

**Table I**  
**Immigrant and Nonimmigrant Visas Issued at Foreign Service Posts**  
**Fiscal Years 1998 – 2002**

	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002
<b>Immigrant Categories</b>					
Immediate Relatives	147,760	156,048	163,610	172,087	178,142
Special Immigrants <sup>1</sup>	748	830	816	856	735
Vietnam Amerasian Immigrants	399	245	1,052	426	374
Family-Sponsored Preference	165,986	191,393	181,127	146,204	129,414
Employment-Based Preference	15,815	15,455	22,392	43,129	39,289
Armed Forces Special Immigrants	21	19	11	7	6
DV Diversity Immigrants	44,955	49,672	44,513	43,371	41,197
<b>Total</b>	<b>375,684</b>	<b>413,662</b>	<b>413,521</b>	<b>406,080</b>	<b>389,157</b>
<b>Nonimmigrant Categories</b>					
Visas Issued	5,805,795	6,192,478	7,141,636	7,588,778	5,769,437
Border Crossing Cards <sup>2</sup> (B1/B2/BCCs) <sup>3</sup>	8,358 (289,883)	(676,386)	(1,510,133)	(1,990,402)	(1,399,819)
<b>Total</b>	<b>5,814,153</b>	<b>6,192,478</b>	<b>7,141,636</b>	<b>7,588,778</b>	<b>5,769,437</b>

**Note:** The totals on this table do not include replaced immigrant visas.

<sup>1</sup> Special Immigrant totals include returning residents only.

<sup>2</sup> Border Crossing Cards were issued at posts in Canada and Mexico; issuance ceased in FY-1998.

<sup>3</sup> Combination B-1/B-2 visitor visa/Border Crossing Card (B1/B2/BCC) issuance began in FY-1984 at posts in Mexico and in FY-1992 at posts in Canada; issuance ceased in FY-1998 at posts in Canada. Combination B-1/B-2 visitor visa/Border Crossing Cards (B1/B2/BCCs) are included in the “Visas Issued” line.