

Table VII
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Foreign State	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000
Africa						
Algeria	511	669	321	553	673	501
Angola	19	10	11	1	1	1
Benin	7	14	29	30	21	25
Botswana	4	0	5	1	0	5
Burkina Faso	0	1	4	3	2	6
Burundi	7	7	1	3	5	1
Cameroon	312	344	546	387	682	348
Cape Verde	66	112	69	35	0	0
Central African Republic	0	11	5	0	4	0
Chad	5	7	8	2	8	3
Comoros	1	1	0	0	0	0
Congo, Republic of the	6	0	3	5	10	5
Congo, Democratic Republic of the	97	86	76	88	112	141
Cote d'Ivoire	102	140	119	133	58	72
Djibouti	7	10	6	8	3	5
Egypt	3,081	2,087	1,930	1,910	1,952	1,525
Equatorial Guinea	0	0	0	2	3	2
Eritrea	484	279	652	354	130	113
Ethiopia	3,539	3,272	3,051	2,163	2,728	1,482
Gabon	3	10	2	3	2	3
Gambia	66	77	38	41	12	13
Ghana	2,265	3,850	2,720	2,057	1,798	1,972
Guinea	76	64	55	87	53	24
Guinea-Bissau	3	0	0	0	0	0
Kenya	862	544	505	835	884	897
Lesotho	0	0	1	0	0	2
Liberia	320	423	570	663	503	539
Libya	56	40	11	43	19	28
Madagascar	13	14	19	4	15	4
Malawi	17	23	46	14	34	17
Mali	60	51	53	44	19	20
Mauritania	4	2	3	5	7	11
Mauritius	32	27	15	22	20	16
Morocco	769	383	1,270	1,255	2,294	2,180
Mozambique	11	7	4	0	0	3
Namibia	4	2	0	3	3	3
Niger	2	10	6	2	10	8
Nigeria	3,852	3,858	3,750	3,008	3,008	3,262
Rwanda	10	20	15	17	42	5
Sao Tome and Principe	0	0	3	0	0	0
Senegal	392	264	181	142	120	47
Seychelles	0	0	0	0	0	1
Sierra Leone	429	1,026	867	500	373	830
Somalia	351	301	226	285	347	644
South Africa	953	694	369	467	367	406
Sudan	692	1,002	699	888	1,425	1,133

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Africa—Continued						
Swaziland	1	0	2	1	1	1
Tanzania	322	214	185	106	197	137
Togo	40	100	120	256	199	328
Tunisia	88	95	50	81	66	74
Uganda	196	189	143	113	112	62
Zambia	60	55	98	77	47	56
Zimbabwe	117	117	66	30	44	37
Africa Total	20,314	20,512	18,928	16,727	18,413	16,998
Asia						
Afghanistan	132	69	56	57	64	21
Bahrain	5	0	2	0	5	4
Bangladesh	3,288	2,943	3,362	3,347	1,882	1,559
Bhutan	0	0	1	0	0	0
Brunei	0	0	0	1	0	0
Burma	141	140	204	232	276	329
Cambodia	32	26	5	10	34	50
Hong Kong Special Administrative Region	328	250	375	215	203	101
Indonesia	71	89	98	152	161	447
Iran	281	280	326	383	334	313
Iraq	41	34	45	41	57	34
Israel	36	56	24	45	68	28
Japan	134	230	297	322	431	293
Jordan	71	46	28	72	104	47
Korea, North	12	3	2	1	0	3
Kuwait	16	19	14	12	24	20
Laos	1	4	1	9	0	1
Lebanon	56	38	37	53	43	34
Malaysia	45	60	36	58	45	40
Maldives	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mongolia	3	0	0	13	9	4
Nepal	74	82	102	168	159	87
Oman	1	3	1	0	0	4
Pakistan	1,823	1,426	1,365	1,772	2,109	1,469
Qatar	0	1	1	2	4	2
Saudi Arabia	13	12	5	17	40	43
Singapore	1	13	10	10	15	20
Sri Lanka	200	187	281	312	270	162
Syria	23	56	26	49	23	22
Thailand	20	45	31	64	65	69
United Arab Emirates	6	18	2	8	15	29
Yemen	10	34	20	36	45	28
Asia Total	6,864	6,164	6,757	7,461	6,485	5,263

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Europe						
Albania	672	2,487	3,850	3,706	3,850	3,428
Andorra	0	0	0	0	0	0
Armenia	766	1,331	1,090	472	530	378
Austria	139	86	97	84	75	61
Azerbaijan	232	256	181	207	181	175
Belarus	259	304	286	405	415	505
Belgium	122	101	68	47	76	50
Bosnia and Herzegovina	112	83	70	35	37	47
Bulgaria	1,355	772	2,224	3,545	3,733	2,818
Croatia	213	169	119	92	111	68
Cyprus	32	28	24	14	22	29
Czech Republic	124	108	115	82	79	91
Denmark	108	60	53	48	50	31
Greenland	0	0	0	0	0	0
Estonia	60	51	46	26	65	49
Finland	157	189	77	80	61	25
France	508	343	291	333	429	292
French Guiana	1	0	0	0	0	0
French Polynesia	2	0	3	0	0	1
French Southern and Antarctic Lands	0	0	0	0	0	0
Guadeloupe	2	0	0	0	2	2
Martinique	0	1	2	0	1	4
New Caledonia	0	0	0	0	0	0
Reunion	0	0	0	0	0	0
St. Pierre and Miquelon	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wallis and Futuna	0	0	0	0	0	0
Georgia	148	264	133	137	190	104
Germany	998	1,038	1,074	1,195	1,617	1,191
Greece	171	127	76	42	73	66
Hungary	226	251	172	168	144	100
Iceland	32	51	29	22	10	20
Ireland	481	518	459	367	318	204
Italy	413	282	262	274	280	128
Kazakhstan	82	217	129	256	259	255
Kyrgyzstan	34	33	24	46	81	60
Latvia	118	82	97	110	112	120
Liechtenstein	0	4	1	0	0	0
Lithuania	436	525	484	1,020	823	901
Luxembourg	2	9	4	0	4	0
Macedonia, The Former Yugoslav Republic of	106	256	172	209	210	169
Malta	15	1	3	3	6	9
Moldova	153	192	102	166	185	198
Monaco	1	0	0	0	1	0
Netherlands	241	186	124	100	102	61
Aruba	2	0	1	0	1	0
Netherlands Antilles	7	6	6	1	7	6

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Europe—Continued						
Northern Ireland ¹	100	79	47	54	52	27
Norway	100	90	23	35	32	23
Poland ²	3,851	3,849	3,838	-	-	-
Portugal	576	227	168	74	36	24
Macau ³	141	157	85	53	54	7
Romania	2,727	1,933	2,667	3,026	3,268	2,460
Russia	2,581	2,165	1,937	2,013	2,209	2,564
San Marino	0	0	0	0	0	0
Serbia-Montenegro ⁴	812	489	400	407	304	373
Slovakia	406	419	465	253	277	194
Slovenia	16	17	18	5	10	8
Spain	222	151	107	96	80	56
Western Sahara	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sweden	234	284	140	126	160	115
Switzerland	209	202	394	272	251	176
Tajikistan	51	26	42	44	56	80
Turkey	1,404	1,556	1,613	1,520	931	669
Turkmenistan	5	23	21	45	26	23
Ukraine	2,147	2,195	1,982	2,657	3,461	3,491
Uzbekistan	177	232	183	256	338	449
Vatican City	0	0	0	0	0	0
Europe Total	24,289	24,505	26,078	24,228	25,685	22,385
North America						
Bahamas	6	10	9	7	4	17
North America Total	6	10	9	7	4	17
Oceania						
Australia	191	103	132	121	218	211
Christmas Island	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cocos Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fiji	494	538	460	478	461	412
Kiribati	0	0	0	0	0	0
Marshall Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0
Micronesia, Federated States of	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nauru	0	0	0	0	0	0
New Zealand	79	51	80	82	93	113
Cook Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0
Niue	0	0	0	0	0	0
Palau	0	0	0	0	0	2
Papua New Guinea	1	0	0	2	3	6
Samoa	2	1	0	2	4	6

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Oceania—Continued						
Solomon Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tonga	33	14	40	19	18	37
Tuvalu	0	0	0	0	0	0
Vanuatu	0	0	0	0	0	0
Oceania Total	800	707	712	704	797	787
South America, Central America and the Caribbean						
Antigua and Barbuda	2	7	1	0	1	2
Argentina	49	92	94	85	147	139
Barbados	10	10	5	9	7	6
Belize	2	0	8	2	4	15
Bolivia	41	61	50	22	30	21
Brazil	194	219	213	219	232	300
Chile	24	42	36	32	38	25
Colombia ⁵	318	-	2	-	-	-
Costa Rica	26	6	16	19	29	42
Cuba	166	358	1,014	880	1,123	579
Dominica	6	11	8	13	16	18
Ecuador	281	234	224	140	131	137
Grenada	31	13	6	6	2	8
Guatemala	170	75	103	82	46	33
Guyana	167	63	47	47	52	29
Haiti ⁶	181	72	46	69	87	-
Honduras	68	71	34	53	17	23
Nicaragua	116	135	75	48	22	8
Panama	13	15	10	9	17	27
Paraguay	7	11	3	12	19	2
Peru	468	434	293	355	411	401
Saint Kitts and Nevis	0	0	0	2	0	1
Saint Lucia	4	6	3	7	5	4
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	7	2	4	6	6	5
Suriname	25	5	6	3	9	7
Trinidad and Tobago	253	164	106	184	139	209
Uruguay	19	18	10	5	8	16
Venezuela	137	140	126	129	133	208
South America, Central America and the Caribbean Total	2,785	2,264	2,543	2,438	2,731	2,265
Grand Total	55,058	54,162	55,027	51,565	54,115	47,715

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Note: Numbers assigned to issued visas that are not used are recaptured in accordance with Section 206 of the Immigration and Nationality Act and can be used again for the issuance of other visas. Therefore, the total of visas issued and adjustments of status may exceed a specified numerical limitation.

- ¹ In accordance with Section 203(c)(1)(F) of the Immigration and Nationality Act, for purposes of administering the diversity program, Northern Ireland is treated as a separate foreign state.
- ² Poland did not qualify for the FY–1998, FY–1999, or FY–2000 Diversity Visa Program.
- ³ The Government of Portugal signed an agreement with China on April 13, 1987 returning Macau to Chinese administration effective December 20, 1999. As of December 20, 1999, Macau was designated as the Special Administrative Region of Macau, and the China–mainland chargeability became applicable to Macau. Macau ceased to qualify for the FY–2000 Diversity Program on December 20, 1999.
- ⁴ Serbia and Montenegro have proclaimed the formation of a joint independent state, but this entity has not been formally recognized by the United States.
- ⁵ Colombia did not qualify for the FY–1996, FY–1997, FY–1998, FY–1999, or FY–2000 Diversity Visa Program. Diversity Visa numbers were allocated during FY–1997 pursuant to Section 637 of the Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act (Pub. L. 104–208) for 2 applicants chargeable to Colombia to permit adjustment of status applications initially filed during FY–1995 to be completed.
- ⁶ Haiti did not qualify for the FY–2000 Diversity Visa Program.

* Section 203(c) of the Immigration and Nationality Act provides a maximum of 55,000 immigrant visas each fiscal year to permit immigration opportunities for persons from countries other than the principal sources of current immigration to the United States. The Nicaraguan Adjustment and Central American Relief Act (NACARA) of 1997 (Pub. L. 105–500 enacted November 19, 1997) provides that beginning with Fiscal Year 1999, and for as long as necessary, the 55,000 diversity visa numbers available for a fiscal year will be reduced by up to 5,000 annually to offset adjustments under the NACARA program. This provision resulted in the reduction of the FY–2000 diversity visa limit to 50,000 numbers.