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<b>Africa</b>										
Algeria	559	565	693	431	421	630	798	562	1,048	1,089
Angola	44	27	16	28	30	30	38	27	44	47
Benin	35	35	28	64	67	120	164	166	213	238
Botswana	9	5	9	4	6	19	17	5	9	8
Burkina Faso	17	16	6	17	16	28	73	59	139	114
Burundi	2	9	1	7	24	13	18	11	26	32
Cameroon	467	478	601	682	622	806	1,155	1,064	1,519	1,897
Cape Verde	813	467	454	541	565	832	879	1,429	1,382	1,496
Central African Republic	2	4	3	4	2	6	5	0	3	5
Chad	6	21	9	3	4	8	11	11	12	16
Comoros	1	0	2	2	0	1	3	3	1	2
Congo, Republic of the	4	19	15	10	6	31	39	37	55	33
Congo, Dem. Rep. of the	170	219	232	370	138	364	442	445	595	760
Cote d'Ivoire	176	216	144	254	236	293	365	421	482	458
Djibouti	12	9	3	10	9	18	12	14	26	32
Egypt	3,323	3,166	2,440	2,181	3,635	5,725	5,857	6,054	5,671	6,062
Equatorial Guinea	1	1	1	1	6	1	4	1	2	3
Eritrea	320	571	406	411	338	466	520	476	591	800
Ethiopia	2,844	4,661	4,176	4,969	4,849	5,761	6,838	7,360	8,181	9,223
Gabon	8	5	6	22	2	9	14	8	20	15
Gambia, The	67	65	64	56	66	66	125	139	172	210
Ghana	3,495	2,306	2,938	2,945	2,484	2,828	3,516	3,723	5,723	3,780
Guinea	66	72	48	61	74	65	158	153	209	228
Guinea-Bissau	2	9	3	3	3	9	11	10	9	5
Kenya	1,346	1,397	1,841	2,595	2,373	2,409	2,541	2,072	2,862	3,134
Lesotho	5	0	7	7	3	3	6	3	2	3
Liberia	882	637	826	699	943	771	1,314	1,472	1,358	1,473
Libya	108	102	69	112	61	87	83	93	141	155
Madagascar	21	20	19	23	19	11	19	18	38	46
Malawi	38	23	26	28	31	29	31	23	37	35
Mali	48	36	23	32	35	30	64	86	91	86
Mauritania	13	19	12	2	9	7	22	13	23	32
Mauritius	22	33	25	26	19	14	17	16	23	40
Morocco	2,774	3,802	1,648	2,532	2,217	2,902	2,885	2,710	3,417	3,594
Mozambique	18	26	21	19	19	12	23	19	15	10
Namibia	12	20	5	11	6	16	10	7	7	13
Niger	10	13	49	30	36	34	36	40	61	40
Nigeria	5,476	5,260	5,127	5,984	6,099	5,515	6,767	7,868	9,212	8,927
Rwanda	9	50	13	14	13	17	42	32	86	61
Sao Tome and Principe	3	1	0	2	2	0	0	5	6	4
Senegal	227	287	174	237	177	292	457	400	475	605
Seychelles	4	4	11	7	7	8	5	2	6	7
Sierra Leone	1,485	1,209	1,145	487	411	423	622	628	905	1,032

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Somalia	783	536	337	217	169	213	280	403	510	619
South Africa	1,084	1,200	981	951	699	706	707	554	601	723
Sudan	1,289	1,082	782	762	382	598	709	864	919	1,154
Swaziland	3	3	3	11	6	5	2	3	5	22
Tanzania	309	241	264	319	195	263	302	282	256	278
Togo	354	468	598	1,458	1,346	1,154	561	598	651	801
Tunisia	132	113	123	90	110	118	146	169	131	174
Uganda	231	206	256	190	247	261	321	384	434	468
Zambia	111	132	105	122	121	93	128	161	143	126
Zimbabwe	124	122	148	120	105	138	199	170	146	215
<b>Africa Total</b>	<b>29,364</b>	<b>29,988</b>	<b>26,936</b>	<b>30,163</b>	<b>29,463</b>	<b>34,258</b>	<b>39,361</b>	<b>41,273</b>	<b>48,693</b>	<b>50,430</b>
<b>Asia</b>										
Afghanistan	741	722	427	339	420	376	449	677	1,654	1,668
Bahrain	53	47	38	39	62	61	57	46	26	23
Bangladesh	6,213	5,123	3,753	3,425	6,524	9,065	10,425	9,653	9,409	15,494
Bhutan	0	2	0	6	3	9	5	7	10	10
Brunei	7	8	8	11	10	5	10	8	3	2
Burma	1,160	1,031	888	583	806	933	1,229	1,076	944	1,182
Cambodia	1,668	1,575	1,740	1,299	1,795	1,482	2,856	2,057	2,131	1,944
China - mainland born	28,993	23,147	30,218	30,680	29,467	34,834	37,408	34,153	30,548	23,772
China - Taiwan born	5,634	5,565	5,545	4,523	4,506	4,131	3,721	4,550	3,599	3,133
Hong Kong S.A.R.	3,261	3,416	3,917	2,689	2,939	2,097	2,048	2,246	2,084	1,290
India	24,201	28,041	24,974	26,672	27,647	32,182	33,564	30,930	25,724	26,248
Indonesia	1,050	779	773	694	574	658	652	615	569	679
Iran	5,485	5,982	5,128	3,556	4,605	5,320	5,361	6,741	6,414	6,316
Iraq	1,349	1,497	1,284	1,019	1,330	1,468	1,259	2,265	2,515	4,166
Israel	970	1,279	1,359	1,185	937	1,202	1,050	781	666	536
Japan	2,852	4,141	3,666	3,486	3,132	3,245	3,074	2,359	2,189	2,143
Jordan	3,062	3,489	2,982	2,397	2,378	2,841	3,072	2,945	3,070	3,174
Korea, North	116	123	113	91	83	80	71	52	25	18
Korea, South	6,905	6,412	6,802	5,340	5,613	6,078	5,720	5,459	5,036	5,035
Kuwait	607	561	380	317	401	392	453	479	468	446
Laos	227	192	247	190	208	194	288	228	162	186
Lebanon	2,520	2,860	2,133	1,887	1,999	2,148	1,842	2,729	2,411	2,049
Malaysia	520	526	475	485	446	455	465	491	368	307
Maldives	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	1	2	1
Mongolia	20	39	90	86	91	123	190	175	283	217
Nepal	230	506	731	1,972	2,014	2,161	2,026	1,794	2,538	2,251
Oman	18	20	9	15	4	17	28	18	14	10
Pakistan	10,256	11,835	6,617	6,421	6,350	5,867	7,675	7,453	13,797	14,935
Philippines	30,280	31,077	32,949	33,066	37,899	36,472	46,788	44,193	30,792	36,048
Qatar	27	45	17	21	53	84	33	46	39	42
Saudi Arabia	419	279	238	268	287	362	539	386	405	540

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Singapore	168	297	272	208	188	205	204	162	166	119
Sri Lanka	540	784	756	863	544	745	757	777	904	944
Syria	1,622	1,932	1,312	1,065	1,172	1,560	1,569	1,523	1,260	1,436
Thailand	1,681	1,345	1,215	833	1,036	1,381	1,700	1,604	1,185	1,347
Timor-Leste <sup>1</sup>			0	1	2	4	2	1	1	3
United Arab Emirates	264	269	239	232	375	468	495	324	227	273
Vietnam	17,813	18,634	18,722	14,467	18,312	17,470	19,901	21,739	23,559	20,079
Yemen	1,839	1,034	1,076	1,245	1,513	3,230	3,323	1,499	1,270	3,052
<b>Asia Total</b>	<b>162,772</b>	<b>164,614</b>	<b>161,095</b>	<b>151,676</b>	<b>165,725</b>	<b>179,405</b>	<b>200,309</b>	<b>192,242</b>	<b>176,467</b>	<b>181,118</b>
<b>Europe</b>										
Albania	3,998	4,120	2,711	2,817	3,092	3,998	3,623	2,820	3,809	3,638
Andorra	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2
Armenia	476	616	595	689	860	962	961	1,062	1,218	1,503
Austria	190	227	196	139	171	136	131	113	100	115
Azerbaijan	265	260	294	278	325	270	282	236	279	389
Belarus	657	787	805	931	942	760	714	752	976	1,031
Belgium	247	280	251	215	198	187	148	140	122	118
Bosnia and Herzegovina	123	173	216	199	302	534	608	459	354	423
Bulgaria	3,238	3,094	2,578	3,364	3,085	3,502	2,659	1,988	1,511	1,276
Croatia	154	174	163	170	138	181	212	142	113	127
Cyprus	75	61	64	42	44	48	33	33	27	25
Czech Republic	321	288	275	333	302	292	245	163	197	151
Denmark	225	256	222	166	166	167	165	107	104	87
Greenland	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Estonia	93	67	74	87	62	68	59	75	57	54
Finland	169	166	164	116	150	170	145	93	68	90
France	1,040	1,457	1,146	981	836	935	991	854	880	642
French Guiana	3	1	6	1	2	6	9	7	3	10
French Polynesia	3	1	3	4	0	5	11	5	5	4
French Southern and Antarctic Lands	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Guadeloupe	18	32	16	11	24	22	29	8	18	17
Martinique	12	2	3	10	4	7	5	9	10	10
New Caledonia	1	3	4	1	0	1	2	3	0	2
Reunion	0	0	1	1	3	2	3	1	1	1
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	170	224	336	437	512	345	413	403	435	622
Germany	3,330	3,256	2,591	2,092	2,259	2,669	2,497	2,693	2,363	2,353
Great Britain and Northern Ireland	3,910	5,547	4,832	3,668	3,461	3,298	3,863	3,006	2,659	2,575
Anguilla	15	50	10	13	11	17	18	6	9	7
Bermuda	27	39	50	58	49	52	75	48	40	34
British Virgin Islands	22	21	15	19	12	19	14	16	17	23

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Cayman Islands	13	6	8	14	12	11	8	9	8	10
Falkland Islands	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Gibraltar	4	2	4	3	1	3	5	2	1	2
Montserrat	21	17	14	20	13	7	18	23	16	13
Pitcairn	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
St. Helena	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Turks and Caicos Islands	4	3	4	2	5	12	3	6	8	10
Greece	407	418	361	310	273	296	275	240	242	247
Hungary	347	369	342	412	352	400	363	263	260	304
Iceland	71	57	52	51	51	60	54	44	25	42
Ireland	441	380	321	361	339	403	248	226	224	215
Italy	716	804	661	587	461	552	665	524	595	613
Kazakhstan	740	1,036	1,222	1,155	1,234	1,100	907	840	727	695
Kosovo	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	38	511
Kyrgyzstan	99	95	101	172	187	203	266	265	308	230
Latvia	180	193	225	168	184	178	154	143	94	122
Liechtenstein	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Lithuania	1,053	1,065	1,266	2,096	1,566	946	593	422	244	281
Luxembourg	10	12	15	8	0	7	8	5	8	8
Macedonia	602	660	584	486	525	621	743	778	709	727
Malta	13	26	24	24	16	15	17	18	7	18
Moldova	368	319	292	347	474	435	319	301	453	436
Monaco	2	1	7	2	3	1	0	1	1	0
Montenegro <sup>2</sup>	-	-	-	-	-	-	20	234	158	197
Netherlands	415	542	458	390	309	366	380	315	260	278
Aruba	10	5	4	14	8	5	14	13	9	8
Netherlands Antilles	35	39	38	23	29	32	28	25	25	52
Northern Ireland (DV Only)	24	16	5	26	23	27	16	14	1	13
Norway	205	188	137	141	126	136	164	87	81	72
Poland	6,529	4,724	7,602	7,335	7,613	7,008	5,822	3,278	2,299	2,028
Portugal	475	460	381	340	283	292	240	246	144	169
Macau <sup>3</sup>	57	124	265	170	172	91	136	137	151	64
Romania	4,826	4,208	2,557	2,411	2,108	3,111	2,744	2,098	1,735	1,344
Russia	7,769	7,233	7,630	7,669	8,428	6,362	5,930	4,283	3,587	3,507
San Marino	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Serbia <sup>2</sup>	-	-	-	-	-	-	48	1,103	965	503
Serbia and Montenegro	691	787	826	879	942	1,064	1,528	-	-	-
Slovakia	316	375	337	412	347	377	293	215	140	130
Slovenia	16	14	25	15	27	18	25	21	15	21
Spain	413	444	414	368	286	390	425	361	308	353
Western Sahara	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sweden	487	551	448	412	408	391	347	256	236	220
Switzerland	428	430	340	289	245	220	230	165	154	200
Tajikistan	93	36	90	63	78	66	73	75	100	108
Turkey	1,409	1,604	1,741	1,969	1,869	1,530	1,601	1,629	1,722	1,840
Turkmenistan	38	33	28	48	65	67	81	57	107	91

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Ukraine	4,910	4,570	5,567	4,471	4,963	5,508	5,015	5,237	3,685	3,672
Uzbekistan	513	579	739	879	1,151	1,242	1,308	1,304	2,531	2,653
Vatican City	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Europe Total</b>	<b>53,533</b>	<b>53,631</b>	<b>52,758</b>	<b>51,386</b>	<b>52,186</b>	<b>52,208</b>	<b>49,029</b>	<b>40,505</b>	<b>37,757</b>	<b>37,339</b>
<b>North America</b>										
Antigua and Barbuda	203	212	173	177	235	242	197	185	212	202
Bahamas, The	101	84	92	76	123	85	77	85	113	86
Barbados	293	229	275	258	263	246	265	236	150	207
Belize	355	276	242	156	161	187	289	313	312	269
Canada	2,850	4,937	4,394	3,311	2,131	2,253	2,839	2,121	2,312	1,872
Costa Rica	447	391	419	436	376	537	585	515	371	353
Cuba	4,675	3,554	2,911	2,662	3,256	3,417	4,164	4,788	5,408	4,067
Dominica	501	466	391	441	434	415	464	387	449	452
Dominican Republic	11,685	14,606	15,394	22,894	22,741	21,839	21,586	18,267	23,364	40,824
El Salvador	8,611	6,424	5,193	4,210	3,049	5,862	6,397	7,905	9,172	10,178
Grenada	286	257	256	268	260	328	311	226	244	218
Guatemala	4,146	3,786	4,661	4,412	5,619	6,238	7,351	8,240	8,575	5,131
Haiti	18,495	13,487	11,331	8,600	8,529	7,126	7,305	17,698	14,997	14,060
Honduras	3,049	3,007	2,420	2,208	2,095	3,725	3,035	3,749	3,467	2,656
Jamaica	9,923	8,404	8,789	9,063	8,169	9,757	11,115	8,732	9,645	11,141
Mexico	68,412	63,028	53,119	39,930	44,821	36,381	52,485	53,327	91,475	74,769
Nicaragua	1,006	928	878	955	1,013	1,350	1,918	1,849	2,206	2,165
Panama	1,036	697	664	451	442	605	686	584	574	567
Saint Kitts and Nevis	295	278	219	190	215	196	216	211	213	181
Saint Lucia	282	359	293	288	275	336	393	340	303	304
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	253	243	211	194	198	250	260	180	219	203
Trinidad and Tobago	3,177	2,498	2,136	2,117	2,112	1,935	2,076	1,836	1,635	1,569
<b>North America Total</b>	<b>140,081</b>	<b>128,151</b>	<b>114,461</b>	<b>103,297</b>	<b>106,517</b>	<b>103,310</b>	<b>124,014</b>	<b>131,774</b>	<b>175,416</b>	<b>171,474</b>
<b>Oceania</b>										
Australia	906	1,171	952	750	807	926	924	624	684	602
Christmas Island	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Cocos (Keeling) Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fiji	1,189	1,092	943	867	1,245	1,006	1,052	1,018	792	906
Kiribati	1	0	2	0	0	2	3	3	5	3
Marshall Islands	1	0	5	9	11	3	6	8	6	25
Micronesia, Federated States of	2	1	0	2	2	2	1	0	0	0
Nauru	1	0	2	2	1	1	0	1	0	0
New Zealand	456	500	414	411	359	439	361	302	303	243
Cook Islands	2	0	1	3	3	1	1	0	0	0
Niue	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0

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Palau	3	1	0	2	0	0	1	4	3	4
Papua New Guinea	14	8	14	15	3	12	10	9	7	14
Samoa	44	46	45	70	67	35	53	61	35	45
Solomon Islands	6	0	1	3	2	0	1	5	5	0
Tonga	144	107	88	60	115	110	182	202	175	121
Tuvalu	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
Vanuatu	1	0	2	0	0	6	3	0	2	4
<b>Oceania Total</b>	<b>2,771</b>	<b>2,927</b>	<b>2,469</b>	<b>2,194</b>	<b>2,615</b>	<b>2,543</b>	<b>2,600</b>	<b>2,237</b>	<b>2,017</b>	<b>1,969</b>
<b>South America</b>										
Argentina	643	797	927	867	556	639	696	461	422	385
Bolivia	694	636	536	623	512	616	1,008	761	957	826
Brazil	1,452	1,721	1,605	1,641	1,515	2,076	2,107	1,971	1,640	1,696
Chile	603	543	441	355	366	472	506	482	386	358
Colombia	6,216	5,364	6,859	6,477	5,593	6,753	7,960	6,153	7,072	6,010
Ecuador	4,680	5,471	5,987	4,319	4,270	5,631	7,533	5,930	6,899	6,103
Guyana	4,721	6,259	8,396	5,968	4,729	6,887	5,806	3,197	5,214	4,357
Paraguay	145	128	149	84	146	145	172	149	122	97
Peru	4,534	4,711	5,292	4,437	4,209	6,034	6,472	5,693	5,761	5,010
Suriname	110	102	88	103	64	101	76	69	85	57
Uruguay	108	127	119	139	149	110	95	97	103	104
Venezuela	1,094	910	1,039	1,039	787	1,059	1,359	1,417	1,088	1,437
<b>South America Total</b>	<b>25,000</b>	<b>26,769</b>	<b>31,438</b>	<b>26,052</b>	<b>22,896</b>	<b>30,523</b>	<b>33,790</b>	<b>26,380</b>	<b>29,749</b>	<b>26,440</b>
<b>Grand Totals</b>	<b>413,521</b>	<b>406,080</b>	<b>389,157</b>	<b>364,768</b>	<b>379,402</b>	<b>402,247</b>	<b>449,103</b>	<b>434,411</b>	<b>470,099</b>	<b>468,770</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> 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.

<sup>3</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.