



Student and Exchange Visitor Information System

General Summary Quarterly Review

For the quarter ending December 31, 2008

January 5, 2009



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SEVP and SEVIS

The Student and Exchange Visitor Program (SEVP) manages the Student and Exchange Visitor Information System (SEVIS). SEVP is a program under the Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) agency within Department of Homeland Security (DHS).

SEVIS came online in 2003 to track and monitor the status and activities of nonimmigrant students and exchange visitors (EVs) who enter the United States. This web-based system collects real-time information on nonimmigrant students, EVs, approved schools, and program sponsors. This information is available to a variety of stakeholders. SEVIS also retains information on Exchange Visitor Program sponsors and visitors that are approved by the Department of State (DoS). The DoS web site is <http://exchanges.state.gov/education/jexchanges/about.htm>

This quarterly review is based on information retrieved on January 5, 2009. As SEVIS is a real-time data base, exact numbers within this review were accurate as of the date retrieved. The below list contains the various organizations that request data and information stored in SEVIS. SEVP continues to see the number of requests increase as SEVP's abilities and SEVIS' capabilities expand.

DHS - ICE (SEVP)
Department of State (DoS)
Exchange Visitor Programs
Congress
Private Organizations

DHS - ICE (Compliance Enforcement Unit)
Schools
Embassies and Consulates
Law Enforcement and Intelligence Agencies
Other Governmental Agencies and Entities



Management Review Summary

The SEVIS “General Data Quarterly Review” is produced to provide a snap-shot of useful information to SEVP management and a variety of SEVIS stakeholders.

This edition of the review represents a sample of information collected from SEVIS data on January 5, 2009.

Since the program’s inception, the total volume of data in SEVIS continues to grow. As of December 31, 2008 there were **1,046,468** Active nonimmigrant students, exchange visitors, and their dependents in SEVIS. Data on greater than **5.6 million** nonimmigrant visa-type F, M, J visa holders and their dependents, schools and EV programs can be found in SEVIS.

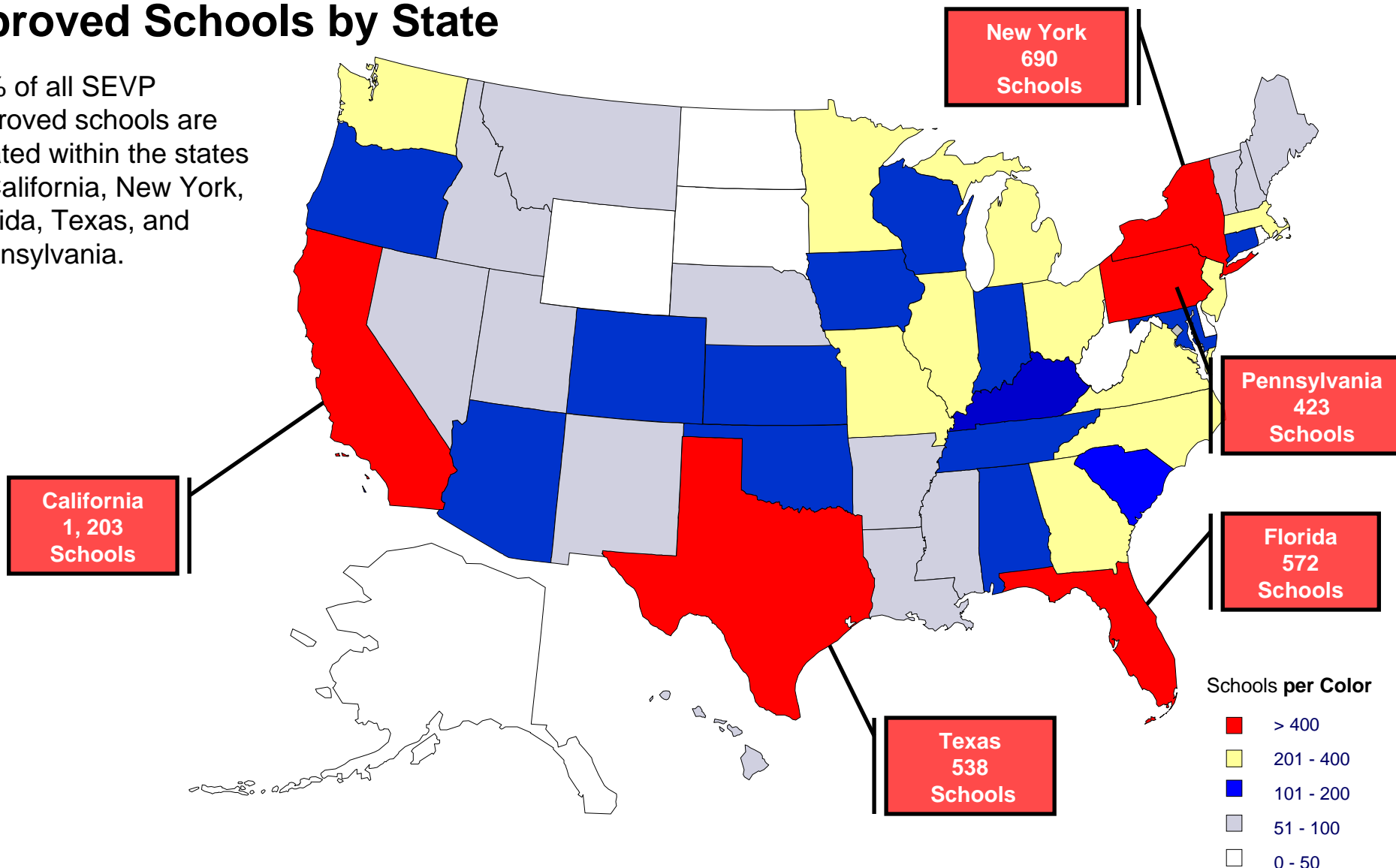
SEVIS Program Totals as of December 31, 2008

Metric	Total
Schools	
Approved	9,609
Students (F-1 & M-1)	
Active	722,272
Dependents	94,027
Completed	939,411
Metric	Total
Exchange Visitors Programs	
Active	1,434
Exchange Visitors (J-1)	
Active	179,408
Dependents	50,761
Inactive	1,607,117



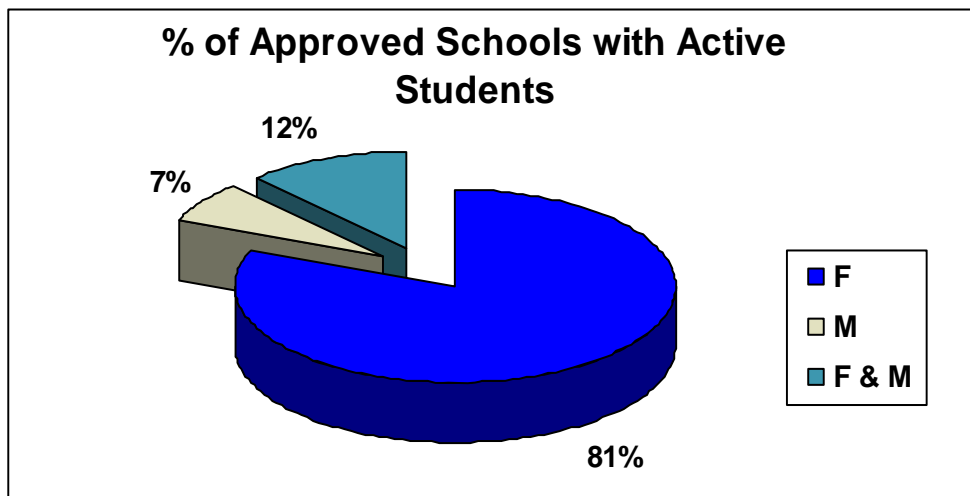
Approved Schools by State

- ▶ 36% of all SEVP approved schools are located within the states of California, New York, Florida, Texas, and Pennsylvania.





Approved Schools



Top Five F-1 and M-1 Approved Schools	
School Name	# of Active Students
Cornell University	3,627
Houston Community College System	2,976
Santa Monica College	2,924
San Francisco State University (SFSU)	1,970
Northern Virginia Community College	1,962

Top Five F-1 Approved Schools	
School Name	# of Active Students
The City University Of New York	11,621
University Of Southern California	6,549
Purdue University	5,770
Columbia University in the City of New York	5,605
University of Illinois	5,475

Top Five M-1 Approved Schools	
School Name	# of Active Students
Pan Am International Flight Academy	490
Bethel School Of Supernatural Ministry	219
Stmc Training Institute	210
Sabena Airline Training Center, Inc	199
Air Safety Flight Academy	194

# of Active Students	# of Schools
>5,000	7
1,001 - 5,000	152
501 - 1,000	178
101 - 500	748
51 - 100	643
11 - 50	1,699
1 - 10	2,469
0	3,713

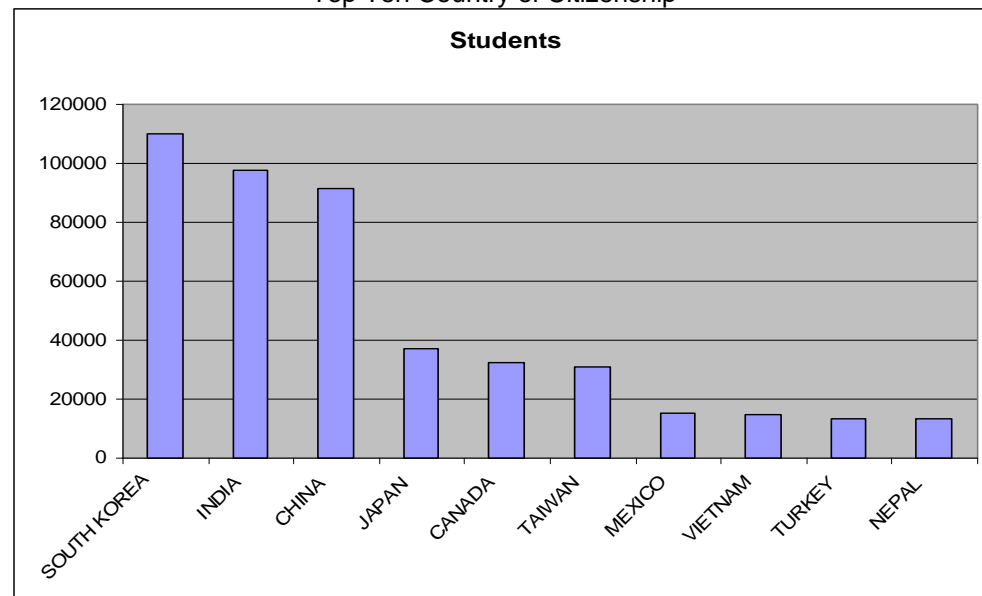


IV. F & M Nonimmigrant Student Data

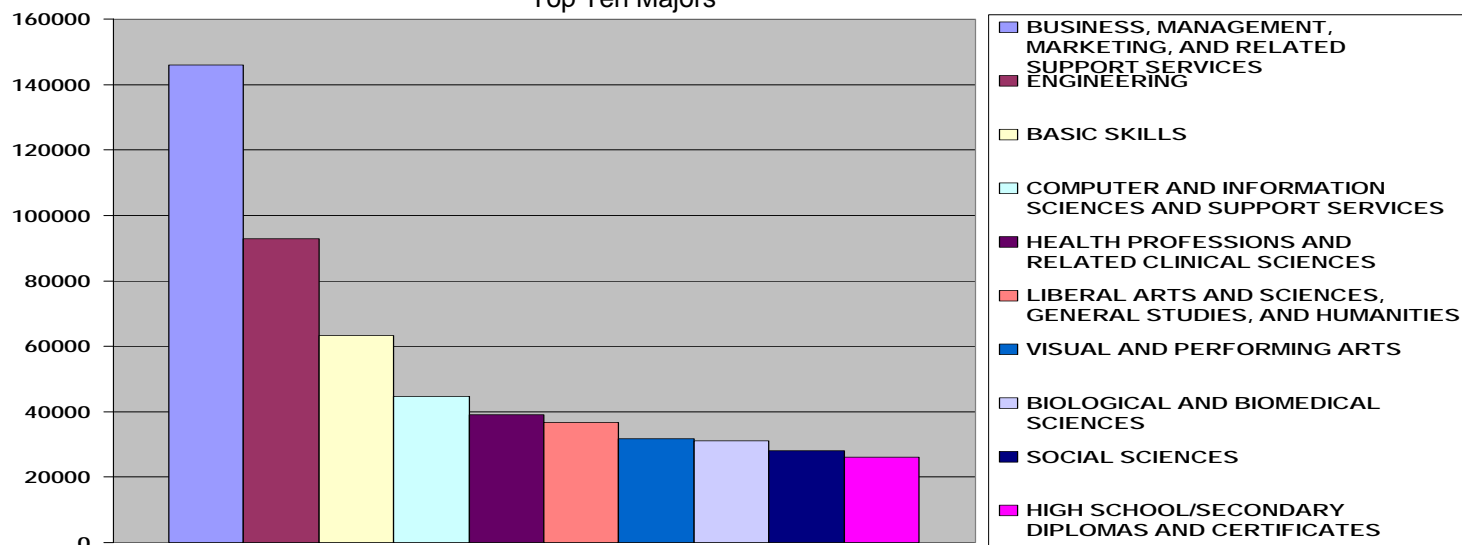
Geographic Region and Major

- ▶ South Korea remains the country with the highest number of Active students (110,083).
- ▶ The leading Major continues to be Business for 145,873 international students.
- ▶ DHS certified schools may offer multiple curricula but must be approved for each specific curriculum in which they enroll F/ M students.

Top Ten Country of Citizenship



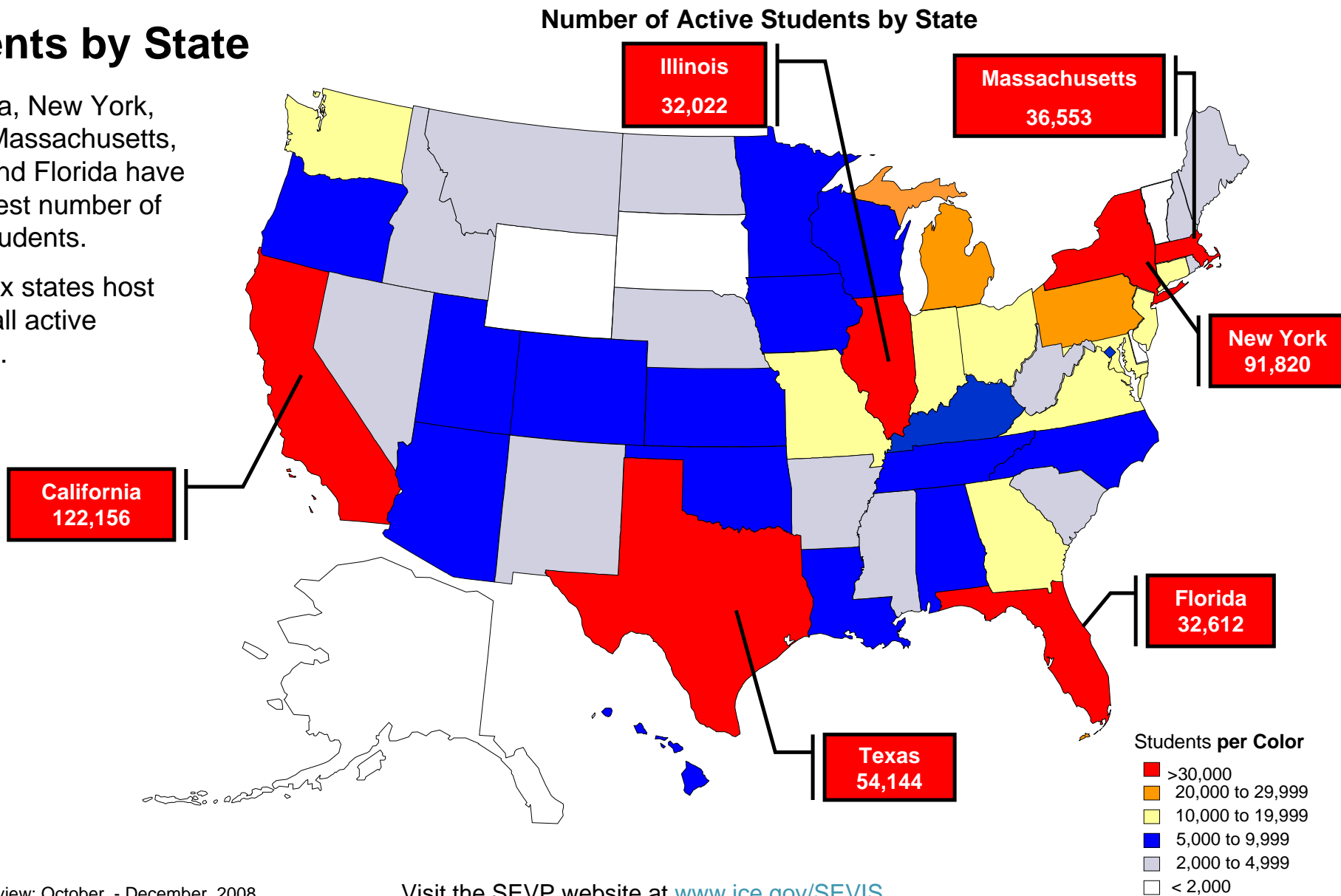
Top Ten Majors





Students by State

- ▶ California, New York, Texas, Massachusetts, Illinois and Florida have the highest number of active students.
- ▶ These six states host 51% of all active students.





Level of Education and Course of Study

- ▶ 69% of active students are enrolled in Bachelor's, Master's or Doctoral programs.
- ▶ An approved school may offer several levels of education from pre-school, elementary, high school, to post secondary education level.

Education Level by Active Students

