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Foreign State	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
<b>Africa</b>										
Algeria	104	110	87	99	190	274	202	200	250	226
Angola	12	8	15	18	13	18	8	12	18	16
Benin	3	3	6	15	22	28	21	20	42	30
Botswana	2	4	1	2	8	13	4	2	8	2
Burkina Faso	5	4	7	8	5	21	14	15	23	22
Burundi	7	0	4	7	9	5	8	14	11	12
Cameroon	92	110	126	113	174	321	283	260	328	444
Cape Verde	234	230	261	208	352	300	567	514	613	418
Central African Republic	2	1	2	1	4	2	0	3	3	10
Chad	4	3	1	0	1	7	5	6	4	3
Comoros	0	2	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Congo (Congo Brazzaville)	10	7	4	4	12	11	6	6	13	11
Congo, Dem. Rep. of the (Congo Kinshasa)	50	37	70	49	57	74	102	74	123	162
Cote d'Ivoire (Ivory Coast)	110	83	131	127	170	238	216	230	211	142
Djibouti	5	1	1	6	7	7	6	8	19	11
Egypt	970	849	678	1,009	1,331	1,476	1,499	1,551	1,718	2,113
Equatorial Guinea	0	1	0	5	1	2	1	1	3	5
Eritrea	198	261	232	191	255	297	233	234	323	329
Ethiopia	878	869	1,094	1,046	1,946	2,961	3,674	4,015	5,004	5,100
Gabon	5	2	3	0	5	5	4	6	12	17
Gambia, The	40	47	42	36	36	92	102	132	151	175
Ghana	743	800	1,005	1,175	1,297	1,847	2,069	3,192	1,601	1,794
Guinea	33	26	41	39	45	98	82	89	126	130
Guinea-Bissau	3	2	2	0	5	9	9	8	4	11
Kenya	145	211	245	216	363	498	550	530	665	660
Lesotho	0	7	6	3	3	6	3	2	3	14
Liberia	210	235	174	296	374	780	739	652	494	603
Libya	53	47	40	42	52	48	63	96	88	98
Madagascar	13	11	11	5	6	8	12	6	14	15
Malawi	4	6	11	5	4	10	12	13	23	18
Mali	18	12	19	25	19	36	59	42	40	54
Mauritania	6	4	1	3	2	13	9	15	22	21
Mauritius	7	11	5	2	6	9	7	5	7	3
Morocco	310	402	393	328	544	865	804	1,055	1,308	1,399
Mozambique	8	12	8	10	8	18	9	5	8	18
Namibia	9	3	9	2	9	6	7	6	3	8
Niger	3	36	18	11	11	9	15	19	9	9
Nigeria	1,589	1,725	1,789	1,788	2,026	2,346	3,688	4,333	4,467	4,194
Rwanda	3	2	7	4	3	14	12	37	30	58
Sao Tome and Principe	0	0	1	1	0	0	3	6	1	3
Senegal	169	114	179	125	184	314	252	303	361	345
Seychelles	4	3	2	6	3	2	0	1	4	4
Sierra Leone	290	266	254	203	243	353	321	400	411	573
Somalia	148	114	106	115	135	221	356	404	519	564
South Africa	263	312	265	269	292	331	265	303	309	311

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Sudan	194	167	228	153	195	313	512	377	533	613
Swaziland	2	3	9	5	4	2	2	4	19	10
Tanzania	58	62	73	55	90	120	106	86	92	129
Togo	18	24	26	28	50	94	98	125	249	374
Tunisia	59	49	45	59	63	83	102	68	110	135
Uganda	36	72	46	88	99	160	176	173	239	192
Zambia	25	21	32	35	43	71	66	65	83	68
Zimbabwe	31	48	40	41	46	78	76	69	111	96
<b>Africa Total</b>	<b>7,185</b>	<b>7,439</b>	<b>7,857</b>	<b>8,081</b>	<b>10,822</b>	<b>14,914</b>	<b>17,440</b>	<b>19,792</b>	<b>20,830</b>	<b>21,772</b>
<b>Asia</b>										
Afghanistan	395	295	197	216	235	273	317	479	581	477
Bahrain	7	7	8	7	12	9	13	12	9	12
Bangladesh	1,713	1,738	1,569	2,470	3,776	4,189	3,279	3,328	4,630	4,132
Bhutan	1	-	2	1	7	3	5	3	5	16
Brunei	1	5	6	1	1	1	3	0	0	1
Burma	159	176	120	231	242	379	414	347	423	381
Cambodia	1,239	1,535	944	1,097	969	2,137	1,531	1,627	1,481	1,026
China - mainland born	12,668	16,451	16,899	14,723	17,811	20,886	16,527	14,618	10,534	13,245
China - Taiwan born	967	887	766	806	1,025	1,021	947	845	960	853
Hong Kong S.A.R.	272	336	218	230	331	291	288	230	220	214
India	7,644	8,451	8,153	9,821	12,622	12,905	12,069	10,524	13,019	12,039
Indonesia	328	329	203	252	414	423	320	296	364	352
Iran	2,764	2,450	1,859	2,161	2,900	2,844	3,273	2,571	2,626	3,053
Iraq	1,034	921	557	448	590	698	659	709	800	540
Israel	637	708	763	609	817	712	527	436	318	287
Japan	1,966	1,960	2,074	2,121	2,281	2,248	1,521	1,481	1,504	1,473
Jordan	2,115	1,929	1,464	1,311	1,758	2,115	1,572	1,600	1,869	1,644
Korea, North	93	96	77	56	69	62	39	18	14	9
Korea, South	3,359	3,436	3,002	2,917	3,270	3,167	2,740	2,445	2,363	2,018
Kuwait	239	211	167	117	180	187	182	173	199	170
Laos	104	145	95	81	105	178	111	68	101	106
Lebanon	1,315	1,092	675	721	967	786	1,572	1,037	997	921
Malaysia	177	177	154	165	189	232	210	176	150	163
Maldives	-	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
Mongolia	24	44	52	68	73	67	99	79	91	74
Nepal	57	117	136	136	219	240	286	279	408	642
Oman	5	5	4	2	5	8	7	9	8	11
Pakistan	3,533	3,217	2,551	2,586	2,826	4,139	3,561	5,564	5,914	5,161
Philippines	13,841	14,365	11,527	11,917	13,585	15,757	24,669	15,253	19,100	16,537
Qatar	22	7	15	11	15	14	29	23	32	38
Saudi Arabia	122	141	127	87	160	283	236	253	352	294
Singapore	98	87	94	65	85	90	79	87	62	69
Sri Lanka	166	119	116	116	245	230	217	197	233	291
Syria	769	654	420	463	783	772	667	525	649	591
Thailand	750	714	487	663	1,013	1,289	1,157	838	1,042	985

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Timor-Leste <sup>1</sup>	-	0	1	2	4	2	1	1	2	0
United Arab Emirates	41	46	33	46	65	87	95	87	115	156
Vietnam	8,638	6,775	4,724	4,155	5,609	7,638	8,674	7,728	7,563	7,038
Yemen	792	775	957	1,133	2,418	2,557	1,209	1,008	2,553	1,920
<b>Asia Total</b>	<b>68,055</b>	<b>70,403</b>	<b>61,216</b>	<b>62,012</b>	<b>77,676</b>	<b>88,919</b>	<b>89,105</b>	<b>74,955</b>	<b>81,292</b>	<b>76,939</b>
<b>Europe</b>										
Albania	484	485	612	790	1,626	1,927	1,475	1,628	1,434	1,525
Andorra	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	0
Armenia	217	229	208	292	364	386	380	277	449	398
Austria	89	77	66	92	62	73	57	57	61	66
Azerbaijan	109	140	107	111	115	153	124	95	122	112
Belarus	261	326	302	358	218	204	203	158	202	213
Belgium	97	111	103	102	108	102	93	67	62	56
Bosnia and Herzegovina	104	170	158	259	475	550	400	310	343	261
Bulgaria	610	564	559	576	914	912	602	385	463	457
Croatia	82	89	92	94	120	163	99	82	78	66
Cyprus	35	42	27	21	29	18	18	11	9	29
Czech Republic	184	199	205	193	194	178	118	94	93	80
Denmark	128	131	108	110	108	110	74	60	58	71
Greenland	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Faroe Islands	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0
Estonia	43	53	51	38	49	44	53	35	33	45
Finland	81	93	73	78	85	87	61	49	62	60
France	431	383	430	408	452	529	486	430	362	445
French Guiana	0	1	1	2	2	2	1	1	4	1
French Polynesia	1	3	0	0	4	10	5	5	4	2
French Southern and Antarctic Lands	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Guadeloupe	20	4	5	8	16	17	2	8	12	1
Martinique	0	0	4	2	3	4	2	6	3	0
Mayotte	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0
New Caledonia	2	4	1	0	1	1	0	0	2	0
Reunion	0	0	1	1	2	3	0	1	0	0
St. Barthelemy	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0
St. Martin	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0
St. Pierre and Miquelon	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wallis and Futuna	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Georgia	97	226	241	188	173	190	129	150	227	322
Germany	1,446	1,344	1,205	1,379	1,701	1,563	1,710	1,320	1,240	1,311
Great Britain and Northern Ireland	1,777	1,607	1,656	1,658	1,677	2,065	1,862	1,644	1,703	1,670
Anguilla	9	3	9	3	9	9	2	5	1	6
Bermuda	27	32	36	44	41	64	40	32	29	16
British Virgin Islands	6	3	5	2	7	9	11	6	4	12
Cayman Islands	1	5	4	4	4	6	4	5	6	11
Falkland Islands	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Gibraltar	2	4	1	1	3	4	2	1	2	1

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<b>Europe Total</b>	<b>21,879</b>	<b>22,737</b>	<b>20,658</b>	<b>22,750</b>	<b>25,900</b>	<b>25,936</b>	<b>20,872</b>	<b>17,625</b>	<b>18,136</b>	<b>17,204</b>
<b>North America</b>										
Antigua and Barbuda	56	49	43	68	74	81	68	68	99	78
Bahamas, The	46	45	45	43	52	47	46	64	50	69
Barbados	85	105	113	96	109	103	85	77	86	64
Belize	99	99	92	93	110	203	127	132	148	143
Canada	951	843	757	477	765	1,252	1,027	1,271	1,036	1,083
Costa Rica	297	321	341	296	426	488	397	275	289	303
Cuba	842	1,351	758	752	1,703	2,187	2,728	2,551	3,085	2,743
Dominica	119	156	125	116	161	211	188	188	198	187
Dominican Republic	5,514	4,522	7,761	7,142	6,568	8,921	6,311	14,671	17,294	13,080
El Salvador	3,115	2,919	1,821	1,417	3,508	3,277	3,482	3,647	4,984	4,316
Grenada	94	109	92	112	180	189	117	126	125	104
Guatemala	2,715	3,602	3,343	4,516	5,325	6,193	6,671	6,446	3,083	2,099
Haiti	4,414	4,942	4,283	3,811	3,635	5,063	10,225	5,972	7,389	7,206
Honduras	1,658	1,572	1,225	1,070	2,309	2,113	2,233	1,994	1,528	2,016
Jamaica	3,339	3,941	3,628	3,239	5,244	6,359	4,496	4,513	6,805	5,193
Mexico	36,593	34,794	25,592	21,971	15,862	34,292	36,450	64,376	42,042	43,340
Nicaragua	541	587	604	609	971	1,277	1,086	1,368	1,409	1,156
Panama	309	320	207	209	378	448	385	349	387	288
Saint Kitts and Nevis	72	63	52	51	69	74	47	64	74	62
Saint Lucia	104	99	121	100	158	231	174	186	152	151
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	85	94	86	70	122	121	92	99	107	116
Trinidad and Tobago	766	786	592	705	890	1,084	770	775	762	752
<b>North America Total</b>	<b>61,814</b>	<b>61,319</b>	<b>51,681</b>	<b>46,963</b>	<b>48,619</b>	<b>74,214</b>	<b>77,205</b>	<b>109,212</b>	<b>91,132</b>	<b>84,549</b>
<b>Oceania</b>										
Australia	530	492	374	475	447	475	356	400	366	369
Christmas Island	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Cocos (Keeling) Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Norfolk Island	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0
Fiji	224	212	254	354	428	380	305	226	357	300
Kiribati	0	2	0	0	2	3	2	3	1	1
Marshall Islands	0	5	9	11	3	6	8	6	25	19
Micronesia, Federated States of	0	0	2	2	1	1	0	0	0	0
Nauru	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
New Zealand	222	208	186	200	232	161	175	153	150	164
Cook Islands	0	1	2	3	1	1	0	0	0	0
Niue	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Tokelau	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0
Palau	1	0	0	0	0	1	4	3	2	6
Papua New Guinea	5	8	5	2	9	7	4	3	2	6

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Samoa	25	33	61	55	25	37	44	20	37	33
Solomon Islands	0	1	3	0	0	1	2	1	0	1
Tonga	36	43	30	50	50	63	63	51	44	36
Tuvalu	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Vanuatu	0	2	0	0	5	2	0	1	4	0
<b>Oceania Total</b>	<b>1,044</b>	<b>1,007</b>	<b>927</b>	<b>1,152</b>	<b>1,203</b>	<b>1,139</b>	<b>963</b>	<b>867</b>	<b>990</b>	<b>935</b>
<b>South America</b>										
Argentina	283	445	467	278	346	390	286	274	233	218
Bolivia	282	267	290	325	374	680	403	435	421	435
Brazil	861	940	1,014	1,117	1,461	1,456	1,307	1,317	1,373	1,240
Chile	314	263	221	257	349	406	327	279	259	263
Colombia	3,257	4,621	4,504	3,294	4,834	5,411	3,832	4,344	3,840	4,070
Ecuador	2,847	3,722	2,169	2,305	3,158	4,655	2,774	3,880	3,325	2,864
Guyana	1,523	1,604	1,384	1,046	1,986	1,812	1,001	1,656	1,659	1,517
Paraguay	68	99	62	94	105	138	106	93	88	76
Peru	2,134	2,654	1,724	1,549	2,894	3,122	2,678	3,306	2,945	2,810
Suriname	18	24	26	20	42	33	28	38	16	37
Uruguay	46	60	73	76	85	71	70	83	70	59
Venezuela	477	538	487	405	578	891	926	692	908	959
<b>South America Total</b>	<b>12,110</b>	<b>15,237</b>	<b>12,421</b>	<b>10,766</b>	<b>16,212</b>	<b>19,065</b>	<b>13,738</b>	<b>16,397</b>	<b>15,137</b>	<b>14,548</b>
<b>Grand Totals</b>	<b>172,087</b>	<b>178,142</b>	<b>154,760</b>	<b>151,724</b>	<b>180,432</b>	<b>224,187</b>	<b>219,323</b>	<b>238,848</b>	<b>227,517</b>	<b>215,947</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. On July 10, 2007, the Foreign Names Committee of the U.S. Board on Geographic Names approved Timor-Leste as the short name, replacing East Timor.

<sup>2</sup> Kosovo declared its independence from Serbia on February 17, 2008. On February 18, 2008, the United States Government established diplomatic relations with Kosovo, recognizing it as an independent state. As a result, a separate immigrant visa chargeability was established for Kosovo.

<sup>3</sup> The United States formally recognized Macedonia on February 8, 1994 as The Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, the provisional designation under which it was admitted to the United Nations. In November 2004, the United States Government decided to officially refer to it by its constitutional name, the Republic of Macedonia.

<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. On May 21, 2006, citizens of Montenegro voted in favor of independence, resulting in the dissolution of the state union of Serbia and Montenegro. On June 13, 2006, the United States formally recognized the Republic of Montenegro as a sovereign and independent state. As a result, separate immigrant visa chargeabilities were established for the republics of

<sup>5</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.