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Africa										
Algeria	87	99	190	274	202	200	250	226	282	352
Angola	15	18	13	18	8	12	18	16	24	21
Benin	6	15	22	28	21	20	42	30	33	44
Botswana	1	2	8	13	4	2	8	2	10	9
Burkina Faso	7	8	5	21	14	15	23	22	46	69
Burundi	4	7	9	5	8	14	11	12	14	20
Cameroon	126	113	174	321	283	260	328	444	494	632
Cape Verde	261	208	352	300	567	514	613	418	467	563
Central African Republic	2	1	4	2	0	3	3	10	11	5
Chad	1	0	1	7	5	6	4	3	9	10
Comoros	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	2
Congo, Rep. of the	4	4	12	11	6	6	13	11	24	22
Congo, Dem. Rep. of the	70	49	57	74	102	74	123	162	250	411
Cote d'Ivoire	131	127	170	238	216	230	211	142	178	376
Djibouti	1	6	7	7	6	8	19	11	18	21
Egypt	678	1,009	1,331	1,476	1,499	1,551	1,718	2,113	1,574	3,125
Equatorial Guinea	0	5	1	2	1	1	3	5	1	5
Eritrea	232	191	255	297	233	234	323	329	293	470
Ethiopia	1,094	1,046	1,946	2,961	3,674	4,015	5,004	5,100	4,509	5,695
Gabon	3	0	5	5	4	6	12	17	6	18
Gambia, The	42	36	36	92	102	132	151	175	196	265
Ghana	1,005	1,175	1,297	1,847	2,069	3,192	1,601	1,794	1,640	4,597
Guinea	41	39	45	98	82	89	126	130	184	276
Guinea-Bissau	2	0	5	9	9	8	4	11	12	15
Kenya	245	216	363	498	550	530	665	660	545	993
Lesotho	6	3	3	6	3	2	3	14	12	7
Liberia	174	296	374	780	739	652	494	603	682	851
Libya	40	42	52	48	63	96	88	98	154	79
Madagascar	11	5	6	8	12	6	14	15	16	12
Malawi	11	5	4	10	12	13	23	18	20	21
Mali	19	25	19	36	59	42	40	54	68	90
Mauritania	1	3	2	13	9	15	22	21	38	53
Mauritius	5	2	6	9	7	5	7	3	10	10
Morocco	393	328	544	865	804	1,055	1,308	1,399	1,508	1,544
Mozambique	8	10	8	18	9	5	8	18	12	16
Namibia	9	2	9	6	7	6	3	8	7	7
Niger	18	11	11	9	15	19	9	9	18	37
Nigeria	1,789	1,788	2,026	2,346	3,688	4,333	4,467	4,194	3,774	5,311
Rwanda	7	4	3	14	12	37	30	58	73	59
Sao Tome and Principe	1	1	0	0	3	6	1	3	4	5
Senegal	179	125	184	314	252	303	361	345	362	531
Seychelles	2	6	3	2	0	1	4	4	3	1
Sierra Leone	254	203	243	353	321	400	411	573	605	504
Somalia	106	115	135	221	356	404	519	564	594	784
South Africa	265	269	292	331	265	303	309	311	353	300

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South Sudan	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	18
Sudan	228	153	195	313	512	377	533	613	497	777
Swaziland	9	5	4	2	2	4	19	10	5	7
Tanzania	73	55	90	120	106	86	92	129	114	143
Togo	26	28	50	94	98	125	249	374	408	547
Tunisia	45	59	63	83	102	68	110	135	189	184
Uganda	46	88	99	160	176	173	239	192	344	425
Zambia	32	35	43	71	66	65	83	68	90	79
Zimbabwe	40	41	46	78	76	69	111	96	107	75
Africa Total	7,857	8,081	10,822	14,914	17,440	19,792	20,830	21,772	20,887	30,493
Asia										
Afghanistan	197	216	235	273	317	479	581	477	448	457
Bahrain	8	7	12	9	13	12	9	12	22	18
Bangladesh	1,569	2,470	3,776	4,189	3,279	3,328	4,630	4,132	4,679	5,482
Bhutan	2	1	7	3	5	3	5	16	2	8
Brunei	6	1	1	1	3	0	0	1	3	0
Burma	120	231	242	379	414	347	423	381	530	545
Cambodia	944	1,097	969	2,137	1,531	1,627	1,481	1,026	1,167	1,238
China - mainland born	16,899	14,723	17,811	20,886	16,527	14,618	10,534	13,245	14,497	15,214
- Taiwan born	766	806	1,025	1,021	947	845	960	853	713	576
Hong Kong S.A.R.	218	230	331	291	288	230	220	214	232	206
India	8,153	9,821	12,622	12,905	12,069	10,524	13,019	12,039	12,067	12,243
Indonesia	203	252	414	423	320	296	364	352	453	406
Iran	1,859	2,161	2,900	2,844	3,273	2,571	2,626	3,053	2,625	2,743
Iraq	557	448	590	698	659	709	800	540	573	609
Israel	763	609	817	712	527	436	318	287	422	330
Japan	2,074	2,121	2,281	2,248	1,521	1,481	1,504	1,473	1,446	1,179
Jordan	1,464	1,311	1,758	2,115	1,572	1,600	1,869	1,644	1,929	2,155
Korea, North	77	56	69	62	39	18	14	9	4	5
Korea, South	3,002	2,917	3,270	3,167	2,740	2,445	2,363	2,018	1,892	1,782
Kuwait	167	117	180	187	182	173	199	170	186	184
Laos	95	81	105	178	111	68	101	106	103	152
Lebanon	675	721	967	786	1,572	1,037	997	921	968	746
Malaysia	154	165	189	232	210	176	150	163	178	172
Maldives	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	1
Mongolia	52	68	73	67	99	79	91	74	81	65
Nepal	136	136	219	240	286	279	408	642	836	990
Oman	4	2	5	8	7	9	8	11	7	4
Pakistan	2,551	2,586	2,826	4,139	3,561	5,564	5,914	5,161	4,961	5,158
Philippines	11,527	11,917	13,585	15,757	24,669	15,253	19,100	16,537	15,436	16,795
Qatar	15	11	15	14	29	23	32	38	36	34
Saudi Arabia	127	87	160	283	236	253	352	294	346	289
Singapore	94	65	85	90	79	87	62	69	86	56
Sri Lanka	116	116	245	230	217	197	233	291	265	295
Syria	420	463	783	772	667	525	649	591	771	851

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Thailand	487	663	1,013	1,289	1,157	838	1,042	985	1,030	1,102
Timor-Leste ¹	1	2	4	2	1	1	2	0	1	2
United Arab Emirates	33	46	65	87	95	87	115	156	163	128
Vietnam	4,724	4,155	5,609	7,638	8,674	7,728	7,563	7,038	9,401	8,534
Yemen	957	1,133	2,418	2,557	1,209	1,008	2,553	1,920	1,916	1,812
Asia Total	61,216	62,012	77,676	88,919	89,105	74,955	81,292	76,939	80,476	82,566
Europe										
Albania	612	790	1,626	1,927	1,475	1,628	1,434	1,525	1,444	1,761
Andorra	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
Armenia	208	292	364	386	380	277	449	398	440	661
Austria	66	92	62	73	57	57	61	66	58	61
Azerbaijan	107	111	115	153	124	95	122	112	146	146
Belarus	302	358	218	204	203	158	202	213	236	221
Belgium	103	102	108	102	93	67	62	56	89	52
Bosnia and Herzegovina	158	259	475	550	400	310	343	261	250	201
Bulgaria	559	576	914	912	602	385	463	457	526	533
Croatia	92	94	120	163	99	82	78	66	67	52
Cyprus	27	21	29	18	18	11	9	29	21	12
Czech Republic	205	193	194	178	118	94	93	80	97	76
Denmark	108	110	108	110	74	60	58	71	72	43
Faroe Islands	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	0	0
Greenland	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Estonia	51	38	49	44	53	35	33	45	29	25
Finland	73	78	85	87	61	49	62	60	58	47
France	430	408	452	529	486	430	362	445	463	370
French Guiana	1	2	2	2	1	1	4	1	0	-
French Polynesia	0	0	4	10	5	5	4	2	7	4
French Southern and Antarctic Lands	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Guadeloupe	5	8	16	17	2	8	11	1	0	-
Martinique	4	2	3	4	2	6	3	0	0	-
Mayotte	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	0	0
New Caledonia	1	0	1	1	0	0	2	0	0	0
Reunion	1	1	2	3	0	1	0	0	0	-
St. Barthelemy	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	0	0
St. Martin	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	0	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	241	188	173	190	129	150	227	322	358	334
Germany	1,205	1,379	1,701	1,563	1,710	1,320	1,240	1,311	1,271	1,318
Great Britain and Northern Ireland	1,656	1,658	1,677	2,065	1,862	1,644	1,703	1,670	1,665	1,757
Anguilla	9	3	9	9	2	5	1	6	2	1
Bermuda	36	44	41	64	40	32	29	16	15	7
British Indian Ocean Territory	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
British Virgin Islands	5	2	7	9	11	6	4	12	5	10
Cayman Islands	4	4	4	6	4	5	6	11	5	13

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Falkland Islands	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Gibraltar	1	1	3	4	2	1	2	1	1	0
Montserrat	6	4	1	8	9	3	4	5	2	7
Pitcairn	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
St. Helena	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
South Georgia and the South Sandwich Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Turks and Caicos Islands	1	1	7	0	3	6	4	3	3	2
Greece	196	158	172	167	150	122	140	154	295	347
Hungary	232	248	238	255	164	151	148	123	153	114
Iceland	37	34	48	42	30	14	30	17	18	19
Ireland	134	147	205	141	143	151	144	213	210	149
Italy	278	251	324	423	323	351	346	322	368	385
Kazakhstan	921	980	943	766	720	535	479	346	279	201
Kosovo ²	0	0	0	0	0	35	434	410	419	371
Kyrgyzstan	41	67	106	170	176	167	108	112	113	109
Latvia	73	89	113	98	104	77	77	83	105	129
Liechtenstein	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0
Lithuania	118	197	299	239	213	107	141	86	128	107
Luxembourg	4	0	5	7	5	4	6	1	4	3
Macedonia ³	234	299	366	446	397	344	387	326	321	307
Malta	10	9	7	12	7	7	14	2	5	7
Moldova	94	132	231	154	132	160	138	127	181	132
Monaco	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	2	1	0
Montenegro ⁴	-	-	-	18	166	116	143	107	121	144
Netherlands	230	230	267	242	196	147	150	134	168	125
Aruba	5	7	2	10	4	1	4	6	7	11
Curacao	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	7
Netherlands Antilles	9	9	15	11	10	15	21	11	3	-
Sint Maarten	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	10
Norway	98	107	113	113	60	56	55	77	69	39
Svalbard	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	0	0
Poland	1,192	1,365	1,699	1,469	999	686	746	676	705	618
Portugal	150	140	150	146	120	78	100	84	106	91
Macau ⁵	13	13	15	16	12	7	13	13	11	12
Romania	665	689	1,324	1,194	873	662	733	629	735	664
Russia	6,127	7,029	6,169	5,615	4,008	3,277	3,158	2,580	2,638	2,417
San Marino	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Serbia ⁴	-	-	-	38	792	585	259	228	201	197
Serbia and Montenegro ⁴	530	624	783	1,192	-	-	-	-	-	-
Slovakia	115	118	120	135	82	47	67	53	72	58
Slovenia	11	17	16	22	16	6	15	14	3	18
Spain	261	190	279	328	262	215	229	319	372	227
Western Sahara	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sweden	248	274	261	249	152	142	127	177	153	110
Switzerland	125	121	115	116	92	63	93	63	97	90

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Tajikistan	23	27	30	37	28	27	28	29	33	33
Turkey	651	549	488	619	520	620	578	555	606	495
Turkmenistan	12	16	23	35	15	27	29	18	34	29
Ukraine	1,456	1,607	2,095	1,698	1,673	1,465	1,690	1,614	1,935	1,640
Uzbekistan	86	188	308	322	202	227	225	248	269	330
Vatican City	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Europe Total	20,658	22,750	25,900	25,936	20,872	17,625	18,136	17,204	18,282	17,459
North America										
Antigua and Barbuda	43	68	74	81	68	68	99	78	73	76
Bahamas, The	45	43	52	47	46	64	50	69	76	75
Barbados	113	96	109	103	85	77	86	64	64	56
Belize	92	93	110	203	127	132	148	143	134	123
Canada	757	477	765	1,252	1,027	1,271	1,036	1,083	1,425	1,404
Costa Rica	341	296	426	488	397	275	289	303	350	401
Cuba	758	752	1,703	2,187	2,728	2,551	3,085	2,743	2,223	3,207
Dominica	125	116	161	211	188	188	198	187	159	166
Dominican Republic	7,761	7,142	6,568	8,921	6,311	14,671	17,294	13,080	14,697	13,666
El Salvador	1,821	1,417	3,508	3,277	3,482	3,647	4,984	4,316	4,742	3,731
Grenada	92	112	180	189	117	126	125	104	126	119
Guatemala	3,343	4,516	5,325	6,193	6,671	6,446	3,083	2,099	2,060	1,878
Haiti	4,283	3,811	3,635	5,063	10,225	5,972	7,389	7,206	7,717	8,065
Honduras	1,225	1,070	2,309	2,113	2,233	1,994	1,528	2,016	1,468	2,353
Jamaica	3,628	3,239	5,244	6,359	4,496	4,513	6,805	5,193	5,697	5,870
Mexico	25,592	21,971	15,862	34,292	36,450	64,376	42,042	43,340	36,237	44,049
Nicaragua	604	609	971	1,277	1,086	1,368	1,409	1,156	1,201	1,174
Panama	207	209	378	448	385	349	387	288	289	256
Saint Kitts and Nevis	52	51	69	74	47	64	74	62	58	76
Saint Lucia	121	100	158	231	174	186	152	151	147	167
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	86	70	122	121	92	99	107	116	121	94
Trinidad and Tobago	592	705	890	1,084	770	775	762	752	809	790
North America Total	51,681	46,963	48,619	74,214	77,205	109,212	91,132	84,549	79,873	87,796
Oceania										
Australia	374	475	447	475	356	400	366	369	415	333
Christmas Island	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Cocos (Keeling) Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Norfolk Island	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	0	0
Fiji	254	354	428	380	305	226	357	300	251	263
Kiribati	0	0	2	3	2	3	1	1	1	3
Marshall Islands	9	11	3	6	8	6	25	19	20	16
Micronesia, Federated States of	2	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0

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Nauru	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
New Zealand	186	200	232	161	175	153	150	164	152	126
Cook Islands	2	3	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0
Niue	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tokelau	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	0	0
Palau	0	0	0	1	4	3	2	6	3	1
Papua New Guinea	5	2	9	7	4	3	2	6	3	3
Samoa	61	55	25	37	44	20	37	33	24	21
Solomon Islands	3	0	0	1	2	1	0	1	1	0
Tonga	30	50	50	63	63	51	44	36	67	34
Tuvalu	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Vanuatu	0	0	5	2	0	1	4	0	2	2
Oceania Total	927	1,152	1,203	1,139	963	867	990	935	941	802
South America										
Argentina	467	278	346	390	286	274	233	218	299	329
Bolivia	290	325	374	680	403	435	421	435	384	370
Brazil	1,014	1,117	1,461	1,456	1,307	1,317	1,373	1,240	1,491	1,530
Chile	221	257	349	406	327	279	259	263	266	245
Colombia	4,504	3,294	4,834	5,411	3,832	4,344	3,840	4,070	4,807	5,583
Ecuador	2,169	2,305	3,158	4,655	2,774	3,880	3,325	2,864	3,205	2,817
Guyana	1,384	1,046	1,986	1,812	1,001	1,656	1,659	1,517	1,828	1,577
Paraguay	62	94	105	138	106	93	88	76	120	69
Peru	1,724	1,549	2,894	3,122	2,678	3,306	2,945	2,810	2,880	2,994
Suriname	26	20	42	33	28	38	16	37	26	30
Uruguay	73	76	85	71	70	83	70	59	73	67
Venezuela	487	405	578	891	926	692	908	959	1,018	889
South America Total	12,421	10,766	16,212	19,065	13,738	16,397	15,137	14,548	16,397	16,500
Grand Totals	154,760	151,724	180,432	224,187	219,323	238,848	227,517	215,947	216,856	235,616

¹ 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.

² 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.

³ 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.

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⁴ 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 Montenegro and Serbia.

⁵ 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.