	-	-	1	-	2	1	2	6	4	1
Mauritius	10	7	7	9	3	10	2	7	11	5
Morocco	269	330	413	507	478	484	498	310	402	393
Mozambique	7	8	5	8	7	6	7	8	12	8
Namibia	1	8	5	1	5	1	4	9	3	9
Niger	-	6	8	4	3	4	4	3	36	18
Nigeria	800	1,462	1,856	2,374	1,888	1,349	1,648	1,589	1,725	1,789
Rwanda	1	6	4	7	6	1	4	3	2	7
Sao Tome and Principe	-	1	1	-	1	-	3	-	-	1
Senegal	51	52	69	137	77	133	143	169	114	179
Seychelles	8	10	7	1	3	1	3	4	3	2
Sierra Leone	212	192	307	363	153	245	468	290	266	254
Somalia	104	104	114	134	91	85	102	148	114	106
South Africa	337	226	269	254	212	286	291	263	312	265
Sudan	28	80	113	127	85	126	155	194	167	228
Swaziland	3	5	4	5	3	1	1	2	3	9
Tanzania	60	60	55	64	38	61	56	58	62	73
Togo	6	6	6	14	7	8	16	18	24	26
Tunisia	36	32	42	36	56	39	52	59	49	45
Uganda	51	32	32	46	36	36	48	36	72	46
Zambia	13	25	22	25	18	13	21	25	21	32
Zimbabwe	40	29	36	38	25	43	47	31	48	40

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<b>Africa—Continued</b>										
<b>Africa Total</b>	<b>4,899</b>	<b>6,064</b>	<b>7,626</b>	<b>9,637</b>	<b>7,454</b>	<b>7,352</b>	<b>7,824</b>	<b>7,185</b>	<b>7,439</b>	<b>7,857</b>
<b>Asia</b>										
Afghanistan	391	341	462	424	387	431	437	395	295	197
Bahrain	8	8	8	9	3	9	14	7	7	8
Bangladesh	602	675	1,017	3,373	2,915	1,561	2,061	1,713	1,738	1,569
Bhutan	-	1	-	3	1	1	-	1	-	2
Brunei	2	1	5	1	1	1	5	1	5	6
Burma	147	138	202	213	180	189	194	159	176	120
Cambodia	486	806	820	1,025	918	869	1,358	1,239	1,535	944
China—mainland born	7,501	8,611	11,067	13,232	10,597	10,800	13,732	12,668	16,451	16,899
—Taiwan born	752	906	1,576	1,362	830	676	936	967	887	766
East Timor <sup>1</sup>										1
Hong Kong Special Administrative Region	391	448	535	515	306	240	296	272	336	218
India	6,791	6,580	8,424	12,202	8,686	7,305	7,644	7,644	8,451	8,153
Indonesia	166	206	212	237	299	335	384	328	329	203
Iran	2,974	2,843	3,689	3,829	2,876	2,382	2,659	2,764	2,450	1,859
Iraq	580	661	660	668	507	656	775	1,034	921	557
Israel	574	497	596	697	475	557	578	637	708	763
Japan	1,194	1,383	1,305	1,377	1,468	1,494	1,763	1,966	1,960	2,074
Jordan	1,280	1,511	1,831	2,003	1,231	1,696	1,807	2,115	1,929	1,464
Korea	3,982									
Korea, North		58	78	41	21	45	90	93	96	77
Korea, South		3,520	3,252	3,316	3,267	3,588	3,475	3,359	3,436	3,002
Kuwait	164	172	227	210	187	252	276	239	211	167
Laos	141	181	192	221	162	119	108	104	145	95
Lebanon	1,254	1,120	1,154	1,283	1,111	881	1,032	1,315	1,092	675
Malaysia	162	157	137	177	147	183	200	177	177	154
Maldives	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	2	-
Mongolia	1	5	3	12	4	6	16	24	44	52
Nepal	55	49	72	67	61	43	66	57	117	136
Oman	5	2	1	1	2	1	1	5	5	4
Pakistan	1,617	1,721	2,238	3,865	4,325	4,823	3,830	3,533	3,217	2,551
Philippines	20,149	16,134	20,824	19,971	11,572	11,449	11,324	13,841	14,365	11,527
Qatar	3	12	6	12	11	8	5	22	7	15
Saudi Arabia	55	83	99	90	92	104	133	122	141	127
Singapore	95	87	77	83	77	92	82	98	87	94
Sri Lanka	155	147	162	181	180	166	138	166	119	116
Syria	627	672	715	814	713	506	674	769	654	420
Thailand	666	613	648	741	644	815	993	750	714	487
United Arab Emirates	13	19	31	42	34	32	33	41	46	33
Vietnam	4,105	4,534	4,629	6,145	4,201	5,547	6,938	8,638	6,775	4,724
Yemen	537	931	1,110	1,548	1,028	729	1,376	792	775	957
<b>Asia Total</b>	<b>57,625</b>	<b>55,833</b>	<b>68,064</b>	<b>79,992</b>	<b>59,519</b>	<b>58,591</b>	<b>65,434</b>	<b>68,055</b>	<b>70,403</b>	<b>61,216</b>
<b>Europe</b>										
Albania	350	277	212	308	248	196	331	484	485	612
Andorra	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	2
Armenia	80	82	76	110	108	146	151	217	229	208
Austria	91	93	82	106	93	97	87	89	77	66
Azerbaijan	18	30	33	38	48	58	92	109	140	107

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<b>Europe—Continued</b>										
Belarus	57	62	124	137	95	117	149	261	326	302
Belgium	87	101	118	140	117	133	133	97	111	103
Bosnia-Herzegovina	49	52	46	81	47	41	66	104	170	158
Bulgaria	224	241	348	374	271	394	464	610	564	559
Croatia	101	97	90	83	66	84	74	82	89	92
Cyprus	46	51	33	47	43	30	36	35	42	27
Czech Republic	147	155	124	166	135	154	193	184	199	205
Denmark	169	159	178	145	138	145	149	128	131	108
Greenland	1	-	-	1	-	1	-	1	2	-
Estonia	18	14	30	31	42	30	48	43	53	51
Finland	82	80	90	103	78	100	96	81	93	73
France	538	497	503	479	448	485	441	431	383	430
French Guiana	1	-	-	-	1	-	2	-	1	1
French Polynesia	3	2	1	1	1	4	1	1	3	-
French Southern and Antarctic Lands	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Guadeloupe	10	5	11	12	10	5	10	20	4	5
Martinique	-	4	2	5	6	5	2	-	-	4
New Caledonia	1	1	1	1	1	-	1	2	4	1
Reunion	-	1	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	1
St. Pierre and Miquelon	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Wallis and Futuna	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Georgia	35	88	105	48	26	39	66	97	226	241
Germany	2,998	2,274	1,746	1,917	1,959	1,805	1,694	1,446	1,344	1,205
Great Britain and Northern Ireland	2,177	1,907	1,713	1,776	1,476	1,673	1,848	1,777	1,607	1,656
Anguilla	3	4	5	4	4	4	5	9	3	9
Bermuda	36	41	39	41	26	33	20	27	32	36
British Virgin Islands	5	2	3	10	7	5	5	6	3	5
Cayman Islands	1	1	4	7	1	4	11	1	5	4
Falkland Islands	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-
Gibraltar	3	-	1	-	-	-	3	2	4	1
Montserrat	10	8	8	19	9	7	7	6	7	6
Pitcairn	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
St. Helena	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
Turks and Caicos Islands	1	4	6	3	4	3	3	1	3	1
Greece	368	362	313	328	293	253	228	247	211	196
Hungary	182	224	216	277	221	212	205	203	197	232
Iceland	38	48	45	36	24	30	35	33	34	37
Ireland	214	182	149	137	130	164	177	144	121	134
Italy	428	378	370	398	405	328	374	350	346	278
Kazakhstan	68	47	43	75	112	194	497	790	962	921
Kyrgyzstan	6	9	18	21	23	37	47	27	35	41
Latvia	55	80	119	143	107	94	67	84	114	73
Liechtenstein	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-
Lithuania	155	151	148	149	163	167	152	140	150	118
Luxembourg	6	2	7	8	4	2	5	9	7	4
Macedonia, The Former Yugoslav Republic of <sup>2</sup>	96	198	206	306	241	205	292	357	326	234
Malta	39	22	20	18	29	20	4	14	14	10
Moldova	24	64	79	77	84	120	150	143	111	94
Monaco	-	1	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Netherlands	319	263	232	231	196	229	228	233	221	230
Aruba	2	5	5	3	3	4	3	2	2	5
Netherlands Antilles	10	7	11	18	9	15	9	7	7	9
Norway	122	115	124	144	138	150	143	130	107	98

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<b>Europe—Continued</b>										
Poland	1,425	1,263	1,563	1,468	991	992	1,041	1,178	1,476	1,192
Portugal	246	233	226	231	200	184	136	127	140	150
Macau <sup>3</sup>	22	22	33	33	14	13	6	15	30	13
Romania	800	907	1,286	1,443	1,094	1,745	2,041	1,927	1,214	665
Russia	2,102	2,588	3,219	4,625	5,233	5,346	5,417	5,567	6,342	6,127
San Marino	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Serbia and Montenegro <sup>4</sup>	596	440	460	534	372	240	249	321	532	530
Slovakia	48	62	72	87	59	109	114	115	119	115
Slovenia	11	12	5	7	7	7	7	8	16	11
Spain	357	315	370	353	280	283	289	272	240	261
Western Sahara	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sweden	183	255	249	278	251	300	286	261	239	248
Switzerland	211	221	206	218	180	179	175	139	141	125
Tajikistan	3	5	9	5	4	8	11	11	23	23
Turkey	569	558	617	661	549	413	494	563	687	651
Turkmenistan	4	6	10	5	9	13	14	11	11	12
Ukraine	470	317	394	449	664	890	1,343	1,973	2,080	1,456
Uzbekistan	71	70	48	44	49	65	78	125	142	86
Vatican City	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Europe Total</b>	<b>16,592</b>	<b>15,766</b>	<b>16,610</b>	<b>19,005</b>	<b>17,648</b>	<b>18,809</b>	<b>20,506</b>	<b>21,879</b>	<b>22,737</b>	<b>20,658</b>
<b>North America</b>										
Antigua and Barbuda	53	61	67	80	50	55	48	56	49	43
Bahamas	47	66	59	58	54	49	54	46	45	45
Barbados	100	92	137	125	150	105	94	85	105	113
Belize	189	133	121	162	96	132	106	99	99	92
Canada	2,573	1,783	1,392	1,152	842	1,057	978	951	843	757
Costa Rica	352	346	403	425	324	252	297	297	321	341
Cuba	936	1,659	768	882	730	790	1,273	842	1,351	758
Dominica	81	88	106	188	183	135	158	119	156	125
Dominican Republic	24,355	13,633	12,147	9,210	6,255	4,273	3,424	5,514	4,522	7,761
El Salvador	2,275	1,296	2,633	5,225	4,514	4,155	4,396	3,115	2,919	1,821
Grenada	123	123	131	162	166	121	88	94	109	92
Guatemala	1,666	1,087	1,273	2,088	2,326	2,235	2,674	2,715	3,602	3,343
Haiti	2,612	1,980	2,370	3,227	4,283	6,130	8,689	4,414	4,942	4,283
Honduras	1,990	1,591	1,206	2,713	2,093	1,534	1,718	1,658	1,572	1,225
Jamaica	3,107	3,292	4,050	5,078	3,914	4,145	3,624	3,339	3,941	3,628
Mexico	23,229	6,808	11,710	20,339	22,273	31,329	28,437	36,593	34,794	25,592
Nicaragua	1,460	569	630	932	518	561	528	541	587	604
Panama	1,191	1,179	1,120	950	768	927	420	309	320	207
Saint Kitts and Nevis	71	50	64	82	66	62	56	72	63	52
Saint Lucia	98	75	134	158	116	99	102	104	99	121
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	77	41	110	127	104	99	98	85	94	86
Trinidad and Tobago	1,039	992	1,313	1,258	780	723	970	766	786	592
<b>North America Total</b>	<b>67,624</b>	<b>36,944</b>	<b>41,944</b>	<b>54,621</b>	<b>50,605</b>	<b>58,968</b>	<b>58,232</b>	<b>61,814</b>	<b>61,319</b>	<b>51,681</b>
<b>Oceania</b>										
Australia	424	421	477	500	513	496	484	530	492	374
Christmas Island	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cocos Islands	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-

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<b>Oceania—Continued</b>										
Fiji	206	273	228	247	194	207	208	224	212	254
Kiribati	4	1	4	2	2	-	1	-	2	-
Marshall Islands	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	5	9
Micronesia, Federated States of	-	-	-	-	1	-	2	-	-	2
Nauru	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
New Zealand	157	147	157	199	176	186	205	222	208	186
Cook Islands	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	2
Niue	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
Pacific Islands, Trust Territory of the <sup>5</sup>	1									
Palau <sup>5</sup>		-	-	4	1	-	1	1	-	-
Papua New Guinea	-	4	12	7	3	3	6	5	8	5
Samoa	34	40	37	17	36	28	30	25	33	61
Solomon Islands	2	-	1	1	2	1	6	-	1	3
Tonga	41	48	39	41	27	32	36	36	43	30
Tuvalu	-	2	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
Vanuatu	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	2	-
<b>Oceania Total</b>	<b>869</b>	<b>939</b>	<b>955</b>	<b>1,019</b>	<b>955</b>	<b>954</b>	<b>982</b>	<b>1,044</b>	<b>1,007</b>	<b>927</b>
<b>South America</b>										
Argentina	275	245	268	217	170	216	244	283	445	467
Bolivia	297	220	267	382	354	331	311	282	267	290
Brazil	757	810	687	674	653	654	778	861	940	1,014
Chile	364	352	306	334	277	290	332	314	263	221
Colombia	3,578	2,872	3,364	4,314	3,826	3,132	3,215	3,257	4,621	4,504
Ecuador	1,592	1,582	1,836	2,473	2,002	3,279	2,048	2,847	3,722	2,169
Guyana	1,505	1,337	2,090	1,674	676	617	938	1,523	1,604	1,384
Paraguay	546	412	318	91	73	65	75	68	99	62
Peru	3,178	1,916	2,882	3,620	3,026	2,253	2,051	2,134	2,654	1,724
Suriname	27	24	31	27	27	20	25	18	24	26
Uruguay	114	67	65	87	61	50	49	46	60	73
Venezuela	432	439	570	607	434	467	566	477	538	487
<b>South America Total</b>	<b>12,665</b>	<b>10,276</b>	<b>12,684</b>	<b>14,500</b>	<b>11,579</b>	<b>11,374</b>	<b>10,632</b>	<b>12,110</b>	<b>15,237</b>	<b>12,421</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>160,274</b>	<b>125,822</b>	<b>147,883</b>	<b>178,774</b>	<b>147,760</b>	<b>156,048</b>	<b>163,610</b>	<b>172,087</b>	<b>178,142</b>	<b>154,760</b>

<sup>1</sup> East Timor voted for independence from Indonesia in an August 30, 1999 referendum and was under the authority of the United Nations Transitional Administration in East Timor (UNTAET) until May 20, 2002. On May 20, 2002, East Timor became an independent nation; on that date, the United States Government established diplomatic relations with East Timor. As a result, a separate immigrant visa chargeability was established for East Timor.

<sup>2</sup> On February 8, 1994, the United States recognized the independence of The Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia.

<sup>3</sup> Effective December 20, 1999, Macau was returned to Chinese administration and was designated as the Special Administrative Region of Macau. Title II (United States-Macau Policy Act of 2000) of Pub. L. 106-570 (Assistance for International Malaria Control Act) enacted December 27, 2000 provides that, notwithstanding any change in the exercise of sovereignty over Macau, the laws of the United States shall continue to apply with respect to Macau in the same manner as before December 20, 1999.

<sup>4</sup> In March 2002, the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia agreed to form a new state, replacing Yugoslavia with a looser state union called Serbia and Montenegro. The new union came into effect on February 4, 2003.

<sup>5</sup> On October 1, 1994, the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands (Palau) ended its status as a United Nations Trust Territory administered by the United States and became an independent state, in free association with the United States.