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PREFACE

On March 1, 2003 the components of the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) were subsumed under the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS). The former INS Statistics Division was reorganized as the Office of Immigration Statistics, under the direction of the DHS Under Secretary for Management. The *Statistical Yearbook of the Immigration and Naturalization Service* was renamed *Yearbook of Immigration Statistics*. This is the second edition of the *Yearbook* published under the auspices of the DHS though all data were derived from the same data systems formerly maintained by the INS. References to the INS and INS data collection systems have been changed in this edition to reflect DHS or the appropriate Bureau within DHS: Customs and Border Protection (CBP); Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE); and U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS).

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1. INTRODUCTION

The *Yearbook of Immigration Statistics* presents information on migrants who apply for different legal statuses and immigration law enforcement activities. Chapters 3-7 focus on the major legal status categories available to aliens in the United States including temporary and permanent residence, refugee status, asylum, and naturalization. Chapter 8 focuses on enforcement actions including apprehensions of persons who violated immigration law; investigations involving criminal cases, work site enforcement, fraud, and anti-smuggling activities; and the removal of aliens refused admission or apprehended within the United States.

Chapters 3-7 — Legal Status Categories

Immigrants (Chapter 3) are aliens who have been granted lawful permanent residence in the United States. They are commonly referred to as “green card” recipients. Refugees (Chapter 4) and asylees (Chapter 5) are aliens who seek residence in the United States to avoid persecution in their country of nationality. Refugees are aliens who applied for admission while outside the United States. One year after their arrival, they are eligible to apply for permanent residence. Some aliens apply for asylum at a port of entry while seeking admission to the United States. Other aliens apply for asylum at some point after their entry to the United States. They are eligible to apply for lawful permanent residence one year after they are granted asylum. Refugees and asylees may stay in the United States indefinitely without becoming permanent residents as long as they do not violate immigration law.

Temporary admissions refer to arrivals of aliens who are authorized to stay in the United States for a limited period of time. These aliens are also known as nonimmigrants. Temporary admissions (Chapter 6) include aliens arriving in the United States with nonimmigrant visas, aliens arriving without visas from countries eligible for the Visa Waiver Program, and aliens paroled into the United States for humanitarian and other reasons. Although most nonimmigrants enter the United States as tourists, some come to work, study, or engage in cultural exchange programs. Certain aliens admitted for temporary residence are eligible for adjustment of status to permanent residence.

Naturalizations (Chapter 7) refer to lawful permanent residents ages 18 and over who become U.S. citizens. Most immigrants are eligible to apply for naturalization within five years after becoming lawful permanent residents.

The data in Chapters 3-7 measure flows of aliens in each legal status category during a fiscal year. Combining data on annual flows with annual data on emigration, mortality, and transitions to other legal statuses makes it possible to estimate the population in each category at one point in time. Producing accurate estimates for these populations is challenging because not all of the needed information is collected or readily available. The Census Bureau is the primary source of information on the total foreign born population in the United States at one point in time (see www.census.gov). Census data distinguish U.S. citizens from noncitizens but not between legal and undocumented immigrants.

The data for each section come from application or event based automated systems. Data on immigrants (Chapter 3), refugees (Chapter 4), asylees (Chapter 5), and naturalizations (Chapter 7) are obtained from application based case management systems that compile information supplied by aliens on the forms they are required to submit when they apply for a particular legal status. The data consist of applications that reached certain administrative milestones during a fiscal year such as the date of receipt or approval. A count of applications is equivalent to a count of applicants since these legal statuses are essentially once in a lifetime events.

Data for temporary admissions (Chapter 6) are obtained from an information system that maintains a record of certain nonimmigrant arrivals to the United States. Admissions are recorded for all foreign nationals arriving from every country, except for most short-term visitors from Mexico and Canada. The number of Mexican and Canadian short-term admissions not included is estimated at nearly 200 million a year. Counts of admissions in this chapter refer to arrivals rather than individuals. The number of arrivals exceeds the number of individuals entering the United States because many nonimmigrants enter and leave more than once during a fiscal year.

Chapter 8 — Enforcement Activities

The DHS takes action to enforce immigration law at the borders of the United States, in the interior of the country, and at designated sites outside the United States. Certain enforcement activities are executed principally or in whole by the DHS; for example, apprehension of aliens. Some activities must be coordinated with other law enforcement entities. For example, prosecutions in criminal courts are principally the responsibility of U.S. Attorneys. In some cases the determination of which aliens are to be removed from the United States is primarily the responsibility of the Executive Office for Immigration Review, an agency under the Department of Justice. Under certain circumstances the DHS is empowered to make that decision.

Data on apprehensions, voluntary departures, drug seizures, prosecutions, fines, and accomplishments of the Border Patrol and Investigations Programs were obtained from a workload performance system that collects aggregated data from DHS offices each month. Data on alien removals were obtained from a deportable alien case tracking system. These data systems measure events that occurred during the fiscal year. A small but significant number of aliens are involved in more than one enforcement event during the year. For example, an individual alien may be apprehended more than once during the year.

2. HIGHLIGHTS

The Yearbook of Immigration Statistics provides immigration data for fiscal year 2003 as well as related historical information. The major areas covered include: immigrants admitted for lawful permanent residence; refugees approved and admitted; asylee cases received and approved; nonimmigrants admitted (*e.g.*, tourists, students, *etc.*); parolees admitted; specialty worker petitions approved; aliens naturalized; and deportable aliens located and removed.

Refugee arrivals increased in fiscal year 2003 after three years of decline. Nonimmigrant admissions declined for the third consecutive year. Also, immigrants, persons naturalized, asylum cases received, and deportable aliens located decreased in 2003.

Highlights for 2003 include:

- ✿ Legal immigration in 2003 (705,827) was lower than in 2002 (1,063,732).
- ✿ Thirty-six percent of all immigrants were born in North America (16 percent in Mexico) and 35 percent were born in Asia.
- ✿ Sixty-three percent of all immigrants intended to reside in six states: California, New York, Texas, Florida, New Jersey, and Illinois.
- ✿ Nearly one of five immigrants intended to reside in New York City or Los Angeles.
- ✿ Refugee arrivals increased in 2003 by 5 percent to 28,306 after declining by 61 percent from 2001 to 2002.
- ✿ USCIS Asylum Officers approved 29 percent of asylum cases adjudicated in 2003.
- ✿ Total nonimmigrant admissions in 2003 (27.8 million) decreased by .2 percent from 2002 (27.9 million). Half were from four countries — the United Kingdom (16.3 percent), Mexico (15.5), Japan (12.9), and Germany (5.2).
- ✿ The DHS naturalized 463,204 persons in fiscal year 2003; forty-two percent were born in Asian countries, followed by 28 percent from North American countries.
- ✿ California was the intended residence of 29 percent of persons naturalizing, followed by New York with 14 percent.
- ✿ The number of deportable aliens located during 2003 declined 1.5 percent to 1.0 million.
- ✿ The number of removals increased almost 24 percent to more than 186,000.
- ✿ More than 79,000 criminal aliens were removed; Mexico lead all countries of nationality with more than 62,500 (79 percent).



3. IMMIGRANTS

This section presents information on the number and characteristics of persons who come to the United States for permanent residence, including persons arriving with that status and those adjusting to permanent resident status after entry.

Immigrants, as defined by U.S. immigration law, are persons lawfully admitted for permanent residence in the United States. Other terms used in reports by the Office of Immigration Statistics to refer to immigrants include: aliens who are granted legal permanent residence; aliens admitted for legal permanent residence; immigrants admitted; and admissions. (See Glossary.)

Aliens wishing to become lawful permanent residents follow one of two paths depending on their residence at the time of application. Aliens living abroad apply for an immigrant visa at a consular office of the Department of State. Once issued a visa, they may seek entry into the United States. When approved for admission at a port of entry, they become legal immigrants. Aliens already living in the United States, including certain undocumented immigrants, temporary workers, foreign students, and refugees, file an application for adjustment of status to lawful permanent residence with U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) of the Department of Homeland Security. At the time they apply for adjustment of status, they may also apply for work permits. Adjustment of status applicants are granted lawful permanent residence at the time their applications are approved. New legal immigrants are automatically authorized to work and should receive permanent resident cards (“green cards”) soon after becoming lawful permanent residents.

U.S. Immigration Program

U.S. law gives preferential immigration status to persons with a close family relationship with a U.S. citizen or lawful permanent resident, persons with needed job skills, or persons who qualify as refugees. Other categories usually account for few admissions. An exception occurred during 1989-92 when over 2.6 million former illegal aliens gained permanent resident status through the legalization provisions of the Immigration and Reform and Control Act (IRCA) of 1986.

Worldwide immigration subject to numerical limits

The Immigration Act of 1990 specified a worldwide level of immigration for certain categories of immigrants with an annual limit that could range between 421,000 and 675,000

depending on admissions in the previous year. These categories and their limits include family-sponsored preferences (226,000 to 480,000), employment-based preferences (140,000), and diversity immigrants (55,000). The family preference limit is equal to the larger of either 226,000 or a calculation consisting of 480,000 minus 1) the previous year’s total of immediate relatives of U.S. citizens, 2) two numerically small categories of children, and 3) certain categories of aliens paroled into the United States in the second preceding fiscal year plus any unused employment preferences from the previous year (see Appendix 1). The employment preference limit can be higher than 140,000 if family preferences go unused in the previous year.

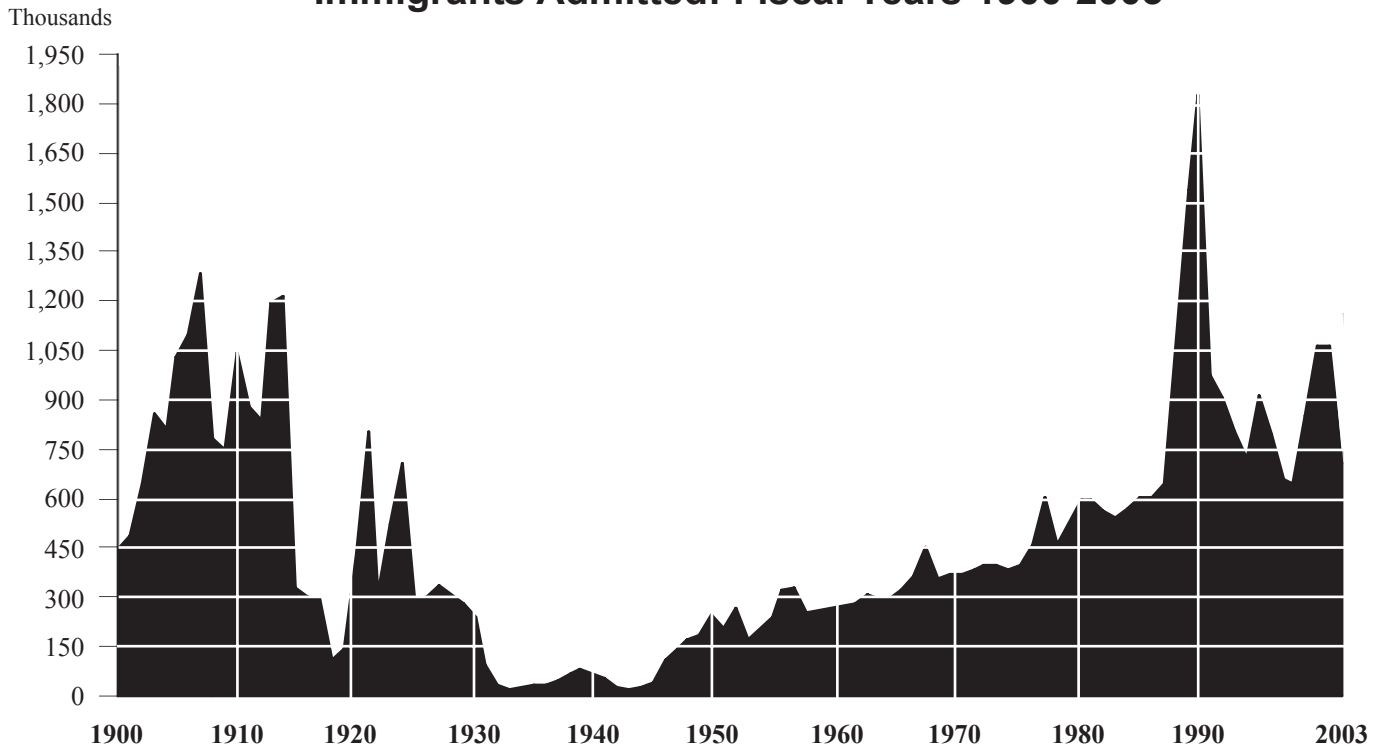
Other categories of immigrants, for example, asylees, are also subject to some form of numerical or time bound limitation. However, these categories typically involve small numbers of aliens and are covered under other sections of immigration law.

Preference immigrants

Family sponsored preferences consist of four categories: unmarried sons and daughters of U.S. citizens and their children; spouses, children, and unmarried sons and daughters of lawful permanent residents; married sons and daughters of U.S. citizens and their spouses and children; and brothers and sisters, including spouses and children, of U.S. citizens ages 21 and over. The employment-based preferences consist of 5 categories: priority workers; professionals with advanced degrees or aliens of exceptional ability; skilled workers, professionals (without advanced degrees), and needed unskilled workers; special immigrants (*e.g.*, ministers, religious workers, and employees of the U.S. government abroad); and employment creation immigrants or “investors”. Spouses and children are also included in the employment preference limit. The 2003 limits are shown in Appendix 1.

The U.S. Department of State is responsible for determining the annual limits and visa allocation for preference immigration. A per-country limit is also

Chart A
Immigrants Admitted: Fiscal Years 1900-2003



Source: Table 1. See Glossary for fiscal year definitions.

calculated annually and is limited to 7 percent of the annual total; the limit for dependent areas is 2 percent of the annual total. The maximum number of visas allowed under the preference system in 2003 was 397,532—226,000 for family-sponsored immigrants and 171,532 for employment-based immigrants. Within these overall limits, no more than 27,827 preference visas could be issued to persons born in any independent country and no more than 7,951 to natives of a dependent area.

Diversity Program

A total of 55,000 visas are available annually to nationals of certain countries under the Diversity Program. However, beginning in fiscal year 1999, the limit could be reduced to 50,000 to allow 5,000 visas for use under the Nicaraguan Adjustment and Central American Relief Act (NACARA) program. In 2003, the Diversity Program limit was 50,000. Nationals of countries with more than 50,000 numerically-limited admissions during the preceding 5 years are excluded from participating in the Diversity Program. Each of the eligible countries is assigned to one of 6 regions and limits are determined by USCIS for each region. The limits are calculated annually using a formula based on immigrant admissions during the preceding 5 years and the population total of the region. The maximum visa limit per country is 3,850.

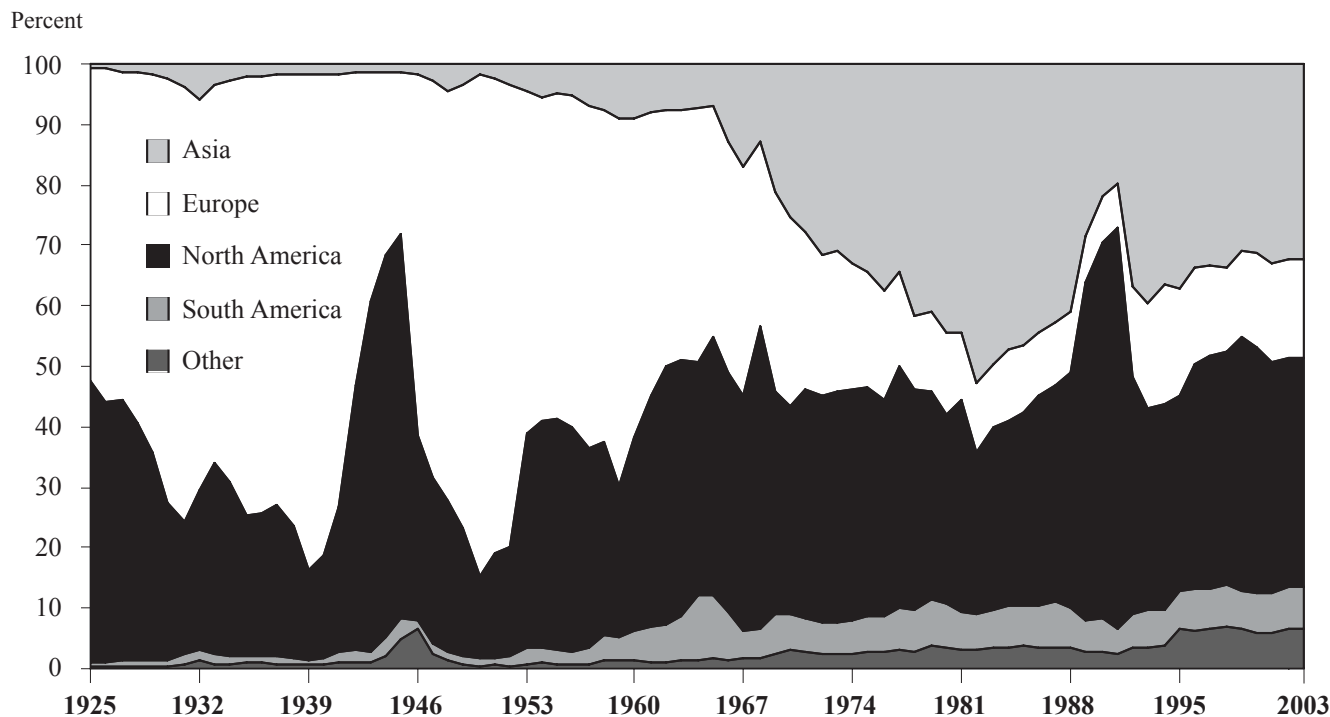
Immigration exempt from worldwide numerical limits

Immigration usually totals much more than the annual worldwide limit for preference and diversity immigrants because some major categories are exempt from the limits. These categories include:

- ◆ Immediate relatives of U.S. citizens;
- ◆ Refugee and asylee adjustments;
- ◆ Certain parolees from the Soviet Union and Indochina;
- ◆ Cancellation of removal; and
- ◆ Aliens who applied for adjustment of status after having unlawfully resided in the United States since January 1, 1982 and certain special agricultural workers. (The application period ended on November 30, 1988; most recipients of this status gained permanent resident status in fiscal years 1989-92.)

Immediate relatives of U.S. citizens are not subject to any numerical limitation. This has been the single largest category of immigrants since 1986 excluding aliens granted legal permanent residence under IRCA.

Chart B
Legal Immigrants by Region of Birth: Fiscal Years 1925-2003



NOTE: See Glossary for fiscal year definitions.

Source: 1992-2003, Table 3; 1925-91, previous *Yearbooks*.

Refugees are eligible to adjust to legal permanent resident status without regard to numerical limit after 1 year of residence in the United States. The number of aliens admitted as refugees to the United States each year, however, is established by the President in consultation with Congress (see Refugee section). Recent ceilings on refugee admissions were 80,000 in 2001, 70,000 in 2002, and 70,000 in 2003. Asylees must wait 1 year after they are granted asylum to apply for lawful permanent residence. Until 1992, there was a limit of 5,000 adjustments per year. The Immigration Act of 1990 increased the limit to 10,000. Small numbers of asylees (405 in 2003) are exempt from this limit. The number of asylees authorized to adjust status in a fiscal year may differ slightly from the number that actually adjust status due to time required for application processing.

Nearly 706 thousand immigrants were granted legal permanent resident status during 2003.

Data Overview

The number of immigrants admitted for lawful permanent residence in the United States in 2003 was 705,827 (see

Chart A). Included in this total were 358,411 aliens previously living abroad who obtained immigrant visas through the U.S. Department of State and became lawful permanent residents upon entry into the United States. The remaining 347,416 legal immigrants, including former undocumented immigrants, refugees, and asylees, had been living in the United States and adjusted status through USCIS.

In recent years, including 2003, the number of immigrants granted lawful permanent residence has been affected by an application backlog at USCIS. At the end of fiscal year 2003, there were 1,200,000 adjustment of status cases pending a decision. Because the impact of the backlog is unknown with respect to annual changes in legal immigration and the demographic composition of immigrants, caution should be exercised in drawing conclusions from these data.

Highlights

- ◆ The number of persons granted lawful permanent residence in the U.S. declined 34 percent to 705,827 in fiscal year 2003 from 1,063,732 in fiscal year 2002 due primarily to security checks that affected application processing at USCIS.

Table A
Immigrants Admitted by Major Category of Admission: Fiscal Years 2001-03

Category of admission	2003		2002		2001	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total	705,827	100.0	1,063,732	100.0	1,064,318	100.0
New arrivals	358,411	50.8	384,427	36.1	411,059	38.6
Adjustments of status	347,416	49.2	679,305	63.9	653,259	61.4
Family-sponsored immigrants	492,297	69.7	673,817	63.3	676,107	63.5
Family-sponsored preferences	158,894	22.5	187,069	17.6	232,143	21.8
Unmarried sons/daughters of U.S. citizens	21,503	3.0	23,567	2.2	27,098	2.5
Spouses and children of alien residents	53,229	7.5	84,860	8.0	112,260	10.5
Married sons/daughters of U.S. citizens	27,303	3.9	21,072	2.0	24,878	2.3
Siblings of U.S. citizens	56,859	8.1	57,570	5.4	67,907	6.4
Immediate relatives of U.S. citizens	333,403	47.2	486,748	45.8	443,964	41.7
Spouses	184,741	26.2	294,798	27.7	270,545	25.4
Parents	69,892	9.9	94,063	8.8	80,964	7.6
Children	78,024	11.1	97,099	9.1	91,526	8.6
Children born abroad to alien residents	746	.1	788	.1	929	.1
Legalization dependents	21	Z	57	Z	37	Z
Employment-based preferences ..	82,137	11.6	174,968	16.4	179,195	16.8
Priority workers	14,544	2.1	34,452	3.2	41,801	3.9
Professionals with advanced degree or of exceptional ability	15,459	2.2	44,468	4.2	42,620	4.0
Skilled workers, professionals, unskilled workers.....	46,613	6.6	88,555	8.3	86,058	8.1
Special immigrants	5,456	.8	7,344	.7	8,523	.8
Investors	65	Z	149	Z	193	Z
Diversity program	46,347	6.6	42,829	4.0	42,015	3.9
Permanent	46,347	6.6	42,829	4.0	42,015	3.9
Transition	X	Z	X	Z	X	Z
Other categories	85,025	12.0	172,061	16.2	166,964	15.7
Amerasians	120	Z	348	Z	376	Z
Parolees, Soviet and Indochinese <i>Refugees and asylees</i>	4,199	.6	6,012	.6	5,468	.5
Refugee adjustments	44,927	6.4	126,084	11.9	108,506	10.2
Refugee adjustments	34,496	4.9	115,832	10.9	97,305	9.1
Asylee adjustments	10,431	1.5	10,252	1.0	11,201	1.1
Subject to annual limit ...	10,026	1.4	9,713	.9	10,111	.9
Not subject to limit	405	.1	539	.1	1,090	.1
NACARA Sec. 202 ¹	2,577	.4	9,495	.9	18,926	1.8
Cancellation of removal	29,109	4.1	23,827	2.2	22,506	2.1
Subject to annual limit	2,009	.3	2,224	.2	3,157	.3
Not subject to limit (NACARA, Sec. 203)	27,100	3.8	21,603	2.0	19,349	1.8
IRCA legalization	39	Z	55	Z	263	Z
HRIFA ²	1,414	.2	5,383	.5	10,111	.9
Other	2,640	.4	857	.1	808	.1

¹ Nicaraguan Adjustment and Central American Relief Act of November, 1997. ² Haitian Refugee Immigration Fairness Act of 1998.

X Not applicable. Z Rounds to less than .05 percent.

Table B
Immigrants Admitted by Region and Top 20 Countries of Birth: Fiscal Years 2001-03

Category of admission	2003		2002		2001	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
All countries	705,827	100.0	1,063,732	100.0	1,064,318	100.0
Africa	48,738	6.9	60,269	5.7	53,948	5.1
Asia	244,759	34.7	342,099	32.2	349,776	32.9
Europe	100,769	14.3	174,209	16.4	175,371	16.5
<i>North America</i>	<i>250,726</i>	<i>35.5</i>	<i>404,437</i>	<i>38.0</i>	<i>407,888</i>	<i>38.3</i>
Caribbean	68,815	9.7	96,489	9.1	103,546	9.7
Central America	54,565	7.7	68,979	6.5	75,914	7.1
Other North America	127,346	18.0	238,969	22.5	228,428	21.5
Oceania	4,377	.6	5,557	.5	6,113	.6
South America	55,247	7.8	74,506	7.0	68,888	6.5
Unknown	1,211	.2	2,655	.2	2,334	.2
Mexico	115,864	16.4	219,380	20.6	206,426	19.4
India	50,372	7.1	71,105	6.7	70,290	6.6
Philippines	45,397	6.4	51,308	4.8	53,154	5.0
China	40,659	5.8	61,282	5.8	56,426	5.3
El Salvador	28,296	4.0	31,168	2.9	31,272	2.9
Dominican Republic	26,205	3.7	22,604	2.1	21,313	2.0
Vietnam	22,133	3.1	33,627	3.2	35,531	3.3
Colombia	14,777	2.1	18,845	1.8	16,730	1.6
Guatemala	14,415	2.0	16,229	1.5	13,567	1.3
Russia	13,951	2.0	20,833	2.0	20,413	1.9
Jamaica	13,384	1.9	14,898	1.4	15,393	1.4
Korea	12,512	1.8	21,021	2.0	20,742	1.9
Haiti	12,314	1.7	20,268	1.9	27,120	2.5
Ukraine	11,666	1.7	21,217	2.0	20,975	2.0
Canada	11,446	1.6	19,519	1.8	21,933	2.1
Poland	10,526	1.5	12,746	1.2	11,818	1.1
United Kingdom	9,601	1.4	16,181	1.5	18,436	1.7
Pakistan	9,444	1.3	13,743	1.3	16,448	1.5
Peru	9,444	1.3	11,999	1.1	11,131	1.0
Cuba	9,304	1.3	28,272	2.7	27,703	2.6
Subtotal	481,710	68.2	726,245	68.3	716,821	67.4
Other	224,117	31.8	337,487	31.7	347,497	32.6

◆ Decreases in legal immigration between fiscal years 2002 and 2003 occurred among most classes of admission. The only major categories showing increases in legal immigration between the two years were diversity programs and cancellation of removal.

◆ The leading regions of origin of legal immigrants in fiscal year 2003, as in 2002, were North America and Asia. These regions accounted for 36 percent and 35 percent, respectively, of all legal immigrants in 2003 (see Chart B and Table B).

◆ The leading source country for legal immigrants in 2003 was Mexico (115,864), followed by India (50,372), the Philippines (45,397), China (40,659) and El Salvador (28,296) (see Table B). These 5 countries represented 40 percent of all immigrants in 2003.

◆ The primary destination states for legal immigrants in 2003, as in every year since 1971, were California (176,375), New York (89,661), Texas (53,592), Florida (52,969), New Jersey (40,818), and Illinois (32,488) (see Table C). Sixty-three percent of all legal immigrants in 2003 lived in these six states.

Table C
Immigrants Admitted by Top 10 States and Metropolitan Areas of Intended Residence:
Fiscal Years 2001-03

Category of admission	2003		2002		2001	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total	705,827	100.0	1,063,732	100.0	1,064,318	100.0
California	176,375	25.0	291,216	27.4	282,957	26.6
New York	89,661	12.7	114,827	10.8	114,116	10.7
Texas	53,592	7.6	88,365	8.3	86,315	8.1
Florida	52,969	7.5	90,819	8.5	104,715	9.8
New Jersey	40,818	5.8	57,721	5.4	59,920	5.6
Illinois	32,488	4.6	47,235	4.4	48,296	4.5
Massachusetts	20,184	2.9	31,615	3.0	28,965	2.7
Virginia	19,781	2.8	25,411	2.4	26,876	2.5
Washington	18,017	2.6	25,704	2.4	23,085	2.2
Maryland	17,813	2.5	23,751	2.2	22,060	2.1
Subtotal	521,698	73.9	796,664	74.9	797,305	74.9
Other	184,129	26.1	267,068	25.1	267,013	25.1
New York, NY	71,622	10.1	91,275	8.6	92,361	8.7
Los Angeles-Long Beach, CA	64,771	9.2	108,613	10.2	98,997	9.3
Chicago, IL	29,883	4.2	43,810	4.1	44,888	4.2
Washington, DC-MD-VA	29,845	4.2	38,468	3.6	39,815	3.7
Miami, FL	21,139	3.0	40,832	3.8	48,797	4.6
Houston, TX	15,408	2.2	28,225	2.7	26,687	2.5
Orange County, CA	15,256	2.2	25,806	2.4	23,506	2.2
Oakland, CA	13,753	1.9	21,250	2.0	16,452	1.5
Boston-Lawrence, MA ¹	13,560	1.9	21,535	2.0	20,591	1.9
San Jose, CA	13,045	1.8	27,431	2.6	28,715	2.7
Subtotal	288,282	40.8	447,245	42.0	440,809	41.4
Other	417,545	59.2	616,487	58.0	623,509	58.6

¹ Includes Lowell and Brockton.

◆ Ten metropolitan areas were the intended residence of 41 percent of all legal immigrants in 2003 (see Table C). The leading destinations were New York, NY, Los Angeles-Long Beach, CA, Chicago, IL, and Washington, DC-MD-VA.

Understanding the Data

Data Collection

Aliens arriving from outside the United States (new arrivals) generally must have a valid immigrant visa issued by the U.S. Department of State to be admitted for legal permanent residence. Aliens already in the United States in a temporary status who are eligible to become legal permanent residents (adjustments) are granted immigrant status by USCIS. The source of information on new arrivals is the DS-230

Application for Immigrant Visa and Alien Registration from the U.S. Department of State. Information on adjustments comes from the I-485 Application to Register Permanent Residence or Adjust Status from USCIS. Immigrant applications from both sources are processed through the Computer Linked Applicant Information System (CLAIMS). Immigrant records for fiscal year 2003 were identified in CLAIMS based on the date the decision was made to grant lawful permanent residence.

Limitations of Data

The number of immigrants admitted for legal permanent residence in a year is not the same as the number of net migrants who entered the United States in that year. The reasons for the difference in counts are:

1) Immigrant adjustments are reported in the year the aliens adjust their status to lawful permanent residence and not in the year they migrate to the United States in a temporary or other (refugee or asylee) status.

2) Some migrants (such as parolees, refugees, and asylees) may never be counted as lawful permanent residents even though they reside permanently in the United States (they are not required to adjust to permanent resident status).

3) Information on emigration (aliens permanently departing the United States) and information on net illegal immigration is not available (see Data Gaps section).

4) Missing values were a problem especially for adjustment of status cases for certain variables including occupation, nonimmigrant class of entry, and nonimmigrant year of entry.

TABLE 1. IMMIGRATION TO THE UNITED STATES: FISCAL YEARS 1820 - 2003

Year	Number	Year	Number	Year	Number	Year	Number
1820 - 2003	68,923,308						
1820	8,385						
1821-30	143,439	1871-80	2,812,191	1921-30	4,107,209	1971-80	4,493,314
1821	9,127	1871	321,350	1921	805,228	1971	370,478
1822	6,911	1872	404,806	1922	309,556	1972	384,685
1823	6,354	1873	459,803	1923	522,919	1973	400,063
1824	7,912	1874	313,339	1924	706,896	1974	394,861
1825	10,199	1875	227,498	1925	294,314	1975	386,194
1826	10,837	1876	169,986	1926	304,488	1976	398,613
1827	18,875	1877	141,857	1927	335,175	1976, TQ ¹	103,676
1828	27,382	1878	138,469	1928	307,255	1977	462,315
1829	22,520	1879	177,826	1929	279,678	1978	601,442
1830	23,322	1880	457,257	1930	241,700	1979	460,348
						1980	530,639
1831-40	599,125	1881-90	5,246,613	1931-40	528,431	1981-90	7,338,062
1831	22,633	1881	669,431	1931	97,139	1981	596,600
1832	60,482	1882	788,992	1932	35,576	1982	594,131
1833	58,640	1883	603,322	1933	23,068	1983	559,763
1834	65,365	1884	518,592	1934	29,470	1984	543,903
1835	45,374	1885	395,346	1935	34,956	1985	570,009
1836	76,242	1886	334,203	1936	36,329	1986	601,708
1837	79,340	1887	490,109	1937	50,244	1987	601,516
1838	38,914	1888	546,889	1938	67,895	1988	643,025
1839	68,069	1889	444,427	1939	82,998	1989	1,090,924
1840	84,066	1890	455,302	1940	70,756	1990	1,536,483
1841-50	1,713,251	1891-1900	3,687,564	1941-50	1,035,039	1991-2000	9,095,417
1841	80,289	1891	560,319	1941	51,776	1991	1,827,167
1842	104,565	1892	579,663	1942	28,781	1992	973,977
1843	52,496	1893	439,730	1943	23,725	1993	904,292
1844	78,615	1894	285,631	1944	28,551	1994	804,416
1845	114,371	1895	258,536	1945	38,119	1995	720,461
1846	154,416	1896	343,267	1946	108,721	1996	915,900
1847	234,968	1897	230,832	1947	147,292	1997	798,378
1848	226,527	1898	229,299	1948	170,570	1998	654,451
1849	297,024	1899	311,715	1949	188,317	1999	646,568
1850	369,980	1900	448,572	1950	249,187	2000	849,807
1851-60	2,598,214	1901-10	8,795,386	1951-60	2,515,479	2001	1,064,318
1851	379,466	1901	487,918	1951	205,717	2002	1,063,732
1852	371,603	1902	648,743	1952	265,520	2003	705,827
1853	368,645	1903	857,046	1953	170,434		
1854	427,833	1904	812,870	1954	208,177		
1855	200,877	1905	1,026,499	1955	237,790		
1856	200,436	1906	1,100,735	1956	321,625		
1857	251,306	1907	1,285,349	1957	326,867		
1858	123,126	1908	782,870	1958	253,265		
1859	121,282	1909	751,786	1959	260,686		
1860	153,640	1910	1,041,570	1960	265,398		
1861-70	2,314,824	1911-20	5,735,811	1961-70	3,321,677		
1861	91,918	1911	878,587	1961	271,344		
1862	91,985	1912	838,172	1962	283,763		
1863	176,282	1913	1,197,892	1963	306,260		
1864	193,418	1914	1,218,480	1964	292,248		
1865	248,120	1915	326,700	1965	296,697		
1866	318,568	1916	298,826	1966	323,040		
1867	315,722	1917	295,403	1967	361,972		
1868	138,840	1918	110,618	1968	454,448		
1869	352,768	1919	141,132	1969	358,579		
1870	387,203	1920	430,001	1970	373,326		

¹ Transition quarter, July 1 through September 30, 1976.

NOTE: Official records on immigration began in 1820 but were not complete until 1908. The early records included only persons who arrived by vessel at Atlantic or Gulf ports. Excluded were arrivals at Pacific ports, slaves of African descent, and arrivals at land borders. The numbers shown are as follows: from 1820-67, figures represent alien passengers arrived at seaports; from 1868-92 and 1895-97, immigrant aliens arrived; from 1892-94 and 1898-2003, immigrant aliens admitted for permanent residence. From 1892-1903, aliens entering by cabin class were not counted as immigrants. Land arrivals were not completely enumerated until 1908. See Glossary for fiscal year definitions.

**TABLE 2. IMMIGRATION BY REGION AND SELECTED COUNTRY OF LAST RESIDENCE
FISCAL YEARS 1820 - 2003**

Region and country of last residence ¹	1820	1821 - 30	1831 - 40	1841 - 50	1851 - 60	1861 - 70	1871 - 80	1881 - 90
All countries	8,385	143,439	599,125	1,713,251	2,598,214	2,314,824	2,812,191	5,246,613
Europe	7,690	98,797	495,681	1,597,442	2,452,577	2,065,141	2,271,925	4,735,484
Austria-Hungary	²	²	²	²	²	7,800	72,969	353,719
Austria	²	²	²	²	²	7,124 ³	63,009	226,038
Hungary	²	²	²	²	²	484 ³	9,960	127,681
Belgium	¹	27	22	5,074	4,738	6,734	7,221	20,177
Czechoslovakia	⁴	⁴	⁴	⁴	⁴	⁴	⁴	⁴
Denmark	20	169	1,063	539	3,749	17,094	31,771	88,132
France	371	8,497	45,575	77,262	76,358	35,986	72,206	50,464
Germany	968	6,761	152,454	434,626	951,667	787,468	718,182	1,452,970
Greece	-	20	49	16	31	72	210	2,308
Ireland ⁵	3,614	50,724	207,381	780,719	914,119	435,778	436,871	655,482
Italy	30	409	2,253	1,870	9,231	11,725	55,759	307,309
Netherlands	49	1,078	1,412	8,251	10,789	9,102	16,541	53,701
Norway-Sweden	3	91	1,201	13,903	20,931	109,298	211,245	568,362
Norway	⁶	⁶	⁶	⁶	⁶	⁶	⁶	⁶
Sweden	⁶	⁶	⁶	⁶	⁶	⁶	⁶	⁶
Poland	5	16	369	105	1,164	2,027	12,970	51,806
Portugal	35	145	829	550	1,055	2,658	14,082	16,978
Romania	⁷	⁷	⁷	⁷	⁷	⁷	⁷	⁷
Soviet Union	14	75	277	551	457	2,512	39,284	213,282
Spain	139	2,477	2,125	2,209	9,298	6,697	5,266	4,419
Switzerland	31	3,226	4,821	4,644	25,011	23,286	28,293	81,988
United Kingdom ^{5, 8}	2,410	25,079	75,810	267,044	423,974	606,896	548,043	807,357
Yugoslavia	⁹	⁹	⁹	⁹	⁹	⁹	⁹	⁹
Other Europe	-	3	40	79	5	8	1,001	682
Asia	6	30	55	141	41,538	64,759	124,160	69,942
China ¹⁰	¹¹	¹¹	8	35	41,397	64,301	123,201	61,711
Hong Kong	¹¹	¹¹	¹¹	¹¹	¹¹	¹¹	¹¹	¹¹
India	¹²	8	39	36	43	69	163	269
Iran	¹³	¹³	¹³	¹³	¹³	¹³	¹³	¹³
Israel	¹⁴	¹⁴	¹⁴	¹⁴	¹⁴	¹⁴	¹⁴	¹⁴
Japan	¹⁵	¹⁵	¹⁵	¹⁵	¹⁵	186	149	2,270
Korea	¹⁶	¹⁶	¹⁶	¹⁶	¹⁶	¹⁶	¹⁶	¹⁶
Philippines	¹¹	¹¹	¹¹	¹¹	¹¹	¹¹	¹¹	¹¹
Turkey	1	20	7	59	83	131	404	3,782
Vietnam	¹¹	¹¹	¹¹	¹¹	¹¹	¹¹	¹¹	¹¹
Other Asia	3	-	1	11	15	72	243	1,910
America	387	11,564	33,424	62,469	74,720	166,607	404,044	426,967
Canada & Newfoundland ^{17, 18}	209	2,277	13,624	41,723	59,309	153,878	383,640	393,304
Mexico ¹⁸	1	4,817	6,599	3,271	3,078	2,191	5,162	1,913
Caribbean	164	3,834	12,301	13,528	10,660	9,046	13,957	29,042
Cuba	¹²	¹²	¹²	¹²	¹²	¹²	¹²	¹²
Dominican Republic	²⁰	²⁰	²⁰	²⁰	²⁰	²⁰	²⁰	²⁰
Haiti	²⁰	²⁰	²⁰	²⁰	²⁰	²⁰	²⁰	²⁰
Jamaica	²¹	²¹	²¹	²¹	²¹	²¹	²¹	²¹
Other Caribbean	164	3,834	12,301	13,528	10,660	9,046	13,957	29,042
Central America	2	105	44	368	449	95	157	404
El Salvador	²⁰	²⁰	²⁰	²⁰	²⁰	²⁰	²⁰	²⁰
Other Central America	2	105	44	368	449	95	157	404
South America	11	531	856	3,579	1,224	1,397	1,128	2,304
Argentina	²⁰	²⁰	²⁰	²⁰	²⁰	²⁰	²⁰	²⁰
Colombia	²⁰	²⁰	²⁰	²⁰	²⁰	²⁰	²⁰	²⁰
Ecuador	²⁰	²⁰	²⁰	²⁰	²⁰	²⁰	²⁰	²⁰
Other South America	11	531	856	3,579	1,224	1,397	1,128	2,304
Other America	²²	²²	²²	²²	²²	²²	²²	²²
Africa	1	16	54	55	210	312	358	857
Oceania	1	2	9	29	158	214	10,914	12,574
Not specified ²²	300	33,030	69,902	53,115	29,011	17,791	790	789

See footnotes at end of table.

**TABLE 2. IMMIGRATION BY REGION AND SELECTED COUNTRY OF LAST RESIDENCE
FISCAL YEARS 1820 - 2003—Continued**

Region and country of last residence ¹	1891 - 1900	1901 - 10	1911 - 20	1921 - 30	1931 - 40	1941 - 50	1951 - 60	1961 - 70
All countries	3,687,564	8,795,386	5,735,811	4,107,209	528,431	1,035,039	2,515,479	3,321,677
Europe	3,555,352	8,056,040	4,321,887	2,463,194	347,566	621,147	1,325,727	1,123,492
Austria-Hungary	592,707 ²³	2,145,266 ²³	896,342 ²³	63,548	11,424	28,329	103,743	26,022
Austria	234,081 ³	668,209 ³	453,649	32,868	3,563 ²⁴	24,860 ²⁴	67,106	20,621
Hungary	181,288 ³	808,511 ³	442,693	30,680	7,861	3,469	36,637	5,401
Belgium	18,167 ⁴	41,635 ⁴	33,746 ⁴	15,846	4,817	12,189	18,575	9,192
Czechoslovakia			3,426 ⁴	102,194	14,393	8,347	918	3,273
Denmark	50,231	65,285	41,983	32,430	2,559	5,393	10,984	9,201
France	30,770	73,379	61,897	49,610	12,623	38,809	51,121	45,237
Germany	505,152 ²³	341,498 ²³	143,945 ²³	412,202	114,058 ²⁴	226,578 ²⁴	477,765	190,796
Greece	15,979	167,519	184,201	51,084	9,119	8,973	47,608	85,969
Ireland ⁵	388,416	339,065	146,181	211,234	10,973	19,789	48,362	32,966
Italy	651,893	2,045,877	1,109,524	455,315	68,028	57,661	185,491	214,111
Netherlands	26,758	48,262	43,718	26,948	7,150	14,860	52,277	30,606
Norway-Sweden	321,281	440,039	161,469	165,780	8,700	20,765	44,632	32,600
Norway	95,015	190,505	66,395	68,531	4,740	10,100	22,935	15,484
Sweden	226,266	249,534	95,074	97,249	3,960	10,665	21,697	17,116
Poland	96,720 ²³		4,813 ²³	227,734	17,026	7,571	9,985	53,539
Portugal	27,508	69,149	89,732	29,994	3,329	7,423	19,588	76,065
Romania	12,750	53,008	13,311	67,646	3,871	1,076	1,039	2,531
Soviet Union	505,290 ²³	1,597,306 ²³	921,201 ²³	61,742	1,370	571	671	2,465
Spain	8,731	27,935	68,611	28,958	3,258	2,898	7,894	44,659
Switzerland	31,179	34,922	23,091	29,676	5,512	10,547	17,675	18,453
United Kingdom ^{5, 8}	271,538 ⁹	525,950 ⁹	341,408 ⁹	339,570	31,572	139,306	202,824	213,822
Yugoslavia			1,888 ⁹	49,064	5,835	1,576	8,225	20,381
Other Europe	282	39,945	31,400	42,619	11,949	8,486	16,350	11,604
Asia	74,862	323,543	247,236	112,059	16,595	37,028	153,249	427,642
China ¹⁰	14,799 ¹¹	20,605 ¹¹	21,278 ¹¹	29,907 ¹¹	4,928 ¹¹	16,709 ¹¹	9,657 ¹¹	34,764 ¹¹
Hong Kong							15,541 ¹¹	75,007 ¹¹
India	68 ¹²	4,713 ¹²	2,082 ¹²	1,886 ¹²	496 ¹²	1,761 ¹²	1,973 ¹²	27,189 ¹²
Iran				241 ¹²	195 ¹²	1,380 ¹²	3,388 ¹²	10,339 ¹²
Israel						476 ¹³	25,476 ¹³	29,602 ¹³
Japan	25,942 ¹⁵	129,797 ¹⁵	83,837 ¹⁵	33,462 ¹⁵	1,948 ¹⁵	1,555 ¹⁵	46,250 ¹⁵	39,988 ¹⁵
Korea						107 ¹⁵	6,231 ¹⁵	34,526 ¹⁵
Philippines					528 ¹⁶	4,691 ¹⁶	19,307 ¹⁶	98,376 ¹⁶
Turkey	30,425 ¹¹	157,369 ¹¹	134,066 ¹¹	33,824 ¹¹	1,065 ¹¹	798 ¹¹	3,519 ¹¹	10,142 ¹¹
Vietnam							335 ¹¹	4,340 ¹¹
Other Asia	3,628	11,059	5,973	12,739	7,435	9,551	21,572	63,369
America	38,972	361,888	1,143,671	1,516,716	160,037	354,804	996,944	1,716,374
Canada & Newfoundland ^{17, 18}	3,311	179,226	742,185	924,515	108,527	171,718	377,952	413,310
Mexico ¹⁸	971 ¹⁹	49,642	219,004	459,287	22,319	60,589	299,811	453,937
Caribbean	33,066	107,548	123,424	74,899	15,502	49,725	123,091	470,213
Cuba				15,901 ¹²	9,571 ¹²	26,313 ¹²	78,948 ¹²	208,536 ¹²
Dominican Republic					1,150 ²⁰	5,627 ²⁰	9,897 ²⁰	93,292 ²⁰
Haiti					191 ²⁰	911 ²⁰	4,442 ²⁰	34,499 ²⁰
Jamaica							8,869 ²¹	74,906 ²¹
Other Caribbean	33,066	107,548	123,424	58,998	4,590	16,874	20,935 ²¹	58,980 ²¹
Central America	549	8,192	17,159	15,769	5,861	21,665	44,751	101,330
El Salvador					673 ²⁰	5,132 ²⁰	5,895 ²⁰	14,992 ²⁰
Other Central America	549	8,192	17,159	15,769	5,188	16,533	38,856	86,338
South America	1,075	17,280	41,899	42,215	7,803	21,831	91,628	257,940
Argentina					1,349 ²⁰	3,338 ²⁰	19,486 ²⁰	49,721 ²⁰
Colombia					1,223 ²⁰	3,858 ²⁰	18,048 ²⁰	72,028 ²⁰
Ecuador					337 ²⁰	2,417 ²⁰	9,841 ²⁰	36,780 ²⁰
Other South America	1,075 ²²	17,280 ²²	41,899 ²²	42,215 ²²	4,894 ²²	12,218 ²²	44,253 ²²	99,411 ²²
Other America				31 ²²	25	29,276	59,711	19,644
Africa	350	7,368	8,443	6,286	1,750	7,367	14,092	28,954
Oceania	3,965	13,024	13,427	8,726	2,483	14,551	12,976	25,122
Not specified ²²	14,063	33,523 ²⁵	1,147	228	-	142	12,491	93

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**TABLE 2. IMMIGRATION BY REGION AND SELECTED COUNTRY OF LAST RESIDENCE
FISCAL YEARS 1820 - 2003—Continued**

Region and country of last residence ¹	1971 - 80	1981 - 90	1991 - 2000	2000	2001	2002	2003	Total 184 years, 1820-2003
All countries	4,493,314	7,338,062	9,095,417	849,807	1,064,318	1,063,732	705,827	68,923,308
Europe	800,368	761,550	1,359,737	133,362	177,833	177,652	102,843	38,919,125
Austria-Hungary	16,028	24,885	24,882	2,024	2,318	4,016	2,181	4,376,179 ^{23,24}
Austria	9,478	18,340	15,500	997	1,004	2,657	1,163	1,849,270 ^{2,3}
Hungary	6,550	6,545	9,382	1,027	1,314	1,359	1,018	1,680,833 ^{2,3}
Belgium	5,329	7,066	7,090	827	1,002	842	518	220,008
Czechoslovakia	6,023	7,227	9,816	1,415	1,921	1,862	1,474	160,874 ⁴
Denmark	4,439	5,370	6,079	556	741	655	436	378,323
France	25,069	32,353	35,820	4,093	5,431	4,596	2,933	836,367
Germany	74,414	91,961	92,606	12,372	22,093	21,058	8,102	7,227,324 ^{23,24}
Greece	92,369	38,377	26,759	5,138	1,966	1,516	914	735,059
Ireland ⁵	11,490	31,969	56,950	1,279	1,550	1,419	1,010	4,786,062
Italy	129,368	67,254	62,722	2,695	3,377	2,837	1,904	5,443,948
Netherlands	10,492	12,238	13,308	1,466	1,895	2,305	1,329	393,069
Norway-Sweden	10,472	15,182	17,893	1,977	2,561	2,097	1,520	2,170,025
Norway	3,941	4,164	5,178	513	588	464	386	760,335 ⁶
Sweden	6,531	11,018	12,715	1,464	1,973	1,633	1,134	1,264,263 ⁶
Poland	37,234	83,252	163,747	9,773	12,355	13,304	11,016	806,758 ²³
Portugal	101,710	40,431	22,916	1,402	1,654	1,320	821	527,972 ⁷
Romania	12,393	30,857	51,203	6,521	6,224	4,525	3,311	270,104 ⁷
Soviet Union	38,961	57,677	462,874	43,807	55,099	55,464	33,563	4,050,706 ²³
Spain	39,141	20,433	17,157	1,406	1,889	1,603	1,107	306,904
Switzerland	8,235	8,849	11,841	1,349	1,796	1,503	867	375,446
United Kingdom ^{5, 8}	137,374	159,173	151,866	14,532	20,258	18,057	11,220	5,320,551
Yugoslavia	30,540	18,762	66,557	12,213	21,937	28,100	5,312	258,177
Other Europe	9,287	8,234	57,651	8,517	11,766	10,573	10,321	272,285
Asia	1,588,178	2,738,157	2,795,672	255,860	337,566	326,871	236,039	9,715,328
China ¹⁰	124,326	346,747	419,114	41,861	50,821	55,974	37,395	1,477,680
Hong Kong	113,467	98,215	109,779	7,199	10,307	7,952	5,020	435,288 ¹¹
India	164,134	250,786	363,060	39,072	65,916	66,864	47,157	998,713 ¹¹
Iran	45,136	116,172	68,556	6,505	8,063	7,730	4,709	265,909 ¹²
Israel	37,713	44,273	39,397	3,893	4,925	4,938	3,719	190,519 ¹³
Japan	49,775	47,085	67,942	7,730	10,464	9,150	6,724	556,524 ¹⁴
Korea	267,638	333,746	164,166	15,214	19,933	20,114	12,177	858,638 ¹⁵
Philippines	354,987	548,764	503,945	40,587	50,870	48,674	43,258	1,673,400 ¹⁶
Turkey	13,399	23,233	38,212	2,713	3,477	3,934	3,332	461,282
Vietnam	172,820	280,782	286,145	25,340	34,648	32,425	21,270	832,765 ¹¹
Other Asia	244,783	648,354	735,356	65,746	78,142	69,116	51,278	1,964,610
America	1,982,735	3,615,225	4,486,806	397,201	473,351	478,777	306,793	18,813,275
Canada & Newfoundland ^{17, 18}	169,939	156,938	191,987	21,475	30,203	27,299	16,555	4,561,629
Mexico ¹⁸	640,294	1,655,843	2,249,421	171,748	204,844	217,318	114,984	6,675,296 ¹⁹
Caribbean	741,126	872,051	978,787	85,875	96,958	94,240	67,660	3,940,822
Cuba	264,863	144,578	169,322	19,322	26,073	27,520	8,722	980,347 ¹²
Dominican Republic	148,135	252,035	335,251	17,441	21,256	22,474	26,157	915,274 ²⁰
Haiti	56,335	138,379	179,644	22,004	22,535	19,189	11,942	468,067 ²⁰
Jamaica	137,577	208,148	169,227	15,654	15,099	14,567	13,082	641,475 ²¹
Other Caribbean	134,216	128,911	125,343	11,454	11,995	10,490	7,757	935,659
Central America	134,640	468,088	526,915	62,708	73,063	66,520	53,435	1,539,561
El Salvador	34,436	213,539	215,798	22,332	31,054	30,539	27,915	579,973 ²⁰
Other Central America	100,204	254,549	311,117	40,376	42,009	35,981	25,520	959,588
South America	295,741	461,847	539,656	55,392	68,279	73,400	54,155	1,985,779
Argentina	29,897	27,327	26,644	2,485	3,459	3,811	3,217	168,249 ²⁰
Colombia	77,347	122,849	128,499	14,191	16,333	18,488	14,455	473,128 ²⁰
Ecuador	50,077	56,315	76,592	7,658	9,694	10,564	7,040	259,657 ²⁰
Other South America	138,420	255,356	307,921	31,058	38,793	40,537	29,443	1,084,745
Other America	995	458	40	3	4	3	4	110,188
Africa	80,779	176,893	354,939	40,969	50,209	56,135	45,640	841,068
Oceania	41,242	45,205	55,845	5,962	7,253	6,536	5,102	279,358
Not specified ²²	12	1,032	42,418	16,453	18,106	17,761	9,410	355,154

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**TABLE 2. IMMIGRATION BY REGION AND SELECTED COUNTRY OF LAST RESIDENCE
FISCAL YEARS 1820 - 2003—Continued**

- ¹ Data for years prior to 1906 relate to country whence alien came; data from 1906-79 and 1984-99 are for country of last permanent residence; and data for 1980-83 refer to country of birth. Because of changes in boundaries, changes in lists of countries, and lack of data for specified countries for various periods, data for certain countries, especially for the total period 1820-1999, are not comparable throughout. Data for specified countries are included with countries to which they belonged prior to World War I.
- ² Data for Austria and Hungary not reported until 1861.
- ³ Data for Austria and Hungary not reported separately for all years during the period.
- ⁴ No data available for Czechoslovakia until 1920.
- ⁵ Prior to 1926, data for Northern Ireland included in Ireland.
- ⁶ Data for Norway and Sweden not reported separately until 1871.
- ⁷ No data available for Romania until 1880.
- ⁸ Since 1925, data for United Kingdom refer to England, Scotland, Wales, and Northern Ireland.
- ⁹ In 1920, a separate enumeration was made for the Kingdom of Serbs, Croats, and Slovenes. Since 1922, the Serb, Croat, and Slovene Kingdom recorded as Yugoslavia.
- ¹⁰ Beginning in 1957, China includes Taiwan. As of January 1, 1979, the United States has recognized the People's Republic of China.
- ¹¹ Data not reported separately until 1952.
- ¹² Data not reported separately until 1925.
- ¹³ Data not reported separately until 1949.
- ¹⁴ No data available for Japan until 1861.
- ¹⁵ Data not reported separately until 1948.
- ¹⁶ Prior to 1934, Philippines recorded as insular travel.
- ¹⁷ Prior to 1920, Canada and Newfoundland recorded as British North America. From 1820-98, figures include all British North America possessions.
- ¹⁸ Land arrivals not completely enumerated until 1908.
- ¹⁹ No data available for Mexico from 1886-94.
- ²⁰ Data not reported separately until 1932.
- ²¹ Data for Jamaica not collected until 1953. In prior years, consolidated under British West Indies, which is included in "Other Caribbean."
- ²² Included in countries "Not specified" until 1925.
- ²³ From 1899-1919, data for Poland included in Austria-Hungary, Germany, and the Soviet Union.
- ²⁴ From 1938-45, data for Austria included in Germany.
- ²⁵ Includes 32,897 persons returning in 1906 to their homes in the United States.

NOTE: From 1820-67, figures represent alien passengers arrived at seaports; from 1868-91 and 1895-97, immigrant aliens arrived; from 1892-94 and 1898-2003, immigrant aliens admitted for permanent residence. From 1892-1903, aliens entering by cabin class were not counted as immigrants. Land arrivals were not completely enumerated until 1908. For recent changes in geographic definitions for Hong Kong, and the former Czechoslovakia, Soviet Union, and Yugoslavia, see Notice of Special Geographic Definitions. Data for Czechoslovakia, Soviet Union, and Yugoslavia include independent republics.

See Glossary for fiscal year definitions. For this table, fiscal year 1843 covers 9 months ending September 1843; fiscal years 1832 and 1850 cover 15 months ending December 31 of the respective years; and fiscal year 1868 covers 6 months ending June 30, 1868.

- Represents zero.

**TABLE 3. IMMIGRANTS ADMITTED BY REGION AND COUNTRY OF BIRTH
FISCAL YEARS 1993-2003**

Region and country of birth	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
All countries	904,292	804,416	720,459	915,900	798,378	654,451	646,568	849,807	1,064,318	1,063,732	705,827
Europe	158,254	160,916	128,185	147,581	119,871	90,793	92,672	132,480	175,371	174,209	100,769
Albania	1,400	1,489	1,420	4,007	4,375	4,221	3,699	4,756	4,363	3,768	3,363
Andorra	D	D	-	5	D	-	-	D	D	-	D
Armenia	6,287	3,984	1,992	2,441	2,094	1,146	1,257	1,259	1,786	1,811	1,291
Austria	549	499	518	554	487	291	231	409	527	487	297
Azerbaijan	2,943	2,844	1,885	1,991	1,450	504	746	1,054	1,169	1,167	747
Belarus	4,702	5,420	3,791	4,268	3,062	981	1,326	2,207	2,909	2,928	1,860
Belgium	657	516	569	651	554	421	428	679	818	782	458
Bosnia-Herzegovina	159	521	4,061	6,499	6,392	4,212	5,442	11,828	23,640	25,373	6,168
Bulgaria	1,029	981	1,797	2,066	2,774	3,735	4,172	4,925	4,411	3,616	3,830
Croatia	370	412	608	810	720	549	584	1,078	2,862	3,805	1,162
Czech Republic	-	11	72	165	186	144	145	244	308	267	268
Czechoslovakia ¹	990	642	599	561	395	342	319	671	867	909	544
Denmark	735	606	551	608	429	457	368	541	716	614	409
Estonia	191	272	205	280	285	128	142	241	348	344	236
Finland	544	471	476	602	376	314	309	378	499	429	242
France	2,864	2,715	2,505	3,079	2,568	2,352	2,209	3,465	4,608	3,824	2,385
Georgia	429	652	710	1,157	812	295	311	495	789	886	735
Germany	7,312	6,992	6,237	6,748	5,723	5,472	5,201	7,638	9,886	8,961	5,101
Gibraltar	5	6	7	6	3	D	D	5	5	D	4
Greece	1,884	1,440	1,309	1,452	1,049	863	727	970	1,181	1,038	662
Hungary	1,091	880	900	1,183	949	809	698	1,025	1,273	1,284	1,024
Iceland	164	140	125	182	119	111	79	129	136	93	97
Ireland	13,590	17,256	5,315	1,731	1,001	944	812	1,315	1,522	1,425	991
Italy	2,487	2,305	2,231	2,501	1,982	1,831	1,530	2,489	3,142	2,605	1,659
Kazakhstan	628	750	840	1,089	1,025	540	723	1,509	2,315	2,315	1,740
Kyrgyzstan	124	226	209	280	287	111	189	396	588	473	356
Latvia	668	762	651	736	615	370	444	552	712	684	459
Liechtenstein	D	-	D	D	D	D	D	D	D	-	-
Lithuania	529	663	767	1,080	812	1,191	1,149	1,354	1,735	1,787	2,266
Luxembourg	14	24	15	32	28	21	11	26	34	32	16
Macedonia	X	367	666	863	783	785	571	794	924	827	656
Malta	52	75	72	52	54	59	43	55	57	45	37
Moldova	2,646	2,260	1,856	1,849	1,347	562	754	1,273	2,077	2,109	1,151
Monaco	-	D	D	D	4	D	5	12	9	17	D
Netherlands	1,430	1,239	1,196	1,423	1,059	917	777	1,351	1,687	1,560	988
Norway	608	459	420	478	372	298	308	462	553	435	321
Poland	27,846	28,048	13,824	15,772	12,038	8,469	8,798	10,114	11,818	12,746	10,526
Portugal	2,081	2,169	2,615	2,984	1,665	1,536	1,071	1,372	1,651	1,331	822
Romania	5,601	3,444	4,871	5,801	5,545	5,112	5,686	6,879	6,649	4,903	3,663
Russia	12,079	15,249	14,560	19,668	16,632	11,529	12,347	17,110	20,413	20,833	13,951
San Marino	D	-	D	3	-	-	-	-	D	D	-
Serbia & Montenegro ²	2,664	3,435	3,645	4,687	3,312	2,408	1,897	2,774	6,240	10,401	3,008
Slovak Republic	2,230	2,038	2,907	3,605	2,793	491	493	549	812	725	674
Slovenia	10	221	503	663	629	57	58	76	142	141	64
Soviet Union ¹	50	67	65	77	62	6,336	5,058	3,332	2,735	2,415	1,073
Spain	7,369	6,954	6,784	3,513	2,944	1,043	874	1,264	1,726	1,376	923
Sweden	1,388	1,418	1,321	1,659	1,241	823	822	1,269	1,692	1,387	966
Switzerland	1,393	1,140	976	1,251	958	828	649	1,039	1,304	1,010	636
Tajikistan	972	877	881	1,006	1,063	66	104	157	187	181	138
Turkmenistan	336	568	706	634	311	44	65	100	94	93	84
Ukraine	48	68	84	121	99	7,448	10,123	15,810	20,975	21,217	11,666
United Kingdom ³	18,316	21,010	17,432	21,079	15,696	9,018	7,690	13,385	18,436	16,421	9,601
Uzbekistan	18,783	16,326	12,427	13,624	10,708	601	1,223	1,659	2,035	2,319	1,446
Asia	358,047	292,589	267,931	307,807	265,810	219,696	199,411	265,400	349,776	342,099	244,759
Afghanistan	2,964	2,344	1,424	1,263	1,129	831	878	1,012	1,207	1,764	1,257
Bahrain	93	87	78	76	80	53	70	106	119	85	59
Bangladesh	3,291	3,434	6,072	8,221	8,681	8,621	6,046	7,215	7,171	5,492	4,625
Bhutan	D	D	D	D	D	D	4	D	5	14	15
Brunei	26	D	14	20	6	19	16	16	27	28	20
Burma	849	938	1,233	1,320	1,085	1,371	1,204	1,201	1,383	1,359	1,194

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**TABLE 3. IMMIGRANTS ADMITTED BY REGION AND COUNTRY OF BIRTH
FISCAL YEARS 1993-2003—Continued**

Region and country of birth	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
Cambodia	1,639	1,404	1,492	1,568	1,638	1,439	1,400	2,142	2,473	2,809	2,271
China, People's Rep.	65,578	53,985	35,463	41,728	41,147	36,884	32,204	45,652	56,426	61,282	40,659
Cyprus	229	204	188	187	148	119	107	162	218	162	127
Hong Kong	9,161	7,731	7,249	7,834	5,577	5,275	4,917	5,419	8,321	6,090	3,582
India	40,121	34,921	34,748	44,859	38,071	36,482	30,237	42,046	70,290	71,105	50,372
Indonesia	1,767	1,367	1,020	1,084	906	1,020	1,187	1,774	2,541	2,429	1,813
Iran	14,841	11,422	9,201	11,084	9,642	7,883	7,203	8,519	10,497	13,029	7,251
Iraq	4,072	6,025	5,596	5,481	3,244	2,220	3,372	5,134	4,985	5,196	2,460
Israel	4,494	3,425	2,523	3,126	2,448	1,991	1,858	2,806	3,776	3,857	2,774
Japan	6,908	6,093	4,837	6,011	5,097	5,138	4,217	7,094	9,619	8,301	5,993
Jordan ⁴	4,741	3,990	3,649	4,445	4,171	3,255	3,274	3,909	4,593	3,980	2,935
Korea	18,026	16,011	16,047	18,185	14,239	14,268	12,840	15,830	20,742	21,021	12,512
Kuwait	1,129	1,065	961	1,202	837	749	803	1,018	1,270	1,063	710
Laos	7,285	5,089	3,936	2,847	1,935	1,612	854	1,380	1,416	1,257	901
Lebanon	5,465	4,319	3,884	4,382	3,568	3,290	3,040	3,674	4,601	3,966	2,964
Macau	334	287	373	453	277	276	294	270	342	284	246
Malaysia	2,026	1,480	1,223	1,414	1,051	1,011	994	1,556	2,445	2,130	1,205
Maldives	D	-	D	D	D	D	-	D	9	9	15
Mongolia	D	21	17	17	22	26	41	46	103	136	153
Nepal	257	257	312	431	447	476	453	617	949	1,138	2,099
Oman	21	32	31	25	36	25	40	51	55	61	76
Pakistan	8,927	8,698	9,774	12,519	12,967	13,094	13,496	14,535	16,448	13,743	9,444
Philippines	63,457	53,535	50,984	55,876	49,117	34,466	31,026	42,474	53,154	51,308	45,397
Qatar	88	51	60	79	70	60	78	97	125	108	72
Saudi Arabia	616	668	788	1,164	815	703	763	1,063	1,185	1,018	737
Singapore	798	542	399	561	460	389	358	671	1,108	1,036	587
Sri Lanka	1,109	989	960	1,277	1,128	1,085	903	1,123	1,507	1,534	1,246
Syria	2,933	2,426	2,362	3,072	2,269	2,840	2,056	2,374	3,368	2,567	1,944
Taiwan	14,329	10,032	9,377	13,401	6,745	7,097	6,714	9,040	12,171	9,836	6,947
Thailand	6,654	5,489	5,136	4,310	3,094	3,102	2,381	3,785	4,291	4,175	3,158
Turkey	2,204	1,840	2,947	3,657	3,145	2,682	2,219	2,613	3,229	3,400	3,040
United Arab Emirates	196	286	317	343	329	329	310	436	461	472	380
Vietnam	59,614	41,345	41,752	42,067	38,519	17,649	20,393	26,747	35,531	33,627	22,133
Yemen	1,793	741	1,501	2,209	1,663	1,859	1,161	1,789	1,615	1,228	1,386
Africa	27,783	26,712	42,456	52,889	47,791	40,660	36,700	44,731	53,948	60,269	48,738
Algeria	360	364	650	1,059	717	804	789	907	878	1,031	760
Angola	92	75	81	125	75	66	57	88	95	92	59
Benin	21	18	23	38	48	47	59	62	76	137	76
Botswana	13	13	16	21	18	12	5	13	24	30	27
Burkina Faso	11	16	17	17	13	14	17	48	68	64	60
Burundi	13	14	26	36	59	51	16	28	79	121	74
Cameroon	262	305	506	803	898	691	826	865	795	985	927
Cape Verde	936	810	968	1,012	920	814	909	1,083	872	880	746
Cen. African Rep.	15	D	D	27	10	6	D	4	11	13	6
Chad	3	9	11	13	18	8	24	23	45	47	8
Comoros	D	D	D	D	D	-	-	D	D	3	3
Congo, Dem. Rep. ⁵	233	237	355	433	414	155	88	124	148	178	112
Congo, Republic ..	10	11	11	23	31	118	190	191	313	678	513
Cote d'Ivoire	250	268	289	432	430	364	305	439	605	630	485
Djibouti	14	10	25	19	18	15	6	14	23	30	16
Egypt	3,556	3,392	5,648	6,186	5,031	4,831	4,429	4,461	5,182	4,875	3,355
Equatorial Guinea	D	D	D	D	D	7	D	5	D	8	D
Eritrea	85	468	992	828	948	641	326	383	544	561	556
Ethiopia	5,191	3,887	5,960	6,086	5,904	4,205	4,272	4,061	5,106	7,574	6,643
French Southern & Antarctic Lands	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	D	-
Gabon	5	11	13	29	24	21	4	18	32	41	40
Gambia, The	76	93	153	207	176	227	183	232	391	343	263
Ghana	1,604	1,458	3,152	6,606	5,105	4,458	3,714	4,344	4,031	4,256	4,416
Guinea	102	97	152	220	158	46	6	3	11	16	29
Guinea-Bissau	D	-	D	D	24	165	134	204	274	290	177
Kenya	1,065	1,017	1,419	1,666	1,387	1,696	1,412	2,210	2,514	3,207	3,216

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**TABLE 3. IMMIGRANTS ADMITTED BY REGION AND COUNTRY OF BIRTH
FISCAL YEARS 1993-2003—Continued**

Region and country of birth	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
Lesotho	5	8	10	11	6	D	5	9	6	13	5
Liberia	1,050	1,762	1,929	2,206	2,216	1,617	1,358	1,575	2,285	2,879	1,768
Libya	343	166	216	250	171	166	156	181	224	159	140
Madagascar	32	27	42	43	33	42	26	33	61	43	40
Malawi	53	55	56	58	72	39	41	61	70	56	62
Mali	51	55	94	124	97	83	72	109	120	106	125
Mauritania	9	10	22	26	51	78	24	88	117	124	131
Mauritius	83	65	67	84	44	37	38	54	84	83	57
Morocco	1,176	1,074	1,726	1,783	2,359	2,410	2,971	3,626	4,968	3,396	3,141
Mozambique	56	44	50	59	48	39	31	41	48	55	36
Namibia	37	24	35	30	22	24	13	30	54	47	40
Niger	4	8	10	102	837	283	12	30	1,341	1,271	814
Nigeria	4,448	3,950	6,818	10,221	7,038	7,746	6,769	7,853	8,291	8,129	7,892
Reunion	3	-	D	3	D	-	-	-	-	D	3
Rwanda	25	16	41	118	170	52	98	73	148	217	109
Sao Tome and Principe	-	D	6	4	D	3	6	8	D	4	D
Senegal	178	213	506	641	435	373	370	555	665	530	522
Seychelles	23	22	18	16	15	5	10	18	18	20	17
Sierra Leone	690	698	919	1,918	1,884	955	976	1,590	1,884	2,250	1,496
Somalia	1,088	1,737	3,487	2,170	4,005	2,629	1,710	2,465	3,026	4,537	2,448
South Africa	2,197	2,144	2,560	2,966	2,093	1,904	1,580	2,833	4,100	3,880	2,220
St. Helena	4	-	3	D	-	-	-	D	D	D	-
Sudan	714	651	1,645	2,172	2,030	1,161	1,354	1,538	1,655	2,924	1,886
Swaziland	10	7	20	16	11	8	8	12	18	12	23
Tanzania	426	357	524	553	399	339	316	481	477	584	555
Togo	41	52	83	157	222	246	254	388	489	935	1,188
Tunisia	167	149	189	228	163	200	150	308	440	540	353
Uganda	415	391	383	422	400	355	250	423	459	577	457
Western Sahara ..	-	-	-	3	-	D	-	D	3	-	-
Zambia	225	198	222	226	262	213	143	211	296	312	282
Zimbabwe	308	246	299	385	274	186	184	323	476	492	358
Oceania	4,902	4,592	4,695	5,309	4,344	3,935	3,676	5,136	6,113	5,557	4,377
American Samoa ..	D	-	D	D	-	D	11	7	28	27	16
Australia	2,320	2,049	1,751	1,950	1,630	1,147	1,112	2,059	2,830	2,576	1,847
Christmas Island ..	D	-	-	-	D	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cocos Islands	-	-	-	-	D	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cook Islands	4	D	D	5	4	D	3	3	4	4	4
Fiji	854	1,007	1,491	1,847	1,549	1,717	1,601	1,487	1,457	1,211	1,099
French Polynesia ..	28	19	25	15	21	14	9	14	17	12	14
Guam	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	D	-
Kiribati	4	4	5	6	5	4	-	3	-	4	4
Marshall Islands ..	D	D	5	3	D	6	3	3	D	26	26
Micronesia, Federated States ..	11	7	7	5	D	4	D	5	9	D	4
Nauru	D	3	D	D	-	-	-	3	-	6	4
New Caledonia	D	7	3	11	-	4	3	D	6	5	D
New Zealand	1,052	918	727	800	655	628	527	972	1,214	1,129	884
Niue	D	D	D	-	3	D	3	-	D	-	-
Northern Mariana Islands	3	-	4	D	3	3	7	6	D	7	D
Palau	42	21	9	9	8	6	D	3	3	10	8
Papua New Guinea	15	22	13	17	15	10	14	22	27	26	34
Pitcairn Island	-	-	-	-	-	-	D	-	-	-	-
Samoa ⁶	200	227	237	215	138	147	91	184	171	160	181
Solomon Islands ..	3	5	D	D	D	5	D	7	7	7	5
Tonga	348	293	403	416	303	230	283	351	328	335	239
Tuvalu	3	-	D	-	-	D	-	D	D	D	-
Vanuatu	-	-	D	-	D	D	D	D	5	8	3
Wallis and Futuna Islands	6	5	4	-	D	D	-	-	D	-	-

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**TABLE 3. IMMIGRANTS ADMITTED BY REGION AND COUNTRY OF BIRTH
FISCAL YEARS 1993-2003—Continued**

Region and country of birth	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
North America	301,380	272,226	231,526	340,540	307,488	252,996	271,365	344,805	407,888	404,437	250,726
Canada	17,156	16,068	12,932	15,825	11,609	10,190	8,864	16,210	21,933	19,519	11,446
Greenland	3	D	D	D	D	-	-	-	4	4	4
Mexico	126,561	111,398	89,932	163,572	146,865	131,575	147,573	173,919	206,426	219,380	115,864
St. Pierre and Miquelon	-	-	D	-	-	-	-	-	D	-	-
United States	60	47	57	51	38	31	29	35	63	66	32
Caribbean	99,438	104,804	96,788	116,801	105,299	75,521	71,683	88,198	103,546	96,489	68,815
Anguilla	23	31	26	36	D	26	20	27	55	20	27
Antigua-Barbuda	554	438	374	406	393	297	456	431	463	382	301
Aruba	36	24	27	28	26	23	14	25	29	32	27
Bahamas, The	686	589	585	768	641	602	401	768	931	811	426
Barbados	1,184	897	734	1,043	829	726	720	783	910	817	517
Bermuda	156	118	111	103	75	63	63	72	99	110	92
British Virgin Is.	166	137	98	87	93	55	76	67	70	44	43
Cayman Islands	D	30	26	24	35	28	18	31	24	24	35
Cuba	13,666	14,727	17,937	26,466	33,587	17,375	14,132	20,831	27,703	28,272	9,304
Dominica	683	507	591	797	746	283	41	96	93	148	204
Dominican Rep.	45,420	51,189	38,512	39,604	27,053	20,387	17,864	17,536	21,313	22,604	26,205
Grenada	827	595	583	787	755	655	667	655	645	636	481
Guadeloupe	49	41	48	52	52	30	54	51	84	39	36
Haiti	10,094	13,333	14,021	18,386	15,057	13,449	16,532	22,364	27,120	20,268	12,314
Jamaica	17,241	14,349	16,398	19,089	17,840	15,146	14,733	16,000	15,393	14,898	13,384
Martinique	17	D	D	23	20	D	23	20	22	19	14
Montserrat	102	69	83	99	99	65	80	71	61	42	36
Netherlands Antilles	65	48	58	76	43	61	35	53	116	98	59
Puerto Rico	D	-	D	D	D	D	3	3	4	4	D
St. Kitts-Nevis ...	544	370	360	357	377	405	463	504	466	343	312
St. Lucia	634	449	403	582	531	509	529	601	678	586	489
St. Vincent and the Grenadines	657	524	349	606	581	414	444	500	563	481	324
Trinidad and Tobago	6,577	6,292	5,424	7,344	6,409	4,852	4,283	6,660	6,665	5,771	4,153
Turks and Caicos Islands	39	26	27	35	37	46	27	46	33	31	26
U.S. Virgin Is. ...	D	D	D	D	-	D	5	3	6	9	D
Central America	58,162	39,908	31,814	44,289	43,676	35,679	43,216	66,443	75,914	68,979	54,565
Belize	1,035	772	644	786	664	496	572	760	939	974	591
Costa Rica	1,368	1,205	1,062	1,504	1,330	1,204	886	1,324	1,744	1,602	1,253
El Salvador	26,818	17,644	11,744	17,903	17,969	14,590	14,606	22,578	31,272	31,168	28,296
Guatemala	11,870	7,389	6,213	8,763	7,785	7,759	7,308	9,970	13,567	16,229	14,415
Honduras	7,306	5,265	5,496	5,870	7,616	6,463	4,809	5,939	6,615	6,461	4,658
Nicaragua	7,086	5,255	4,408	6,903	6,331	3,521	13,389	24,029	19,896	10,850	4,174
Panama	2,679	2,378	2,247	2,560	1,981	1,646	1,646	1,843	1,881	1,695	1,178
South America	53,921	47,377	45,666	61,769	52,877	45,394	41,585	56,074	68,888	74,506	55,247
Argentina	2,824	2,318	1,762	2,456	1,964	1,511	1,393	2,331	3,328	3,685	3,157
Bolivia	1,545	1,404	1,332	1,913	1,734	1,513	1,448	1,772	1,826	1,670	1,382
Brazil	4,604	4,491	4,558	5,891	4,583	4,401	3,902	6,959	9,505	9,474	6,357
Chile	1,778	1,640	1,534	1,706	1,443	1,240	1,092	1,712	1,947	1,858	1,323
Colombia	12,819	10,847	10,838	14,283	13,004	11,836	9,966	14,498	16,730	18,845	14,777
Ecuador	7,324	5,906	6,397	8,321	7,780	6,852	8,904	7,685	9,706	10,602	7,083
Falkland Islands ..	-	-	-	-	D	D	-	-	D	-	-
French Guiana	6	10	4	5	D	D	5	13	D	6	4
Guyana	8,384	7,662	7,362	9,489	7,257	3,963	3,300	5,746	8,303	9,962	6,820
Paraguay	668	789	559	615	304	275	217	342	408	359	209
Peru	10,447	9,177	8,066	12,871	10,853	10,154	8,438	9,613	11,131	11,999	9,444
Suriname	211	190	213	211	191	D	141	257	245	248	180
Uruguay	568	516	414	540	429	368	271	430	545	539	473
Venezuela	2,743	2,427	2,627	3,468	3,328	3,136	2,508	4,716	5,205	5,259	4,038
Born on board ship	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Unknown or not rep.	5	4	D	5	197	977	1,159	1,181	2,334	2,655	1,211

¹ Data are for unknown republic only; independent republics shown separately. See Notice of Special Geographic Definitions. ² Yugoslavia (unknown republic) prior to February 7, 2003. See Notice of Special Geographic Definitions. ³ Includes Northern Ireland. ⁴ Prior to 2003, includes Palestine; beginning in 2003, Palestine included in Unknown. See Notice of Special Geographic Definitions. ⁵ In May 1997 Zaire was formally recognized as the Democratic Republic of the Congo; the Congo is referred to by its conventional name, the Republic of the Congo. See Notice of Special Geographic Definitions. ⁶ In August 1997 Western Samoa was formally recognized as Samoa (Independent State). See Notice of Special Geographic Definitions. - Represents zero. D Disclosure standards not met. X Not applicable.

**TABLE 4. IMMIGRANTS ADMITTED BY TYPE AND SELECTED CLASS OF ADMISSION
FISCAL YEARS 1996-2003**

Type and class of admission	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
Total, all immigrants	915,900	798,378	654,451	646,568	849,807	1,064,318	1,063,732	705,827
New arrivals	421,405	380,719	357,037	401,775	407,402	411,059	384,427	358,411
Adjustments	494,495	417,659	297,414	244,793	442,405	653,259	679,305	347,416
Total, IRCA legalization	4,635	2,548	955	8	421	263	55	39
Residents since 1982	3,286	1,439	D	4	413	246	48	33
Special Agricultural Workers	1,349	1,109	D	4	8	17	7	6
Total, non-legalization	911,265	795,830	653,496	646,560	849,386	1,064,055	1,063,677	705,788
Preference immigrants	411,673	303,938	268,997	273,700	342,304	411,338	362,037	241,031
Family-sponsored immigrants	294,174	213,331	191,480	216,883	235,280	232,143	187,069	158,894
Unmarried sons/daughters of U.S. citizens ¹	20,909	22,536	17,717	22,392	27,707	27,098	23,567	21,503
Spouses of alien residents ¹	182,834	113,681	88,488	108,007	124,595	112,260	84,860	53,229
Married sons/daughters of U.S. citizens ²	25,452	21,943	22,257	24,040	22,833	24,878	21,072	27,303
Siblings of U.S. citizens ²	64,979	55,171	63,018	62,444	60,145	67,907	57,570	56,859
Employment-based immigrants ^{2,3}	117,499	90,607	77,517	56,817	107,024	179,195	174,968	82,137
Priority workers	27,501	21,810	21,408	14,898	27,706	41,801	34,452	14,544
Professionals with advanced degrees or aliens of exceptional ability	18,462	17,059	14,384	8,581	20,304	42,620	44,468	15,459
Skilled workers, professionals, other workers	62,756	42,596	34,317	27,966	49,736	86,058	88,555	46,613
Special immigrants	7,844	7,781	6,584	5,086	9,052	8,523	7,344	5,456
Employment creation	936	1,361	824	286	226	193	149	65
Immediate relatives of U.S. citizens ⁴	300,430	321,008	283,368	258,584	347,870	443,035	485,960	332,657
Spouses	169,760	170,263	151,172	127,988	197,525	270,545	294,798	184,741
Children ⁵	63,971	76,631	70,472	69,113	82,726	91,526	97,099	78,024
Orphans	11,316	12,596	14,867	16,037	18,120	19,087	21,100	21,320
Parents	66,699	74,114	61,724	61,483	67,619	80,964	94,063	69,892
Refugees and asylees	128,565	112,158	52,193	42,852	65,941	108,506	126,084	44,927
Refugee adjustments	118,528	102,052	44,645	39,495	59,083	97,305	115,832	34,496
Asylee adjustments	10,037	10,106	7,548	3,357	6,858	11,201	10,252	10,431
Other immigrants	70,597	58,726	48,938	71,424	93,271	101,176	89,596	87,173
Amerasians (P.L. 100-202)	956	738	346	239	943	376	348	120
Cancellation of removal ⁶	5,812	4,628	428	9,032	12,349	22,506	23,827	29,109
Children born abroad to alien residents ⁴	1,660	1,432	902	978	1,009	929	788	746
Cuban/Haitian entrants (P.L. 99-603)	29	D	D	D	D	-	10	3
Diversity	58,245	49,360	45,499	47,571	50,945	42,015	42,829	46,347
Diversity transition	545	14	X	X	X	X	X	X
Haitian Refugee Immigration Fairness Act (HRIFA)	X	X	X	X	X	10,111	5,383	1,414
Legalization dependents	184	64	21	-	55	37	57	21
Nicaraguan Adjustment and Central American Relief Act (NACARA), Sec. 202 entrants (P.L. 105-100)	X	X	D	11,267	23,641	18,926	9,495	2,577
Parolees, Polish/Hungarian (P.L. 104-208)	X	20	64	D	39	-	14	3
Parolees, Soviet/Indochinese (P.L. 101-267)	2,269	1,844	1,225	1,827	3,163	5,468	6,012	4,199
Registered nurses and their families (P.L. 101-238)	16	D	D	-	D	-	-	-
Registry, entry prior to 1/1/72	362	195	176	166	269	-	305	166
Other	519	420	273	237	855	808	528	2,468

¹ Includes children. ² Includes spouses and children. ³ Includes immigrants issued third preference, sixth preference, and special immigrant visas prior to fiscal year 1992. ⁴ Effective in fiscal year 1992, under the Immigration Act of 1990, children born abroad to alien residents are included with immediate relatives of U.S. citizens for calculating the annual limit of family-sponsored preference immigrants. ⁵ Includes orphans. ⁶ Was suspension of deportation prior to April 1, 1997; changed by the implementation of the Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act (IIRIRA) of 1996.

- Represents zero. D Disclosure standards not met. X Not applicable.

**TABLE 5. IMMIGRANTS ADMITTED BY TYPE AND CLASS OF ADMISSION
FISCAL YEAR 2003**

Type and class of admission	Total	Adjustments	New arrivals
Total, all immigrants	705,827	347,416	358,411
<i>Total, subject to annual numerical limitation</i>	<i>299,434</i>	<i>96,307</i>	<i>203,127</i>
<i>Total, subject to world-wide numerical limits</i>	<i>287,399</i>	<i>84,272</i>	<i>203,127</i>
Family-sponsored preferences	158,894	29,112	129,782
Employment-based preferences	82,137	52,552	29,585
Diversity	46,347	2,597	43,750
IRCA legalization dependents	21	11	10
<i>Total, other categories subject to annual limits</i>	<i>12,035</i>	<i>12,035</i>	<i>-</i>
Asylees	10,026	10,026	-
Cancellation of removal	2,009	2,009	-
<i>Total, not subject to annual numerical limits</i>	<i>406,393</i>	<i>251,109</i>	<i>155,284</i>
Immediate relatives of U.S. citizens	332,657	178,523	154,134
Children born to alien residents abroad	746	-	746
Refugees	34,496	34,496	-
Other asylees	405	405	-
Other cancellation of removal (NACARA Section 203)	27,100	27,100	-
NACARA Section 202	2,577	2,577	-
HRIFA	1,414	1,414	-
Parolees, Soviet and Indochinese	4,199	4,199	-
Other	2,799	2,395	404
Total, family preferences	158,894	29,112	129,782
<i>Total, 1st preference</i>	<i>21,503</i>	<i>5,271</i>	<i>16,232</i>
Unmarried sons and daughters of U.S. citizens, new arrivals (F11)	10,471	-	10,471
Unmarried sons and daughters of U.S. citizens, adjustments (F16)	4,909	4,909	-
Unmarried Amerasian sons/daughters of U.S. citizens, adjustments (A16)	D	D	-
Unmarried sons and daughters of U.S. citizens, adjustments, self petitioning (B16)	D	D	-
Children of F11, and F16, new arrivals (F12)	5,761	-	5,761
Children of F11, and F16, adjustments (F17)	359	359	-
<i>Total, 2nd preference</i>	<i>53,229</i>	<i>17,995</i>	<i>35,234</i>
Spouses of alien residents, subject to country limits, new arrivals (F21)	2,315	-	2,315
Spouses of alien residents, subject to country limits, new arrivals, self petitioning (B21)	5	-	5
Spouses of alien residents, subject to country limits, adjustments(F26)	4,597	4,597	-
Spouses of alien residents, subject to country limits, adjustments, self petitioning (B26)	133	133	-
Spouses of alien residents, subject to country limits, adjustments, conditional (C26)	5	5	-
Spouses of alien residents, exempt from country limits, new arrivals (FX1)	2,460	-	2,460
Spouses of alien residents, exempt from country limits, adjustments (FX6)	1,917	1,917	-
Spouses of alien residents, exempt from country limits, adjustments, self petitioning (BX6)	45	45	-
Children of alien residents, subject to country limits, new arrivals (F22)	3,147	-	3,147
Children of alien residents, subject to country limits, new arrivals, self petitioning (B22)	4	-	4
Children of alien residents, subject to country limits, adjustments (F27)	4,652	4,652	-
Children of alien residents, subject to country limits, adjustments, self petitioning (B27)	42	42	-
Children of alien residents, subject to country limits, adjustments, self petitioning child of B27, B21, B22, or B26 (B28)	13	13	-
Children of alien residents, subject to country limits, adjustments, conditional (C27)	D	D	-
Children of B21, B22, B26, or B27, subject to country limits, new arrivals (B23)	D	-	D
Children of alien residents, exempt from country limits, new arrivals (FX2)	6,051	-	6,051
Children of alien residents, exempt from country limits, adjustments (FX7)	2,578	2,578	-
Children of alien residents, exempt from country limits, adjustments, self petitioning (BX7)	17	17	-

See footnotes at end of table.

**TABLE 5. IMMIGRANTS ADMITTED BY TYPE AND CLASS OF ADMISSION
FISCAL YEAR 2003—Continued**

Type and class of admission	Total	Adjustments	New arrivals
Step-children of alien residents, exempt from country limits, conditional, adjustments (CX7)	D	D	-
Children of a CX2 or CX7, exempt from country limits, conditional, new arrivals (CX3)	D	-	D
Children of alien residents, exempt from country limits, adjustments, self petitioning child of BX7, BX1, BX2, or BX6 (BX8)	14	14	-
Children of 2nd preference spouse or child, subject to country limits, new arrivals (F23)	2,563	-	2,563
Children of 2nd preference spouse or child, subject to country limits, adjustments (F28)	286	286	-
Children of 2nd preference spouse or child, exempt from country limits, new arrivals (FX3)	751	-	751
Children of 2nd preference spouse or child, exempt from country limits, adjustments (FX8)	470	470	-
Unmarried sons and daughters of alien residents, subject to country limits, new arrivals (F24)	10,264	-	10,264
Unmarried sons and daughters of alien residents, subject to country limits, adjustments (F29)	3,016	3,016	-
Children of unmarried sons and daughters of alien residents, subject to country limits, new arrivals (F25)	7,671	-	7,671
Children of unmarried sons and daughters of alien residents, subject to country limits, adjustments (F20)	207	207	-
<i>Total, 3rd preference</i>	<i>27,303</i>	<i>2,381</i>	<i>24,922</i>
Married sons/daughters of U.S. citizens, new arrivals (F31)	6,956	-	6,956
Married sons and daughters of U.S. citizens, Amerasians, adjustments (A36)	D	D	-
Married sons/daughters of U.S. citizens, adjustments (F36)	1,144	1,144	-
Married sons/daughters of U.S. citizens, adjustments, conditional (C36)	D	D	-
Married sons/daughters of U.S. citizens, adjustments, self petitioning (B36)	D	D	-
Spouses of married sons/daughters of U.S. citizens, new arrivals (F32)	6,414	-	6,414
Spouses of married sons/daughters of U.S. citizens, adjustments (F37)	681	681	-
Children of married sons/daughters of U.S. citizens, new arrivals (F33)	11,552	-	11,552
Children of married sons/daughters of U.S. citizens, adjustments (F38)	552	552	-
<i>Total, 4th preference</i>	<i>56,859</i>	<i>3,465</i>	<i>53,394</i>
Brothers/sisters of U.S. citizens, new arrivals (F41)	18,060	-	18,060
Brothers/sisters of U.S. citizens, adjustments (F46)	2,260	2,260	-
Spouses of brothers/sisters of U.S. citizens, new arrivals (F42)	13,694	-	13,694
Spouses of brothers/sisters of U.S. citizens, adjustments (F47)	563	563	-
Children of brothers/sisters of U.S. citizens, new arrivals (F43)	21,640	-	21,640
Children of brothers/sisters of U.S. citizens, adjustments (F48)	642	642	-
Total, employment preferences	82,137	52,552	29,585
<i>Total, 1st preference</i>	<i>14,544</i>	<i>8,178</i>	<i>6,366</i>
Aliens with extraordinary ability, new arrivals (E11)	590	-	590
Aliens with extraordinary ability, adjustments (E16)	634	634	-
Outstanding professors or researchers, new arrivals (E12)	174	-	174
Outstanding professors or researchers, adjustments (E17)	859	859	-
Multinational executives or managers, new arrivals (E13)	1,708	-	1,708
Multinational executives or managers, adjustments (E18)	1,789	1,789	-
Spouses of E11, E12, E13, E16, E17, or E18, new arrivals (E14)	1,740	-	1,740
Spouses of E11, E12, E13, E16, E17, or E18, adjustments (E19)	2,444	2,444	-
Children of E11, E12, E13, E16, E17, or E18, new arrivals (E15)	2,154	-	2,154
Children of E11, E12, E13, E16, E17, or E18, adjustments (E10)	2,452	2,452	-
<i>Total, 2nd preference</i>	<i>15,459</i>	<i>13,022</i>	<i>2,437</i>
Professionals holding advanced degrees, new arrivals (E21)	1,086	-	1,086

See footnotes at end of table.

**TABLE 5. IMMIGRANTS ADMITTED BY TYPE AND CLASS OF ADMISSION
FISCAL YEAR 2003—Continued**

Type and class of admission	Total	Adjustments	New arrivals
Professionals holding advanced degrees, adjustments (E26)	6,126	6,126	-
Spouses of E21 or E26, new arrivals (E22)	851	-	851
Spouses of E21 or E26, adjustments (E27)	4,858	4,858	-
Children of E21 or E26, new arrivals (E23)	500	-	500
Children of E21 or E26, adjustments (E28)	2,038	2,038	-
<i>Total, 3rd preference</i>	<i>46,613</i>	<i>27,155</i>	<i>19,458</i>
Skilled workers, new arrivals (E31)	2,701	-	2,701
Skilled workers, adjustments (E36)	5,666	5,666	-
Professionals with baccalaureate degrees, new arrivals (E32)	3,669	-	3,669
Professionals with baccalaureate degrees, adjustments (E37)	7,399	7,399	-
Spouses of E31, E32, E36, or E37, new arrivals (E34)	4,486	-	4,486
Spouses of E31, E32, E36, or E37, adjustments (E39)	8,350	8,350	-
Children of E31, E32, E36, or E37, new arrivals (E35)	6,688	-	6,688
Children of E31, E32, E36, or E37, adjustments (E30)	4,888	4,888	-
Chinese Student Protection Act (CSPA) principals, adjustments (EC6)	D	D	-
Children of EC6, adjustments (EC8)	D	D	-
Needed unskilled workers, new arrivals (EW3)	493	-	493
Needed unskilled workers, adjustments (EW8)	483	483	-
Spouses of EW3 or EW8, new arrivals (EW4)	454	-	454
Spouses of EW3 or EW8, adjustments (EW9)	190	190	-
Children of EW3 or EW8, new arrivals (EW5)	967	-	967
Children of EW3 or EW8, adjustments (EW0)	170	170	-
<i>Total, 4th preference</i>	<i>5,456</i>	<i>4,171</i>	<i>1,285</i>
Broadcast (IBCG of BBG) employee, adjustments (BC6)	4	4	-
Spouse of BC6, adjustments (BC7)	D	D	-
Children of BC6 broadcasting employees, adjustments (BC8)	D	D	-
Ministers, new arrivals (SD1)	64	-	64
Ministers, adjustments (SD6)	465	465	-
Spouses of ministers, new arrivals (SD2)	51	-	51
Spouses of ministers, adjustments (SD7)	215	215	-
Children of ministers, new arrivals (SD3)	111	-	111
Children of ministers, adjustments (SD8)	285	285	-
U.S. government employees abroad, new arrivals (SE1)	178	-	178
Employees of U.S. government abroad, adjustments (SE6)	153	153	-
Spouses of SE1 or SE6, new arrivals (SE2)	144	-	144
Spouses of SE1 or SE6, adjustments (SE7)	23	23	-
Children of SE1 or SE6, new arrivals (SE3)	295	-	295
Children of SE1 or SE6, adjustments (SE8)	51	51	-
Former employees of the Panama Canal Company or Canal Zone Government, adjustments (SF6)	4	4	-
Spouses or children of SF1 or SF6, adjustments (SF7)	5	5	-
Former U.S. government employees in the Panama Canal Zone, new arrivals (SG1)	D	-	D
Former U.S. government employees in the Panama Canal Zone, adjustments (SG6)	D	D	-
Retired employees of international organizations, new arrivals (SK1)	4	-	4
Retired employees of international organizations, adjustments (SK6)	102	102	-
Spouses of SK1 or SK6, new arrivals (SK2)	D	-	D
Spouses of SK1 or SK6, adjustments (SK7)	30	30	-
Unmarried children of SK1 or SK6, new arrivals (SK3)	11	-	11
Unmarried children of SK1 or SK6, adjustments (SK8)	120	120	-
Juvenile court dependents, new arrivals (SL1)	25	-	25
Juvenile court dependents, adjustments (SL6)	445	445	-

See footnotes at end of table.

**TABLE 5. IMMIGRANTS ADMITTED BY TYPE AND CLASS OF ADMISSION
FISCAL YEAR 2003—Continued**

Type and class of admission	Total	Adjustments	New arrivals
U.S Armed Forces personnel, service (12 years) after 10/1/91, new arrivals (SM1)	D	-	D
U.S Armed Forces personnel, service (12 years) after 10/1/91, adjustments (SM6)	4	4	-
Spouses of SM1 or SM6 adjustments (SM7)	4	4	-
Children of SM1 or SM6, adjustments (SM8)	3	3	-
Religious workers, new arrivals (SR1)	129	-	129
Religious workers, adjustments (SR6)	1,243	1,243	-
Spouses of SR1 or SR6, new arrivals (SR2)	91	-	91
Spouses of SR1 or SR6, adjustments (SR7)	465	465	-
Children of SR1 or SR6, new arrivals (SR3)	178	-	178
Children of SR1 or SR6, adjustments (SR8)	545	545	-
Lost citizenship through marriage, adjustments (SC6)	D	D	-
<i>Total, 5th preference</i>	65	26	39
Employment creation, not in targeted area, new arrivals, conditional (C51)	D	-	D
Employment creation, not in targeted area, adjustments, conditional (C56)	10	10	-
Spouses of C51 or C56, new arrivals, conditional (C52)	3	-	3
Spouses of C51 or C56, adjustments, conditional (C57)	4	4	-
Children of C51 or C56, new arrivals, conditional (C53)	5	-	5
Children of C51 or C56, adjustments, conditional (C58)	5	5	-
Employment creation, targeted area, new arrivals, conditional (T51)	7	-	7
Employment creation, targeted area, adjustments, conditional (T56)	D	D	-
Spouses of T51 or T56, new arrivals, conditional (T52)	6	-	6
Spouses of T51 or T56, adjustments, conditional (T57)	D	D	-
Children of T51 or T56, new arrivals, conditional (T53)	15	-	15
Children of T51 or T56, adjustments, conditional (T58).....	D	D	-
Total, diversity	46,347	2,597	43,750
Principals, new arrivals (DV1)	21,516	-	21,516
Principals, adjustments DV6)	1,572	1,572	-
Spouses of DV1 or DV6, new arrivals (DV2)	10,545	-	10,545
Spouses of DV1 or DV6, adjustments (DV7)	645	645	-
Children of DV1 or DV6, new arrivals (DV3)	11,689	-	11,689
Children of DV1 or DV6, adjustments (DV8)	380	380	-
Total, immediate relatives of U.S. citizens	332,657	178,523	154,134
Spouses, new arrivals (IR1)	20,792	-	20,792
Spouses, new arrivals, conditional (CR1)	25,245	-	25,245
Spouses, new arrivals, self petitioning (IB1)	52	-	52
Spouses, new arrivals, widowers (IW1)	72	-	72
Spouses, adjustments (IR6)	61,472	61,472	-
Spouses, adjustments, conditional (CR6)	58,985	58,985	-
Spouses, adjustments, entered as fiance(e), conditional (CF1)	14,979	14,979	-
Spouses, adjustments, self petitioning (IB6)	1,291	1,291	-
Spouses, adjustments, entered as fiance(e) (IF1)	1,669	1,669	-
Spouses, adjustments, widowers (IW6)	184	184	-
Children, new arrivals (IR2)	30,247	-	30,247
Children, new arrivals, conditional (CR2)	5,372	-	5,372
Child of U.S. citizen, Amerasian, new arrivals (AR1)	D	-	D
Children, new arrivals, self petitioning (IB2)	34	-	34
Children of IB1, new arrivals (IB3)	15	-	15
Children of IW1 or IW6, new arrivals (IW2)	48	-	48
Children, adjustments (IR7)	15,110	15,110	-
Children, adjustments, conditional (CR7)	3,552	3,552	-
Children, adjustments, self petitioning (IB7)	247	247	-

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**TABLE 5. IMMIGRANTS ADMITTED BY TYPE AND CLASS OF ADMISSION
FISCAL YEAR 2003—Continued**

Type and class of admission	Total	Adjustments	New arrivals
Children, adjustments, child of IB6 or IB7 (IB8)	61	61	-
Children (step) of CF1, adjustments (CF2)	1,748	1,748	-
Children of IF1, adjustments (IF2)	238	238	-
Children of IW1 or IW6, adjustments (IW7)	30	30	-
Children, adjustments, Amerasian (AR6)	D	D	-
Orphans adopted abroad, new arrivals (IR3)	15,739	-	15,739
Orphans adopted abroad, adjustments (IR8)	D	D	-
Orphans to be adopted, new arrivals (IR4)	5,554	-	5,554
Orphans to be adopted, adjustments (IR9)	16	16	-
Parents of adult U.S. citizens, new arrivals (IR5)	50,963	-	50,963
Parents of adult U.S. citizens, adjustments (IR0)	18,929	18,929	-
Total, children born abroad to alien residents (NA3)	746	-	746
Total, refugees and asylees (adjustments)	44,927	44,927	-
<i>Total, refugees</i>	<i>34,496</i>	<i>34,496</i>	<i>-</i>
Cuban refugees (P.L. 89-732 of 1966) (CU6)	6,119	6,119	-
Non-Cuban spouses or children of Cuban refugees (CU7)	1,545	1,545	-
Indochinese refugees (P.L. 95-145 of 1977) (IC6)	D	D	-
Spouse of child of Indochinese refugee not qualified as refugee on own (IC7)	D	D	-
Refugee parolees (P.L. 95-412 of 1978) (R86)	4	4	-
Other refugees (P.L. 96-212 Refugee Act of 1980) (RE6)	10,987	10,987	-
Spouses of RE6 (RE7)	4,834	4,834	-
Children of RE6 (RE8)	10,994	10,994	-
Other relatives (RE9)	7	7	-
<i>Total, asylees</i>	<i>10,431</i>	<i>10,431</i>	<i>-</i>
Asylees, subject to 10,000 annual limit (AS6)	5,380	5,380	-
Spouses of AS6 (AS7)	1,682	1,682	-
Children of AS6 (AS8)	2,964	2,964	-
Iraqi asylees, not subject to annual limit; Guam processing (GA6)	61	61	-
Spouses of GA6 (GA7)	23	23	-
Children of GA6 (GA8)	115	115	-
Syrian asylees, not subject to 10,000 annual limit (SY6)	84	84	-
Spouses of Syrian asylees, not subject to annual limit (SY7)	47	47	-
Children of Syrian asylees, not subject to annual limit (SY8)	75	75	-
Total, Nicaraguan and Cuban nationals (Nicaraguan and Central American Relief Act NACARA Section 202, P.L. 105-100) (adjustments)	2,577	2,577	-
Principals (NC6)	2,138	2,138	-
Spouses of NC6 (NC7)	101	101	-
Children of NC6 (NC8)	329	329	-
Unmarried sons or daughters of NC6 (NC9)	9	9	-
Total, cancellation of removal (adjustments)	29,109	29,109	-
Sec. 244, P.L. 89-236, subject to 4,000 annual limit (Z13)	1,899	1,899	-
Battered spouses and children (Violence Against Women Act), P.L. 103-322 of 1994, subject to 4,000 annual limit (Z14)	110	110	-
Salvadoran, Guatemalan and former Soviet bloc country nationals (NACARA Section 203, P.L. 105-100 of 1997) (Z15)	27,100	27,100	-
Total, Haitian nationals (Haitian Refugee Immigration Fairness Act (HRIFA) (P.L. 105-277) (HA6) (adjustments)	1,414	1,414	-
Haitian asylum applicants (HA6)	690	690	-
Spouses of HA6 (HA7)	90	90	-

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**TABLE 5. IMMIGRANTS ADMITTED BY TYPE AND CLASS OF ADMISSION
FISCAL YEAR 2003—Continued**

Type and class of admission	Total	Adjustments	New arrivals
Children of HA6 (HA8)	245	245	-
Unmarried son or daughter of HA6 (HA9)	20	20	-
Haitian parolees (HB6)	233	233	-
Spouses of HB6 (HB7)	25	25	-
Children of HB6 (HB8)	59	59	-
Unmarried sons or daughters of HB6 (HB9)	D	D	-
Haitian children without parents (HC6)	38	38	-
Spouses of HC6 (HC7)	D	D	-
Haitian children orphaned in U.S (HD6)	7	7	-
Haitian children abandoned by parents (HE6)	4	4	-
Total, IRCA legalization (adjustments)	39	39	-
Entered without inspection before 1/1/82 (W16)	21	21	-
Entered as nonimmigrant and overstayed visa before 1/1/82 (W26)	9	9	-
Blanket enforced voluntary departure (EVD) group (W36)	3	3	-
Special Agricultural Workers (SAW) in 1986 (S26)	6	6	-
Total, IRCA legalization dependents	21	11	10
Spouses of legalized aliens, new arrivals (LB1)	4	-	4
Spouses of legalized aliens, adjustments (LB6)	3	3	-
Children of LB1 or LB6, new arrivals (LB2)	6	-	6
Children of LB1 or LB6, adjustments (LB7)	8	8	-
Total, parolees (adjustments)	4,202	4,202	-
Parolees, Polish/Hungarian (PH6)	3	3	-
Parolees, Soviet/Indochinese(LA6)	4,199	4,199	-
Total, other	2,757	2,353	404
Amerasians, born in Vietnam between 1/1/62-1/1/76, new arrivals (AM1)	40	-	40
Spouses or children of AM1 or AM6, new arrivals (AM2)	70	-	70
Mothers, guardians, or next of kin of AM1 or AM6, new arrivals (AM3)	10	-	10
Hong Kong business employees, adjustments (HK6)	D	D	-
Child of HK6, adjustments (HK8)	D	D	-
Individuals born under diplomatic status, adjustments, (DS1)	8	8	-
Cuban Haitian entrants, adjustments (P.L. 99-603) (CH6)	D	D	-
Late amnesty applicants Immigration Reform and Control Act) (W46)	2,161	2,161	-
Entered before 7/1/24, Section 249, P.L. 89-236, adjustments (Z33)	D	D	-
Entered 6/29/40-1/1/72, Section 249, P.L. 89-236, adjustments (Z66)	165	165	-
Foreign government official who is immediate relative of U.S. citizen or special immigrant (Z83)	13	13	-
American Indians born in Canada, new arrivals (S13)	210	-	210
Children born subsequent to issuance of parent's nonquota visa, new arrivals (XA3)	D	-	D
Children born subsequent to issuance of parent's employment preference visa, new arrivals (XE3)	12	-	12
Children born subsequent to issuance of parent's family preference visa, new arrivals (XF3)	16	-	16
Children born subsequent to issuance of parent's immediate relative of U.S. citizen visa, new arrivals (XR3)	4	-	4
Children born subsequent to issuance of parent's visa-other, new arrivals (XN3)	41	-	41

NOTE: Symbol enclosed in parentheses is the visa or adjustment code.

- Represents zero.

D Disclosure standards not met.

**TABLE 6. IMMIGRANTS ADMITTED BY GENDER, AGE, MARITAL STATUS, AND OCCUPATION
FISCAL YEAR 2003**

Age, marital status, and occupation	Total	Gender		
		Male	Female	Unknown
Total	705,827	316,225	389,507	95
Age				
Under 16 years	129,497	62,635	66,839	23
16-20 years	68,390	33,693	34,690	7
21 years and over	507,904	219,882	287,958	64
Under 1 year	11,994	4,431	7,560	3
1-4 years	24,658	11,040	13,615	3
5-9 years	36,282	18,326	17,952	4
10-14 years	45,536	23,227	22,298	11
15-19 years	61,632	31,019	30,605	8
20-24 years	65,121	26,898	38,216	7
25-29 years	91,709	39,204	52,497	8
30-34 years	96,190	45,043	51,135	12
35-39 years	70,235	32,192	38,030	13
40-44 years	51,572	22,538	29,026	8
45-49 years	39,621	17,171	22,443	7
50-54 years	30,074	12,589	17,482	3
55-59 years	23,427	9,266	14,158	3
60-64 years	20,564	8,114	12,449	1
65-74 years	28,207	11,521	16,683	3
75 years and over	8,969	3,631	5,338	-
Unknown	36	15	20	1
Marital status				
Single	275,047	138,741	136,272	34
Married	401,134	171,381	229,731	22
Widowed	17,436	2,125	15,311	-
Divorced/Separated	10,882	3,357	7,523	2
Unknown	1,328	621	670	37
Occupation				
Executive and managerial	22,295	15,234	7,061	-
Professional and technical	46,495	27,760	18,725	10
Sales	12,594	6,755	5,836	3
Administrative support	9,870	3,459	6,409	2
Farming, forestry, and fisheries	8,685	6,394	2,290	1
Operators, fabricators, and laborers	24,595	17,854	6,734	7
Precision production, craft, and repair	7,698	5,526	2,170	2
Service	29,117	16,207	12,909	1
Military	56	37	19	-
No occupation/not working outside home	310,197	115,420	194,740	37
Homemakers	79,667	888	78,777	2
Students or children	188,082	91,437	96,613	32
Retirees	2,603	1,331	1,272	-
Unemployed	39,845	21,764	18,078	3
Unknown	234,225	101,579	132,614	32

- Represents zero.

**TABLE 7. IMMIGRANTS ADMITTED BY MAJOR CLASS OF ADMISSION AND
SELECTED DEMOGRAPHIC CHARACTERISTICS
FISCAL YEAR 2003**

Characteristic	Total	Family-sponsored preferences	Employment-based preferences	Immediate relatives of U.S. citizens	Diversity programs	Refugee and asylee adjustments	Other
Total	705,827	158,894	82,137	332,657	46,347	44,927	40,865
Gender:							
Male	316,225	76,109	41,761	129,394	24,938	22,932	21,091
Female	389,507	82,783	40,362	203,255	21,404	21,950	19,753
Unknown	95	D	14	8	D	45	21
Age:							
Under 16 years	129,497	39,212	15,127	53,921	9,554	8,827	2,856
16-20 years	68,390	25,103	6,333	25,819	3,498	4,785	2,852
21 years and over	507,904	94,568	60,676	252,904	33,289	31,314	35,153
Under 1 year	11,994	611	234	10,022	495	-	632
1-4 years	24,658	5,592	2,190	12,896	2,519	1,002	459
5-9 years	36,282	11,754	5,737	11,905	3,096	3,227	563
10-14 years	45,536	17,012	5,707	15,455	2,912	3,638	812
15-19 years	61,632	22,891	6,144	22,572	2,933	4,755	2,337
20-24 years	65,121	13,502	3,385	35,551	5,630	4,691	2,362
25-29 years	91,709	11,820	11,182	53,226	8,271	4,338	2,872
30-34 years	96,190	15,224	17,869	42,685	7,297	5,161	7,954
35-39 years	70,235	13,721	12,112	25,563	4,948	4,890	9,001
40-44 years	51,572	13,373	8,194	16,533	3,540	4,009	5,923
45-49 years	39,621	13,245	5,082	12,517	2,178	2,891	3,708
50-54 years	30,074	10,067	2,481	12,086	1,370	1,914	2,156
55-59 years	23,427	5,623	1,086	13,820	660	1,256	982
60-64 years	20,564	2,755	481	15,448	301	1,055	524
65-74 years	28,207	1,584	226	24,318	159	1,461	459
75 years and over	8,969	109	26	8,047	32	638	117
Unknown	36	11	D	13	6	D	D
Marital status:							
Single	275,047	98,446	30,768	84,126	21,721	21,646	18,340
Married	401,134	57,088	50,012	229,757	23,787	19,860	20,630
Widowed	17,436	1,029	157	14,475	173	1,163	439
Divorced/Separated	10,882	2,298	1,027	4,180	645	1,439	1,293
Unknown	1,328	33	173	119	21	819	163
Occupation:							
Executive and managerial	22,295	4,292	6,394	5,104	5,870	413	222
Professional and technical	46,495	6,046	23,744	9,223	6,323	902	257
Sales	12,594	4,752	776	4,240	1,436	1,168	222
Administrative support	9,870	3,449	759	3,320	1,740	419	183
Farming, forestry, and fisheries	8,685	4,588	165	3,392	306	88	146
Operators, fabricators, and laborers	24,595	7,760	975	8,798	1,324	3,949	1,789
Precision production, craft, and repair	7,698	1,961	1,025	2,109	912	1,045	646
Service	29,117	9,091	2,661	8,416	4,795	2,895	1,259
Military	56	12	3	28	4	5	4
No occupation/not working outside home	310,197	87,987	32,534	150,862	17,460	16,602	4,752
Homemakers	79,667	17,879	10,118	47,800	1,412	1,686	772
Students or children	188,082	62,325	20,748	73,137	14,896	13,346	3,630
Retirees	2,603	259	41	1,766	20	475	42
Unemployed	39,845	7,524	1,627	28,159	1,132	1,095	308
Unknown	234,225	28,956	13,101	137,165	6,177	17,441	31,385

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All countries	705,827	158,894	82,137	332,657	184,741	78,024	69,892	44,927	46,347	29,109	11,756
Europe	100,769	6,315	10,898	42,569	26,534	11,661	4,374	17,290	19,162	258	4,277
Albania	3,363	192	48	855	359	27	469	350	1,915	D	D
Andorra	D	-	-	D	D	-	-	-	-	-	-
Armenia	1,291	78	99	561	356	83	122	150	336	4	63
Austria	297	17	68	154	133	15	6	20	32	D	D
Azerbaijan	747	D	25	194	86	71	37	275	150	D	87
Belarus	1,860	26	80	503	214	233	56	523	544	-	184
Belgium	458	D	160	252	214	26	12	D	32	-	D
Bosnia-Herzegovina	6,168	15	24	257	168	20	69	5,847	25	-	-
Bulgaria	3,830	59	215	960	497	291	172	82	2,486	17	11
Croatia	1,162	22	57	227	178	14	35	814	40	D	-
Czech Republic	268	5	27	187	175	4	8	-	43	D	D
Czechoslovakia ¹	544	11	38	426	375	34	17	D	63	D	D
Denmark	409	12	98	282	261	13	8	D	16	-	-
Estonia	236	D	20	156	126	D	D	22	23	-	13
Finland	242	4	59	164	155	D	D	-	14	-	D
France	2,385	94	644	1,409	1,221	156	32	11	210	-	17
Georgia	735	3	38	433	205	187	41	70	159	4	28
Germany	5,101	94	939	3,102	2,669	321	112	484	449	3	30
Gibraltar	4	-	D	D	D	-	-	-	-	-	-
Greece	662	62	93	460	348	39	73	D	37	D	5
Hungary	1,024	39	160	686	559	90	37	10	116	10	3
Iceland	97	D	13	73	57	16	-	-	7	-	D
Ireland	991	18	174	672	613	45	14	-	116	-	11
Italy	1,659	83	386	1,048	868	88	92	20	111	D	D
Kazakhstan	1,740	D	25	1,100	212	863	25	176	217	D	217
Kyrgyzstan	356	-	11	112	80	27	5	62	105	-	66
Latvia	459	4	24	250	186	59	5	54	90	-	37
Lithuania	2,266	28	46	412	309	82	21	23	1,745	D	D
Luxembourg	16	D	D	9	9	-	-	-	D	-	-
Macedonia	656	90	56	336	212	50	74	63	97	11	3
Malta	37	5	7	23	D	D	-	-	D	-	-
Moldova	1,151	6	35	208	120	45	43	422	205	-	275
Monaco	D	-	D	-	-	-	-	D	-	-	-
Netherlands	988	32	253	616	565	39	12	22	59	-	6
Norway	321	7	48	253	224	20	9	-	10	-	3
Poland	10,526	3,669	1,151	3,025	1,917	498	610	31	2,568	33	49
Portugal	822	190	197	410	302	40	68	3	14	3	5
Romania	3,663	283	420	1,610	953	310	347	94	1,202	53	D
Russia	13,951	88	847	8,960	2,562	5,793	605	1,738	1,329	23	966
Serebia and Montenegro ² ..	3,008	170	148	901	573	70	258	1,513	223	51	D
Slovak Republic	674	28	79	306	245	30	31	3	255	D	D
Slovenia	64	D	7	35	30	D	D	15	D	-	-
Soviet Union ¹	1,073	4	60	250	206	22	22	610	25	16	108
Spain	923	52	132	671	557	47	67	19	43	D	D
Sweden	966	15	194	687	643	39	5	D	63	-	D
Switzerland	636	7	180	349	303	35	11	25	68	D	D
Tajikistan	138	D	D	50	29	10	11	29	35	-	15
Turkmenistan	84	D	D	30	22	D	D	15	36	-	D
Ukraine	11,666	D	386	2,957	1,353	1,179	425	3,350	3,034	D	1,807
United Kingdom ³	9,601	610	3,068	5,679	4,906	534	239	12	149	8	75
Uzbekistan	1,446	D	49	266	154	57	55	318	656	D	139
Asia	244,759	70,006	51,758	104,013	54,896	23,141	25,976	9,885	8,131	170	796
Afghanistan	1,257	118	23	387	298	D	D	716	11	D	-
Bahrain	59	D	34	19	D	D	-	-	D	-	-
Bangladesh	4,625	1,121	492	2,069	977	319	773	155	745	6	37

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Bhutan	15	-	D	8	D	D	D	D	-	-	-
Brunei	20	D	7	10	7	3	-	-	D	-	-
Burma	1,194	254	43	221	120	D	D	327	348	-	D
Cambodia	2,271	474	40	1,670	1,093	382	195	38	30	D	D
China, People's Republic ..	40,659	10,170	7,511	21,956	6,922	8,995	6,039	804	192	10	16
Cyprus	127	11	19	75	62	4	9	7	15	-	-
Hong Kong	3,582	2,530	358	535	390	66	79	18	127	D	D
India	50,372	15,359	20,560	12,693	6,314	1,137	5,242	1,517	94	16	133
Indonesia	1,813	152	231	971	726	79	166	20	428	D	D
Iran	7,251	1,282	511	2,889	1,134	169	1,586	2,030	478	15	46
Iraq	2,460	416	83	712	511	30	171	1,223	D	D	-
Israel	2,774	188	619	1,705	1,207	331	167	12	227	6	17
Japan	5,993	120	1,354	3,865	3,522	244	99	D	617	D	25
Jordan ⁴	2,935	847	123	1,877	1,099	453	325	20	62	D	D
Korea	12,512	1,607	4,297	6,579	3,323	2,252	1,004	4	7	3	15
Kuwait	710	205	94	346	305	D	D	36	28	-	D
Laos	901	113	18	568	445	39	84	191	6	D	D
Lebanon	2,964	997	365	1,467	932	146	389	77	38	9	11
Macau	246	192	13	30	14	D	D	-	9	-	D
Malaysia	1,205	152	364	597	485	51	61	13	69	D	D
Maldives	15	-	D	D	D	-	-	-	-	-	D
Mongolia	153	-	28	80	47	33	-	-	44	-	D
Nepal	2,099	18	261	311	207	65	39	12	1,495	-	D
Oman	76	D	36	14	D	D	D	-	13	-	D
Pakistan	9,444	3,360	1,429	4,194	2,102	1,063	1,029	365	8	13	75
Philippines	45,397	14,974	9,756	20,498	10,424	4,324	5,750	30	8	48	83
Qatar	72	18	16	27	22	D	D	-	8	D	D
Saudi Arabia	737	151	213	273	193	75	5	46	50	D	D
Singapore	587	52	171	311	266	26	19	D	45	-	D
Sri Lanka	1,246	123	282	271	172	D	D	43	525	D	-
Syria	1,944	590	171	850	498	101	251	308	20	D	D
Taiwan	6,947	2,495	1,190	2,050	1,366	270	414	D	1,186	10	D
Thailand	3,158	272	339	2,161	1,663	334	164	224	143	5	14
Turkey	3,040	105	438	1,516	1,227	117	172	28	938	D	D
United Arab Emirates	380	136	129	90	63	27	-	D	D	-	D
Vietnam	22,133	11,124	119	9,099	6,245	1,377	1,477	1,581	D	D	207
Yemen	1,386	262	D	1,018	479	519	20	23	67	-	D
Africa	48,738	2,834	3,113	18,324	11,719	3,696	2,909	7,723	16,503	72	169
Algeria	760	D	36	229	175	24	30	78	408	D	-
Angola	59	7	D	35	23	7	5	6	5	-	D
Benin	76	-	8	27	22	D	D	19	22	-	-
Botswana	27	-	3	19	14	D	D	3	D	-	-
Burkina Faso	60	D	7	49	45	4	-	D	D	-	-
Burundi	74	-	D	8	6	D	-	63	D	-	-
Cameroon	927	31	57	357	199	90	68	87	391	D	D
Cape Verde	746	282	5	448	153	188	107	D	-	D	8
Central African Republic	6	-	-	5	D	D	-	D	-	-	-
Chad	8	-	-	D	D	-	-	D	D	-	-
Comoros	D	-	D	D	D	-	-	-	-	-	-
Congo, Democratic Republic	112	D	5	17	D	-	D	87	D	-	-
Congo, Republic	513	D	27	122	58	45	19	166	193	-	D
Cote d'Ivoire	485	9	28	331	216	109	6	44	69	D	D
Djibouti	16	3	-	5	5	-	-	8	-	-	-
Egypt	3,355	493	290	1,430	977	150	303	187	923	9	23
Equatorial Guinea	D	-	-	D	D	-	-	D	-	-	-
Eritrea	556	30	10	366	194	51	121	56	90	4	-

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Ethiopia	6,643	228	59	1,743	901	452	390	1,225	3,382	3	3
Gabon	40	D	-	20	D	D	D	-	14	-	-
Gambia, The	263	15	13	176	146	22	8	44	D	9	D
Ghana	4,416	332	149	2,246	1,413	654	179	86	1,578	-	25
Guinea	29	D	D	23	6	14	3	D	D	-	D
Guinea-Bissau	177	7	4	111	94	10	7	31	19	D	D
Kenya	3,216	152	234	1,092	814	206	72	188	1,541	-	9
Lesotho	5	-	-	5	D	D	-	-	-	-	-
Liberia	1,768	107	38	341	118	153	70	883	391	D	D
Libya	140	18	16	80	63	D	D	13	12	D	-
Madagascar	40	6	9	20	12	D	D	D	4	-	-
Malawi	62	6	9	33	26	D	D	D	12	-	D
Mali	125	3	3	102	84	15	3	5	8	D	D
Mauritania	131	D	3	30	D	-	D	88	8	-	-
Mauritius	57	9	12	27	25	-	D	D	D	-	-
Morocco	3,141	78	107	1,345	1,125	72	148	5	1,601	-	5
Mozambique	36	7	5	23	17	D	D	D	-	-	-
Namibia	40	-	9	22	16	6	-	4	4	-	D
Niger	814	29	50	500	379	43	78	25	204	4	D
Nigeria	7,892	575	581	3,340	1,741	718	881	206	3,121	21	48
Reunion	3	-	D	-	-	-	-	-	D	-	-
Rwanda	109	-	D	12	D	D	D	87	6	-	-
Sao Tome and Principe	D	D	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Senegal	522	10	27	402	283	108	11	20	55	-	8
Seychelles	17	4	-	12	D	D	-	D	-	-	-
Sierra Leone	1,496	89	39	502	211	200	91	540	323	D	D
Somalia	2,448	16	7	154	110	14	30	2,157	114	-	-
South Africa	2,220	62	957	889	672	94	123	5	302	-	5
Sudan	1,886	23	33	299	205	58	36	1,107	420	D	D
Swaziland	23	-	D	17	10	D	D	D	D	-	-
Tanzania	555	67	48	296	236	22	38	13	127	-	4
Togo	1,188	7	6	132	109	16	7	126	917	-	-
Tunisia	353	D	29	274	262	5	7	4	43	-	D
Uganda	457	55	39	251	197	29	25	31	76	D	D
Zambia	282	30	54	142	113	24	5	5	50	-	D
Zimbabwe	358	18	78	208	152	38	18	6	47	-	D
Oceania	4,377	461	675	2,650	2,166	310	174	18	555	D	17
American Samoa	16	D	-	15	8	D	D	-	-	-	-
Australia	1,847	53	441	1,219	1,085	D	D	D	119	-	14
Cook Islands	4	-	D	3	D	D	-	-	-	-	-
Fiji	1,099	311	22	417	276	33	108	D	333	-	D
French Polynesia	14	-	D	9	9	-	-	D	D	-	-
Kiribati	4	-	-	4	4	-	-	-	-	-	-
Marshall Islands	26	-	-	26	D	23	D	-	-	-	-
Micronesia, Federated States	4	-	-	D	D	D	-	-	-	-	-
Nauru	D	D	-	D	D	-	-	-	-	-	-
New Caledonia	D	-	-	D	D	-	-	-	-	-	-
New Zealand	884	38	182	577	523	45	9	-	86	-	D
Northern Mariana Islands ...	3	-	-	3	-	3	-	-	-	-	-
Palau	8	-	-	7	D	D	-	-	D	-	-
Papua New Guinea	34	3	15	10	10	-	-	-	6	-	-
Samoa	181	11	8	161	93	42	26	-	-	-	D
Solomon Islands	5	-	D	3	D	D	-	D	-	-	-
Tonga	239	42	D	185	139	22	24	-	7	D	-
Vanuatu	3	-	-	3	3	-	-	-	-	-	-

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				Total	Spouses	Children	Parents				
North America	250,726	67,009	10,460	129,896	67,885	31,935	30,076	8,454	394	28,416	6,097
Canada	11,446	586	4,358	6,141	5,143	895	103	D	74	9	263
Greenland	4	D	-	D	D	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mexico	115,864	29,664	3,261	78,782	42,990	14,954	20,838	85	D	2,503	1,557
United States	32	3	6	13	D	-	D	D	D	-	8
Caribbean	68,815	29,215	1,251	28,817	11,954	10,234	6,629	7,547	266	46	1,673
Anguilla	27	10	-	17	5	8	4	-	-	-	-
Antigua-Barbuda	301	159	13	128	75	29	24	-	-	-	D
Aruba	27	9	D	15	12	D	D	-	-	-	D
Bahamas, The	426	58	35	306	218	73	15	D	D	-	19
Barbados	517	157	42	310	192	94	24	-	D	D	5
Bermuda	92	D	14	66	48	D	D	-	D	-	-
British Virgin Islands	43	20	D	18	9	D	D	-	-	-	3
Cayman Islands	35	3	8	24	10	14	-	-	-	-	-
Cuba	9,304	973	20	912	367	315	230	7,047	214	6	132
Dominica	204	103	-	94	45	27	22	D	D	D	-
Dominican Republic	26,205	15,118	159	10,857	4,033	4,275	2,549	16	3	6	46
Grenada	481	190	D	276	161	85	30	D	-	-	D
Guadeloupe	36	15	D	20	13	D	D	-	-	-	-
Haiti	12,314	4,612	93	5,718	1,756	2,025	1,937	472	-	10	1,409
Jamaica	13,384	5,696	375	7,270	3,377	2,506	1,387	7	6	12	18
Martinique	14	D	D	8	D	3	-	-	3	-	-
Montserrat	36	16	D	18	11	D	D	-	-	D	-
Netherlands Antilles	59	13	D	38	22	12	4	D	-	-	D
Puerto Rico	D	-	-	D	D	-	-	-	-	-	-
St. Kitts-Nevis	312	171	D	132	59	44	29	-	D	D	-
St. Lucia	489	185	13	290	146	99	45	-	-	-	D
St. Vincent and the Grenadines	324	101	18	204	113	60	31	-	-	-	D
Trinidad and Tobago	4,153	1,588	430	2,075	1,261	529	285	-	26	5	29
Turks and Caicos Islands ..	26	4	-	16	D	D	D	-	D	-	5
U.S. Virgin Islands	4	D	-	3	D	-	D	-	-	-	-
Central America	54,565	7,538	1,584	16,142	7,787	5,852	2,503	806	41	25,858	2,596
Belize	591	150	22	396	232	112	52	D	-	11	D
Costa Rica	1,253	109	96	979	705	209	65	24	9	16	20
El Salvador	28,296	3,458	752	4,703	2,555	1,078	1,070	194	D	19,081	D
Guatemala	14,415	1,799	352	5,354	1,786	3,028	540	294	D	6,545	D
Honduras	4,658	1,305	240	2,804	1,414	949	441	99	9	176	25
Nicaragua	4,174	436	38	1,135	592	301	242	169	18	21	2,357
Panama	1,178	281	84	771	503	175	93	24	D	8	D
South America	55,247	12,196	5,151	34,324	20,858	7,179	6,287	1,518	1,544	170	344
Argentina	3,157	186	509	2,194	1,613	254	327	122	119	8	19
Bolivia	1,382	210	219	871	528	154	189	29	40	4	9
Brazil	6,357	249	1,517	4,330	3,423	658	249	41	174	9	37
Chile	1,323	151	155	939	682	137	120	61	4	5	8
Colombia	14,777	2,090	851	11,207	6,488	2,839	1,880	462	14	51	102
Ecuador	7,083	1,988	628	4,155	1,912	1,036	1,207	38	181	32	61
French Guiana	4	-	D	3	D	-	D	-	-	-	-
Guyana	6,820	4,716	95	1,980	831	501	648	D	20	D	D
Paraguay	209	23	27	154	108	25	21	D	-	D	D
Peru	9,444	2,163	561	5,338	3,181	926	1,231	457	798	52	75
Suriname	180	67	D	79	D	14	D	8	6	-	-
Uruguay	473	48	53	334	242	32	60	11	17	D	D
Venezuela	4,038	305	515	2,740	1,790	603	347	281	171	4	22
Unknown or not reported	1,211	73	82	881	683	102	96	39	58	22	56

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**TABLE 9. IMMIGRANTS ADMITTED BY SELECTED CLASS OF ADMISSION
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Region and country of last permanent residence	Total	Family-sponsored preferences	Employment-based preferences	Immediate relatives of U.S. citizens				Refugee and asylee adjustments	Diversity programs	Cancellation of removal	Other
				Total	Spouses	Children	Parents				
All countries	705,827	158,894	82,137	332,657	184,741	78,024	69,892	44,927	46,347	29,109	11,756
Europe	102,843	7,230	11,114	43,134	26,941	11,701	4,492	18,093	18,819	252	4,201
Albania	3,178	163	D	819	325	30	464	340	1,825	D	D
Andorra	3	-	-	D	3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Armenia	1,247	73	82	536	347	37	152	153	324	3	76
Austria	1,163	47	58	165	138	15	12	847	40	D	D
Azerbaijan	466	D	21	80	53	D	20	215	77	D	69
Belarus	1,644	16	74	312	205	66	41	539	528	-	175
Belgium	518	21	124	313	255	31	27	D	44	-	D
Bosnia-Herzegovina	893	9	11	216	147	21	48	642	15	-	-
Bulgaria	3,710	58	182	930	479	284	167	72	2,441	17	10
Croatia	3,285	20	57	217	168	14	35	2,957	31	3	-
Czech Republic	274	5	21	186	175	5	6	D	54	D	D
Czechoslovakia ¹	543	D	49	413	361	36	16	11	60	D	-
Denmark	436	23	107	283	259	14	10	3	20	-	-
Estonia	261	D	18	156	121	D	D	35	33	-	17
Finland	231	D	39	163	154	8	D	D	16	-	D
France	2,933	197	808	1,632	1,387	172	73	13	268	D	D
Georgia	573	3	25	344	194	121	29	66	113	5	17
Germany	8,102	281	1,028	3,664	3,053	382	229	2,569	525	3	32
Gibraltar	D	-	D	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Greece	914	98	104	510	397	38	75	73	125	-	4
Hungary	1,018	35	145	682	567	86	29	26	118	D	D
Iceland	115	D	13	89	69	D	D	-	6	-	D
Ireland	1,010	20	165	693	632	47	14	D	120	-	D
Italy	1,904	120	392	1,206	1,006	114	86	28	148	-	10
Kazakhstan	1,249	D	18	725	165	537	23	135	159	D	209
Kyrgyzstan	331	-	12	97	69	22	6	57	95	-	70
Latvia	497	5	19	249	193	46	10	88	99	-	37
Liechtenstein	D	-	-	D	D	-	-	-	-	-	-
Lithuania	2,244	26	46	391	300	70	21	19	1,750	D	D
Luxembourg	39	-	14	16	13	3	-	4	5	-	-
Macedonia	1,078	88	51	328	211	48	69	494	93	21	3
Malta	37	4	4	20	D	D	-	6	D	D	-
Moldova	1,062	D	D	189	106	45	38	413	172	-	257
Monaco	4	-	-	D	D	-	-	D	D	-	D
Netherlands	1,329	64	255	687	619	45	23	240	78	-	5
Norway	386	20	55	292	253	22	17	-	16	-	3
Poland	11,016	3,643	1,021	3,705	1,767	1,346	592	18	2,548	34	47
Portugal	821	201	178	414	307	42	65	4	16	3	5
Romania	3,311	262	306	1,468	842	304	322	90	1,131	D	D
Russia	14,286	71	784	9,208	2,436	6,248	524	2,239	995	24	965
Serebia and Montenegro ² ..	2,984	174	111	877	544	72	261	1,573	209	D	D
Slovak Republic	657	29	70	296	236	30	30	9	250	D	D
Slovenia	56	-	D	27	D	D	D	19	5	-	-
Soviet Union ¹	310	D	17	118	94	13	11	102	D	10	56
Spain	1,107	97	152	762	636	65	61	35	55	-	6
Sweden	1,134	42	227	755	690	40	25	17	93	-	-
Switzerland	867	28	207	424	365	35	24	119	83	-	6
Tajikistan	67	3	-	30	20	3	7	16	9	-	9
Turkmenistan	108	-	-	19	16	-	3	59	30	-	-
Ukraine	10,899	116	306	2,267	1,342	513	412	3,365	2,990	4	1,851
United Kingdom ³	11,220	1,123	3,640	5,947	5,045	535	367	25	405	8	72
Uzbekistan	1,321	D	34	209	131	38	40	339	593	D	134
Asia	236,039	68,082	47,805	102,142	53,621	23,077	25,444	8,433	8,640	167	770
Afghanistan	282	14	6	132	121	-	11	127	D	D	-
Bahrain	193	35	73	77	61	10	6	-	8	-	-

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Region and country of last permanent residence	Total	Family-sponsored preferences	Employment-based preferences	Immediate relatives of U.S. citizens				Refugee and asylee adjustments	Diversity programs	Cancellation of removal	Other
				Total	Spouses	Children	Parents				
Bangladesh	4,419	1,090	412	2,034	939	321	774	144	696	6	37
Bhutan	9	-	D	5	D	-	D	D	-	-	-
Brunei	21	4	13	D	D	-	D	-	-	-	-
Burma	825	180	31	183	96	D	D	151	279	-	D
Cambodia	2,022	338	35	1,580	1,033	380	167	27	29	D	D
China, People's Republic ..	37,395	9,015	6,517	20,930	6,606	8,973	5,351	739	166	12	16
Cyprus	154	12	15	95	74	14	7	25	7	-	-
Hong Kong	5,020	3,433	415	1,026	547	71	408	16	118	D	D
India	47,157	14,696	18,506	12,228	6,071	1,138	5,019	1,512	69	15	131
Indonesia	1,648	114	222	896	689	72	135	11	393	D	D
Iran	4,709	1,016	316	2,482	949	152	1,381	477	368	14	36
Iraq	734	83	25	257	183	D	D	356	12	D	-
Israel	3,719	218	721	1,989	1,381	354	254	31	738	6	16
Japan	6,724	148	1,478	4,395	3,914	344	137	D	662	D	23
Jordan ⁴	4,015	1,152	149	2,412	1,516	479	417	217	78	D	D
Korea	12,177	1,545	3,894	6,703	3,433	2,290	980	D	14	D	15
Kuwait	580	125	122	257	197	D	D	33	42	-	D
Laos	705	101	14	530	415	39	76	52	D	D	-
Lebanon	3,036	990	298	1,412	861	144	407	281	36	8	11
Macau	337	259	D	50	23	11	16	D	13	-	D
Malaysia	1,120	131	339	572	462	47	63	D	65	7	D
Maldives	14	-	-	D	D	-	-	-	-	-	D
Mongolia	117	-	25	51	D	D	-	-	40	-	D
Nepal	2,045	18	226	311	207	62	42	D	1,474	-	D
Oman	269	47	145	34	28	D	D	-	42	-	D
Pakistan	9,974	3,362	1,165	4,330	2,126	1,076	1,128	1,018	13	14	72
Philippines	43,258	14,727	8,867	19,498	9,619	4,188	5,691	24	7	48	87
Qatar	143	18	39	46	38	4	4	D	36	D	D
Saudi Arabia	1,222	184	418	350	255	D	D	158	110	D	D
Singapore	1,188	102	597	409	350	32	27	5	70	-	5
Sri Lanka	1,077	101	203	232	144	D	D	37	502	D	-
Syria	2,052	538	134	808	474	109	225	556	11	D	D
Taiwan	7,193	2,640	1,108	2,223	1,340	274	609	D	1,195	10	D
Thailand	3,444	303	348	2,114	1,608	330	176	507	147	6	19
Turkey	3,332	102	422	1,540	1,257	121	162	292	961	D	D
United Arab Emirates	950	217	444	199	130	25	44	D	78	-	D
Vietnam	21,270	10,772	D	8,729	5,944	1,358	1,427	1,530	-	D	204
Yemen	1,490	252	D	1,018	479	520	19	50	154	-	D
Africa	45,640	2,609	2,548	17,295	10,843	3,628	2,824	7,198	15,758	72	160
Algeria	647	D	18	180	137	17	26	54	387	D	-
Angola	35	3	D	22	15	4	3	5	D	-	D
Benin	276	-	D	32	23	D	D	232	7	-	-
Botswana	65	D	13	28	19	D	D	8	15	-	-
Burkina Faso	66	D	5	55	46	9	-	D	D	-	-
Burundi	35	-	-	5	D	D	-	30	-	-	-
Cameroon	908	29	47	336	180	89	67	129	362	D	D
Cape Verde	731	268	5	447	152	191	104	D	-	D	8
Central African Republic	4	-	-	D	D	D	-	-	-	-	-
Chad	5	-	-	3	D	-	-	D	-	-	-
Comoros	D	-	D	D	D	-	-	-	-	-	-
Congo, Democratic Republic	67	D	D	11	10	-	D	51	D	-	-
Congo, Republic	346	4	21	78	37	28	13	66	177	-	-
Cote d'Ivoire	896	12	33	312	197	101	14	231	304	D	D
Djibouti	67	D	D	18	11	D	6	45	-	-	-
Egypt	3,936	466	235	1,443	1,002	153	288	851	910	9	22
Equatorial Guinea	D	-	-	D	D	-	-	D	-	-	-

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FISCAL YEAR 2003—Continued**

Region and country of last permanent residence	Total	Family-sponsored preferences	Employment-based preferences	Immediate relatives of U.S. citizens				Refugee and asylee adjustments	Diversity programs	Cancellation of removal	Other
				Total	Spouses	Children	Parents				
Eritrea	430	18	8	308	152	46	110	36	57	3	-
Ethiopia	5,977	210	44	1,595	772	437	386	834	3,287	4	3
Gabon	47	8	D	23	22	D	-	D	10	-	-
Gambia, The	352	19	13	180	138	30	12	125	D	9	D
Ghana	4,674	332	131	2,188	1,357	653	178	464	1,534	-	25
Guinea	34	D	-	26	8	15	3	5	D	-	-
Guinea-Bissau	550	7	4	123	92	20	11	403	7	3	3
Kenya	5,408	140	226	1,115	811	216	88	2,386	1,534	-	7
Lesotho	7	-	D	6	D	3	-	-	-	-	-
Liberia	1,082	95	36	301	108	130	63	264	378	D	D
Libya	51	3	D	38	28	7	3	D	6	D	-
Madagascar	29	6	6	14	9	D	D	-	3	-	-
Malawi	44	D	5	28	20	6	D	D	8	-	D
Mali	126	D	-	107	86	18	3	9	3	3	D
Mauritania	65	D	D	32	29	D	D	25	5	-	-
Mauritius	36	3	7	18	17	-	D	D	5	-	D
Morocco	2,973	69	71	1,235	1,031	72	132	6	1,586	-	6
Mozambique	22	3	-	17	12	4	D	D	-	-	-
Namibia	29	-	4	21	15	6	-	D	D	-	D
Niger	791	28	59	478	362	39	77	24	194	4	4
Nigeria	7,501	568	469	3,214	1,626	716	872	134	3,053	22	41
Rwanda	40	-	-	8	4	D	D	24	8	-	-
Senegal	569	8	24	382	265	109	8	92	57	-	6
Seychelles	18	3	-	14	10	D	D	D	-	-	-
Sierra Leone	698	69	27	446	185	178	83	91	62	D	D
Somalia	228	D	7	36	26	7	D	172	11	-	D
South Africa	2,097	76	864	875	637	95	143	9	267	-	6
Sudan	725	25	14	261	177	56	28	154	267	D	D
Swaziland	22	D	-	16	9	7	-	-	D	-	-
Tanzania	474	42	25	264	217	23	24	39	100	-	4
Togo	1,141	8	5	130	107	17	6	37	961	-	-
Tunisia	330	D	18	268	255	5	8	-	40	-	D
Uganda	419	D	21	235	189	32	14	92	56	D	D
Zambia	262	29	30	124	91	25	D	38	40	-	D
Zimbabwe	300	15	37	192	132	37	23	D	45	-	D
Oceania	5,102	641	991	2,850	2,352	299	199	21	583	D	15
Australia	2,502	175	709	1,454	1,291	135	28	D	146	-	11
Cook Islands	D	-	-	D	D	D	-	-	-	-	-
Fiji	1,070	304	17	404	266	31	107	13	332	-	-
French Polynesia	12	-	-	10	9	D	-	-	D	-	-
Kiribati	5	-	-	5	5	-	-	-	-	-	-
Marshall Islands	26	D	-	24	3	20	D	-	-	-	-
Micronesia, Federated States	3	-	-	3	3	-	-	-	-	-	-
New Caledonia	D	-	-	D	D	-	-	-	-	-	-
New Zealand	1,035	103	233	607	541	47	19	-	89	-	D
Palau	14	D	-	11	9	D	-	-	D	-	-
Papua New Guinea	41	5	20	10	10	-	-	-	D	-	D
Samoa	158	7	8	143	82	38	23	-	-	-	-
Solomon Islands	3	-	-	D	-	D	-	D	-	-	-
Tonga	227	44	D	171	128	22	D	-	7	D	-
Vanuatu	D	-	-	D	D	-	-	-	-	-	-

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Region and country of last permanent residence	Total	Family-sponsored preferences	Employment-based preferences	Immediate relatives of U.S. citizens				Refugee and asylee adjustments	Diversity programs	Cancellation of removal	Other
				Total	Spouses	Children	Parents				
North America	252,638	67,833	12,292	130,601	68,434	31,839	30,328	8,008	733	27,965	5,206
Canada	16,555	1,730	6,328	7,785	6,368	956	461	43	408	11	250
Greenland	4	D	-	D	D	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mexico	114,984	29,526	3,151	78,200	42,586	14,828	20,786	116	14	2,461	1,516
Caribbean	67,660	29,027	1,232	28,591	11,784	10,221	6,586	7,072	263	47	1,428
Anguilla	32	13	-	19	7	6	6	-	-	-	-
Antigua-Barbuda	351	184	D	154	88	38	28	-	-	-	D
Aruba	31	5	3	22	19	D	D	-	-	-	D
Bahamas, The	445	67	37	312	225	66	21	3	11	-	15
Barbados	568	167	68	325	195	98	32	-	D	D	5
Bermuda	122	17	22	80	60	17	3	-	3	-	-
British Virgin Islands	79	36	4	36	22	10	4	-	-	-	3
Cayman Islands	65	D	24	34	20	13	D	-	-	-	-
Cuba	8,722	924	16	876	347	309	220	6,581	200	5	120
Dominica	199	98	-	94	44	29	21	D	D	4	-
Dominican Republic	26,157	15,103	155	10,813	3,989	4,280	2,544	24	7	7	48
Grenada	452	182	D	256	147	88	21	D	-	-	D
Guadeloupe	40	18	D	21	13	5	D	-	-	-	-
Haiti	11,942	4,570	89	5,642	1,694	2,025	1,923	453	-	10	1,178
Jamaica	13,082	5,571	319	7,146	3,295	2,496	1,355	8	8	12	18
Martinique	9	D	D	D	D	D	-	-	-	-	-
Montserrat	30	12	-	17	12	3	D	-	-	D	-
Netherlands Antilles	96	18	26	49	30	9	10	D	-	-	D
St. Kitts-Nevis	301	165	7	126	59	41	26	-	D	D	-
St. Lucia	496	190	D	290	143	102	45	-	-	-	D
St. Vincent and the Grenadines	303	92	13	197	107	62	28	-	-	-	D
Trinidad and Tobago	4,110	1,583	408	2,055	1,248	518	289	-	27	6	31
Turks and Caicos Islands ..	28	3	-	21	16	3	D	-	D	-	3
Central America	53,435	7,547	1,581	16,024	7,695	5,834	2,495	777	48	25,446	2,012
Belize	618	162	21	409	241	113	55	D	D	12	10
Costa Rica	1,330	141	105	1,010	728	207	75	D	12	15	20
El Salvador	27,915	3,442	733	4,634	2,512	1,075	1,047	186	-	18,817	103
Guatemala	14,222	1,789	364	5,328	1,767	3,018	543	271	D	6,400	D
Honduras	4,594	1,293	230	2,767	1,384	947	436	99	9	169	27
Nicaragua	3,532	418	35	1,095	565	299	231	165	19	25	1,775
Panama	1,224	302	93	781	498	175	108	27	D	8	9
South America	54,155	11,981	4,829	33,778	20,372	7,086	6,320	1,523	1,538	168	338
Argentina	3,217	215	528	2,189	1,572	251	366	122	136	7	20
Bolivia	1,371	209	219	861	523	154	184	29	38	6	9
Brazil	6,131	301	1,318	4,259	3,341	645	273	42	165	8	38
Chile	1,269	149	132	909	659	141	109	65	D	D	7
Colombia	14,455	2,052	793	10,995	6,346	2,807	1,842	456	12	49	98
Ecuador	7,040	1,973	612	4,137	1,898	1,032	1,207	42	183	32	61
French Guiana	4	-	D	D	D	-	-	D	-	-	-
Guyana	6,383	4,440	70	1,847	750	499	598	5	17	D	D
Paraguay	224	27	39	153	109	25	19	D	-	D	D
Peru	9,203	2,132	531	5,202	3,070	920	1,212	435	778	50	75
Suriname	175	71	D	D	D	14	10	9	D	-	-
Uruguay	474	48	51	335	240	33	62	12	17	D	D
Venezuela	4,209	364	520	2,817	1,814	565	438	301	183	5	19
Unknown or not reported	9,410	518	2,558	2,857	2,178	394	285	1,651	276	484	1,066

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**TABLE 10. IMMIGRANT-ORPHANS ADOPTED BY U.S. CITIZENS BY GENDER,
AGE, AND REGION AND COUNTRY OF BIRTH
FISCAL YEAR 2003**

Region and country of birth	Total	Gender			Age			
		Male	Female	Unknown	Under 1 year	1-4 years	5-9 years	Over 9 years
All countries	21,320	7,435	13,884	1	9,728	8,853	1,680	1,059
Europe	7,652	3,694	3,958	-	2,067	3,934	1,028	623
Albania	7	D	D	-	-	4	-	3
Armenia	43	11	32	-	27	13	3	-
Azerbaijan	61	27	34	-	28	30	3	-
Belarus	187	86	101	-	41	109	24	13
Bosnia-Herzegovina	D	D	D	-	-	D	-	-
Bulgaria	196	87	109	-	3	154	24	15
Croatia	D	D	D	-	-	D	D	-
Czechoslovakia ¹	D	D	-	-	-	D	-	D
Estonia	13	8	5	-	-	D	6	D
Georgia	124	61	63	-	115	9	-	-
Greece	3	D	D	-	D	-	D	-
Hungary	17	7	10	-	D	11	D	3
Kazakhstan	819	389	430	-	270	355	138	56
Latvia	13	4	9	-	-	6	3	4
Lithuania	15	5	10	-	-	11	D	D
Moldova	12	7	5	-	D	9	D	-
Poland	92	46	46	-	D	35	36	19
Portugal	D	D	D	-	-	D	D	D
Romania	197	88	109	-	9	130	35	23
Russia	5,134	2,513	2,621	-	1,559	2,559	608	408
Serbia and Montenegro ²	7	3	4	-	D	D	-	-
Slovak Republic	D	-	D	-	-	-	-	D
Tajikistan	4	D	D	-	D	D	-	-
Ukraine	691	337	354	-	3	479	138	71
United Kingdom ³	4	D	D	-	D	D	D	-
Uzbekistan	D	D	D	-	-	D	-	D
Asia	10,018	1,990	8,028	-	5,519	4,000	328	171
Afghanistan	3	D	D	-	-	-	-	D
Bangladesh	9	D	D	-	6	-	D	D
Bhutan	D	-	D	-	D	-	-	-
Burma	D	-	D	-	-	-	-	D
Cambodia	143	62	81	-	D	105	30	D
China, People's Republic	6,638	313	6,325	-	3,262	3,206	140	30
Hong Kong	13	6	7	-	D	7	D	3
India	466	153	313	-	114	250	57	45
Indonesia	4	D	D	-	-	D	-	-
Iran	12	6	6	-	D	4	D	4
Japan	35	18	17	-	28	7	-	-
Jordan ⁴	10	7	3	-	5	D	-	D
Korea	1,793	1,026	767	-	1,683	97	7	6
Laos	D	D	-	-	-	D	-	-
Lebanon	7	4	3	-	7	-	-	-
Malaysia	D	D	-	-	D	-	-	-
Mongolia	26	13	13	-	3	23	-	-
Nepal	42	18	24	-	26	D	D	D
Pakistan	21	10	11	-	9	8	-	4
Philippines	218	107	111	-	12	113	47	46
Sri Lanka	6	D	D	-	3	D	D	-
Taiwan	104	56	48	-	62	30	9	3
Thailand	67	36	31	-	D	49	13	D
Turkey	D	-	D	-	-	-	D	D
Vietnam	393	143	250	-	283	75	17	18
Africa	417	190	227	-	59	146	108	104
Algeria	D	D	-	-	D	-	-	-
Burundi	D	D	-	-	-	D	-	-
Cameroon	7	4	3	-	-	-	D	D
Congo, Republic	6	3	3	-	-	-	3	3
Cote d'Ivoire	3	-	3	-	-	-	D	D

See footnotes at end of table.

**TABLE 10. IMMIGRANT-ORPHANS ADOPTED BY U.S. CITIZENS BY GENDER,
AGE, AND REGION AND COUNTRY OF BIRTH
FISCAL YEAR 2003—Continued**

Region and country of birth	Total	Gender			Age			
		Male	Female	Unknown	Under 1 year	1-4 years	5-9 years	Over 9 years
Egypt	D	-	D	-	-	D	-	-
Eritrea	6	D	D	-	-	D	D	3
Ethiopia	166	75	91	-	18	50	60	38
Ghana	6	5	D	-	-	3	D	D
Kenya	33	11	22	-	7	12	5	9
Liberia	22	11	11	-	D	7	D	8
Madagascar	3	D	D	-	D	D	-	-
Malawi	3	-	3	-	-	D	D	-
Morocco	8	5	3	-	D	4	-	-
Mozambique	D	D	D	-	-	D	-	-
Nigeria	46	24	22	-	D	22	D	11
Rwanda	D	-	D	-	-	D	-	-
Senegal	D	-	D	-	D	-	-	-
Seychelles	D	-	D	-	-	-	-	D
Sierra Leone	56	25	31	-	-	27	21	8
South Africa	26	12	14	-	14	7	D	D
Sudan	6	D	D	-	D	-	D	D
Tanzania	D	D	D	-	-	D	-	-
Uganda	3	D	D	-	-	D	D	-
Zambia	4	D	D	-	-	-	D	D
Zimbabwe	3	D	D	-	-	-	-	3
Oceania	52	21	31	-	22	17	12	D
American Samoa	5	D	D	-	D	D	D	-
Fiji	D	D	-	-	D	-	D	-
Marshall Islands	6	D	D	-	6	-	-	-
Micronesia, Federated States	D	D	-	-	-	D	-	-
Northern Mariana Islands	D	D	-	-	-	-	D	-
Samoa	37	14	23	-	13	14	D	D
North America	2,773	1,348	1,424	1	1,830	672	162	109
Mexico	67	33	34	-	26	19	11	11
Caribbean	325	127	198	-	29	153	72	71
Antigua-Barbuda	D	-	D	-	-	-	-	D
Bahamas, The	D	D	-	-	-	-	D	-
Barbados	D	D	-	-	-	-	-	D
Dominican Republic	25	10	15	-	D	D	D	8
Grenada	D	D	D	-	-	-	-	D
Haiti	246	96	150	-	21	133	60	32
Jamaica	39	14	25	-	D	9	D	22
St. Lucia	D	D	D	-	-	D	-	D
St. Vincent and the Grenadines	3	D	D	-	-	D	D	-
Trinidad and Tobago	5	D	D	-	-	-	D	4
Central America	2,381	1,188	1,192	1	1,775	500	79	27
Belize	12	7	5	-	-	6	D	D
Costa Rica	3	D	D	-	D	D	-	-
El Salvador	6	D	D	-	D	D	3	-
Guatemala	2,327	1,163	1,163	1	1,766	480	65	16
Honduras	13	6	7	-	D	D	4	4
Nicaragua	8	D	D	-	D	3	D	D
Panama	12	8	4	-	4	4	D	D
South America	406	192	214	-	231	82	42	51
Bolivia	7	D	D	-	3	4	-	-
Brazil	30	14	16	-	6	8	7	9
Chile	9	D	D	-	-	D	D	4
Colombia	275	134	141	-	206	29	23	17
Ecuador	44	24	20	-	14	26	D	D
Guyana	22	6	16	-	D	D	6	13
Paraguay	D	D	-	-	-	D	-	-
Peru	15	9	6	-	D	D	D	7
Venezuela	3	-	3	-	-	3	-	-
Unknown or not reported	D	-	D	-	-	D	-	-

¹ Data are for unknown republic only; independent republics shown separately. See Notice of Special Geographic Definitions. ² Yugoslavia (unknown republic) prior to February 7, 2003. See Notice of Special Geographic Definitions. ³ Includes Northern Ireland. ⁴ Palestine included in unknown.
- Represents zero. D Disclosure standards not met.

**TABLE 11. IMMIGRANTS ADMITTED BY STATE OF INTENDED RESIDENCE
FISCAL YEARS 1995-2003**

State of intended residence	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
Total	720,461	915,900	798,378	654,451	646,568	849,807	1,064,318	1,063,732	705,827
Alabama	1,900	1,782	1,613	1,608	1,275	1,904	2,257	2,570	1,693
Alaska	1,049	1,280	1,060	1,008	1,058	1,374	1,401	1,564	1,196
Arizona	7,700	8,900	8,632	6,211	8,667	11,980	16,362	17,719	11,001
Arkansas	934	1,494	1,428	914	940	1,596	2,572	2,535	1,911
California	166,482	201,529	203,305	170,126	161,247	217,753	282,957	291,216	176,375
Colorado	7,713	8,895	7,506	6,513	6,984	8,216	12,494	12,060	10,713
Connecticut	9,240	10,874	9,528	7,780	7,887	11,346	12,148	11,243	8,296
Delaware	1,051	1,377	1,148	1,063	1,026	1,570	1,850	1,862	1,490
District of Columbia	3,047	3,784	3,373	2,377	2,134	2,542	3,043	2,723	2,497
Florida	62,023	79,461	82,318	59,965	57,484	98,391	104,715	90,819	52,969
Georgia	12,381	12,608	12,623	10,445	9,404	14,778	19,431	20,555	10,805
Hawaii	7,537	8,436	6,867	5,465	4,299	6,056	6,313	5,503	4,907
Idaho	1,612	1,825	1,447	1,504	1,906	1,922	2,296	2,236	1,692
Illinois	33,898	42,517	38,128	33,163	36,971	36,180	48,296	47,235	32,488
Indiana	3,590	4,692	3,892	3,981	3,557	4,128	6,010	6,853	5,255
Iowa	2,260	3,037	2,766	1,655	1,780	3,052	5,029	5,591	3,425
Kansas	2,434	4,303	2,829	3,184	3,263	4,582	4,030	4,508	3,811
Kentucky	1,857	2,019	1,939	2,017	1,537	2,989	4,548	4,681	3,047
Louisiana	3,000	4,092	3,319	2,193	2,048	3,016	3,778	3,199	2,221
Maine	814	1,028	817	709	568	1,133	1,186	1,269	999
Maryland	15,055	20,732	19,090	15,561	15,605	17,705	22,060	23,751	17,813
Massachusetts	20,523	23,085	17,317	15,869	15,180	23,483	28,965	31,615	20,184
Michigan	14,135	17,253	14,727	13,943	13,650	16,773	21,528	21,787	13,546
Minnesota	8,111	8,977	8,233	6,981	5,956	8,671	11,166	13,522	8,435
Mississippi	757	1,073	1,118	701	698	1,083	1,340	1,155	730
Missouri	3,990	5,690	4,190	3,588	4,171	6,053	7,616	8,610	6,179
Montana	409	449	375	299	309	493	488	422	456
Nebraska	1,831	2,150	2,270	1,267	1,439	2,230	3,850	3,657	2,836
Nevada	4,306	5,874	6,541	6,106	8,305	7,827	9,618	9,499	6,369
New Hampshire	1,186	1,512	1,143	1,010	999	2,001	2,595	3,009	1,873
New Jersey	39,729	63,303	41,184	35,091	34,095	40,013	59,920	57,721	40,818
New Mexico	2,758	5,780	2,610	2,199	2,445	3,973	5,207	3,399	2,342
New York	128,406	154,095	123,716	96,559	96,979	106,061	114,116	114,827	89,661
North Carolina	5,617	7,011	5,935	6,415	5,792	9,251	13,918	12,910	9,479
North Dakota	483	606	535	472	314	420	558	776	332
Ohio	8,585	10,237	8,189	7,697	6,855	9,263	14,725	13,875	9,805
Oklahoma	2,792	3,511	3,157	2,273	2,376	4,586	3,492	4,229	2,394
Oregon	4,923	7,554	7,699	5,909	5,233	8,543	9,638	12,125	6,968
Pennsylvania	15,065	16,938	14,553	11,942	13,514	18,148	21,441	19,473	14,638
Rhode Island	2,609	3,098	2,543	1,976	2,058	2,526	2,820	3,067	2,495
South Carolina	2,165	2,151	2,446	2,125	1,773	2,267	2,882	2,966	1,946
South Dakota	495	519	490	356	356	465	671	902	488
Tennessee	3,392	4,343	4,357	2,806	2,584	4,882	6,257	5,694	3,373
Texas	49,963	83,385	57,897	44,428	49,393	63,840	86,315	88,365	53,592
Utah	2,831	4,250	2,840	3,360	3,564	3,710	5,247	4,889	3,174
Vermont	535	654	627	513	497	810	954	1,007	554
Virginia	16,319	21,375	19,277	15,686	15,144	20,087	26,876	25,411	19,781
Washington	15,862	18,833	18,656	16,920	13,046	18,486	23,085	25,704	18,017
West Virginia	540	583	418	375	392	573	737	636	485
Wisconsin	4,919	3,607	3,175	3,724	3,043	5,057	8,477	6,498	4,378
Wyoming	252	280	252	159	253	248	308	281	259
U.S. territories and possessions									
Guam	2,419	2,820	2,083	1,835	1,729	1,556	1,722	1,698	1,363
Marshall Islands	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Northern Mariana Islands	171	176	103	103	150	122	113	138	53
Puerto Rico	7,160	8,560	4,884	3,251	3,048	2,649	3,459	3,071	3,120
U.S. Virgin Islands	1,511	1,384	1,110	979	1,480	1,328	1,327	994	974
Armed Services Posts	-	-	-	88	105	116	96	100	118
Other or unknown	135	119	100	4	3	-	15	8	7

- Represents zero.

4. REFUGEES

This section presents information on persons who are admitted to the United States because of persecution abroad, including the number and characteristics of persons applying, approved, arriving, and adjusting to lawful permanent resident status.

A *refugee is an alien outside the United States who is unable or unwilling to return to his or her country of nationality because of persecution or a well-founded fear of persecution on account of race, religion, nationality, membership in a particular social group, or political opinion.* (See Glossary.) This definition of refugee is set forth in 101(a)(42) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (INA), as amended by the Refugee Act of 1980, and generally conforms to the international definition of refugee found in the 1951 Convention relating to the Status of Refugees. In addition, the INA allows the President to designate certain nationalities who may be processed for refugee status within their homelands.

The September 11 terrorist attacks

The terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001 continued to have a lagging effect on the number of refugee approvals in fiscal year 2003 (61 percent below fiscal year 2001 level) and admissions (59 percent below fiscal year 2001 level). Approvals continued to be slowed by enhanced security procedures for the applicants, as well as by safety concerns that delayed the arrival of adjudicators. Admissions remained well below fiscal year 2001 levels because safety concerns prevented refugee processing at some overseas locations and security requirements postponed the travel of already-approved applicants.

U.S. Refugee Program

The United States has resettled refugees for more than 50 years. The Displaced Persons Act of 1948 brought 400,000 Eastern Europeans to the United States. Between 1953 and 1956, the Refugee Relief Act resulted in more than 200,000 arrivals from what were then “Iron Curtain” countries. These early programs relied on immigrant visa channels to bring refugees to the United States. Beginning with the Soviet invasion of Hungary in 1956, however, U.S. refugee programs began to rely increasingly on the Attorney General’s parole authority, culminating in the parole of several hundred thousand

Indochinese following the fall of South Vietnam in 1975. It was not until the enactment of the Refugee Act of 1980 that refugees entered the United States in a statutory status that met for the first time the generally accepted international definition of refugee.

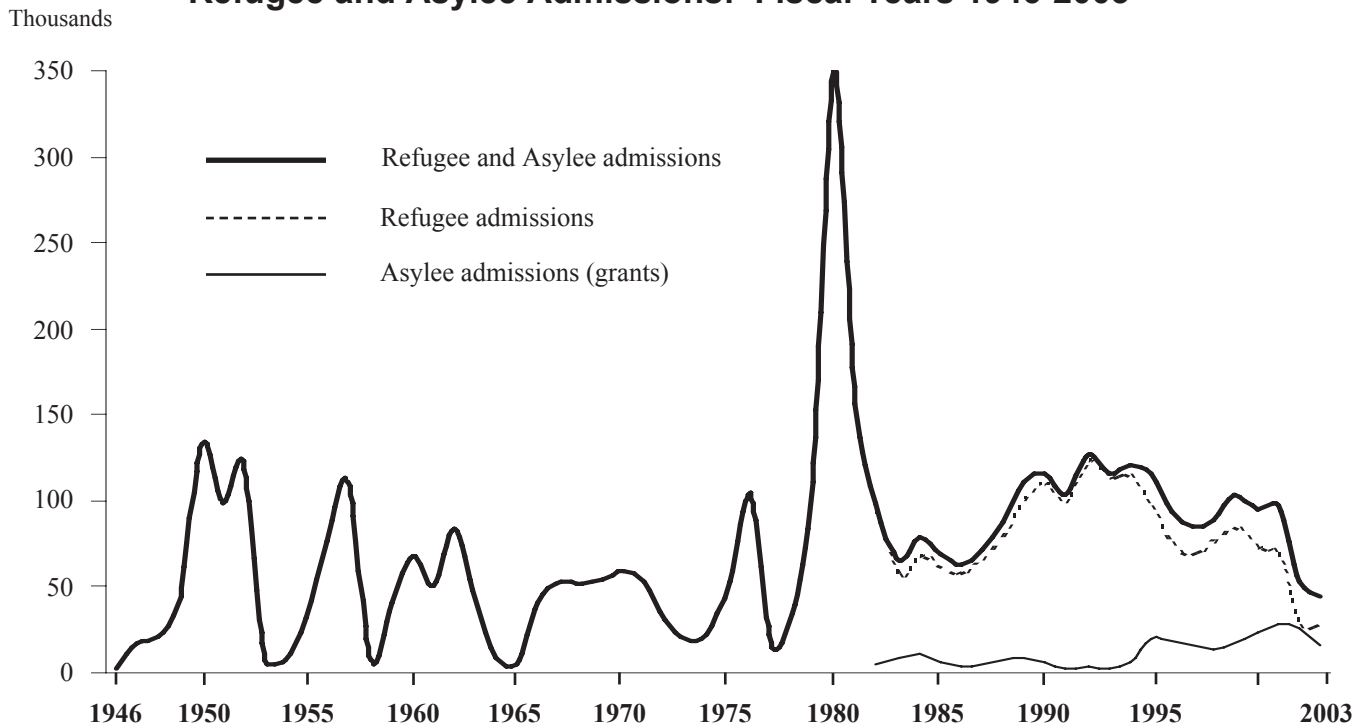
Chart C depicts initial refugee and asylee admissions for the period 1946-2003. The chart shows the very irregular trend of these admissions throughout the period. To aid in interpreting the chart, Table D lists the major legislation and events affecting the flow of refugees and asylees. Prior to 1980, refugee and asylee arrivals fluctuated widely. Refugee and asylee admissions skyrocketed to unprecedented levels in 1981 before returning to levels generally both higher and more stable than prior to 1980. Since 1980, refugee admissions have been subject to annual admission ceilings.

Admission ceilings

At the beginning of each fiscal year, the President, after consultation with the Congress, sets a worldwide refugee admissions ceiling. During the year, an unforeseen emergency may require an increase in this overall limit on refugee admissions or changed circumstances cause a reallocation of the geographic or regional subceilings within the worldwide ceiling. For fiscal year 2003, the admissions subceilings were as follows:

Geographic region of origin	Initial ceiling	Final ceiling
Total	70,000	70,000
Africa	20,000	20,000
East Asia	4,000	4,000
Europe	16,500	16,500
Latin America / Caribbean	2,500	2,500
Near East / South Asia	7,000	7,000
Unallocated	20,000	20,000

Chart C
Refugee and Asylee Admissions: Fiscal Years 1946-2003



NOTE: In this chart, admissions of asylees means grants of asylum. See Glossary for fiscal year definitions.
Source: Tables 14, 15, and 18.

Table D
Major Legislation and Events Affecting the Flow of Refugees and Asylees

1949-53	Displaced Persons Act	1989	Lautenberg Amendment for the Soviet Union, Cambodia, Laos, Vietnam
1954-57	Refugee Relief Act	1989	Direct access of Poles and Hungarians to U.S. Refugee Program ended
1956-58	Hungarians paroled	1989-96	Comprehensive Plan of Action-South East Asia
1959	Hungarian adjustments began	1990	Direct access of Czechs to U.S. Refugee Program ended
1959-80	Cubans paroled	1991	Asylum Officer Corps established
1966-80	Refugee conditional entrants	1991-92	Haitian migrants processed at Guantanamo naval base
1967	Cuban adjustments began	1991-95	In-country refugees processed in Haiti
1970-80	Refugee-Parolees admitted	1992	Processing of Bosnian refugee applicants began
1975-80	Indochinese refugees paroled	1994	Direct registration for Orderly Departure Program ended
1978-84	Indochinese Refugee Adjustment Act	1994	U.S.-Cuban Migration Agreement (legal immigration expanded)
1979	Orderly Departure Program initiated	1994-96	Cuban/Haitian safehaven at Guantanamo naval base
1980	Refugee-Parolee adjustments	1995	U.S.-Cuban Migration Agreement (irregular migrants returned)
1980	Refugee Act (adjustments and admissions began)	1995	Asylum reform initiative implemented to streamline process
1980	Marief boatlift	1996	Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act
1984	In-country refugee program opened in Cuba but subsequently suspended	1996	Operation Quick Transit (Iraqi Kurds in Guam)
1984-87	Marief adjustments	1999	Processing of Kosovar Albanian refugee applicants began
1987	In-country refugee program in Cuba resumed	2001	Processing of Colombian refugee applicants in Ecuador began
1987	In-country refugee interviews in Vietnam began	2001	Enhanced security checks introduced (in wake of September 11, 2001 terrorist attacks)
1989	In-country program in Moscow opened for Soviet Refugee Applicants		

Table E
Refugee-Status Applications Filed and Approved by Top 20 Nationalities
Fiscal Year 2003

Nationality	Refugee applications filed	Refugee applications approved
All nationalities	42,705	25,329
Ukraine	7,654	4,612
Cuba.....	4,963	1,599
Somalia.....	3,739	1,331
Ethiopia	2,937	1,311
Russia	2,895	1,894
Moldova.....	2,606	1,575
Sierra Leone	2,237	1,430
Vietnam	2,032	1,772
Bosnia-Herzegovina	1,819	1,145
Iran.....	1,784	1,755
Sudan.....	1,739	1,609
Afghanistan	1,318	1,031
Belarus.....	1,228	737
Azerbaijan	1,131	907
Liberia	1,124	981
Iraq.....	759	147
Uzbekistan.....	419	280
Kazakhstan	417	255
Congo, Democratic Republic	353	90
Burma.....	242	227
Other.....	1,309	641

¹ Data are for unknown republic and exclude independent republics. See Notice of Special Geographic Definitions. Source: Table 13.

The authorized ceiling remained unchanged at 70,000. The unallocated and unfunded reserve of admissions numbers placed in the 2003 ceiling was 20,000 to be used if needed and if funding to support these admissions could be found within existing Department of State and Health and Human Services appropriations.

The regional subceiling for East Asia includes certain Vietnamese Amerasians, who enter the United States with immigrant visas. Although these aliens are immigrants rather than refugees, they are included in the refugee ceiling since they are eligible for refugee benefits in the United States. Only 116 Amerasians, including their family members, entered the United States in fiscal year 2003. They are included in the immigrant rather than the refugee tables in the

Statistical Yearbook. Admissions under the Amerasian program are declining, since most of the eligible persons have already been identified and entered the United States.

Criteria for refugee status

During fiscal year 2003, refugees were interviewed and approved for admission to the United States by officers stationed overseas and domestic asylum offices on temporary assignment. To qualify for admission to the United States as a refugee, each applicant must meet all of the following criteria: be a refugee as set forth in section 101(a)(42) of the INA; be of special humanitarian concern to the United States; be admissible under the INA; and not be firmly resettled in any foreign country. Spouses and minor children of qualifying refugees may derive status

and also enter the United States as refugees, either accompanying or following to join the principal refugee. Occasionally, family members arrive in the United States as nonimmigrants independently of the principal refugee's admission. In such cases, they are processed for derivative refugee status without leaving the country. In 2003, 25 persons entered the United States this way.

Data Overview

Applications (Tables E, 12-13)

The number of applications for refugee status filed with U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) decreased by approximately 52 percent between fiscal year 2002 (89,700) and 2003 (42,700) (Table 12). The leading countries of chargeability of the applicants were Ukraine with 18 percent of the applications, Cuba (12), Somalia (9), Ethiopia (7), and Russia (7) (Table E and Table 13). Among the nationalities on Table E with at least 1,000 applications filed, the largest percentage increases in 2003 over 2002 were Moldova (1,775), Azerbaijan (528) and Belarus (124). The largest percentage decreases in applications filed were by nationals of Liberia (-92), Somalia (-85), and Ethiopia (-80). The corresponding increase for nationals of the former Soviet Union was 131 percent. Overall, among the major geographic regions of chargeability, applications filed by nationals from Europe increased by 46 percent in contrast to North America, Asia and Africa which decreased 23, 30 and 80 percent, respectively compared to 2002.

Approvals (Tables E, 12-14)

The total number of refugees approved for admission to the United States increased by 36 percent in 2003 from 18,700 in 2002 to 25,300 (Table 12). However, the number in 2003 was still less than half of the 2001 level. The large decline since 2001 has been due in part to the implementation of enhanced security measures in the U.S. Refugee Program following the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001. Concerns about the safety of U.S. government officials also delayed the processing of refugees at several overseas locations.

Ukraine had the most applications approved, growing 185 percent in 2003 over 2002. Nationals from the republics of the former Soviet Union had nearly 10,500 applications approved in 2003 (Table 13), up 232 percent over 2002. Besides Ukraine, other leading countries were Russia, Vietnam, and Iran. These countries plus the republics of the former Soviet Union accounted for 63 percent of all refugee approvals in 2003.

Of the twelve countries with more than 1,000 approvals, Ukraine grew the most in approvals in 2003 with a gain of 2,900 over 2002, and Ethiopia declined the most with a loss of nearly 2,600 approvals. In relative terms, Moldova was noteworthy for its growth in approvals from fewer than 50 in 2002 to almost 1,600 in 2003.

All Vietnamese refugee processing centers outside Vietnam were closed at the end of 1997. Residents of former refugee camps were returned to Vietnam. Their cases are processed through a special program called the Resettlement Opportunity for Vietnamese Returnees (ROVR) in Vietnam.

Dependents

Refugee statistics include spouses and children who are cleared to join principal refugees already in the United States. These spouses and children count against the annual ceiling. Overall, 3 percent of the applications and 2 percent of the approvals were family reunification cases. Just three countries—Somalia, Iraq, and Cuba—account for 60 percent of the applications and 36 percent of the approvals.

More than 28,000 refugees arrived in the United States during 2003.

Arrivals (Tables 14-15)

Refugee arrivals into the United States increased slightly from nearly 27,000 in fiscal year 2002 to 28,300 in fiscal year 2003. The historically low level of arrivals occurred primarily because of the lingering effects of the September 11 attacks. In particular, security concerns precluded refugee processing at a number of overseas locations and new security requirements delayed the travel of already approved refugee applicants.

Understanding the Data

Data Collection

U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services collects data on refugees at three points during processing: when they apply for refugee status abroad; when they are admitted to the United States; and when they adjust to lawful permanent resident status. The USCIS overseas offices collect data on applicants for refugee status. Each office completes Form G-319, *Report of Applicants for Refugee*

Status under Section 207, which reports refugee casework by the country to which each applicant is chargeable.

Both the Bureau for Population, Refugees, and Migration (PRM) (Department of State) and the Office of Refugee Resettlement (Department of Health and Human Services) collect data on refugees admitted to the United States. The PRM collects data through the International Organization for Migration, which is a nongovernmental organization that arranges the transportation of refugees to the United States. The Office of Refugee Resettlement, responsible for the disbursement of funds for refugee benefits, collects detailed data on the characteristics of refugees at the time they are initially admitted to the United States.

The USCIS collects data on refugees adjusting to lawful permanent resident status as part of its immigrant data series gathered by the Computer Linked Application Information Management Systems (CLAIMS). The data collected include demographic variables as well as immigration-oriented variables (see Immigrants section). The adjustment stage is the only point in the refugee

process where the USCIS collects detailed information about the characteristics of refugees.

Limitations of Data

After careful consideration of the reporting requirements and limitations of data collected by the INS, it was decided that beginning in 1996 the *Statistical Yearbook* would present refugee arrival statistics from the Department of State. This source counts the actual number of refugees arriving in the United States in each fiscal year. Comparison of refugee arrival data from editions of the *Yearbook* prior to 1996 with the present edition must be made with caution. From 1987 to 1995 refugee arrival data presented in the *Yearbook* were derived from the INS's Nonimmigrant Information System (NIIS). This system compiles refugee arrival data by country of citizenship on a monthly basis from DHS Form I-94, *Arrival/Departure Record* (see Nonimmigrants section). However, since this system records each entry of a person with nonimmigrant status, a refugee traveling abroad and returning to the United States may be counted more than once during a fiscal year.

Refugee detailed tables are located at the end of the Asylées text section.

5. ASYLEES

This section presents information on persons who come to the United States to seek asylum from persecution abroad, including the number and characteristics of persons who filed, were granted asylum, and adjusted to lawful permanent resident status.

An asylee is an alien in the United States who is *unable or unwilling to return to his or her country of nationality because of persecution or a well-founded fear of persecution.* (See Glossary.) An asylee must meet the same criteria as a refugee; the only difference is the location of the person upon application—the potential asylee is in the United States or applying for admission at a port of entry, and the potential refugee is outside the United States. The Immigration and Nationality Act, as amended by the Refugee Act of 1980, regulates U.S. asylum policy as well as governing refugee procedures. The Act, for the first time, established a statutory basis for granting asylum in the United States consistent with the 1951 Convention Relating to the Status of Refugees.

The September 11 terrorists attacks

The attacks resulted in an immediate decline in applications filed. Additional security checks were implemented since September 11. Cases could not be approved until the checks were completed.

U.S. Asylum Program

Filing of claims

Any alien physically present in the United States or at a port of entry may request asylum in the United States. According to the Refugee Act, current immigration status, whether legal or illegal, is not relevant to an applicant's asylum claim. Aliens may apply for asylum in one of two ways: with an USCIS asylum officer; or, if apprehended, with an immigration judge as part of a removal hearing. Traditionally, aliens who appeared at ports of entry without proper documents and requested asylum were referred for exclusion hearings; however, the Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act (IIRIRA) of 1996 made major revisions to the procedure, effective on April 1, 1997. Under the new law, such aliens are referred to asylum officers for credible fear interviews. These interviews are not formal asylum hearings. The purpose of

the interviews is to determine whether aliens have credible fear of persecution or torture and are thus eligible to apply for asylum or withholding of removal before an immigration judge. In credible fear interviews, aliens only need to show that there is a significant possibility that they might establish eligibility for asylum. To be granted asylum, aliens must show they have been persecuted in the past or have a well-founded fear of persecution. An alien may request that an immigration judge review a negative determination by the USCIS on a credible fear claim. The data reported in this section pertain only to asylum cases filed with USCIS asylum officers. Aliens denied asylum by the USCIS may renew asylum claims with an immigration judge once they are in removal proceedings.

Adjudication of claims

On April 2, 1991 the Asylum Officer Corps (AOC) assumed responsibility within the INS (now USCIS) for the adjudication of asylum claims that were filed with the agency. Before that date, examiners had heard such claims in INS district offices. During fiscal year 2003, asylum officers worked from eight sites in the United States—Arlington (VA), Chicago, Houston, Los Angeles, Miami, New York City, Newark (NJ), and San Francisco. Asylum officers traveled to other USCIS offices to interview applicants who did not live near these locations.

In January 1995 the INS published regulations designed to streamline the asylum decision process, discourage the filing of frivolous claims, and in cases of claims that do not appear to meet the standards for granting asylum, integrate the work of asylum officers with the work of the immigration judges in the Executive Office for Immigration Review (EOIR), an independent Justice Department agency.

Under asylum reform, the USCIS standard is to conduct the asylum interview within 43 days after the claim is filed, and to identify and grant those cases that have merit

(generally in 60 days from the date of filing the application). If the USCIS asylum officer does not grant the claim, the applicant is referred immediately for removal proceedings before EOIR (unless the alien is still in a legal status). The immigration judge may grant the claim or may issue a denial and an order of removal. Under this system, USCIS asylum officers issue relatively few denials, but an interview followed by a referral to EOIR represents the asylum officer's judgment that the application is not readily grantable. USCIS will issue a denial (and cannot refer the case) when the applicant is still in a legal status. An applicant who fails without good cause to keep a scheduled appointment for an asylum interview is referred immediately to EOIR for removal proceedings, one type of case closure.

Beginning in 1997, the AOC also began conducting credible fear interviews as required by IIRIRA and interviewing applicants for refugee status at USCIS overseas locations.

More than 46,200 applications for asylum in the United States were received during 2003.

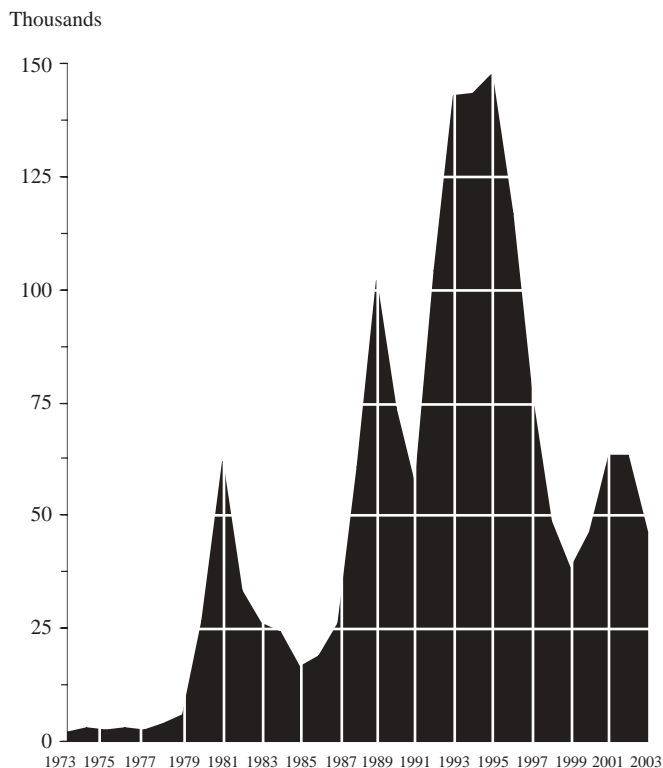
Data Overview

Applications filed (Chart D, Tables 16, 18)

The annual number of asylum applications (cases) filed with the USCIS has fluctuated greatly since the effective date of the Refugee Act of 1980, as shown in Chart D. In fiscal year 2003, 46,272 asylum cases were filed or reopened (received) covering 61,660 principals, spouses, and children. The number of cases decreased by 27 percent in 2003 from 63,197 in 2002 (Table 16) while the number of individuals included in these cases dropped in 2003 by 29 percent.

In fiscal year 2003, 42,114 new claims (cases) for asylum were filed with USCIS. Principals from the People's Republic of China made the most new claims (4,750), followed by Colombia (4,547), Mexico (3,846), and Haiti (3,276) (Table 18). New claims in 2003 grew the most from Indonesia (1,204), Guatemala (1,123), and Venezuela (635). The largest declines in new claims were experienced by nationals of the People's Republic of China

Chart D
Asylum Applications Received by the USCIS
Fiscal Years 1973-2003



NOTE: See Chart C in the Refugee section for asylum applications granted. See Glossary for fiscal year definitions. Source: Table 16.

(-5,772), Mexico (-5,131), and Colombia (-3,420). Principals from the former Soviet Union filed 2,866 new claims, 21 percent fewer than in 2002—32 percent were nationals from Armenia and 25 percent from Russia.

A male was the principal in 62 percent (26,102) of the new claims filed in 2003. The median and mean ages of asylum applicants were 33 and 34, respectively. Females had median and mean ages of 33 and 35, respectively, while the corresponding numbers for males were 33 and 34.

A total of 4,915 asylum cases were reopened in 2003 (including 757 cases that were both new and reopened during the year). The number of reopened cases in fiscal year 2003 was 20 percent less than the number of cases reopened in 2002. Cases that were administratively closed are automatically reopened when aliens apply for renewal of their employment authorization. These reopened cases

were applications filed prior to the asylum reforms of 1995, where the cases were administratively closed due to a failure to appear for the asylum interview. An interview is automatically rescheduled at the same time the cases are reopened.

With respect to principals, spouses, and children on applications filed (new and reopened) during 2003, the largest increases were from Indonesia (1,680) and Venezuela (1,306). On the other hand, nationals from Mexico (-8,205), Colombia (-6,749), and the People's Republic of China (-6,446) experienced the largest decreases. About 57 percent of all individuals involved in new or reopened claims were male.

Trends in asylum applications filed by nationals from Central America

For over a decade, nationals from Central America dominated the annual number of asylum applications filed in the United States. From 1986 to 1992, Central Americans filed about half of all asylum applications. By 1993 and 1994 that percentage had fallen to about 40 percent of total applications filed. Then, the number of applicants from Central America surged to new heights in the next two years, with well over half of all asylum applicants. Beginning in 1997, the numbers started a sharp decline largely due to the termination of the filing period under the terms of the American Baptist Churches (ABC) *vs.* Thornburgh settlement. As a result, Central American principals accounted for only about 6 percent of new claims and 7 percent of claims filed and reopened in 2003.

During the 1990s, the trend in asylum claims filed or reopened from Central America has been driven in large part by ABC cases. Under the terms of this 1991 class action lawsuit settlement agreement [American Baptist Churches *vs.* Thornburgh, 760 F. Supp. 796 (N.D. Cal. 1991)], many nationals of El Salvador and Guatemala were allowed to file or renew their claims for asylum. Nationals of Guatemala had a filing deadline of March 31, 1992, which was the peak year for claims from this country (although the INS allowed them to file until January 3, 1995). The 187,000 Salvadorans who had registered for Temporary Protected Status (TPS) in 1991 became eligible to file for asylum at the expiration of their TPS period in 1992. They were later granted additional time under deferred enforced departure periods that extended until December 1994, and they ultimately had until January 31, 1996 to apply for asylum under the ABC agreement. The

number of ABC claims filed by principals from El Salvador surged during fiscal year 1996 before the filing deadline. These claims are heard under the pre-reform regulations as well as other stipulations of the settlement agreement. Applications filed after the ABC filing deadline were processed as reform filings, except those ABC cases that were closed by the EOIR or federal courts and were not previously filed with the INS. Under the settlement, once USCIS identifies the latter cases, they are treated as ABC filings instead of reform filings. During fiscal year 2003, 660 cases were identified as either filed or reopened as ABC cases, compared with 476 in 2002.

On November 19, 1997 the Nicaraguan Adjustment and Central American Relief Act (NACARA) was signed into law. Section 203 of the NACARA permits certain Guatemalans, Salvadorans, and nationals of former Soviet bloc countries to apply for suspension of deportation or special rule cancellation of removal under the more generous standards in effect before the 1996 immigration law. Individuals granted relief under NACARA 203 are permitted to remain in the United States as lawful permanent resident aliens. All persons eligible for ABC benefits with asylum applications pending with the USCIS, also are eligible to apply for the NACARA benefits with the USCIS Asylum Program. Certain qualifying family members also may apply for NACARA benefits. In fiscal year 2003, 11,464 applications were filed under NACARA 203 provisions compared to 17,601 in 2002. There were 27,527 cases granted and 48,282 pending applications at the end of the fiscal year compared to about 21,325 and 66,871, respectively, in 2002.

Cases completed (Tables 16, 18, 19)

During fiscal year 2003, the Asylum Officer Corps completed work on 87,516 claims and adjudicated about 45 percent (39,456) of them (Table 16). The remaining 55 percent were administratively closed or referred to an immigration judge with or without an interview prior to the expiration of the filing deadline. The number of cases approved in 2003 was 11,434, representing 29 percent of the cases adjudicated. The corresponding approval rate was 36 percent in 2002. The cases approved represented 15,470 individuals—principals, spouses, and children (Tables 18 and 19). The number of individuals accounted for by the cases approved were in rank order by nationality: Colombia (2,990 individuals granted), the People's Republic of China (2,410), Haiti (1,160), and Cameroon (823) (Table 18).

Special procedures exist for adjudicating cases based on coercive population control. Section 601 of the IIRIRA stipulates that a person qualifies as a refugee or asylee persecuted for political opinion if forced to undergo, has a well founded fear of being compelled to undergo, or resists a coercive population-control procedure. It sets a combined annual ceiling of 1,000 persons who may be granted refugee or asylee status under this provision. Both USCIS and Executive Office for Immigration Review (EOIR) grant conditional asylee status to qualified applicants each year under this provision—status that is not subject to the 1,000 annual ceiling (as of the end of fiscal year 2003, 2,353 and 15,091 conditional grants were issued by USCIS and EOIR together for fiscal year 2003 and since the program began, respectively). At the beginning of a new fiscal year, the USCIS Asylum Division issues 1,000 final grants—counted toward the annual ceiling of the previous year—to those who have received a conditional asylee status from either agency in previous fiscal years. The selection criterion for final grants is the date of the conditional grants. Those who received their conditional grants earlier would receive their final grants first. By the end of fiscal year 2003, USCIS completed the issuance of the 1,000 fiscal year 2003 final approval authorization numbers for final grants of asylum status. The 1,000 conditional grants went to 245, 702, and 53 individuals who received their grants from USCIS, immigration judges, and Board of Immigration Appeals, respectively. The People's Republic of China was the country of origin of all grants. No one was granted refugee status in fiscal year 2003 based on coercive population-control measures.

Cases pending

The number of asylum cases pending adjudication decreased about 14 percent between the beginning (306,000) and the end (265,000) of fiscal year 2003. Of total pending cases, approximately 224,000 will potentially qualify the asylum applicants for lawful permanent resident status under NACARA or the Haitian Refugee Immigration Fairness Act (HRIFA) of 1998. Cases filed by nationals of El Salvador (48 percent of total pending) and Guatemala (32) accounted for 80 percent of the pending cases as of the end of September 2003. The ABC cases, which can be handled under the NACARA provisions, comprised 98 percent of the Salvadoran and 93 percent of Guatemalan cases filed, and 77 percent of all pending cases as of the end of September 2003. Almost 6,600 Nicaraguan and 1,300 Cuban nationals with pending cases also will be eligible for NACARA benefits. Not more than 8,600

Haitian nationals with pending cases are eligible for benefits under HRIFA.

Credible fear interviews

During fiscal year 2003, 5,367 aliens appeared at ports of entry without proper documents and requested asylum. Most of these aliens were subsequently referred to asylum officers for credible fear interviews. Nationals of the People's Republic of China submitted the most applications (1,154), followed by Haiti (998), Cuba (950), and Colombia (560). These four countries accounted for about 61 percent of all applications in 2003. Some applicants change their mind and decide to withdraw their request for a credible fear interview before an interview takes place. The Asylum Officer Corps made 5,414 credible fear determinations in 2003, and found sufficient evidence of credible fear in 99 percent of the cases. These cases were referred to immigration judges for adjudication.

Understanding the Data

Data Collection

Prior to April 1, 1991, data on asylum applicants reflect cases filed with INS district directors and, subsequently, cases filed with INS asylum officers on Form I-589 (*Request for Asylum in the United States*). A centralized, automated data system (Refugee, Asylum, and Parole System—RAPS) supports the processing of the existing caseload and new asylum applications. The system supports case tracking, schedules and controls interviews, and generates management and statistical reports. The system reports asylum casework by nationality and other characteristics of asylum applicants. Data can be reported by case or by the number of persons covered, since a case may include more than one person. Data on asylum applicants have been collected by the INS/USCIS for selected nationalities since July 1980, and for all nationalities since June 1983.

As with refugees, United States Citizenship and Immigration Services collects data on asylees adjusting to lawful permanent resident status in the Computer Linked Application Information Management Systems (CLAIMS) (see Immigrants section). Adjustment to immigrant status was the only point at which detailed characteristics of asylees were collected prior to 1992. The RAPS system provides data on selected characteristics of asylum seekers and asylees at an earlier time.

The number of asylum applications filed is defined here as the sum of new applications received and applications reopened during the year. Tables 18 and 19 show the number of applications that were reopened during the year. Most of these are cases that had been closed earlier without a decision. The tabulations also show the number of cases referred to immigration judges, with and without an interview. A referral due to failure to keep an appointment for an interview without good cause is considered comparable, for statistical purposes, to a closed case. The approval rate is calculated as the number of cases granted/approved divided by the number of cases adjudicated, which is defined as the cases granted/approved, denied, and referred to EOIR following an interview (including referrals past the filing deadline).

The data on credible fear claims are collected in the Asylum Pre-screening System (APSS). These data are not stored in RAPS and are not reflected in the detailed tables for this section.

Limitations of Data

The statistics shown here for fiscal year 2003 differ slightly from preliminary statistics released by USCIS Asylum Division in October 2003. The data presented in this section were tabulated from the RAPS system three months after the close of fiscal year 2003 and incorporate late additions and corrections to the database. Since asylum claimants can reopen a case, some of the decisions categorized in the detailed tables in this edition of the *Yearbook* are possibly a change from a completion category in some previous fiscal year. In addition, technical limitations of the data file used to produce these tables preclude a precise count of the number of pending applications at either the beginning of a fiscal year or the end of the year. That is because reopened cases in the data

file do not indicate the date the cases were previously considered complete.

Data on applicants for asylum collected by USCIS historically have covered only cases filed with USCIS. Data have been incomplete for cases filed by aliens after USCIS has placed the alien in removal proceedings before an immigration judge in the Executive Office for Immigration Review (EOIR). The two agencies are working to integrate their data systems to provide these data in the future. Asylum was granted by EOIR to 10,900 individuals in fiscal year 2003; therefore, the total number of individuals granted asylum by both agencies was about 22,300 compared to 34,600 in 2002.

Principal applicants whose asylum applications are successful can apply for their spouses and minor children, whether they are in the United States or abroad, and these relatives also receive status as asylees. The RAPS system collects information on the spouses and children of asylum applicants only if they are included on the principal's application. Information regarding relatives whose principals petition for them after receiving asylum is collected by CLAIMS and is not included in any table in this publication. The data collected by the USCIS at the time asylees adjust to permanent resident status include all aliens who adjust regardless of whether they were granted asylum by the USCIS, immigration judges, or the Board of Immigration Appeals. Adjustment data also include all spouses and children of persons granted asylum.

In Table 18 several countries show individuals granted asylum without any corresponding cases granted asylum. This situation can occur whenever a dependent in an asylum case was born in a different country than the principal. The dependent is eligible for derivative asylum status in this case.

TABLE 12. REFUGEE-STATUS APPLICATIONS: FISCAL YEARS 1980-2003

Year	Applications filed during year	Applications approved during year	Applications denied during year	Applications otherwise closed during year	Percent approved during year ²
1980 (April-Sept.)	95,241	89,580	6,149	1,197	94
1981-85	527,315	427,831	85,170	15,564	83
1981	178,273	155,291	15,322	3,998	91
1982	76,150	61,527	14,943	6,631	80
1983	92,522	73,645	20,255	2,489	78
1984	99,636	77,932	16,220	604	83
1985	80,734	59,436	18,430	1,842	76
1986-90	584,005	389,094	98,395	44,029	80
1986	67,310	52,081	9,679	3,362	84
1987	85,823	61,529	13,911	6,126	82
1988	105,024	80,282	11,821	5,632	87
1989	190,597	95,505	33,179	4,005	74
1990	135,251	99,697	29,805	24,904	77
1991-95	670,245	513,391	100,779	71,323	84
1991	123,492	107,962	12,644	5,700	90
1992	133,786	115,330	14,886	6,780	89
1993	127,676	106,026	20,280	5,107	84
1994	142,068	105,137	20,557	19,485	84
1995	143,223	78,936	32,412	34,251	71
1996-2000 ¹	606,816	377,427	120,147	100,467	76
1996	155,868	74,491	26,317	59,589	74
1997	122,741	77,600	22,725	17,270	77
1998	124,777	73,198	31,001	6,768	70
1999	111,576	85,592	19,094	6,358	82
2000 ¹	91,854	66,546	21,010	10,482	76
2001 ¹	103,499	66,198	19,812	7,479	77
2002	89,726	18,652	19,773	28,876	49
2003	42,705	25,329	16,550	32,124	60

¹ Data for Vietnam are incomplete. Data represent only Vietnamese processed by the Resettlement Opportunity for Vietnamese Returnees (ROVR) Program. Data are unavailable for refugees processed under other Vietnam in-country programs that dealt with former reeducation camp detainees and adult children of formerly admitted refugees.

² Calculated by dividing applications approved by the sum of applications approved and applications denied.

NOTE: The Refugee Act of 1980 went into effect April 1, 1980.

**TABLE 13. REFUGEE-STATUS APPLICATIONS BY GEOGRAPHIC AREA AND COUNTRY OF CHARGEABILITY
FISCAL YEAR 2003**

Geographic area and country of chargeability	Applications filed during year	Applications approved during year	Applications denied during year	Applications otherwise closed during year	Percent approved during year ²
All countries	42,705	25,329	16,550	32,124	60
Europe	18,960	11,868	7,375	1,105	62
Albania	-	-	-	23	-
Armenia	134	93	54	8	63
Azerbaijan	1,131	907	153	17	86
Belarus	1,228	737	484	3	60
Bosnia-Herzegovina	1,819	1,145	1,076	584	52
Croatia	170	120	D	3	D
Estonia	83	32	58	-	36
Georgia	48	31	21	3	60
Kazakhstan	417	255	169	3	60
Kyrgyzstan	172	91	82	D	53
Latvia	74	49	32	-	60
Lithuania	45	19	18	-	51
Moldova	2,606	1,575	886	111	64
Poland	-	-	-	11	-
Russia	2,895	1,894	1,103	73	63
Serbia and Montenegro ¹	50	17	D	84	D
Turkmenistan	15	11	5	D	69
Ukraine	7,654	4,612	3,130	169	60
Uzbekistan	419	280	99	10	74
Other	-	-	-	D	-
Asia	6,235	4,966	1,164	771	81
Afghanistan	1,318	1,031	270	60	79
Burma	242	227	15	-	94
Cambodia	3	3	-	-	100
China, People's Republic	21	4	17	-	19
Indonesia	6	4	D	-	D
Iran	1,784	1,755	409	138	81
Iraq	759	147	155	556	49
Laos	43	13	30	-	30
Lebanon	-	-	-	4	-
Pakistan	9	5	-	-	100
Sri Lanka	8	D	D	D	D
Vietnam	2,032	1,772	260	6	87
Yemen	5	-	-	D	-
Other	5	D	-	4	100
Africa	12,522	6,860	5,323	29,572	56
Algeria	-	-	-	6	-
Angola	47	18	14	19	56
Burundi	64	D	9	262	D
Cameroon	-	-	-	11	-
Central African Republic	D	-	D	7	-
Chad	-	-	-	23	-
Congo, Democratic Republic	353	90	22	240	80
Congo, Republic	17	9	8	95	53
Cote d'Ivoire	-	-	-	2,639	-
Djibouti	-	-	-	7	-
Egypt	-	-	4	4	-
Eritrea	5	15	4	375	79
Ethiopia	2,937	1,311	354	8,477	79

See footnotes at end of table.

**TABLE 13. REFUGEE-STATUS APPLICATIONS BY GEOGRAPHIC AREA AND COUNTRY OF CHARGEABILITY
FISCAL YEAR 2003—Continued**

Geographic area and country of chargeability	Applications filed during year	Applications approved during year	Applications denied during year	Applications otherwise closed during year	Percent approved during year ²
Gambia, The	-	-	-	23	-
Ghana	22	11	11	13	50
Guinea-Bissau	-	-	-	4	-
Liberia	1,124	981	1,755	974	36
Libya	-	-	-	2,831	-
Mauritania	-	-	-	9	-
Namibia	4	-	-	70	-
Nigeria	9	9	-	79	100
Rwanda	200	36	41	118	47
Senegal	-	-	-	9	-
Sierra Leone	2,237	1,430	1,994	2,902	42
Somalia	3,739	1,331	817	9,344	62
South Africa	7	-	-	24	-
Sudan	1,739	1,609	270	943	86
Tanzania	-	-	-	15	-
Togo	13	4	15	25	21
Uganda	-	D	-	17	100
Other	D	D	D	7	D
North America	4,963	1,599	2,688	676	37
Caribbean	4,963	1,599	2,688	676	37
Cuba	4,963	1,599	2,688	676	37
Not reported	25	36	-	-	100

¹ Yugoslavia (unknown republic) prior to February 7, 2003. See Notice of Special Geographic Definitions. ² Calculated by dividing applications approved by the sum of applications approved and applications denied.

- Represents zero. D Disclosure standards not met.

**TABLE 14. REFUGEE APPROVALS AND ARRIVALS BY GEOGRAPHIC AREA OF CHARGEABILITY
FISCAL YEARS 1999-2003**

Geographic area of chargeability	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
Authorized admissions ¹	91,000	90,000	80,000	70,000	70,000
Africa	13,000	18,000	21,000	22,000	20,000
East Asia	10,500	8,000	6,000	4,000	4,000
Europe	61,000	44,500	37,000	26,000	16,500
Latin America/Caribbean	2,250	3,500	3,500	3,000	2,500
Near East/South Asia	4,250	10,000	12,500	15,000	7,000
Unallocated Reserve	-	6,000	-	-	20,000
Approvals	85,592	66,546 ²	66,198 ²	18,652	25,329
Africa	15,581	20,014	18,402	3,419	6,860
East Asia	6,728	941 ²	277 ²	791	2,026
Europe	55,666	32,355	32,686	7,621	11,868
Latin America/Caribbean	2,796	2,896	2,768	2,534	1,599
Near East/South Asia	4,725	10,266	12,030	4,247	2,940
Not reported	96	74	35	40	36
Arrivals ³	85,076	72,143	68,925	26,839	28,306
Africa	13,036	17,560	19,016	2,545	10,717
East Asia ³	9,963	3,557	3,346	3,260	1,608
Europe	55,877	37,664	31,526	15,408	11,269
Latin America/Caribbean	2,110	3,233	2,973	1,937	452
Near East/South Asia	4,090	10,129	12,064	3,689	4,260

¹ Data are for authorized final ceiling admissions.

² Data for Vietnam are incomplete. Data represent Vietnamese processed by the Resettlement Opportunity for Vietnamese Returnees Program only. Data are unavailable for refugees processed under other Vietnam in-country programs that deal with former reeducation camp detainees and adult children of formerly admitted refugees.

³ Arrival data exclude Amerasians from Vietnam because they enter the United States on immigrant visas. The number of Amerasians was 241 in 1999, 1,004 in 2000, 379 in 2001, 347 in 2002, and 116 in 2003.

NOTE: The geographic areas used in this table are unique in the *Yearbook* and are based on the classification used by the Department of State in its reports on refugees. The corresponding country composition of the geographic areas used is also based on the same Department of State classification. The objective of using the Department of State classification was to make approval data comparable on a regional basis with authorized admission and arrival data.

- Represents zero.

**TABLE 15. REFUGEE ARRIVALS INTO THE UNITED STATES
BY REGION AND COUNTRY OF CHARGEABILITY
FISCAL YEARS 1997-2003**

Region and country of chargeability	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
All countries ¹	69,276	76,181	85,076	72,143	68,925	26,839	28,306
Europe	48,450	54,260	55,877	37,664	31,526	15,408	11,269
Albania	9	D	8	D	3	5	D
Armenia	NA	NA	35	20	27	30	63
Azerbaijan	NA	NA	210	259	449	115	406
Belarus	NA	NA	1,008	1,050	971	680	702
Bosnia-Herzegovina	21,357	30,906	22,699	19,033	14,593	3,463	525
Bulgaria	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Croatia	-	-	1,660	2,995	1,020	109	144
Czechoslovakia ²	-	-	-	D	-	-	-
Estonia	NA	NA	71	81	57	38	28
France	-	-	-	-	-	-	D
Georgia	-	-	50	30	49	14	53
Hungary	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Kazakhstan	NA	NA	412	284	291	222	118
Kyrgyzstan	NA	NA	140	147	116	69	46
Latvia	NA	NA	167	103	125	57	49
Lithuania	NA	NA	20	16	40	D	21
Macedonia	-	-	D	D	D	4	13
Moldova	NA	NA	1,035	1,056	1,168	1,021	616
Poland	6	D	3	D	4	-	-
Romania	3	-	D	4	-	-	-
Russia	NA	NA	4,386	3,723	4,454	2,100	1,394
Serbia and Montenegro ³	3	-	14,280	524	153	1,860	1,839
Slovakia	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	D
Slovenia	-	-	D	-	D	-	-
Soviet Union ²	27,072	23,349	194	282	133	D	-
Tajikistan	NA	NA	9	24	9	4	13
Turkmenistan	NA	NA	16	D	7	D	4
Ukraine	NA	NA	8,649	7,334	7,172	5,219	5,065
Uzbekistan	NA	NA	818	693	681	394	166
Asia ¹	11,771	13,669	14,041	13,622	15,356	6,949	5,864
Afghanistan	-	D	365	1,709	2,930	1,677	1,453
Bahrain	-	-	-	5	3	-	-
Bangladesh	-	-	-	-	-	-	D
Burma	182	186	295	637	543	128	203
Cambodia	-	-	-	-	23	4	7
China, People's Republic	-	-	D	D	12	7	9
India	6	-	-	-	-	-	-
Indonesia	-	D	26	14	5	18	17
Iran	1,305	1,699	1,750	5,145	6,590	1,525	2,471
Iraq	2,679	1,407	1,955	3,158	2,473	465	298
Israel	-	-	-	-	-	-	D
Jordan ⁴	-	-	-	5	-	-	-
Kuwait	-	-	-	13	-	6	-
Laos	939	-	19	64	22	18	13
Lebanon	-	-	-	-	D	7	D
Malaysia	-	-	-	-	5	-	-
Maldives	-	-	-	D	D	-	-
Pakistan	-	-	-	6	3	-	18
Philippines	-	-	-	-	-	-	D
Sri Lanka	-	-	5	D	D	5	7
Syria	-	-	D	18	8	4	3
Thailand	-	-	-	-	4	4	D
Vietnam ¹	6,660	10,288	9,622	2,841	2,730	3,081	1,356
Yemen	-	-	D	D	-	-	D
Africa	6,069	6,665	13,048	17,624	19,070	2,545	10,721
Algeria	-	-	12	57	31	-	4
Angola	-	-	-	D	34	16	21

See footnotes at end of table.

**TABLE 15. REFUGEE ARRIVALS INTO THE UNITED STATES
BY REGION AND COUNTRY OF CHARGEABILITY
FISCAL YEARS 1997-2003—Continued**

Region and country of chargeability	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
Benin	-	-	-	-	-	D	D
Burkina Faso	D	-	-	D	-	-	-
Burundi	33	24	223	165	109	62	16
Cameroon	19	15	9	7	5	6	6
Central African Republic	-	-	D	-	D	-	D
Chad	45	41	22	D	D	D	D
Congo, Democratic Republic ⁵	45	52	42	1,354	260	105	251
Congo, Republic ⁵	-	-	27	11	6	5	41
Cote d' Ivoire	-	D	5	-	D	3	4
Djibouti	16	15	8	-	12	D	D
Egypt	-	-	-	6	8	-	-
Equatorial Guinea	-	-	-	12	-	-	3
Eritrea	7	9	32	94	109	13	23
Ethiopia	197	152	1,873	1,347	1,429	329	1,704
Gambia, The	16	50	13	13	5	-	12
Ghana	D	-	5	3	D	4	13
Guinea	-	-	6	D	4	5	D
Kenya	-	13	D	11	13	24	3
Lesotho	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Liberia	231	1,494	2,495	2,620	3,429	559	2,957
Libya	-	-	-	-	5	-	-
Madagascar	-	D	-	-	-	-	-
Malawi	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mauritania	-	-	D	-	202	6	-
Mozambique	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Namibia	-	-	-	5	D	-	-
Nigeria	7	312	625	50	85	27	57
Rwanda	100	86	153	345	94	47	47
Senegal	-	-	-	-	-	3	-
Sierra Leone	57	176	675	1,128	2,004	176	1,378
Somalia	4,974	2,951	4,320	6,026	4,951	238	1,993
South Africa	D	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sudan	277	1,252	2,393	3,833	5,959	895	2,140
Tanzania	-	-	D	-	D	D	-
Togo	30	15	93	511	280	16	39
Tunisia	-	3	-	D	10	-	-
Uganda	9	D	12	18	12	D	D
Zambia	-	-	-	-	-	-	D
Zimbabwe	-	-	-	-	6	-	-
North America	2,986	1,587	2,109	3,233	2,968	1,929	303
Caribbean	2,986	1,587	2,109	3,233	2,968	1,929	303
Cuba	2,911	1,587	2,018	3,184	2,944	1,925	303
Haiti	75	-	91	49	24	4	-
Central America	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
South America	-	-	1	-	5	8	149
Argentina	-	-	-	-	5	-	-
Colombia	-	-	-	-	-	8	149
Venezuela	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other	-	-	1	-	-	-	-

¹ Amerasians from Vietnam are not included as refugee arrivals because they enter the United States on immigrant visas. In fiscal year 2003, 116 Amerasians from Vietnam arrived on immigrant visas according to the Department of State. The State Department includes Amerasian immigrant arrivals in its admissions report because Amerasian immigrants count against the annual ceiling. ² Data are for unknown republic only; independent republics shown separately. See Notice of Special Geographic Definitions. For the former Soviet Union, data are not available for independent republics prior to 1999. The Department of State includes Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuania with the republics of the former Soviet Union. ³ Yugoslavia (unknown republic) prior to February 7, 2003. See Notice of Special Geographic Definitions. ⁴ Includes Palestine. See Notice of Special Geographic Definitions. ⁵ In May 1997 Zaire was formally recognized as the Democratic Republic of the Congo; the Congo is referred to by its conventional name, the Republic of the Congo. See Notice of Special Geographic Definitions.

NOTE: Prior to 1996, refugee arrival data were derived from the Nonimmigrant Information System of the Immigration and Naturalization Service. Beginning in fiscal year 1996, arrival data for all years are from the Bureau of Population, Refugees, and Migration, Department of State. Any comparison of refugee arrival data prior to 1996 must be made with caution. Arrivals may be higher than approvals because of the arrival of persons approved in previous years.

- Represents zero. D Disclosure standards not met. NA Not available.

**TABLE 16. ASYLUM CASES FILED WITH USCIS DISTRICT DIRECTORS AND ASYLUM OFFICERS
FISCAL YEARS 1973-2003**

Year	Cases received ¹	Cases completed ²	Cases approved	Cases denied	Cases adjudicated ³	Percent approved ⁴
1973-2003	1,584,915	1,304,504	201,106	245,771	720,374	28
1973	1,913	1,510	380	1,130	1,510	25
1974	2,716	2,769	294	2,475	2,769	11
1975	2,432	1,664	562	1,102	1,664	34
1976-80	42,173	10,847	4,990	5,857	10,847	46
1976	2,733	1,914	590	1,324	1,914	31
1976, TQ ⁵	896	370	97	273	370	26
1977	2,529	1,939	754	1,185	1,939	39
1978	3,702	2,312	1,218	1,094	2,312	53
1979	5,801	2,312	1,227	1,085	2,312	53
1980	26,512	2,000	1,104	896	2,000	55
1981-85	161,872	124,142	25,162	73,928	99,090	25
1981	61,568	4,521	1,175	3,346	4,521	26
1982	33,296	11,326	3,909	7,255	11,164	35
1983	26,091	25,447	7,215	16,811	24,026	30
1984	24,295	54,320	8,278	32,344	40,622	20
1985	16,622	28,528	4,585	14,172	18,757	24
1986-90	281,048	310,071	24,067	75,621	99,688	24
1986	18,889	45,792	3,359	7,882	11,241	30
1987	26,107	44,785	4,062	3,454	7,516	54
1988	60,736	68,357	5,531	8,582	14,113	39
1989	101,679	102,795	6,942	31,547	38,489	18
1990	73,637	48,342	4,173	24,156	28,329	15
1991-95	593,609	205,161	31,661	70,055	137,307	23
1991	56,310	16,552	2,108	4,167	6,275	34
1992	103,964	21,996	3,919	6,506	10,425	38
1993	142,680	31,970	5,053	17,610	22,664	22
1994	143,225	46,527	8,133	28,183	36,336	22
1995	147,430	88,116	12,448	13,589	61,607	20
1996-2000	326,699	410,972	63,386	10,961	228,748	28
1996	116,877	104,885	13,537	2,355	61,697	22
1997	76,620	116,628	10,213	2,302	52,673	19
1998 ⁶	48,841	79,055	9,932	2,989	42,362	23
1999 ⁶	37,938	52,388	13,148	1,607	34,170	38
2000 ⁶	46,423	58,016	16,556	1,708	37,846	44
2001 ⁶	62,984	67,711	20,290	1,522	46,959	43
2002 ⁶	63,197	82,141	18,880	1,581	52,336	36
2003	46,272	87,516	11,434	1,539	39,456	29

¹ Beginning in 1992, includes cases newly filed and cases reopened.

² Includes approvals, denials, cases otherwise closed, cases referred to an immigration judge (interviewed and not interviewed), and cases referred to an immigration judge because the alien failed to meet the filing deadline.

³ Includes approvals, denials, cases referred to an immigration judge following an interview, and cases referred to an immigration judge because the alien failed to meet the filing deadline.

⁴ Cases approved divided by cases adjudicated.

⁵ Transition quarter, July 1 through September 30, 1976.

⁶ Data for 1998-2002 have been updated.

NOTE: The Refugee Act of 1980 went into effect April 1, 1980. Data for fiscal years 1982 and 1983 have been estimated due to changes in the reporting procedures during those two periods. Since April 1, 1991, authority to decide most asylum claims has resided with the USCIS Asylum Officer Corps (USCIS represents U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, Department of Homeland Security). See Glossary for fiscal year definitions.

TABLE 17. NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS GRANTED ASYLUM BY USCIS ASYLUM OFFICERS BY REGION AND COUNTRY OF NATIONALITY FISCAL YEARS 1997-2003

Region and country of nationality	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
All nationalities	16,216	13,007	17,832	22,859	28,689	25,773	15,470
Europe	2,297	2,550	2,735	3,676	3,997	2,880	1,818
Albania	379	541	402	425	528	377	262
Armenia	246	312	377	1,137	1,428	953	462
Austria	-	-	-	-	-	D	-
Azerbaijan	84	161	150	265	373	251	76
Belarus	20	26	31	63	77	70	107
Belgium	-	D	-	D	D	-	D
Bosnia-Herzegovina	41	20	23	24	32	31	11
Bulgaria	56	72	62	79	54	65	50
Croatia	47	38	40	36	11	7	D
Czechoslovakia ¹	3	D	-	-	-	D	-
Estonia	3	7	-	7	11	16	12
France	-	-	-	-	D	3	9
Georgia	62	67	121	140	112	68	49
Germany	D	D	D	3	D	4	D
Greece	-	D	D	5	-	3	5
Hungary	4	D	D	6	3	D	-
Ireland	-	-	-	-	D	-	-
Italy	-	-	-	D	-	D	-
Kazakhstan	18	27	19	51	24	25	19
Kyrgyzstan	12	4	11	17	17	20	22
Latvia	7	3	D	11	7	10	16
Lithuania	-	3	D	D	10	17	14
Macedonia	31	22	3	8	30	36	7
Moldova	6	3	D	13	22	13	11
Netherlands	-	-	-	-	D	D	-
Norway	-	-	-	D	-	-	-
Poland	D	6	D	D	D	D	-
Portugal	-	-	D	-	-	D	-
Romania	53	46	38	39	94	134	128
Russia	381	434	558	630	539	389	292
San Marino	-	D	-	-	-	-	-
Serbia and Montenegro ²	517	453	718	521	358	120	87
Slovak Republic	D	3	4	-	D	-	D
Slovenia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Soviet Union ¹	59	63	15	4	5	3	D
Spain	-	D	-	-	D	D	D
Sweden	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Switzerland	-	-	-	-	-	3	D
Tajikistan	6	15	17	18	5	5	6
Turkmenistan	16	13	D	10	17	16	14
Ukraine	196	142	98	94	103	92	62
United Kingdom	9	5	4	D	-	5	4
Uzbekistan	37	54	32	62	125	134	82
Asia	8,678	3,377	5,808	7,727	10,384	10,201	4,528
Afghanistan	284	296	339	268	329	186	27
Bahrain	-	D	-	3	3	D	D
Bangladesh	119	105	123	88	78	99	64
Bhutan	D	-	4	15	15	9	6
Burma	179	269	348	341	1,312	336	198
Cambodia	10	124	145	62	15	43	28
China, People's Republic	485	666	1,189	3,346	4,796	5,689	2,410
Hong Kong	-	-	-	-	3	-	-
India	880	395	392	647	841	1,058	281
Indonesia	D	15	1,545	937	615	489	216
Iran	416	708	779	874	873	708	322
Iraq	5,778	179	206	386	642	565	326
Israel	7	D	6	15	15	14	12
Japan	-	-	-	D	-	D	D

See footnotes at end of table.

**TABLE 17. NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS GRANTED ASYLUM BY USCIS ASYLUM OFFICERS BY REGION AND COUNTRY OF NATIONALITY
FISCAL YEARS 1997-2003—Continued**

Region and country of nationality	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
Jordan ³	19	25	33	22	54	56	24
Korea	5	D	-	-	D	-	D
Kuwait	8	13	23	9	7	7	4
Laos	14	18	19	15	9	11	14
Lebanon	37	64	48	27	50	38	37
Malaysia	D	5	15	26	19	27	16
Maldives	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mongolia	-	-	D	5	6	4	23
Nepal	3	17	13	18	19	69	144
Oman	-	-	-	D	-	D	-
Pakistan	268	277	370	378	408	501	275
Philippines	19	19	28	17	D	20	13
Qatar	-	-	-	-	4	D	-
Saudi Arabia	D	7	9	4	10	14	4
Singapore	D	5	3	4	11	D	D
Sri Lanka	46	53	42	56	96	77	16
Syria	34	44	34	30	27	42	12
Taiwan	-	-	6	6	D	D	-
Thailand	-	5	-	-	D	6	-
Turkey	25	20	32	54	74	71	35
United Arab Emirates	-	-	D	3	D	11	4
Vietnam	6	10	13	16	7	13	8
Yemen	29	33	41	53	38	29	4
Africa	3,074	4,938	7,128	7,272	6,328	5,860	4,047
Algeria	79	184	143	66	34	21	15
Angola	4	12	35	57	51	28	19
Benin	D	-	8	D	D	3	D
Burkina Faso	D	D	6	9	4	3	7
Burundi	57	43	51	29	52	62	26
Cameroon	79	155	244	335	322	708	823
Cape Verde	-	-	D	-	-	-	-
Central African Republic	-	3	D	D	5	23	24
Chad	D	13	20	16	11	13	25
Comoros	-	-	-	-	D	-	-
Congo, Democratic Republic ⁴	139	208	215	223	148	199	75
Congo, Republic ⁴	5	111	266	260	243	251	121
Cote d' Ivoire	15	12	17	25	43	24	126
Djibouti	-	-	D	4	3	D	-
Egypt	130	355	402	468	468	486	240
Equatorial Guinea	-	D	-	D	-	D	-
Eritrea	45	103	169	203	142	167	125
Ethiopia	452	541	1,089	1,411	1,132	1,040	576
Gabon	D	D	3	3	D	D	4
Gambia, The	56	42	46	24	32	20	29
Ghana	19	16	12	19	7	6	D
Guinea	15	53	48	93	157	184	124
Guinea-Bissau	-	-	D	5	D	D	-
Kenya	27	70	107	96	122	247	243
Lesotho	-	-	-	-	-	-	D
Liberia	478	495	669	678	760	599	353
Libya	7	10	12	21	5	4	D
Madagascar	-	-	-	-	-	D	D
Malawi	D	D	5	-	D	3	-
Mali	6	D	9	4	D	9	13
Mauritania	105	139	100	93	94	90	61
Mauritius	D	3	-	D	-	D	-
Morocco	4	5	6	7	8	15	5
Mozambique	-	-	-	D	-	-	D
Namibia	-	-	-	D	-	-	-
Niger	86	109	99	50	31	19	30

See footnotes at end of table.

**TABLE 17. NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS GRANTED ASYLUM BY USCIS ASYLUM OFFICERS BY REGION AND COUNTRY OF NATIONALITY
FISCAL YEARS 1997-2003—Continued**

Region and country of nationality	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
Nigeria	99	145	119	44	29	27	19
Rwanda	101	85	108	97	58	40	33
Senegal	7	9	21	15	15	18	15
Sierra Leone	25	157	183	218	303	169	46
Somalia	699	1,315	2,344	1,982	1,247	435	138
South Africa	4	-	6	7	D	14	10
Sudan	266	404	441	508	519	450	111
Swaziland	-	-	-	-	3	-	-
Tanzania	-	9	4	5	18	16	4
Togo	34	49	57	62	82	198	324
Tunisia	5	D	D	D	3	3	-
Uganda	15	71	55	116	117	150	74
Zambia	-	D	-	-	8	14	7
Zimbabwe	D	-	3	8	42	95	194
Oceania	8	D	35	79	341	182	59
Fiji	8	D	34	79	340	180	59
Other	-	-	1	-	1	2	-
North America	1,761	1,689	1,332	1,371	1,666	1,370	1,505
Canada	-	-	-	-	D	D	D
Mexico	32	36	56	40	48	D	D
Caribbean	1,018	601	445	875	1,277	1,045	1,199
Bahamas, The	-	D	-	-	D	-	-
Barbados	-	D	-	-	-	-	-
Cuba	313	196	252	118	76	52	35
Dominica	-	-	-	3	-	-	-
Dominican Republic	-	D	D	-	3	-	-
Haiti	698	394	188	754	1,194	988	1,160
Jamaica	7	6	D	-	-	-	4
St. Vincent and the Grenadines	-	-	D	-	-	-	-
Trinidad and Tobago	-	D	D	-	3	5	-
Central America	711	1,052	831	456	338	288	268
Belize	-	-	-	D	D	-	-
Costa Rica	-	-	-	D	-	D	-
El Salvador	182	388	295	146	158	72	92
Guatemala	349	468	434	275	147	179	158
Honduras	D	D	64	D	D	24	11
Nicaragua	128	146	29	20	17	D	7
Panama	D	D	9	-	-	-	-
South America	319	392	710	2,667	5,856	5,170	3,450
Argentina	-	-	-	D	3	5	12
Bolivia	-	-	11	7	3	D	13
Brazil	4	27	45	19	27	35	28
Chile	D	4	21	9	6	5	4
Colombia	48	108	229	2,469	5,671	4,950	2,990
Ecuador	-	D	D	3	13	29	D
Guyana	D	D	-	-	-	-	8
Paraguay	6	-	D	-	D	D	-
Peru	247	219	374	131	88	70	74
Suriname	D	15	6	D	-	-	-
Uruguay	D	D	-	3	D	D	D
Venezuela	9	14	18	23	41	71	317
Stateless	53	48	75	63	114	D	63
Unknown	26	11	9	4	3	D	-

¹ Data are for unknown republic only; independent republics shown separately. See Notice of Special Geographic Definitions. ² Yugoslavia (unknown republic) prior to February 7, 2003. See Notice of Special Geographic Definitions. ³ Includes Palestine. See Notice of Special Geographic Definitions. ⁴ In May 1997 Zaire was formally recognized as the Democratic Republic of the Congo; the Congo is referred to by its conventional name, the Republic of the Congo. See Notice of Special Geographic Definitions. - Represents zero. D Disclosure standards not met. NOTE: USCIS represents U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, Department of Homeland Security.

TABLE 18. ASYLUM CASES FILED WITH USCIS ASYLUM OFFICERS BY REGION AND COUNTRY OF NATIONALITY: FISCAL YEAR 2003

Region and country of nationality	Cases filed during year ¹	Cases reopened during year ²	Cases granted during year	Percent approved ³	Individuals granted asylum during year ⁴	Cases denied during year
All nationalities	42,114	4,158	11,434	29	15,470	1,539
Europe	4,569	266	1,361	31	1,818	127
Albania	803	22	175	21	262	17
Armenia	924	45	371	40	462	37
Azerbaijan	153	31	61	46	76	6
Belarus	261	4	95	41	107	4
Bosnia-Herzegovina	32	D	9	28	11	3
Bulgaria	109	10	38	47	50	D
Croatia	11	3	D	18	D	D
Czechoslovakia ⁵	15	3	-	-	-	D
Estonia	53	D	7	15	12	D
France	13	4	D	13	9	D
Georgia	167	9	38	26	49	4
Germany	10	-	D	D	D	-
Hungary	5	D	-	-	-	-
Kazakhstan	46	3	11	25	19	D
Kyrgyzstan	44	3	15	33	22	D
Latvia	55	4	10	25	16	D
Lithuania	45	D	7	18	14	-
Macedonia	42	5	6	13	7	-
Moldova	36	3	9	28	11	D
Poland	41	26	-	-	-	-
Romania	175	17	85	53	128	3
Russia	722	34	220	33	292	19
Serbia and Montenegro ⁶ ...	251	13	63	26	87	12
Soviet Union ⁵	-	7	-	-	D	-
Tajikistan	11	-	4	36	6	-
Turkmenistan	30	-	11	50	14	D
Ukraine	191	8	51	28	62	D
Uzbekistan	281	3	64	25	82	7
Other	43	D	D	19	14	D
Asia	11,578	1,112	3,540	31	4,528	447
Afghanistan	51	6	16	36	27	3
Bangladesh	139	112	41	25	64	6
Burma	367	23	181	53	198	28
Cambodia	103	4	20	16	28	6
China, People's Republic...	4,750	407	2,024	36	2,410	165
India	1,168	256	247	32	281	16
Indonesia	2,808	25	147	7	216	103
Iran	488	36	250	48	322	19
Iraq	290	6	185	51	326	34
Israel	24	D	5	23	12	D
Jordan ⁷	73	6	15	19	24	9
Kuwait	14	D	4	50	4	D
Laos	18	64	13	21	14	8
Lebanon	84	7	24	33	37	3
Malaysia	31	-	16	67	16	D
Mongolia	50	D	13	38	23	3
Nepal	314	6	108	40	144	8
Pakistan	503	65	165	37	275	13
Philippines	47	65	8	5	13	7
Sri Lanka	81	D	10	17	16	D

See footnotes at end of table.

TABLE 18. ASYLUM CASES FILED WITH USCIS ASYLUM OFFICERS BY REGION AND COUNTRY OF NATIONALITY: FISCAL YEAR 2003—Continued

Region and country of nationality	Cases filed during year ¹	Cases reopened during year ²	Cases granted during year	Percent approved ³	Individuals granted asylum during year ⁴	Cases denied during year
Syria	40	-	7	17	12	D
Thailand	3	5	-	-	-	D
Turkey	57	6	22	52	35	D
Vietnam	15	-	4	40	8	-
Yemen	21	4	3	11	4	D
Other	39	3	12	33	19	5
Africa	9,342	442	3,400	39	4,047	407
Algeria	43	4	13	38	15	-
Angola	33	D	11	30	19	5
Benin	11	D	D	D	D	-
Burkina Faso	32	-	7	26	7	-
Burundi	71	-	25	40	26	10
Cameroon	1,601	23	770	50	823	66
Central African Republic	88	D	23	29	24	D
Chad	46	-	25	58	25	D
Congo, Dem. Republic	214	6	72	31	75	6
Congo, Republic	263	4	99	37	121	6
Cote d'Ivoire	476	16	105	32	126	12
Egypt	404	12	152	36	240	20
Eritrea	194	6	112	55	125	10
Ethiopia	874	37	506	59	576	41
Gambia, The	91	25	26	36	29	3
Ghana	29	19	D	D	D	-
Guinea	657	22	110	17	124	13
Kenya	544	10	176	49	243	16
Liberia	567	34	293	55	353	78
Mali	32	21	9	27	13	D
Mauritania	736	68	57	6	61	5
Morocco	13	-	4	40	5	-
Niger	83	5	25	34	30	5
Nigeria	100	17	15	18	19	3
Rwanda	70	3	33	49	33	5
Senegal	89	12	12	15	15	D
Sierra Leone	362	7	44	18	46	11
Somalia	159	53	103	45	138	3
South Africa	39	4	5	13	10	3
Sudan	149	5	92	50	111	17
Tanzania	51	D	4	11	4	D
Togo	630	5	276	51	324	20
Uganda	157	11	66	41	74	4
Zambia	35	-	6	26	7	-
Zimbabwe	358	3	114	42	194	37
Other	41	5	8	22	9	D
Oceania	49	35	28	16	59	27
Fiji	44	35	28	16	59	27
Other	5	-	-	-	-	-
North America	9,576	2,019	1,138	13	1,505	291
Canada	3,846	173	26	1	36	5
Mexico	D	D	-	-	D	-
Caribbean	3,393	316	923	33	1,199	58
Cuba	77	16	D	50	35	D
Haiti	3,276	272	891	32	1,160	48

See footnotes at end of table.

TABLE 18. ASYLUM CASES FILED WITH USCIS ASYLUM OFFICERS BY REGION AND COUNTRY OF NATIONALITY: FISCAL YEAR 2003—Continued

Region and country of nationality	Cases filed during year ¹	Cases reopened during year ²	Cases granted during year	Percent approved ³	Individuals granted asylum during year ⁴	Cases denied during year
Jamaica	22	7	D	18	4	D
Trinidad and Tobago	6	15	-	-	-	-
Other	12	6	-	-	-	-
Central America	2,335	1,529	189	8	268	228
El Salvador	180	745	57	7	92	163
Guatemala	2,077	646	118	9	158	56
Honduras	44	61	7	9	11	4
Nicaragua	25	73	7	23	7	3
Other	9	4	-	-	-	2
South America	6,507	267	1,913	35	3,450	236
Argentina	589	33	8	7	12	D
Bolivia	13	3	8	42	13	-
Brazil	138	18	24	24	28	-
Chile	13	D	4	40	4	-
Colombia	4,547	109	1,652	36	2,990	202
Ecuador	28	49	D	8	D	-
Guyana	19	20	5	29	8	D
Peru	188	23	43	22	74	8
Uruguay	72	D	D	7	D	-
Venezuela	896	3	166	34	317	22
Other	4	D	-	-	-	-
Stateless	139	7	54	36	63	4
Unknown	354	10	-	-	-	-

See footnotes at end of table.

TABLE 18. ASYLUM CASES FILED WITH USCIS ASYLUM OFFICERS BY REGION AND COUNTRY OF NATIONALITY: FISCAL YEAR 2003—Continued

Region and country of nationality	Individuals denied asylum during year	Cases referred to immigration judge, past filing deadline ⁸	Cases otherwise closed during year ⁹	Cases referred to immigration judge, not interviewed	Cases referred to immigration judge, interviewed
All nationalities	2,582	11,221	45,005	3,055	15,262
Europe	226	770	1,116	304	2,077
Albania	32	202	76	21	449
Armenia	64	109	29	66	422
Azerbaijan	8	19	9	61	47
Belarus	4	20	6	9	110
Bosnia-Herzegovina	3	6	3	D	14
Bulgaria	4	13	71	6	29
Croatia	4	D	D	D	7
Czechoslovakia ⁵	D	9	12	-	3
Estonia	3	14	6	5	24
France	7	-	14	D	12
Georgia	7	44	8	18	58
Germany	-	-	D	-	4
Hungary	-	3	26	D	3
Kazakhstan	4	7	6	D	24
Kyrgyzstan	D	10	-	D	19
Latvia	D	8	4	4	21
Lithuania	D	7	5	-	25
Macedonia	D	10	6	D	32
Moldova	3	5	3	3	16
Poland	-	15	65	-	19
Romania	5	16	256	5	57
Russia	29	119	159	62	301
Serbia and Montenegro ⁶ ...	18	32	95	3	136
Soviet Union ⁵	-	-	165	-	-
Tajikistan	-	D	D	-	6
Turkmenistan	4	D	D	D	8
Ukraine	D	45	61	11	83
Uzbekistan	15	43	8	18	139
Other	4	11	18	D	9
Asia	714	3,067	2,659	713	4,509
Afghanistan	5	6	33	7	20
Bangladesh	14	41	109	14	75
Burma	36	49	60	16	86
Cambodia	6	32	17	6	64
China, People's Republic ..	219	1,098	419	315	2,327
India	32	142	586	155	369
Indonesia	175	1,318	171	73	653
Iran	32	76	161	44	174
Iraq	64	35	29	11	110
Israel	5	8	13	D	8
Jordan ⁷	22	21	42	8	36
Kuwait	D	-	13	D	D
Laos	13	D	362	-	41
Lebanon	4	16	50	5	30
Malaysia	D	3	3	4	4
Mongolia	5	D	-	D	16
Nepal	14	31	12	4	122
Pakistan	30	114	141	31	156
Philippines	13	20	352	3	117
Sri Lanka	6	16	9	4	32

See footnotes at end of table.

TABLE 18. ASYLUM CASES FILED WITH USCIS ASYLUM OFFICERS BY REGION AND COUNTRY OF NATIONALITY: FISCAL YEAR 2003—Continued

Region and country of nationality	Individuals denied asylum during year	Cases referred to immigration judge, past filing deadline ⁸	Cases otherwise closed during year ⁹	Cases referred to immigration judge, not interviewed	Cases referred to immigration judge, interviewed
Syria	3	14	12	3	20
Thailand	D	D	25	-	3
Turkey	D	5	11	D	14
Vietnam	-	4	4	D	D
Yemen	D	7	15	D	16
Other	6	7	10	D	12
Africa	569	1,636	649	684	3,352
Algeria	D	12	27	D	9
Angola	5	5	D	D	16
Benin	-	-	-	-	5
Burkina Faso	-	3	3	D	17
Burundi	10	13	-	D	15
Cameroon	73	91	27	22	619
Central African Republic	D	14	5	6	40
Chad	D	D	-	-	15
Congo, Dem. Republic	6	51	16	7	100
Congo, Republic	12	64	12	14	96
Cote d'Ivoire	23	103	20	20	112
Egypt	49	69	22	3	185
Eritrea	14	15	8	3	65
Ethiopia	51	98	119	15	216
Gambia, The	5	20	19	3	24
Ghana	-	3	21	D	14
Guinea	19	204	23	38	305
Kenya	26	58	11	13	110
Liberia	88	36	67	42	129
Mali	D	16	14	-	7
Mauritania	5	353	102	302	500
Morocco	-	3	D	3	3
Niger	10	15	11	6	29
Nigeria	7	21	29	7	45
Rwanda	5	6	3	D	24
Senegal	3	28	6	6	37
Sierra Leone	12	85	14	36	101
Somalia	3	66	15	99	57
South Africa	9	9	11	D	23
Sudan	22	10	12	10	64
Tanzania	D	17	D	D	14
Togo	23	40	8	8	203
Uganda	7	27	6	D	65
Zambia	-	6	-	-	11
Zimbabwe	72	59	5	4	64
Other	4	14	9	5	13
Oceania	57	10	262	6	109
Fiji	57	8	260	6	107
Other	-	2	2	-	2
North America	429	4,314	39,758	1,180	2,779
Canada	14	3,200	197	568	174
Mexico	D	D	D	-	-
Caribbean	97	376	4,823	270	1,477
Cuba	D	D	413	D	20
Haiti	87	368	4,378	260	1,448

See footnotes at end of table.

TABLE 18. ASYLUM CASES FILED WITH USCIS ASYLUM OFFICERS BY REGION AND COUNTRY OF NATIONALITY: FISCAL YEAR 2003—Continued

Region and country of nationality	Individuals denied asylum during year	Cases referred to immigration judge, past filing deadline ⁸	Cases otherwise closed during year ⁹	Cases referred to immigration judge, not interviewed	Cases referred to immigration judge, interviewed
Jamaica	D	4	7	D	4
Trinidad and Tobago	-	D	12	-	D
Other	-	D	13	-	D
Central America	317	737	34,736	342	1,128
El Salvador	238	119	22,690	117	456
Guatemala	68	581	8,866	217	611
Honduras	4	26	92	D	43
Nicaragua	3	7	3,083	D	14
Other	4	4	5	-	4
South America	581	1,270	546	155	2,125
Argentina	8	71	189	6	38
Bolivia	-	6	3	-	5
Brazil	-	43	33	14	32
Chile	-	6	3	D	-
Colombia	502	956	142	111	1,736
Ecuador	D	13	43	-	10
Guyana	D	4	17	D	7
Peru	12	43	72	8	104
Uruguay	-	6	24	D	8
Venezuela	52	120	12	11	182
Other	-	2	8	-	3
Stateless	6	30	10	13	64
Unknown	-	124	5	-	247

¹ Cases filed and reopened in the same year are included only with cases filed. ² Cases reopened that were filed in a prior fiscal year. ³ The number of cases granted divided by the sum of cases granted, denied, referred past filing deadline, and referred to an immigration judge following an interview. ⁴ See Limitations of Data in the text for a discussion of the relationship between individuals and cases granted asylum. ⁵ Data are for unknown republic only; independent republics shown separately. See Notice of Special Geographic Definitions. ⁶ Yugoslavia (unknown republic) prior to February 7, 2003. See Notice of Special Geographic Definitions. ⁷ Includes Palestine. See Notice of Special Geographic Definitions. ⁸ These cases referred because they were filed after the applicants had been in the United States for a year. ⁹ Include ABC interview no show cases. See Asylum section of text.

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**TABLE 19. ASYLUM CASES FILED WITH USCIS ASYLUM OFFICERS BY
ASYLUM OFFICE AND STATE OF RESIDENCE
FISCAL YEAR 2003**

Asylum office and state of residence	Cases filed during year ¹	Cases reopened during year ²	Cases granted during year	Percent approved ³	Individuals granted asylum during year	Cases denied during year
Total	42,114	4,158	11,434	29	15,470	1,539
Asylum office:						
Arlington	5,859	370	2,182	52	2,718	110
Chicago	3,480	276	700	21	990	220
Houston	1,948	111	255	12	397	210
Los Angeles	8,027	685	2,033	22	2,544	360
Miami	9,175	525	2,639	34	4,203	247
New York	3,807	677	697	18	841	56
Newark	4,475	800	824	20	1,101	145
San Francisco	5,343	714	2,104	43	2,676	191
State:						
Alabama	53	9	3	50	3	D
Alaska	27	3	16	53	19	-
Arizona	195	27	37	20	53	5
Arkansas	32	11	3	4	5	10
California	11,901	1,279	3,833	29	4,814	522
Colorado	481	14	57	11	88	17
Connecticut	169	27	50	25	71	4
Delaware	32	31	11	26	15	D
District of Columbia ...	289	24	152	54	165	8
Florida	8,730	490	2,494	34	4,017	239
Georgia	1,515	64	40	13	68	3
Hawaii	16	D	13	20	13	-
Idaho	16	7	D	50	7	D
Illinois	471	25	153	30	211	36
Indiana	157	8	57	32	74	25
Iowa	241	8	11	13	14	7
Kansas	112	12	15	18	25	4
Kentucky	152	46	34	8	43	10
Louisiana	32	4	7	17	7	3
Maine	24	D	9	69	17	-
Maryland	2,514	123	1,328	55	1,559	57
Massachusetts	583	94	154	30	214	13
Michigan	536	19	193	34	323	55
Minnesota	329	22	125	46	147	29
Mississippi	5	D	D	9	4	3
Missouri	137	6	25	29	36	D
Montana	-	-	D	33	D	D
Nebraska	393	20	15	7	22	19
Nevada	107	30	52	25	79	11
New Hampshire	186	D	10	10	16	D
New Jersey	750	280	167	23	239	34
New Mexico	10	-	4	33	6	-
New York	5,652	983	1,023	18	1,226	102
North Carolina	384	30	176	52	258	12
North Dakota	D	D	D	67	4	D
Ohio	888	95	84	9	116	21
Oklahoma	57	3	8	13	11	15
Oregon	73	17	28	45	36	D
Pennsylvania	1,030	38	174	19	241	50
Rhode Island	59	17	14	35	19	5
South Carolina	84	7	4	20	9	-
South Dakota	16	3	D	6	D	3
Tennessee	455	14	27	6	35	22
Texas	791	64	155	19	238	135
Utah	82	3	14	14	32	7
Vermont	8	4	D	33	3	-
Virginia	1,003	117	445	51	608	27
Washington	826	32	72	44	95	4
West Virginia	12	-	6	46	14	-
Wisconsin	79	7	22	23	34	10
Wyoming	D	-	-	-	-	-
Guam	81	D	D	11	D	-
Puerto Rico	14	D	18	53	25	-
U.S. Virgin Islands	322	31	86	29	88	-

See footnotes at end of table.

**TABLE 19. ASYLUM CASES FILED WITH USCIS ASYLUM OFFICERS BY
ASYLUM OFFICE AND STATE OF RESIDENCE
FISCAL YEAR 2003—Continued**

Asylum office and state of residence	Individuals denied asylum during year	Cases referred to immigration judge, past filing deadline ⁴	Cases otherwise closed during year ⁵	Cases referred to immigration judge, not interviewed	Cases referred to immigration judge, interviewed
Total	2,582	11,221	45,005	3,055	15,262
Asylum office:					
Arlington	155	703	5,708	88	1,229
Chicago	329	987	1,423	631	1,420
Houston	313	565	2,421	238	1,035
Los Angeles	561	3,975	16,910	922	2,740
Miami	603	1,673	6,365	429	3,290
New York	101	1,077	4,633	133	2,059
Newark	206	1,328	2,657	41	1,825
San Francisco	314	913	4,888	573	1,664
State:					
Alabama	D	D	25	-	D
Alaska	-	D	26	-	11
Arizona	6	65	179	39	78
Arkansas	13	9	346	D	52
California	836	4,669	20,359	1,352	3,998
Colorado	24	240	191	35	222
Connecticut	6	36	107	-	108
Delaware	D	6	43	-	24
District of Columbia	9	37	756	7	83
Florida	581	1,619	6,237	351	3,050
Georgia	4	195	311	16	81
Hawaii	-	8	66	6	45
Idaho	D	-	14	-	D
Illinois	44	90	271	30	228
Indiana	39	34	93	9	64
Iowa	10	41	113	17	27
Kansas	4	28	61	5	37
Kentucky	11	105	145	120	259
Louisiana	6	13	46	3	19
Maine	-	D	12	-	3
Maryland	85	275	2,027	30	753
Massachusetts	18	113	1,136	17	225
Michigan	103	108	96	78	205
Minnesota	36	34	141	10	82
Mississippi	3	D	10	D	6
Missouri	D	30	45	10	29
Montana	D	-	-	-	-
Nebraska	24	81	164	26	95
Nevada	17	42	602	27	100
New Hampshire	5	52	33	D	38
New Jersey	40	172	777	7	340
New Mexico	-	4	12	D	4
New York	174	1,710	4,894	155	2,878
North Carolina	15	79	204	17	73
North Dakota	D	-	-	D	-
Ohio	32	412	295	324	393
Oklahoma	21	19	36	4	19
Oregon	D	13	170	17	19
Pennsylvania	72	354	153	6	317
Rhode Island	11	3	153	-	18
South Carolina	-	8	23	-	8
South Dakota	5	4	15	D	8
Tennessee	36	138	128	93	245
Texas	208	113	1,607	94	400
Utah	9	17	95	3	63
Vermont	-	-	D	D	D
Virginia	39	156	2,423	23	239
Washington	6	33	275	29	53
West Virginia	-	D	5	-	6
Wisconsin	19	23	23	-	39
Wyoming	-	-	D	-	-
Guam	-	3	5	17	14
Puerto Rico	-	6	14	3	10
U.S. Virgin Islands	-	17	39	67	190

¹ Cases filed and reopened in the same year are included only with cases filed. ² Cases reopened that were filed in a prior fiscal year. ³ The number of cases granted divided by the sum of cases granted, denied, referred past filing deadline, and referred to an immigration judge following an interview. ⁴ These cases referred because they were filed after the applicants had been in the United States for a year. ⁵ Include ABC interview no show cases. See Asylum section of text.

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**TABLE 20. REFUGEES AND ASYLEES GRANTED LAWFUL PERMANENT
RESIDENT STATUS BY ENACTMENT
FISCAL YEARS 1946-2003**

Enactment	Total	1946-50	1951-60	1961-70	1971-80
Total	3,772,411	213,347	492,371	212,843	539,447
Presidential Directive of 12/22/45	40,324	40,324	X	X	X
Displaced Persons Act of 6/25/48	409,696	173,023	236,669	4	X
Orphan Act of 7/29/53	466	X	466	X	X
Refugee Relief Act of 8/7/53	189,025	X	188,993	28	D
Refugee-Escapee Act of 9/11/57	29,462	X	24,263	5,199	X
Hungarian Refugee Act of 7/25/58	30,752	X	30,491	258	D
Azores and Netherlands Refugee Act of 9/2/58	22,213	X	10,057	12,156	X
Refugee Relatives Act of 9/22/59	1,820	X	1,432	388	X
Fair Share Refugee Act of 7/14/60	19,800	X	X	19,714	D
Refugee Conditional Entrants Act of 10/3/65	142,103	X	X	39,149	102,625
Cuban Adjustment Act of 11/2/66	661,813	X	X	135,947	252,119
Indochinese Refugee Act of 10/28/77	175,176	X	X	X	137,309
Refugee Parolee Act of 10/5/78	139,302	X	X	X	46,058
Refugee Act of 1980, 3/17/80	1,905,306	X	X	X	1,250
Refugees	1,738,065	X	X	X	X
Asylees	167,241	X	X	X	1,250
P.L. 105-277 (Iraqi asylees) of 10/20/98.....	4,943	X	X	X	X
Syrian Adjustment Act of 10/27/00.....	207	X	X	X	X

Enactment	1981-90	1991-2000	2001	2002	2003
Total	1,013,620	1,021,266	108,506	126,084	44,927
Presidential Directive of 12/22/45	X	X	X	X	X
Displaced Persons Act of 6/25/48	X	X	X	X	X
Orphan Act of 7/29/53	X	X	X	X	X
Refugee Relief Act of 8/7/53	D	X	X	X	X
Refugee-Escapee Act of 9/11/57	X	X	X	X	X
Hungarian Refugee Act of 7/25/58	D	X	D	X	X
Azores and Netherlands Refugee Act of 9/2/58	X	X	X	X	X
Refugee Relatives Act of 9/22/59	X	X	X	X	X
Fair Share Refugee Act of 7/14/60	3	D	X	X	X
Refugee Conditional Entrants Act of 10/3/65	329	X	X	X	X
Cuban Adjustment Act of 11/2/66	105,898	116,604	21,207	22,374	7,664
Indochinese Refugee Act of 10/28/77	37,752	D	D	D	6
Refugee Parolee Act of 10/5/78	92,971	265	4	X	4
Refugee Act of 1980, 3/17/80	776,664	901,173	86,201	103,170	36,848
Refugees	734,259	807,437	76,090	93,457	26,822
Asylees	42,405	93,736	10,111	9,713	10,026
P.L. 105-277 (Iraqi asylees) of 10/20/98.....	X	3,116	1,090	D	199
Syrian Adjustment Act of 10/27/00.....	X	X	X	D	206

NOTE: See Glossary for fiscal year definitions.

D Disclosure standards not met. X Not applicable.

**TABLE 21. REFUGEES AND ASYLEES GRANTED LAWFUL PERMANENT RESIDENT STATUS
BY REGION AND SELECTED COUNTRY OF BIRTH
FISCAL YEARS 1946-2003**

Region and country of birth	Total	1946-50	1951-60	1961-70	1971-80	1981-90	1991-2000	2002	2003
All countries	3,772,411	213,347	492,371	212,843	539,447	1,013,620	1,021,266	126,084	44,927
Europe	1,513,325	211,983	456,146	55,235	71,858	155,512	426,565	62,911	17,290
Albania	7,963	29	1,409	1,952	395	289	3,255	170	350
Armenia	2,897	X	X	X	X	X	2,161	265	150
Austria	17,648	4,801	11,487	233	185	424	390	71	20
Azerbaijan	13,320	X	X	X	X	X	12,072	497	275
Belarus	28,098	X	X	X	X	X	24,581	1,446	523
Belgium	96	NA	NA	NA	21	33	26	7	D
Bosnia-Herzegovina	91,774	X	X	X	X	X	37,591	25,033	5,847
Bulgaria	7,363	139	1,138	1,799	1,238	1,197	1,679	34	82
Croatia	8,273	X	X	X	X	X	1,807	3,315	814
Czech Republic	6	X	X	X	X	X	D	D	-
Czechoslovakia ¹	38,013	8,449	10,719	5,709	3,646	8,204	1,255	15	D
Denmark	29	NA	NA	NA	D	D	18	3	D
Estonia	12,326	7,143	4,103	16	D	25	843	79	22
Finland	18	NA	NA	NA	D	5	10	D	-
France	589	NA	NA	NA	139	268	142	15	11
Georgia	3,015	X	X	X	X	X	2,593	174	70
Germany	106,179	36,633	62,860	665	143	851	1,309	1,889	484
Gibraltar	D	NA	NA	NA	D	-	-	-	-
Greece	31,559	124	28,568	586	478	1,408	374	5	4
Hungary	76,508	6,086	55,740	4,044	4,358	4,942	1,285	24	10
Iceland	4	NA	NA	NA	D	D	-	-	-
Ireland	22	NA	NA	NA	8	6	6	D	-
Italy	63,717	642	60,657	1,198	346	394	412	33	20
Kazakstan	5,752	X	X	X	X	X	4,269	648	176
Kyrgystan	1,811	X	X	X	X	X	1,248	196	62
Latvia	41,458	21,422	16,783	49	16	48	2,757	154	54
Liechtenstein	D	NA	NA	NA	NA	-	D	-	-
Lithuania	28,681	18,694	8,569	72	23	37	1,161	33	23
Luxembourg	D	NA	NA	NA	-	D	-	-	-
Macedonia	499	X	X	X	X	X	137	185	63
Malta	14	NA	NA	NA	6	5	-	D	-
Moldova	14,797	X	X	X	X	X	11,717	1,336	422
Monaco	D	NA	NA	NA	D	-	-	-	D
Netherlands	17,735	129	14,336	3,134	8	14	36	48	22
Norway	20	NA	NA	NA	4	7	7	D	-
Poland	210,476	78,529	81,323	3,197	5,882	33,889	7,500	54	31
Portugal	5,083	D	3,650	1,361	21	21	13	D	3
Romania	76,011	4,180	12,057	7,158	6,812	29,798	15,708	85	94
Russia	71,989	X	X	X	X	X	60,404	5,089	1,738
San Marino	D	NA	NA	NA	D	-	-	-	-
Serbia & Montenegro ²	105,024	9,816	44,755	18,299	11,297	324	6,274	8,556	1,513
Slovak Republic	43	X	X	X	X	X	31	4	3
Slovenia	242	X	X	X	X	X	97	70	15
Soviet Union ³	242,889	14,072	30,059	871	31,309	72,306	90,533	1,508	610
Spain	10,946	D	246	4,114	5,317	736	443	31	19
Sweden	45	NA	NA	NA	3	NA	17	11	5
Switzerland	194	NA	NA	NA	12	NA	46	72	25
Tajikistan	2,728	X	X	X	X	X	2,546	53	29
Turkmenistan	486	X	X	X	X	X	410	33	15
Ukraine	134,820	X	X	X	X	X	109,739	10,601	3,350
United Kingdom	414	NA	NA	NA	58	192	120	23	12
Uzbekistan	21,994	X	X	X	X	X	19,539	1,038	318
Unknown Europe	9,750	1,082	7,687	778	123	80	-	-	-
Asia	1,379,836	1,106	33,422	19,895	210,683	712,092	351,347	21,414	9,885
Afghanistan	35,231	-	D	-	542	22,946	9,725	1,044	716

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Region and country of birth	Total	1946-50	1951-60	1961-70	1971-80	1981-90	1991-2000	2002	2003
Bahrain	5	NA	NA	NA	-	NA	5	-	-
Bangladesh	1,107	NA	NA	NA	D	NA	566	180	155
Bhutan	4	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	D	D	D
Burma	1,671	NA	NA	NA	70	NA	721	372	327
Cambodia	128,351	-	-	-	7,739	114,064	6,388	47	38
China ⁴	49,244	319	12,008	5,308	13,760	7,928	7,608	695	805
Cyprus	67	NA	NA	NA	48	NA	9	D	7
Hong Kong	9,569	-	1,076	2,128	3,468	1,916	611	105	18
India	6,602	NA	NA	NA	41	NA	2,544	1,558	1,517
Indonesia	17,908	-	8,253	7,658	222	1,385	201	58	20
Iran	80,018	118	192	58	364	46,773	24,313	4,806	2,030
Iraq	44,914	-	130	119	6,851	7,540	22,557	3,434	1,223
Israel	294	NA	NA	NA	76	NA	176	18	12
Japan	4,567	3	3,803	554	56	110	24	5	11
Jordan ⁵	484	NA	NA	NA	88	NA	333	32	20
Korea	4,657	-	3,116	1,316	65	120	26	7	4
Kuwait	614	NA	NA	NA	11	NA	469	61	36
Laos	203,004	-	-	-	21,690	142,964	37,265	374	191
Lebanon	1,839	NA	NA	NA	595	NA	1,028	101	77
Macau	32	NA	NA	NA	29	NA	3	-	-
Malaysia	869	NA	NA	NA	189	NA	385	72	13
Maldives	4	NA	NA	NA	-	NA	D	D	-
Mongolia	37	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	31	D	-
Nepal	52	NA	NA	NA	D	NA	32	5	12
Oman	8	NA	NA	NA	D	5	D	-	-
Pakistan	2,822	NA	NA	NA	20	NA	1,650	467	365
Philippines	1,368	NA	NA	NA	213	NA	968	68	30
Qatar	19	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	18	-	-
Saudia Arabia	1,063	NA	NA	NA	10	NA	880	57	46
Singapore	57	NA	NA	NA	28	NA	13	5	D
Sri Lanka	492	NA	NA	NA	24	NA	354	52	43
Syria	7,008	4	119	383	1,336	2,145	2,125	261	308
Thailand	55,662	-	15	13	1,241	30,259	22,759	498	224
Turkey	7,263	603	1,427	1,489	1,193	1,896	559	36	28
United Arab Emirates ..	68	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	59	4	D
Vietnam	700,443	-	D	7	150,266	324,453	206,857	6,926	1,581
Yemen	219	NA	NA	NA	22	11	80	61	23
Unknown Asia	12,200	59	3,280	862	422	7,577	-	-	-
Africa	112,146	20	1,768	5,486	2,991	22,149	51,649	13,454	7,723
Algeria	345	NA	NA	NA	D	5	138	77	78
Angola	367	NA	NA	NA	4	255	91	8	6
Benin	104	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	20	50	19
Botswana	99	NA	NA	NA	NA	85	9	D	3
Burkina Faso	40	NA	NA	NA	D	-	14	10	D
Burundi	390	NA	NA	NA	NA	8	148	107	63
Cameroon	519	NA	NA	NA	NA	9	302	77	87
Cape Verde.....	25	NA	NA	NA	4	13	6	-	D
Central African Rep. ...	7	NA	NA	NA	D	D	D	D	D
Chad	93	NA	NA	NA	7	-	43	23	D
Congo, Democratic Republic ⁶	1,415	NA	NA	NA	7	192	924	128	87
Congo, Republic	568	NA	NA	NA	D	D	25	341	166
Cote d' Ivoire	319	NA	NA	NA	D	D	119	102	44
Djibouti	78	NA	NA	NA	NA	19	20	22	8
Egypt	9,669	8	1,354	5,396	1,473	426	420	269	187
Equatorial Guinea	4	NA	NA	NA	-	D	-	D	D
Eritrea	751	X	X	X	X	X	608	51	56

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**TABLE 21. REFUGEES AND ASYLEES GRANTED LAWFUL PERMANENT RESIDENT STATUS
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FISCAL YEARS 1946-2003—Continued**

Region and country of birth	Total	1946-50	1951-60	1961-70	1971-80	1981-90	1991-2000	2002	2003
Ethiopia ⁷	41,780	NA	61	D	1,307	18,542	17,865	1,897	1,225
Gabon	11	NA	NA	NA	NA	D	6	4	-
Gambia, The	216	NA	NA	NA	NA	-	54	57	44
Ghana	837	NA	NA	NA	3	135	431	101	86
Guinea	72	NA	NA	NA	NA	15	50	4	D
Guinea-Bissau	124	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	36	26	31
Kenya.....	2,469	NA	NA	NA	4	87	1,447	411	188
Lesotho	39	NA	NA	NA	D	29	9	-	-
Liberia	7,489	NA	NA	NA	D	109	3,839	1,680	883
Libya	997	NA	NA	NA	14	363	591	8	13
Madagascar	D	NA	NA	NA	-	D	-	-	D
Malawi	69	NA	NA	NA	8	33	23	-	D
Mali	33	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	12	8	5
Mauritania	430	NA	NA	NA	NA	D	211	62	88
Mauritius	30	NA	NA	NA	D	NA	19	D	D
Morocco	48	NA	NA	NA	3	11	23	5	5
Mozambique	111	NA	NA	NA	3	72	31	3	D
Namibia	117	NA	NA	NA	3	71	37	D	4
Niger	211	NA	NA	NA	NA	D	27	88	25
Nigeria	1,411	NA	NA	NA	6	14	443	442	206
Reunion	D	NA	NA	NA	-	D	-	-	-
Rwanda	772	NA	NA	NA	-	3	389	187	87
Sao Tome and Principe	D	NA	NA	NA	-	D	-	-	-
Senegal	96	NA	NA	NA	D	NA	40	16	20
Seychelles	16	NA	NA	NA	NA	12	3	-	D
Sierra Leone	1,772	NA	NA	NA	D	21	272	722	540
Somalia	25,638	NA	NA	NA	6	70	16,837	4,084	2,157
South Africa	516	NA	NA	NA	14	285	195	6	5
Sudan	9,621	NA	NA	NA	4	739	5,191	1,987	1,107
Swaziland	7	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	D	D	D
Tanzania	79	NA	NA	NA	D	7	32	16	13
Togo	588	NA	NA	NA	D	NA	114	303	126
Tunisia	21	NA	NA	NA	D	NA	7	3	4
Uganda	917	NA	NA	NA	58	301	439	53	31
Zambia	121	NA	NA	NA	3	53	52	7	5
Zimbabwe	68	NA	NA	NA	3	24	32	D	6
Unknown Africa	623	12	353	D	40	130	-	-	-
Oceania	523	7	75	21	37	22	291	33	18
American Samoa	D	NA	NA	NA	D	-	-	-	-
Australia	31	NA	NA	NA	21	NA	7	-	D
Fiji	338	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	280	28	D
French Polynesia	D	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	D	-	D
Guam	D	NA	NA	NA	D	-	-	-	-
New Caledonia	D	NA	NA	NA	D	NA	D	-	-
New Zealand	6	NA	NA	NA	D	4	-	-	-
Palau	3	X	X	X	X	X	-	D	-
Papua New Guinea	5	NA	NA	NA	D	3	-	-	-
Soloman Islands	4	NA	NA	NA	-	-	-	D	D
Vanuatu	D	X	X	X	-	-	-	D	-
Wallis and Futuna Is.	D	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	D	-	-
Unknown Oceania	126	7	75	21	8	15	-	-	-
North America	752,825	163	831	132,068	252,633	121,840	185,333	26,807	8,454
Canada	231	NA	NA	NA	96	NA	80	D	D
Greenland	D	NA	NA	NA	D	D	-	-	-
Mexico	870	NA	NA	NA	202	NA	416	100	85
St. Pierre and Miquelon	D	NA	NA	NA	D	-	-	-	-
United States	29	NA	NA	NA	5	NA	20	D	D

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Region and country of birth	Total	1946-50	1951-60	1961-70	1971-80	1981-90	1991-2000	2002	2003
Caribbean	708,540	3	6	131,557	251,825	114,213	154,235	25,706	7,547
Anguilla	5	NA	NA	NA	-	5	-	-	-
Antigua-Barbuda	D	NA	NA	NA	D	-	-	-	-
Bahamas, The	855	NA	NA	NA	D	832	14	4	D
Barbados	5	NA	NA	NA	D	4	-	-	-
Bermuda	7	NA	NA	NA	5	-	D	-	-
British Virgin Islands	D	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	D	-	-
Cayman Islands	12	NA	NA	NA	9	NA	D	D	-
Cuba	695,686	3	6	131,557	251,514	113,367	144,612	24,893	7,047
Dominica	11	NA	NA	NA	4	NA	6	-	D
Dominican Republic	399	NA	NA	NA	152	NA	193	25	16
Grenada	3	NA	NA	NA	D	NA	D	-	D
Guadeloupe	4	NA	NA	NA	-	NA	-	D	-
Haiti	11,426	NA	NA	NA	86	NA	9,364	769	472
Jamaica	64	NA	NA	NA	25	NA	22	6	7
Martinique	4	NA	NA	NA	D	NA	3	-	-
Montserrat	D	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	D	-	-
Netherlands Antilles	9	NA	NA	NA	3	NA	D	3	D
Puerto Rico	5	NA	NA	NA	NA	D	D	-	-
St. Kitts and Nevis	4	NA	NA	NA	D	D	-	-	-
St. Lucia	3	NA	NA	NA	D	D	-	-	-
St. Vincent and the Grenadines	14	NA	NA	NA	13	NA	D	-	-
Trinidad and Tobago	14	NA	NA	NA	4	NA	5	3	-
Turks and Caicos Is.	6	NA	NA	NA	D	NA	5	-	-
Central America	40,795	D	D	4	289	6,973	30,582	974	806
Belize	19	NA	NA	NA	8	NA	6	D	D
Costa Rica	344	NA	NA	NA	51	NA	220	23	D
El Salvador	6,078	-	-	D	45	1,383	4,073	187	194
Guatemala	3,183	NA	NA	NA	47	NA	2,033	353	294
Honduras	1,458	NA	NA	NA	69	NA	1,050	116	99
Nicaragua	28,908	D	D	D	27	5,590	22,486	281	169
Panama	805	NA	NA	NA	42	NA	714	D	24
Unknown N. America	2,357	159	824	507	214	653	-	-	-
South America	12,992	32	74	123	1,244	1,986	5,857	1,222	1,518
Argentina	423	NA	NA	NA	101	NA	125	58	122
Bolivia	158	NA	NA	NA	10	NA	91	13	29
Brazil	267	NA	NA	NA	16	NA	136	40	41
Chile	1,231	-	5	4	415	532	171	16	61
Colombia	2,758	NA	NA	NA	217	350	1,132	380	462
Ecuador	464	NA	NA	NA	149	NA	194	43	38
Guyana	56	NA	NA	NA	7	NA	24	8	5
Paraguay	17	NA	NA	NA	4	NA	7	D	3
Peru	4,148	NA	NA	NA	132	251	2,507	402	457
Suriname	71	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	59	D	8
Uruguay	80	NA	NA	NA	43	NA	16	D	11
Venezuela	2,586	NA	NA	NA	83	407	1,395	253	281
Unknown S. America	733	32	69	119	67	446	-	-	-
Unknown or not reported	764	36	55	15	D	19	224	243	39

¹ Prior to 1993, data include independent republics; beginning in 1993 data are for unknown republic only. See Notice of Special Geographic Definitions.

² Yugoslavia (unknown republic) prior to February 7, 2003. Prior to 1992, data include independent republics; beginning in 1992, data are for unknown republic only. See Notice of Special Geographic Definitions. ³ Prior to 1992, data include independent republics; beginning in 1992 data are for unknown republic only. See Notice of Special Geographic Definitions. ⁴ Includes People's Republic of China and Taiwan. ⁵ Prior to 2003, includes Palestine; beginning in 2003, Palestine included in Unknown. See Notice of Special Geographic Definitions. ⁶ In May 1997 Zaire was formally recognized as the Democratic Republic of the Congo; the Congo is referred to by its conventional name, the Republic of the Congo. See Notice of Special Geographic Definitions. ⁷ Prior to 1993, data include Eritrea.

NOTE: See Glossary for fiscal year definitions.

- Represents zero. D Disclosure standards not met. NA Not available. X Not applicable.

6. TEMPORARY ADMISSIONS

This section presents information on the number and characteristics of persons who come to the United States on a temporary basis (nonimmigrants) and on parolees—persons allowed temporary entrance under special circumstances.

Nonimmigrants

A *nonimmigrant is an alien admitted to the United States for a specified purpose and temporary period but not for permanent residence.* (See Glossary)

Although the typical nonimmigrant is a tourist who visits the United States for a few days to several months, there are numerous classes of nonimmigrant admission, ranging from students to ambassadors. Nearly 27.9 million

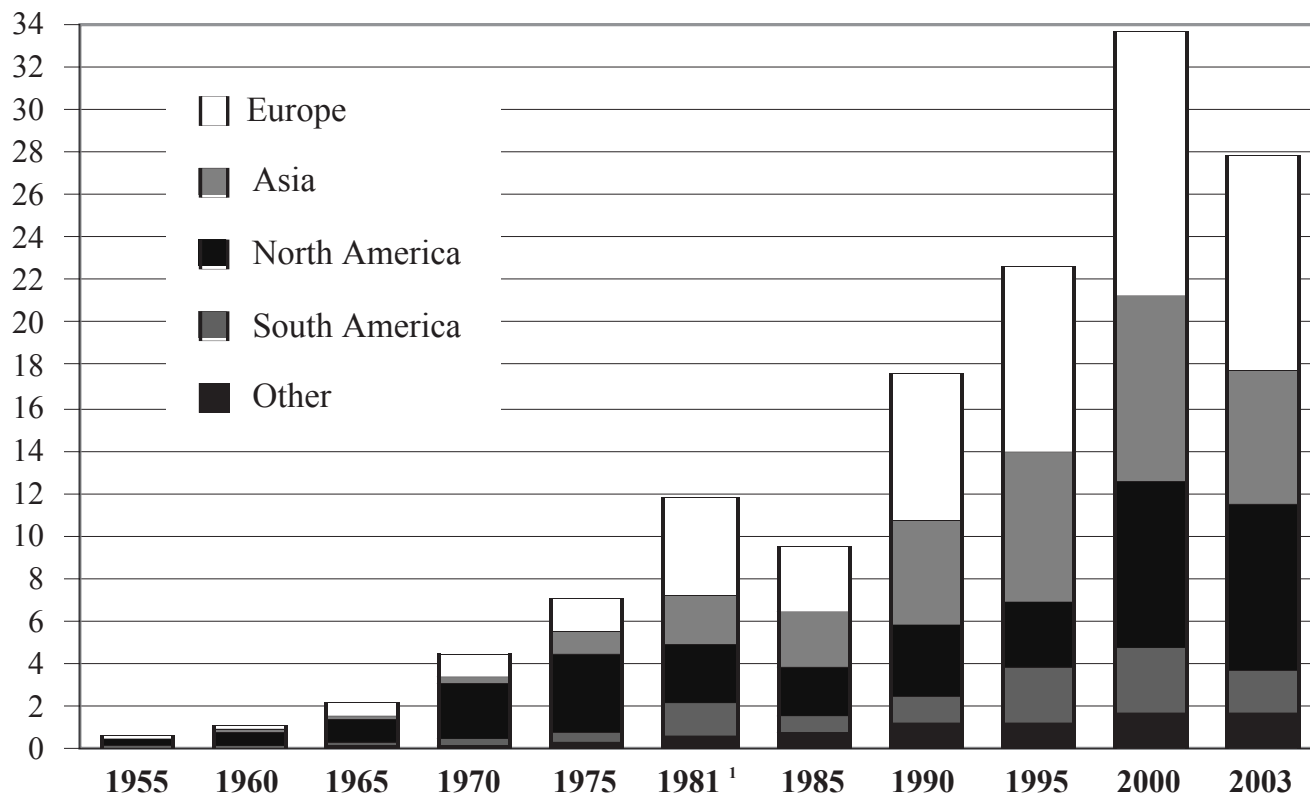
nonimmigrant admissions were counted in the Department of Homeland Security's (DHS) Nonimmigrant Information System during fiscal year 2003, representing a decrease of nearly 58,000 since 2002, or -.2 percent. This follows a record decrease from 2001-02 (-15.0 percent)—the only decreases since 1982-83.

Nonimmigrant admission counts are based on collection of entry/exit forms (I-94) at the ports of entry. The I-94 forms are required of all temporary visitors except for

Chart E

Nonimmigrants Admitted by Region of Last Residence: Selected Fiscal Years 1955-2003

Millions



¹ No data available for 1980. NOTE: See Glossary for fiscal year definitions.

Source: 2003, 2000, 1995, 1990, and 1985, Table 22; 1955-81, previous *Yearbooks*.

visitors for business or pleasure (B1 and B2 classes) from Canada and Mexico. These travellers may be required to submit an I-94 at the discretion of the inspection officer. Most citizens of Canada and Mexico who cross land borders for brief periods of time are not required to submit an I-94 (use of the I-94 has been increased in recent years for Mexican admissions; see Table 24). Therefore, millions of Canadian and Mexican visitors are not represented in the admission counts presented in this section (see Data Collection section). It is estimated that there were nearly 181 million nonimmigrant admissions during fiscal year 2003. The vast majority are Canadian and Mexican commuters crossing the border for business or pleasure, typically to shop or to visit family and friends.

Since nonimmigrant admissions data are collected for each arrival and an individual might enter more than once in a fiscal year (*e.g.*, students), the count of admissions exceeds the number of individuals arriving (see Data Collection section).

The September 11 terrorist attacks

The impact of the attacks on foreign travel to the United States during fiscal year 2002 was immediate and substantial. After a severe reduction of arrivals following the attacks in September 2001, resulting in a small annual decrease between 2000 and 2001 (-2.6 percent), a major downturn occurred in 2002—as reflected in a 15 percent decrease in arrivals from 2001-02. Levels of admission in 2003 were nearly identical to the levels of 2002 (see Table 24).

U.S. Nonimmigrant Program

Nonimmigrants were first defined in the Immigration Act of 1819, but the Act of 1855 was the first to require the reporting of “temporary arrivals” separately. The Act of 1924 defined several classes of admission that have been expanded in subsequent legislation. Though “tourists” (temporary visitors for pleasure) have consistently been by far the most numerous nonimmigrant class of admission to the United States, a wide variety of temporary visitors now fall within the definition of a nonimmigrant. Second in volume to tourists are business people coming to the United States to engage in commercial transactions (though not for employment in this country).

Nonimmigrant categories (*Tables 22-25, 28, 30*)

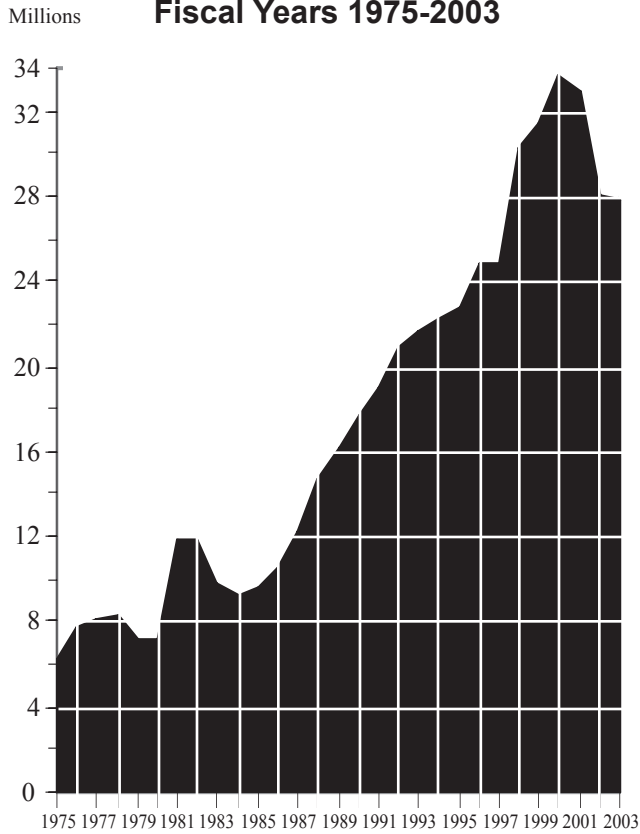
Other categories of admission make up a much smaller share of the nonimmigrant total, such as foreign students

and temporary workers. Temporary workers are admitted to the United States with “specialty occupations” (for example, computer systems analysts and programmers) or to perform temporary services or labor when persons capable of performing such services or labor cannot be found in this country (for example, agricultural laborers). Others who are granted authorization to work temporarily in the United States include: exchange visitors who enter to study, teach, or conduct research; intracompany transferees, to render managerial or executive services in the United States to international firms or corporations; entertainers and athletes; and industrial trainees. Treaty traders and treaty investors enter temporarily to conduct trade or to invest substantially in enterprises under the provisions of treaties of commerce and navigation between the United States and foreign states.

Nonimmigrants also include several types of temporary visitors who are connected in some way with a foreign government or who represent an international organization. Ambassadors, public ministers, diplomats, and consular officers serve temporarily in this country, bringing with them members of their immediate families as well as personal employees, attendants, and servants. Officers and employees of international organizations such as the United Nations add to the list of nonimmigrant visitors entering the United States each year.

Classes of nonimmigrants were established in 2001 that resulted in entries for a partial fiscal year in 2001 and a complete year in 2002. The levels of such admissions have, for most of these classes, expanded in 2003 (Table 24). Admissions increased for the Legal Immigration Family Equity (LIFE) Act of 2000 (see Glossary), which authorized nonimmigrant admission to allow the spouses or children of U.S. citizens to complete processing for permanent resident status while in the United States. Similar nonimmigrant admission was granted to spouses or children (or dependents of spouses or children) of legal permanent residents who have had petitions for immigrant visas pending for more than 3 years. Admissions increased somewhat for the Victims of Trafficking and Violence Protection Act of 2000 (see Glossary), which authorized nonimmigrant admission to individuals (and spouses, children, or parents) who are or have been victims of a severe form of trafficking. Admissions increased slightly for another portion of this act, which authorized admission to individuals (and spouses, children, or parents) who have suffered

Chart F
Nonimmigrants Admitted:
Fiscal Years 1975-2003



NOTE: Data estimated for last quarter of 1979 and no data available for 1980 and 1997. See Glossary for fiscal year definitions.
 Source: Table 22 and previous *Yearbooks*.

substantial physical or mental abuse as victims of criminal activities.

The Glossary contains a detailed definition of nonimmigrants, a listing of each of the nonimmigrant classes of admission, and a definition of each class.

Admission policy

There is no set limit on the total number of nonimmigrant admissions each year. However, there are limits on the number of petitions approved for initial employment for certain categories of temporary workers as well as numerical limits on a few other categories. Maximum numbers of persons who may be issued visas or otherwise provided nonimmigrant status have been established for the following types of nonimmigrants: aliens suffering physical or mental abuse as a result of being victims of criminal activity; victims of severe forms of trafficking (and dependent family members); Mexican workers (and

spouses and children) qualifying under the North American Free-Trade Agreement (limit will be removed in 2004); participants in the Irish Peace Process Program; registered nurses in the Nursing Relief for Disadvantaged Areas Program; and visitors (and immediate family members) under a special program to provide certain critical information to federal or state courts.

Regulations govern additional areas such as the grounds for nonimmigrant admission, length and extension of stay, employment in the United States, accompaniment by family members, travel restrictions within the United States, and change of admission status. For example, ambassadors are allowed to remain in the United States for the duration of their service, students to complete their studies, visitors for business for up to 12 months (plus 6-month extensions), and aliens in transit through the United States for not more than 29 days (with no extensions).

Prior to the terrorist attacks in September 2001 the INS maintained two programs for aliens in transit through the United States: the International-to-International (ITI) program (also known as the In-Transit Lounge (ITL) program) and the Transit Without Visa (TWOV) program. The ITI/ITL program allowed passengers in transit with or without visas to be inspected but not admitted to the United States and required them to remain in Federal Inspection Service (FIS) “transit lounge” areas. An ITI/ITL alien did not complete an I-94 form. Passengers without visas also were allowed to transit the United States as TWOV aliens. These passengers were inspected and admitted to the United States and thus required to use the I-94. The ITI/ITL program was suspended in September 2001 due to the terrorist attacks. However, aliens arriving without visas still were allowed to transit the United States under the TWOV program, except some aliens who qualified for the Visa Waiver Program. This resulted in a large increase in the TWOV count for fiscal year 2002 (Table 24). In April 2002, the ITI/ITL program was reinstated though carriers of transit aliens at only ten ports of entry chose to resume use of ITI/ITL operations (program use was voluntary for carriers providing certain regulations were followed). Other carriers preferred continued use of the TWOV program, which kept the number of TWOV aliens admitted at a high level for 2003, though not as high as the peak reached in 2002. The TWOV and ITI/ITL programs were both suspended on August 2, 2003 based on credible intelligence concerning a specific threat of exploitation of the TWOV program by terrorist organizations. Since August 2003, passengers who previously used the TWOV or ITI/ITL

programs are required to obtain visas, seek other routes of travel without visas than through the United States, or qualify for travel without visas through the United States by means of the Visa Waiver Program.

Employment, family members

(Tables 23-25, 28, 30)

Most types of nonimmigrants are not allowed employment while in the United States, though exceptions may be granted, for example, to students and to family members of international representatives. On the other hand, temporary workers come to the United States expressly for purposes of employment. Most nonimmigrant aliens may bring immediate family members with them. Some nonimmigrant aliens are prohibited from changing to another nonimmigrant category while in this country: transit aliens (except certain diplomats); crewmen; Visa Waiver Program visitors; fiance(e)s coming to the United States to marry U.S. citizens; visitors under a special program to provide certain critical information to federal or state courts; and certain exchange visitors, non-agricultural workers, industrial trainees, vocational students, NATO personnel, and Irish Peace Process aliens.

Visa Waiver Program (Tables 22, F)

The Visa Waiver Program was established by the Immigration Reform and Control Act (IRCA) of 1986 and made permanent by the Visa Waiver Permanent Program Act of 2000 (see Glossary). This program permits entry to the United States on a temporary basis without nonimmigrant visas for certain nonimmigrants from qualified countries. The program extends only to approved countries that offer a reciprocal waiver of visas to U.S. citizens and adhere to other statutory and regulatory requirements. These include development of machine-readable passports and the condition that designation in the program will not compromise U.S. law enforcement or national security. Entry is limited to the visitor for pleasure and for business classes, with admission not to exceed 90 days. At the beginning of fiscal year 2003, 28 countries were members of the Visa Waiver Program. Uruguay was removed in April 2003. Entries for current participant countries during fiscal year 2002 and 2003 are shown in Table F.

Data for business and pleasure are not available separately for 2000 and 2001 due to the expiration of the Visa Waiver

Country of citizenship	Visa Waiver visitors to Guam, fiscal year 2003	
	For pleasure	For business
Total	89,646	1,184
Korea	73,629	1,016
Taiwan ¹	13,068	59
Hong Kong	1,292	23
United Kingdom	410	15
Indonesia	356	14
Japan	94	4
Australia	78	6
Singapore	70	19
Malaysia	60	7
Papua New Guinea ...	23	D
New Zealand	18	D
Vanuatu	15	D
Solomon Islands	10	-
Nauru	5	-
Samoa	4	-
Brunei	-	-
Unknown/Other	332	21

¹ Includes 4,209 pleasure and 13 business admissions miscoded as the People's Republic of China, which is not in the Guam Visa Waiver program. - Represents zero. D Disclosure standards not met.

Pilot Program before it was made permanent (Table 24). From May 1 through October 30, 2000 all visa waiver entries were inspected using parole provisions and were not differentiated as to visitors for business or pleasure.

Guam Visa Waiver Program

Under the Visa Waiver Program, certain visitors from designated countries may visit Guam for up to 15 days without first having to obtain nonimmigrant visitor visas. The table above shows the countries participating in this program and entries for fiscal year 2003.

North American Free-Trade Agreement

(Tables 23-25, 29, 30)

In December 1992, the Presidents of the United States and Mexico and the Prime Minister of Canada signed an agreement, enacted in December 1993, known as the North American Free-Trade Agreement (NAFTA) (see Glossary).

Table F
Nonimmigrants Admitted Under the Visa Waiver Program by Country of Citizenship
Fiscal Years 2002-03

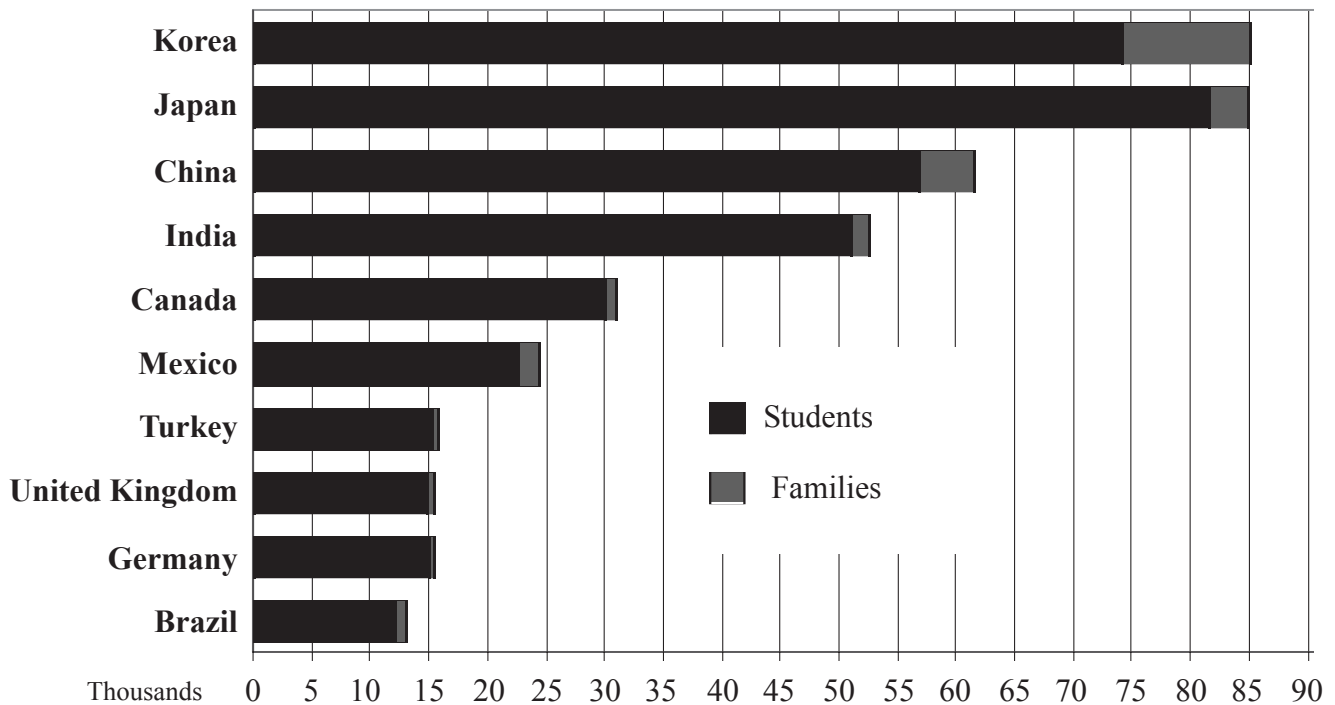
Country of citizenship	Visitors for pleasure				Visitors for business			
	2003	2002	Change		2003	2002	Change	
			Number	Percent			Number	Percent
All Visa Waiver admissions	11,610,325	11,182,774	427,551	3.8	1,970,364	2,047,227	-76,863	-3.8
United Kingdom	3,659,662	3,405,697	253,965	7.5	530,669	533,982	-3,313	- .6
Japan	2,988,047	2,986,224	1,823	.1	315,929	361,863	-45,934	-12.7
Germany	998,290	946,029	52,261	5.5	256,200	262,098	-5,898	-2.3
France	750,805	756,731	-5,926	-.8	169,979	176,122	-6,143	-3.5
Italy	474,455	413,565	60,890	14.7	101,896	101,570	326	.3
Netherlands	398,877	386,663	12,214	3.2	99,651	100,011	-360	-.4
Australia	389,303	355,499	33,804	9.5	94,867	89,890	4,977	5.5
Spain	325,595	299,118	26,477	8.9	49,426	50,927	-1,501	-2.9
Ireland	290,166	260,141	30,025	11.5	38,604	37,356	1,248	3.3
Switzerland	185,986	188,627	-2,641	-1.4	35,772	39,673	-3,901	-9.8
Sweden	167,794	142,142	25,652	18.0	52,783	56,390	-3,607	-6.4
New Zealand	154,720	161,372	-6,652	-4.1	25,871	25,909	-38	-.1
Belgium	114,633	123,410	-8,777	-7.1	41,061	42,876	-1,815	-4.2
Denmark	107,305	90,353	16,952	18.8	34,575	34,466	109	.3
Norway	93,886	84,593	9,293	11.0	25,960	26,120	-160	-.6
Austria	91,924	83,769	8,155	9.7	23,240	23,867	-627	-2.6
Portugal	55,431	49,480	5,951	12.0	8,899	7,771	1,128	14.5
Finland	52,328	48,615	3,713	7.6	21,257	22,727	-1,470	-6.5
Singapore	36,143	31,969	4,174	13.1	18,485	17,823	662	3.7
Uruguay ¹	22,100	33,032	-10,932	-33.1	1,358	2,673	-1,315	-49.2
Iceland	16,153	14,342	1,811	12.6	3,657	3,391	266	7.8
Slovenia	7,365	5,166	2,199	42.6	2,338	1,785	553	31.0
Luxembourg	5,364	4,840	524	10.8	1,083	1,161	-78	-6.7
Liechtenstein	851	825	26	3.2	144	171	-27	-15.8
Andorra	440	330	110	33.3	38	56	-18	-32.1
Monaco	381	344	37	10.8	51	33	18	54.5
San Marino	276	252	24	9.5	24	27	-3	-11.1
Brunei	231	233	-2	-.9	92	70	22	31.4
Unknown ²	221,814	309,413	-87,599	-28.3	16,455	26,419	-9,964	-37.7

¹ Removed from the Visa Waiver Program April 15, 2003.

² Includes Guam Visa Waiver Program admissions for countries not shown.

NOTE: Data include entries under the Guam Visa Waiver Program.

Chart G
Nonimmigrants Admitted as Students and Their Families from Top 10 Countries of Citizenship: Fiscal Year 2003



NOTE: China includes the People's Republic of China and Taiwan. Source: Table 23.

This law superseded the United States-Canada Free-Trade Agreement, and established a special, reciprocal trading relationship among the United States, Canada, and Mexico. This agreement extended to the citizens of Mexico (with certain stipulations) and Canada the nonimmigrant class of admission exclusively for business people entering the United States to engage in activities at a “professional” level. Additionally, the agreement facilitates entry for Mexican as well as Canadian citizens seeking temporary entry as visitors for business, treaty traders and treaty investors, and intracompany transferees. Entries under NAFTA began in February 1994. Data for fiscal years 1995-2003 are shown for NAFTA in Table 24.

Data Overview

Recent trends in admission (Tables 22, 24)

As noted, the fiscal year 2003 total of nearly 27.9 million I-94 documented nonimmigrant admissions represents a decrease of nearly 58,000 (-.2 percent) from fiscal year 2002. Total nonimmigrant admissions numbered about 6.3 million during 1975 and steadily increased to about 11.8 million in both 1981 and 1982. The number stabilized at

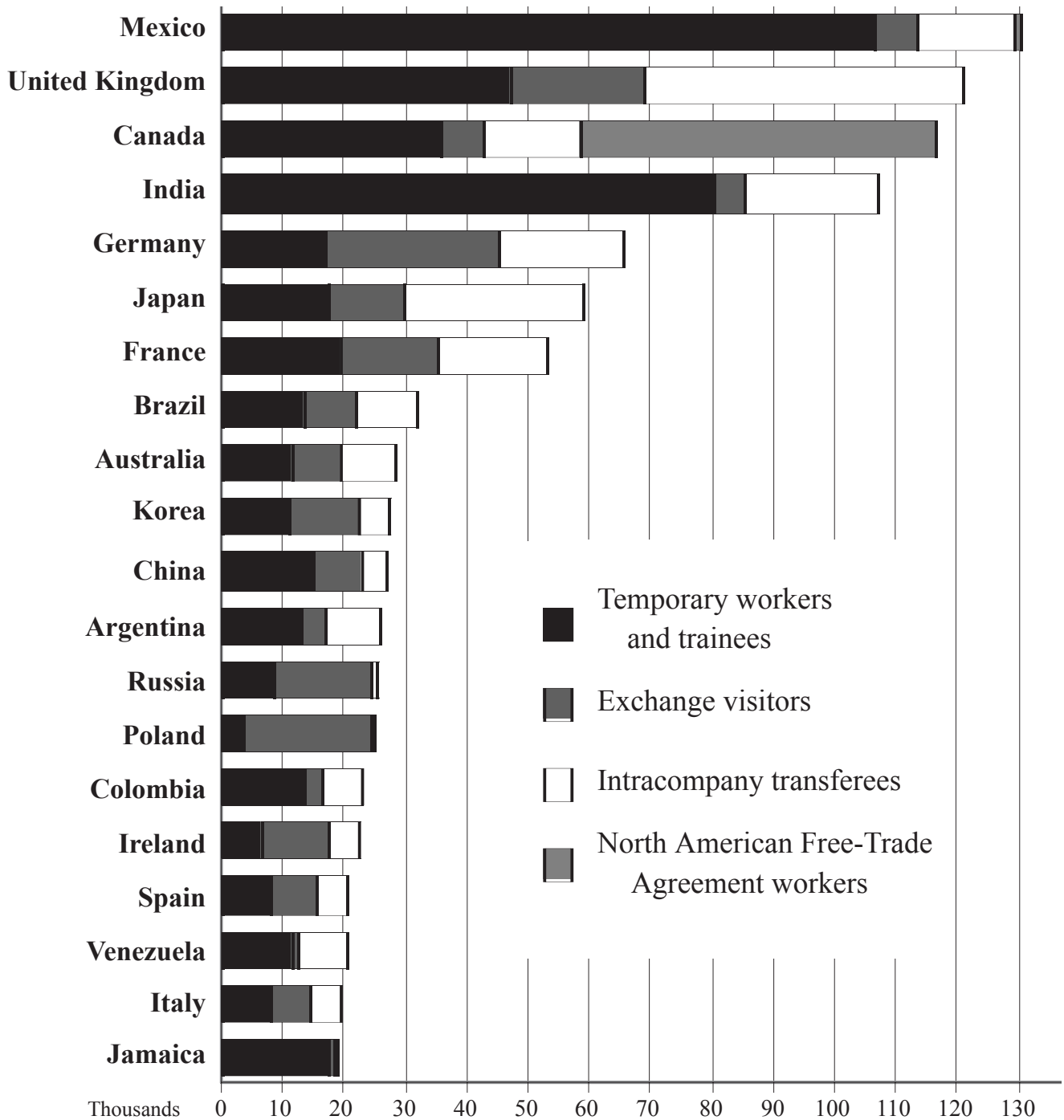
about 9.5 million from 1983 to 1985 (recording a low in 1984), then began a steady increase that continued from 1985 to 2000. The decrease from 2000 to 2001 was the first since 1983-84, with the decreases from 2001-02 and 2002-03 continuing that trend (Chart F).

Nearly 27.9 million I-94 documented nonimmigrants were admitted to the United States in 2003.

Class of admission (Tables 22-25, 28, 30)

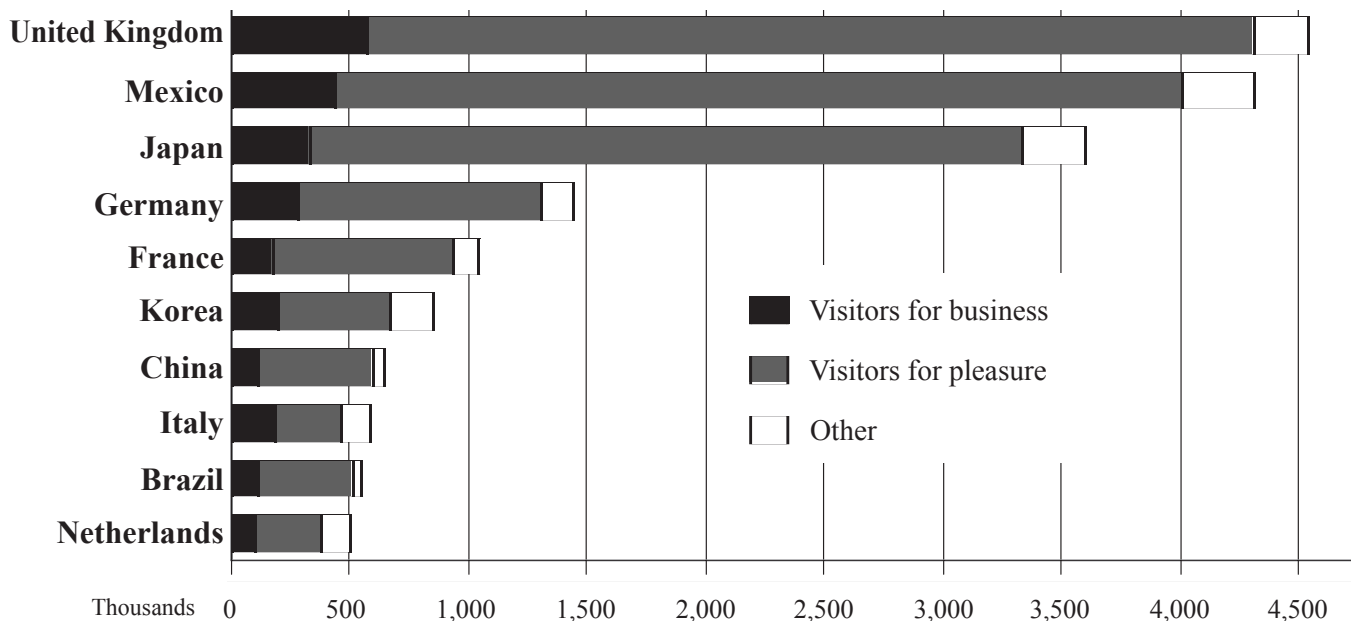
Of the nearly 27.9 million nonimmigrant admissions in fiscal year 2003, a large majority (87.2 percent) entered as visitors for pleasure (tourists) or visitors for business. There were nearly 625,000 foreign student admissions recorded, entering to pursue a full course of study (predominantly in academic institutions) in addition to more than 38,000 associated spouse and children admissions (Chart G and Table 23). Nearly 322,000 persons entered as exchange

Chart H
Nonimmigrants Admitted as Temporary Workers, Intracompany Transferees, and Exchange Visitors from Top 20 Countries of Citizenship: Fiscal Year 2003



NOTE: China includes the People's Republic of China and Taiwan. "Temporary workers and trainees" includes admission classes H, O, P, Q, and R (see Nonimmigrant Admission section of text). Also, see Glossary for definitions of nonimmigrant classes of admission.
 Source: Table 25.

Chart I
Nonimmigrants Admitted by Selected Class of Admission from Top 10 Countries of Citizenship: Fiscal Year 2003



NOTE: China includes the People's Republic of China and Taiwan. Source: Table 23.

visitors to study, teach, or conduct research in the United States, bringing with them more than 41,000 spouses and children (Chart H and Table 25).

More than 249,000 representatives of foreign governments entered the United States as nonimmigrants in 2003. This figure consists of: more than 138,000 foreign government officials (including ambassadors, public ministers, career diplomats, and consular officers), family members, and attendants; more than 98,000 foreign representatives to international organizations (including families and attendants); and more than 12,500 officials serving the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) (including family members).

Country of citizenship (Tables 23, 25-27, 29)

Half of all nonimmigrants arriving in fiscal year 2003 were citizens of one of four countries: the United Kingdom (16.3 percent), Mexico (15.5), Japan (12.9), and Germany (5.2). Both the United Kingdom and Mexico surpassed Japan in total admissions for the first time (in recent history) in 2002 and that relationship remained in 2003.¹ The United Kingdom, Mexico, and Germany had

more arrivals during 2003 than in 2002, while Japan showed a decrease of 1.7 percent (more than 62,000 fewer). Other countries with a significant number of arrivals that showed an increase between 2002 and 2003 were Bulgaria (26.9 percent), the Czech Republic (25.5), Croatia (20.5), and Nigeria (17.7). Countries with a significant number of arrivals that showed a decrease include Serbia and Montenegro (-38.5 percent), Iran (-32.0), and Venezuela (-29.4).

Port of entry (Table 26)

Just as four countries dominated nonimmigrant admissions to the United States in 2003, so did four ports of entry. Miami (12.7 percent), New York (11.6), Los Angeles (10.4), and Honolulu (5.5) together accounted for more than 40 percent of all entrants. The share of these four ports was slightly lower than in 2002, due to a small reduction for Miami (13.5 percent in 2002).

¹ The increases in I-94 admissions since 1997 for nationals of Mexico are partially due to changes in policy encouraging more complete use of the I-94 forms for Mexican visitors.

Table G
Parolees Admitted by Selected Class of Admission from Top Five Countries of Citizenship:
Fiscal Years 1998-2003

Class of admission/ country of citizenship	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
All parolees	234,545	263,755	299,851	273,914	244,834	264,777
Deferred inspections	10,108	9,608	10,272	12,677	6,722	11,154
Mexico	1,786	1,806	1,773	2,089	967	1,670
Canada	822	851	991	951	665	710
Cuba	212	399	362	1,540	320	617
Haiti	301	145	139	149	124	611
El Salvador	199	178	173	145	110	407
Other	6,788	6,229	6,834	7,803	4,536	7,139
Advance parolees	8,344	7,955	6,039	22,795	28,557	38,235
Canada	1,985	2,058	1,610	2,769	3,106	6,256
India	248	225	313	2,074	2,572	4,308
Mexico	1,729	629	469	2,012	3,799	3,860
United Kingdom	420	570	495	1,779	1,971	2,769
China ¹	269	353	474	2,280	2,514	2,712
Other	3,693	4,120	2,678	11,881	14,595	18,330
Port of entry parolees	169,357	196,409	241,625	198,495	171,114	186,522
Mexico	55,290	51,928	51,163	42,134	30,663	28,467
India	5,940	7,314	14,583	12,619	11,750	14,703
Canada	11,234	15,170	17,734	14,737	13,090	12,759
Cuba	940	2,773	5,066	6,492	8,341	10,733
United Kingdom	8,928	11,886	14,682	10,322	7,894	10,226
Other	87,025	107,338	138,397	112,191	99,376	109,634
Humanitarian, public interest, and overseas parolees	46,736	49,783	41,915	39,947	38,441	28,866

¹ Includes the People's Republic of China and Taiwan.

While total admissions declined slightly from fiscal year 2002 to 2003, several ports with substantial numbers of admissions showed increases, including Tampa, FL (38.4 percent), Port Everglades, FL (35.3), Charlotte Amalie, VI (pre-inspection station) (23.7), and New Orleans, LA (20.2). Pittsburgh, PA (-39.9 percent) and St. Louis, MO (-25.9 percent) showed the largest decreases during 2003 among larger ports.

State of destination (Tables 28, 29)

The five states that were the leading destinations of temporary visitors in 2003 were: Florida (16.3 percent of total admissions, 29 percent from the United Kingdom); California (13.4 percent of the total, 20 percent from Mexico

and 13 percent from the United Kingdom); New York (11.5 percent of the total, 22 percent from the United Kingdom); Texas (6.9 percent of the total, 61 percent from Mexico); and Hawaii (5.7 percent of the total, 83 percent from Japan).

Gender and age (Table 30)

The largest 5-year age group for all nonimmigrant admissions during fiscal year 2003 is 30-34 years, with nearly 13 percent of the total. For females the predominant age group is 25-29 years (12.5 percent of females); for males 30-34 (13.2 percent of males). Males account for 53.1 percent of total nonimmigrant admissions; nearly 85 percent of intracompany transferees; more than 76 percent of visitors for business; nearly 75

Table H
Parolees Admitted by Selected Category of Parole from Selected Country of Citizenship:
Fiscal Years 1998-2003

Class of admission/ country of citizenship	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
All selected parole categories	46,736	49,783	41,915	39,947	38,441	28,866
Overseas parolees	1,072	2,130	3,345	3,159	2,508	2,292
Ukraine	144	601	640	685	370	644
Cuba	107	181	103	399	788	426
Russia	159	372	304	316	219	317
Mexico	86	112	92	59	203	161
Belarus	47	20	135	184	79	109
Cambodia	9	10	39	122	69	88
Moldova	6	71	104	136	80	84
Other	514	763	1,928	1,258	700	463
Humanitarian parolees						
(medical and related reasons)	25,141	22,571	22,933	18,374	16,708	14,826
Mexico	18,292	16,106	15,948	9,291	6,312	6,423
Cuba	234	260	325	903	2,310	1,702
El Salvador	742	1,077	699	935	1,724	1,551
Honduras	66	68	291	1,034	1,739	1,308
Canada	1,802	1,620	1,704	1,957	1,345	935
Other	4,005	3,440	3,966	4,254	3,278	2,907
Public interest parolees (legal						
and related reasons)	20,523	25,082	15,637	18,414	19,225	11,748
Cuba	13,547	16,768	8,760	9,574	12,772	6,943
Mexico	3,092	3,581	2,300	2,718	2,550	1,884
Canada	543	516	319	578	465	598
Ukraine	493	874	504	725	447	341
Colombia	79	145	141	273	300	289
Other	2,769	3,198	3,613	4,546	2,691	1,693

percent of temporary workers and trainees; more than 72 percent of foreign government officials; and nearly 70 percent of foreign information media. Females show a slight edge in arrivals as visitors for pleasure (51 percent) and for a category with fewer arrivals—the Legal Immigration Family Equity (LIFE) Act (60 percent).

Parolees

A parolee is an alien, appearing to be inadmissible to the inspecting officer, allowed to enter the United States under urgent humanitarian reasons or when that alien's entry is determined to be for significant public benefit. (See Glossary)

Authority to grant parole

The Secretary of Homeland Security ² has the authority to permit the temporary admission on a case-by-case basis of an alien who may appear inadmissible but who enters the United States for urgent humanitarian reasons or when that alien's entry is determined to be for significant public benefit. Parole does not constitute formal admission to the United States. It confers only temporary status, and parolees are required to leave when the conditions supporting their admission are ended.

² Effective March 1, 2003, immigration parole authority was transferred from the Attorney General.

Nearly 265,000 parolees were admitted to the United States during 2003.

U.S. Parole Program

Parolees are treated as nonimmigrants at port processing, but their numbers are not reported in the nonimmigrant admission data (Tables 22-30). They are classified into six categories: deferred inspections; port-of-entry paroles; advance paroles; humanitarian; public interest; and overseas paroles. To simplify presentation, some of these categories are combined in Table G. In fiscal year 2003 the total number of parole entries was slightly less than 265,000. This was 20,000 more than the previous year but represented a drop from the record high of nearly 300,000 reached in fiscal year 2000.

Categories of parole

Deferred inspection is used when an alien does not appear to be clearly admissible based on the evidence at hand. The parole is issued and an appointment is made for the alien to appear at another immigration office, where more information is available and the inspection can be completed. These cases are usually resolved within 2 weeks, and, if admissible, the alien is admitted in the appropriate category. Parole may also be granted by advance application to a USCIS field office. Advance parole is issued to an alien who resides legally in the United States in other than lawful permanent resident status who has an unexpected need to travel abroad and return, and whose conditions of stay do not otherwise allow for readmission after temporary departure. Most commonly, parole is extended at ports of entry. These parole admissions comprised 70 percent of all paroles in fiscal year 2003. These cases are most common at the land border ports and often involve the reentry of lawful permanent residents who are not carrying their documents. Again, these cases are typically resolved rapidly when the documents are produced.

The more exceptional instances of parole arise in emergencies or special situations. People may be admitted under humanitarian parole to receive medical treatment or because they are injured or acutely ill. They may be brought to the United States under public interest parole to

take part in legal proceedings as witnesses or defendants, or as part of a special overseas program undertaken in an agreement with another government. The latter category is the only one that may result in a long-term admission to the United States.

Country of citizenship

Table G displays the total number of parolees admitted from fiscal year 1998 through fiscal year 2003 by major categories of parole. Within the deferred inspections, advance parole, and port-of-entry categories, the five countries accounting for the largest number of parole admissions in fiscal year 2003 are shown. Total parole admissions increased by 8.1 percent in fiscal year 2003 compared to fiscal year 2002 but were 11.7 percent below the all-time high reached in fiscal year 2000. Our neighboring countries, Canada and Mexico, always account for a large number of paroles in the deferred inspections, port-of-entry, and advance parole categories. In 2003, citizens of India ranked second in the advance parole and port-of-entry categories. Deferred inspections returned in 2003 to a level comparable to 2001 and earlier years. Advance paroles increased to more than 38,000, many times higher than the level observed in 2000 and earlier years. The growth in the use of advance parole is thought to be caused in part by the continuing backlog of applications for adjustment to lawful permanent resident status. In addition, tightened security measures taken following September 11, 2001 may be partly responsible for the increase in advance paroles by aliens who want to ensure their readmission after departure. Three-fourths of the total increase in the use of parole came in the port-of-entry category and was observed among most countries other than Mexico and Canada.

Table H presents more detail for the same years regarding admissions in the overseas, humanitarian, and public interest parole categories, which all saw a drop in admissions in 2003. Cubans accounted for 59 percent of the public interest parole admissions and were the second most numerous nationality in the other two categories. Most Cubans continued to be admitted under the 1994 migration agreement with Cuba. Many of the overseas paroles were extended to persons from Ukraine, Russia, and other former Soviet republics; if the former Soviet Union were counted as one country, it would have accounted for 56 percent of the overseas parole category, with 1,275 admissions in fiscal year 2003. Most of the parolees from the former Soviet Union arrived under

special legislation after being denied refugee status.³ These persons are allowed to adjust to immigrant status after one year of residence in the United States. More than 43 percent of the humanitarian parole admissions granted in fiscal year 2003 for medical and related reasons were from Mexico, and humanitarian parole was also used to admit significant numbers from El Salvador and Honduras. The rest came in small numbers from many other countries. A substantial number of the annual admissions under public interest parole for legal and related reasons are also from Mexico as well as Canada.

Notes on the parole data

Several changes were made in the presentation of the parole data in fiscal year 2000 and continued in subsequent fiscal years. The corresponding changes were made retroactively in the data for fiscal years 1998 and 1999 in Tables G and H. First, the data for the independent republics of the former Soviet Union are no longer combined. This affects the ranking of the countries in the tables, since the former Soviet Union as a whole accounted for a significant share of the paroles in some categories. Second, the practice of combining the humanitarian and public interest parolees from countries with special programs into the overseas parole category is no longer being followed, and the data are presented without this editing step. Many Cubans admitted under the 1994 migration agreement were classified under public interest parole in 2003, but Cubans appear in significant numbers in most other parole categories as well. Most parolees from the republics of the former Soviet Union were classified under overseas or public interest parole. Third, from May 1 through the end of October 2000, the public interest parole authority was used to admit more than 9 million temporary visitors after the Visa Waiver Pilot Program expired without being reauthorized. Although procedures were adopted to distinguish these paroles from ordinary public interest paroles in the data, analysis indicates that the distinction was not made correctly in every case. For this reason, interpretation of the public interest parole data for fiscal year 2000 and to a lesser extent fiscal year 2001 should be made with caution.

³ The Foreign Operations Act of November 21, 1989. This provision is commonly known as the Lautenberg Amendment.

Understanding the Data

Data Collection

The Nonimmigrant Information System (NIIS) is designed to provide for each nonimmigrant entry a record of legal admission and departure. The system also produces statistics for such variables as age, gender, country of citizenship, class of admission, visa-issuing post, port of entry, and destination in the United States.

As mentioned, many nonimmigrants enter and leave the United States more than once each year, and the NIIS system records each entry (and departure) separately. The data system records each arrival/departure event via collection of a separate Form I-94; thus, admission data represent each arrival event during the year rather than the actual number of individuals admitted. Nonimmigrants in several classes of admission often enter (and leave) many times in any given year, especially students, intracompany transferees, and visitors for business.

A description of the principal steps in the process of nonimmigrant admission to the United States is useful for understanding the data produced by the NIIS system. A nonimmigrant visa is secured at a U.S. Consulate abroad (except for those entering under the Visa Waiver Program—see Visa Waiver Program section). These visas may be valid for multiple visits to the United States. Prior to departing for the United States, nonimmigrants are screened initially by the transportation company to ensure that their documents are in order.

At the port of entry, each arriving nonimmigrant presents a visa—or proof of visa waiver status—and a completed I-94 form to an inspection officer. The exception, as noted, is most nationals of Canada and Mexico. Among other actions, the inspector checks the form for completeness, determines the length of admission, and stamps the class of admission and port of entry on the I-94. The arrival portion is torn off and sent to a central data processing facility. The matching departure section of the form, usually stapled into the passport, is the nonimmigrant's proof of legal admission to the United States. This section of the I-94, collected at departure, also is sent to the data processing facility where it is processed and matched electronically to the arrival section of the form.

Other temporary visitors

The Nonimmigrant Information System also includes information on parolees (see Parolees section), withdrawals, stowaways, refugees, asylees, and crewmen. Data for crewmen have historically been a very limited subset of arrivals. Improvements in collection and processing of forms during fiscal year 2002 have produced more complete counts for all types of crewmen (air and sea, cargo and pleasure conveyances). However, procedures for inspecting and documenting crewmen admissions continue to exclude certain crew. Data are not shown in the nonimmigrant tables for any of these classes of admission but are included in footnotes to the appropriate tables.

Temporary visitor information not collected

The Nonimmigrant Information System does not include data for permanent resident aliens returning to the United States after short visits abroad or for most of the millions of citizens of Canada and Mexico who cross U.S. land borders for brief periods of time. As noted, NIIS data are generated from I-94 information. Under most circumstances, Canadians do not need visas and are not required to fill out I-94s. Mexicans crossing the border frequently may apply for border crossing cards, which can be used for admission to the United States for business or

pleasure within 25 miles of the Southwestern border for a period not to exceed 72 hours. Under those circumstances, they also are not issued I-94s. Many Mexican visitors obtain Form I-94s that allow multiple visits and are valid for 6 months (mostly those whose travel in the United States will exceed 25 miles or whose stay will exceed 72 hours). Inspection policy for Mexican temporary visitors has changed over the past several years leading to the collection of the I-94 for a greater proportion of visitors from that country. However, most are visitors without benefit of the I-94 form and are, therefore, not included in the nonimmigrant counts.

Limitations of Data

Counts for unknown class of admission increased sharply in fiscal year 2002 and continued into 2003 (Tables 24-26, 30, and 32) due to a processing change in the data base. Certain class of admission codes previously assigned to the visitors for pleasure category were designated as unknown class for fiscal years 2002 and 2003.

The tables on parole admissions in fiscal year 1998 reflect a later edition of the data than was available for production of the report entitled, *Use of the Attorney General's Parole Authority Under the Immigration and Nationality Act: Fiscal Years 1997-1998*.

**TABLE 22. NONIMMIGRANTS ADMITTED BY SELECTED CLASS OF ADMISSION
AND REGION AND SELECTED COUNTRY OF LAST RESIDENCE
SELECTED FISCAL YEARS 1985-2003**

Region and country of last residence	All classes ¹ (in thousands)					Visitors for pleasure (in thousands)				
	1985	1990 ²	1995 ²	2000 ²	2003 ²	1985	1990 ²	1995 ²	2000 ²	2003 ²
All countries	9,540	17,574	22,641	33,690	27,849	6,609	13,418	17,612	30,511	20,143
Europe	3,129	6,875	8,777	12,451	10,153	2,048	5,383	7,012	11,806	7,871
Armenia	X	X	5	10	5	X	X	4	8	2
Austria	48	108	170	191	115	34	87	146	182	86
Azerbaijan	X	X	1	3	2	X	X	1	2	1
Belarus	X	X	3	8	10	X	X	2	5	4
Belgium	67	137	203	264	182	39	95	153	254	123
Bosnia-Herzegovina	X	X	1	6	5	X	X	Z	5	3
Bulgaria	2	7	9	18	26	1	5	4	10	8
Croatia	X	X	10	17	16	X	X	5	11	6
Czech Republic	X	X	18	51	42	X	X	12	44	24
Czechoslovakia ³	6	16	18	13	12	4	12	13	12	7
Denmark	59	105	111	158	144	36	75	78	150	103
Finland	37	107	70	103	74	24	83	47	95	48
France	358	742	919	1,173	901	226	566	738	1,113	680
Georgia	X	X	2	5	5	X	X	1	3	2
Germany ⁴	⁴	⁴	1,818	2,017	1,334	⁴	⁴	1,550	1,925	992
Germany, East	5	7	⁴	⁴	⁴	3	5	⁴	⁴	⁴
Germany, West	537	1,186	⁴	⁴	⁴	373	969	⁴	⁴	⁴
Greece	51	61	62	70	52	34	43	44	60	31
Hungary	13	23	41	66	41	10	15	29	58	24
Iceland	8	14	17	29	23	5	10	14	27	17
Ireland	73	108	154	345	318	55	81	126	325	265
Italy	240	402	527	660	519	155	308	427	626	394
Kazakhstan	X	X	4	5	5	X	X	1	3	2
Luxembourg	5	10	17	18	11	3	8	15	17	8
Macedonia	X	X	2	4	4	X	X	1	3	2
Moldova	X	X	1	3	2	X	X	Z	2	1
Netherlands	139	291	400	577	451	82	214	308	559	341
Norway	71	114	105	156	131	41	80	71	144	93
Poland	46	72	54	137	145	40	55	36	116	89
Portugal	26	40	52	91	64	18	30	40	86	50
Romania	5	15	15	36	41	3	10	8	25	18
Russia	X	X	116	115	99	X	X	33	74	34
Serbia and Montenegro ⁵	X	X	9	9	9	X	X	7	6	5
Slovak Republic	X	X	17	19	22	X	X	11	13	7
Slovenia	X	X	2	17	11	X	X	1	16	7
Soviet Union ⁶	6	86	3	Z	Z	2	53	1	Z	Z
Spain	103	245	305	397	374	64	183	248	370	297
Sweden	121	299	216	343	232	71	230	142	321	162
Switzerland	155	296	386	419	284	110	236	321	400	214
Ukraine	X	X	22	25	25	X	X	10	13	8
United Kingdom	923	2,338	2,857	4,804	4,358	598	1,899	2,342	4,671	3,678
Uzbekistan	X	X	2	8	6	X	X	1	6	4
Other Europe	6	10	45	61	53	1	3	30	47	28
Asia	2,627	4,937	7,000	8,696	6,258	1,866	3,830	5,666	7,853	4,424
Bangladesh	4	6	13	15	11	2	4	8	11	6
China ⁷	183	329	614	771	457	83	187	378	656	216
Hong Kong	101	176	223	214	130	64	111	162	195	74
India	85	125	155	410	392	52	75	75	253	159
Indonesia	32	47	74	87	54	19	28	44	62	27
Iran	40	18	11	11	4	33	16	9	9	3

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**TABLE 22. NONIMMIGRANTS ADMITTED BY SELECTED CLASS OF ADMISSION
AND REGION AND SELECTED COUNTRY OF LAST RESIDENCE
SELECTED FISCAL YEARS 1985-2003—Continued**

Region and country of last residence	All classes ¹ (in thousands)					Visitors for pleasure (in thousands)				
	1985	1990 ²	1995 ²	2000 ²	2003 ²	1985	1990 ²	1995 ²	2000 ²	2003 ²
Israel	115	175	215	342	285	80	128	160	319	190
Japan	1,555	3,298	4,380	5,120	3,463	1,277	2,846	3,986	4,946	2,963
Jordan ⁸	14	19	13	20	15	7	13	8	16	9
Korea	91	235	612	710	730	26	120	427	606	424
Kuwait	22	18	21	26	15	10	12	13	20	8
Lebanon	19	13	10	20	14	12	10	7	17	10
Malaysia	40	44	67	77	39	19	27	40	64	17
Pakistan	28	41	40	58	39	17	27	27	47	24
Philippines	107	143	171	237	227	59	76	85	163	112
Saudi Arabia	60	53	68	84	23	31	33	45	67	11
Singapore	37	54	97	145	98	23	32	61	131	49
Thailand	28	45	94	97	72	15	25	59	76	30
Turkey	16	34	46	117	89	9	20	27	93	47
United Arab Emirates	11	12	23	44	20	6	7	14	36	11
Other Asia	24	31	65	91	78	14	15	39	67	35
Africa	177	186	228	396	314	101	105	137	327	174
Egypt	27	27	30	54	27	16	16	16	44	15
Kenya	6	8	11	17	17	3	4	6	12	8
Liberia	6	5	2	4	1	4	4	1	4	1
Morocco	7	11	12	22	14	4	7	8	18	10
Nigeria	44	22	17	31	50	25	11	10	27	32
Senegal	3	5	6	12	8	1	2	3	11	5
South Africa	40	40	85	130	94	26	26	59	114	49
Other Africa	45	67	66	126	103	22	34	35	98	54
Oceania	365	679	611	791	744	282	562	478	748	545
Australia	255	466	428	564	509	195	380	327	535	382
Fiji	6	6	6	9	7	4	4	4	7	4
New Zealand ⁹	90	177	139	178	175	74	153	115	170	142
Other Oceania	14	31	37	42	53	9	25	31	36	16
North America	2,189	3,245	3,091	7,817	7,822	1,664	2,463	2,240	6,501	5,423
Canada	154	216	252	428	522	79	119	127	277	292
Mexico ¹⁰	945	1,348	1,214	4,135	4,274	773	1,061	893	3,972	3,583
Caribbean	774	1,231	1,088	1,488	1,260	584	963	831	1,404	943
Antigua-Barbuda	12	25	22	26	21	9	16	15	25	14
Aruba	Z	14	24	25	23	Z	10	19	24	20
Bahamas, The	231	345	266	383	317	211	332	234	377	277
Barbados	24	47	49	61	52	17	34	36	57	36
British Virgin Islands	5	16	15	32	30	4	8	9	31	21
Cayman Islands	24	38	38	54	48	18	31	31	53	38
Cuba	10	34	10	38	9	8	33	8	37	6
Dominica	6	16	17	18	9	4	11	12	16	6
Dominican Republic	87	189	186	206	196	57	137	138	195	137
Guadeloupe	5	8	11	10	9	4	6	9	10	8
Haiti	79	72	56	76	67	56	57	43	72	49
Jamaica	126	213	201	271	210	74	132	130	240	139
Netherlands Antilles	38	48	40	44	48	27	31	32	43	39
St. Lucia	4	11	12	19	15	2	7	8	18	10
Trinidad and Tobago	90	99	82	142	130	71	81	64	133	94
Turks and Caicos Islands	6	9	9	17	12	4	7	8	17	9
Other Caribbean	16	33	50	66	63	12	20	35	56	41

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**TABLE 22. NONIMMIGRANTS ADMITTED BY SELECTED CLASS OF ADMISSION
AND REGION AND SELECTED COUNTRY OF LAST RESIDENCE
SELECTED FISCAL YEARS 1985-2003—Continued**

Region and country of last residence	All classes ¹ (in thousands)					Visitors for pleasure (in thousands)				
	1985	1990 ²	1995 ²	2000 ²	2003 ²	1985	1990 ²	1995 ²	2000 ²	2003 ²
Central America	316	449	536	854	845	228	320	387	792	584
Belize	11	18	21	32	28	8	12	15	30	18
Costa Rica	58	86	123	184	157	41	62	91	172	104
El Salvador	50	66	87	182	205	38	46	63	175	157
Guatemala	71	124	135	187	193	53	91	99	177	134
Honduras	55	80	60	101	109	37	52	37	87	69
Nicaragua	17	16	38	52	51	14	13	28	47	33
Panama	54	59	73	116	103	38	43	54	106	68
Other North America ¹¹	Z	Z	1	913	921	Z	Z	1	55	21
South America	832	1,343	2,481	3,079	2,004	606	1,016	1,978	2,867	1,327
Argentina	89	175	383	534	219	66	136	320	515	125
Bolivia	17	21	25	53	32	10	14	16	48	19
Brazil	200	393	847	768	480	148	300	710	706	290
Chile	40	75	154	209	135	28	54	117	194	84
Colombia	164	164	238	450	335	123	122	174	411	241
Ecuador	53	75	100	136	159	42	57	77	122	105
Guyana	11	10	14	20	21	7	6	9	18	14
Paraguay	6	9	19	21	16	3	6	14	18	10
Peru	59	124	145	215	201	44	97	98	190	142
Uruguay	10	21	46	69	53	7	16	37	66	40
Venezuela	173	264	500	597	347	122	199	400	570	253
Other South America	Z	Z	Z	8	7	Z	Z	Z	7	5
Unknown	221	308	453	459	555	40	60	101	408	380

¹ Excludes classes of admission processed in the Nonimmigrant Information System in the following years: for all countries — 1985 - 64,487 parolees, 3,239 withdrawals and stowaways, and 68,044 refugees; 1990 - 90,265 parolees, 19,984 withdrawals and stowaways, and 110,197 refugees; 1995 - 113,542 parolees, 21,567 withdrawals and stowaways, and 95,576 refugees; 2000 - 299,851 parolees, 23,584 withdrawals and stowaways, and 100,011 refugees; 2003 - 264,777 parolees, 37,640 withdrawals and stowaways, 62,634 refugees, 332 asylees, and 906,314 crewmen.

² Includes admissions under the Visa Waiver Pilot/Permanent Program. For 2000, data are for business and pleasure, not available separately due to temporary expiration of the Visa Waiver Program from May through October. See Nonimmigrant section of text.

³ Prior to 1993, data include independent republics; beginning in 1993, data are for unknown republic only. See Notice of Special Geographic Definitions.

⁴ Prior to fiscal year 1982 and after fiscal year 1990, data for East and West Germany are included in Germany.

⁵ Yugoslavia (unknown republic) prior to February 7, 2003. Prior to 1992, data include independent republics; beginning in 1992, data are for unknown republic only. See Notice of Special Geographic Definitions.

⁶ Prior to 1992, data include independent republics; beginning in 1992, data are for unknown republic only. See Notice of Special Geographic Definitions.

⁷ Includes People's Republic of China and Taiwan. A total of 369,526 nonimmigrant visas were issued to these two countries in fiscal year 2003: 152,577 to Taiwan and 216,949 to People's Republic of China. (SOURCE: U.S. Department of State, Bureau of Consular Affairs, Visa Office.)

⁸ Includes admissions through the use of Palestinian Authority Travel Documents. See Notice of Special Geographic Definitions.

⁹ Prior to fiscal year 1985, data for Niue are included in New Zealand.

¹⁰ Increased use since 1997 of the INS Form I-94 for inspection of Mexican nationals has increased counts presented in the *Statistical Yearbook*.

¹¹ Predominantly temporary visitors who indicate the United States as their country of last residence.

NOTE: Totals may not add due to rounding.

X Not applicable. Z Less than 500 admissions.

**TABLE 23. NONIMMIGRANTS ADMITTED BY SELECTED CLASS OF ADMISSION
AND REGION AND COUNTRY OF CITIZENSHIP
FISCAL YEAR 2003**

Region and country of citizenship	All classes ^{1, 2}	Foreign government officials ³	Temporary visitors for business ²	Temporary visitors for pleasure ²	Transit aliens ⁴	Treaty traders and investors ³	Students	Spouses and children of students	Temporary workers and trainees ⁵	Spouses and children of temp. workers and trainees ⁵
All countries	27,849,443	138,496	4,215,714	20,142,909	554,559	168,508	624,917	38,049	590,680	135,933
Europe	11,028,838	42,955	1,713,079	8,331,002	86,014	69,376	113,465	3,549	157,845	27,365
Albania	7,237	224	927	4,894	38	3	546	12	95	27
Andorra	560	4	38	446	D	-	16	-	4	-
Armenia	5,177	103	967	2,593	45	3	124	11	156	114
Austria	130,867	421	24,697	94,965	561	1,012	1,577	28	2,088	246
Azerbaijan	2,613	293	461	917	17	D	172	13	56	23
Belarus	11,146	49	1,189	4,235	68	D	286	6	369	174
Belgium	178,901	798	43,599	118,795	1,058	1,134	1,689	52	2,640	472
Bosnia-Herzegovina	6,371	86	1,015	4,115	54	9	371	9	146	26
Bulgaria	30,520	334	2,913	9,790	2,554	16	3,738	130	2,387	361
Croatia	19,196	216	3,911	7,616	4,281	43	1,030	22	585	107
Czech Republic	43,892	498	8,747	24,443	793	58	1,228	27	1,449	200
Czechoslovakia ⁶	12,701	120	2,799	7,500	302	20	321	3	342	69
Denmark	162,728	458	36,943	111,053	1,439	882	1,352	38	2,055	467
Estonia	8,520	258	1,598	4,108	710	8	349	14	187	28
Finland	86,426	644	22,086	53,718	332	1,083	908	26	1,194	245
France	1,036,375	3,660	174,441	758,283	3,023	9,986	12,344	283	19,434	2,995
Georgia	4,724	306	841	2,080	165	4	254	17	176	82
Germany	1,439,106	3,495	271,953	1,032,560	3,583	22,883	14,949	373	16,879	2,405
Gibraltar	191	-	8	171	-	-	D	-	D	-
Greece	59,378	647	11,824	33,304	4,860	72	3,490	60	1,928	155
Holy See	124	74	16	22	D	-	-	-	-	-
Hungary	44,240	479	8,918	25,147	2,099	19	1,466	50	1,730	346
Iceland	25,158	105	4,348	18,134	257	3	785	110	471	105
Ireland	370,712	754	42,440	298,366	566	654	1,745	27	6,252	513
Italy	638,507	2,294	107,648	483,491	4,360	5,703	7,213	157	7,917	964
Kazakhstan	5,666	353	1,321	1,790	76	20	559	42	139	55
Kyrgyzstan	1,508	256	205	345	17	-	125	D	29	21
Latvia	10,142	318	1,478	4,092	2,216	24	445	14	219	36
Liechtenstein	1,178	16	155	890	5	3	18	-	28	D
Lithuania	15,207	324	1,840	6,088	1,597	11	632	25	579	88
Luxembourg	7,623	101	1,266	5,719	17	34	123	D	85	15
Macedonia	5,292	158	729	2,757	323	D	332	16	156	43
Malta	5,743	79	779	4,469	74	D	59	5	59	9
Moldova	2,839	174	480	956	122	D	191	13	124	43
Monaco	514	11	54	415	-	-	10	-	D	-
Netherlands	544,383	1,185	104,703	405,335	2,289	3,207	3,252	81	5,075	929
Norway	142,225	857	28,699	96,485	2,800	1,828	2,894	101	2,111	315
Poland	153,765	534	19,428	93,424	8,538	54	3,225	163	3,317	563
Portugal	83,975	298	12,640	64,365	1,299	27	1,491	42	992	128
Romania	48,325	677	7,043	20,852	7,254	27	2,920	182	2,071	821
Russia	111,258	2,508	26,600	37,861	5,971	49	4,365	351	8,321	2,180
San Marino	327	3	28	277	-	-	4	-	-	-
Serbia and Montenegro ⁷	13,229	49	2,125	6,992	420	13	1,535	29	725	133
Slovak Republic	24,277	352	3,494	8,318	1,215	32	947	20	916	207
Slovenia	11,665	168	2,527	7,596	237	130	340	D	163	13
Soviet Union ⁶	360	7	40	246	33	-	D	-	8	D
Spain	428,229	1,980	54,027	334,194	1,182	1,885	6,954	153	7,696	875
Sweden	256,450	1,963	56,939	172,578	1,174	1,644	5,782	87	4,450	693
Switzerland	256,696	1,062	39,814	196,449	326	1,782	4,634	144	3,243	561
Tajikistan	713	229	98	76	3	-	73	8	8	D
Turkmenistan	324	17	63	89	-	-	31	-	D	D
Ukraine	29,810	452	5,578	10,230	4,447	18	1,421	108	1,631	664
United Kingdom	4,534,947	12,113	565,489	3,743,582	13,074	14,983	14,852	472	46,990	8,786
Uzbekistan	6,798	391	1,110	3,786	133	D	294	20	164	57
Asia	6,799,154	45,485	1,042,881	4,611,873	160,546	82,228	346,672	25,552	159,556	66,630
Afghanistan	1,382	131	177	654	D	-	28	-	8	5
Bahrain	2,405	313	486	945	6	D	477	32	26	D
Bangladesh	13,910	386	1,978	7,489	102	11	1,382	128	493	290

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**TABLE 23. NONIMMIGRANTS ADMITTED BY SELECTED CLASS OF ADMISSION
AND REGION AND COUNTRY OF CITIZENSHIP
FISCAL YEAR 2003—Continued**

Region and country of citizenship	All classes ^{1, 2}	Foreign government officials ³	Temporary visitors for business ²	Temporary visitors for pleasure ²	Transit aliens ⁴	Treaty traders and investors ³	Students	Spouses and children of students	Temporary workers and trainees ⁵	Spouses and children of temp. workers and trainees ⁵
Bhutan	368	15	51	102	18	-	54	D	25	D
Brunei	586	63	132	289	5	-	8	-	10	-
Burma	2,219	24	381	842	306	D	288	6	87	22
Cambodia	3,736	66	435	2,304	74	D	192	4	79	D
China ⁸	579,294	1,652	178,765	276,569	12,372	3,477	56,870	4,578	14,743	4,877
Cyprus	9,439	67	1,244	4,692	80	5	2,274	20	311	30
Hong Kong	75,085	28	21,217	40,105	3,551	26	6,485	51	1,953	134
India	537,867	2,139	98,199	197,732	18,877	197	50,884	1,669	80,296	39,681
Indonesia	63,254	1,245	8,107	31,402	11,142	45	7,285	167	1,082	258
Iran	6,448	10	433	4,333	8	8	255	49	158	174
Iraq	1,211	4	135	515	6	-	13	D	78	161
Israel	303,627	6,817	72,071	191,255	1,581	2,542	4,432	359	7,255	2,948
Japan	3,589,544	10,770	326,915	3,000,112	7,549	64,032	81,558	3,257	17,118	3,960
Jordan ⁹	20,275	1,286	2,967	11,710	286	14	1,492	156	425	215
Korea	840,142	5,457	190,324	478,102	23,651	9,902	74,115	10,986	11,094	4,947
Kuwait	11,051	587	1,619	5,670	27	7	2,434	378	58	4
Laos	1,535	45	51	1,034	9	-	32	-	34	4
Lebanon	19,388	170	3,286	11,915	122	12	1,437	38	760	192
Macau	932	-	102	535	20	-	227	-	28	3
Malaysia	52,319	901	18,569	20,989	1,098	36	4,504	129	2,164	402
Maldives	158	23	20	44	16	-	26	D	D	-
Mongolia	6,214	160	1,154	2,944	152	D	938	113	210	30
Nepal	9,677	230	1,568	3,572	647	9	1,927	185	727	191
Oman	1,659	291	232	380	11	D	466	64	22	D
Pakistan	56,717	867	7,653	31,991	164	314	5,433	235	3,082	2,006
Philippines	267,661	2,279	32,451	134,816	70,232	543	2,373	128	6,681	4,021
Qatar	1,660	263	294	506	9	-	363	79	11	-
Saudi Arabia	16,154	2,808	1,928	5,948	64	11	2,869	1,451	130	31
Singapore	81,370	2,172	24,687	43,184	278	46	4,995	155	2,041	423
Sri Lanka	13,208	328	2,876	5,854	440	50	1,327	112	818	261
Syria	6,054	54	750	4,142	61	3	231	27	85	78
Thailand	73,116	1,407	17,136	30,114	4,901	301	10,433	149	2,074	265
Turkey	104,438	978	19,802	51,470	2,222	616	15,178	594	5,149	933
United Arab Emirates	5,368	813	817	1,822	8	D	1,578	176	16	5
Vietnam	18,593	446	3,730	5,490	446	10	1,705	51	214	62
Yemen	1,090	190	139	301	D	D	104	21	9	7
Africa	371,788	10,513	84,295	192,353	8,925	195	21,629	1,295	13,576	3,341
Algeria	3,465	228	1,016	1,252	169	D	74	D	87	34
Angola	4,091	247	1,253	1,143	88	4	652	38	33	D
Benin	1,391	118	354	500	18	-	129	D	43	3
Botswana	1,931	188	445	552	130	D	289	23	48	D
Burkina Faso	1,708	53	467	536	30	D	182	17	80	16
Burundi	570	37	90	183	77	-	46	-	3	-
Cameroon	8,191	281	1,639	4,194	105	11	645	40	174	52
Cape Verde	1,546	28	118	1,260	21	D	20	D	7	3
Central African Republic	185	31	18	57	D	-	21	D	3	4
Chad	397	39	84	100	6	-	55	-	D	D
Comoros	67	D	7	9	D	-	6	-	D	-
Congo, Democratic Republic	157	6	42	66	5	-	D	-	D	-
Congo, Republic	2,731	168	570	1,243	95	D	131	9	79	4
Cote d'Ivoire	2,229	34	421	1,186	31	D	248	10	53	7
Djibouti	308	50	150	59	4	-	-	-	3	-
Egypt	31,430	2,880	5,914	17,210	530	13	979	185	754	414
Equatorial Guinea	154	50	26	40	D	-	12	-	-	-
Eritrea	1,443	28	210	1,032	5	-	54	4	8	D
Ethiopia	9,042	126	1,272	5,555	445	D	343	12	152	23
Gabon	1,160	168	189	464	20	D	177	3	13	7
Gambia, The	3,509	74	792	2,094	29	D	270	14	35	6
Ghana	28,497	229	5,936	17,178	241	6	1,856	175	648	119
Guinea	5,864	326	1,438	3,475	44	D	201	D	78	6

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**TABLE 23. NONIMMIGRANTS ADMITTED BY SELECTED CLASS OF ADMISSION
AND REGION AND COUNTRY OF CITIZENSHIP
FISCAL YEAR 2003—Continued**

Region and country of citizenship	All classes ^{1, 2}	Foreign government officials ³	Temporary visitors for business ²	Temporary visitors for pleasure ²	Transit aliens ⁴	Treaty traders and investors ³	Students	Spouses and children of students	Temporary workers and trainees ⁵	Spouses and children of temp. workers and trainees ⁵
Guinea-Bissau	81	D	10	51	6	-	D	-	D	-
Kenya	18,521	315	3,439	8,292	292	17	3,256	223	939	149
Lesotho	345	33	97	78	5	-	27	D	13	D
Liberia	1,651	10	259	1,018	20	D	87	21	18	-
Libya	269	-	25	151	-	-	3	-	3	5
Madagascar	849	128	183	233	30	D	38	-	15	D
Malawi	1,566	119	484	503	23	D	145	15	37	10
Mali	3,881	104	1,133	1,812	29	D	323	9	86	7
Mauritania	976	51	201	411	9	D	92	D	21	9
Mauritius	1,351	24	265	653	46	D	98	D	51	10
Morocco	17,455	858	1,628	10,633	325	33	1,826	28	501	62
Mozambique	986	185	194	218	87	4	59	8	17	D
Namibia	1,217	100	300	459	54	D	51	D	21	7
Niger	2,890	67	758	1,441	18	-	206	D	64	24
Nigeria	59,817	642	13,985	36,291	135	15	3,337	130	1,238	343
Reunion	27	-	-	27	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rwanda	1,310	163	295	412	76	-	143	D	25	20
Sao Tome and Principe	51	11	14	14	-	-	D	-	-	D
Senegal	10,262	314	2,499	5,393	173	3	462	6	302	27
Seychelles	301	12	48	180	14	D	8	-	5	3
Sierra Leone	2,409	60	375	1,404	5	-	99	5	70	15
Somalia	288	D	37	156	D	-	D	-	-	-
South Africa	106,256	1,022	29,001	51,147	4,634	50	1,767	89	6,798	1,686
St. Helena	33	-	D	26	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sudan	1,433	56	217	798	D	-	57	11	17	17
Swaziland	294	34	67	72	7	-	33	D	5	-
Tanzania	4,785	118	1,108	1,714	201	3	770	46	159	28
Togo	2,293	38	412	1,144	28	D	366	17	31	6
Tunisia	3,998	314	785	1,600	137	6	315	3	113	41
Uganda	4,969	200	1,524	1,727	150	-	364	12	335	46
Western Sahara	4	-	D	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Zambia	3,448	102	851	1,320	102	-	386	28	65	27
Zimbabwe	7,706	35	1,641	3,587	217	3	912	92	318	91
Oceania	809,365	7,298	131,673	569,986	7,513	2,011	5,044	145	15,141	2,716
American Samoa	181	D	25	149	D	-	-	-	D	-
Australia	550,287	5,780	99,673	398,454	2,645	1,972	3,616	75	11,406	2,117
Christmas Island	5	-	-	D	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cocos Islands	D	-	D	D	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cook Islands	42	-	-	41	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fiji	9,546	104	1,496	4,968	2,617	D	98	7	56	26
French Polynesia	748	-	59	679	D	-	5	-	D	-
Guam	68	-	D	23	D	-	-	-	D	-
Kiribati	1,073	42	184	340	482	-	10	-	3	-
Marshall Islands	6,598	34	15	108	42	D	D	-	-	4
Micronesia, Federated States	21,145	28	37	120	72	-	D	-	3	D
Nauru	50	D	10	21	3	-	3	-	-	-
New Caledonia	208	-	7	194	-	-	4	D	-	-
New Zealand	203,465	1,093	29,316	160,132	1,032	23	1,152	52	3,468	540
Niue	D	-	-	D	-	-	-	-	-	-
Northern Mariana Islands	24	-	-	22	-	-	-	-	D	-
Palau	9,114	34	33	89	17	D	4	-	3	-
Papua New Guinea	561	29	133	203	112	D	27	D	7	D
Pitcairn Islands	D	-	-	D	-	-	-	-	-	-
Samoa	1,799	30	205	1,343	106	-	38	D	52	D
Solomon Islands	979	15	153	613	46	7	24	5	31	14
Tonga	3,057	71	278	2,380	120	D	55	-	104	8
Tuvalu	244	19	18	21	177	-	D	-	D	-
Vanuatu	155	11	25	70	37	-	3	-	-	-
Wallis and Futuna Islands	10	-	D	7	D	-	-	-	-	-

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**TABLE 23. NONIMMIGRANTS ADMITTED BY SELECTED CLASS OF ADMISSION
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Region and country of citizenship	All classes ^{1, 2}	Foreign government officials ³	Temporary visitors for business ²	Temporary visitors for pleasure ²	Transit aliens ⁴	Treaty traders and investors ³	Students	Spouses and children of students	Temporary workers and trainees ⁵	Spouses and children of temp. workers and trainees ⁵
North America	6,496,462	14,145	811,078	4,978,778	138,470	8,899	87,244	3,504	179,024	16,827
Canada	222,585	499	20,000	16,449	1,447	3,525	29,997	853	35,459	7,851
Greenland	63	-	8	46	D	-	D	-	D	-
Mexico	4,307,144	3,559	438,316	3,567,629	49,350	4,694	22,549	1,712	106,638	6,330
St. Pierre and Miquelon	5	-	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	-
United States	16	-	D	11	D	-	-	-	D	-
Caribbean	1,146,382	5,231	184,274	840,898	33,713	359	24,263	632	26,241	1,448
Anguilla	2,958	17	700	1,976	90	D	136	-	13	10
Antigua-Barbuda	19,045	121	5,468	12,446	378	-	382	11	106	7
Aruba	7,892	13	523	7,141	8	13	148	D	21	D
Bahamas, The	306,307	1,255	24,947	267,584	642	38	5,161	138	524	57
Barbados	47,808	681	11,372	32,857	553	4	932	10	654	70
Bermuda	3,741	D	256	2,280	21	D	744	63	140	38
British Virgin Islands	6,338	22	1,695	3,889	305	D	383	9	6	D
Cayman Islands	24,586	24	4,279	19,200	92	D	645	42	24	5
Cuba	8,529	221	966	5,513	19	D	14	D	396	20
Dominica ¹⁰	7,380	51	1,715	4,713	351	D	206	D	159	16
Dominican Republic ¹⁰	203,701	830	40,706	135,599	11,933	52	2,067	38	3,868	534
Grenada	10,546	157	2,058	6,996	712	D	330	7	99	11
Guadeloupe	1,208	D	109	998	D	3	7	-	62	5
Haiti	78,811	92	13,823	57,763	2,627	9	883	13	811	43
Jamaica	221,068	865	37,540	144,320	7,992	144	6,089	210	17,099	363
Martinique	452	-	25	416	D	-	6	-	D	-
Montserrat	866	D	230	587	19	-	17	-	8	D
Netherlands Antilles	9,190	-	857	8,002	44	D	216	-	41	8
Puerto Rico	255	D	54	164	12	D	7	-	4	D
St. Kitts-Nevis	13,140	112	3,667	8,157	465	D	446	4	159	6
St. Lucia	15,600	177	3,774	10,132	600	3	523	13	102	22
St. Vincent & the Grenadines	12,089	90	2,276	6,529	2,719	3	232	5	53	12
Trinidad and Tobago	134,426	490	25,133	96,048	3,957	65	4,275	59	1,851	207
Turks and Caicos Islands	10,167	5	2,010	7,441	146	8	404	3	36	9
U.S. Virgin Islands	279	D	91	147	22	-	10	-	D	-
Central America	820,267	4,856	168,479	553,740	53,956	321	10,434	307	10,684	1,198
Belize	26,337	310	6,575	17,137	817	4	791	26	212	33
Costa Rica	148,779	470	35,178	95,917	9,238	151	1,664	96	1,675	312
El Salvador	207,042	812	36,295	155,982	8,139	33	1,283	33	1,257	182
Guatemala	187,462	988	41,096	127,980	7,569	17	2,002	65	4,281	330
Honduras	108,374	571	20,748	66,464	15,041	67	1,657	40	1,401	110
Nicaragua	50,301	290	8,308	31,415	7,712	5	658	12	618	38
Panama	91,972	1,415	20,279	58,845	5,440	44	2,379	35	1,240	193
South America	2,120,332	16,511	403,457	1,293,762	146,145	5,143	46,981	3,775	62,755	18,338
Argentina	241,344	2,422	55,680	119,063	16,284	1,807	5,442	608	12,839	4,142
Bolivia	34,222	604	7,089	18,552	3,894	90	1,236	43	612	158
Brazil	497,024	3,150	95,517	272,549	66,008	265	12,047	893	13,230	3,350
Chile	139,387	2,118	34,651	81,459	6,624	36	2,134	404	2,805	816
Colombia	379,510	2,326	70,636	253,512	3,389	2,474	8,852	624	13,376	3,732
Ecuador	161,387	1,352	25,243	102,085	21,049	36	3,376	156	1,992	572
Falkland Islands	28	-	D	21	4	-	-	-	D	-
French Guiana	35	-	-	35	-	-	-	-	-	-
Guyana	27,842	150	5,797	18,190	1,544	D	360	11	404	205
Paraguay	14,885	456	2,755	8,419	1,677	60	513	22	273	105
Peru	220,780	1,391	33,775	143,804	20,147	64	4,246	366	4,839	1,189
Suriname	5,799	154	1,355	3,621	335	45	106	5	D	3
Uruguay	54,604	769	8,763	38,649	1,666	29	666	63	931	318
Venezuela	343,485	1,619	62,194	233,803	3,524	235	8,003	580	11,422	3,748
Unknown	223,504	1,589	29,251	165,155	6,946	656	3,882	229	2,783	716

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Region and country of citizenship	International representatives ³	Representatives of foreign information media ³	Exchange visitors	Spouses and children of exchange visitors	Fian-ces(ees) of U.S. citizens ¹¹	Intra-company transferees	Spouses and children of intra-company transferees	NATO officials ³	North American Free-Trade Agreement workers	Spouses and children of NAFTA workers
All countries	98,389	32,030	321,660	41,122	28,295	298,054	136,227	12,569	59,446	12,436
Europe	37,393	18,078	195,999	9,902	6,218	136,925	53,861	10,175	-	-
Albania	129	11	193	5	28	D	4	D	-	-
Andorra	15	-	12	-	-	20	-	-	-	-
Armenia	122	6	761	52	47	12	8	-	-	-
Austria	532	327	1,999	124	18	1,672	447	6	-	-
Azerbaijan	117	17	419	14	12	14	19	-	-	-
Belarus	155	D	4,313	59	135	25	12	-	-	-
Belgium	1,213	402	1,508	255	27	3,062	1,385	567	-	-
Bosnia-Herzegovina	125	9	308	D	18	7	3	3	-	-
Bulgaria	409	57	7,292	93	58	119	54	D	-	-
Croatia	226	79	749	40	27	111	24	D	-	-
Czech Republic	277	75	5,304	169	28	266	126	24	-	-
Czechoslovakia ⁶	79	24	903	15	11	100	37	9	-	-
Denmark	1,051	297	1,943	195	20	2,737	1,224	379	-	-
Estonia	78	12	1,005	25	31	42	17	D	-	-
Finland	721	129	1,274	201	20	2,690	1,052	4	-	-
France	5,523	1,525	15,655	1,126	131	17,847	8,979	24	-	-
Georgia	92	19	597	34	11	11	-	-	-	-
Germany	3,507	3,280	28,095	1,277	253	20,620	6,644	4,436	-	-
Gibraltar	-	-	D	-	-	D	-	-	-	-
Greece	518	155	1,020	106	19	413	107	439	-	-
Holy See	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hungary	436	251	2,135	279	52	383	176	54	-	-
Iceland	167	16	304	159	D	73	87	6	-	-
Ireland	730	328	11,276	245	80	4,813	1,525	9	-	-
Italy	2,987	786	6,509	516	66	4,992	1,567	630	-	-
Kazakhstan	130	14	959	30	61	46	33	-	-	-
Kyrgyzstan	70	D	327	19	48	5	3	-	-	-
Latvia	124	15	999	22	44	46	9	-	-	-
Liechtenstein	20	4	12	D	-	14	8	-	-	-
Lithuania	117	31	3,597	34	57	50	22	D	-	-
Luxembourg	89	6	60	D	-	74	20	8	-	-
Macedonia	105	22	545	11	13	13	3	3	-	-
Malta	63	9	37	5	-	50	D	-	-	-
Moldova	90	4	499	27	76	D	6	-	-	-
Monaco	20	-	-	D	-	-	-	-	-	-
Netherlands	1,860	533	3,547	238	72	7,589	3,410	607	-	-
Norway	755	198	1,676	263	26	1,847	753	417	-	-
Poland	480	294	20,742	368	240	678	315	208	-	-
Portugal	420	75	900	97	15	589	211	202	-	-
Romania	355	133	4,738	193	192	283	75	D	-	-
Russia	2,071	428	16,188	702	1,814	721	420	12	-	-
San Marino	12	-	D	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Serbia and Montenegro ⁷	130	45	790	58	25	47	15	D	-	-
Slovak Republic	140	37	8,149	93	44	121	57	D	-	-
Slovenia	88	19	317	12	3	32	3	-	-	-
Soviet Union ⁶	3	-	7	-	9	D	-	-	-	-
Spain	2,260	608	7,849	798	67	4,937	1,956	309	-	-
Sweden	1,278	346	3,119	310	47	4,108	1,670	13	-	-
Switzerland	812	456	2,046	327	27	3,492	1,185	13	-	-
Tajikistan	48	D	155	5	D	D	-	-	-	-
Turkmenistan	15	-	100	D	6	-	-	-	-	-
Ukraine	463	108	2,653	210	1,195	136	62	5	-	-
United Kingdom	6,098	6,855	21,856	1,027	976	51,989	20,117	1,775	-	-
Uzbekistan	62	27	552	56	65	19	8	-	-	-
Asia	18,237	7,978	57,392	22,237	13,748	71,449	39,741	678	-	-
Afghanistan	79	-	68	-	117	4	D	-	-	-
Bahrain	37	D	49	10	D	11	3	D	-	-
Bangladesh	475	6	162	79	9	48	52	D	-	-

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Region and country of citizenship	International representatives ³	Representatives of foreign information media ³	Exchange visitors	Spouses and children of exchange visitors	Fian-ces(ees) of U.S. citizens ¹¹	Intra-company transferees	Spouses and children of intra-company transferees	NATO officials ³	North American Free-Trade Agreement workers	Spouses and children of NAFTA workers
Bhutan	75	-	17	D	D	-	-	-	-	-
Brunei	52	10	D	-	-	8	5	-	-	-
Burma	149	-	43	7	12	10	5	-	-	-
Cambodia	45	-	75	21	336	4	D	D	-	-
China ⁸	1,529	661	7,890	3,188	2,198	4,187	2,196	37	-	-
Cyprus	81	15	536	10	3	17	16	D	-	-
Hong Kong	92	81	598	34	51	295	110	8	-	-
India	3,951	284	4,732	1,789	911	21,748	10,664	55	-	-
Indonesia	562	41	746	139	123	315	236	3	-	-
Iran	299	6	94	82	258	22	24	-	-	-
Iraq	29	D	40	10	125	-	-	D	-	-
Israel	393	218	3,959	1,766	47	4,400	2,723	15	-	-
Japan	2,330	4,463	12,733	5,394	267	29,176	17,445	11	-	-
Jordan ⁹	282	18	494	129	62	103	46	D	-	-
Korea	914	1,463	11,421	7,373	362	4,519	2,960	42	-	-
Kuwait	73	3	79	25	D	17	7	D	-	-
Laos	49	-	13	-	242	D	-	-	-	-
Lebanon	369	30	341	68	185	86	66	D	-	-
Macau	D	-	13	-	-	D	-	-	-	-
Malaysia	488	73	713	117	64	1,271	612	5	-	-
Maldives	D	-	D	D	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mongolia	145	19	226	79	9	3	3	-	-	-
Nepal	265	D	151	46	21	24	27	-	-	-
Oman	70	-	64	14	D	21	16	-	-	-
Pakistan	951	43	606	283	300	383	337	5	-	-
Philippines	2,127	148	1,115	250	3,311	1,961	733	19	-	-
Qatar	53	-	65	9	-	3	D	-	-	-
Saudi Arabia	224	9	173	182	D	142	134	D	-	-
Singapore	227	51	784	180	50	1,278	668	D	-	-
Sri Lanka	435	17	151	54	D	247	115	-	-	-
Syria	114	D	127	51	111	16	12	D	-	-
Thailand	380	66	4,021	135	674	320	193	5	-	-
Turkey	608	222	4,051	574	60	739	288	455	-	-
United Arab Emirates	41	5	42	17	D	5	D	-	-	-
Vietnam	191	11	921	83	3,819	62	34	D	-	-
Yemen	D	4	72	34	5	D	4	-	-	-
Africa	12,278	406	10,490	1,397	1,118	3,823	2,017	37	-	-
Algeria	357	16	116	10	17	16	21	-	-	-
Angola	134	7	225	24	D	126	97	D	-	-
Benin	164	-	38	3	3	6	D	-	-	-
Botswana	66	3	143	22	5	10	D	-	-	-
Burkina Faso	260	-	38	5	6	-	D	D	-	-
Burundi	114	-	10	-	D	D	-	-	-	-
Cameroon	580	19	175	26	36	51	13	-	-	-
Cape Verde	25	-	16	D	12	D	-	-	-	-
Central African Republic	44	-	D	-	D	-	-	-	-	-
Chad	29	-	62	8	-	4	6	-	-	-
Comoros	34	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Congo, Democratic Republic	28	-	4	D	D	-	-	-	-	-
Congo, Republic	312	D	45	D	12	9	3	-	-	-
Cote d'Ivoire	177	5	22	D	3	6	7	-	-	-
Djibouti	34	-	D	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Egypt	638	53	908	359	22	213	184	D	-	-
Equatorial Guinea	14	-	4	5	D	-	-	-	-	-
Eritrea	44	-	10	-	11	D	-	D	-	-
Ethiopia	407	10	95	23	65	30	12	D	-	-
Gabon	92	-	8	-	-	7	9	-	-	-
Gambia, The	134	-	13	-	8	3	-	-	-	-
Ghana	605	22	561	78	168	62	22	D	-	-
Guinea	239	D	16	5	8	-	D	D	-	-

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Guinea-Bissau	7	D	-	-	D	-	-	-	-	-
Kenya	771	12	449	112	36	55	30	-	-	-
Lesotho	60	-	27	-	-	D	-	-	-	-
Liberia	94	-	6	-	12	16	-	-	-	-
Libya	58	-	-	D	14	D	-	-	-	-
Madagascar	142	9	47	D	6	3	3	-	-	-
Malawi	112	D	90	7	D	12	D	D	-	-
Mali	288	D	53	12	7	4	3	-	-	-
Mauritania	151	-	8	-	D	5	-	-	-	-
Mauritius	147	D	24	3	-	11	7	-	-	-
Morocco	595	29	379	42	128	62	27	3	-	-
Mozambique	143	5	50	8	-	4	D	-	-	-
Namibia	105	-	100	4	D	7	-	-	-	-
Niger	165	D	31	9	11	24	17	-	-	-
Nigeria	822	44	481	128	319	565	267	6	-	-
Reunion	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rwanda	117	-	40	7	D	D	-	-	-	-
Sao Tome and Principe	6	D	D	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Senegal	722	26	167	13	19	26	13	-	-	-
Seychelles	22	-	5	-	D	-	-	-	-	-
Sierra Leone	271	4	20	D	22	D	6	-	-	-
Somalia	28	-	D	-	7	-	-	-	-	-
South Africa	779	111	4,924	325	89	2,325	1,177	11	-	-
St. Helena	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sudan	219	-	4	D	8	-	-	-	-	-
Swaziland	43	D	24	D	D	D	D	-	-	-
Tanzania	347	D	232	15	5	14	4	-	-	-
Togo	153	-	35	7	5	D	-	-	-	-
Tunisia	384	D	190	26	5	35	5	D	-	-
Uganda	361	D	156	32	15	6	8	D	-	-
Western Sahara	-	-	D	-	-	-	-	D	-	-
Zambia	281	8	203	25	7	12	15	D	-	-
Zimbabwe	354	5	229	37	11	82	52	D	-	-
Oceania	2,353	988	10,801	761	321	10,881	4,699	19	-	-
American Samoa	D	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Australia	1,565	777	7,958	566	265	8,895	3,956	10	-	-
Christmas Island	-	-	-	-	-	D	-	-	-	-
Cocos Islands	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cook Islands	-	-	D	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fiji	63	-	12	-	10	24	D	3	-	-
French Polynesia	-	-	-	-	-	D	-	-	-	-
Guam	-	-	-	-	-	D	-	-	-	-
Kiribati	4	-	D	-	D	D	-	-	-	-
Marshall Islands	D	-	-	-	-	-	D	D	-	-
Micronesia, Federated States	9	-	D	-	-	D	-	D	-	-
Nauru	5	-	D	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
New Caledonia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
New Zealand	636	207	2,794	185	39	1,925	717	D	-	-
Niue	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Northern Mariana Islands	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Palau	D	-	-	-	-	3	D	-	-	-
Papua New Guinea	25	-	7	3	-	3	8	-	-	-
Pitcairn Islands	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Samoa	5	D	D	-	3	-	-	-	-	-
Solomon Islands	15	D	14	7	D	20	10	D	-	-
Tonga	12	-	8	-	D	3	-	-	-	-
Tuvalu	4	-	-	-	-	D	-	-	-	-
Vanuatu	6	-	-	-	-	D	-	-	-	-
Wallis and Futuna Islands	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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Region and country of citizenship	International representatives ³	Representatives of foreign information media ³	Exchange visitors	Spouses and children of exchange visitors	Fianc(ees) of U.S. citizens ¹¹	Intra-company transferees	Spouses and children of intra-company transferees	NATO officials ³	North American Free-Trade Agreement workers	Spouses and children of NAFTA workers
North America	10,065	2,066	19,216	3,066	4,363	35,825	15,264	1,344	59,446	12,436
Canada	2,884	176	7,309	903	1,010	15,618	5,469	881	58,177	12,000
Greenland	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mexico	2,077	892	6,626	1,321	1,128	15,794	8,274	347	1,269	436
St. Pierre and Miquelon	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
United States	-	-	-	-	-	D	-	-	-	-
Caribbean	2,584	519	2,983	518	1,798	1,814	596	69	-	-
Anguilla	D	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Antigua-Barbuda	29	-	33	D	D	8	D	D	-	-
Aruba	-	5	4	-	-	D	-	3	-	-
Bahamas, The	116	8	79	14	D	80	32	7	-	-
Barbados	176	15	112	24	3	57	17	D	-	-
Bermuda	5	99	6	3	-	42	19	-	-	-
British Virgin Islands	D	D	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cayman Islands	10	-	4	D	D	7	5	3	-	-
Cuba	330	D	22	7	384	6	D	D	-	-
Dominica ¹⁰	4	4	24	D	25	D	D	D	-	-
Dominican Republic ¹⁰	387	269	807	58	807	508	184	12	-	-
Grenada	67	-	25	3	3	27	4	D	-	-
Guadeloupe	6	-	4	-	-	4	D	-	-	-
Haiti	213	16	144	6	185	88	40	5	-	-
Jamaica	502	70	1,318	338	323	460	150	15	-	-
Martinique	D	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Montserrat	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Netherlands Antilles	D	D	D	-	D	-	-	4	-	-
Puerto Rico	-	-	D	-	4	D	D	-	-	-
St. Kitts-Nevis	48	D	12	-	4	7	-	-	-	-
St. Lucia	77	D	36	7	9	34	5	D	-	-
St. Vincent & the Grenadines	43	-	28	D	8	15	D	-	-	-
Trinidad and Tobago	558	25	304	52	32	460	131	11	-	-
Turks and Caicos Islands	8	D	13	D	D	4	D	D	-	-
U.S. Virgin Islands	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Central America	2,520	479	2,294	324	427	2,597	925	47	-	-
Belize	100	D	66	13	10	5	5	-	-	-
Costa Rica	658	130	774	130	65	911	348	14	-	-
El Salvador	406	104	292	39	86	377	111	9	-	-
Guatemala	416	81	395	60	49	518	223	8	-	-
Honduras	268	52	228	17	108	281	90	D	-	-
Nicaragua	277	27	205	22	37	123	23	3	-	-
Panama	395	84	334	43	72	382	125	6	-	-
South America	16,960	2,296	25,251	3,514	2,107	38,146	20,037	149	-	-
Argentina	3,003	497	4,046	832	118	8,877	4,486	19	-	-
Bolivia	861	19	324	38	43	259	101	D	-	-
Brazil	3,080	406	8,781	985	383	9,465	4,747	31	-	-
Chile	1,414	331	1,967	388	63	2,176	1,255	12	-	-
Colombia	2,641	298	3,172	441	794	6,418	3,410	31	-	-
Ecuador	771	76	1,224	143	160	768	526	10	-	-
Falkland Islands	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
French Guiana	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Guyana	271	13	56	11	131	75	34	-	-	-
Paraguay	266	25	135	13	9	47	29	D	-	-
Peru	2,207	215	4,067	210	270	1,556	632	14	-	-
Suriname	64	-	8	-	D	12	16	-	-	-
Uruguay	1,111	117	352	89	D	586	247	D	-	-
Venezuela	1,271	299	1,119	364	129	7,907	4,554	27	-	-
Unknown	1,103	218	2,511	245	420	1,005	608	167	-	-

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All countries	15,734	22,509	20,496	22,055	471	234	147	153	117,651
Europe	1,569	959	554	139	159	38	46	28	12,145
Albania	14	19	14	D	-	D	-	-	49
Andorra	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	D
Armenia	27	D	D	-	-	-	-	-	23
Austria	D	8	-	-	D	-	-	-	136
Azerbaijan	13	D	-	-	-	-	-	-	32
Belarus	19	9	8	D	3	-	-	D	28
Belgium	3	D	4	D	3	-	-	D	231
Bosnia-Herzegovina	12	5	3	-	D	-	-	-	43
Bulgaria	17	40	28	20	3	D	D	-	102
Croatia	7	8	D	-	-	-	-	-	111
Czech Republic	6	8	6	D	4	D	D	D	150
Czechoslovakia ⁶	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	44
Denmark	D	6	5	-	D	-	-	-	178
Estonia	4	D	D	-	D	-	-	-	42
Finland	3	9	4	D	D	-	D	-	80
France	35	50	10	8	16	3	5	5	984
Georgia	4	3	D	D	D	-	-	-	24
Germany	122	79	7	-	28	5	D	D	1,668
Gibraltar	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Greece	6	10	D	D	D	D	-	-	241
Holy See	D	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	D
Hungary	9	D	4	-	D	-	D	D	201
Iceland	-	5	D	-	D	-	-	D	18
Ireland	37	11	3	-	D	D	D	D	332
Italy	38	31	6	D	5	D	4	D	617
Kazakhstan	15	4	D	D	D	-	-	-	16
Kyrgyzstan	29	D	-	-	-	-	-	-	3
Latvia	12	4	-	-	D	-	D	D	22
Liechtenstein	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	D
Lithuania	24	15	14	6	D	D	-	-	52
Luxembourg	-	D	-	-	-	-	-	-	3
Macedonia	5	19	3	13	D	-	-	-	20
Malta	4	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	34
Moldova	8	6	-	3	-	D	-	-	11
Monaco	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Netherlands	19	11	9	-	D	D	-	D	427
Norway	8	6	5	-	D	-	D	-	178
Poland	35	221	222	49	13	3	5	3	643
Portugal	D	16	7	D	D	D	D	-	154
Romania	211	68	55	D	4	-	-	3	165
Russia	272	50	18	D	10	6	D	D	334
San Marino	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	D
Serbia and Montenegro ⁷	D	3	5	-	D	-	-	-	86
Slovak Republic	8	21	9	D	4	-	D	-	88
Slovenia	D	D	-	-	D	-	-	-	13
Soviet Union ⁶	D	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	D
Spain	12	17	D	-	11	D	D	-	453
Sweden	11	10	-	D	3	-	D	D	221
Switzerland	10	D	3	-	5	D	-	-	301
Tajikistan	-	D	-	-	-	-	-	-	D
Turkmenistan	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ukraine	110	55	62	6	D	3	D	D	188
United Kingdom	355	109	23	14	20	D	8	D	3,379
Uzbekistan	32	5	D	-	-	-	-	-	12
Asia	6,951	4,092	2,250	1,789	91	87	50	30	10,931
Afghanistan	57	15	18	5	-	-	-	-	13
Bahrain	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	D
Bangladesh	129	254	155	240	-	-	D	D	39
Bhutan	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	D

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Brunei	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	D
Burma	12	11	D	5	D	-	-	-	6
Cambodia	66	3	12	D	D	-	-	-	8
China ⁹	1,030	598	355	81	5	5	6	3	1,422
Cyprus	D	D	-	-	D	-	-	-	32
Hong Kong	17	43	8	D	D	-	-	-	190
India	1,147	920	166	363	11	6	15	5	1,426
Indonesia	49	19	D	4	-	-	D	D	280
Iran	116	26	37	16	D	D	-	D	36
Iraq	48	13	10	3	-	-	-	-	18
Israel	22	18	21	3	6	5	-	-	771
Japan	47	96	30	15	31	14	D	-	2,219
Jordan ⁹	292	68	125	28	D	-	D	D	73
Korea	153	133	66	40	14	17	4	4	2,079
Kuwait	D	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	59
Laos	7	D	D	3	-	-	-	-	8
Lebanon	177	23	32	5	-	D	D	-	68
Macau	-	D	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Malaysia	16	15	6	11	D	D	-	-	133
Maldives	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	D
Mongolia	-	D	D	-	-	-	-	-	25
Nepal	16	16	13	6	-	-	D	-	31
Oman	D	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3
Pakistan	712	469	278	235	D	D	5	D	359
Philippines	1,744	900	552	547	3	4	6	8	709
Qatar	D	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	D
Saudi Arabia	3	D	D	-	-	D	-	-	39
Singapore	10	7	D	-	D	-	-	-	129
Sri Lanka	27	25	16	D	-	-	-	-	46
Syria	98	27	24	15	-	-	-	-	24
Thailand	276	26	20	7	3	-	6	-	204
Turkey	35	32	16	14	6	5	-	-	391
United Arab Emirates	D	-	D	-	-	-	-	-	16
Vietnam	607	312	177	133	D	24	D	-	61
Yemen	31	16	104	D	-	-	-	3	5
Africa	1,054	541	1,080	105	12	8	6	12	1,282
Algeria	14	7	4	3	-	-	D	-	19
Angola	-	D	-	-	-	-	-	-	15
Benin	4	D	-	-	-	-	-	-	4
Botswana	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	D
Burkina Faso	D	D	D	-	-	-	-	-	10
Burundi	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7
Cameroon	23	23	55	D	-	D	-	D	44
Cape Verde	-	6	18	4	-	-	-	-	3
Central African Republic	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Chad	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Comoros	-	D	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Congo, Democratic Republic	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Congo, Republic	12	D	4	-	-	-	-	-	29
Cote d'Ivoire	D	D	4	-	-	-	-	-	9
Djibouti	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	D
Egypt	32	20	25	4	D	-	D	-	88
Equatorial Guinea	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Eritrea	8	7	8	3	-	-	-	-	8
Ethiopia	206	73	137	4	-	-	-	-	49
Gabon	D	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	D
Gambia, The	14	3	10	D	-	-	-	-	7
Ghana	106	91	253	62	D	-	-	6	71
Guinea	4	D	3	-	-	-	-	-	14
Guinea-Bissau	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Kenya	49	14	14	D	-	D	-	-	54
Lesotho	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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Liberia	8	-	26	D	-	-	-	-	53
Libya	5	D	-	D	-	-	-	-	D
Madagascar	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4
Malawi	-	-	-	-	D	-	-	-	D
Mali	D	-	D	-	-	-	-	-	6
Mauritania	-	D	D	-	-	D	-	-	9
Mauritius	-	D	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Morocco	151	36	30	-	-	-	-	-	79
Mozambique	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	D
Namibia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4
Niger	6	6	29	3	-	-	-	-	7
Nigeria	297	196	375	7	4	D	D	D	185
Reunion	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rwanda	D	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7
Sao Tome and Principe	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Senegal	28	9	11	4	-	D	D	-	43
Seychelles	D	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sierra Leone	6	3	15	-	-	-	-	-	24
Somalia	7	7	11	-	-	-	-	-	28
South Africa	24	11	-	-	4	D	D	D	276
St. Helena	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sudan	D	D	3	-	-	-	-	-	20
Swaziland	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tanzania	D	4	D	-	-	-	-	-	13
Togo	3	9	21	3	-	-	-	-	11
Tunisia	10	D	7	-	-	-	-	-	17
Uganda	7	D	8	-	-	-	-	-	14
Western Sahara	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Zambia	D	-	D	-	D	-	-	-	11
Zimbabwe	10	-	D	-	-	D	-	-	26
Oceania	73	45	17	D	6	D	3	D	36,867
American Samoa	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	D
Australia	55	25	6	D	6	D	D	D	461
Christmas Island	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cocos Islands	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cook Islands	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fiji	8	9	4	-	-	-	-	-	34
French Polynesia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	D
Guam	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	37
Kiribati	D	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4
Marshall Islands	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6,387
Micronesia, Federated States	-	-	-	-	-	-	D	-	20,868
Nauru	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
New Caledonia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
New Zealand	D	D	-	-	-	-	D	-	134
Niue	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Northern Mariana Islands	-	-	-	D	-	-	-	-	-
Palau	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8,926
Papua New Guinea	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pitcairn Islands	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Samoa	D	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5
Solomon Islands	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tonga	-	D	7	-	-	-	-	-	6
Tuvalu	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	D
Vanuatu	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	D
Wallis and Futuna Islands	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
North America	4,744	15,903	15,605	19,639	161	83	31	73	39,163
Canada	671	78	D	22	120	35	D	D	1,136
Greenland	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mexico	2,013	13,145	12,491	18,521	22	34	22	48	21,907
St. Pierre and Miquelon	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
United States	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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Caribbean	1,446	2,397	2,476	940	13	11	7	19	11,133
Anguilla	-	D	-	D	-	-	-	-	7
Antigua-Barbuda	D	3	4	D	-	-	-	-	40
Aruba	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8
Bahamas, The	4	16	11	-	-	D	-	-	5,589
Barbados	3	9	9	-	-	D	-	-	247
Bermuda	D	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	20
British Virgin Islands	-	-	D	-	-	-	-	-	22
Cayman Islands	-	D	-	-	-	-	-	-	240
Cuba	160	56	86	41	-	-	-	-	281
Dominica ¹⁰	7	21	31	15	-	-	-	-	26
Dominican Republic ¹⁰	517	1,476	1,422	629	D	D	D	15	974
Grenada	-	D	D	-	-	-	-	-	39
Guadeloupe	-	-	D	-	-	-	-	-	D
Haiti	341	421	517	115	D	-	D	D	651
Jamaica	391	353	334	124	7	5	-	D	2,054
Martinique	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Montserrat	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	D
Netherlands Antilles	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10
Puerto Rico	D	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
St. Kitts-Nevis	D	4	8	-	-	-	-	-	36
St. Lucia	3	10	15	D	-	D	-	-	50
St. Vincent & the Grenadines	-	5	3	D	-	-	-	-	62
Trinidad and Tobago	14	17	32	6	D	D	-	-	696
Turks and Caicos Islands	-	-	-	-	D	-	-	-	73
U.S. Virgin Islands	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	D
Central America	614	283	624	156	6	3	D	5	4,987
Belize	3	6	D	-	-	-	-	D	219
Costa Rica	63	13	11	D	D	D	-	-	957
El Salvador	131	126	314	120	D	-	D	D	904
Guatemala	114	59	133	D	D	D	-	-	1,070
Honduras	164	46	107	22	-	D	-	-	884
Nicaragua	82	27	49	D	-	-	-	-	366
Panama	57	6	7	D	D	-	-	-	587
South America	1,119	719	744	239	34	15	10	7	12,118
Argentina	70	16	11	D	4	3	D	D	1,070
Bolivia	23	18	24	D	-	D	-	-	229
Brazil	92	43	32	5	10	D	D	D	1,950
Chile	14	D	4	D	5	-	-	-	704
Colombia	318	114	145	D	8	3	D	-	2,792
Ecuador	238	184	219	86	-	-	D	D	1,117
Falkland Islands	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
French Guiana	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Guyana	85	177	104	91	-	D	D	-	128
Paraguay	D	D	D	-	-	-	-	-	67
Peru	175	120	168	47	D	D	D	D	1,269
Suriname	D	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	38
Uruguay	D	D	-	-	D	-	-	-	238
Venezuela	93	37	32	5	D	D	-	-	2,516
Unknown	224	250	246	142	8	D	D	D	5,145

¹ Excludes the following classes of admission processed in the Nonimmigrant Information System: for all countries — 264,777 parolees, 37,640 withdrawals and stowaways, 62,634 refugees, 332 asylees, and 906,314 crewmen. ² Includes admissions under the Visa Waiver Program. ³ Includes spouses and unmarried minor (or dependent) children. ⁴ Includes foreign government officials and their spouses and unmarried minor (or dependent) children in transit. ⁵ Excludes workers (and their spouses and children) under the North American Free-Trade Agreement (shown separately). ⁶ Data are for unknown republic only; independent republics shown separately. See Notice of Special Geographic Definitions. ⁷ Yugoslavia (unknown republic) prior to February 7, 2003. See Notice of Special Geographic Definitions. ⁸ Includes People's Republic of China and Taiwan. A total of 369,526 nonimmigrant visas were issued to these two countries in fiscal year 2003: 152,577 to Taiwan and 216,949 to People's Republic of China. (SOURCE: U.S. Department of State, Bureau of Consular Affairs, Visa Office.) ⁹ Includes admissions through the use of Palestinian Authority Travel Documents. See Notice of Special Geographic Definitions. ¹⁰ Due to misreporting, reliable counts by country of citizenship are not available; therefore, data are given the same distribution as for country of last residence. See Notice of Special Geographic Definitions. The number of nonimmigrant visas issued in fiscal year 2003 for Dominica was 2,047; the Dominican Republic, 44,152. (SOURCE: U.S. Department of State, Bureau of Consular Affairs, Visa Office.) ¹¹ Includes minor children of fiances(ees). ¹² Total includes 68 parents or children of international organization special immigrants and 117,583 unknown class of admission. NOTE: See Glossary for detailed descriptions of classes of admission. - Represents zero. D Disclosure standards not met.

**TABLE 24. NONIMMIGRANTS ADMITTED BY CLASS OF ADMISSION
SELECTED FISCAL YEARS 1985-2003**

Class of admission ¹	1985	1990	1995	2000	2001	2002	2003
All classes ²	9,539,880	17,574,055	22,640,540	33,690,082	32,824,088	27,907,139	27,849,443
Foreign government officials and families	90,190	96,689	103,606	138,230	131,313	140,898	138,496
Ambassadors, public ministers, career diplomatic or consular officers (A1)	21,168	22,018	23,259	28,012	26,683	28,489	26,903
Other foreign government officials or employees (A2)	67,084	72,511	78,299	107,751	102,478	110,131	109,699
Attendants, servants, or personal employees of A1 and A2 classes (A3)	1,938	2,160	2,048	2,467	2,152	2,278	1,894
Temporary visitors	8,405,409	16,079,666	20,886,872	30,511,125	29,419,601	24,344,216	24,358,623
For business (B1)	1,796,819	2,661,338	3,275,336	¹³	¹³	4,376,935	4,215,714
Visa Waiver, business	X	294,065	942,539	¹³	¹³	2,047,227	1,970,364
For pleasure (B2)	6,608,590	13,418,328	17,611,536	¹³	¹³	19,967,281	20,142,909
Visa Waiver, pleasure	X	4,528,112	9,407,256	¹³	¹³	11,182,774	11,610,325
Transit aliens ³	236,537	306,156	320,333	437,671	456,174	614,934	554,559
Aliens in transit (C1)	138,957	153,801	168,602	215,084	214,814	221,443	239,681
Aliens in transit to the U.N. (C2)	1,804	1,296	903	3,009	2,785	2,346	2,181
Foreign government officials and families in transit (C3)	7,010	6,190	9,099	10,713	8,960	10,080	10,870
Transit without visa (C4) ³	88,766	144,869	141,729	208,865	229,615	381,065	301,827
Treaty traders and investors and families	96,489	147,536	131,777	168,214	178,534	171,368	168,508
Treaty traders (E1)	65,406	78,658	53,557	51,241	51,443	46,440	44,090
Treaty investors (E2)	31,083	68,878	78,220	116,973	127,091	124,928	124,418
Students	257,069	326,264	364,220	659,081	698,595	646,016	624,917
Academic students (F1)	251,234	319,467	356,585	648,793	688,970	637,954	617,556
Vocational students (M1)	5,835	6,797	7,635	10,288	9,625	8,062	7,361
Spouses and children of students	28,427	28,943	31,260	40,872	43,326	41,490	38,049
Academic students (F2)	27,747	28,490	30,849	40,179	42,544	40,433	37,112
Vocational students (M2)	680	453	411	693	782	1,057	937
Representatives (and families) to international organizations	57,203	61,449	71,982	97,555	94,109	99,012	98,389
Principals of recognized foreign governments (G1)	8,316	8,256	9,319	11,708	11,948	12,987	12,231
Other representatives of recognized foreign governments (G2)	6,989	8,110	9,497	14,373	10,947	13,052	9,813
Representatives of nonrecognized foreign governments (G3)	271	376	290	415	356	381	392
International organization officers or employees (G4)	40,397	43,104	51,410	69,375	69,215	71,096	74,343
Attendants, servants, or personal employees of representatives (G5)	1,230	1,603	1,466	1,684	1,643	1,496	1,610
Temporary workers and trainees ⁴	74,869	144,880	220,664	635,229	688,480	655,949	650,126
Registered nurses (H1A) ⁵	X	X	6,512	565	627	1,145	924
Specialty occupations (H1B) ⁶	47,322	100,446	117,574	355,605	384,191	370,490	360,498
Registered nurses participating in the Nursing Relief for Disadvantaged Areas Act (H1C) ⁷	X	X	X	X	29	111	48
Performing services unavailable in the United States (H2)	24,544	35,973	25,587	84,754	100,082	102,615	116,927
Agricultural workers (H2A)	X	18,219	11,394	33,292	27,695	15,628	14,094

See footnotes at end of table.

**TABLE 24. NONIMMIGRANTS ADMITTED BY CLASS OF ADMISSION
SELECTED FISCAL YEARS 1985-2003—Continued**

Class of admission ¹	1985	1990	1995	2000	2001	2002	2003
Nonagricultural workers (H2B)	X	17,754	14,193	51,462	72,387	86,987	102,833
Industrial trainees (H3)	3,003	3,168	2,787	3,208	3,245	2,695	2,370
Workers with extraordinary ability/achievement (O1) ⁸	X	X	5,974	21,746	25,685	25,008	25,541
Workers accompanying and assisting in performance of O1 workers (O2) ⁸	X	X	1,813	3,627	3,834	4,156	5,321
Internationally recognized athletes or entertainers (P1) ⁸	X	X	22,397	40,920	42,430	41,453	43,274
Artists or entertainers in reciprocal exchange programs (P2) ⁸	X	X	660	4,227	3,877	3,754	3,898
Artists or entertainers in culturally unique programs (P3) ⁸	X	X	5,315	11,230	9,484	9,487	8,869
Workers in international cultural exchange programs (Q1) ⁸	X	X	1,399	2,447	2,089	1,755	2,074
Workers in Irish Peace Process Cultural and Training Program (Q2) ⁹	X	X	X	279	299	466	664
Workers in religious occupations (R1) ⁸	X	X	6,742	15,342	17,122	19,115	20,272
Professional workers, U.S.-Canada Free- Trade Agreement (TC) ¹⁰	X	5,293	X	X	X	X	X
Professional workers, North American Free-Trade Agreement (TN) ¹⁰	X	X	23,904	91,279	95,486	73,699	59,446
Spouses and children of temporary workers and trainees ⁴	12,632	29,281	53,582	151,174	167,936	155,505	148,369
Spouses and children of H1, H2, and H3 workers (H4)	12,632	28,687	43,247	120,212	135,907	129,188	124,487
Spouses and children of O1 and O2 workers (O3) ⁸	X	X	751	3,546	4,540	4,023	3,665
Spouses and children of P1, P2, and P3 workers (P4) ⁸	X	X	592	D	D	1,605	1,667
Spouses and children of Q2 workers (Q3) ⁹	X	X	X	D	D	10	9
Spouses and children of R1 workers (R2) ⁸	X	X	1,790	3,930	4,404	5,348	6,105
Spouses and children of U.S.-Canada Free- Trade Agreement workers (TB) ¹⁰	X	594	X	X	X	X	X
Spouses and children of North American Free-Trade Agreement workers (TD) ¹⁰	X	X	7,202	22,181	21,509	15,331	12,436
Representatives (and families) of foreign information media (I1)	16,753	20,252	24,220	33,918	34,488	33,414	32,030
Exchange visitors (J1)	110,942	174,247	201,095	304,225	339,848	325,580	321,660
Spouses and children of exchange visitors (J2)	30,271	40,397	39,269	47,518	49,587	44,596	41,122
Fiances(ees) of U.S. citizens (K1)	6,975	6,545	7,793	20,558	23,634	27,340	24,643
Children of fiances(ees) of U.S. citizens (K2)	832	673	768	3,113	3,487	4,257	3,652
Intracompany transferees (L1)	65,349	63,180	112,124	294,658	328,480	313,699	298,054
Spouses and children of intracompany transferees (L2)	41,533	39,375	61,621	132,105	144,911	140,446	136,227
NATO officials and families (N1-7)	8,323	8,333	8,579	14,133	13,805	12,628	12,569
Parents or children of international organization special immigrants (N8-9)	X	X	8	47	69	56	68

See footnotes at end of table.

**TABLE 24. NONIMMIGRANTS ADMITTED BY CLASS OF ADMISSION
SELECTED FISCAL YEARS 1985-2003—Continued**

Class of admission ¹	1985	1990	1995	2000	2001	2002	2003
Legal Immigration Family Equity (LIFE) Act ¹¹	X	X	X	X	7,557	60,838	80,794
Spouses of U.S. citizens with petition for immigrant visa pending (K3)	X	X	X	X	D	4,575	12,774
Children of U.S. citizens with petition for immigrant visa pending (K4)	X	X	X	X	D	1,158	2,960
Spouses of legal permanent residents with petition for immigrant visa pending (V1)	X	X	X	X	2,691	18,169	22,509
Children of legal permanent residents with petition for immigrant visa pending (V2)	X	X	X	X	4,540	19,642	20,496
Dependent children of spouse or children who are accompanying or following to join the principal beneficiary with petition for immigrant visa pending (V3)	X	X	X	X	318	17,294	22,055
Victims of Trafficking and Violence Protection Act ¹¹	X	X	X	X	96	965	1,005
Individuals in U.S. who are or have been victims of a severe form of trafficking (T1)	X	X	X	X	29	493	471
Spouses of victims of severe form of trafficking (T2)	X	X	X	X	11	139	183
Children of victims of severe form of trafficking (T3)	X	X	X	X	-	10	28
Parents of victims of severe form of trafficking (T4)	X	X	X	X	5	36	23
Individuals who have suffered substantial physical or mental abuse as victims of criminal activity (U1)	X	X	X	X	17	139	147
Spouses of victims of criminal activity (U2)	X	X	X	X	28	104	106
Children of victims of criminal activity (U3)	X	X	X	X	D	36	34
Parents of victims of criminal activity (U4)	X	X	X	X	D	8	13
Unknown ¹²	77	189	767	656	58	73,932	117,583

¹ See Glossary for detailed descriptions of classes of admission. ² Excludes classes of admission processed in the Nonimmigrant Information System in the following years: for all countries—1985 - 64,487 parolees (R1-3), 3,239 withdrawals (R4) and stowaways (R5), and 68,044 refugees (RF); 1990 - 90,265 parolees (R1-3), 19,984 withdrawals (R4) and stowaways (R5), and 110,197 refugees (RF); 1995 - 113,542 parolees, 21,567 withdrawals (WD) and stowaways (ST), and 95,576 refugees (RE); 2000 - 299,851 parolees, 23,584 withdrawals (WD) and stowaways (ST), and 100,011 refugees (RE); 2001 - 282,317 parolees, 23,749 withdrawals (WD) and stowaways (ST), and 110,573 refugees (RE); 2002 - 244,834 parolees, 35,462 withdrawals (WD) and stowaways (ST), 65,736 refugees (RE), and 630,184 crewmen (D1, D2, DX); 2003 - 264,777 parolees, 37,640 withdrawals (WD) and stowaways (ST), 62,634 refugees (RE), 332 asylees, and 906,314 crewmen (D1, D2, DX). ³ Use of INS Form I-94 after September 11, 2001 to inspect “transit lounge” aliens increased the count of aliens in transit without visa (see Admission policy section of text). ⁴ Includes admissions under the U.S.-Canada Free-Trade Agreement and the North American Free-Trade Agreement (previously shown separately). ⁵ Admissions began October 1, 1990 (fiscal year 1991). This classification ended during fiscal year 1995; entries subsequent to that represent readmissions of individuals who were previously admitted under this classification. ⁶ Prior to October 1, 1991 (fiscal year 1992), H1B admissions were termed “Distinguished merit or ability.” ⁷ Admissions under the Nursing Relief for Disadvantaged Areas Act of 1999 began in January 2001 (see Glossary). ⁸ Admissions began in April 1992. ⁹ Admissions under the Irish Peace Process Cultural and Training Program began in April 2000 (see Glossary). ¹⁰ Admissions under the U.S.-Canada Free-Trade Agreement began January 1989 and ended December 31, 1993. Admissions under the North American Free-Trade Agreement began January 1, 1994. ¹¹ Admissions under the Legal Immigration Family Equity (LIFE) Act of 2000 and the Victims of Trafficking and Violence Protection Act of 2000 began in June 2001 (see Glossary). ¹² Unknown class of admission is larger in 2002 than in previous years due to changes in processing which no longer assign a known class to certain records with blank or invalid class codes. ¹³ Data for business and pleasure not available separately due to temporary expiration of the Visa Waiver Program from May through October 2000. See Nonimmigrant section of text.

NOTE: “Family,” “immediate family,” and “spouse and children” are defined as spouse and unmarried minor (or dependent) children.

- Represents zero. D Disclosure standards not met. X Not applicable.

**TABLE 25. NONIMMIGRANTS ADMITTED AS TEMPORARY WORKERS, EXCHANGE VISITORS, AND INTRACOMPANY TRANSFEREES BY REGION AND COUNTRY OF CITIZENSHIP
FISCAL YEAR 2003**

Region and country of citizenship	Total	Registered nurses (H1A, H1C)	Workers with specialty occupations (H1B)	Other temporary workers (H2)		Industrial trainees (H3)	Exchange visitors (J1)	Intra-company transferees (L1)
				Agricultural (H2A)	Non-agricultural (H2B)			
All countries	1,269,840	972	360,498	14,094	102,833	2,370	321,660	298,054
Europe	490,769	26	109,710	94	5,880	933	195,999	136,925
Albania	289	-	76	-	-	-	193	D
Armenia	929	-	89	-	4	D	761	12
Austria	5,759	D	1,375	-	149	21	1,999	1,672
Azerbaijan	89	-	45	-	-	-	419	14
Belarus	4,707	-	267	-	7	-	4,313	25
Belgium	7,210	-	2,076	-	23	D	1,508	3,062
Bosnia-Herzegovina	461	-	105	-	14	-	308	7
Bulgaria	9,798	-	1,302	D	620	-	7,292	119
Croatia	1,445	D	418	-	7	D	749	111
Czech Republic	7,019	-	612	-	278	D	5,304	266
Czechoslovakia ¹	1,345	-	145	-	65	D	903	100
Denmark	6,735	D	1,519	3	27	9	1,943	2,737
Estonia	1,234	-	145	-	7	-	1,005	42
Finland	5,158	-	762	-	15	46	1,274	2,690
France	52,936	4	15,705	-	188	128	15,655	17,847
Georgia	784	-	95	-	D	-	597	11
Germany	65,594	D	13,680	D	131	97	28,095	20,620
Greece	3,361	3	1,343	-	12	8	1,020	413
Hungary	4,248	-	891	-	106	25	2,135	383
Iceland	848	-	282	-	-	4	304	73
Ireland	22,341	D	3,727	D	145	32	11,276	4,813
Italy	19,418	-	5,931	D	81	30	6,509	4,992
Kazakhstan	1,144	-	102	-	D	4	959	46
Kyrgyzstan	361	-	D	-	-	-	327	D
Latvia	1,264	-	101	-	61	D	999	46
Lithuania	4,226	-	245	D	217	D	3,597	50
Luxembourg	219	-	83	-	D	-	60	74
Macedonia	714	-	98	-	D	D	545	13
Malta	146	-	37	-	-	-	37	50
Moldova	627	-	87	-	6	-	499	D
Netherlands	16,211	-	3,971	3	67	20	3,547	7,589
Norway	5,634	-	1,301	-	15	190	1,676	1,847
Poland	24,737	D	1,438	45	791	42	20,742	678
Portugal	2,481	-	776	-	23	D	900	589
Romania	7,092	-	1,571	-	140	6	4,738	283
Russia	25,230	3	4,045	3	228	16	16,188	721
Serbia and Montenegro ²	1,562	-	454	-	120	D	790	47
Slovak Republic	9,186	-	565	-	164	9	8,149	121
Slovenia	512	-	106	-	12	-	317	32
Spain	20,482	D	5,876	-	182	26	7,849	4,937
Sweden	11,677	-	3,189	D	101	40	3,119	4,108
Switzerland	8,781	D	2,645	-	36	30	2,046	3,492
Tajikistan	164	-	D	-	-	-	155	D
Turkmenistan	101	-	D	-	-	-	D	-
Ukraine	4,420	-	942	-	23	D	2,653	136
United Kingdom	120,835	4	31,343	29	1,764	123	21,856	51,989
Uzbekistan	735	D	88	D	39	-	552	19
Other	120	-	32	-	D	-	37	38

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**TABLE 25. NONIMMIGRANTS ADMITTED AS TEMPORARY WORKERS, EXCHANGE VISITORS, AND INTRACOMPANY TRANSFEREES BY REGION AND COUNTRY OF CITIZENSHIP
FISCAL YEAR 2003—Continued**

Region and country of citizenship	Total	Registered nurses (H1A, H1C)	Workers with specialty occupations (H1B)	Other temporary workers (H2)		Industrial trainees (H3)	Exchange visitors (J1)	Intra-company transferees (L1)
				Agricultural (H2A)	Non-agricultural (H2B)			
Asia	288,397	59	140,049	69	2,053	1,016	57,392	71,449
Bangladesh	703	-	433	-	D	D	162	48
Burma	140	-	54	-	D	-	43	D
Cambodia	158	-	D	-	-	-	75	4
China ³	26,820	D	12,501	-	153	119	7,890	4,187
Cyprus	864	-	263	-	D	D	536	17
Hong Kong	2,846	-	1,653	D	4	D	598	295
India	106,776	9	75,964	15	378	136	4,732	21,748
Indonesia	2,143	-	895	-	68	6	746	315
Iran	274	-	132	-	D	D	94	22
Iraq	118	-	74	-	-	-	40	-
Israel	15,614	D	5,464	-	26	11	3,959	4,400
Japan	59,027	D	13,343	D	457	559	12,733	29,176
Jordan ⁴	1,022	-	383	-	D	D	494	103
Korea	27,034	D	8,550	D	188	D	11,421	4,519
Kuwait	154	-	40	-	D	-	79	17
Lebanon	1,187	D	618	-	D	D	341	86
Malaysia	4,148	-	1,854	-	122	90	713	1,271
Mongolia	439	-	53	3	8	-	226	3
Nepal	902	-	362	4	152	D	151	24
Oman	107	-	21	-	-	-	64	D
Pakistan	4,071	D	2,854	D	26	-	606	383
Philippines	9,757	40	5,247	-	269	9	1,115	1,961
Saudi Arabia	445	-	81	D	30	D	173	142
Singapore	4,103	D	1,889	-	13	27	784	1,278
Sri Lanka	1,216	-	700	-	D	3	151	247
Syria	228	-	72	-	-	D	127	16
Thailand	6,415	-	1,541	35	130	10	4,021	320
Turkey	9,939	-	4,808	-	10	10	4,051	739
Vietnam	1,197	-	91	-	D	-	921	62
Other	550	-	108	4	4	-	346	35
Africa	27,889	D	7,482	616	2,154	59	10,490	3,823
Algeria	219	-	79	-	-	-	116	16
Angola	384	-	19	-	-	-	225	126
Botswana	201	-	20	-	-	-	143	10
Burkina Faso	118	-	37	-	D	-	38	-
Cameroon	400	-	123	-	D	-	175	51
Congo, Republic	133	-	31	-	D	-	45	9
Egypt	1,875	-	536	-	9	4	908	213
Ethiopia	277	-	90	-	D	-	95	30
Ghana	1,271	-	397	-	D	4	561	62
Kenya	1,443	-	597	-	D	3	449	55
Malawi	139	-	16	-	-	-	90	12
Mali	143	-	38	-	-	-	53	4
Morocco	942	D	349	-	11	-	379	62
Namibia	128	-	13	D	3	-	100	7
Niger	119	-	42	-	-	-	31	24
Nigeria	2,284	-	838	-	-	5	481	565
Senegal	495	-	133	-	-	D	167	26
South Africa	14,047	D	3,134	613	2,077	36	4,924	2,325
Tanzania	405	-	102	-	D	D	232	14
Tunisia	338	-	102	-	D	-	190	35

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**TABLE 25. NONIMMIGRANTS ADMITTED AS TEMPORARY WORKERS, EXCHANGE VISITORS, AND INTRACOMPANY TRANSFEREES BY REGION AND COUNTRY OF CITIZENSHIP
FISCAL YEAR 2003—Continued**

Region and country of citizenship	Total	Registered nurses (H1A, H1C)	Workers with specialty occupations (H1B)	Other temporary workers (H2)		Industrial trainees (H3)	Exchange visitors (J1)	Intra-company transferees (L1)
				Agricultural (H2A)	Non-agricultural (H2B)			
Uganda	497	-	159	-	D	-	156	6
Zambia	280	-	34	-	D	-	203	12
Zimbabwe	629	-	224	-	21	D	229	82
Other	1,122	-	369	-	14	D	500	77
Oceania	36,823	D	9,389	166	1,984	32	10,801	10,881
Australia	28,259	-	7,469	56	1,234	24	7,958	8,895
New Zealand	8,187	D	1,870	109	749	8	2,794	1,925
Tonga	115	-	D	-	D	-	8	3
Other	262	-	48	D	-	-	41	58
North America	293,511	835	45,517	12,819	87,381	179	19,216	35,825
Canada	116,563	20	20,947	362	4,851	35	7,309	15,618
Mexico	130,327	765	16,290	9,924	65,878	94	6,626	15,794
Other	8	-	D	-	-	-	4	D
Caribbean	31,038	D	4,586	2,492	11,728	31	2,983	1,814
Antigua-Barbuda	147	-	60	-	10	-	33	8
Bahamas, The	683	D	357	-	10	D	79	80
Barbados	823	-	302	-	47	-	112	57
Bermuda	188	-	111	D	-	-	D	42
Cuba	424	-	9	-	D	D	22	6
Dominica ⁵	187	-	17	-	72	-	24	4
Dominican Republic ⁵	5,183	-	862	D	900	5	807	508
Grenada	151	-	60	-	19	-	25	27
Haiti	1,043	-	155	-	16	D	144	88
Jamaica	18,877	D	1,439	2,485	10,557	5	1,318	460
St. Kitts-Nevis	178	-	55	-	3	-	12	7
St. Lucia	172	-	87	-	3	-	36	34
Trinidad and Tobago	2,615	-	941	-	22	17	304	460
Other	367	-	131	-	64	-	61	33
Central America	15,575	-	3,692	41	4,924	19	2,294	2,597
Belize	283	-	106	D	79	-	66	5
Costa Rica	3,360	-	923	D	468	11	774	911
El Salvador	1,926	-	421	8	274	-	292	377
Guatemala	5,194	-	827	D	3,113	D	395	518
Honduras	1,910	-	463	4	579	D	228	281
Nicaragua	946	-	181	19	233	D	205	123
Panama	1,956	-	771	D	178	D	334	382
South America	126,152	30	47,170	271	2,751	134	25,251	38,146
Argentina	25,762	D	9,042	D	419	29	4,046	8,877
Bolivia	1,195	-	521	-	6	-	324	259
Brazil	31,476	4	9,878	11	889	59	8,781	9,465
Chile	6,948	3	1,948	26	239	6	1,967	2,176
Colombia	22,966	3	10,628	-	180	12	3,172	6,418
Ecuador	3,984	D	1,672	-	28	4	1,224	768
Guyana	535	-	343	-	D	-	56	75
Paraguay	455	-	203	-	D	-	135	47
Peru	10,462	12	3,310	226	450	D	4,067	1,556
Uruguay	1,869	-	736	-	38	-	352	586
Venezuela	20,448	3	8,865	D	495	14	1,119	7,907
Other	52	-	24	D	D	-	8	12
Unknown	6,299	5	1,181	59	630	17	2,511	1,005

See footnotes at end of table.

**TABLE 25. NONIMMIGRANTS ADMITTED AS TEMPORARY WORKERS, EXCHANGE VISITORS, AND INTRACOMPANY TRANSFEREES BY REGION AND COUNTRY OF CITIZENSHIP
FISCAL YEAR 2003—Continued**

Region and country of citizenship	Workers with extraordinary ability or achievement (O1)	Workers accompanying and assisting in performance of O1 workers (O2)	Internationally recognized athletes or entertainers (P1)	Artists or entertainers in reciprocal exchange programs (P2)	Artists or entertainers in culturally unique programs (P3)	Workers in international cultural exchange programs (Q1) ⁶	Workers in religious occupations (R1)	North American Free-Trade Agreement workers (TN)
All countries	25,541	5,321	43,274	3,898	8,869	2,738	20,272	59,446
Europe	14,955	1,926	15,250	256	2,881	1,774	4,160	-
Albania	D	-	3	6	3	-	D	-
Armenia	11	-	25	D	17	-	7	-
Austria	277	D	224	D	7	-	29	-
Azerbaijan	3	D	D	D	D	-	D	-
Belarus	18	D	67	-	D	-	6	-
Belgium	241	57	133	D	36	D	67	-
Bosnia-Herzegovina	18	-	D	-	D	D	4	-
Bulgaria	110	-	304	D	33	D	14	-
Croatia	66	D	24	3	27	-	36	-
Czech Republic	92	D	323	8	112	D	17	-
Czechoslovakia ¹	28	-	72	D	15	-	12	-
Denmark	262	9	180	-	D	-	43	-
Estonia	22	3	4	-	-	-	6	-
Finland	91	5	233	4	5	-	33	-
France	1,602	157	1,026	5	118	302	199	-
Georgia	13	-	27	D	31	-	D	-
Germany	1,543	47	790	15	41	192	340	-
Greece	187	22	122	19	182	-	30	-
Hungary	109	3	401	4	88	-	103	-
Iceland	89	21	65	D	D	D	5	-
Ireland	416	73	897	D	369	339	240	-
Italy	1,053	52	295	D	59	168	242	-
Kazakhstan	D	-	15	D	D	-	14	-
Kyrgyzstan	-	-	8	-	-	-	D	-
Latvia	25	-	17	D	-	-	D	-
Lithuania	30	-	32	-	9	-	41	-
Luxembourg	-	-	D	-	-	-	-	-
Macedonia	13	-	9	-	24	-	4	-
Malta	6	-	D	D	-	-	13	-
Moldova	4	-	20	-	D	-	5	-
Netherlands	531	32	164	13	59	47	168	-
Norway	169	29	124	D	D	188	89	-
Poland	124	12	342	10	194	D	315	-
Portugal	67	7	66	D	4	-	45	-
Romania	86	D	77	13	73	D	101	-
Russia	405	24	3,000	11	460	-	126	-
Serbia and Montenegro ²	26	D	27	7	76	-	11	-
Slovak Republic	38	4	78	D	6	D	47	-
Slovenia	19	D	21	-	D	-	D	-
Spain	535	22	519	D	190	31	312	-
Sweden	374	54	547	D	50	8	82	-
Switzerland	301	15	91	D	D	D	118	-
Tajikistan	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-
Turkmenistan	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ukraine	78	D	196	5	280	-	104	-
United Kingdom	5,856	1,256	4,662	92	288	485	1,088	-
Uzbekistan	9	6	10	-	-	D	9	-
Other	4	-	6	-	-	D	-	-
Asia	3,083	822	2,188	402	2,923	536	6,356	-
Bangladesh	5	D	3	4	21	-	24	-
Burma	D	-	-	-	-	-	31	-

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**TABLE 25. NONIMMIGRANTS ADMITTED AS TEMPORARY WORKERS, EXCHANGE VISITORS, AND INTRACOMPANY TRANSFEREES BY REGION AND COUNTRY OF CITIZENSHIP
FISCAL YEAR 2003—Continued**

Region and country of citizenship	Workers with extraordinary ability or achievement (O1)	Workers accompanying and assisting in performance of O1 workers (O2)	Internationally recognized athletes or entertainers (P1)	Artists or entertainers in reciprocal exchange programs (P2)	Artists or entertainers in culturally unique programs (P3)	Workers in international cultural exchange programs (Q1) ⁶	Workers in religious occupations (R1)	North American Free-Trade Agreement workers (TN)
Cambodia	-	D	29	-	4	D	43	-
China ³	234	165	652	57	329	D	490	-
Cyprus	36	-	3	4	D	-	-	-
Hong Kong	33	190	11	16	3	14	25	-
India	479	171	103	48	1,483	6	1,504	-
Indonesia	28	D	9	7	6	D	59	-
Iran	4	D	-	-	12	D	5	-
Iraq	D	-	-	-	D	-	D	-
Israel	491	28	360	35	98	D	737	-
Japan	839	55	466	8	225	397	764	-
Jordan ⁴	19	D	D	D	-	-	14	-
Korea	234	100	244	131	538	51	1,033	-
Kuwait	8	D	D	3	-	-	3	-
Lebanon	43	6	3	7	51	-	28	-
Malaysia	26	9	12	4	3	-	44	-
Mongolia	D	-	42	D	11	-	90	-
Nepal	4	D	D	-	6	-	196	-
Oman	-	-	-	-	-	-	D	-
Pakistan	87	12	4	14	42	-	39	-
Philippines	198	53	135	18	5	12	695	-
Saudi Arabia	5	D	3	D	D	-	5	-
Singapore	39	D	13	D	-	-	51	-
Sri Lanka	17	-	16	D	25	-	52	-
Syria	6	D	-	-	-	D	D	-
Thailand	65	6	21	5	-	5	256	-
Turkey	173	7	49	29	29	-	34	-
Vietnam	D	D	4	D	27	-	86	-
Other	5	-	D	D	D	-	42	-
Africa	385	45	855	64	422	148	1,331	-
Algeria	4	-	D	-	-	-	D	-
Angola	D	-	D	-	D	-	4	-
Botswana	9	-	3	-	-	16	-	-
Burkina Faso	-	-	28	-	11	-	D	-
Cameroon	6	D	6	-	9	-	24	-
Congo, Republic	-	-	D	-	23	-	20	-
Egypt	59	16	4	6	50	-	70	-
Ethiopia	D	-	38	-	D	-	18	-
Ghana	11	D	56	3	29	-	144	-
Kenya	12	D	162	D	24	19	116	-
Malawi	D	-	D	-	-	D	17	-
Mali	4	-	17	D	22	-	D	-
Morocco	25	D	36	10	9	51	6	-
Namibia	-	-	-	-	-	-	D	-
Niger	-	-	D	D	D	-	12	-
Nigeria	21	3	32	10	27	-	302	-
Senegal	11	D	104	D	39	-	8	-
South Africa	181	15	287	13	53	51	325	-
Tanzania	5	D	6	-	-	D	42	-
Tunisia	D	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Uganda	D	-	5	-	48	-	119	-
Zambia	3	D	3	-	-	D	22	-
Zimbabwe	D	-	29	D	13	7	19	-
Other	14	D	28	10	49	-	55	-

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**TABLE 25. NONIMMIGRANTS ADMITTED AS TEMPORARY WORKERS, EXCHANGE VISITORS, AND INTRACOMPANY TRANSFEREES BY REGION AND COUNTRY OF CITIZENSHIP
FISCAL YEAR 2003—Continued**

Region and country of citizenship	Workers with extraordinary ability or achievement (O1)	Workers accompanying and assisting in performance of O1 workers (O2)	Internationally recognized athletes or entertainers (P1)	Artists or entertainers in reciprocal exchange programs (P2)	Artists or entertainers in culturally unique programs (P3)	Workers in international cultural exchange programs (Q1) ⁶	Workers in religious occupations (R1)	North American Free-Trade Agreement workers (TN)
Oceania	1,464	167	995	22	46	10	864	-
Australia	1,149	108	826	D	22	10	487	-
New Zealand	304	59	165	D	23	-	178	-
Tonga	D	-	-	-	-	-	100	-
Other	D	-	4	-	D	-	99	-
North America	2,801	1,862	18,113	3,004	1,826	224	4,463	59,446
Canada	1,382	444	3,000	2,769	104	83	1,462	58,177
Mexico	782	690	10,068	120	187	123	1,717	1,269
Other	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Caribbean	469	718	3,876	88	1,528	12	663	-
Antigua-Barbuda	D	-	15	D	12	-	5	-
Bahamas, The	19	D	78	D	-	-	54	-
Barbados	17	D	245	4	D	-	36	-
Bermuda	-	-	-	-	-	D	27	-
Cuba	6	-	181	6	182	-	6	-
Dominica ⁵	D	D	62	-	-	-	6	-
Dominican Republic ⁵	68	10	1,655	25	77	D	259	-
Grenada	-	-	D	D	4	-	11	-
Haiti	12	D	47	12	483	-	82	-
Jamaica	276	692	1,023	17	469	D	78	-
St. Kitts-Nevis	-	-	D	D	92	-	6	-
St. Lucia	-	-	5	-	-	-	7	-
Trinidad and Tobago	59	3	522	17	205	-	65	-
Other	D	6	37	D	D	D	21	-
Central America	168	10	1,169	27	7	6	621	-
Belize	D	-	3	D	-	-	19	-
Costa Rica	34	5	66	D	D	D	154	-
El Salvador	19	D	377	5	D	D	148	-
Guatemala	47	D	143	8	-	-	136	-
Honduras	15	-	262	-	-	D	73	-
Nicaragua	D	D	128	D	-	D	42	-
Panama	41	-	190	6	D	-	49	-
South America	2,752	458	5,562	130	621	21	2,855	-
Argentina	858	117	1,555	14	96	5	698	-
Bolivia	25	D	18	-	D	-	35	-
Brazil	429	70	1,002	23	224	12	629	-
Chile	173	44	180	11	18	-	157	-
Colombia	378	127	1,375	27	64	-	582	-
Ecuador	45	D	59	3	71	-	103	-
Guyana	D	16	19	D	5	-	16	-
Paraguay	11	-	26	D	-	-	27	-
Peru	181	23	176	19	125	D	305	-
Uruguay	56	11	35	D	D	D	51	-
Venezuela	592	44	1,115	28	11	D	251	-
Other	D	-	D	-	-	-	D	-
Unknown	101	41	311	20	150	25	243	-

¹ Data are for unknown republic only; independent republics shown separately. See Notice of Special Geographic Definitions. ² Yugoslavia (unknown republic) prior to February 7, 2003. See Notice of Special Geographic Definitions. ³ Includes People's Republic of China and Taiwan. The number of nonimmigrant visas issued in fiscal year 2003 for People's Republic of China were: no H1As, 5,608 H1Bs, 54 H2As, 15 H2Bs, 93 H3s, 5,460 J1s, 1,098 L1s, 114 O1s, 79 O2s, 673 P1s, no P2s, 242 P3s, 24 Q1s, and 59 R1s. The number of nonimmigrant visas issued in fiscal year 2003 for Taiwan were: no H1As, 2,039 H1Bs, no H2As, 4 H2Bs, 18 H3s, 1,583 J1s, 267 L1s, 35 O1s, 68 O2s, 95 P1s, no P2s, 77 P3s, no Q1s, and 110 R1s. (SOURCE: U.S. Department of State, Bureau of Consular Affairs, Visa Office.)

⁴ Includes admissions through the use of Palestinian Authority Travel Documents. See Notice of Special Geographic Definitions. ⁵ Due to misreporting, reliable counts by country of citizenship are not available; therefore, data were given the same distribution as for country of last residence (see Notice of Special Geographic Definitions). The number of nonimmigrant visas issued in fiscal year 2003 for Dominica was 2,047; the Dominican Republic, 44,152. (SOURCE: U.S. Department of State, Bureau of Consular Affairs, Visa Office.) ⁶ Includes 664 Q-2 workers admitted under the Irish Peace Process Cultural and Training Program Act of 1998.

NOTE: See Glossary for detailed descriptions of classes of admission. - Represents zero. D Disclosure standards not met.

**TABLE 26. NONIMMIGRANTS ADMITTED BY SELECTED PORT OF ENTRY
AND REGION AND COUNTRY OF CITIZENSHIP
FISCAL YEAR 2003**

Region and country of citizenship	All ports ¹	Miami	New York	Los Angeles	Honolulu	Chicago	Newark	San Francisco
All countries	27,849,443	3,543,138	3,234,612	2,898,689	1,531,801	1,438,129	1,360,489	1,292,248
Europe	11,028,838	1,172,922	1,710,550	916,109	37,980	834,831	939,790	491,138
Albania	7,237	244	2,025	61	D	607	620	34
Andorra	560	135	168	51	-	17	23	16
Armenia	5,177	68	1,075	2,040	D	125	72	92
Austria	130,867	18,734	24,693	11,365	431	9,200	4,142	7,397
Azerbaijan	2,613	41	780	103	D	314	21	50
Belarus	11,146	156	5,345	307	D	1,268	644	107
Belgium	178,901	15,140	28,697	8,508	208	19,945	24,326	5,553
Bosnia-Herzegovina	6,371	125	1,148	148	4	772	221	171
Bulgaria	30,520	1,588	9,620	1,488	32	3,819	1,434	735
Croatia	19,196	2,082	3,518	1,242	29	1,786	896	775
Czech Republic	43,892	3,813	11,958	3,215	67	3,433	4,043	2,091
Czechoslovakia ²	12,701	1,145	3,454	863	12	917	1,109	553
Denmark	162,728	16,417	11,055	12,458	316	18,131	29,408	7,430
Estonia	8,520	918	2,241	574	4	850	1,111	269
Finland	86,426	9,028	20,975	4,431	229	11,782	6,606	4,607
France	1,036,375	117,282	172,823	123,544	6,917	54,697	81,927	57,748
Georgia	4,724	99	2,123	194	-	243	148	114
Germany	1,439,106	139,339	173,647	110,729	3,463	130,136	85,773	83,138
Gibraltar	191	65	16	20	D	5	3	D
Greece	59,378	5,046	21,517	2,658	54	4,552	1,887	2,069
Holy See	124	34	13	D	-	10	19	D
Hungary	44,240	5,615	11,663	3,379	51	3,299	3,079	2,017
Iceland	25,158	535	3,586	307	19	219	241	163
Ireland	370,712	12,016	62,746	24,692	1,475	21,795	23,236	13,373
Italy	638,507	134,673	133,330	45,661	576	36,119	78,649	22,036
Kazakhstan	5,666	177	1,083	299	4	337	353	187
Kyrgyzstan	1,508	19	479	65	D	187	20	25
Latvia	10,142	833	2,429	577	4	1,789	1,471	318
Liechtenstein	1,178	177	125	133	9	82	122	28
Lithuania	15,207	1,442	3,381	607	6	3,191	1,456	374
Luxembourg	7,623	979	1,264	789	19	541	580	395
Macedonia	5,292	294	1,584	151	D	558	339	38
Malta	5,743	2,017	672	465	14	159	116	204
Moldova	2,839	147	692	77	D	151	78	64
Monaco	514	64	170	62	-	20	30	29
Netherlands	544,383	85,463	56,527	36,318	817	40,180	50,979	21,185
Norway	142,225	13,109	8,805	10,136	474	12,953	30,880	5,437
Poland	153,765	7,369	41,245	5,695	72	40,116	23,422	3,282
Portugal	83,975	10,699	7,219	3,385	188	2,649	28,459	2,796
Romania	48,325	5,755	13,318	2,962	29	3,942	1,328	1,407
Russia	111,258	4,612	50,601	9,545	363	6,384	3,838	2,187
San Marino	327	57	70	30	-	3	48	17
Serbia and Montenegro ³	13,229	753	3,145	770	D	1,765	738	474
Slovak Republic	24,277	2,002	7,682	1,146	28	1,592	2,546	783
Slovenia	11,665	1,301	1,854	1,272	34	1,123	777	770
Soviet Union ²	360	38	69	31	D	28	12	13
Spain	428,229	128,227	86,650	16,965	267	25,139	30,649	10,241
Sweden	256,450	24,092	21,483	20,640	693	44,757	48,416	11,510
Switzerland	256,696	48,905	40,696	27,668	1,053	15,345	26,836	8,014
Tajikistan	713	3	201	D	-	73	11	11
Turkmenistan	324	7	60	11	D	44	8	13
Ukraine	29,810	2,322	8,461	1,780	22	2,811	1,157	667
United Kingdom	4,534,947	347,598	637,364	416,280	19,942	304,463	335,415	210,091
Uzbekistan	6,798	123	5,005	201	8	408	68	33
Asia	6,799,154	100,207	764,692	1,072,794	1,385,054	377,700	212,367	639,771
Afghanistan	1,382	9	251	113	D	43	123	98
Bahrain	2,405	130	233	124	-	226	86	42

See footnotes at end of table.

**TABLE 26. NONIMMIGRANTS ADMITTED BY SELECTED PORT OF ENTRY
AND REGION AND COUNTRY OF CITIZENSHIP
FISCAL YEAR 2003—Continued**

Region and country of citizenship	All ports ¹	Miami	New York	Los Angeles	Honolulu	Chicago	Newark	San Francisco
Bangladesh	13,910	246	5,225	1,328	99	949	995	394
Bhutan	368	13	145	35	8	14	12	20
Brunei	586	29	130	107	11	22	40	38
Burma	2,219	111	428	682	50	104	51	328
Cambodia	3,736	D	189	2,212	67	74	112	408
China ⁴	579,294	5,456	49,334	179,926	21,553	26,821	5,150	116,512
Cyprus	9,439	616	3,065	414	7	690	675	189
Hong Kong	75,085	777	7,064	15,876	1,957	7,143	2,962	17,065
India	537,867	20,632	95,741	42,826	1,255	64,581	57,338	56,420
Indonesia	63,254	3,386	5,709	20,809	2,116	3,212	1,848	9,675
Iran	6,448	110	695	1,404	6	425	163	459
Iraq	1,211	D	195	57	-	255	21	20
Israel	303,627	20,046	120,453	20,333	200	7,375	76,774	6,477
Japan	3,589,544	19,796	235,203	395,880	1,290,534	141,154	37,695	242,186
Jordan ⁵	20,275	681	5,646	913	D	3,887	876	532
Korea	840,142	6,485	108,202	217,504	50,806	68,897	3,891	95,883
Kuwait	11,051	387	3,266	569	6	2,432	112	219
Laos	1,535	6	85	619	60	71	6	265
Lebanon	19,388	867	2,930	2,051	18	1,273	1,077	560
Macau	932	D	30	257	21	39	29	293
Malaysia	52,319	755	3,407	16,034	1,371	3,728	6,018	8,335
Maldives	158	8	32	16	11	11	7	3
Mongolia	6,214	62	652	1,727	213	903	25	1,151
Nepal	9,677	315	2,095	1,696	142	433	230	756
Oman	1,659	36	125	95	D	190	61	23
Pakistan	56,717	1,001	19,805	2,618	94	6,653	3,201	1,863
Philippines	267,661	6,842	17,043	83,451	6,820	5,555	3,443	46,071
Qatar	1,660	63	145	120	-	195	30	35
Saudi Arabia	16,154	382	7,946	692	15	704	178	220
Singapore	81,370	846	9,961	18,863	2,369	5,189	4,973	18,157
Sri Lanka	13,208	370	1,852	2,956	192	881	1,181	755
Syria	6,054	177	1,166	733	9	742	303	157
Thailand	73,116	839	5,618	27,507	4,641	4,963	548	8,356
Turkey	104,438	8,484	48,607	3,853	67	16,387	1,392	2,628
United Arab Emirates	5,368	129	205	314	D	472	287	135
Vietnam	18,593	78	1,495	8,056	325	961	418	3,000
Yemen	1,090	16	319	24	-	46	36	43
Africa	371,788	16,839	113,601	15,550	544	21,410	24,858	6,668
Algeria	3,465	86	670	159	-	211	152	125
Angola	4,091	341	378	32	-	106	825	26
Benin	1,391	108	429	23	-	85	89	23
Botswana	1,931	87	591	37	D	93	31	27
Burkina Faso	1,708	26	772	34	-	59	98	28
Burundi	570	39	136	7	-	6	115	D
Cameroon	8,191	238	1,143	254	D	540	555	111
Cape Verde	1,546	15	790	6	-	3	165	D
Central African Republic	185	4	58	D	-	3	6	9
Chad	397	D	79	5	-	11	30	15
Comoros	67	4	31	-	D	D	6	-
Congo, Democratic Republic	157	17	46	3	D	4	36	D
Congo, Republic	2,731	297	602	52	D	122	368	33
Cote d'Ivoire	2,229	72	770	43	5	61	127	24
Djibouti	308	-	20	3	-	D	26	D
Egypt	31,430	938	12,420	2,516	D	2,307	1,460	773
Equatorial Guinea	154	15	21	D	-	D	10	D
Eritrea	1,443	9	241	65	-	107	45	81
Ethiopia	9,042	48	489	232	8	311	4,932	196
Gabon	1,160	43	276	43	-	33	77	19
Gambia, The	3,509	30	1,317	19	D	41	397	D
Ghana	28,497	596	11,882	631	D	1,581	1,809	233

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Region and country of citizenship	All ports ¹	Miami	New York	Los Angeles	Honolulu	Chicago	Newark	San Francisco
Guinea	5,864	534	3,143	58	8	125	579	35
Guinea-Bissau	81	9	11	9	-	D	18	3
Kenya	18,521	605	1,861	655	20	1,480	2,100	456
Lesotho	345	10	127	D	D	21	12	3
Liberia	1,651	24	548	23	-	79	275	4
Libya	269	17	80	21	-	13	12	20
Madagascar	849	26	187	23	3	26	17	37
Malawi	1,566	69	256	42	D	107	33	D
Mali	3,881	72	2,396	26	D	37	130	18
Mauritania	976	25	309	30	D	33	54	19
Mauritius	1,351	66	223	98	11	72	95	51
Morocco	17,455	698	9,074	550	3	565	282	295
Mozambique	986	60	424	9	-	27	79	12
Namibia	1,217	131	366	32	-	33	36	29
Niger	2,890	120	1,011	139	D	188	136	35
Nigeria	59,817	1,866	17,457	2,697	26	4,968	3,871	918
Reunion	27	4	3	3	-	D	-	D
Rwanda	1,310	26	196	17	D	88	252	11
Sao Tome and Principe	51	D	7	-	-	-	33	-
Senegal	10,262	204	6,150	86	D	213	1,311	82
Seychelles	301	23	53	18	D	16	12	25
Sierra Leone	2,409	33	590	55	D	70	341	22
Somalia	288	D	34	D	-	16	48	4
South Africa	106,256	8,071	29,839	5,646	352	5,520	2,120	2,238
St. Helena	33	D	-	-	-	-	-	D
Sudan	1,433	18	437	70	D	116	70	54
Swaziland	294	14	81	8	-	8	D	-
Tanzania	4,785	193	692	147	5	369	345	81
Togo	2,293	46	763	41	D	161	132	20
Tunisia	3,998	262	763	253	D	293	153	189
Uganda	4,969	171	766	202	D	355	613	81
Western Sahara	4	-	-	-	-	4	-	-
Zambia	3,448	82	936	82	D	244	98	42
Zimbabwe	7,706	329	1,657	336	21	471	239	126
Oceania	809,365	19,848	46,486	415,372	100,187	16,349	9,692	41,651
American Samoa	181	-	-	D	114	-	-	-
Australia	550,287	15,711	38,041	264,719	67,226	12,936	7,226	36,963
Christmas Island	5	-	-	D	D	-	-	-
Cocos Islands	D	D	D	-	-	-	-	-
Cook Islands	42	D	-	19	19	-	-	D
Fiji	9,546	56	82	4,876	2,937	22	13	102
French Polynesia	748	D	D	580	147	3	-	D
Guam	68	6	D	D	-	-	-	-
Kiribati	1,073	34	16	220	517	19	8	133
Marshall Islands	6,598	12	17	39	5,644	6	20	6
Micronesia, Federated States	21,145	5	D	22	5,534	3	51	17
Nauru	50	D	9	29	D	D	-	D
New Caledonia	208	D	D	161	32	-	-	D
New Zealand	203,465	3,883	8,167	141,515	15,498	3,284	2,191	4,181
Niue	3	D	-	-	D	-	-	-
Northern Mariana Islands	24	8	4	D	-	-	D	D
Palau	9,114	5	4	24	260	D	112	21
Papua New Guinea	561	31	24	312	59	7	D	20
Pitcairn Island	D	-	-	D	-	-	-	-
Samoa	1,799	7	6	647	1,073	D	D	7
Solomon Islands	979	55	72	156	50	53	62	66
Tonga	3,057	12	10	1,767	1,012	5	3	109
Tuvalu	244	9	17	151	30	4	D	17
Vanuatu	155	4	8	55	32	D	-	3
Wallis and Futuna Islands	10	D	-	D	-	-	-	-

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Region and country of citizenship	All ports ¹	Miami	New York	Los Angeles	Honolulu	Chicago	Newark	San Francisco
North America	6,496,462	981,082	319,620	382,289	2,471	131,737	90,935	93,480
Canada	222,585	4,492	7,987	4,461	556	4,027	3,920	4,533
Greenland	63	14	9	4	-	6	4	D
Mexico	4,307,144	219,423	73,933	281,381	1,625	117,889	39,434	73,085
St. Pierre and Miquelon	5	D	-	-	-	-	D	-
United States	16	4	D	D	-	D	D	-
Caribbean	1,146,382	384,786	202,705	4,266	134	2,771	22,132	633
Anguilla	2,958	115	52	D	-	6	D	-
Antigua-Barbuda	19,045	667	1,659	17	D	24	603	5
Aruba	7,892	2,730	146	D	4	16	42	6
Bahamas, The	306,307	44,430	914	175	27	174	423	67
Barbados	47,808	20,782	11,436	138	4	45	154	17
Bermuda	3,741	371	429	97	20	14	207	13
British Virgin Islands	6,338	90	30	9	-	11	10	D
Cayman Islands	24,586	17,428	63	31	D	67	116	9
Cuba	8,529	6,272	614	231	-	30	43	19
Dominica ⁶	7,380	1,634	1,085	27	-	9	267	3
Dominican Republic ⁶	203,701	70,059	56,956	355	14	189	12,273	98
Grenada	10,546	1,766	4,164	27	D	12	54	13
Guadeloupe	1,208	303	39	174	D	11	4	23
Haiti	78,811	53,439	14,508	67	7	99	216	17
Jamaica	221,068	85,208	50,756	2,269	17	1,607	6,850	84
Martinique	452	213	32	15	-	4	6	-
Montserrat	866	37	57	3	-	3	7	D
Netherlands Antilles	9,190	5,230	201	24	3	26	85	11
Puerto Rico	255	49	20	18	D	5	13	6
St. Kitts-Nevis	13,140	411	289	25	D	23	55	10
St. Lucia	15,600	2,510	4,057	85	D	54	368	D
St. Vincent and the Grenadines	12,089	4,139	2,755	69	D	37	34	D
Trinidad and Tobago	134,426	58,190	52,088	386	24	254	293	214
Turks and Caicos Islands	10,167	8,691	350	16	-	51	D	8
U.S. Virgin Islands	279	22	5	D	-	-	D	-
Central America	820,267	372,362	34,984	92,176	156	7,042	25,442	15,227
Belize	26,337	10,692	243	1,399	15	163	190	321
Costa Rica	148,779	80,673	4,759	9,049	43	1,981	11,074	1,155
El Salvador	207,042	44,948	17,415	46,362	18	792	2,791	9,258
Guatemala	187,462	72,354	9,108	26,032	21	3,534	2,434	2,752
Honduras	108,374	76,311	2,450	3,072	7	261	1,284	636
Nicaragua	50,301	38,511	356	1,823	8	120	184	888
Panama	91,972	48,873	653	4,439	44	191	7,485	217
South America	2,120,332	1,221,338	257,109	74,031	1,113	37,224	69,971	7,672
Argentina	241,344	157,912	31,463	6,894	60	2,042	1,441	928
Bolivia	34,222	28,864	878	972	D	315	194	103
Brazil	497,024	194,517	118,969	26,493	565	28,172	21,205	1,622
Chile	139,387	75,940	12,953	10,492	86	1,272	748	1,184
Colombia	379,510	237,869	29,056	4,930	105	1,453	14,016	1,101
Ecuador	161,387	110,659	14,492	2,771	35	781	12,350	339
Falkland Islands	28	7	-	11	-	D	-	-
French Guiana	35	23	4	-	-	-	-	D
Guyana	27,842	6,105	14,549	101	D	45	141	D
Paraguay	14,885	8,719	3,009	761	12	165	225	57
Peru	220,780	105,895	15,223	16,839	120	1,340	13,753	1,535
Suriname	5,799	4,264	460	22	-	D	46	25
Uruguay	54,604	31,884	11,783	1,693	15	609	309	272
Venezuela	343,485	258,680	4,270	2,052	106	1,012	5,543	485
Unknown	223,504	30,902	22,554	22,544	4,452	18,878	12,876	11,868

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Region and country of citizenship	Atlanta	Houston	Washington, DC	Agana	San Diego	Laredo	Dallas	Other ⁷
All countries	937,111	883,204	855,991	828,806	649,622	643,920	590,689	7,160,994
Europe	531,218	290,455	559,038	6,459	35,658	3,858	189,049	3,309,783
Albania	654	33	797	-	15	D	34	2,108
Andorra	32	12	6	-	D	D	3	94
Armenia	113	16	844	-	D	-	12	715
Austria	6,026	2,107	15,557	166	414	74	1,960	28,601
Azerbaijan	179	186	610	-	D	D	41	282
Belarus	318	64	1,175	7	D	-	44	1,705
Belgium	19,800	4,659	22,057	57	499	51	1,736	27,665
Bosnia-Herzegovina	461	132	609	-	D	D	68	2,509
Bulgaria	1,606	377	3,414	5	71	14	271	6,046
Croatia	1,292	764	2,175	24	D	D	159	4,441
Czech Republic	2,060	947	2,868	11	90	9	567	8,720
Czechoslovakia ²	640	253	765	8	30	6	166	2,780
Denmark	3,428	4,783	15,614	98	612	74	1,719	41,185
Estonia	213	90	747	8	12	-	76	1,407
Finland	2,557	1,275	4,041	81	621	22	3,153	17,018
France	57,564	59,102	57,014	531	2,138	487	26,405	218,196
Georgia	282	77	899	-	D	-	D	520
Germany	114,750	23,661	95,054	1,537	3,158	520	39,563	434,638
Gibraltar	4	D	4	-	-	-	5	61
Greece	1,833	1,879	3,131	14	111	6	484	14,137
Holy See	7	5	15	-	-	-	D	17
Hungary	1,367	847	3,642	7	36	17	463	8,758
Iceland	94	131	167	D	17	D	95	19,579
Ireland	13,076	2,704	6,209	136	1,269	38	2,716	185,231
Italy	42,870	12,222	19,593	231	2,180	461	12,186	97,720
Kazakhstan	130	403	946	D	D	-	69	1,674
Kyrgyzstan	57	9	281	-	D	3	18	342
Latvia	177	136	879	7	44	-	61	1,417
Liechtenstein	95	D	38	-	D	-	101	261
Lithuania	628	116	960	6	9	4	63	2,964
Luxembourg	271	142	591	-	22	-	127	1,903
Macedonia	334	64	948	D	-	-	51	926
Malta	130	84	201	9	21	-	72	1,579
Moldova	539	37	416	-	D	-	D	607
Monaco	16	11	14	-	5	-	4	89
Netherlands	29,263	24,498	45,637	189	948	120	3,000	149,259
Norway	2,539	11,473	9,130	62	407	41	776	36,003
Poland	2,793	1,798	6,698	47	274	28	1,049	19,877
Portugal	1,931	1,156	1,944	84	107	42	580	22,736
Romania	1,867	1,068	3,448	21	37	7	376	12,760
Russia	2,085	3,282	7,391	122	128	21	1,079	19,620
San Marino	9	7	7	-	3	D	D	72
Serbia and Montenegro ³	725	205	1,251	-	27	D	125	3,224
Slovak Republic	938	274	2,434	D	42	D	260	4,543
Slovenia	783	400	933	8	12	5	86	2,307
Soviet Union ²	11	11	18	-	D	-	5	119
Spain	23,002	11,919	9,186	155	1,970	1,222	4,665	77,972
Sweden	5,879	4,639	15,119	139	959	42	2,575	55,507
Switzerland	15,805	2,799	7,675	161	835	151	14,579	46,174
Tajikistan	15	4	205	-	-	-	18	162
Turkmenistan	8	9	115	-	D	-	D	46
Ukraine	919	769	3,342	5	48	3	216	7,288
United Kingdom	169,000	108,785	181,783	2,507	18,450	378	67,090	1,715,801
Uzbekistan	43	25	441	D	D	-	20	418
Asia	91,861	90,029	135,447	787,201	5,999	1,095	107,076	1,027,861
Afghanistan	39	D	219	-	D	-	23	456
Bahrain	50	58	454	-	25	-	74	903

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Region and country of citizenship	Atlanta	Houston	Washington, DC	Agana	San Diego	Laredo	Dallas	Other ⁷
Bangladesh	311	350	1,084	43	6	3	252	2,625
Bhutan	-	D	49	-	-	-	D	68
Brunei	4	11	73	-	-	-	16	105
Burma	23	14	143	17	D	-	D	253
Cambodia	58	22	101	D	-	-	24	455
China ⁴	1,811	3,142	2,710	20,338	1,385	82	3,971	141,103
Cyprus	137	245	560	D	40	D	69	2,728
Hong Kong	213	240	302	2,736	D	D	512	18,217
India	18,530	13,584	29,487	481	431	72	10,706	125,783
Indonesia	588	751	1,067	940	25	18	624	12,486
Iran	173	162	620	D	10	D	147	2,068
Iraq	11	12	87	D	9	-	D	535
Israel	3,468	2,355	4,522	68	334	114	2,885	38,223
Japan	35,280	50,750	41,629	633,623	2,000	525	62,339	400,950
Jordan ⁵	610	549	1,431	D	24	3	192	4,927
Korea	22,060	4,146	26,192	100,795	889	218	17,738	116,436
Kuwait	98	246	965	D	67	D	52	2,629
Laos	24	8	110	-	-	-	18	263
Lebanon	747	761	1,548	15	44	3	250	7,244
Macau	-	6	D	10	-	-	D	238
Malaysia	326	1,027	703	396	77	14	571	9,557
Maldives	8	3	D	-	-	-	7	38
Mongolia	49	27	616	5	D	D	47	732
Nepal	208	70	1,146	55	5	-	241	2,285
Oman	29	135	306	-	19	D	80	555
Pakistan	852	2,906	3,432	D	35	D	1,023	13,209
Philippines	1,013	3,622	1,462	26,554	223	22	2,038	63,502
Qatar	32	79	356	-	15	-	37	553
Saudi Arabia	515	835	1,335	D	68	D	133	3,123
Singapore	270	780	1,205	595	D	D	607	17,508
Sri Lanka	528	151	1,054	53	8	-	183	3,044
Syria	213	147	332	14	7	-	28	2,026
Thailand	830	575	2,665	363	51	5	930	15,225
Turkey	2,047	1,818	5,352	D	77	D	651	13,063
United Arab Emirates	161	266	881	D	41	-	299	2,173
Vietnam	457	142	970	45	D	D	276	2,360
Yemen	88	30	263	-	D	-	D	213
Africa	43,662	11,359	34,744	173	553	61	6,150	75,616
Algeria	144	192	808	-	4	-	105	809
Angola	220	1,714	167	-	D	D	D	268
Benin	80	19	272	-	D	-	D	256
Botswana	526	19	163	-	D	-	D	342
Burkina Faso	72	15	352	-	-	D	D	240
Burundi	21	D	104	-	-	-	4	134
Cameroon	757	404	2,638	-	16	D	86	1,433
Cape Verde	10	D	13	-	-	-	D	538
Central African Republic	8	5	57	-	-	-	D	32
Chad	21	141	43	-	-	-	D	46
Comoros	D	-	D	-	-	-	D	12
Congo, Democratic Republic	12	-	11	-	-	-	D	25
Congo, Republic	234	38	456	-	-	-	D	507
Cote d'Ivoire	153	67	360	-	-	-	21	526
Djibouti	102	34	96	-	-	-	-	23
Egypt	1,456	822	2,882	46	39	D	317	5,428
Equatorial Guinea	10	20	32	-	-	-	17	23
Eritrea	275	23	231	-	8	-	33	325
Ethiopia	342	78	1,048	D	D	-	149	1,202
Gabon	73	59	332	-	-	-	11	194
Gambia, The	120	10	219	-	-	D	9	1,342
Ghana	695	300	2,800	14	10	D	335	7,598

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Region and country of citizenship	Atlanta	Houston	Washington, DC	Agana	San Diego	Laredo	Dallas	Other ⁷
Guinea	161	57	545	D	-	D	20	593
Guinea-Bissau	D	D	D	-	-	-	3	19
Kenya	937	684	2,080	D	44	9	516	7,070
Lesotho	94	-	31	-	-	-	D	41
Liberia	43	27	198	-	D	-	D	425
Libya	11	13	19	-	-	-	-	63
Madagascar	92	13	257	-	-	-	14	154
Malawi	378	24	265	-	-	-	28	340
Mali	98	47	596	-	-	-	D	453
Mauritania	35	13	209	D	D	-	6	238
Mauritius	87	16	232	-	-	-	12	388
Morocco	437	317	1,342	D	39	3	139	3,706
Mozambique	212	10	88	-	-	-	6	59
Namibia	315	14	86	-	D	D	14	158
Niger	156	110	402	D	D	-	56	534
Nigeria	4,046	3,972	7,321	26	33	7	1,479	11,130
Reunion	D	-	D	-	-	-	-	11
Rwanda	80	16	249	D	D	-	7	363
Sao Tome and Principe	D	D	D	-	-	-	-	3
Senegal	237	110	918	-	D	-	23	923
Seychelles	13	D	35	-	-	-	D	98
Sierra Leone	103	37	507	-	D	-	37	608
Somalia	6	-	15	-	-	-	-	159
South Africa	27,383	1,341	2,219	58	306	21	1,833	19,309
St. Helena	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	22
Sudan	58	14	309	-	D	-	23	260
Swaziland	106	6	32	-	-	D	7	28
Tanzania	221	144	668	-	D	D	68	1,845
Togo	169	19	370	-	-	D	73	497
Tunisia	282	100	751	D	4	D	52	892
Uganda	275	62	966	9	9	D	78	1,377
Western Sahara	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Zambia	709	42	403	D	3	-	85	719
Zimbabwe	1,579	174	532	4	8	-	402	1,828
Oceania	3,640	4,989	10,545	29,025	892	123	7,454	103,112
American Samoa	-	-	-	D	-	-	-	-
Australia	2,815	3,540	7,606	3,504	650	83	6,411	82,856
Christmas Island	-	-	D	-	-	-	-	D
Cocos Islands	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cook Islands	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fiji	8	6	16	186	D	-	6	1,228
French Polynesia	D	D	D	D	-	-	-	9
Guam	-	D	4	49	-	-	-	5
Kiribati	D	D	53	57	-	-	D	11
Marshall Islands	4	7	D	766	20	D	-	48
Micronesia, Federated States	6	122	7	15,260	8	-	D	105
Nauru	-	-	-	D	-	-	-	D
New Caledonia	-	D	-	7	-	-	D	D
New Zealand	745	894	2,796	760	203	28	999	18,321
Niue	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Northern Mariana Islands	D	D	-	-	-	D	-	4
Palau	D	367	D	8,236	-	-	-	76
Papua New Guinea	D	D	10	48	D	-	15	27
Pitcairn Island	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Samoa	-	-	D	21	-	-	-	34
Solomon Islands	48	21	25	21	D	D	D	333
Tonga	5	16	12	67	-	-	D	35
Tuvalu	D	-	6	3	-	-	-	D
Vanuatu	-	8	-	31	-	D	-	11
Wallis and Futuna Islands	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	D

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**TABLE 26. NONIMMIGRANTS ADMITTED BY SELECTED PORT OF ENTRY
AND REGION AND COUNTRY OF CITIZENSHIP
FISCAL YEAR 2003—Continued**

Region and country of citizenship	Atlanta	Houston	Washington, DC	Agana	San Diego	Laredo	Dallas	Other ⁷
North America	153,127	385,318	59,377	587	602,208	634,248	209,115	2,450,868
Canada	1,788	3,883	2,882	123	1,617	825	2,489	179,002
Greenland	-	D	3	-	-	-	3	17
Mexico	91,611	273,230	18,916	370	598,081	631,742	174,717	1,711,707
St. Pierre and Miquelon	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	D
United States	D	-	D	-	-	-	-	3
Caribbean	11,883	3,018	6,459	30	163	110	1,176	506,116
Anguilla	D	-	-	-	-	-	D	2,774
Antigua-Barbuda	42	8	14	-	D	-	4	15,998
Aruba	100	42	D	-	-	-	28	4,769
Bahamas, The	2,393	253	302	7	14	4	70	257,054
Barbados	253	71	495	D	4	D	58	14,348
Bermuda	266	16	44	-	D	D	19	2,232
British Virgin Islands	11	D	D	-	3	-	D	6,167
Cayman Islands	477	390	15	D	4	-	11	5,970
Cuba	56	115	33	-	14	4	14	1,084
Dominica ⁶	14	21	5	-	D	D	13	4,299
Dominican Republic ⁶	182	190	129	10	36	55	427	62,728
Grenada	47	29	70	-	D	D	18	4,341
Guadeloupe	58	105	22	-	3	D	13	449
Haiti	115	34	131	-	11	19	66	10,082
Jamaica	7,287	1,240	243	3	19	9	238	65,238
Martinique	D	D	D	-	-	-	5	172
Montserrat	D	D	5	-	-	D	D	744
Netherlands Antilles	60	18	3	D	-	-	D	3,525
Puerto Rico	8	6	-	-	-	-	D	125
St. Kitts-Nevis	15	8	12	-	D	D	9	12,279
St. Lucia	176	106	26	D	17	-	17	8,175
St. Vincent and the Grenadines	30	33	90	-	D	-	8	4,887
Trinidad and Tobago	259	295	4,768	D	16	D	142	17,488
Turks and Caicos Islands	24	31	42	-	D	-	5	943
U.S. Virgin Islands	-	-	3	-	-	D	-	245
Central America	47,844	105,186	31,116	64	2,347	1,571	30,730	54,020
Belize	55	8,685	41	5	284	32	1,922	2,290
Costa Rica	5,479	14,061	774	17	112	145	9,469	9,988
El Salvador	15,005	30,827	23,537	6	345	238	6,335	9,165
Guatemala	16,499	21,276	5,007	4	1,406	881	11,314	14,840
Honduras	273	15,853	1,169	-	112	113	1,032	5,801
Nicaragua	179	5,521	427	5	52	70	290	1,867
Panama	10,354	8,963	161	27	36	92	368	10,069
South America	103,647	92,491	45,815	358	2,113	2,097	67,236	138,117
Argentina	5,825	2,210	16,522	21	376	336	3,518	11,796
Bolivia	196	417	441	D	46	107	467	1,213
Brazil	23,593	18,874	19,714	159	368	270	22,235	20,268
Chile	12,912	982	1,358	25	305	161	11,532	9,437
Colombia	25,059	22,112	916	39	244	382	1,630	40,598
Ecuador	381	12,018	249	7	84	109	522	6,590
Falkland Islands	-	-	-	-	-	-	D	4
French Guiana	-	D	-	-	D	-	-	5
Guyana	70	36	238	D	D	D	21	6,507
Paraguay	71	176	198	4	24	4	1,031	429
Peru	16,998	18,261	726	74	324	362	18,367	10,963
Suriname	15	D	61	D	D	D	10	861
Uruguay	591	297	4,767	3	102	49	363	1,867
Venezuela	17,936	17,092	625	21	236	312	7,536	27,579
Unknown	9,956	8,563	11,025	5,003	2,199	2,438	4,609	55,637

¹ Excludes the following classes of admission processed in the Nonimmigrant Information System: for all countries — 264,777 parolees, 37,640 withdrawals and stowaways, 62,634 refugees, 332 asylees, and 906,314 crewmen. ² Data are for unknown republic only; independent republics shown separately. See Notice of Special Geographic Definitions. ³ Yugoslavia (unknown republic) prior to February 7, 2003. See Notice of Special Geographic Definitions. ⁴ Includes People's Republic of China and Taiwan. A total of 369,526 nonimmigrant visas were issued to these two countries in fiscal year 2003: 152,577 to Taiwan and 216,949 to People's Republic of China. (SOURCE: U.S. Department of State, Bureau of Consular Affairs, Visa Office.) ⁵ Includes admissions through the use of Palestinian Authority Travel Documents. See Notice of Special Geographic Definitions. ⁶ Due to misreporting, reliable counts by country of citizenship are not available; therefore, data were given the same distribution as for country of last residence (see Notice of Special Geographic Definitions). The number of nonimmigrant visas issued in fiscal year 2003 for Dominica was 2,047; the Dominican Republic, 44,152. (SOURCE: U.S. Department of State, Bureau of Consular Affairs, Visa Office.) ⁷ Includes unknown port of entry. - Represents zero. D Disclosure standards not met.

**TABLE 27. NONIMMIGRANTS ADMITTED BY AGE AND REGION AND COUNTRY OF CITIZENSHIP
FISCAL YEAR 2003**

Region and country of citizenship	All ages ¹	Under 15 years	15 - 19 years	20 - 24 years	25 - 34 years	35 - 44 years	45 - 64 years	65 years and over	Unknown
All countries	27,849,443	2,408,581	1,238,291	2,113,776	6,697,314	5,874,887	7,579,205	1,847,995	89,394
Europe	11,028,838	819,099	478,050	782,527	2,492,471	2,462,630	3,237,751	721,068	35,242
Albania	7,237	396	236	625	1,510	1,240	2,416	801	13
Andorra	560	60	16	42	194	122	107	12	7
Armenia	5,177	242	284	500	1,080	985	1,540	521	25
Austria	130,867	6,100	5,512	10,441	32,461	31,721	37,896	6,338	398
Azerbaijan	2,613	151	251	321	741	471	563	105	10
Belarus	11,146	1,373	1,354	3,714	1,431	1,047	1,791	394	42
Belgium	178,901	9,915	6,806	11,946	41,692	44,489	53,831	9,554	668
Bosnia-Herzegovina	6,371	283	254	570	1,397	794	2,320	731	22
Bulgaria	30,520	690	1,126	9,176	8,096	3,471	6,229	1,659	73
Croatia	19,196	611	702	2,018	5,984	4,050	4,915	878	38
Czech Republic	43,892	1,530	1,692	7,000	13,628	6,573	11,552	1,810	107
Czechoslovakia ²	12,701	459	512	1,465	3,796	2,183	3,671	581	34
Denmark	162,728	10,897	6,492	10,791	38,567	37,909	49,110	8,419	543
Estonia	8,520	388	450	1,750	2,631	1,473	1,599	210	19
Finland	86,426	5,002	3,505	5,472	22,603	21,616	24,965	3,076	187
France	1,036,375	71,977	56,334	79,114	250,895	211,612	305,207	57,851	3,385
Georgia	4,724	245	288	451	1,383	952	1,153	238	14
Germany	1,439,106	69,890	67,539	91,205	308,259	374,906	428,777	94,742	3,788
Gibraltar	191	17	D	17	54	26	59	10	D
Greece	59,378	2,011	1,401	4,051	16,012	12,482	17,447	5,791	183
Holy See	124	-	-	-	-	38	49	37	-
Hungary	44,240	1,689	1,504	3,788	14,913	6,867	12,982	2,400	97
Iceland	25,158	2,350	980	1,734	5,451	5,615	7,497	1,437	94
Ireland	370,712	26,777	14,198	42,680	100,127	72,530	90,723	22,187	1,490
Italy	638,507	26,544	17,849	34,588	205,417	155,269	161,676	34,522	2,642
Kazakhstan	5,666	437	541	918	1,473	979	1,183	117	18
Kyrgyzstan	1,508	53	195	192	429	337	264	33	5
Latvia	10,142	329	571	1,948	2,716	1,777	2,372	413	16
Liechtenstein	1,178	68	58	92	355	263	307	D	D
Lithuania	15,207	414	495	5,039	3,336	2,103	3,128	651	41
Luxembourg	7,623	474	329	453	1,664	1,733	2,467	483	20
Macedonia	5,292	214	294	785	1,364	790	1,458	375	12
Malta	5,743	493	190	507	1,494	1,035	1,652	356	16
Moldova	2,839	190	232	412	836	472	603	88	6
Monaco	514	54	28	26	79	95	183	45	D
Netherlands	544,383	32,440	16,846	31,074	128,083	129,819	170,920	32,803	2,398
Norway	142,225	9,983	6,495	11,785	33,007	29,201	44,660	6,620	474
Poland	153,765	6,208	8,527	34,054	35,178	20,830	38,094	10,454	420
Portugal	83,975	4,710	3,011	5,823	22,135	18,298	22,931	6,617	450
Romania	48,325	1,488	1,221	6,955	15,152	7,539	11,231	4,611	128
Russia	111,258	5,480	6,404	14,289	25,979	22,534	29,853	6,478	241
San Marino	327	16	9	19	104	86	66	27	-
Serbia and Montenegro ³	13,229	487	677	1,554	3,519	2,002	3,643	1,308	39
Slovak Republic	24,277	653	1,233	8,672	6,453	2,574	3,987	651	54
Slovenia	11,665	468	440	1,368	3,607	2,434	2,905	397	46
Soviet Union ²	360	20	D	20	34	67	144	62	D
Spain	428,229	22,689	16,036	24,902	145,043	95,793	100,312	20,241	3,213
Sweden	256,450	16,618	10,711	20,173	61,869	52,638	80,528	12,980	933
Switzerland	256,696	15,394	9,565	20,302	59,522	58,067	76,128	16,859	859
Tajikistan	713	22	77	84	204	157	155	D	D
Turkmenistan	324	11	73	41	68	60	61	6	D
Ukraine	29,810	1,257	1,608	3,161	8,105	6,127	7,771	1,713	68
United Kingdom	4,534,947	458,590	202,491	263,899	850,855	1,004,840	1,400,397	342,007	11,868
Uzbekistan	6,798	242	389	521	1,486	1,539	2,273	324	24
Asia	6,799,154	468,509	223,932	612,840	1,980,526	1,325,717	1,743,267	425,382	18,981
Afghanistan	1,382	134	119	183	337	206	328	68	7
Bahrain	2,405	241	207	448	480	462	523	39	D
Bangladesh	13,910	1,152	658	1,378	2,855	2,204	4,859	757	47
Bhutan	368	15	23	45	119	97	63	D	D

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**TABLE 27. NONIMMIGRANTS ADMITTED BY AGE AND REGION AND COUNTRY OF CITIZENSHIP
FISCAL YEAR 2003—Continued**

Region and country of citizenship	All ages ¹	Under 15 years	15 - 19 years	20 - 24 years	25 - 34 years	35 - 44 years	45 - 64 years	65 years and over	Unknown
Brunei	586	32	17	52	166	140	166	D	D
Burma	2,219	77	88	179	529	496	647	194	9
Cambodia	3,736	165	162	515	762	748	1,176	197	11
China ⁴	579,294	26,634	14,333	37,036	171,601	136,348	151,435	40,133	1,774
Cyprus	9,439	337	532	1,991	2,756	1,284	2,062	444	33
Hong Kong	75,085	2,320	2,930	7,131	19,830	19,819	18,196	4,658	201
India	537,867	26,399	9,116	53,329	202,367	71,728	134,527	38,659	1,742
Indonesia	63,254	3,193	3,430	7,772	16,742	9,875	19,194	2,870	178
Iran	6,448	359	218	364	1,055	1,008	2,261	1,147	36
Iraq	1,211	142	64	108	244	191	325	134	D
Israel	303,627	21,548	11,655	24,237	68,064	52,076	99,493	25,764	790
Japan	3,589,544	253,158	119,453	352,607	1,065,343	664,283	905,323	220,130	9,247
Jordan ⁵	20,275	1,840	1,185	1,890	4,613	3,521	5,702	1,435	89
Korea	840,142	83,381	31,780	55,467	215,437	197,035	206,154	48,565	2,323
Kuwait	11,051	1,491	1,005	1,866	2,240	1,847	2,291	280	31
Laos	1,535	66	59	164	236	226	563	216	5
Lebanon	19,388	1,011	656	1,639	5,165	3,211	5,510	2,101	95
Macao	932	64	125	156	202	155	198	27	5
Malaysia	52,319	2,591	1,722	4,719	15,469	12,580	13,395	1,728	115
Maldives	158	5	12	21	57	34	25	D	D
Mongolia	6,214	613	477	680	1,836	1,411	1,055	115	27
Nepal	9,677	417	461	1,271	2,459	2,274	2,414	336	45
Oman	1,659	147	78	298	541	333	246	D	8
Pakistan	56,717	5,037	3,195	6,534	13,101	8,691	16,119	3,848	192
Philippines	267,661	17,857	7,003	14,339	71,192	67,881	71,233	17,185	971
Qatar	1,660	221	99	307	389	352	260	18	14
Saudi Arabia	16,154	2,762	1,098	2,088	3,688	3,139	2,972	348	59
Singapore	81,370	5,374	2,042	6,375	23,250	21,846	19,973	2,295	215
Sri Lanka	13,208	760	403	974	3,342	2,825	3,702	1,128	74
Syria	6,054	327	185	411	1,364	931	1,908	888	40
Thailand	73,116	2,729	3,297	8,965	22,625	13,583	19,001	2,653	263
Turkey	104,438	4,166	4,017	13,349	33,299	18,945	24,996	5,416	250
United Arab Emirates	5,368	698	318	1,312	1,400	958	617	50	15
Vietnam	18,593	875	1,598	2,509	5,145	2,777	4,121	1,512	56
Yemen	1,090	171	112	131	226	197	234	D	D
Africa	371,788	24,821	15,842	29,668	87,259	86,385	105,816	20,172	1,825
Algeria	3,465	157	79	112	831	734	1,247	293	12
Angola	4,091	297	191	494	1,203	1,055	765	59	27
Benin	1,391	53	58	142	292	355	457	25	9
Botswana	1,931	87	60	297	604	429	417	32	5
Burkina Faso	1,708	94	68	183	391	483	462	18	9
Burundi	570	40	D	60	89	151	200	D	-
Cameroon	8,191	452	312	594	2,147	1,928	2,314	358	86
Cape Verde	1,546	170	92	96	318	382	386	89	13
Central African Republic	185	13	D	24	38	50	50	3	D
Chad	397	24	8	28	168	93	69	D	D
Comoros	67	D	D	D	15	33	D	D	-
Congo, Democratic Republic	157	5	12	D	35	36	60	3	D
Congo, Republic	2,731	182	135	205	506	701	932	51	19
Cote d'Ivoire	2,229	133	110	260	517	593	564	46	6
Djibouti	308	13	D	6	81	137	64	3	D
Egypt	31,430	2,054	965	2,300	6,886	5,660	10,543	2,935	87
Equatorial Guinea	154	10	D	9	37	38	45	9	D
Eritrea	1,443	79	30	45	199	192	540	343	15
Ethiopia	9,042	637	461	507	1,992	1,679	3,081	589	96
Gabon	1,160	91	49	155	342	292	216	10	5
Gambia, The	3,509	213	178	293	849	810	1,001	142	23
Ghana	28,497	1,574	1,316	2,366	7,170	7,880	7,106	914	171
Guinea	5,864	438	372	377	1,244	1,559	1,733	117	24
Guinea-Bissau	81	D	D	6	14	26	24	5	-
Kenya	18,521	1,110	831	2,185	4,514	3,537	5,359	847	138
Lesotho	345	18	17	24	63	94	118	D	D

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**TABLE 27. NONIMMIGRANTS ADMITTED BY AGE AND REGION AND COUNTRY OF CITIZENSHIP
FISCAL YEAR 2003—Continued**

Region and country of citizenship	All ages ¹	Under 15 years	15 - 19 years	20 - 24 years	25 - 34 years	35 - 44 years	45 - 64 years	65 years and over	Unknown
Liberia	1,651	160	77	80	295	449	499	82	9
Libya	269	35	12	11	46	41	91	33	-
Madagascar	849	42	26	64	192	200	283	36	6
Malawi	1,566	85	76	121	358	413	476	29	8
Mali	3,881	263	256	361	929	950	997	88	37
Mauritania	976	42	32	108	244	228	287	31	D
Mauritius	1,351	61	50	144	304	268	438	81	5
Morocco	17,455	979	847	1,956	3,959	2,711	5,666	1,233	104
Mozambique	986	55	29	91	222	310	264	12	3
Namibia	1,217	97	55	98	307	346	280	28	6
Niger	2,890	205	90	182	580	821	868	129	15
Nigeria	59,817	5,878	2,592	2,733	11,349	16,599	17,112	3,264	290
Reunion	27	D	-	4	D	D	9	-	-
Rwanda	1,310	92	57	107	309	409	311	13	12
Sao Tome and Principe	51	D	-	D	D	14	23	-	-
Senegal	10,262	412	475	685	2,192	2,611	3,546	298	43
Seychelles	301	31	D	27	83	65	61	21	D
Sierra Leone	2,409	134	97	99	510	570	813	169	17
Somalia	288	29	17	56	84	32	59	D	D
South Africa	106,256	6,442	4,301	9,258	27,873	23,824	27,671	6,556	331
St. Helena	33	-	-	7	12	D	D	-	-
Sudan	1,433	92	44	57	206	270	617	134	13
Swaziland	294	16	14	29	72	81	77	5	-
Tanzania	4,785	250	213	518	992	953	1,653	170	36
Togo	2,293	110	103	260	609	599	537	63	12
Tunisia	3,998	154	130	318	1,198	761	1,223	194	20
Uganda	4,969	323	166	309	1,157	1,383	1,440	141	50
Western Sahara	4	-	-	-	D	D	D	-	-
Zambia	3,448	237	187	378	852	874	826	78	16
Zimbabwe	7,706	644	499	827	1,765	1,657	1,920	370	24
Oceania	809,365	53,818	30,867	63,247	198,229	162,016	252,127	46,114	2,947
American Samoa	181	D	D	13	40	37	60	17	D
Australia	550,287	35,582	20,747	44,746	134,325	109,206	172,349	31,318	2,014
Christmas Island	D	-	-	D	D	D	D	D	-
Cook Islands	42	-	D	D	D	13	12	3	-
Fiji	9,546	559	257	887	2,316	1,864	3,037	589	37
French Polynesia	748	121	42	63	153	149	190	27	D
Guam	68	7	D	D	23	13	D	D	D
Kiribati	1,073	46	27	72	244	357	292	31	D
Marshall Islands	6,598	817	540	727	1,261	1,189	1,781	261	22
Micronesia, Federated States	21,145	1,962	1,592	2,349	4,146	4,552	5,753	741	50
Nauru	50	-	D	D	13	13	21	-	-
New Caledonia	208	26	14	16	60	41	35	D	D
New Zealand	203,465	13,597	6,796	13,348	52,672	39,855	64,128	12,311	758
Niue	D	-	-	-	D	-	D	-	-
Northern Mariana Islands	24	D	-	-	D	D	7	3	D
Palau	9,114	720	633	516	1,589	3,083	2,277	276	20
Papua New Guinea	561	38	15	36	133	174	153	D	6
Samoa	1,799	87	64	152	367	352	625	145	7
Solomon Islands	979	88	40	58	201	256	267	65	4
Tonga	3,057	147	79	214	563	713	1,026	299	16
Tuvalu	244	D	D	29	65	78	67	D	D
Vanuatu	155	7	D	7	43	61	30	D	-
Wallis and Futuna Islands	D	D	-	D	D	D	D	-	-
Other	D	-	-	-	-	D	D	-	-
North America	6,496,462	842,779	380,131	470,923	1,433,772	1,321,124	1,575,323	451,203	21,207
Canada	222,585	14,096	10,425	25,111	71,311	54,398	43,632	3,041	571
Greenland	63	D	8	D	14	12	23	D	-
Mexico	4,307,144	644,597	271,953	315,491	945,444	819,415	1,002,610	294,268	13,366
St. Pierre and Miquelon	D	-	-	-	D	D	D	-	-
United States	16	D	-	D	6	D	D	-	-

See footnotes at end of table.

**TABLE 27. NONIMMIGRANTS ADMITTED BY AGE AND REGION AND COUNTRY OF CITIZENSHIP
FISCAL YEAR 2003—Continued**

Region and country of citizenship	All ages ¹	Under 15 years	15 - 19 years	20 - 24 years	25 - 34 years	35 - 44 years	45 - 64 years	65 years and over	Unknown
Caribbean	1,146,382	113,032	56,926	76,181	250,254	279,132	298,778	68,032	4,047
Anguilla	2,958	283	143	329	721	654	687	128	13
Antigua-Barbuda	19,045	1,813	759	1,064	4,043	4,962	5,466	868	70
Aruba	7,892	1,139	473	467	1,276	1,743	2,321	425	48
Bahamas, The	306,307	39,006	16,816	21,605	68,901	73,830	72,085	13,248	816
Barbados	47,808	4,153	1,907	2,553	8,999	11,988	15,103	2,966	139
Bermuda	3,741	232	325	403	681	866	935	278	21
British Virgin Islands	6,338	751	352	562	1,494	1,469	1,464	214	32
Cayman Islands	24,586	3,815	1,616	1,903	5,027	5,050	5,837	1,279	59
Cuba	8,529	404	202	272	1,152	1,062	2,252	3,150	35
Dominica ⁶	7,380	555	319	563	1,649	1,785	2,014	463	32
Dominican Republic ⁶	203,701	17,755	10,226	14,415	43,718	49,765	53,501	13,482	839
Grenada	10,546	890	582	748	2,458	2,589	2,692	553	34
Guadeloupe	1,208	165	93	94	225	234	282	107	8
Haiti	78,811	6,160	3,055	3,045	14,529	21,380	24,340	5,982	320
Jamaica	221,068	20,028	10,084	14,112	51,914	55,987	54,990	13,096	857
Martinique	452	53	25	39	77	88	127	39	D
Montserrat	866	38	25	42	169	234	297	57	D
Netherlands Antilles	9,190	1,232	525	576	1,719	2,054	2,534	439	111
Puerto Rico	255	26	D	17	53	51	71	21	D
St. Kitts-Nevis	13,140	903	434	901	3,217	3,486	3,674	481	44
St. Lucia	15,600	1,252	745	1,134	4,154	4,194	3,596	480	45
St. Vincent and the Grenadines	12,089	652	323	832	3,991	3,312	2,592	335	52
Trinidad and Tobago	134,426	10,758	7,344	9,437	27,268	29,915	39,686	9,588	430
Turks and Caicos Islands	10,167	948	530	1,056	2,752	2,365	2,145	339	32
U.S. Virgin Islands	279	21	D	12	67	69	87	14	D
Central America	820,267	71,050	40,819	54,137	166,741	168,161	230,275	85,861	3,223
Belize	26,337	3,000	1,430	2,485	6,325	6,004	5,759	1,235	99
Costa Rica	148,779	13,853	8,344	10,298	33,835	34,410	38,506	8,868	665
El Salvador	207,042	13,847	7,869	9,755	32,876	36,259	68,022	37,699	715
Guatemala	187,462	19,162	10,438	13,535	38,921	37,618	48,645	18,382	761
Honduras	108,374	9,929	5,106	7,610	23,786	24,420	29,853	7,298	372
Nicaragua	50,301	2,840	2,363	4,301	10,512	11,246	14,228	4,618	193
Panama	91,972	8,419	5,269	6,153	20,486	18,204	25,262	7,761	418
South America	2,120,332	182,388	98,767	138,343	460,191	474,384	597,508	161,601	7,150
Argentina	241,344	15,958	7,835	10,865	56,631	52,712	75,730	21,029	584
Bolivia	34,222	2,773	1,987	2,669	7,092	7,620	9,498	2,440	143
Brazil	497,024	34,865	24,699	42,287	119,159	114,621	134,575	25,514	1,304
Chile	139,387	12,347	6,118	7,056	29,321	32,562	42,388	9,140	455
Colombia	379,510	36,855	17,424	22,258	74,892	88,992	103,994	33,274	1,821
Ecuador	161,387	17,437	10,560	13,814	34,692	33,170	40,582	10,484	648
Falkland Islands	28	4	-	D	5	8	4	4	D
French Guiana	35	6	D	-	D	10	12	3	-
Guyana	27,842	2,183	1,205	1,488	5,164	7,050	9,127	1,541	84
Paraguay	14,885	1,049	1,041	1,354	3,397	3,225	3,949	825	45
Peru	220,780	18,327	9,944	13,858	47,059	44,191	61,375	25,221	805
Suriname	5,799	476	D	D	973	1,341	1,951	485	D
Uruguay	54,604	5,238	2,328	3,775	12,445	10,981	15,378	4,227	232
Venezuela	343,485	34,870	15,370	18,626	69,358	77,901	98,945	27,414	1,001
Unknown	223,504	17,167	10,702	16,228	44,866	42,631	67,413	22,455	2,042

¹ Excludes the following classes of admission processed in the Nonimmigrant Information System: for all countries — 264,777 parolees, 37,640 withdrawals and stowaways, 62,634 refugees, 332 asylees, and 906,314 crewmen. ² Data are for unknown republic only; independent republics shown separately. See Notice of Special Geographic Definitions. ³ Yugoslavia (unknown republic) prior to February 7, 2003. See Notice of Special Geographic Definitions. ⁴ Includes People's Republic of China and Taiwan. A total of 369,526 nonimmigrant visas were issued to these two countries in fiscal year 2003: 152,577 to Taiwan and 216,949 to People's Republic of China. (SOURCE: U.S. Department of State, Bureau of Consular Affairs, Visa Office.) ⁵ Includes admissions through the use of Palestinian Authority Travel Documents. See Notice of Special Geographic Definitions. ⁶ Due to misreporting, reliable counts by country of citizenship are not available; therefore, data were given the same distribution as for country of last residence (see Notice of Special Geographic Definitions). The number of nonimmigrant visas issued in fiscal year 2003 for Dominica was 2,047; the Dominican Republic, 44,152. (SOURCE: U.S. Department of State, Bureau of Consular Affairs, Visa Office.)

- Represents zero. D Disclosure standards not met.

**TABLE 28. NONIMMIGRANTS ADMITTED BY SELECTED CLASS OF ADMISSION
AND STATE OF DESTINATION
FISCAL YEAR 2003**

State of destination	All classes ^{1, 2}	Foreign government officials ³	Temporary visitors for business ²	Temporary visitors for pleasure ²	Transit aliens ⁴	Treaty traders and investors ³	Students	Spouses and children of students	Temporary workers and trainees ⁵	Spouses and children of temp. workers and trainees ⁵
Total	27,849,443	138,496	4,215,714	20,142,909	554,559	168,508	624,917	38,049	590,680	135,933
Alabama	58,522	1,250	15,726	24,183	1,283	2,321	4,672	305	2,795	656
Alaska	78,110	445	4,025	68,028	874	409	506	14	692	87
Arizona	433,977	1,889	46,020	354,171	103	1,353	8,094	750	5,691	1,358
Arkansas	30,367	78	6,726	12,422	28	215	2,293	163	5,535	365
California	3,744,367	11,464	648,801	2,677,547	14,808	29,400	100,298	5,021	82,110	24,493
Colorado	290,293	746	44,849	209,159	123	883	5,692	595	11,423	1,560
Connecticut	188,125	431	34,466	104,089	489	2,993	9,711	462	9,015	2,692
Delaware	29,345	231	9,533	12,423	212	211	1,380	73	1,573	402
District of Columbia	281,904	24,538	93,851	110,418	495	553	6,305	197	4,571	363
Florida	4,530,398	10,975	499,559	3,682,521	78,465	19,810	40,862	2,524	61,771	16,733
Georgia	349,837	3,326	97,957	185,744	1,241	5,393	11,291	867	16,023	3,703
Hawaii	1,590,873	3,367	51,148	1,500,935	6,032	2,045	8,828	385	1,357	413
Idaho	20,815	29	4,383	9,885	D	76	1,442	101	2,681	166
Illinois	686,079	2,983	182,802	402,886	833	7,167	23,961	2,172	18,118	5,155
Indiana	111,897	203	28,952	50,133	99	2,659	12,241	890	3,717	1,174
Iowa	36,707	118	7,586	17,339	32	181	5,060	425	1,265	466
Kansas	49,714	755	8,375	28,156	41	272	5,007	349	2,477	667
Kentucky	58,563	210	16,788	23,054	71	2,606	3,695	296	4,473	653
Louisiana	168,291	1,116	56,462	85,382	5,875	442	5,638	388	5,578	625
Maine	38,447	76	4,505	22,244	541	144	2,152	33	2,737	173
Maryland	261,764	7,892	45,881	139,116	1,170	1,254	10,225	647	11,500	3,066
Massachusetts	624,048	1,965	130,086	363,811	1,847	2,241	44,609	2,195	24,169	5,167
Michigan	308,858	647	93,074	129,868	391	8,546	18,423	1,446	13,309	4,561
Minnesota	125,977	214	33,812	65,101	147	477	7,566	413	4,798	1,334
Mississippi	22,437	426	4,373	9,657	315	395	1,671	143	3,502	208
Missouri	88,561	687	22,000	42,504	50	568	7,904	512	5,341	1,093
Montana	19,473	63	1,891	13,819	7	55	852	53	784	70
Nebraska	21,049	179	3,623	11,033	22	165	2,744	182	857	297
Nevada	754,214	615	115,462	623,852	240	630	2,628	129	3,557	466
New Hampshire	50,684	69	9,235	27,900	53	327	3,010	153	3,570	614
New Jersey	602,019	1,632	110,623	373,758	2,413	9,662	14,593	1,111	28,769	9,489
New Mexico	153,241	1,516	9,212	133,289	19	164	1,850	137	1,356	326
New York	3,194,344	17,258	482,533	2,326,655	7,540	22,008	76,599	3,226	91,231	11,154
North Carolina	199,270	710	57,335	89,603	387	3,681	8,579	735	14,687	2,155
North Dakota	9,255	18	1,447	4,520	D	22	1,548	70	680	110
Ohio	211,422	923	62,892	90,503	243	5,629	15,017	1,183	8,791	2,472
Oklahoma	53,665	361	9,596	29,061	24	207	7,275	437	2,163	567
Oregon	104,339	211	24,635	57,668	661	1,159	6,570	392	2,749	787
Pennsylvania	338,024	1,162	90,428	164,889	2,056	2,425	24,728	1,588	13,401	3,521
Rhode Island	40,845	552	7,181	23,695	263	235	4,115	88	1,241	256
South Carolina	85,328	197	20,686	43,852	447	3,107	3,697	209	3,837	699
South Dakota	8,623	D	1,023	5,331	D	86	556	52	649	70
Tennessee	104,886	258	27,223	55,109	94	2,162	5,109	360	5,153	998
Texas	1,909,210	9,662	290,235	1,389,387	13,550	12,502	38,312	2,739	45,780	12,323
Utah	80,102	477	17,071	50,128	D	195	4,607	356	2,896	343
Vermont	34,654	47	3,120	24,791	14	120	1,677	54	1,710	114
Virginia	310,066	11,227	58,036	164,536	785	2,369	13,159	1,219	16,130	3,792
Washington	360,244	2,079	67,664	235,812	5,187	2,530	14,930	750	9,500	3,230
West Virginia	12,156	26	2,470	5,429	13	221	2,013	134	394	127
Wisconsin	105,286	166	24,485	54,210	147	714	7,109	450	4,182	1,157
Wyoming	12,844	57	916	8,593	D	54	443	23	1,263	48
American Samoa	593	D	46	430	23	D	D	-	17	D
Federated States of Micronesia	D	-	D	D	-	-	D	-	D	-
Guam	689,198	722	9,530	651,550	2,045	1,458	252	18	1,111	167
Marshall Islands	182	-	42	88	-	-	20	-	D	D
Northern Mariana Islands	108	-	D	D	7	-	D	-	D	-
Palau	D	-	D	D	-	-	-	-	-	-
Puerto Rico	155,985	648	43,096	97,289	2,588	371	1,425	46	2,980	610
U.S. Virgin Islands	22,512	35	3,511	17,704	324	D	248	13	270	51
Unknown	3,997,331	11,558	468,710	3,037,585	399,814	3,596	11,706	776	14,742	2,581

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**TABLE 28. NONIMMIGRANTS ADMITTED BY SELECTED CLASS OF ADMISSION
AND STATE OF DESTINATION
FISCAL YEAR 2003—Continued**

State of destination	International representatives ³	Representatives of foreign information media ³	Exchange visitors	Spouses and children of exchange visitors	Fian- ces(ees) of U.S. citizens ⁶	Intra- company transferees	Spouses and children of intra- company transferees	NATO officials ³	North American Free-Trade Agreement workers	Spouses and children of NAFTA workers
Total	98,389	32,030	321,660	41,122	28,295	298,054	136,227	12,569	59,446	12,436
Alabama	51	58	1,454	278	124	1,324	725	557	239	72
Alaska	24	94	1,544	33	121	378	187	39	349	30
Arizona	41	233	2,982	451	498	2,644	1,414	164	1,161	414
Arkansas	10	9	928	96	95	407	219	D	91	29
California	756	5,494	38,253	6,274	5,546	35,782	16,841	775	8,568	1,839
Colorado	48	172	6,487	725	424	2,553	1,143	258	849	149
Connecticut	521	125	6,861	764	421	8,138	4,157	42	1,431	354
Delaware	14	19	1,578	105	73	845	277	D	175	44
District of Columbia	22,122	3,137	11,410	396	121	1,067	242	419	402	16
Florida	1,097	2,927	11,645	1,297	1,842	44,341	19,990	905	2,683	828
Georgia	136	467	5,677	945	580	8,480	3,724	259	1,095	248
Hawaii	87	519	1,346	281	364	590	347	D	303	92
Idaho	D	12	887	36	76	311	191	D	112	41
Illinois	135	665	12,160	1,594	881	11,187	4,761	91	1,709	341
Indiana	27	232	3,909	821	267	3,184	1,916	6	492	154
Iowa	11	19	2,287	362	137	542	320	4	172	36
Kansas	D	16	1,445	162	176	584	357	65	215	55
Kentucky	D	34	1,789	306	125	2,360	1,405	43	272	60
Louisiana	51	163	2,300	293	162	1,716	911	33	386	84
Maine	15	23	4,063	85	135	373	119	D	798	99
Maryland	18,617	836	11,649	2,110	693	2,703	1,268	230	952	180
Massachusetts	422	545	24,122	3,638	1,005	8,542	3,481	89	3,446	560
Michigan	75	344	8,222	1,348	706	12,240	6,347	49	6,622	664
Minnesota	46	60	5,063	620	476	2,815	1,331	20	722	163
Mississippi	5	14	929	98	79	210	92	36	98	26
Missouri	127	98	3,657	559	270	1,359	641	68	347	90
Montana	D	34	1,344	42	55	102	44	D	154	D
Nebraska	5	D	944	165	101	184	98	10	103	33
Nevada	49	581	1,745	104	351	692	280	108	379	77
New Hampshire	16	14	3,584	109	157	781	329	30	458	127
New Jersey	2,360	494	12,171	1,055	1,124	18,145	8,524	90	1,813	471
New Mexico	93	55	1,272	219	98	311	155	1,584	282	93
New York	32,521	9,084	39,127	3,891	2,574	36,932	12,597	268	5,844	802
North Carolina	67	110	7,861	1,453	411	5,168	2,660	72	1,489	411
North Dakota	29	D	451	44	26	75	D	D	129	25
Ohio	46	166	8,699	1,056	527	6,895	3,743	155	1,067	320
Oklahoma	11	42	1,421	195	214	653	408	115	135	50
Oregon	22	104	3,168	483	365	2,253	1,090	21	466	145
Pennsylvania	130	252	15,132	1,802	934	8,204	3,427	151	1,570	342
Rhode Island	12	28	1,636	160	141	516	208	53	153	40
South Carolina	32	49	3,505	312	138	2,277	1,340	30	289	125
South Dakota	9	17	622	13	26	31	21	D	59	D
Tennessee	20	172	3,038	494	267	2,038	1,122	18	396	76
Texas	706	835	10,757	2,211	1,893	35,364	17,393	2,070	4,057	1,193
Utah	48	61	1,722	243	200	549	289	92	196	84
Vermont	14	12	2,084	75	70	218	100	4	316	47
Virginia	14,214	739	8,750	1,009	994	4,562	2,172	2,839	1,131	268
Washington	198	301	4,365	836	903	4,215	2,134	171	2,647	586
West Virginia	3	10	838	52	62	158	66	D	67	17
Wisconsin	22	84	6,953	514	275	2,284	1,082	17	490	121
Wyoming	D	26	1,009	34	36	123	45	-	90	14
American Samoa	D	D	26	-	D	D	D	-	D	-
Federated States of Micronesia	-	-	-	-	-	D	-	-	-	-
Guam	28	134	79	D	53	1,018	369	D	D	-
Marshall Islands	D	-	D	-	-	3	D	-	D	-
Northern Mariana Islands	D	-	D	-	D	-	-	-	-	-
Palau	-	-	D	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Puerto Rico	44	186	229	D	141	3,568	1,620	11	126	31
U.S. Virgin Islands	14	14	59	D	D	87	37	D	13	D
Unknown	3,207	2,093	6,404	848	744	5,964	2,444	436	1,819	243

See footnotes at end of table.

**TABLE 28. NONIMMIGRANTS ADMITTED BY SELECTED CLASS OF ADMISSION
AND STATE OF DESTINATION
FISCAL YEAR 2003—Continued**

State of destination	Spouses and children of U.S. citizens, immigrant visa pending	Spouses of legal permanent residents, immigrant visa pending	Children of legal permanent residents, immigrant visa pending	Dependent children of spouse or accompanying children, immigrant visa pending	Victims of severe form of trafficking	Spouses, children, parents of victims of severe form of trafficking	Victims of criminal activity	Spouses, children, and parents of victims of criminal activity	Other and unknown ⁷
Total	15,734	22,509	20,496	22,055	471	234	147	153	117,651
Alabama	76	68	51	91	5	D	-	D	154
Alaska	42	19	20	6	D	D	D	-	140
Arizona	237	854	858	952	12	8	D	D	1,622
Arkansas	65	94	107	135	D	-	-	-	248
California	3,262	6,128	5,223	7,509	60	36	25	22	8,032
Colorado	164	314	313	370	11	D	D	-	1,278
Connecticut	149	182	172	80	10	D	D	D	362
Delaware	23	32	20	23	3	D	D	-	72
District of Columbia	48	81	50	23	10	4	4	3	1,058
Florida	1,781	1,070	1,085	731	23	11	12	10	24,900
Georgia	486	430	410	518	11	6	D	D	816
Hawaii	135	224	110	106	D	-	-	-	11,810
Idaho	34	92	113	94	-	-	D	-	43
Illinois	600	1,143	1,102	1,003	19	5	12	16	2,578
Indiana	119	121	100	135	3	7	D	D	332
Iowa	39	44	49	72	D	D	-	-	138
Kansas	58	78	81	92	D	D	-	-	224
Kentucky	93	22	19	13	D	D	D	-	161
Louisiana	96	84	60	62	-	D	D	-	381
Maine	24	9	D	6	3	3	4	-	76
Maryland	318	208	274	101	18	6	3	4	843
Massachusetts	294	298	348	85	35	10	3	5	1,030
Michigan	384	231	235	228	9	4	D	D	882
Minnesota	158	111	116	91	D	D	D	3	304
Mississippi	42	26	22	30	-	-	-	-	40
Missouri	95	70	50	62	D	D	D	-	400
Montana	27	7	5	3	D	-	-	-	45
Nebraska	39	55	43	76	D	D	-	-	80
Nevada	186	148	218	141	D	D	-	D	1,572
New Hampshire	28	20	8	13	D	-	D	D	69
New Jersey	580	802	736	395	14	13	D	D	1,170
New Mexico	57	251	179	308	D	-	-	-	412
New York	1,397	2,532	2,178	1,196	63	35	25	23	5,051
North Carolina	287	240	213	391	16	D	D	D	538
North Dakota	16	-	D	-	D	-	D	-	D
Ohio	229	141	137	99	11	D	D	-	472
Oklahoma	112	103	125	168	-	-	-	-	222
Oregon	115	183	133	285	7	D	D	D	662
Pennsylvania	264	338	245	363	15	7	4	5	641
Rhode Island	36	58	77	13	4	-	-	-	84
South Carolina	90	63	57	49	D	-	D	-	229
South Dakota	14	3	D	-	D	-	-	-	15
Tennessee	179	104	127	143	3	D	D	D	217
Texas	1,797	3,388	3,078	4,142	20	12	4	20	5,780
Utah	52	65	66	66	-	-	D	-	277
Vermont	8	9	D	-	-	D	D	D	43
Virginia	363	258	239	164	9	3	D	D	1,096
Washington	299	250	199	260	9	3	D	D	1,183
West Virginia	11	5	D	4	D	-	-	-	32
Wisconsin	129	124	110	134	10	D	D	-	314
Wyoming	6	11	9	7	D	D	-	-	29
American Samoa	-	-	D	-	-	-	-	-	D
Federated States of Micronesia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Guam	42	38	15	22	-	-	D	-	20,537
Marshall Islands	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Northern Mariana Islands	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	15
Palau	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	D
Puerto Rico	109	160	174	67	D	D	D	D	440
U.S. Virgin Islands	3	8	9	10	-	-	-	-	45
Unknown	437	1,112	1,114	918	13	16	6	4	18,441

¹ Excludes the following classes of admission processed in the Nonimmigrant Information System: for all countries — 264,777 parolees; 37,640 withdrawals and stowaways; 62,634 refugees, 332 asylees, and 906,314 crewmen. ² Includes admissions under the Visa Waiver Pilot program. ³ Includes spouses and unmarried minor (or dependent) children. ⁴ Includes foreign government officials and their spouses and unmarried minor (or dependent) children in transit. ⁵ Excludes workers (and their spouses and children) under the North American Free-Trade Agreement (shown separately). ⁶ Includes minor children of fiances(ees). ⁷ Total includes 68 parents or children of international organization special immigrants and 117,583 unknown class of admission. Unknown class of admission is larger in 2002 and 2003 than in previous years due to changes in processing which no longer assign a known class to certain records with blank or invalid class codes.

- Represents zero. D Disclosure standards not met.

**TABLE 29. NONIMMIGRANTS ADMITTED BY SELECTED COUNTRY OF CITIZENSHIP
AND STATE OF DESTINATION
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State of destination	All countries ¹	United Kingdom	Mexico	Japan	Germany	France	Korea	Italy	China ²	Australia
Total	27,849,443	4,534,993	4,307,144	3,589,591	1,439,136	1,036,401	840,168	638,513	579,409	550,310
Alabama	58,522	7,894	5,330	5,174	8,465	1,406	2,687	1,299	1,312	871
Alaska	78,110	15,147	5,399	12,017	8,935	1,679	3,250	1,103	1,761	6,090
Arizona	433,977	43,230	253,033	14,844	23,434	10,901	5,380	4,999	4,119	4,521
Arkansas	30,367	3,110	10,273	1,557	1,836	653	771	390	720	334
California	3,744,367	507,299	750,569	413,906	197,493	145,584	210,704	74,380	182,886	124,806
Colorado	290,293	53,384	95,110	12,387	20,767	7,230	6,051	4,098	3,539	9,660
Connecticut	188,125	38,937	5,305	7,394	13,913	8,235	4,665	5,949	3,848	3,665
Delaware	29,345	6,021	1,821	1,182	2,576	1,017	1,029	625	751	386
District of Columbia	281,904	46,911	9,696	15,995	18,065	15,073	7,391	7,959	5,960	6,665
Florida	4,530,398	1,311,222	281,895	74,827	240,537	110,590	16,905	99,395	13,803	24,899
Georgia	349,837	56,699	37,527	18,748	28,224	13,793	12,389	8,642	6,422	5,009
Hawaii	1,590,873	36,804	5,144	1,320,486	15,131	10,205	49,333	2,775	20,147	45,933
Idaho	20,815	2,483	3,803	1,659	1,928	683	719	262	502	684
Illinois	686,079	93,295	99,367	45,729	51,266	26,459	24,579	20,397	18,522	13,386
Indiana	111,897	14,501	12,085	13,071	9,768	4,140	5,679	2,433	3,670	1,870
Iowa	36,707	3,640	3,720	2,197	3,327	1,563	2,099	806	1,512	790
Kansas	49,714	4,045	16,556	2,134	3,068	1,011	1,791	723	1,593	694
Kentucky	58,563	7,369	7,139	10,812	5,677	2,174	1,684	914	1,644	965
Louisiana	168,291	25,358	20,112	7,678	11,667	11,631	3,311	4,108	3,451	4,085
Maine	38,447	10,018	777	1,180	3,299	2,022	652	559	436	820
Maryland	261,764	37,048	8,199	10,783	15,186	12,630	10,359	5,589	6,871	3,579
Massachusetts	624,048	142,023	14,597	32,898	43,758	31,350	16,486	18,969	14,207	10,110
Michigan	308,858	36,185	29,018	34,219	42,075	10,953	13,676	6,312	9,053	4,722
Minnesota	125,977	17,364	9,547	8,453	10,444	4,915	3,784	2,757	3,379	2,563
Mississippi	22,437	3,054	4,358	1,788	1,606	501	562	386	458	359
Missouri	88,561	11,828	12,892	5,251	6,790	2,601	3,342	1,659	3,390	1,944
Montana	19,473	4,420	871	1,440	2,399	793	512	307	369	926
Nebraska	21,049	2,019	3,953	1,776	1,819	471	721	288	602	405
Nevada	754,214	187,250	195,063	129,013	33,414	19,783	16,986	10,774	17,935	14,948
New Hampshire	50,684	14,283	1,084	1,517	4,755	2,439	1,323	818	1,087	781
New Jersey	602,019	88,630	14,455	26,634	36,461	23,904	32,143	16,710	17,729	7,052
New Mexico	153,241	4,962	119,689	2,580	6,291	2,018	681	839	678	807
New York	3,194,344	717,110	89,501	224,083	185,459	188,383	66,250	140,451	52,357	63,734
North Carolina	199,270	37,394	23,104	9,787	20,300	7,053	5,195	5,050	4,657	3,030
North Dakota	9,255	970	459	305	868	226	193	115	206	202
Ohio	211,422	28,988	14,153	24,979	19,500	7,968	7,202	4,850	7,060	3,511
Oklahoma	53,665	4,795	16,067	3,020	3,276	1,161	1,784	675	1,674	935
Oregon	104,339	12,290	7,063	17,979	10,177	3,330	6,730	1,535	4,735	2,980
Pennsylvania	338,024	62,751	12,796	15,948	32,204	18,276	13,015	11,358	9,365	6,191
Rhode Island	40,845	6,826	1,447	1,144	3,162	1,634	1,395	1,260	733	728
South Carolina	85,328	20,663	5,943	4,317	14,373	4,822	1,456	1,474	1,115	1,002
South Dakota	8,623	1,634	447	621	1,109	185	237	148	571	171
Tennessee	104,886	22,535	11,832	11,329	7,439	3,084	3,260	1,713	2,267	2,147
Texas	1,909,210	133,217	1,155,898	44,513	51,591	32,961	25,630	16,062	24,207	15,895
Utah	80,102	10,556	12,052	9,143	5,937	3,133	3,274	1,368	2,255	2,939
Vermont	34,654	12,154	557	1,566	2,696	2,821	571	586	463	737
Virginia	310,066	53,086	13,256	12,614	22,192	12,565	16,763	4,954	6,423	5,488
Washington	360,244	54,795	15,109	57,258	23,960	9,487	27,047	5,305	22,640	13,447
West Virginia	12,156	1,948	367	1,268	1,175	564	293	470	341	283
Wisconsin	105,286	13,017	11,266	5,657	11,709	4,613	3,818	2,466	3,045	2,042
Wyoming	12,844	3,149	1,856	830	1,180	478	185	283	217	456
American Samoa	593	78	66	54	46	21	7	5	D	53
Federated States of Micronesia	9	D	D	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Guam	689,198	1,872	112	536,033	539	418	95,881	144	17,730	2,353
Marshall Islands	182	27	D	D	D	8	6	5	6	4
Northern Mariana Islands	108	D	7	17	D	D	-	-	D	-
Palau	6	-	-	D	-	D	-	-	-	-
Puerto Rico	155,985	9,242	15,911	785	4,642	7,632	178	3,536	229	669
U.S. Virgin Islands	22,512	4,227	500	130	721	671	43	610	44	246
Unknown	3,997,331	485,233	858,981	366,876	140,484	236,496	98,111	126,866	64,705	116,738

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**TABLE 29. NONIMMIGRANTS ADMITTED BY SELECTED COUNTRY OF CITIZENSHIP
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FISCAL YEAR 2003—Continued**

State of destination	Netherlands	India	Brazil	Spain	Colombia	Ireland	Venezuela	Bahamas, The	Israel	Philip- pines
Total	544,393	538,008	497,042	428,234	379,524	370,719	343,490	306,316	303,632	267,681
Alabama	1,491	2,121	799	694	871	502	387	712	504	833
Alaska	2,218	844	440	1,047	301	656	122	89	817	754
Arizona	5,239	6,419	2,393	2,104	1,046	2,569	905	117	2,173	1,461
Arkansas	433	978	482	206	227	127	144	139	94	218
California	65,604	88,462	35,113	35,942	15,070	42,659	7,798	1,122	40,074	84,929
Colorado	5,706	4,889	4,361	2,707	1,371	2,307	1,350	269	1,689	749
Connecticut	4,726	10,011	4,303	2,506	2,441	4,650	1,098	259	2,296	1,209
Delaware	741	1,860	630	417	262	621	152	93	171	322
District of Columbia	7,304	4,391	5,398	5,455	3,438	3,489	1,888	629	3,496	1,722
Florida	100,803	27,536	139,640	79,270	200,277	50,847	222,931	240,306	26,537	22,056
Georgia	9,256	13,111	6,683	4,215	8,125	4,055	4,341	5,304	4,005	1,570
Hawaii	3,101	1,392	2,167	1,249	349	2,158	296	67	752	6,504
Idaho	601	721	338	341	84	232	46	5	236	158
Illinois	15,768	28,490	11,465	12,555	5,081	17,420	2,867	865	7,349	7,904
Indiana	2,721	5,770	1,936	1,423	1,434	1,191	645	234	715	702
Iowa	854	1,760	791	429	273	355	215	41	280	224
Kansas	541	2,789	766	394	508	311	269	103	481	216
Kentucky	948	2,361	873	699	305	1,273	327	216	177	369
Louisiana	5,644	3,558	2,679	3,284	1,955	1,749	1,643	640	1,248	2,594
Maine	1,150	498	373	467	189	823	106	47	426	286
Maryland	5,201	11,270	4,982	3,952	3,440	3,434	1,823	958	4,965	2,623
Massachusetts	13,489	19,862	14,468	10,026	5,810	39,593	4,308	633	11,678	2,586
Michigan	7,629	18,709	5,544	3,250	1,305	1,963	1,275	586	2,348	2,472
Minnesota	3,946	6,487	1,731	1,690	1,006	1,649	826	357	1,169	1,107
Mississippi	404	891	351	190	240	246	317	137	115	281
Missouri	1,728	4,386	1,577	1,479	626	1,046	524	367	1,635	808
Montana	935	227	148	230	110	225	40	D	95	61
Nebraska	400	1,104	409	241	248	191	153	95	132	118
Nevada	9,289	3,340	7,273	5,813	2,126	6,374	1,628	920	5,564	4,178
New Hampshire	1,367	2,096	672	570	332	1,597	217	89	571	235
New Jersey	11,884	51,022	10,470	7,918	11,920	12,336	3,109	963	14,518	10,524
New Mexico	890	914	381	704	417	839	144	73	403	238
New York	75,662	57,999	59,692	84,736	33,195	96,705	17,076	4,379	111,606	16,968
North Carolina	3,961	7,426	3,126	2,366	2,564	2,185	1,372	2,204	1,444	1,112
North Dakota	185	402	74	44	33	72	17	15	53	139
Ohio	5,500	13,334	4,049	2,322	1,594	1,876	1,973	577	2,569	1,468
Oklahoma	761	1,936	833	406	738	224	1,044	175	208	248
Oregon	2,559	3,227	925	998	365	2,826	243	44	1,281	1,008
Pennsylvania	9,227	17,472	5,048	5,322	2,458	7,158	2,152	1,111	5,556	2,300
Rhode Island	879	1,099	576	562	632	1,553	242	121	427	297
South Carolina	1,681	2,218	1,164	993	1,119	1,746	421	503	526	507
South Dakota	257	245	133	93	34	68	5	15	29	54
Tennessee	3,086	3,438	1,764	1,042	690	1,741	680	1,088	676	618
Texas	21,875	37,789	16,349	14,635	15,782	6,348	15,146	1,651	7,791	10,010
Utah	2,135	1,367	1,748	977	560	562	743	38	590	318
Vermont	885	366	382	365	116	796	218	84	355	147
Virginia	6,777	15,835	4,313	3,767	3,457	3,372	2,245	850	2,279	4,321
Washington	10,414	10,152	2,853	3,020	1,460	4,034	874	168	3,048	7,358
West Virginia	250	661	167	153	90	139	106	64	61	99
Wisconsin	2,931	5,085	1,796	1,536	788	1,243	554	106	989	559
Wyoming	276	150	100	95	46	105	36	8	68	65
American Samoa	D	14	5	12	D	11	D	-	13	14
Federated States of Micronesia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	D	-
Guam	128	341	100	108	27	101	12	D	42	5,649
Marshall Islands	8	D	D	D	D	D	D	-	D	5
Northern Mariana Islands	D	D	D	D	-	D	-	-	D	22
Palau	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Puerto Rico	7,081	511	2,036	11,015	6,124	548	7,184	338	345	548
U.S. Virgin Islands	694	171	208	154	124	140	154	94	67	79
Unknown	95,156	28,490	119,962	102,042	36,336	29,669	29,096	36,240	26,892	53,757

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**TABLE 29. NONIMMIGRANTS ADMITTED BY SELECTED COUNTRY OF CITIZENSHIP
AND STATE OF DESTINATION
FISCAL YEAR 2003—Continued**

State of destination	Switzerland	Sweden	Argentina	Canada	Jamaica	Peru	El Salvador	Dominican Republic	New Zealand	Guatemala
Total	256,700	256,454	241,352	221,477	221,075	220,791	207,043	203,706	203,476	187,464
Alabama	391	698	250	904	249	264	217	119	171	540
Alaska	3,164	465	98	868	86	95	70	75	802	82
Arizona	2,611	3,275	823	3,313	410	1,090	631	503	1,296	866
Arkansas	161	238	252	457	40	137	677	32	93	402
California	35,071	39,374	15,298	27,078	3,512	18,850	54,954	1,480	54,397	32,297
Colorado	3,131	3,629	2,018	2,764	773	1,599	938	368	2,761	1,122
Connecticut	2,598	3,214	2,503	4,221	3,964	1,879	500	1,002	767	1,303
Delaware	304	906	198	454	413	122	73	79	68	61
District of Columbia	3,127	4,804	4,278	2,166	1,098	2,868	3,856	815	1,722	1,878
Florida	42,015	34,409	89,012	12,498	86,364	80,730	26,479	47,878	6,641	52,702
Georgia	2,909	4,439	2,726	3,773	5,950	3,046	3,967	977	1,273	4,315
Hawaii	3,744	2,976	648	1,199	84	439	56	41	13,041	159
Idaho	230	251	90	543	10	324	43	10	296	110
Illinois	7,414	10,403	4,901	6,253	1,589	2,609	1,667	908	3,162	5,526
Indiana	890	1,281	676	1,906	329	486	474	141	529	681
Iowa	278	426	331	921	62	161	210	87	254	168
Kansas	229	414	285	780	89	232	236	39	280	186
Kentucky	397	602	376	959	130	295	197	125	191	240
Louisiana	1,599	2,436	1,139	1,310	465	742	1,484	406	1,055	2,178
Maine	545	553	78	4,223	720	89	30	84	281	43
Maryland	1,872	2,930	2,804	3,568	4,096	3,258	9,952	692	955	3,162
Massachusetts	8,223	8,410	4,183	10,668	4,607	2,416	5,360	5,289	2,348	3,734
Michigan	1,829	4,382	1,197	14,640	1,907	756	334	353	819	456
Minnesota	1,405	3,324	918	2,763	357	626	782	192	696	648
Mississippi	118	277	134	409	513	214	96	68	93	302
Missouri	739	1,081	821	1,382	457	411	390	213	634	448
Montana	425	262	73	765	34	83	5	10	254	15
Nebraska	100	286	196	419	55	114	202	43	97	219
Nevada	5,223	4,262	2,143	2,039	572	1,614	1,683	629	4,131	2,030
New Hampshire	755	673	224	1,732	1,710	246	76	141	217	52
New Jersey	6,420	7,159	3,804	6,216	7,048	9,711	4,661	10,134	1,549	4,498
New Mexico	501	394	251	759	33	222	129	46	329	217
New York	43,904	42,461	24,016	29,167	50,346	16,997	17,765	52,892	12,954	9,757
North Carolina	1,956	4,455	1,472	4,155	1,202	1,264	2,332	700	973	1,476
North Dakota	68	155	52	1,377	13	34	21	11	83	17
Ohio	1,742	2,505	1,145	4,075	708	985	445	635	847	703
Oklahoma	317	362	341	910	134	455	137	61	282	435
Oregon	965	1,366	445	1,727	60	313	295	49	1,081	401
Pennsylvania	3,216	6,482	2,119	6,210	3,051	1,454	627	1,709	1,554	930
Rhode Island	355	720	139	708	398	167	243	1,129	246	1,454
South Carolina	1,063	1,052	410	1,298	890	290	153	171	280	250
South Dakota	177	119	17	193	31	D	31	4	62	32
Tennessee	881	1,646	479	1,488	537	379	697	213	495	807
Texas	5,662	8,732	8,540	13,338	2,455	7,872	22,688	1,669	3,379	12,665
Utah	1,067	1,059	641	1,375	69	1,131	494	185	1,041	583
Vermont	578	377	195	1,193	679	230	39	48	205	56
Virginia	2,253	4,299	2,852	4,269	1,545	5,099	12,622	668	1,341	3,556
Washington	3,769	5,418	1,047	8,364	208	1,332	1,297	191	3,503	749
West Virginia	96	127	45	370	35	83	27	16	57	17
Wisconsin	1,181	1,897	719	1,722	274	487	218	209	701	363
Wyoming	262	125	67	292	29	118	15	12	147	15
American Samoa	12	D	D	23	D	D	D	D	D	D
Federated States of Micronesia	D	-	-	-	D	-	-	-	-	-
Guam	105	91	D	94	D	30	D	4	591	6
Marshall Islands	D	D	D	6	3	D	D	D	D	-
Northern Mariana Islands	D	-	-	-	-	-	D	-	D	D
Palau	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Puerto Rico	1,065	1,052	4,496	232	965	1,756	562	28,653	158	947
U.S. Virgin Islands	188	119	144	70	695	81	27	1,547	185	29
Unknown	47,394	23,597	49,224	16,871	29,017	44,484	25,874	39,948	72,101	31,572

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**TABLE 29. NONIMMIGRANTS ADMITTED BY SELECTED COUNTRY OF CITIZENSHIP
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FISCAL YEAR 2003—Continued**

State of destination	Belgium	Denmark	Ecuador	Poland	Costa Rica	Norway	Chile	Trinidad & Tobago	Austria	Other ³
Total	178,904	162,741	161,390	153,783	148,780	142,228	139,394	134,431	130,873	2,782,677
Alabama	405	279	143	439	312	526	183	191	325	8,564
Alaska	633	444	65	256	129	512	89	51	1,120	6,337
Arizona	2,339	1,715	354	979	928	1,328	893	141	1,700	19,895
Arkansas	166	239	65	92	133	132	102	62	98	4,097
California	21,351	25,417	6,412	8,349	12,161	17,484	11,469	1,817	18,700	314,496
Colorado	2,062	2,206	347	1,381	960	1,641	928	138	1,682	22,221
Connecticut	1,752	2,027	1,240	5,764	793	1,623	909	738	1,110	24,808
Delaware	370	151	82	316	142	171	142	144	113	4,359
District of Columbia	3,318	3,532	1,445	1,385	1,341	2,516	2,470	1,374	2,355	64,631
Florida	22,421	18,017	68,045	9,604	54,439	21,113	47,741	36,003	22,377	467,634
Georgia	4,273	2,841	1,400	1,394	2,432	1,288	2,129	1,497	2,062	49,028
Hawaii	980	1,336	141	466	189	1,480	423	66	1,784	37,628
Idaho	330	160	64	75	82	184	130	8	126	2,264
Illinois	6,317	6,070	2,106	28,724	2,304	3,909	2,290	727	4,939	81,497
Indiana	952	835	405	905	453	523	292	154	660	15,337
Iowa	234	547	95	328	138	406	267	45	198	6,675
Kansas	192	428	134	135	208	178	183	43	186	7,264
Kentucky	522	493	209	300	203	236	186	117	254	6,605
Louisiana	2,652	1,906	705	1,060	1,562	2,881	893	760	1,442	25,221
Maine	383	353	82	615	123	393	80	43	333	5,268
Maryland	2,190	2,336	1,215	2,043	931	1,942	1,817	3,512	1,298	58,299
Massachusetts	5,619	4,702	1,335	3,973	1,971	3,889	2,442	1,428	3,642	92,958
Michigan	2,720	1,601	311	3,091	479	1,529	556	640	2,271	37,693
Minnesota	1,147	1,714	526	701	712	3,025	553	231	790	21,693
Mississippi	152	104	51	222	133	163	87	64	90	2,903
Missouri	934	833	305	753	294	510	288	185	448	13,562
Montana	190	288	31	242	20	268	62	D	181	2,148
Nebraska	142	210	65	92	58	91	79	10	109	3,317
Nevada	4,355	2,985	724	1,809	1,686	1,917	1,608	627	3,466	39,040
New Hampshire	385	594	111	598	57	337	168	72	263	6,440
New Jersey	6,082	4,795	8,073	12,669	6,834	3,195	2,235	4,824	2,677	91,053
New Mexico	364	325	114	208	140	205	195	28	311	4,922
New York	28,428	25,994	19,230	32,297	7,014	20,316	11,810	47,524	23,195	392,931
North Carolina	1,954	2,120	956	1,448	1,798	985	892	466	1,247	24,089
North Dakota	39	318	13	73	20	935	30	29	35	1,354
Ohio	2,539	1,326	577	2,218	1,454	926	724	318	1,343	32,734
Oklahoma	239	256	194	155	148	382	73	130	351	8,343
Oregon	640	1,056	248	332	495	864	461	41	649	12,556
Pennsylvania	3,877	3,086	906	4,375	1,152	2,875	1,367	1,461	2,408	49,457
Rhode Island	356	398	113	556	53	199	120	117	258	8,399
South Carolina	925	605	221	669	329	529	261	377	575	8,937
South Dakota	50	115	9	94	30	267	16	12	50	1,238
Tennessee	1,082	671	218	664	521	813	411	192	608	11,655
Texas	6,296	6,115	4,332	2,977	5,892	12,716	4,265	3,126	3,397	125,744
Utah	751	664	203	344	306	764	766	46	552	8,366
Vermont	305	233	34	309	101	273	161	31	348	3,394
Virginia	2,406	2,867	1,452	2,250	1,265	2,399	1,392	1,057	1,589	60,328
Washington	2,476	5,390	390	1,200	659	4,597	998	192	2,037	43,998
West Virginia	114	154	20	200	28	136	42	55	79	1,956
Wisconsin	1,014	1,555	265	2,134	361	1,089	520	89	746	16,522
Wyoming	138	89	28	193	8	102	55	24	97	1,445
American Samoa	4	D	-	D	5	11	-	-	6	79
Federated States of Micronesia	-	-	D	-	-	-	-	-	-	D
Guam	39	50	D	13	3	36	18	D	94	26,410
Marshall Islands	3	D	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	31
Northern Mariana Islands	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	D	-	40
Palau	-	-	-	D	-	-	-	-	-	D
Puerto Rico	845	439	684	256	2,012	512	1,701	1,484	456	29,156
U.S. Virgin Islands	137	534	19	36	42	101	67	957	119	8,338
Unknown	28,315	19,217	34,874	12,017	32,737	14,806	31,355	20,959	13,524	357,315

¹ Excludes the following classes of admission processed in the Nonimmigrant Information System: for all countries — 264,777 parolees; 37,640 withdrawals and stowaways; 62,634 refugees; 332 asylees; and 906,314 crewmen. ² Includes People's Republic of China and Taiwan. A total of 369,526 nonimmigrant visas were issued to these two countries in fiscal year 2003: 152,577 to Taiwan and 216,949 to People's Republic of China. (SOURCE: U.S. Department of State, Bureau of Consular Affairs, Visa Office.) ³ Includes 223,611 unknown country of citizenship. - Represents zero. D Disclosure standards not met.

**TABLE 30. NONIMMIGRANTS ADMITTED BY SELECTED CLASS OF ADMISSION, AGE, AND GENDER
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Age and gender	All classes ^{1, 2}	Foreign government officials ³	Temporary visitors for business ²	Temporary visitors for pleasure ²	Transit aliens ⁴	Treaty traders and investors ³	Students	Spouses and children of students	Temporary workers and trainees ⁵	Spouses and children of temp. workers and trainees ⁵
Total	27,849,443	138,496	4,215,714	20,142,909	554,559	168,508	624,917	38,049	590,680	135,933
Under 5 years	578,195	2,594	18,499	484,415	11,586	4,210	1,973	4,958	1,642	11,500
5-9 years	837,005	2,982	15,408	732,410	9,586	7,256	1,751	4,431	798	16,048
10-14 years	993,381	2,887	20,341	890,631	10,539	6,742	6,303	2,579	971	11,483
15-19 years	1,238,291	2,751	39,537	996,952	22,264	4,582	78,913	1,129	7,549	7,472
20-24 years	2,113,776	6,088	119,672	1,436,793	63,901	2,180	256,119	2,566	48,421	10,577
25-29 years	3,192,769	13,357	410,526	2,133,755	105,158	9,473	173,723	8,945	150,756	25,882
30-34 years	3,504,545	18,627	667,054	2,258,048	92,608	23,394	66,037	7,660	156,387	20,856
35-39 years	3,111,851	20,339	742,640	1,955,331	69,573	29,518	19,936	2,679	94,521	12,995
40-44 years	2,763,036	20,572	697,663	1,759,460	56,878	27,137	8,334	1,261	56,986	8,023
45-49 years	2,339,815	17,871	557,099	1,569,695	43,954	20,133	4,201	638	32,604	4,720
50-54 years	2,100,144	14,060	411,236	1,544,168	29,743	15,084	2,228	364	18,894	2,951
55-59 years	1,801,113	9,470	275,029	1,433,188	18,413	11,278	1,112	297	10,671	1,753
60-64 years	1,338,133	4,080	132,169	1,164,334	9,011	4,575	558	155	5,228	690
65 years and over	1,847,995	2,347	96,164	1,715,661	10,074	2,655	2,111	305	3,818	672
Unknown age	89,394	471	12,677	68,068	1,271	291	1,618	82	1,434	311
Male	14,786,786	100,305	3,221,012	9,477,715	357,268	116,117	331,864	11,216	440,462	33,144
Under 5 years	289,209	1,412	11,267	239,085	6,027	2,221	1,120	2,525	1,114	5,752
5-9 years	415,996	1,570	8,107	362,639	4,786	3,656	900	2,228	479	8,054
10-14 years	493,921	1,435	10,735	441,315	5,365	3,407	3,507	1,355	518	5,813
15-19 years	579,544	1,415	20,599	460,247	10,963	2,245	40,988	510	5,327	3,533
20-24 years	944,403	3,910	68,269	597,815	34,647	1,204	130,712	294	33,515	789
25-29 years	1,574,264	8,854	271,352	937,888	65,195	5,722	94,926	922	106,267	1,087
30-34 years	1,962,626	13,364	493,064	1,109,597	63,396	15,443	37,972	1,159	114,757	2,258
35-39 years	1,870,319	15,542	586,729	1,006,104	49,743	21,121	11,129	733	73,494	1,986
40-44 years	1,673,425	15,966	563,934	895,042	41,946	20,170	4,531	532	45,840	1,512
45-49 years	1,358,824	13,614	450,773	758,805	31,823	15,217	2,185	324	26,687	957
50-54 years	1,137,962	10,745	333,347	703,974	20,628	11,366	1,128	193	15,484	570
55-59 years	928,330	7,271	223,647	640,031	12,023	8,646	588	185	8,795	369
60-64 years	653,341	3,157	103,834	521,210	5,129	3,547	310	89	4,338	198
65 years and over	865,277	1,775	67,473	776,850	4,820	1,981	1,166	136	2,917	190
Unknown age	39,345	275	7,882	27,113	777	171	702	31	930	76
Female	12,580,817	35,589	920,701	10,301,714	192,243	50,087	284,894	26,181	142,243	101,199
Under 5 years	279,310	1,136	6,804	237,044	5,495	1,937	818	2,350	484	5,591
5-9 years	407,772	1,364	6,982	357,978	4,741	3,514	829	2,124	300	7,786
10-14 years	483,618	1,397	9,253	434,850	5,098	3,257	2,684	1,179	426	5,543
15-19 years	641,209	1,298	18,320	522,111	11,216	2,272	36,845	601	2,104	3,853
20-24 years	1,141,160	2,108	49,652	818,398	28,886	953	122,362	2,246	14,220	9,678
25-29 years	1,576,444	4,311	133,305	1,166,393	39,212	3,659	76,794	7,911	42,842	24,564
30-34 years	1,493,549	4,970	163,965	1,116,581	28,456	7,720	27,171	6,374	39,822	18,402
35-39 years	1,195,331	4,440	143,958	920,020	19,156	8,100	8,516	1,890	19,790	10,859
40-44 years	1,043,945	4,184	121,750	835,005	14,288	6,612	3,656	696	10,292	6,407
45-49 years	937,072	3,911	96,035	780,700	11,545	4,613	1,920	296	5,370	3,699
50-54 years	920,113	3,034	70,015	808,537	8,677	3,459	1,048	158	3,058	2,332
55-59 years	834,139	1,992	45,963	761,634	6,147	2,379	494	101	1,678	1,353
60-64 years	653,459	829	25,456	615,432	3,798	928	235	62	784	483
65 years and over	935,979	507	26,284	895,230	5,169	606	890	159	800	467
Unknown age	37,717	108	2,959	31,801	359	78	632	34	273	182
Unknown gender	481,840	2,602	74,001	363,480	5,048	2,304	8,159	652	7,975	1,590
Percent distribution	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Male	53.1	72.4	76.4	47.1	64.4	68.9	53.1	29.5	74.6	24.4
Female	45.2	25.7	21.8	51.1	34.7	29.7	45.6	68.8	24.1	74.4
Unknown	1.7	1.9	1.8	1.8	.9	1.4	1.3	1.7	1.4	1.2

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**TABLE 30. NONIMMIGRANTS ADMITTED BY SELECTED CLASS OF ADMISSION, AGE, AND GENDER
FISCAL YEAR 2003—Continued**

Age and gender	International representatives ³	Representatives of foreign information media ³	Exchange visitors	Spouses and children of exchange visitors	Fian- ces(ees) of U.S. citizens ⁶	Intra- company transferees	Spouses and children of intra- company transferees	NATO officials ³	North American Free-Trade Agreement workers	Spouses and children of NAFTA workers
Total	98,389	32,030	321,660	41,122	28,295	298,054	136,227	12,569	59,446	12,436
Under 5 years	1,224	264	1,161	5,928	515	765	16,220	553	123	1,285
5-9 years	1,684	340	373	5,687	1,064	358	20,874	568	66	2,030
10-14 years	1,896	303	550	3,840	1,063	251	15,132	569	63	1,803
15-19 years	2,088	305	39,613	1,756	1,413	317	8,818	491	45	1,044
20-24 years	2,259	966	128,669	1,156	6,018	3,819	3,472	626	2,252	270
25-29 years	5,886	4,010	56,812	5,019	7,340	37,927	10,834	1,283	12,326	848
30-34 years	11,257	6,783	39,689	7,313	4,868	68,273	17,646	1,637	14,074	1,373
35-39 years	12,809	6,738	21,117	4,601	2,574	66,978	16,196	1,812	10,393	1,238
40-44 years	13,673	4,805	13,119	2,590	1,610	51,805	11,842	1,742	7,624	928
45-49 years	14,327	3,186	8,364	1,404	875	32,873	6,834	1,424	5,283	604
50-54 years	13,667	2,000	5,053	701	443	19,121	4,387	960	3,442	444
55-59 years	10,994	1,307	2,907	461	187	10,694	2,452	576	2,217	299
60-64 years	4,522	619	1,509	273	79	3,124	781	196	925	144
65 years and over	1,860	330	1,793	278	137	1,274	474	106	484	90
Unknown age	243	74	931	115	109	475	265	26	129	36
Male	56,882	22,324	167,621	13,360	6,860	253,220	37,794	8,280	37,030	4,370
Under 5 years	616	141	599	2,961	236	565	8,170	301	79	665
5-9 years	827	162	189	2,886	500	236	10,686	278	39	1,005
10-14 years	924	171	268	1,957	504	159	7,560	288	33	898
15-19 years	994	160	15,424	859	419	189	4,263	238	23	523
20-24 years	913	539	58,151	205	963	2,639	702	340	1,153	59
25-29 years	2,324	2,328	31,359	607	1,574	28,448	560	818	6,853	91
30-34 years	5,572	4,402	24,709	1,268	1,158	54,676	1,403	1,097	8,319	216
35-39 years	7,220	4,830	14,041	1,092	576	57,772	1,448	1,226	6,743	229
40-44 years	8,123	3,675	8,911	681	353	46,769	1,187	1,261	5,131	227
45-49 years	8,532	2,470	5,597	350	244	29,712	723	1,077	3,542	153
50-54 years	8,632	1,580	3,381	202	141	17,730	472	702	2,343	125
55-59 years	7,406	1,068	2,096	123	82	9,965	276	443	1,625	79
60-64 years	3,412	496	1,198	46	36	2,876	149	145	708	48
65 years and over	1,272	260	1,281	84	53	1,147	133	49	384	42
Unknown age	115	42	417	39	21	337	62	17	55	10
Female	40,200	9,140	150,634	27,166	20,952	41,083	97,055	4,158	21,717	7,858
Under 5 years	603	112	548	2,882	270	185	7,881	245	41	593
5-9 years	841	175	172	2,718	537	115	9,961	285	26	975
10-14 years	954	132	274	1,811	544	88	7,429	277	28	869
15-19 years	1,079	141	23,838	863	980	125	4,458	247	22	504
20-24 years	1,323	404	69,472	939	4,955	1,146	2,740	283	1,081	210
25-29 years	3,499	1,611	24,921	4,375	5,648	9,107	10,186	457	5,367	746
30-34 years	5,576	2,264	14,555	5,966	3,639	12,847	16,112	523	5,630	1,144
35-39 years	5,461	1,795	6,789	3,441	1,951	8,444	14,624	569	3,533	999
40-44 years	5,370	1,038	4,008	1,867	1,232	4,388	10,538	461	2,390	692
45-49 years	5,580	663	2,591	1,015	615	2,654	6,020	335	1,669	445
50-54 years	4,814	390	1,550	481	293	1,100	3,848	246	1,045	307
55-59 years	3,424	218	755	333	101	518	2,137	123	557	215
60-64 years	1,033	116	270	222	42	190	616	49	204	93
65 years and over	553	62	487	189	81	100	330	51	92	47
Unknown age	90	19	404	64	64	76	175	7	32	19
Unknown gender	1,307	566	3,405	596	483	3,751	1,378	131	699	208
Percent distribution	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Male	57.8	69.7	52.1	32.5	24.2	85.0	27.7	65.9	62.3	35.1
Female	40.9	28.5	46.8	66.1	74.0	13.8	71.2	33.1	36.5	63.2
Unknown	1.3	1.8	1.1	1.4	1.7	1.3	1.0	1.0	1.2	1.7

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**TABLE 30. NONIMMIGRANTS ADMITTED BY SELECTED CLASS OF ADMISSION, AGE, AND GENDER
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Age and gender	Spouses and children of U.S. citizens, immigrant visa pending	Spouses of legal permanent residents, immigrant visa pending	Children of legal permanent residents, immigrant visa pending	Dependent children of spouse or accompanying children, immigrant visa pending	Victims of severe form of trafficking	Spouses, children, parents of victims of severe form of trafficking	Victims of criminal activity	Spouses, children, and parents of victims of criminal activity	Other and unknown ⁷
Total	15,734	22,509	20,496	22,055	471	234	147	153	117,651
Under 5 years	734	143	900	3,733	D	9	D	18	3,236
5-9 years	852	151	3,315	5,093	D	21	D	27	3,829
10-14 years	775	155	4,425	5,462	6	15	D	15	4,578
15-19 years	931	269	7,607	5,819	27	D	4	42	6,547
20-24 years	2,720	905	3,256	1,420	131	10	28	17	9,465
25-29 years	3,915	2,981	115	77	105	39	32	9	11,636
30-34 years	2,538	4,381	148	85	70	46	32	3	13,658
35-39 years	1,402	4,134	155	75	48	25	17	8	13,999
40-44 years	855	3,485	137	56	38	13	6	3	12,391
45-49 years	485	2,512	112	54	17	14	6	3	10,523
50-54 years	224	1,610	80	29	13	8	6	3	9,225
55-59 years	97	944	52	17	5	9	D	D	6,681
60-64 years	59	472	37	18	D	D	D	D	4,563
65 years and over	100	310	98	63	D	D	D	-	6,776
Unknown age	47	57	59	54	D	D	3	D	544
Male	4,397	4,184	10,707	11,281	233	100	61	80	58,899
Under 5 years	365	69	442	1,859	D	5	D	6	1,604
5-9 years	415	72	1,740	2,620	-	6	-	16	1,900
10-14 years	386	74	2,328	2,773	D	10	D	6	2,126
15-19 years	346	115	4,109	3,080	D	D	D	27	2,936
20-24 years	401	184	1,786	791	47	4	14	14	4,343
25-29 years	866	548	24	24	56	13	D	D	5,547
30-34 years	672	892	40	21	39	D	17	D	7,099
35-39 years	390	838	34	17	31	11	D	D	7,229
40-44 years	245	559	49	11	26	D	D	-	6,735
45-49 years	133	322	32	7	8	9	D	D	5,525
50-54 years	81	190	27	6	6	D	D	D	4,902
55-59 years	30	145	12	5	D	D	-	D	3,413
60-64 years	25	97	19	6	D	D	-	D	2,261
65 years and over	28	73	40	33	D	D	D	-	3,082
Unknown age	14	6	25	28	D	-	D	-	197
Female	11,060	17,969	9,480	10,501	230	133	79	73	56,478
Under 5 years	356	71	445	1,812	D	4	-	12	1,587
5-9 years	423	74	1,532	2,419	D	15	D	11	1,872
10-14 years	376	75	2,037	2,643	D	D	D	9	2,376
15-19 years	568	147	3,402	2,680	19	3	3	15	3,495
20-24 years	2,271	712	1,404	606	84	6	14	3	5,004
25-29 years	2,985	2,390	90	52	46	26	22	8	5,917
30-34 years	1,827	3,428	105	61	30	31	D	D	6,335
35-39 years	994	3,240	119	55	15	13	10	D	6,546
40-44 years	594	2,878	86	43	12	5	4	3	5,446
45-49 years	332	2,146	78	44	8	D	D	D	4,777
50-54 years	140	1,386	51	21	D	D	D	D	4,109
55-59 years	65	783	38	12	D	D	D	-	3,110
60-64 years	33	365	17	11	-	D	D	D	2,186
65 years and over	71	232	52	26	D	D	-	-	3,487
Unknown age	25	42	24	16	-	D	D	D	231
Unknown gender	277	356	309	273	8	D	D	-	2,274
Percent distribution	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Male	27.9	18.6	52.2	51.1	49.5	42.7	41.5	52.3	50.1
Female	70.3	79.8	46.3	47.6	48.8	56.8	53.7	47.7	48.0
Unknown	1.8	1.6	1.5	1.2	1.7	.4	4.8	-	1.9

¹ Excludes the following classes of admission processed in the Nonimmigrant Information System: for all countries — 264,777 parolees; 37,640 withdrawals and stowaways; 62,634 refugees, 332 asylees, and 906,314 crewmen. ² Includes admissions under the Visa Waiver Program. ³ Includes spouses and unmarried minor (or dependent) children. ⁴ Includes foreign government officials and their spouses and unmarried minor (or dependent) children in transit. ⁵ Excludes workers (and their spouses and children) under the North American Free-Trade Agreement (shown separately). ⁶ Includes minor children of fiances(ees). ⁷ Total includes 68 parents or children of international organization special immigrants and 117,583 unknown class of admission. Unknown class of admission is larger in 2002 and 2003 than in previous years due to changes in processing which no longer assign a known class to certain records with blank or invalid class codes.

NOTE: See Glossary for detailed descriptions of classes of admission. - Represents zero. D Disclosure standards not met.

7. NATURALIZATIONS

This section presents information on the number and characteristics of persons who naturalize in the United States.

Naturalization refers to the conferring of U.S. citizenship, by any means, upon a person after birth. (See Glossary.) There are five ways of becoming a naturalized U.S. citizen: naturalization in a court ceremony; naturalization through an administrative hearing; derivation through the naturalization of parents; acquisition at birth abroad to citizen parents; and legislation conferring citizenship upon certain groups of persons (see Limitations of Data). As part of the naturalization process, applicants pledge an oath of allegiance to the United States, thereby renouncing allegiance to their former countries of nationality, if any.

U.S. Naturalization Program

To be naturalized, an applicant generally must fulfill certain requirements set forth in the Immigration and Nationality Act concerning age, lawful admission, and residence in the United States. These general naturalization provisions specify that an alien must: be at least 18 years of age; have been lawfully admitted to the United States for permanent residence; and have resided in the country continuously for at least 5 years. Additional requirements include the ability to speak, read, and write the English language; knowledge of the U.S. government and U.S. history; and good moral character. In fiscal year 2003, immigrants naturalizing under the general provisions accounted for 91 percent of those for whom the nationality law provision was reported. (Provision of the law was not reported for 2 percent of naturalizations.)

The special provisions of naturalization law exempt certain applicants from one or more of the requirements of the general provisions. Spouses and children of U.S. citizens and military classes constitute the main categories of special naturalization. The majority of people naturalizing as spouses of U.S. citizens may do so in 3 years rather than the 5 years prescribed under the general provisions. Of all new citizens in 2003 with naturalization law provision reported, 9 percent naturalized under the special provisions. Under the Child Citizenship Act of 2000,

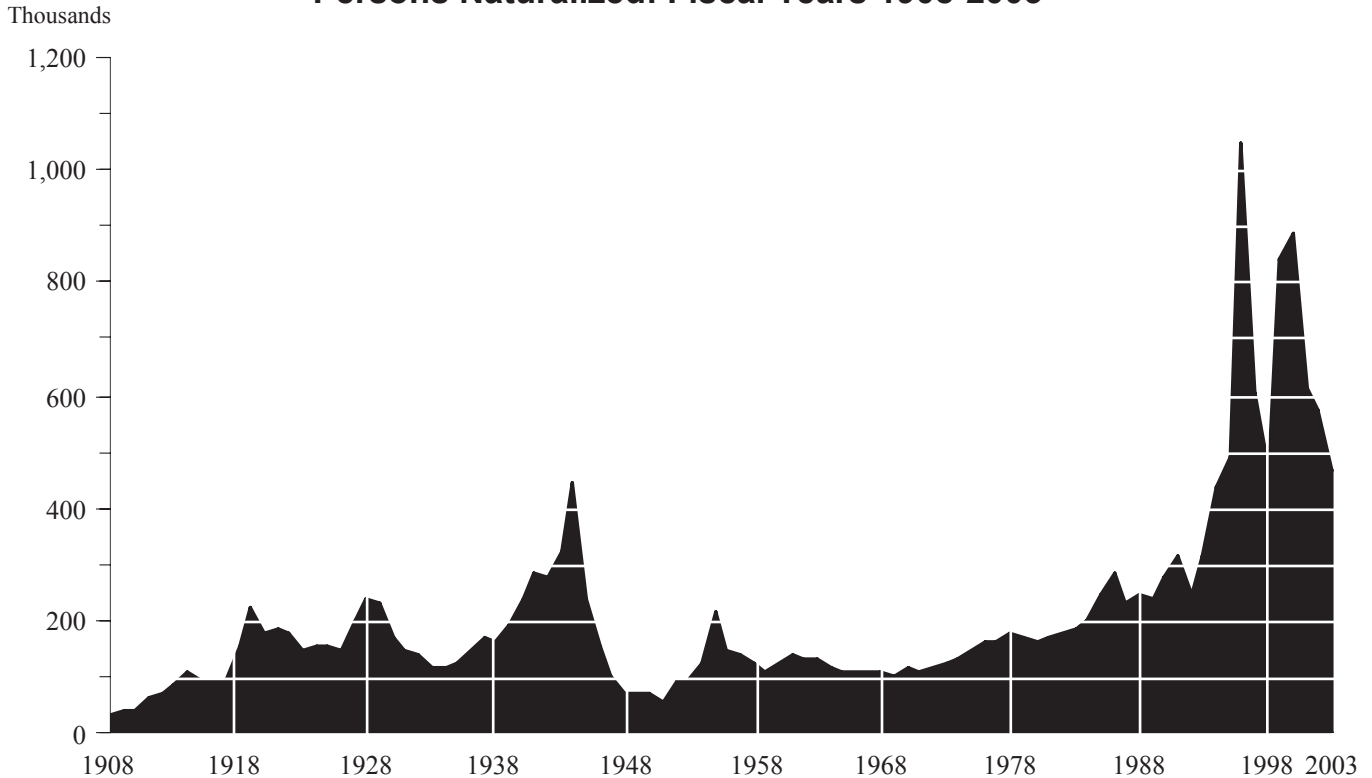
foreign-born children under 18 years of age, including adopted children, acquire U.S. citizenship automatically if they meet certain requirements. Among the requirements, the children must be lawful permanent residents and have at least one U.S. citizen parent. Acquisition of citizenship means citizenship acquired by law without the need to apply for citizenship. Previously, adopted children were required to apply for citizenship while children who immigrated with their parents derived U.S. citizenship through the naturalization of their parents. In addition, under certain conditions, children of a U.S. citizen who resides abroad may be naturalized. Under certain other conditions, applicants who served honorably during war time and other conflicts may naturalize without prior admission to permanent resident status. Also, they need not have resided in the United States for a particular length of time. Aliens with lawful permanent resident status who have served honorably in the Armed Forces of the United States also are entitled to certain exemptions from the general naturalization requirements.

Every applicant for naturalization age 18 and over must file an application, Form N-400, Application for Naturalization. All persons filing these applications who meet the preliminary documentary requirements must be interviewed by officers from the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) to determine their eligibility to naturalize. During the interview the officer verifies the applicant's knowledge and understanding of the English language, as well as of the history and government of the United States. Those applicants found qualified are scheduled for an oath ceremony before a judge or USCIS district director.

Data Overview

The number of persons naturalizing each year depends partly on trends in legal immigration in preceding years. Because of the 5-year residency requirement for most applicants, naturalizations typically lag behind legal immigration by at least 6 or 7 years.

Chart J
Persons Naturalized: Fiscal Years 1908-2003



Source: 1961-2003, Table 31; 1908-60, previous *Yearbooks*.

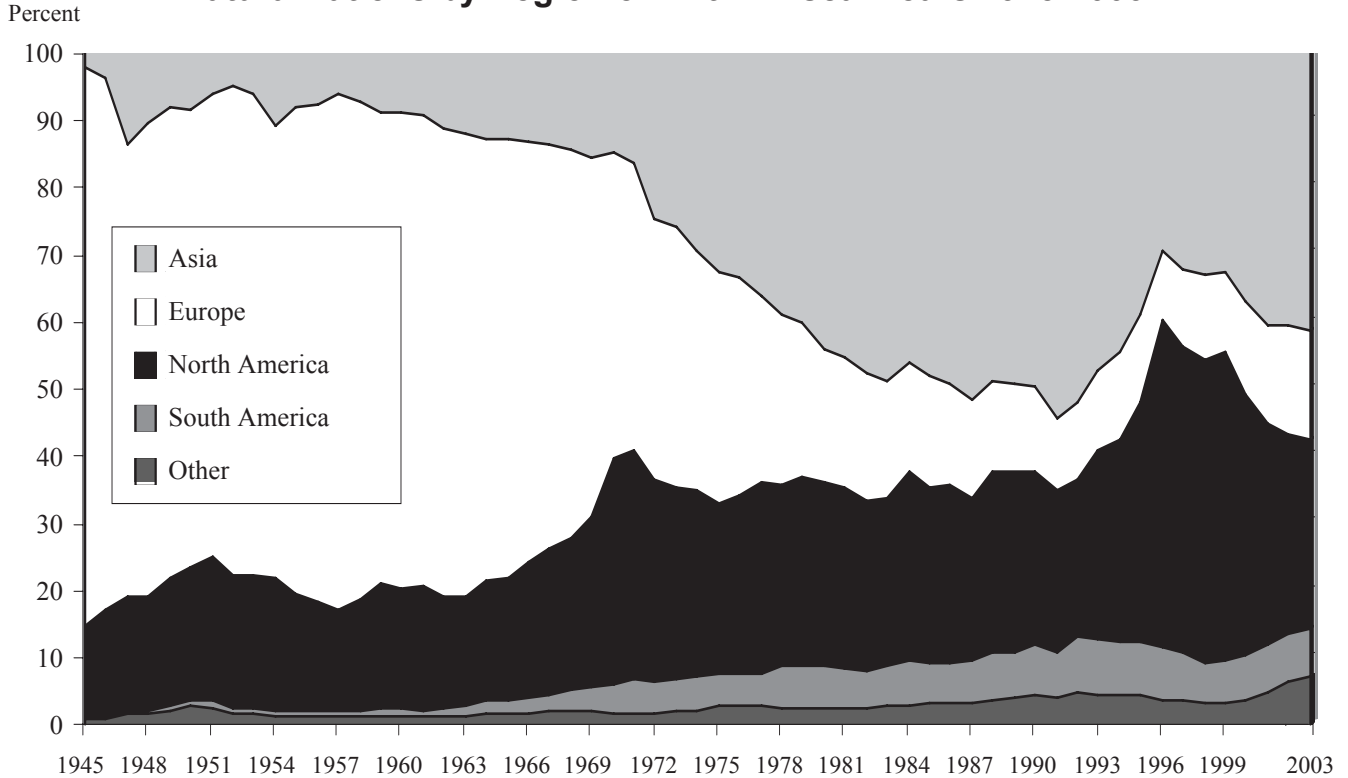
USCIS naturalized 463,204 persons in fiscal year 2003. This figure was 19 percent less than the number of naturalizations in 2002 (573,708). Application receipts for naturalization were lower in 2003 than 2002, which is consistent with, but not exclusively attributed to, the decline in legal immigration during the late 1990s. The number of naturalization applications in the processing backlog was about 625,000 at the end of both fiscal years 2002 and 2003. The distribution of this backlog was uneven among USCIS offices nationwide. The impact of the backlog on the demographic composition of new citizens cannot be determined with certainty so caution should be exercised in drawing conclusions from the data.

More than 463,000 people were naturalized during 2003.

Between 1908 and 1990, the number of persons naturalizing each year exceeded 300,000 only twice, in

1943 and 1944, during World War II (Chart J and Table 31). Since 1990, naturalizations have exceeded 300,000 in every year except 1992. Naturalizations rose sharply beginning in 1994 due to several factors. A mandatory Green Card Replacement program initiated in 1992 led some permanent residents to naturalize who otherwise might not have done so. In 1994, the first of the 2.7 million illegal immigrants who were granted legal permanent residence under the provisions of the Immigration Reform and Control Act (IRCA) of 1986 became eligible to naturalize. Also during the mid 1990s, an unknown number of immigrants naturalized in response to legislative efforts restricting public benefits for the noncitizen population, including Proposition 187 in California (1994), the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Act (1996), and the Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act (IIRIRA, 1996). Naturalizations peaked at 1,044,689 in 1996. The number of persons naturalizing each year during the 2001-03 period was lower than the annual average level reached during the late 1990s but well above the level existing prior to 1994.

Chart K
Naturalizations by Region of Birth: Fiscal Years 1945-2003



Source: 1993-2003, Table 32; 1945-92, previous *Yearbooks*.

Region and country of birth (Chart K and Table 32)

Until the 1970s, the majority of persons naturalizing were born in Europe because the country quotas in immigration law favored those countries. Once the quotas ended with the INA amendments in 1965, the regional origin of persons immigrating and naturalizing shifted from European to Asian countries. Asian immigrants also had historically higher naturalization rates than other immigrants. Between 1976 and 1995, Asia was the leading region of birth among persons naturalizing. With increased legal immigration from North American countries (including Canada, Mexico, the Caribbean and Central America) beginning in the mid 1980s, the share of naturalizations from that region increased, peaking at 49 percent in 1996. Since 2001, Asia has been the leading region of naturalizations. In 2003, 42 percent of persons naturalizing were born in Asian countries compared to 28 percent for North American countries.

Mexico was the leading country of birth of persons naturalizing in 2003, accounting for 56,093 new citizens. Other major countries of birth for persons naturalizing in 2003 were India (29,790), the Philippines (29,081) Vietnam

(25,995), the People’s Republic of China (24,014), Korea (15,968), the Dominican Republic (12,627), Jamaica (11,232), Iran (10,807), and Poland (9,140). These ten sending countries (including Mexico) represented 49 percent of new naturalized citizens in 2003.

State and metropolitan area of residence

(Table 33)

California was the residence of 135,815, or 29 percent, of persons naturalizing in 2003, followed by New York with 63,945, or 14 percent. Other top states of residence included Florida, Texas, Illinois, and New Jersey. These six states were home to 67 percent of new citizens in 2003. They were the same top destination states for persons naturalizing in 2002.

Ten metropolitan areas accounted for the residence of 46 percent of persons naturalizing in 2003. These areas included: New York, NY (53,797); Los Angeles, CA (47,087); Chicago, IL (22,366); Washington, DC-MD-VA-WV (17,037); Orange County, CA (15,585); Miami, FL (14,375); Oakland, CA (13,727); San Francisco, CA (10,234); San Jose, CA (9,930); and Houston, TX (9,843).

Table I
Median Years of Residence by Year of Naturalization and Region of Birth:
Selected Fiscal Years 1965-2003

Region of birth	2003	2002	2001	2000	1995	1990	1985	1980	1975	1970	1965
Persons naturalized	8	8	9	10	9	8	8	8	7	8	7
Africa	7	7	10	8	6	7	7	7	6	6	6
Asia	8	8	8	8	7	7	7	7	6	6	6
Europe	7	7	7	8	9	10	9	10	8	9	7
North America	11	11	11	11	14	11	13	11	9	7	9
Oceania	9	9	10	11	11	10	8	8	7	9	8
South America	8	8	9	10	10	9	8	9	10	7	7

Immigration Reform and Control Act (IRCA)

Naturalizations among immigrants legalized under IRCA declined from 43,164 (8 percent of the total) in fiscal year 2002 to 24,711 (5 percent of the total) in fiscal year 2003. The annual number of naturalizations among immigrants legalized under IRCA peaked in 1996 (227,905). Of all immigrants legalized under IRCA who naturalized in 2003, 68 percent were born in Mexico. By the end of 2003, approximately 957,000 or 36 percent of the total 2,688,000 immigrants legalized under IRCA had naturalized.

Years in immigrant status (Table I)

The median number of years of residence between the date of legal permanent residence and the date of naturalization was 8 years among persons who naturalized in 2003. European and African born immigrants spent the least time in legal immigrant status (7 years), followed by immigrants from Asia and South America (8 years), Oceania (9 years), and North America (11 years).

Gender, age, marital status, and occupation

(Table 34)

As in previous years, the majority (54 percent) of persons naturalizing in 2003 were female. Nearly 42 percent of new citizens were between ages 30-44 years of age. Two-thirds (64 percent) were married. By occupation, the largest number were professional and technical workers (10 percent), followed by operators, fabricators or laborers (9 percent). The former included slightly more women than men while the latter were predominantly male.

Understanding the Data

Data Collection

USCIS compiles two types of data on naturalizations: workload statistics and demographic statistics on the characteristics of persons who naturalize. Workload data include the number of naturalization applications received, the number of petitions filed, and the number of applicants approved for naturalization during a fiscal year.

Demographic data come from the N-400 application for naturalization for persons ages 18 and over and include: date and country of birth; gender; marital status; state and metropolitan area of residence; occupation; date of admission for permanent residence; and section of applicable naturalization law. These data are obtained from either an automated case-tracking system in operation in the larger USCIS offices, manually coded records from the smaller offices, and, if not otherwise available, from the Central Index System (CIS) of the USCIS.

Limitations of Data

The 2003 naturalization data do not necessarily reflect the demand to naturalize because of the backlog of applications pending a decision. The demographic characteristics of aliens whose cases were in the backlog are unknown.

Data prior to 2001 included small numbers of records for persons under age 18, most of which came from the N-600 application for certificate of citizenship. The

N-600 form is used to provide evidence of citizenship for persons residing in the United States who derived or acquired citizenship. The N-600K form is used to confer naturalization on qualified children under the age of 18 of a U.S. citizen who regularly resides abroad. Most N-600 records were excluded beginning in 1998. Persons ages 17 and under have been excluded from naturalization *Statistical Yearbook* tables since 2001.

Occupation was not reported for one-third of all records in 2003. This is consistent with the level of nonreporting in previous years. In addition, data are missing on about 2 percent of all records for state of residence, marital status, and provision of naturalization law. The Central Index System (CIS), which does not maintain information on these variables, was the source of data for these records.

**TABLE 31. PETITIONS FOR NATURALIZATIONS FILED, PERSONS NATURALIZED,
AND PETITIONS FOR NATURALIZATIONS DENIED
FISCAL YEARS 1907-2003**

Year	Petitions filed ¹	Persons naturalized				Petitions denied
		Total	Civilian	Military	Not reported	
1907-2003	22,459,966	19,773,642	18,572,461	677,831	523,350	2,418,254
1907-10	164,036	111,738	111,738	-	-	17,702
1911-20	1,381,384	1,128,972	884,672	244,300	-	118,725
1921-30	1,884,277	1,773,185	1,716,979	56,206	-	165,493
1931-40	1,637,113	1,518,464	1,498,573	19,891	-	45,792
1941-50	1,938,066	1,987,028	1,837,229	149,799	-	64,814
1951-60	1,230,483	1,189,946	1,148,241	41,705	-	27,569
1961-70	1,142,985	1,120,263	1,084,195	36,068	-	23,557
1961	138,718	132,450	130,731	1,719	-	3,175
1962	129,682	127,307	124,972	2,335	-	3,557
1963	121,170	124,178	121,618	2,560	-	2,436
1964	113,218	112,234	109,629	2,605	-	2,309
1965	106,813	104,299	101,214	3,085	-	2,059
1966	104,853	103,059	100,498	2,561	-	2,029
1967	108,369	104,902	102,211	2,691	-	2,008
1968	103,085	102,726	100,288	2,438	-	1,962
1969	102,317	98,709	93,251	5,458	-	2,043
1970	114,760	110,399	99,783	10,616	-	1,979
1971-80	1,556,307	1,464,772	1,397,846	66,926	-	27,978
1971	109,897	108,407	98,858	9,549	-	2,028
1972	121,883	116,215	107,740	8,475	-	1,837
1973	126,929	120,740	112,944	7,796	-	1,708
1974	136,175	131,655	124,807	6,848	-	2,210
1975	149,399	141,537	135,323	6,214	-	2,300
1976	157,932	142,504	136,873	5,631	-	2,231
1976, TQ ²	41,220	48,218	46,705	1,513	-	568
1977	186,354	159,873	154,568	5,305	-	2,845
1978	168,854	173,535	168,409	5,126	-	3,894
1979	165,434	164,150	158,276	5,874	-	3,987
1980	192,230	157,938	153,343	4,595	-	4,370
1981-90	2,375,727	2,214,265	2,155,519	28,317	30,429	47,224
1981	171,073	166,317	162,227	4,090	-	4,316
1982	201,507	173,688	170,071	3,617	-	3,994
1983	187,719	178,948	175,678	3,196	74	3,160
1984	286,440	197,023	192,113	2,965	1,945	3,373
1985	305,981	244,717	238,394	3,266	3,057	3,610
1986	290,732	280,623	275,352	2,901	2,370	5,980
1987	232,988	227,008	224,100	2,402	506	6,771
1988	237,752	242,063	239,541	2,296	226	4,304
1989	227,692	233,777	231,198	1,954	625	5,200
1990	233,843	270,101	246,845	1,630	21,626	6,516
1991-2000	7,423,885	5,619,892	5,159,520	28,945	431,427	1,429,696
1991	206,668	308,058	299,373	1,804	6,881	6,268
1992	342,269	240,252	222,519	5,702	12,031	19,293
1993	522,298	314,681	303,211	7,069	4,401	39,931
1994	543,353	434,107	402,050	6,194	25,863	40,561
1995	959,963	488,088	474,169	3,862	10,057	46,067
1996	1,277,403	1,044,689	926,481	1,261	116,947	229,842
1997	1,412,712	598,225	534,756	538	62,931	130,676
1998	932,957	463,060	439,416	964	22,680	137,395
1999	765,346	839,944	742,749	712	96,483	379,993
2000	460,916	888,788	814,796	839	73,153	399,670
2001	501,646	608,205	576,671	749	30,785	218,326
2002	700,649	573,708	551,628	1,055	21,025	139,779
2003	523,408	463,204	449,650	3,870	9,684	91,599

¹ Fee received or application entered into automated processing system. ² Transition quarter, July 1 through September 30, 1976. - Represents zero.

**TABLE 32. PERSONS NATURALIZED BY REGION AND COUNTRY OF BIRTH
FISCAL YEARS 1994-2003**

Region and country of birth	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
All countries	434,107	488,088	1,044,689	598,225	463,060	839,944	888,788	608,205	573,708	463,204
Europe	56,449	63,602	109,607	67,783	58,836	101,318	121,273	89,431	93,627	74,186
Albania	109	103	348	419	351	599	826	1,032	2,451	2,284
Andorra	-	-	D	-	D	3	D	D	D	-
Armenia	641	1,215	2,957	3,037	2,530	3,190	2,569	1,972	1,817	1,676
Austria	281	291	382	181	153	232	290	271	276	240
Azerbaijan	3	27	160	263	350	878	1,318	946	1,188	887
Belarus	3	89	393	727	833	1,869	3,063	2,008	2,142	1,224
Belgium	254	233	343	179	166	294	363	299	265	251
Bosnia-Herzegovina	18	29	44	50	33	300	1,745	2,759	4,095	4,994
Bulgaria	247	256	627	356	263	498	847	1,170	1,311	1,600
Croatia	52	168	470	212	184	358	501	519	621	616
Czech Republic	D	5	4	10	D	27	58	47	64	50
Czechoslovakia ¹	712	692	733	434	315	548	658	492	454	333
Denmark	243	230	341	165	165	239	286	227	195	197
Estonia	58	72	91	52	52	82	108	105	110	102
Finland	138	138	186	94	110	159	201	115	141	119
France	1,630	1,413	2,340	1,261	1,125	1,903	2,285	1,745	1,724	1,476
Georgia	4	25	70	101	76	147	407	415	444	416
Germany	3,763	3,658	4,664	2,946	2,517	4,169	4,522	3,212	3,431	3,201
Gibraltar	4	4	5	D	D	5	D	D	-	D
Greece	2,577	2,135	3,162	1,885	1,553	2,355	2,270	1,676	1,290	934
Hungary	855	868	1,159	568	531	884	1,074	877	829	620
Iceland	37	37	43	38	32	50	52	44	32	41
Ireland	1,677	1,959	3,284	1,835	1,444	3,414	5,454	4,441	3,443	2,585
Italy	5,702	4,065	5,117	2,445	2,522	4,393	4,436	2,987	2,621	1,849
Kazakhstan	36	21	32	46	58	226	437	429	562	455
Kyrgyzstan	-	D	D	D	18	32	87	81	128	131
Latvia	138	186	336	202	194	383	484	360	376	224
Liechtenstein	-	3	D	-	D	-	-	D	-	-
Lithuania	117	241	271	180	155	313	355	405	489	457
Luxembourg	10	8	21	9	4	15	11	9	8	9
Macedonia	-	89	298	204	137	212	310	394	560	378
Malta	102	53	123	51	39	93	116	63	86	61
Moldova	42	135	390	621	574	1,155	1,573	959	919	713
Monaco	D	5	3	D	D	8	-	D	D	D
Netherlands	613	657	976	475	397	700	813	549	515	502
Norway	171	160	265	112	92	161	192	126	109	93
Poland	7,062	8,092	14,047	8,037	5,911	13,127	16,405	11,661	12,823	9,140
Portugal	5,882	3,809	6,525	4,278	4,663	5,843	4,756	2,780	2,198	2,037
Romania	3,503	3,408	5,242	3,043	2,244	3,275	3,586	3,521	4,016	3,271
Russia	1,242	3,367	8,245	8,200	5,981	10,351	12,919	9,413	9,846	6,671
San Marino	D	D	-	D	D	7	6	D	D	D
Serbia and Montenegro ²	2,956	2,479	3,276	1,297	1,004	1,761	2,196	2,082	2,307	2,014
Slovak Republic	D	16	20	26	35	81	200	243	301	287
Slovenia	5	20	19	13	17	36	43	42	58	43
Soviet Union ¹	4,865	10,338	20,137	9,286	6,987	11,300	9,195	4,576	4,305	3,441
Spain	817	837	2,079	756	905	1,241	1,073	724	634	555
Sweden	316	260	404	218	203	354	373	321	819	951
Switzerland	557	453	605	329	301	506	655	517	462	430
Tajikistan	-	8	7	15	35	167	406	369	234	127
Turkmenistan	D	D	6	5	5	27	73	60	65	43
Ukraine	583	2,715	6,959	5,971	6,952	12,190	16,849	11,828	12,110	8,239
United Kingdom	8,410	8,479	12,185	6,900	6,375	10,016	11,739	8,059	8,207	6,733
Uzbekistan	6	46	208	243	236	1,142	3,084	2,493	2,541	1,480
Asia	193,842	190,205	307,451	193,591	153,951	273,924	331,136	247,185	232,412	192,050
Afghanistan	1,995	2,031	4,141	1,839	1,736	2,752	2,843	1,947	1,429	1,237
Bahrain	16	22	27	10	19	32	41	47	47	31
Bangladesh	1,190	1,323	5,407	3,577	1,211	2,280	3,323	4,419	5,628	4,345
Bhutan	D	D	-	D	D	D	D	D	D	3

See footnotes at end of table.

TABLE 32. PERSONS NATURALIZED BY REGION AND COUNTRY OF BIRTH
FISCAL YEARS 1994-2003—Continued

Region and country of birth	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
Brunei	12	8	D	D	9	13	15	8	12	9
Burma	875	872	1,335	578	443	889	1,131	1,079	1,069	905
Cambodia	4,132	3,619	5,202	5,180	5,348	7,140	5,292	3,489	3,126	3,150
China, People's Republic	22,331	21,564	34,320	20,947	16,145	38,409	54,534	34,423	32,018	24,014
Cyprus	196	176	250	113	129	190	205	185	150	100
Hong Kong	6,534	5,690	8,660	4,752	2,927	6,624	8,101	5,274	4,852	3,753
India	20,940	18,558	33,113	21,206	17,060	30,710	42,198	34,311	33,774	29,790
Indonesia	580	624	1,106	575	609	1,464	2,487	1,247	1,006	964
Iran	10,041	11,761	19,278	11,434	10,739	18,268	19,251	13,881	11,796	10,807
Iraq	1,808	1,609	2,309	1,621	2,033	3,230	5,217	3,451	3,318	2,211
Israel	3,039	2,645	3,537	2,034	1,444	2,917	3,581	2,974	2,562	2,038
Japan	1,440	1,462	2,188	1,283	1,847	3,178	3,757	2,369	1,858	1,796
Jordan ³	2,797	2,385	3,236	1,820	1,510	2,467	3,252	2,883	2,824	1,917
Korea	12,367	15,709	27,969	16,056	10,305	17,738	23,858	18,053	17,307	15,968
Kuwait	449	465	705	404	308	597	905	766	791	606
Laos	5,630	4,315	10,621	8,630	7,734	9,188	7,163	6,507	8,418	5,857
Lebanon	4,592	4,171	5,441	3,041	2,391	4,226	4,939	3,556	3,408	2,503
Macau	190	127	225	117	87	197	255	200	196	115
Malaysia	522	443	690	428	370	885	1,374	1,034	1,095	985
Maldives	D	D	-	D	-	D	D	D	-	-
Mongolia	D	D	-	-	D	7	15	9	13	17
Nepal	70	60	119	78	82	143	204	205	248	319
Oman	D	7	D	5	D	D	7	8	D	16
Pakistan	4,529	4,912	11,251	7,266	3,572	6,572	8,726	8,375	8,658	7,431
Philippines	40,777	37,870	51,346	30,898	24,872	38,944	46,563	35,431	30,487	29,081
Qatar	19	14	34	16	12	27	35	37	48	34
Saudi Arabia	158	126	193	147	80	152	310	247	309	251
Singapore	204	172	292	171	143	294	405	306	322	273
Sri Lanka	537	522	917	547	460	883	1,001	836	963	827
Syria	1,820	1,825	2,510	1,638	1,466	2,344	2,802	2,158	2,280	1,882
Taiwan	10,387	9,565	12,114	6,455	4,862	11,215	13,200	9,076	8,611	6,746
Thailand	1,634	1,707	3,912	2,287	1,986	4,046	5,225	4,104	4,026	3,648
Turkey	1,663	1,591	2,181	1,575	1,547	2,025	2,072	1,795	1,926	1,724
United Arab Emirates	26	17	26	45	13	44	79	84	109	112
Vietnam	29,555	31,728	51,910	36,178	30,185	53,316	55,934	41,596	36,835	25,995
Yemen	779	504	876	631	259	512	832	810	882	590
Africa	16,073	18,495	26,970	15,996	12,467	20,401	25,850	24,312	31,527	28,568
Algeria	183	188	275	173	143	277	427	469	615	494
Angola	98	68	122	91	73	99	113	86	69	65
Benin	28	37	14	24	24	35	23	19	25	27
Botswana	4	D	8	5	-	4	8	7	4	12
Burkina Faso	290	168	8	4	3	8	16	10	7	12
Burundi	6	5	7	3	D	6	13	15	28	21
Cameroon	175	175	264	164	149	181	286	299	463	534
Cape Verde	500	529	634	573	542	849	736	581	684	431
Central African Republic	D	6	4	D	D	4	4	D	10	6
Chad	D	D	3	3	4	6	9	12	3	24
Comoros	-	-	D	D	-	3	-	D	D	3
Congo, Democratic Republic ⁴	100	91	187	81	68	127	138	115	116	101
Congo, Republic ⁴	7	5	5	3	11	42	58	90	139	123
Cote d'Ivoire	78	76	164	107	84	121	184	171	272	264
Djibouti	5	8	5	5	5	9	10	9	18	16
Egypt	2,620	2,671	3,877	2,238	1,498	2,687	3,492	3,786	3,701	2,925
Equatorial Guinea	4	5	10	D	D	5	3	-	3	D
Eritrea	54	343	518	393	443	567	824	756	812	821
Ethiopia	2,375	2,626	3,397	1,994	1,844	2,611	2,774	2,765	3,902	3,828
French Southern and Antarctic Lands	-	-	-	-	-	D	-	-	-	-
Gabon	4	3	7	3	D	5	8	5	12	11
Gambia, The	26	53	98	50	40	69	81	71	135	113
Ghana	1,145	1,578	2,905	1,588	1,073	1,548	2,035	1,832	3,328	2,836

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**TABLE 32. PERSONS NATURALIZED BY REGION AND COUNTRY OF BIRTH
FISCAL YEARS 1994-2003—Continued**

Region and country of birth	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
Guinea	6	5	9	24	31	42	71	67	111	81
Guinea-Bissau	5	154	3	74	206	168	20	6	14	15
Kenya	419	429	695	496	399	699	933	734	865	823
Lesotho	3	5	5	4	5	D	5	3	5	6
Liberia	609	745	1,104	719	557	848	1,027	782	1,048	918
Libya	170	205	211	130	95	153	181	171	164	112
Madagascar	12	13	27	16	12	16	30	25	29	22
Malawi	40	35	40	22	35	37	50	39	44	25
Mali	11	16	30	29	19	32	48	51	72	64
Mauritania	D	8	9	3	D	12	13	19	23	29
Mauritius	29	13	37	29	23	41	60	38	37	42
Morocco	731	689	1,174	555	415	854	1,198	1,248	1,274	1,284
Mozambique	59	37	53	40	30	59	68	29	57	32
Namibia	7	6	8	9	5	10	13	15	13	13
Niger	3	6	489	218	321	608	556	183	110	47
Nigeria	3,464	4,645	6,248	3,537	1,963	3,125	4,135	4,355	6,419	5,697
Reunion	-	-	-	-	-	-	D	-	-	-
Rwanda	4	11	10	5	4	9	31	62	86	77
Sao Tome and Principe	D	-	D	D	D	3	D	D	D	4
Senegal	72	87	260	223	107	188	218	251	346	274
Seychelles	17	18	12	16	7	13	27	18	12	16
Sierra Leone	398	578	782	492	420	487	600	518	763	778
Somalia	154	211	306	171	306	816	1,247	1,168	1,791	2,237
South Africa	1,192	884	1,217	661	676	1,418	1,967	1,472	1,528	1,262
St. Helena	-	D	D	D	D	D	D	D	D	D
Sudan	133	165	308	218	140	281	515	741	1,013	841
Swaziland	3	7	3	-	5	5	11	3	8	7
Tanzania	254	223	447	220	189	354	420	334	345	295
Togo	22	20	32	20	18	35	58	57	113	153
Tunisia	101	109	164	87	90	129	168	157	165	120
Uganda	206	277	409	264	206	348	430	297	322	279
Western Sahara	D	D	-	D	-	D	D	-	-	-
Zambia	122	120	183	105	90	168	228	158	168	134
Zimbabwe	117	132	178	99	79	174	274	207	231	211
Oceania	1,763	1,817	3,312	1,812	1,613	2,385	2,685	2,594	2,356	2,891
American Samoa	103	122	148	38	63	75	80	97	102	117
Australia	282	250	438	261	203	342	436	392	427	884
Christmas Island	D	D	D	D	-	D	-	-	-	-
Cocos Islands	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	D	-	-
Cook Islands	5	5	30	9	3	8	3	4	5	5
Fiji	711	704	1,392	711	493	775	924	1,180	1,022	1,206
French Polynesia	26	23	113	47	103	142	128	-	16	9
Guam	-	4	D	D	-	D	D	41	-	D
Kiribati	3	3	4	4	D	3	3	3	-	-
Marshall Islands	4	4	6	5	D	D	D	3	D	4
Micronesia, Federated States ...	3	5	6	D	7	D	3	4	6	6
Nauru	D	3	-	D	-	3	5	D	D	D
New Caledonia	D	D	4	D	D	4	3	4	D	D
New Zealand	238	245	342	222	196	317	421	347	356	340
Niue	-	-	8	D	-	D	D	-	-	-
Northern Mariana Islands	3	D	D	-	-	D	-	3	-	-
Palau	11	D	D	10	17	19	17	7	9	11
Papua New Guinea	3	8	13	D	-	3	8	7	7	3
Pitcairn Island	D	D	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Samoa ⁵	188	206	319	155	219	257	282	195	151	117
Solomon Islands	4	4	D	D	3	D	D	D	D	D
Tonga	171	220	453	336	299	423	366	301	248	183
Tuvalu	D	D	-	D	3	D	-	D	-	-
Vanuatu	-	-	D	D	-	D	D	D	D	-
Wallis and Futuna Islands	-	-	27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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TABLE 32. PERSONS NATURALIZED BY REGION AND COUNTRY OF BIRTH
FISCAL YEARS 1994-2003—Continued

Region and country of birth	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
North America	130,345	175,216	506,767	273,954	208,192	385,605	347,193	200,939	169,950	130,848
Canada	8,684	7,597	11,663	6,639	5,545	9,353	11,365	7,551	7,591	6,408
Greenland	5	D	4	D	-	D	-	D	-	D
Mexico	46,169	81,655	254,988	142,569	112,442	207,750	189,705	103,234	76,531	56,093
St. Pierre and Miquelon	5	-	-	D	D	D	-	-	-	-
United States	71	D	42	22	D	28	44	D	42	D
Caribbean	58,569	56,480	163,709	84,834	62,678	115,245	93,291	59,602	58,943	46,154
Anguilla	88	57	41	64	86	165	67	38	30	24
Antigua-Barbuda	627	668	1,415	886	932	1,103	946	478	451	326
Aruba	80	42	107	66	38	86	85	41	50	28
Bahamas, The	238	223	671	337	265	796	591	394	401	342
Barbados	1,432	1,304	2,488	1,960	1,173	2,558	1,891	914	874	664
Bermuda	54	80	75	39	54	84	90	58	47	38
British Virgin Islands	122	62	43	102	136	205	134	48	40	22
Cayman Islands	47	55	36	288	152	137	23	15	17	7
Cuba	16,380	17,511	63,234	13,155	15,331	25,467	15,661	11,393	10,889	7,727
Dominica	405	434	1,040	621	677	977	717	372	456	361
Dominican Republic	11,390	9,999	29,459	21,092	11,916	23,089	25,176	15,010	15,591	12,627
Grenada	829	736	1,681	1,223	663	1,532	1,172	610	609	524
Guadeloupe	29	137	383	21	19	61	32	14	25	18
Haiti	7,989	7,884	25,012	16,477	10,416	19,550	14,428	10,408	9,280	7,263
Jamaica	12,252	11,156	25,458	20,253	15,040	28,604	22,567	13,978	13,973	11,232
Martinique	14	7	23	14	11	22	23	21	16	10
Montserrat	118	91	181	141	124	190	130	86	84	64
Netherlands Antilles	36	29	61	62	51	89	79	34	28	19
Puerto Rico	4	5	6	5	4	D	4	D	3	-
St. Kitts-Nevis	612	575	983	714	771	995	713	331	352	321
St. Lucia	393	418	824	638	531	708	610	392	418	367
St. Vincent and the Grenadines	540	492	1,112	827	475	999	832	440	462	374
Trinidad and Tobago	4,874	4,487	9,288	5,803	3,784	7,732	7,265	4,484	4,822	3,777
Turks and Caicos Islands	8	19	70	41	19	83	43	40	18	15
U.S. Virgin Islands	8	9	18	5	10	D	12	D	7	4
Central America	16,842	29,467	76,361	39,885	27,505	53,227	52,788	30,513	26,843	22,155
Belize	635	874	1,831	1,353	988	2,079	1,802	1,015	774	666
Costa Rica	1,055	1,138	2,759	1,574	1,103	2,087	1,895	1,146	1,002	869
El Salvador	5,643	13,702	35,478	18,273	12,267	22,991	24,073	13,663	10,716	8,738
Guatemala	3,001	5,093	13,933	7,914	5,534	11,031	11,488	6,281	5,455	4,564
Honduras	2,215	2,954	7,881	4,318	2,752	5,294	5,188	3,257	3,505	3,011
Nicaragua	2,437	3,950	11,135	4,409	3,359	6,651	5,426	3,564	3,794	3,054
Panama	1,856	1,756	3,344	2,044	1,502	3,094	2,916	1,587	1,597	1,253
South America	35,014	38,072	84,520	42,282	27,550	54,363	58,009	42,288	42,888	33,701
Argentina	2,481	2,714	5,457	2,247	1,651	3,366	3,432	2,211	2,131	1,880
Bolivia	803	1,186	2,367	1,093	845	1,461	1,375	908	1,100	933
Brazil	1,322	1,254	2,961	2,360	1,947	4,114	4,524	3,935	3,889	3,096
Chile	1,206	1,315	3,068	1,427	1,002	1,892	1,888	1,205	1,154	1,074
Colombia	12,309	12,823	27,483	11,645	7,024	13,168	14,018	10,872	10,634	7,962
Ecuador	3,965	5,381	14,547	7,463	4,674	8,411	9,487	6,571	6,402	5,075
Falkland Islands	-	D	-	D	-	-	D	-	-	-
French Guiana	D	D	-	D	-	D	D	-	6	D
Guyana	6,081	5,499	11,223	7,544	4,575	10,366	10,820	7,052	7,224	4,934
Paraguay	259	230	491	248	112	193	214	166	198	175
Peru	4,754	5,921	12,884	6,352	4,353	8,308	8,958	6,675	7,385	6,139
Suriname	D	D	134	D	45	D	163	D	120	D
Uruguay	667	679	1,372	622	397	689	693	472	486	352
Venezuela	1,078	1,009	2,533	1,205	925	2,263	2,426	2,107	2,159	1,959
Born on board ship	-	-	D	-	-	-	-	D	-	-
Stateless	-	-	-	44	28	67	42	23	15	6
Unknown	621	681	6,061	2,763	423	1,881	2,600	1,432	933	954

¹ Data are for unknown republic only; independent republics shown separately. See Notice of Special Geographic Definitions. ² Yugoslavia (unknown republic) prior to February 7, 2003. See Notice of Special Geographic Definitions. ³ Prior to 2003, includes Palestine; beginning in 2003, Palestine included in Unknown. See Notice of Special Geographic Definitions. ⁴ In May 1997 Zaire was formally recognized as the Democratic Republic of the Congo; the Congo is referred to by its conventional name, the Republic of the Congo. See Notice of Special Geographic Definitions. ⁵ In August 1997 Western Samoa was formally recognized as Samoa (Independent State). See Notice of Special Geographic Definitions. - Represents zero. D Disclosure standards not met.

**TABLE 33. PERSONS NATURALIZED BY STATE OF RESIDENCE
FISCAL YEARS 1994-2003**

State of residence	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
Total	434,107	488,088	1,044,689	598,225	463,060	839,944	888,788	608,205	573,708	463,204
Alabama	954	860	1,002	644	658	1,132	1,553	409	1,276	1,182
Alaska	648	675	4	757	995	633	668	710	929	745
Arizona	3,894	4,059	6,838	3,767	4,105	8,737	10,755	8,245	6,067	7,225
Arkansas	615	163	6	809	244	442	241	132	583	717
California	118,567	171,285	378,014	187,432	154,793	284,071	300,662	203,415	149,554	135,815
Colorado	3,171	3,753	5,168	3,560	3,230	8,552	6,138	4,233	5,878	4,834
Connecticut	5,460	6,409	8,122	8,452	7,351	8,064	7,100	5,009	6,076	4,285
Delaware	695	600	650	464	648	844	1,281	697	570	707
District of Columbia	1,091	1,496	1,920	1,098	1,024	1,621	1,394	956	926	853
Florida	35,186	31,372	123,368	28,768	30,926	67,567	68,882	48,752	44,792	35,170
Georgia	5,437	5,418	6,603	5,958	6,274	9,717	12,423	3,229	11,081	11,075
Hawaii	4,659	5,174	6,090	3,994	4,493	3,600	4,372	2,885	2,884	2,291
Idaho	299	336	D	769	853	1,028	437	357	58	56
Illinois	17,946	20,694	48,746	28,096	16,804	36,742	39,327	32,390	32,636	23,425
Indiana	1,738	1,430	678	2,388	2,404	1,747	2,750	2,581	2,779	2,727
Iowa	837	970	5	244	191	73	622	1,058	1,465	1,123
Kansas	1,059	1,131	7	1,733	2,208	3,461	2,194	2,343	1,371	1,898
Kentucky	775	677	10	1,074	586	1,041	667	402	1,987	1,544
Louisiana	1,667	2,714	3,247	2,415	2,478	2,701	1,882	686	2,109	1,705
Maine	473	639	41	343	544	340	390	367	515	427
Maryland	9,572	11,251	1,259	3,691	9,615	9,699	4,918	5,414	13,232	13,857
Massachusetts	14,739	11,803	14,762	8,158	10,568	21,672	23,062	17,632	18,040	11,472
Michigan	7,798	8,170	12,658	5,766	7,100	7,966	14,829	6,116	11,126	5,195
Minnesota	2,528	760	6	3,296	4,331	6,507	4,277	5,709	5,446	6,232
Mississippi	385	393	410	442	378	624	475	270	506	445
Missouri	1,236	1,440	14	2,226	2,156	2,376	3,228	2,633	2,313	3,259
Montana	81	117	D	165	165	214	62	D	7	D
Nebraska	4,147	2,999	4	259	717	407	990	1,548	1,644	791
Nevada	1,937	2,894	24	7,963	4,414	3,427	960	3,333	3,789	4,100
New Hampshire	926	559	489	430	645	1,078	485	819	448	1,028
New Jersey	24,587	28,770	44,351	32,406	21,301	8,294	29,955	26,776	26,783	22,987
New Mexico	697	643	5	511	649	1,507	104	786	1,086	995
New York	67,282	68,611	169,428	95,595	47,456	104,048	138,504	99,022	94,276	63,945
North Carolina	2,089	2,073	11	2,873	3,463	3,427	9,036	3,876	8,356	3,581
North Dakota	137	192	-	188	166	80	146	200	210	146
Ohio	4,432	3,263	5,106	4,447	5,859	5,509	5,834	3,647	6,056	2,766
Oklahoma	1,286	1,806	8	1,168	613	3,198	210	1,920	1,831	1,574
Oregon	2,475	1,810	23	1,464	2,307	5,165	4,247	4,191	4,445	4,301
Pennsylvania	9,644	9,665	9,652	7,327	9,997	14,094	13,269	8,396	9,630	9,448
Rhode Island	2,302	1,535	D	2,951	2,642	2,884	719	1,066	1,160	1,624
South Carolina	1,387	1,032	713	1,086	1,334	1,093	1,683	696	505	1,020
South Dakota	114	103	D	173	159	14	170	203	209	177
Tennessee	1,364	634	14	1,275	1,255	2,617	2,022	1,260	2,444	2,011
Texas	25,148	32,209	57,970	39,172	30,862	58,849	55,800	43,396	42,828	28,671
Utah	1,163	1,417	22	2,850	1,421	2,296	793	1,836	1,791	1,684
Vermont	369	523	9	321	360	126	348	332	428	426
Virginia	7,103	10,542	13,724	6,803	8,589	11,808	12,507	7,426	10,612	9,593
Washington	6,878	11,063	12,228	14,668	12,991	11,174	14,499	8,793	9,339	11,790
West Virginia	229	318	3	218	265	307	47	285	302	261
Wisconsin	17	874	5	1,371	1,894	3,132	4,236	2,960	3,632	2,777
Wyoming	86	127	127	145	121	151	191	135	102	111
U.S. territories and possessions										
American Samoa	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	91	-	-
Guam	1,445	1,464	D	1,458	1,117	780	76	283	607	599
Northern Mariana Is.	37	53	-	46	33	27	-	-	26	25
Puerto Rico	1,484	4	3	368	1,650	2,202	539	708	1,066	559
U.S. Virgin Islands	1,113	1,204	D	914	1,834	1,593	344	304	336	439
Armed Forces posts	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Unknown	22,719	7,912	111,133	63,266	23,824	99,486	76,485	27,211	15,561	7,428

- Represents zero. D Disclosure standards not met.

**TABLE 34. PERSONS NATURALIZED BY GENDER, AGE, MARITAL STATUS, AND OCCUPATION
FISCAL YEAR 2003**

Age, marital status, and occupation	Total	Gender		
		Male	Female	Unknown
Total	463,204	208,930	250,832	3,442
Age				
18-20 years	14,580	6,382	8,082	116
21 years and over	448,620	202,547	242,749	3,324
18-19 years	5,958	2,554	3,361	43
20-24 years	50,905	22,727	27,756	422
25-29 years	58,829	25,715	32,675	439
30-34 years	64,735	28,342	36,032	361
35-39 years	69,844	32,435	36,950	459
40-44 years	57,834	27,532	29,899	403
45-49 years	42,820	19,828	22,622	370
50-54 years	32,574	14,718	17,594	262
55-59 years	25,534	11,554	13,764	216
60-64 years	18,767	8,374	10,234	159
65-74 years	25,528	10,997	14,307	224
75 years and over	9,872	4,153	5,637	82
Unknown	4	1	1	2
Median age	38	38	38	39
Marital status				
Single	108,013	55,529	52,484	-
Married	298,361	135,758	162,601	2
Widowed	15,522	2,515	13,007	-
Divorced/Separated	33,829	13,139	20,690	-
Unknown	7,479	1,989	2,050	3,440
Occupation				
Executive and managerial	25,722	14,733	10,989	-
Professional and technical	45,415	21,988	23,427	-
Sales	23,299	9,461	13,838	-
Administrative support	18,054	4,408	13,646	-
Farming, forestry, and fisheries	1,131	871	260	-
Operators, fabricators, and laborers	36,597	25,535	11,062	-
Precision production craft and repair	11,666	9,961	1,705	-
Service	40,060	15,197	24,862	1
Military	6,064	4,833	1,231	-
No occupation/not working outside home	97,486	30,128	67,358	-
Homemakers	24,627	296	24,331	-
Students or children	25,101	10,759	14,342	-
Retirees	10,969	5,390	5,579	-
Unemployed	36,789	13,683	23,106	-
Unknown	157,710	71,815	82,454	3,441

- Represents zero.

8. ENFORCEMENT

This section provides information about actions taken by the Department of Homeland Security to prevent illegal entry into the United States and to apprehend and remove deportable aliens from the United States.

Enforcement of Immigration Laws

The Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) historically had the responsibility of determining who may be admitted to the United States and for enforcing immigration laws. On March 1, 2003, the INS along with 21 other cabinet level agencies was reorganized under the new Department of Homeland Security (DHS). As part of the realignment, two new bureaus were formed within DHS to handle enforcement actions: the Bureau of Customs and Border Protection (CBP) and the Bureau of Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE). The Inspections and Border Patrol responsibilities shifted to CBP whereas the responsibility of enforcing immigration laws within the United States shifted to ICE. The CBP and ICE enforcement responsibilities include: locating and arresting aliens who are in violation of the Immigration and Nationality Act (INA), *i.e.*, aliens attempting an illegal entry, aliens who successfully complete an illegal entry, and aliens who entered the United States legally but have since lost their legal status. The arrests are known as apprehensions. Almost all of the work involved in locating and arresting aliens is done by either Border Patrol agents under CBP or Investigations special agents under ICE. Immigration inspectors under CBP work to prevent the entry of inadmissible aliens at a port of entry. The custody and processing of apprehended aliens and certain aliens refused entry are a joint effort involving arresting agents, DHS attorneys, and detention and deportation officers. Aliens refused admission or apprehended may be removed from the United States as described below.

The September 11 terrorist attacks

The September 11, 2001 terrorist attacks impacted the enforcement work done by the INS and continue to impact the work carried out by CBP and ICE. This impact is reflected in the statistics reported in this section. Notable is a change in the types of cases worked by investigators, and increased controls on migration—both at ports of entry and between ports of entry. These impacts are discussed in the sections below.

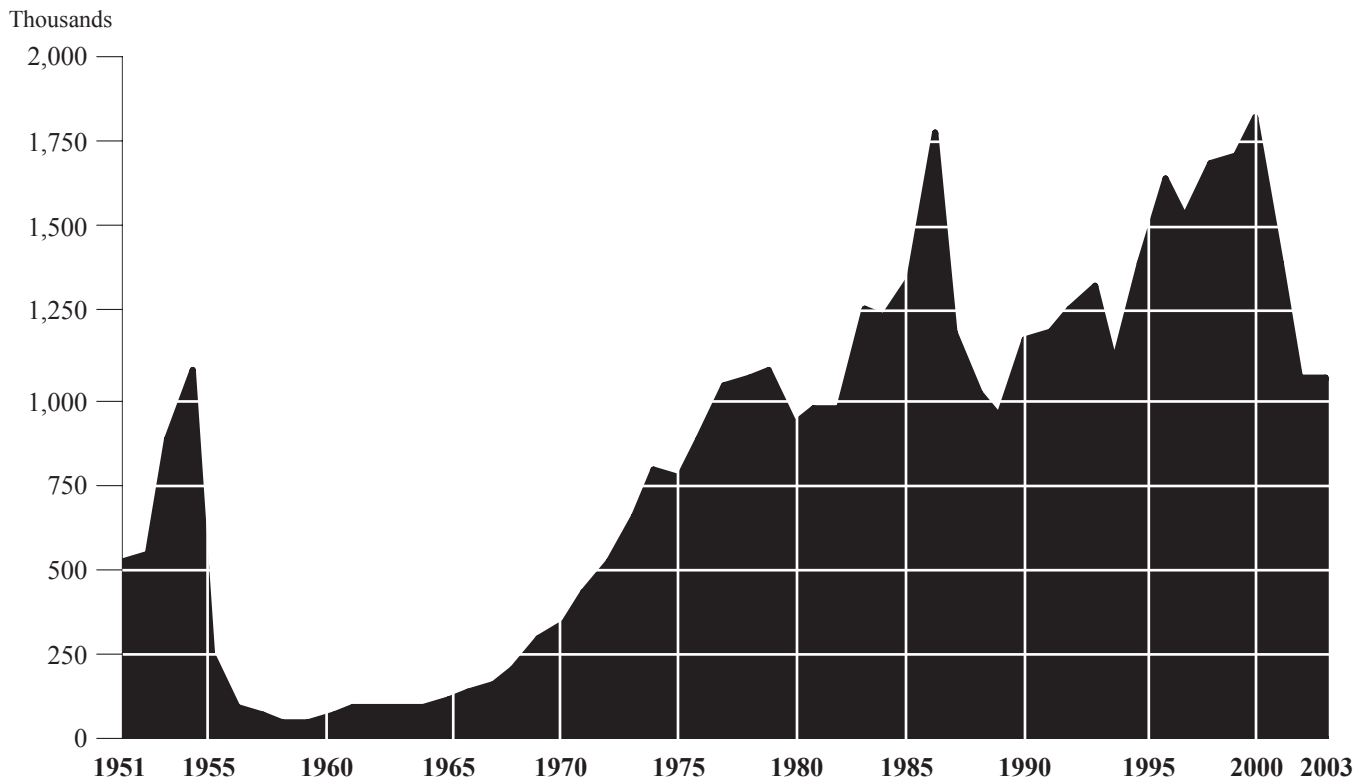
Border Patrol

The primary mission of the Border Patrol is to secure the 8,000 miles of land and water boundaries of the United States between ports of entry. The major objectives of the Border Patrol are to prevent illegal entry into the United States, interdict drug smugglers and other criminals, and compel those persons seeking admission to present themselves legally at ports of entry for inspection. The CBP “prevention through deterrence” strategy calls for deploying Border Patrol agents along the border to prevent and deter illegal entry, rather than apprehending undocumented immigrants after they have entered the United States. Border Patrol operations are divided into 21 sectors. The southwest border covers four states (California, Arizona, New Mexico, and Texas) and divides into nine sectors: San Diego and El Centro in California; Yuma and Tucson in Arizona; El Paso sector covering New Mexico and the western-most portion of Texas; and Marfa, Del Rio, Laredo, and McAllen in Texas. The remaining 12 sectors are: Livermore, California; New Orleans, Louisiana; Miami, Florida; Havre, Montana; Blaine and Spokane in Washington; Grand Forks, North Dakota; Buffalo, New York; Swanton, Vermont; Detroit, Michigan; Ramey, Puerto Rico; and Houlton, Maine.

Investigations

The investigations activity focuses on the enforcement of immigration laws within the interior of the United States. Special agents plan and conduct investigations of persons and events subject to the administrative and criminal provisions of the INA. Agents use both traditional and modern technological methods, including forensic science, to investigate violations of immigration law and aliens involved in criminal activities. They often work as team members in multi-agency task forces against terrorism, violent crime, document fraud, narcotic trafficking, and various forms of organized crime. They also seek to identify aliens who are incarcerated and deportable as a result of their criminal convictions. In addition, agents monitor and inspect work sites to apprehend unauthorized

Chart L
Aliens Apprehended: Fiscal Years 1951-2003



Source: Tables 35 and 36. See Glossary for fiscal year definitions.

alien workers and to impose sanctions against employers who knowingly employ them. Apprehensions at places of employment may result in removal from the workplace and also can result in removal from the United States.

Inspections

Customs and Border Protection inspectors determine the admissibility of aliens who have arrived at a designated port of entry. There are approximately 300 such ports in the United States. Inspectors may permit most inadmissible aliens the opportunity to withdraw their application for admission or, in some cases, inspectors will refer an alien to an immigration judge for removal proceedings. Since April 1997, inspectors have had the authority to order certain aliens removed under expedited removal proceedings without further hearings or review by an immigration judge. The expedited removal order carries the same penalties as a removal order issued by an immigration judge. Immigration inspectors also prepare cases for criminal prosecution by United States Attorneys, including cases involving alien smuggling, document fraud, and attempted illegal entry.

Detention and Removal

Officers and staff of the Detention and Removal Program are responsible for monitoring the cases of aliens in removal proceedings. In addition, the program provides detention funding and positions in most Border Patrol sectors. Officers assume custodial responsibility for alien detainees providing for their needs including food, shelter, medical care, access to counsel, and recreation. The officers determine appropriate release conditions and facilitate release of detained aliens on parole, bond, and recognizance or pursuant to orders of supervision where appropriate. Officers enforce the departure from the United States of deportable and inadmissible aliens under final removal orders. This activity requires securing travel documents and related liaison with foreign governments, making travel arrangements, and providing escorts as required.

The Removal Process

Removal proceedings encompass the actions that lead to the formal removal of an alien from the United States when the presence of that alien is deemed inconsistent with the public welfare. The DHS has several options in

removing an alien from the United States. Traditionally, these options included deportation, voluntary departure, and exclusion; however, the Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act (IIRIRA) of 1996 made major revisions to these procedures, effective April 1, 1997. Deportation and exclusion proceedings were consolidated as removal proceedings (with voluntary departure continuing as an option at government convenience). The most significant change was the new authority for expedited removals.

More than 79,000 criminal aliens were removed during 2003.

Most removal proceedings are conducted before an immigration judge. Possible outcomes of an immigration hearing include removal, adjustment to a legal status, or a termination of proceedings. Some aliens abscond before or after the hearing. Decisions of the immigration judge can be appealed to the Board of Immigration Appeals.

Under expedited removal an immigration officer may determine that an arriving alien is inadmissible because the alien engaged in fraud or misrepresentation or lacks proper documents. The officer can order the alien removed without further hearing or review unless the alien states a fear of persecution or an intention to apply for asylum. Officers refer aliens who make such pleas to an asylum officer and the case may eventually be argued before an immigration judge.

The penalties associated with formal removal include not only the removal but possible fines, imprisonment for up to 10 years for aliens who do not appear at hearings or who fail to depart, and a bar to future legal entry (the bar is permanent for aggravated felons and up to 20 years for other aliens). The imposition and extent of these penalties depend upon the circumstances of the case.

Voluntary departure

In some cases, an apprehended alien may be offered a voluntary departure. This procedure is common with non-criminal aliens who are apprehended by the Border Patrol during an attempted illegal entry. Aliens agree that their entry was illegal, waive their right to a hearing, remain in custody, and are removed under supervision. Some aliens apprehended within the United States agree to voluntarily

depart and pay the expense of departing. These departures may be granted by an immigration judge or, in some circumstances, by a DHS Field Office Director. Aliens who have agreed to a voluntary departure can be legally admitted in the future without penalty. Although such departures are called "voluntary departures," they are required and verified.

Data Overview: Apprehensions

(Tables 35-39)

Aliens are apprehended under two DHS activities: Border Patrol and Investigations. The largest of these programs is the Border Patrol. In fiscal year 2003, the DHS apprehended 1,046,422 aliens. Of this number, the Border Patrol made 931,557 apprehensions, of which 97 percent were made along the southwest border. During the fiscal years 1986-2003, the Border Patrol accounted for 90 to 97 percent of total apprehensions, and Investigations for 3 to 10 percent. Technically, an inspector does not apprehend aliens and their interceptions of inadmissible aliens are not reported in the apprehension statistics.

Southwest border apprehensions (Table 37)

Southwest border apprehensions previously reached a high of 1,615,844 in fiscal year 1986 and then decreased 3 consecutive years immediately following enactment of the Immigration Reform and Control Act (IRCA) of 1986. This legislation allowed 2.7 million formerly illegal aliens to become legal immigrants, established sanctions against employers who hire illegal aliens, and authorized an increase in the size of the Border Patrol. The number of apprehensions reached a low of 852,506 in 1989 and then began increasing. The number of southwest border apprehensions in 2000 set a new record high at 1,643,679, and declined nearly 25 percent to 1,235,718 in 2001. In fiscal year 2003 southwest border apprehensions remained below the levels reported prior to the September 11, 2001 terrorist attacks in New York City and Washington D.C. Fiscal year 2003 southwest border apprehensions declined to 905,065 or a 27 percent decrease when compared to fiscal year 2001.

Border Operations (Tables 37, 38)

Several major INS operations have had an impact on apprehensions over the years. These operations typically deploy agents nearer the border at strategic locations in order to deter illegal entry. The number of apprehensions tends to decrease in the targeted areas and increase in surrounding sectors.

The first initiative was Operation Hold-the-Line, in El Paso, beginning in September 1993. The second, Operation Gatekeeper, began in San Diego in October 1994. These two sectors accounted for two out of every three apprehensions along the southwest border in fiscal year 1993. The percentage dropped to 50 percent of the total in 1995, and was approximately 22 percent in fiscal year 2003.

The number of apprehensions in El Centro, CA and Tucson, AZ, the sectors east of San Diego, increased following introduction of Operation Gatekeeper. The number of apprehensions in Tucson increased from 139,473 in fiscal year 1994 to 616,346 in 2000 and then declined to 347,263 in 2003. El Centro increased from 27,654 in fiscal year 1994 to 238,126 in 2000 and then declined to 92,099 in 2003. Both Tucson and El Centro had a larger percentage decrease between 2000 and 2003 than San Diego and El Paso. McAllen surpassed El Paso as the leading sector in number of apprehensions in Texas following Operation Hold-the-Line in 1994, going from 124,251 in 1994 to 243,793 in 1997. Reacting to the increases, the INS began a new operation in McAllen in August 1997 called Operation Rio Grande. Apprehensions declined to 77,749 in fiscal year 2003, a 68 percent decrease compared to 1997. El Paso again has the largest number of apprehensions along the Texas/Mexico border.

Nationality (Table 36)

Nationals of 192 countries were apprehended in fiscal year 2003—aliens from Mexico predominated, accounting for 92 percent of the total. The next largest source countries were Honduras, El Salvador, Guatemala, Brazil, Pakistan, the Dominican Republic, Canada, Indonesia, Cuba, Colombia, Jamaica, Egypt, the People’s Republic of China, Nicaragua, and Bangladesh.

Data Overview: Investigations

(Table 39)

Investigations work is composed of five major categories—criminal, work site enforcement, fraud, anti-smuggling, and entered without inspection/status violators.

Criminal

Criminal cases have historically represented the largest proportion of the total Investigations workload. In fiscal year 2003 they account for 70 percent of cases completed that are shown in Table 39. These cases steadily increased

over the years from 46,236 cases in 1994 to 100,044 in 1999, an increase of 116 percent. In fiscal year 2003 completed criminal investigations increased by 4 percent when compared to fiscal year 2002. The targets of these investigations include large-scale organizations engaged in ongoing criminal activity in violation of Title 8 or Title 18, U.S.C. or similar laws, including those pertaining to narcotics and terrorism. Criminal cases also include individual aliens convicted of a crime or crimes rendering them subject to DHS action, aliens arrested for the commission of an aggravated felony, aliens involved in activities considered contrary to the security of the United States, and aliens involved in certain immoral activities. Defendants prosecuted in 2003 increased 36 percent compared to the number in 2002, and the number of defendants convicted was up 24 percent.

Work site enforcement

The focus of work site enforcement is employers of aliens who are not authorized to work. Immigration law prohibits the unlawful employment of aliens and provides for penalties and fines against employers who hire, recruit, or refer aliens for employment for a fee. Employer cases may involve criminal or administrative investigations as well as general inspections. Employer cases may also originate as referrals from the Department of Labor. Total work site cases completed dropped annually from 7,053 cases in fiscal year 1992 to 5,149 cases in 1996, then rose to a high of 7,788 in 1998. Between 1998 and 2001 the number of cases completed declined 80 percent. In fiscal year 2003, completed cases increased by 38 percent compared to 2001. The number of arrests rose significantly from 7,554 in fiscal year 1994 to a high of 17,554 in 1997, an increase of 132 percent. The number of arrests declined sharply in the next six years, dropping to 445 in 2003.

Fraud investigations

Fraud investigations seek to penetrate fraud schemes of all sizes and complexity that are used to violate immigration and related laws, or used to shield the true status of illegal aliens in order to obtain entitlement benefits from federal, state, or local agencies. Fraud cases completed in fiscal year 2003 increased by 523 cases or approximately 21 percent compared to 2002. Of the 3,050 fraud cases completed in fiscal year 2003, 57 percent pertained to individuals involved in immigration fraud. These cases involve aliens misrepresenting themselves through the misuse or absence of documents.

Smuggling investigations

ICE smuggling investigations include the detection, apprehension, and prosecution of alien smuggling operations. The targets of these investigations are persons or entities who bring, transport, harbor, or smuggle illegal aliens into or within the United States. The targets include violators with a substantial volume of smuggled aliens or revenues from the smuggling activity, *e.g.*, organized conspiracies consisting of four or more persons, individuals such as freelance operators who smuggle infrequently or independently, and non-professional violators who smuggle relatives, household employees, or employees of small businesses. The bureau completed 2,346 smuggling investigations cases in fiscal year 2003, a 2 percent decrease from the 2,395 cases completed in 2002. In 2003, 14,418 smuggled aliens were arrested, a 79 percent decrease from the high of 68,203 in 1995.

Summary of fiscal year 2003 investigations activities

For the five investigative categories shown in Table 39, there was an overall increase of 8 percent in case completions in fiscal year 2003 when compared to the previous fiscal year. Between 2001 and 2002 the total number of cases completed declined by 11 percent. This was in part due to a shift in investigative priorities and resources following the September 11, 2001 terrorist attacks in New York City and Washington, D.C. This shift was defined by an increased emphasis on more complex criminal terrorist and absconder cases. Completions for criminal terrorist cases increased 304 percent from 298 cases in fiscal year 2001 to 1,205 cases in 2002. The shift in priorities and resources remained in fiscal year 2003. The number of criminal cases completed, when compared to 2001, increased 332 percent to 1,286. Special agent terrorist resource expenditures increased from 115,000 hours in fiscal year 2001 to 244,000 hours in fiscal year 2003, an increase of 112 percent.

In addition, the Absconder Apprehension Initiative was implemented in fiscal year 2002 with an increased emphasis on locating, apprehending, and interviewing aliens with unexecuted orders of removal. As a result, absconder case completions rose from 1,249 cases in fiscal year 2001 to 3,688 cases completed in 2002, a 195 percent increase. In fiscal year 2003 compared to 2001, absconder cases completed increased 89 percent to 2,357. Also, special agent hours dedicated to absconder cases increased from 9,000 in fiscal year 2001 to 60,000 in fiscal year 2003.

Data Overview: Detention

The DHS detained approximately 231,500 aliens during fiscal year 2003. Approximately 115,000 of these aliens had criminal records. The average daily detention population was 21,133. Although 52 percent of all detainees were aliens from Mexico, their relatively short stays in detention meant that they accounted for only 22 percent of detention bed days. The other leading countries were: Cuba (8 percent of bed days); Honduras and El Salvador (7 percent each); Guatemala (6 percent); People's Republic of China (5 percent); Haiti (4 percent); and Jamaica, the Dominican Republic, and Brazil (3 percent each).

Data Overview: Removals (Tables 40-47)

The most complete picture of adverse actions involving individual aliens includes aliens who withdraw their application for admission when presented with evidence of their inadmissibility, aliens who are allowed to voluntarily depart, and aliens who are formally removed with consequent penalties. The following table summarizes the activities in fiscal year 2003:

	Number of aliens
Withdrew application for admission	431,807
Accepted offer of voluntary departure	887,115
Formally removed (with penalties)	186,151

Withdrawal of application for admission and other actions at ports of entry

An immigration inspector makes the decision to permit a withdrawal of an application for admission at a port of entry. The inspector also has the authority to place an arriving alien in expedited removal proceedings (discussed below). The DHS has very little data on the characteristics of those who are permitted to withdraw. In addition to withdrawals and expedited removal actions, inspectors referred an additional 9,432 aliens to hearings before an immigration judge during fiscal year 2003.

Voluntary departure (Tables 40, 41, 47)

More than 99 percent of voluntary departures involve aliens who are apprehended by the Border Patrol and removed quickly. This statistic includes recidivists and thus is a measure of events rather than unique individuals. The DHS does not currently have a centralized automated information system with the characteristics of most of these aliens. From 1997 through 1999 the INS compiled data about the approximately 65,000 aliens a year who admitted that they had been in the United States illegally

for longer than 3 days and agreed to a witnessed departure. Of this group, approximately 99 percent were aliens from Mexico; their median age was 24 years, and 92 percent were male. These aliens are probably similar to the rest of the voluntary departures but they have been in the United States for a longer period; 26 percent had been here longer than a year and another 38 percent had been here longer than a month but less than one year. One other characteristic distinguishes this longer-staying group (but not all voluntary departures)—the INS located 25 percent of these aliens in institutions (generally, county jails). Those found in incarceration were granted a witnessed voluntary departure because their crimes were minor or local authorities declined to prosecute.

Formal removal (Tables 40-46)

In fiscal year 2003, the number of formal removals increased about 24 percent from fiscal year 2002. This increase resulted from an increase of 25 percent in expedited removals. Non-expedited removals increased 24 percent. The following table illustrates the impact of expedited removals (a subset of total removals):

Fiscal year	Total removals	Expedited removals
2003	186,151	43,248
2002	150,084	34,500
2001	177,739	69,827
2000	185,987	85,921
1999	180,902	89,160
1998	173,146	76,078
1997	114,432	23,242
1996	69,680	X
1995	50,924	X
1994	45,674	X

X Not applicable.

Expedited removal

Expedited removals were 23 percent of all formal removals in fiscal year 2003. Expedited removal procedures allow the DHS to quickly remove certain inadmissible aliens from the United States. In fiscal year 2003, the DHS used these procedures with aliens arriving at ports of entry who illegally attempted to gain admission by fraud or misrepresentation, or with no entry documents, or by using counterfeit, altered, or otherwise fraudulent or improper documents. Aliens placed in the expedited

removal process have the opportunity to claim a fear of persecution, or an intention to apply for asylum, or they may claim to have certain legal status in the United States. All cases are reviewed by a supervisor and aliens who have made certain claims may be referred to an asylum officer and ultimately to an immigration judge.

The number of expedited removals decreased significantly in fiscal year 2002 as a result of actions taken by the INS after the September 11 attacks. In part, tightened border security may have been a deterrent to those seeking admission at a port of entry without proper documents or with fraudulent documents. Part of the decrease may also have been attributed to changes in the inspections process. Because of the heightened security level and more extensive primary inspection, the INS had fewer staffing resources to devote to the more complex and time-consuming expedited removal process. Many inadmissible aliens who could have been placed in expedited removal were instead permitted to withdraw their application for admission and return to their country of origin. In fiscal year 2003 the number of expedited removals increased and the number of aliens subject to expedited removal who were allowed to withdraw decreased.

Inspectors determined that about 497,000 arriving aliens in fiscal year 2003 were inadmissible. Of these about 181,000 were inadmissible for reasons that made them subject to expedited removal. However, 128,000 of those aliens were allowed to withdraw their application for admission. The remaining 53,000 were placed in expedited removal. Only about 6,000 of these aliens expressed a fear of being returned to their country of origin if denied admission; they were referred to an asylum officer. About 90 percent of those 6,000 aliens were found to have a credible fear of persecution, and were taken out of the expedited removal process, and scheduled for hearings before an immigration judge.

Aliens from Mexico accounted for over 81 percent of expedited removals in fiscal year 2003. The next largest countries are Brazil, the Dominican Republic, Guatemala, Jamaica, and Peru (all with three percent or fewer of total expedited removals). Approximately 68 percent of all expedited removals occurred at ports of entry in one of three southwest Districts: San Diego, CA (47 percent); Phoenix, AZ (13); and Harlingen, TX (8).

Country of nationality (Table 43)

Aliens with a formal removal came from 178 countries in fiscal year 2003; 51 countries had more than 100 aliens removed from the United States. However, just 9 countries accounted for almost 92 percent of all formal removals. Eight of these 9 countries have been the top countries for several years with approximately 88 percent or more of all formal removals each year since 1993. Beginning in 2002 Brazil displaced Canada from the list.

Country	Number removed	Number of criminals
Mexico	137,819	62,518
Honduras	7,700	1,862
Guatemala	6,674	1,483
El Salvador	4,933	1,982
Brazil	3,797	210
Dominican Republic	3,284	2,139
Colombia	2,081	1,319
Jamaica	1,999	1,480
Haiti	1,032	516

Criminal activity (Table 43)

The passage of the Immigration Reform and Control Act in 1986 helped the INS focus on the removal of those aliens determined to be the greatest threat to society. In fiscal year 1986 the INS removed 1,978 aliens for criminal violations (about 3 percent of all removals). The removal of criminal aliens has increased greatly since then. The 2003 removals of 79,395 criminals is an increase of 11 percent from the 2002 removals of 71,530 criminals. The countries that account for most of the removals also account for 93 percent of criminals the DHS removed from the United States in 2003. They have been the leading countries in this category for several years, with 91 percent or more of all criminals removed each year since 1993. The DHS continues to increase cooperation with other law enforcement agencies by using the Institutional Removal Program to insure that incarcerated criminal aliens are placed in removal proceedings. The program seeks to eliminate or minimize the time an alien must be detained by the DHS after release from prison and before removal. In 2003, the DHS removed 27,905 criminal aliens using this program.

The ten most common categories of crime in fiscal year 2003 include:

Crime	Number removed	Percent of total crimes
Dangerous drugs	31,352	39
Immigration	11,413	14
Assault	8,336	11
Burglary	3,206	4
Robbery	2,806	4
Larceny	2,494	3
Sexual assault	2,191	3
Family offenses	2,238	3
Sex offenses	1,609	2
Stolen vehicles	1,525	2

Administrative reason for removal

(Tables 42, 43-46)

The administrative reason for removal is the primary charge cited by an immigration judge in the order to remove an alien. There are more than 100 charges that might form the basis for a removal in 2003, but most fall into one of three main categories. Aliens who were present in the United States after making an illegal entry account for 40 percent of all aliens formally removed. Those who attempted entry without proper documents, or through fraud or misrepresentation, account for 28 percent. Aliens with criminal charges account for 21 percent. A criminal alien, as defined in the previous section, may not have a criminal charge as the reason for removal if, for example, the immigration judge did not have appropriate documents from the relevant criminal justice system. This distribution is very different than the years before 1998 because of the large number of expedited removal cases; those cases are classified as attempting entry.

Immigration status at entry to the United States

At least 64 percent of all aliens with a formal removal attempted (and perhaps completed) an illegal entry between designated ports of entry. Approximately 23 percent attempted to enter at a port of entry without proper documents or through fraud or misrepresentation. The remainder made legal entries but then failed to maintain status; parolees, tourists, and legal permanent residents are the largest groups in this category.

Aliens removed from the interior

The DHS defines “interior” removals as the removals of aliens who had been in the United States for longer than 3 days. In fiscal year 2003, about 97,000 formal removals

met this definition—about 52 percent of all formal removals. In addition, as noted previously, about 60,000 aliens were allowed an escorted voluntary departure from the interior. Another 9,000 had other types of voluntary departure. At least 47,000 aliens with formal removals had been in the United States for longer than a year. Aliens apprehended in work site operations and subsequently removed from the United States are a subset of aliens removed from the interior. There were about 400 such aliens formally removed in 2003.

Gender and age

The median age of aliens with a formal removal in fiscal year 2003 was 28 years. The median age of women who were removed in 2003 was 28 years. Between 1992 and 1995 the proportion of women was about 6 percent. The proportion of women rose to 12 percent in 1996, and increased steadily to 24 percent in 2000. Most of that increase is attributable to women from Mexico who attempted entry without proper documents or through fraud. In 1996 the special “Port Court” processing at the San Diego ports provided the resources necessary to put more arriving aliens into proceedings than had been possible before. This special processing continued until the implementation of expedited removal procedures in April 1997. In either case, larger numbers of women were intercepted as they attempted entry in the San Diego area. As noted above the number of expedited removals decreased significantly in 2001 and 2002. One result of the decrease is that the proportion of women declined to 21 percent in fiscal year 2001 and further declined to 14 percent in 2002. With the increase in expedited removal in fiscal year 2003, the proportion of women among all removals is 15 percent. Women are 44 percent of all expedited removals in fiscal year 2003.

Understanding the Data

Data Collection

Apprehension and voluntary departure

Apprehension data are collected on Form I-213, *Record of Deportable/Inadmissible Alien*. Much of the data collected establishes the identity of the individual and the circumstances of the apprehension. Some demographic data are available, including country of birth, country of citizenship, gender, date of birth, and marital status. However, the Performance Analysis System (PAS) (the principal automated data system for a variety of immigration related workload measures) captures only

aggregated data on country of citizenship, location of apprehension, status at entry, length of time in the United States, and limited information on employment status. Individual offices report these data once a month. Statistics on the number of voluntary departures also are based on data captured on Form I-213. The data on most voluntary departures are aggregated and reported in PAS. The only data element collected is whether the alien was a Mexican national.

Voluntary departure (interior)

Data on aliens granted a voluntary departure who had been in the United States for longer than 3 days are collected from the Form I-213s for those aliens. The data captured for this special subset of aliens is not aggregated to the office level but rather maintained at the individual alien level.

Individuals detained, removed

The data on individuals detained or removed with a formal order of removal or given a voluntary departure under docket control are more extensive. These data are collected via the ICE automated Deportable Alien Control System (DACS). The data captured include immigration status, type of entry into the United States, reasons for removal, history of criminal activity, limited employment information, and basic demographic information such as date of birth, gender, marital status, country of birth, country of citizenship, and country to which deported. In general, these data are entered in DACS over a period of time that begins with the placing of an apprehended alien in docket control. In some DHS offices most of the data entry is done at the time of case closure (removal, adjustment of status, *etc.*).

Other data

Data on drug seizures, accomplishments of the Border Patrol, accomplishments of the Investigations Program, prosecutions, fines, convictions, and judicial activities are captured in PAS. As noted above, these are aggregated data updated once a month by DHS offices.

Limitations of Data

Case tracking

The DHS’ current data systems cannot link an apprehension to its final disposition (removal, adjustment of status, *etc.*). Therefore, analysts should use caution when comparing apprehension and removal data.

Apprehended aliens who choose to use the available appeals procedures will spend several months and perhaps several years in the process before final disposition of their cases. In other words, aliens apprehended in any given fiscal year are quite likely to be removed (or adjusted to legal status, *etc.*) in some future fiscal year. In addition, DHS statistics on apprehensions and removals relate to events, not individuals. For example, if an alien has been apprehended three times during the fiscal year, that individual will appear three times in the apprehension statistics.

Time lags in data entry

The data on removals under docket control (formal removals) reported in this and other editions of the *Statistical Yearbook* should be used cautiously. One problem is the time lag in reporting removals. The data in this *Yearbook* have been adjusted to reflect the actual year of removal. The data for each fiscal year require updating, and cannot be considered complete for at least 3 years.

Changes in definitions

Another area of caution involves changes in definitions across years. For example, the INS/DHS has expanded the information about the crimes of aliens removed in recent years. This change allows the DHS to more accurately count the number of criminals that it removes. The statistics in this *Yearbook* reflect these changes and update the data on criminals from fiscal year 1990 onward.

Changes in definitions and new reporting requirements may also explain some of the variations in the data concerning Investigations activities. In particular, there have been significant changes in the reporting requirements for anti-smuggling and work site enforcement activities.

TABLE 35. DEPORTABLE ALIENS LOCATED: FISCAL YEARS 1925-2003

Year	Deportable aliens located ¹	Year	Deportable aliens located ¹
1925-2003	45,229,068	1981-90	11,883,328
1925-30	128,484	1981	975,780
1931-40	147,457	1982	970,246
1941-50	1,377,210	1983	1,251,357
1951-60	3,598,949	1984	1,246,981
	1,608,356	1985	1,348,749
1961-70	88,823	1986	1,767,400
1961	92,758	1987	1,190,488
1962	88,712	1988	1,008,145
1963	86,597	1989	954,243
1964	110,371	1990	1,169,939
1965	138,520	1991-2000	14,667,599
1966	161,608	1991	1,197,875
1967	212,057	1992	1,258,481
1968	283,557	1993	1,327,261
1969	345,353	1994	1,094,719
1970	8,321,498	1995	1,394,554
1971-80	420,126	1996	1,649,986
1971	505,949	1997	1,536,520
1972	655,968	1998	1,679,439
1973	788,145	1999	1,714,035
1974	766,600	2000	1,814,729
1975	875,915	2001	1,387,486
1976	221,824	2002	1,062,279
1976, TQ ²	1,042,215	2003	1,046,422
1977	1,057,977		
1978	1,076,418		
1979	910,361		
1980			

¹ Aliens apprehended were first recorded in 1925. Until 1960 those statistics did not include crewmen who violated the conditions of their stay in the United States because their vessel did not leave the United States within 29 days. Beginning in 1960 the statistics for apprehensions include the counts of those crewmen. For purposes of statistical reporting there is no difference between the terms “apprehension” and “deportable alien located”. ² The three-month period—July 1 through September 30, 1976—between fiscal year 1976 and fiscal year 1977.

NOTE: See Glossary for fiscal year definitions.

**TABLE 36. DEPORTABLE ALIENS LOCATED BY REGION AND COUNTRY OF NATIONALITY
FISCAL YEAR 2003**

Region and country of nationality	All located	Region and country of nationality	All located	Region and country of nationality	All located	Region and country of nationality	All located
All countries	1,046,422	Bangladesh	1,011	Ethiopia	87	North America	1,010,389
Europe	3,420	Burma	14	Gabon	4	Canada	3,280
Albania	175	Cambodia	127	Gambia, The	101	Mexico	956,963
Armenia	72	China, People's Rep.	1,190	Ghana	138	Caribbean	9,459
Austria	14	Cyprus	D	Guinea	54	Anguilla	D
Azerbaijan	14	Hong Kong	27	Guinea-Bissau	D	Antigua-Barbuda	28
Belarus	16	India	826	Kenya	197	Aruba	6
Belgium	20	Indonesia	3,054	Lesotho	D	Bahamas, The	161
Bosnia-Herzegovina ..	43	Iran	425	Liberia	95	Barbados	44
Bulgaria	65	Iraq	237	Libya	19	Bermuda	10
Croatia	14	Israel	285	Madagascar	3	British Virgin Islands	3
Czech Republic	138	Japan	79	Malawi	9	Cayman Islands	5
Czechoslovakia ¹	68	Jordan ³	850	Mali	43	Cuba	2,425
Denmark	9	Korea	623	Mauritania	19	Dominica	22
Estonia	23	Kuwait	88	Morocco	836	Dominican Republic	4,073
Finland	4	Laos	234	Mozambique	D	Grenada	20
France	112	Lebanon	953	Namibia	4	Guadeloupe	18
Georgia	49	Malaysia	53	Nigeria	379	Haiti	772
Germany	176	Maldives	D	Rwanda	9	Jamaica	1,443
Greece	43	Mongolia	36	Senegal	84	Montserrat	5
Hungary	83	Nepal	27	Seychelles	D	Netherlands Antilles ..	18
Ireland	60	Oman	7	Sierra Leone	36	St. Kitts-Nevis	16
Italy	135	Pakistan	4,083	Somalia	61	St. Lucia	26
Kazakhstan	19	Philippines	709	South Africa	75	St. Vincent and the Grenadines	26
Kyrgyzstan	D	Qatar	17	Sudan	90	Trinidad and Tobago	325
Latvia	16	Saudi Arabia	131	Tanzania	61	Turks and Caicos Is.	10
Liechtenstein	D	Singapore	10	Togo	21	U.S. Virgin Islands	D
Lithuania	70	Sri Lanka	87	Tunisia	337	Central America	40,687
Luxembourg	3	Syria	369	Uganda	24	Belize	281
Macedonia	35	Taiwan	47	Western Sahara	3	Costa Rica	481
Malta	4	Thailand	262	Zambia	26	El Salvador	11,757
Moldova	13	Turkey	215	Zimbabwe	31	Guatemala	10,355
Netherlands	68	United Arab Emirates	23	Oceania	331	Honduras	16,632
Norway	11	Vietnam	512	American Samoa	4	Nicaragua	1,055
Poland	414	Yemen	396	Australia	79	Panama	126
Portugal	135	Africa	4,707	Cook Islands	-	South America	10,479
Romania	140	Algeria	202	Fiji	43	Argentina	575
Russia	275	Angola	35	French Polynesia	7	Bolivia	143
Serbia & Montenegro ²	100	Benin	3	Guam	D	Brazil	5,740
Slovak Republic	46	Botswana	D	Marshall Islands	D	Chile	188
Slovenia	7	Burkina Faso	3	Micronesia, Federated States	54	Colombia	1,581
Spain	51	Burundi	D	New Zealand	44	Ecuador	843
Sweden	26	Cameroon	45	Palau	11	Falkland Islands	D
Switzerland	18	Cape Verde	75	Papau New Guinea	D	Guyana	190
Turkmenistan	D	Chad	11	Solomon Islands	D	Paraguay	19
Ukraine	164	Congo, Dem. Rep.	4	Tonga	58	Peru	728
United Kingdom	407	Congo, Republic	34			Suriname	D
Uzbekistan	60	Cote d'Ivoire	29			Uruguay	151
Asia	17,086	Djibouti	4			Venezuela	309
Afghanistan	61	Egypt	1,360			Stateless	D
Bahrain	14	Eritrea	32			Unknown or not reported	D

¹ Data are for unknown republic only; independent republics shown separately. See Notice of Special Geographic Definitions. ² Yugoslavia (unknown republic) prior to February 7, 2003. See Notice of Special Geographic Definitions. ³ Includes Palestine. - Represents zero. D Disclosure standards not met.

**TABLE 37. DEPORTABLE ALIENS LOCATED BY PROGRAM, BORDER PATROL SECTOR, AND INVESTIGATIONS SAC
FISCAL YEARS 1997-2003**

Program, Border Patrol sector, and Investigations SAC ¹	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
Program:							
All programs	1,536,520	1,679,439	1,714,035	1,814,729	1,387,486	1,062,270	1,046,422
Border Patrol	1,412,953	1,555,776	1,579,010	1,676,438	1,266,214	955,310	931,557
Investigations	123,567	123,663	135,025	138,291	121,272	106,960	114,865
Border Patrol sector:							
All southwest sectors	1,368,707	1,516,680	1,537,000	1,643,679	1,235,718	929,809	905,065
San Diego, CA	283,889	248,092	182,267	151,681	110,075	100,681	111,515
EL Centro, CA	146,210	226,695	225,279	238,126	172,852	108,273	92,099
Yuma, AZ	30,177	76,195	93,388	108,747	78,385	42,654	56,638
Tucson, AZ	272,397	387,406	470,449	616,346	449,675	333,648	347,263
EL Paso, TX	124,376	125,035	110,857	115,696	112,857	94,154	88,816
Marfa, TX	12,692	14,509	14,952	13,689	12,087	11,392	10,319
Del Rio, TX	113,280	131,058	156,653	157,178	104,875	66,985	50,145
Laredo, TX	141,893	103,433	114,004	108,973	87,068	82,095	70,521
McAllen, TX	243,793	204,257	169,151	133,243	107,844	89,927	77,749
All other sectors	44,246	39,096	42,010	32,759	30,496	25,501	26,492
Blaine, WA	2,684	2,403	2,421	2,581	2,089	1,732	1,380
Buffalo, NY	2,065	1,640	1,666	1,570	1,434	1,102	564
Detroit, MI	1,500	1,768	1,838	2,057	2,106	1,511	2,345
Grand Forks, ND	1,978	905	656	562	921	1,369	1,223
Havre, MT	2,813	1,145	1,448	1,568	1,305	1,463	1,406
Houlton, ME	309	307	461	489	685	432	292
Livermore, CA	10,607	11,633	11,198	6,205	5,211	4,371	3,565
Miami, FL	8,305	6,065	6,961	6,237	5,962	5,143	5,931
New Orleans, LA	9,094	8,008	10,777	6,478	5,033	4,665	5,151
Ramey, PR	896	1,244	1,405	1,731	1,952	835	1,688
Spokane, WA	2,331	2,176	1,308	1,324	1,335	1,142	992
Swanton, VT	1,664	1,802	1,871	1,957	2,463	1,736	1,955
Investigations SAC:							
All SACs	123,567	123,663	135,025	138,291	121,272	106,960	114,865
Atlanta, GA	2,748	2,584	2,607	2,786	3,300	2,689	3,528
Baltimore, MD	2,893	3,062	2,780	2,467	2,847	3,223	4,678
Boston, MA	2,210	2,656	2,538	2,751	2,719	2,276	3,318
Buffalo, NY	2,602	3,168	3,475	3,366	3,209	3,426	3,751
Chicago, IL	5,794	4,187	4,761	6,493	7,835	7,748	8,572
Dallas, TX	10,502	10,948	10,387	11,387	8,046	4,263	3,787
Denver, CO	3,895	2,985	4,305	10,576	7,661	7,422	7,916
Detroit, MI	2,096	1,709	1,264	1,152	1,447	1,693	2,552
EL Paso, TX	3,014	4,801	6,272	6,377	5,022	2,842	2,258
Honolulu, HI	479	602	1,678	453	418	469	633
Houston, TX	9,743	9,487	8,459	7,678	6,436	5,472	6,473
Los Angeles, CA	13,329	10,935	12,688	14,386	12,852	12,478	11,094
Miami, FL	2,297	1,914	2,191	1,779	1,854	1,654	1,849
New Orleans, LA	3,043	2,915	2,568	3,551	3,322	3,227	3,280
New York, NY	5,962	6,589	7,029	5,238	4,105	2,977	4,468
Newark, NJ	1,304	1,095	464	1,046	1,063	1,186	1,963
Saint Paul, MN	3,209	3,855	4,523	5,668	5,105	5,909	5,437
San Antonio, TX	5,412	9,552	8,776	9,791	8,434	7,267	7,115
San Diego, CA	4,595	4,745	4,368	3,357	4,573	3,276	3,277
San Francisco, CA	21,192	15,958	19,850	16,109	14,687	11,321	12,125
San Juan, PR	1,009	696	1,010	1,376	1,521	1,755	893
Seattle, WA	5,954	5,849	5,115	4,746	4,911	4,983	4,855
Tampa, FL	910	1,283	1,232	1,268	1,231	1,430	1,730
Tucson, AZ	7,776	10,640	15,644	13,946	8,079	7,112	7,768
Washington, DC	1,599	1,448	1,041	544	595	862	1,545

¹ As a result of the creation of the Department of Homeland Security, the legacy immigration investigation offices were realigned within 25 SAC (Special Agent of Charge) jurisdictions. Historically, INS investigation offices were organized within 36 districts. Data for all years adjusted to new SAC jurisdictions.

**TABLE 38. PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF THE BORDER PATROL
FISCAL YEARS 1997-2003**

Activities and accomplishments	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
Persons processed by the Border Patrol ¹	1,422,829	1,566,984	1,591,969	1,689,195	1,277,576	967,044	946,684
Deportable aliens located by the Border Patrol	1,412,953	1,555,776	1,579,010	1,676,438	1,266,213	955,310	931,557
Mexican aliens	1,387,650	1,522,918	1,534,515	1,636,883	1,224,046	917,994	882,012
Working in agriculture	3,521	3,270	1,599	1,330	1,248	1,821	1,908
Working in trades, crafts, industry, and service	10,146	6,616	2,383	2,167	2,678	2,897	3,856
Seeking employment	1,279,923	1,398,892	1,422,970	1,525,422	1,107,550	822,161	810,671
Canadian aliens	2,935	2,329	2,724	2,211	2,539	1,836	1,611
All others	22,368	30,529	41,771	37,344	39,628	35,480	47,934
Smugglers of aliens located	12,523	13,908	15,755	14,406	8,720	8,701	11,128
Aliens located who were smuggled into the United States	124,605	174,514	221,522	236,782	112,927	68,192	110,605
Seizures (conveyances)	11,792	14,401	16,803	17,269	5,892	7,250	9,355
Value of seizures (millions of dollars)	1,095	1,405	2,004	1,945	1,581	1,564	1,168
Narcotics	1,046	1,340	1,919	1,848	1,519	1,499	1,608
Other	49	64	86	97	62	65	72

¹ Includes deportable aliens located and non-deportable (e.g., U.S. citizens).

NOTE: Data for aliens previously expelled, aliens located with previous criminal records, conveyances examined, and persons questioned shown in previous *Yearbooks* are not available starting in fiscal year 1990. Data for narcotics for fiscal year 1995 and for other for 1992-94 and 1996-97 have been revised.

**TABLE 39. PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF THE ICE
IMMIGRATION INVESTIGATIONS PROGRAM
FISCAL YEARS 1997-2003**

Activities and accomplishments	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
Criminal investigations: ¹							
Cases completed	74,612	87,093	100,044	90,519	89,222	78,841	82,236
Defendants prosecuted	1,436	2,195	2,754	3,802	2,962	2,309	3,138
Defendants convicted	1,166	1,704	2,409	3,022	2,219	1,496	1,858
Employer investigations: ²							
Cases completed	7,537	7,788	3,898	1,966	1,595	2,061	2,194
Warnings	733	642	383	282	169	124	479
Notice of Intent to Fine	865	1,023	417	178	100	53	162
Final orders	778	535	297	180	78	13	124
Arrests	17,554	13,914	2,849	953	735	485	445
Fraud investigations: ³							
Cases completed	4,843	4,613	4,300	3,733	3,721	2,527	3,050
Defendants prosecuted	332	447	509	483	397	253	347
Defendants convicted	190	310	338	259	214	142	250
Smuggling investigations: ⁴							
Cases completed	1,171	2,033	2,043	3,309	2,885	2,395	2,346
Smugglers arrested	3,381	2,812	4,253	4,139	3,139	3,330	2,663
Smuggled aliens arrested	35,084	45,128	41,364	46,001	32,429	19,278	14,418
Defendants prosecuted	2,287	1,830	1,951	2,618	2,124	2,106	2,185
Defendants convicted	1,737	1,183	1,199	1,474	1,174	1,252	1,418
Entered without inspection/status violators: ⁵							
Cases completed	33,910	25,407	27,085	38,311	25,301	23,067	27,240
Aliens arrested	13,702	11,337	13,879	14,963	11,162	10,538	9,319

¹ Criminal alien cases include large-scale organizations engaged in ongoing criminal activity and individual aliens convicted of crimes such as terrorism or drug trafficking.

² Employer investigations target employers of unauthorized aliens and include criminal investigations, administrative investigations, auxiliary investigations, ICE Headquarters Investigation Project, and Department of Labor ESA-91. In fiscal year 2003, also includes statistics pertaining to Worksite Enforcement National Interest Investigations.

³ Fraud investigations seek to penetrate fraud schemes of all sizes and degrees of complexity which are used to violate immigration and related laws or to shield the true status of illegal aliens in order to obtain entitlement benefits. The fraud schemes may be related to marriage fraud, immigration benefit fraud, employer sanctions document fraud, other document fraud, and entitlement fraud.

⁴ At the start of fiscal year 1996, Performance Analysis System (PAS) Anti-smuggling reporting was merged with PAS Investigations. Smuggling cases involve those which target persons or entities who bring, transport, harbor, or smuggle illegal aliens into or within the United States.

⁵ Includes Entry Without Inspection (EWI), such as stowaways, or landed crewmen who were ordered detained on board, and status violators. The latter category pertains to alien apprehensions for violating the terms of admission, e.g., staying longer in the United States than permitted. Frequently, such aliens are not themselves investigative targets, but are located during other investigations.

NA Not available.

NOTE: ICE represents Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Department of Homeland Security.

**TABLE 40. ALIENS EXPELLED
FISCAL YEARS 1892-2003**

Year	Formal removals ¹	Voluntary departures ²
1892-2003	3,138,156	40,726,516
1892-1900	25,642	NA
1901-10	119,769	NA
1911-20	206,021	NA
1921-30	281,464	72,233
1931-40	185,303	93,330
1941-50	141,112	1,470,925
1951-60	150,472	3,883,660
1961-70	101,205	1,334,528
1961	8,181	52,383
1962	8,025	54,164
1963	7,763	69,392
1964	9,167	73,042
1965	10,572	95,263
1966	9,680	123,683
1967	9,728	142,343
1968	9,590	179,952
1969	11,030	240,958
1970	17,469	303,348
1971-80	240,217	7,246,812
1971	18,294	370,074
1972	16,883	450,927
1973	17,346	568,005
1974	19,413	718,740
1975	24,432	655,814
1976	29,226	765,094
1976, TQ ³	9,245	190,280
1977	31,263	867,015
1978	29,277	975,515
1979	26,825	966,137
1980	18,013	719,211
1981-90	232,830	9,961,912
1981	17,379	823,875
1982	15,216	812,572
1983	19,211	931,600
1984	18,696	909,833
1985	23,105	1,041,296
1986	24,592	1,586,320
1987	24,336	1,091,203
1988	25,829	911,790
1989	34,427	830,890
1990	30,039	1,022,533
1991-2000	940,147	13,587,847
1991	33,189	1,061,105
1992	43,671	1,105,829
1993	42,542	1,243,410
1994	45,674	1,029,107
1995	50,924	1,313,764
1996	69,680	1,573,428
1997	114,432	1,440,684
1998	173,146	1,570,127
1999	180,902	1,574,682
2000	185,987	1,675,711
2001	177,739	1,254,035
2002	150,084	934,119
2003	186,151	887,115

¹ Formal removals include deportations, exclusions, and removals. See text for further information about the different types of formal removals.

² Voluntary departures includes aliens under docket control required to depart and voluntary departures not under docket control; first recorded in 1927.

³ Transition quarter, July 1 through September 30, 1976.

NOTE: See Glossary for fiscal year definitions.

NA Not available.

**TABLE 41. ALIENS EXPELLED BY FIELD OFFICE
FISCAL YEAR 2003**

Field office	Formal removals ¹	Voluntary departures ²
All Field Offices	186,151	887,115
Atlanta, GA	3,647	1,918
Baltimore, MD	4,546	416
Boston, MA	1,979	2,379
Buffalo, NY	1,366	375
Chicago, IL	5,279	1,404
Dallas, TX	5,378	2,966
Denver, CO	4,027	2,914
Detroit, MI	1,500	1,695
El Paso, TX	11,431	93,811
Houston, TX	11,144	1,759
Los Angeles, CA	13,116	6,435
Miami, FL	7,695	6,074
New Orleans, LA	4,339	552
New York, NY	2,877	162
Newark, NJ	3,162	271
Phoenix, AZ	32,609	395,757
San Antonio, TX	15,372	165,005
San Diego, CA	40,325	195,678
San Francisco, CA	7,355	3,625
Seattle, WA	4,321	2,249
St. Paul, MN	3,342	1,408
Washington, DC	1,341	262

¹ Formal removals include deportations, exclusions, and removals. See text for further information about the different types of formal removals.

² Voluntary departures include aliens under docket control required to depart and voluntary departures not under docket control.

**TABLE 42. ALIENS REMOVED BY ADMINISTRATIVE REASON FOR REMOVAL
FISCAL YEARS 1991-2003**

Year	Total	Attempted entry without proper documents or through fraud or misrepresentation	Criminal	Failed to maintain status	Previously removed, ineligible for reentry
1991	33,189	3,058	14,475	1,135	735
1992	43,671	3,630	20,098	1,076	1,008
1993	42,542	2,968	22,470	783	913
1994	45,674	3,482	24,581	716	1,052
1995	50,924	5,822	25,684	611	1,432
1996	69,680	15,412	27,655	708	2,005
1997	114,432	35,737	34,113	1,031	3,302
1998	173,146	79,290	35,946	986	7,103
1999	180,902	91,858	41,995	789	9,287
2000	185,987	89,893	41,076	729	11,653
2001	177,739	76,212	40,112	714	10,668
2002	150,084	41,295	37,723	1,226	12,809
2003	186,151	52,014	39,600	1,240	17,630

Year	Present without authorization ¹	Security	Smuggling or aiding illegal entry	Other	Unknown
1991	13,347	7	28	191	213
1992	17,403	31	177	57	191
1993	15,018	54	208	95	33
1994	15,500	57	218	51	17
1995	17,069	34	196	63	13
1996	23,522	36	275	49	18
1997	39,297	30	385	522	15
1998	48,477	15	497	816	16
1999	34,898	10	404	1,651	10
2000	40,254	13	490	1,874	5
2001	47,889	12	507	1,619	6
2002	55,322	11	572	1,101	25
2003	73,609	12	597	1,442	7

¹ Includes those aliens charged under the statutes previous to April 1, 1997 as "entered without inspection".

NOTE: The administrative reason for formal removal is the legal basis for removal. Some aliens who are criminals may be removed under a different administrative reason (or charge) for the convenience of the government. Removals include those actions known as deportation and exclusion prior to the revision of law that was effective April 1, 1997.

**TABLE 43. ALIENS REMOVED BY CRIMINAL STATUS AND REGION
AND COUNTRY OF NATIONALITY
FISCAL YEARS 1998-2003**

Region and country of nationality ¹	1998			1999			2000		
	Total	Criminal ²	Non- criminal	Total	Criminal ²	Non- criminal	Total	Criminal ²	Non- criminal
All countries	173,146	60,965	112,181	180,902	70,372	110,530	185,987	72,041	113,946
Europe	1,956	715	1,241	2,017	879	1,138	2,436	933	1,503
Albania	74	6	68	79	13	66	95	8	87
Andorra	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Armenia	36	4	32	22	14	8	13	9	4
Austria	9	4	5	18	10	8	8	4	4
Azerbaijan	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Belarus	D	-	D	-	-	-	D	D	-
Belgium	12	3	9	12	D	D	19	13	6
Bosnia-Herzegovina	D	D	D	D	-	D	3	3	-
Bulgaria	81	9	72	49	10	39	45	11	34
Croatia	8	5	3	7	4	3	10	5	5
Czech Republic	4	D	D	5	D	D	5	D	D
Czechoslovakia ³	155	16	139	122	19	103	136	26	110
Denmark	8	D	D	12	8	4	12	4	8
Estonia	5	D	D	10	D	D	14	D	D
Finland	5	D	D	8	3	5	5	D	D
France	78	24	54	77	36	41	103	32	71
Georgia	5	-	5	7	D	D	24	8	16
Germany	150	62	88	128	65	63	180	87	93
Greece	29	13	16	33	25	8	44	31	13
Hungary	38	16	22	44	7	37	42	12	30
Iceland	D	D	D	3	-	3	D	-	D
Ireland	45	17	28	32	15	17	39	16	23
Italy	99	47	52	116	71	45	135	83	52
Kazakhstan	-	-	-	8	D	D	8	-	8
Kyrgyzstan	D	D	D	3	-	3	D	D	D
Latvia	3	D	D	11	4	7	11	-	11
Lithuania	14	4	10	22	3	19	33	4	29
Luxembourg	-	-	-	-	-	-	D	-	D
Macedonia	7	D	D	15	D	D	14	3	11
Malta	-	-	-	D	D	-	D	-	D
Moldova	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	3	-
Monaco	D	D	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Netherlands	39	22	17	43	26	17	71	42	29
Norway	10	4	6	D	D	D	15	6	9
Poland	167	43	124	240	51	189	335	70	265
Portugal	96	79	17	126	106	20	128	107	21
Romania	95	18	77	78	26	52	70	13	57
Russia	95	29	66	93	33	60	117	21	96
Serbia and Montenegro ⁴	47	20	27	36	16	20	41	17	24
Slovak Republic	10	D	D	16	3	13	20	10	10
Slovenia	3	-	3	7	D	D	5	-	5
Soviet Union ³	17	9	8	16	11	5	15	9	6
Spain	61	22	39	49	30	19	58	19	39
Sweden	18	3	15	16	3	13	28	6	22
Switzerland	13	6	7	11	4	7	16	5	11
Tajikistan	-	-	-	D	-	D	-	-	-
Turkmenistan	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ukraine	35	3	32	55	12	43	73	10	63
United Kingdom	372	209	163	377	222	155	419	229	190
Uzbekistan	-	-	-	3	-	3	16	-	16
Asia	2,887	760	2,127	2,998	1,016	1,982	3,367	1,014	2,353
Afghanistan	17	5	12	28	20	8	5	D	D
Bahrain	D	-	D	D	D	D	-	-	-

See footnotes at end of table.

**TABLE 43. ALIENS REMOVED BY CRIMINAL STATUS AND REGION
AND COUNTRY OF NATIONALITY
FISCAL YEARS 1998-2003—Continued**

Region and country of nationality ¹	1998			1999			2000		
	Total	Criminal ²	Non- criminal	Total	Criminal ²	Non- criminal	Total	Criminal ²	Non- criminal
Bangladesh	82	12	70	55	15	40	78	8	70
Brunei	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Burma	D	-	D	D	D	-	8	-	8
Cambodia	21	D	D	17	-	17	10	-	10
China, People's Republic	571	79	492	424	107	317	545	100	445
Cyprus	D	-	D	3	D	D	3	D	D
Hong Kong	20	13	7	18	13	5	23	7	16
India	371	52	319	339	72	267	458	81	377
Indonesia	33	D	D	77	9	68	192	8	184
Iran	58	26	32	76	47	29	48	20	28
Iraq	13	5	8	5	D	D	11	6	5
Israel	87	35	52	126	42	84	162	57	105
Japan	53	13	40	87	28	59	103	39	64
Jordan ⁵	88	33	55	84	38	46	103	48	55
Korea	184	56	128	239	124	115	259	90	169
Kuwait	10	5	5	10	6	4	5	3	D
Laos	7	D	D	D	-	D	10	D	D
Lebanon	51	25	26	71	25	46	68	33	35
Macau	-	-	-	D	D	-	D	D	-
Malaysia	34	10	24	55	9	46	68	15	53
Maldives	-	-	-	-	-	-	D	D	D
Mongolia	D	D	D	-	-	-	D	D	D
Nepal	8	3	5	5	D	D	8	3	5
Oman	-	-	-	3	D	D	-	-	-
Pakistan	390	74	316	403	60	343	293	80	213
Philippines	508	227	281	551	297	254	495	282	213
Qatar	D	-	D	-	-	-	-	-	-
Saudi Arabia	7	D	D	5	D	D	9	3	6
Singapore	7	D	D	11	4	7	18	7	11
Sri Lanka	62	5	57	76	10	66	136	12	124
Syria	33	12	21	22	3	19	24	10	14
Taiwan	25	8	17	39	14	25	35	20	15
Thailand	61	22	39	64	31	33	79	34	45
Turkey	53	14	39	71	18	53	65	25	40
United Arab Emirates	3	D	D	3	D	D	3	D	D
Vietnam	12	7	5	13	8	5	8	5	3
Yemen	9	D	D	12	D	10	28	8	20
Africa	1,442	591	851	1,501	619	882	1,519	618	901
Algeria	31	7	24	24	6	18	34	10	24
Angola	3	-	3	D	-	D	10	D	D
Benin	7	6	D	5	5	-	5	D	D
Botswana	-	-	-	-	-	-	D	D	-
Burkina Faso	12	D	D	3	-	3	D	-	D
Burundi	3	D	D	D	-	D	3	-	3
Cameroon	23	5	18	31	11	20	25	5	20
Cape Verde	33	27	6	49	44	5	32	28	4
Central African Republic	D	D	-	-	-	-	D	D	-
Chad	D	-	D	3	-	3	D	D	-
Comoros	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Congo, Democratic Republic	14	D	D	17	D	D	20	7	13
Congo, Republic	5	D	D	12	D	D	12	-	12
Cote d'Ivoire	49	10	39	43	13	30	27	8	19
Djibouti	D	-	D	D	-	D	-	-	-
Egypt	65	22	43	82	16	66	96	25	71

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**TABLE 43. ALIENS REMOVED BY CRIMINAL STATUS AND REGION
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Region and country of nationality ¹	1998			1999			2000		
	Total	Criminal ²	Non- criminal	Total	Criminal ²	Non- criminal	Total	Criminal ²	Non- criminal
Equatorial Guinea	D	D	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Eritrea	D	D	-	-	-	-	D	D	D
Ethiopia	37	16	21	45	19	26	17	9	8
Gabon	-	-	-	D	-	D	D	-	D
Gambia, The	34	11	23	32	11	21	34	12	22
Ghana	199	57	142	201	49	152	234	49	185
Guinea	57	9	48	65	8	57	59	11	48
Guinea-Bissau	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Kenya	22	5	17	42	15	27	45	17	28
Lesotho	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Liberia	49	35	14	39	22	17	46	34	12
Libya	3	D	D	D	-	D	D	D	-
Madagascar	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Malawi	D	-	D	D	-	D	3	-	3
Mali	28	4	24	23	5	18	56	6	50
Mauritania	3	D	D	D	D	D	4	-	4
Mauritius	D	D	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Morocco	36	14	22	44	21	23	48	25	23
Mozambique	-	-	-	D	D	-	D	D	-
Namibia	D	-	D	-	-	-	-	-	-
Niger	37	17	20	33	24	9	25	18	7
Nigeria	491	284	207	466	277	189	453	273	180
Rwanda	3	-	3	5	-	5	5	-	5
Sao Tome and Principe	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Senegal	55	12	43	46	14	32	46	14	32
Seychelles	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sierra Leone	22	8	14	37	11	26	22	7	15
Somalia	22	D	D	31	4	27	47	10	37
South Africa	36	16	20	47	20	27	37	17	20
Sudan	10	3	7	12	3	9	6	3	3
Swaziland	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tanzania	7	D	D	7	D	D	11	D	D
Togo	7	3	4	12	6	6	9	3	6
Tunisia	11	D	D	13	D	D	8	D	D
Uganda	6	-	6	11	4	7	15	7	8
Zambia	3	D	D	D	D	D	6	D	D
Zimbabwe	10	D	D	6	D	D	8	D	D
Oceania	160	78	82	186	104	82	235	127	108
Australia	37	11	26	40	13	27	44	12	32
Cook Islands	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fiji	29	14	15	43	21	22	28	13	15
French Polynesia	5	D	D	D	D	D	-	-	-
Kiribati	-	-	-	D	-	D	D	D	-
Marshall Islands	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	3	-
Micronesia, Federated States	8	7	D	18	18	-	28	28	-
New Caledonia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
New Zealand	28	5	23	20	5	15	49	10	39
Palau	10	9	D	D	D	-	9	9	-
Papua New Guinea	D	D	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Samoa	7	5	D	16	12	4	13	D	D
Tonga	34	24	10	44	32	12	60	40	20
Tuvalu	D	-	D	-	-	-	-	-	-
Vanuatu	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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**TABLE 43. ALIENS REMOVED BY CRIMINAL STATUS AND REGION
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FISCAL YEARS 1998-2003—Continued**

Region and country of nationality ¹	1998			1999			2000		
	Total	Criminal ²	Non- criminal	Total	Criminal ²	Non- criminal	Total	Criminal ²	Non- criminal
North America	162,356	56,682	105,674	168,955	65,380	103,575	172,700	67,103	105,597
Canada	910	524	386	1,030	542	488	1,041	516	525
Mexico	139,392	47,945	91,447	149,729	55,294	94,435	150,576	56,831	93,745
United States	D	D	D	-	-	-	-	-	-
Caribbean	5,509	3,705	1,804	6,466	4,601	1,865	6,618	4,560	2,058
Anguilla	4	D	D	-	-	-	D	D	-
Antigua-Barbuda	38	27	11	41	33	8	33	27	6
Aruba	4	4	-	D	D	D	5	D	D
Bahamas, The	82	68	14	88	64	24	124	108	16
Barbados	51	45	6	70	65	5	58	48	10
Bermuda	6	3	3	7	7	-	5	D	D
British Virgin Islands	D	D	D	3	D	D	3	3	-
Cayman Islands	D	D	D	D	-	D	D	-	D
Cuba	33	26	7	84	75	9	86	71	15
Dominica	27	18	9	18	14	4	13	9	4
Dominican Republic	2,518	1,705	813	3,227	2,354	873	3,431	2,274	1,157
Grenada	25	17	8	28	21	7	31	22	9
Guadeloupe	D	-	D	D	D	D	D	-	D
Haiti	514	313	201	466	302	164	465	376	89
Jamaica	1,854	1,224	630	2,031	1,382	649	1,927	1,346	581
Martinique	D	D	-	D	D	-	D	D	-
Montserrat	D	D	-	8	D	D	3	3	-
Netherlands Antilles	6	4	D	D	-	-	6	4	D
Puerto Rico	20	15	5	-	-	-	-	-	-
St. Kitts-Nevis	27	22	5	15	D	D	19	D	D
St. Lucia	22	13	9	27	20	7	30	20	10
St. Vincent and the Grenadines	265	190	75	29	19	10	21	13	8
Trinidad and Tobago	6	D	D	310	214	96	350	207	143
Turks and Caicos Islands	-	-	-	5	D	D	3	3	-
Central America	16,543	4,507	12,036	11,730	4,943	6,787	14,465	5,196	9,269
Belize	181	114	67	186	137	49	169	125	44
Costa Rica	162	42	120	211	69	142	314	56	258
El Salvador	5,348	1,772	3,576	4,008	2,073	1,935	4,572	2,083	2,489
Guatemala	5,152	1,018	4,134	3,393	1,062	2,331	4,175	1,161	3,014
Honduras	5,145	1,236	3,909	3,366	1,217	2,149	4,629	1,401	3,228
Nicaragua	411	215	196	401	256	145	455	261	194
Panama	144	110	34	165	129	36	151	109	42
South America	4,326	2,135	2,191	5,223	2,368	2,855	5,689	2,238	3,451
Argentina	71	43	28	98	56	42	138	40	98
Bolivia	189	25	164	195	28	167	91	24	67
Brazil	349	48	301	628	51	577	1,091	71	1,020
Chile	113	52	61	128	66	62	155	51	104
Colombia	1,812	1,367	445	2,083	1,533	550	2,069	1,413	656
Ecuador	658	150	508	788	174	614	866	188	678
Falkland Islands	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
French Guiana	D	D	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Guyana	252	147	105	288	132	156	241	88	153
Paraguay	7	D	6	21	-	21	14	D	D
Peru	595	178	417	734	197	537	726	218	508
Suriname	5	D	D	8	5	3	5	5	-
Uruguay	30	11	19	35	15	20	47	14	33
Venezuela	244	110	134	217	111	106	246	125	121
Stateless	D	-	D	3	D	D	9	D	D
Unknown or not reported	18	4	14	19	5	14	32	7	25

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Region and country of nationality ¹	2001			2002			2003		
	Total	Criminal ²	Non- criminal	Total	Criminal ²	Non- criminal	Total	Criminal ²	Non- criminal
All countries	177,739	72,329	105,410	150,084	71,530	78,554	186,151	79,395	106,756
Europe	2,511	882	1,629	3,135	936	2,199	3,057	1,049	2,008
Albania	107	14	93	94	10	84	150	17	133
Andorra	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Armenia	28	10	18	32	4	28	61	15	46
Austria	16	4	12	22	4	18	16	3	13
Azerbaijan	D	-	D	3	D	D	D	D	-
Belarus	4	-	4	5	D	D	6	D	D
Belgium	12	5	7	22	6	16	25	14	11
Bosnia-Herzegovina	8	5	3	8	D	D	21	17	4
Bulgaria	44	14	30	51	15	36	48	11	37
Croatia	9	D	D	10	3	7	12	7	5
Czech Republic	17	D	D	24	4	20	14	D	D
Czechoslovakia ³	129	25	104	221	25	196	155	23	132
Denmark	10	3	7	16	D	D	16	4	12
Estonia	16	D	D	26	D	D	14	D	D
Finland	6	D	D	8	4	4	5	D	D
France	95	35	60	169	50	119	151	41	110
Georgia	27	8	19	29	7	22	60	16	44
Germany	139	58	81	154	67	87	168	72	96
Greece	36	20	16	43	17	26	45	23	22
Hungary	85	17	68	121	13	108	94	20	74
Iceland	-	-	-	D	D	D	D	D	D
Ireland	57	17	40	68	15	53	69	17	52
Italy	128	71	57	125	58	67	128	63	65
Kazakhstan	D	D	-	14	3	11	13	3	10
Kyrgyzstan	D	D	-	3	-	3	D	D	D
Latvia	16	3	13	13	D	D	19	D	D
Lithuania	37	6	31	63	10	53	71	10	61
Luxembourg	D	D	D	-	-	-	-	-	-
Macedonia	22	-	22	22	6	16	22	D	D
Malta	D	D	-	D	-	D	-	-	-
Moldova	4	-	4	5	D	D	7	D	D
Monaco	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Netherlands	74	39	35	91	46	45	102	67	35
Norway	11	5	6	6	-	6	14	6	8
Poland	355	81	274	358	88	270	262	64	198
Portugal	107	82	25	119	68	51	96	71	25
Romania	89	24	65	99	37	62	102	35	67
Russia	95	49	46	143	37	106	163	56	107
Serbia and Montenegro ⁴	71	30	41	55	14	41	73	25	48
Slovak Republic	20	3	17	38	9	29	36	D	D
Slovenia	8	D	D	D	D	D	7	D	D
Soviet Union ³	6	3	3	12	9	3	9	6	3
Spain	61	24	37	78	31	47	90	46	44
Sweden	27	6	21	33	D	D	33	9	24
Switzerland	12	3	9	23	6	17	17	6	11
Tajikistan	-	-	-	D	-	D	D	D	-
Turkmenistan	-	-	-	-	-	-	D	-	D
Ukraine	123	15	108	168	15	153	170	25	145
United Kingdom	362	186	176	489	233	256	443	236	207
Uzbekistan	31	4	27	46	4	42	41	D	D
Asia	3,236	1,012	2,224	4,431	1,213	3,218	4,882	1,373	3,509
Afghanistan	10	3	7	12	5	7	68	29	39
Bahrain	D	-	D	3	-	3	3	-	3

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Region and country of nationality ¹	2001			2002			2003		
	Total	Criminal ²	Non- criminal	Total	Criminal ²	Non- criminal	Total	Criminal ²	Non- criminal
Bangladesh	70	15	55	91	9	82	88	23	65
Brunei	D	-	D	-	-	-	-	-	-
Burma	D	D	D	3	D	D	D	D	D
Cambodia	18	D	16	22	18	4	58	49	9
China, People's Republic	502	115	387	491	126	365	681	140	541
Cyprus	3	D	D	3	D	D	D	D	D
Hong Kong	20	13	7	18	10	8	20	7	13
India	383	72	311	447	90	357	535	109	426
Indonesia	225	14	211	182	18	164	215	12	203
Iran	40	20	20	54	22	32	57	20	37
Iraq	6	D	D	7	D	D	19	D	D
Israel	130	34	96	170	40	130	146	43	103
Japan	112	56	56	99	30	69	103	30	73
Jordan ⁵	82	46	36	202	80	122	244	100	144
Korea	265	110	155	306	124	182	299	87	212
Kuwait	11	5	6	12	5	7	20	11	9
Laos	9	6	3	6	-	6	7	D	D
Lebanon	50	17	33	119	42	77	130	50	80
Macau	-	-	-	D	-	D	-	-	-
Malaysia	87	15	72	97	16	81	72	19	53
Maldives	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mongolia	7	D	D	18	3	15	39	D	D
Nepal	12	D	D	21	D	D	31	D	D
Oman	3	D	D	D	D	D	D	-	D
Pakistan	346	58	288	812	130	682	728	148	580
Philippines	465	287	178	724	308	416	765	349	416
Qatar	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Saudi Arabia	16	8	8	35	10	25	42	11	31
Singapore	27	9	18	30	3	27	21	11	10
Sri Lanka	83	7	76	59	6	53	68	9	59
Syria	29	6	23	56	19	37	53	13	40
Taiwan	43	27	16	57	19	38	66	19	47
Thailand	74	32	42	73	26	47	87	29	58
Turkey	71	10	61	127	27	100	131	24	107
United Arab Emirates	3	D	D	5	D	D	5	D	D
Vietnam	9	7	D	14	5	9	18	5	13
Yemen	19	7	12	51	14	37	53	15	38
Africa	1,439	573	866	2,024	692	1,332	2,264	843	1,421
Algeria	18	7	11	38	8	30	44	14	30
Angola	8	4	4	11	D	D	10	D	D
Benin	D	D	-	D	D	-	5	D	D
Botswana	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Burkina Faso	3	D	D	7	-	7	9	D	D
Burundi	D	-	D	D	-	D	5	D	D
Cameroon	13	5	8	27	7	20	38	4	34
Cape Verde	46	36	10	47	37	10	35	32	3
Central African Republic	D	D	D	D	-	D	D	-	D
Chad	3	D	D	3	D	D	D	D	D
Comoros	-	-	-	D	-	D	-	-	-
Congo, Democratic Republic	6	3	3	23	7	16	10	5	5
Congo, Republic	13	-	13	18	D	D	23	D	D
Cote d'Ivoire	24	10	14	35	8	27	43	14	29
Djibouti	3	-	3	D	-	D	D	-	D
Egypt	93	15	78	283	69	214	269	50	219
Equatorial Guinea	-	-	-	-	-	-	D	D	-

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Region and country of nationality ¹	2001			2002			2003		
	Total	Criminal ²	Non- criminal	Total	Criminal ²	Non- criminal	Total	Criminal ²	Non- criminal
Eritrea	5	-	5	12	D	D	12	4	8
Ethiopia	21	12	9	26	12	14	57	26	31
Gabon	D	D	D	-	-	-	D	-	D
Gambia, The	40	15	25	41	17	24	73	25	48
Ghana	214	47	167	210	40	170	274	63	211
Guinea	57	11	46	55	13	42	62	19	43
Guinea-Bissau	-	-	-	D	D	-	-	-	-
Kenya	47	19	28	89	35	54	99	42	57
Lesotho	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Liberia	42	30	12	36	27	9	26	19	7
Libya	D	D	-	D	D	D	D	D	D
Madagascar	D	D	D	D	-	D	-	-	-
Malawi	D	D	-	5	-	5	4	-	4
Mali	40	D	D	45	3	42	26	D	D
Mauritania	D	D	D	13	D	D	13	-	13
Mauritius	D	D	-	D	-	D	-	-	-
Morocco	34	17	17	114	33	81	111	54	57
Mozambique	D	D	-	D	D	-	-	-	-
Namibia	-	-	-	D	D	-	-	-	-
Niger	23	11	12	28	16	12	34	11	23
Nigeria	413	241	172	464	236	228	585	328	257
Rwanda	-	-	-	3	D	D	3	-	3
Sao Tome and Principe	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Senegal	66	15	51	92	19	73	84	13	71
Seychelles	D	D	-	-	-	-	D	-	D
Sierra Leone	34	10	24	43	19	24	55	30	25
Somalia	33	7	26	37	23	14	15	4	11
South Africa	34	15	19	47	15	32	56	26	30
Sudan	8	D	D	21	D	D	27	8	19
Swaziland	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tanzania	11	5	6	14	D	D	29	12	17
Togo	9	4	5	11	D	D	12	D	D
Tunisia	13	3	10	53	8	45	49	10	39
Uganda	17	8	9	21	10	11	24	6	18
Zambia	10	D	D	12	4	8	16	5	11
Zimbabwe	17	3	14	24	8	16	16	4	12
Oceania	302	141	161	411	139	272	332	137	195
Australia	90	18	72	160	19	141	108	16	92
Cook Islands	-	-	-	D	-	D	-	-	-
Fiji	35	16	19	32	19	13	38	19	19
French Polynesia	3	D	D	3	-	3	D	-	D
Kiribati	D	D	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Marshall Islands	4	4	-	4	4	-	6	6	-
Micronesia, Federated States	36	D	D	32	D	D	28	D	D
New Caledonia	-	-	-	-	-	-	D	D	-
New Zealand	61	12	49	111	19	92	80	16	64
Palau	9	D	D	6	6	-	7	7	-
Papua New Guinea	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Samoa	10	D	D	24	15	9	19	13	6
Tonga	51	36	15	38	26	12	44	32	12
Tuvalu	D	D	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Vanuatu	D	-	D	-	-	-	-	-	-

See footnotes at end of table.

**TABLE 43. ALIENS REMOVED BY CRIMINAL STATUS AND REGION
AND COUNTRY OF NATIONALITY
FISCAL YEARS 1998-2003—Continued**

Region and country of nationality ¹	2001			2002			2003		
	Total	Criminal ²	Non- criminal	Total	Criminal ²	Non- criminal	Total	Criminal ²	Non- criminal
North America	163,497	67,514	95,983	132,133	66,041	66,092	166,530	73,554	92,976
Canada	1,126	652	474	996	561	435	814	418	396
Mexico	141,468	57,705	83,763	109,478	56,190	53,288	137,819	62,518	75,301
United States	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Caribbean	7,235	4,331	2,904	7,023	4,423	2,600	7,195	4,713	2,482
Anguilla	D	D	-	3	D	D	-	-	-
Antigua-Barbuda	34	26	8	40	35	5	41	33	8
Aruba	3	3	-	D	D	D	D	D	-
Bahamas, The	108	92	16	132	100	32	157	124	33
Barbados	48	34	14	54	48	6	60	50	10
Bermuda	12	D	D	11	D	D	13	11	D
British Virgin Islands	8	D	D	4	D	D	4	4	-
Cayman Islands	D	D	D	-	-	-	D	D	D
Cuba	84	77	7	67	58	9	51	33	18
Dominica	18	11	7	29	24	5	18	17	D
Dominican Republic	3,960	2,151	1,809	3,514	2,010	1,504	3,284	2,139	1,145
Grenada	22	12	10	26	20	6	23	15	8
Guadeloupe	D	-	D	D	D	D	3	3	-
Haiti	462	361	101	475	297	178	1,032	516	516
Jamaica	2,020	1,302	718	2,154	1,543	611	1,999	1,480	519
Martinique	7	D	D	4	D	D	D	D	-
Montserrat	D	D	-	4	4	-	D	D	-
Netherlands Antilles	4	4	-	3	3	-	4	4	-
Puerto Rico	-	-	-	-	-	-	D	-	D
St. Kitts-Nevis	20	20	-	27	24	3	24	D	D
St. Lucia	23	13	10	30	19	11	34	24	10
St. Vincent and the Grenadines	35	18	17	39	26	13	23	16	7
Trinidad and Tobago	355	182	173	399	192	207	411	214	197
Turks and Caicos Islands	4	4	-	D	D	D	7	3	4
Central America	13,668	4,826	8,842	14,636	4,867	9,769	20,702	5,905	14,797
Belize	180	108	72	177	115	62	166	113	53
Costa Rica	385	64	321	363	56	307	456	61	395
El Salvador	3,765	1,839	1,926	3,861	1,724	2,137	4,933	1,982	2,951
Guatemala	4,292	1,109	3,183	4,861	1,188	3,673	6,674	1,483	5,191
Honduras	4,392	1,342	3,050	4,775	1,427	3,348	7,700	1,862	5,838
Nicaragua	498	255	243	440	248	192	632	307	325
Panama	156	109	47	159	109	50	141	97	44
South America	6,734	2,203	4,531	7,915	2,504	5,411	9,066	2,431	6,635
Argentina	250	54	196	496	67	429	524	86	438
Bolivia	238	16	222	237	24	213	250	36	214
Brazil	1,657	81	1,576	2,554	130	2,424	3,797	210	3,587
Chile	198	60	138	162	42	120	210	61	149
Colombia	2,198	1,461	737	2,212	1,481	731	2,081	1,319	762
Ecuador	918	166	752	692	159	533	612	178	434
Falkland Islands	D	D	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
French Guiana	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Guyana	130	41	89	316	241	75	338	180	158
Paraguay	12	D	D	19	-	19	30	4	26
Peru	789	175	614	864	205	659	783	196	587
Suriname	D	D	D	6	D	D	9	6	3
Uruguay	48	11	37	82	15	67	152	24	128
Venezuela	291	135	156	275	136	139	280	131	149
Stateless	4	-	4	6	D	D	3	D	D
Unknown or not reported	16	4	12	29	4	25	17	7	10

¹ Country is defined as nationality for sovereign states and country of birth for dependencies. ² Criminal status includes those cases in which DHS has evidence of a conviction. ³ Data are for unknown republic only; independent republics shown separately. See Notice of Special Geographic Definitions. ⁴ Yugoslavia (unknown republic) prior to February 7, 2003. See Notice of Special Geographic Definitions. ⁵ Includes Palestine.

- Represents zero. D Disclosure standards not met.

**TABLE 44. ALIENS EXCLUDED BY ADMINISTRATIVE REASON FOR EXCLUSION
FISCAL YEARS 1892-1990**

Year	Total	Subversive or anarchist	Criminal or narcotics violations	Immoral	Mental or physical defect	Likely to become public charge	Stowaway	Attempted entry without inspection or without proper documents	Contract laborer	Unable to read (over 16 years of age)	Other
1892-1990	650,252	1,369	17,465	8,209	82,590	219,399	16,240	204,943	41,941	13,679	44,417
1892-1900	22,515	-	65	89	1,309	15,070	-	-	5,792	-	190
1901-10	108,211	10	1,681	1,277	24,425	63,311	-	-	12,991	-	4,516
1911-20	178,109	27	4,353	4,824	42,129	90,045	1,904	-	15,417	5,083	14,327
1921-30	189,307	9	2,082	1,281	11,044	37,175	8,447	94,084	6,274	8,202	20,709
1931-40	68,217	5	1,261	253	1,530	12,519	2,126	47,858	1,235	258	1,172
1941-50	30,263	60	1,134	80	1,021	1,072	3,182	22,441	219	108	946
1951-60	20,585	1,098	2,017	361	956	149	376	14,657	13	26	932
1961-70	4,831	128	383	24	145	27	175	3,706	-	2	241
1971-80	8,455	32	814	20	31	31	30	7,237	-	-	260
1981-90	19,759	NA	3,675	NA	NA	NA	NA	14,960	-	-	1,124
1981	659	NA	152	NA	NA	NA	NA	486	-	-	21
1982	698	NA	183	NA	NA	NA	NA	478	-	-	37
1983	979	NA	205	NA	NA	NA	NA	728	-	-	46
1984	1,089	NA	160	NA	NA	NA	NA	870	-	-	59
1985	1,747	NA	297	NA	NA	NA	NA	1,351	-	-	99
1986	2,278	NA	270	NA	NA	NA	NA	1,904	-	-	104
1987	1,994	NA	426	NA	NA	NA	NA	1,423	-	-	145
1988	2,693	NA	482	NA	NA	NA	NA	2,043	-	-	168
1989	3,893	NA	712	NA	NA	NA	NA	2,973	-	-	208
1990	3,729	NA	788	NA	NA	NA	NA	2,704	-	-	237

NOTE: From 1941-53, figures represent all exclusions at sea and air ports and exclusions of aliens seeking entry for 30 days or longer at land ports. After 1953, includes aliens excluded after formal hearings. See Glossary for fiscal year definitions.

- Represents zero. NA Not available.

**TABLE 45. ALIENS DEPORTED BY ADMINISTRATIVE REASON FOR REMOVAL
FISCAL YEARS 1908-80**

Year	Total	Subver- sive or anarchist	Criminal viola- tions	Immoral	Narcotics viola- tions	Mental or physical defect	Previ- ously excluded or deported	Failed to maintain or comply with con- ditions of nonim- migrant status	Entered without proper docu- ments	Entered without inspec- tion or by false state- ments	Public charge	Unable to read (over 16 years of age)	Other
1908-80	812,915	1,528	48,330	16,582	8,339	27,305	41,022	124,465	154,896	334,889	22,556	16,762	16,241
1908-10	6,888	-	236	784	-	3,228	-	-	-	1,106	474	-	1,060
1911-20	27,912	353	1,209	4,324	-	6,364	178	-	-	4,128	9,086	704	1,566
1921-30	92,157	642	8,383	4,238	374	8,936	1,842	5,556	31,704	5,265	10,703	5,977	8,537
1931-40	117,086	253	16,597	4,838	1,108	6,301	9,729	14,669	45,480	5,159	1,886	8,329	2,737
1941-50	110,849	17	8,945	759	822	1,560	17,642	13,906	14,288	50,209	143	1,746	812
1951-60	129,887	230	6,742	1,175	947	642	4,002	25,260	35,090	54,457	225	5	1,112
1961-70	96,374	15	3,694	397	1,462	236	3,601	31,334	11,831	43,561	8	-	235
1971-80	231,762	18	2,524	67	3,626	38	4,028	33,740	16,503	171,004	31	1	182
1971	17,639	2	286	9	232	7	476	4,140	2,979	9,483	4	-	21
1972	16,266	2	266	7	307	3	487	3,966	2,710	8,486	6	-	26
1973	16,842	7	226	7	395	7	594	3,989	2,247	9,342	4	-	24
1974	18,824	3	191	7	396	7	440	3,839	2,086	11,839	2	-	14
1975	23,438	-	225	4	583	6	526	3,649	1,896	16,529	1	-	19
1976	27,998	1	272	8	464	2	481	3,782	1,185	21,777	1	1	24
1976, TQ ¹	8,927	-	83	2	110	-	141	1,007	271	7,304	3	-	6
1977	30,228	3	285	6	372	3	315	3,150	1,066	25,012	1	-	15
1978	28,371	-	220	4	314	1	236	2,543	871	24,165	5	-	12
1979	25,888	-	264	9	265	2	202	1,901	707	22,525	3	-	10
1980	17,341	-	206	4	188	-	130	1,774	485	14,542	1	-	11

¹ Transition quarter, July 1 through September 30, 1976.

NOTE: Deportation statistics by administrative reason for removal were not available prior to fiscal year 1908. See Glossary for fiscal year definitions.

- Represents zero.

**TABLE 46. ALIENS DEPORTED BY ADMINISTRATIVE REASON FOR REMOVAL
FISCAL YEARS 1981-90**

Year	Total	Convictions for criminal or narcotics violations	Related to criminal or narcotics violations	Entered without inspection	Violation of nonim- migrant status	Other
1981-90	213,071	30,630	1,972	155,405	15,982	9,082
1981	16,720	310	54	13,601	1,959	796
1982	14,518	413	64	11,554	1,796	691
1983	18,232	863	93	14,318	1,958	1,000
1984	17,607	981	80	14,082	1,702	762
1985	21,358	1,551	151	16,957	1,916	783
1986	22,314	1,708	165	17,812	1,865	764
1987	22,342	4,111	274	15,833	1,273	851
1988	23,136	5,474	308	15,337	996	1,021
1989	30,534	7,036	343	20,706	1,265	1,184
1990	26,310	8,183	440	15,205	1,252	1,230

NOTE: The definition of which aliens counted as criminal aliens changed in 1990. See Enforcement section of text.

**TABLE 47. ALIENS UNDER DOCKET CONTROL REQUIRED TO DEPART BY CRIMINAL STATUS
AND REGION AND COUNTRY OF NATIONALITY
FISCAL YEARS 1998-2003**

Region and country of nationality ¹	1998			1999			2000		
	Total	Criminal ²	Non- criminal	Total	Criminal ²	Non- criminal	Total	Criminal ²	Non- criminal
All countries	9,515	1,200	8,315	8,440	1,199	7,241	7,443	1,386	6,057
Europe	460	24	436	431	39	392	391	44	347
Albania	5	-	5	9	-	9	26	D	D
Armenia	10	D	D	13	D	D	8	3	D
Austria	D	-	D	D	-	D	D	-	D
Azerbaijan	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Belarus	3	-	3	D	-	D	3	-	3
Belgium	-	-	-	4	D	D	D	-	D
Bosnia-Herzegovina	D	-	D	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bulgaria	20	D	D	25	-	25	14	D	D
Croatia	5	D	D	D	-	D	3	-	3
Czech Republic	5	-	5	D	-	D	14	-	14
Czechoslovakia ³	42	-	42	45	D	D	24	D	D
Denmark	D	-	D	D	D	D	D	D	-
Estonia	4	-	4	7	4	3	D	-	D
Finland	-	-	-	3	D	D	-	-	-
France	13	D	D	14	-	14	8	D	D
Georgia	6	-	6	3	-	3	11	D	D
Germany	24	D	D	24	5	19	16	D	D
Greece	6	-	6	3	-	3	8	5	3
Hungary	9	-	9	7	D	D	10	D	D
Iceland	-	-	-	D	-	D	-	-	-
Ireland	3	-	3	5	D	D	3	D	D
Italy	4	D	D	14	D	D	4	-	4
Kazakhstan	D	-	D	7	D	D	9	-	9
Kyrgyzstan	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	4
Latvia	D	-	D	-	-	-	D	D	-
Lithuania	8	-	8	3	-	3	D	-	D
Macedonia	D	-	D	4	-	4	4	-	4
Malta	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Moldova	D	-	D	-	-	-	D	-	D
Monaco	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Netherlands	4	-	4	4	D	D	D	D	D
Norway	D	-	D	-	-	-	-	-	-
Poland	47	3	44	41	3	38	40	3	37
Portugal	11	D	D	11	D	D	6	3	3
Romania	50	-	50	32	D	D	24	D	D
Russia	61	D	D	60	6	54	51	5	46
Serbia and Montenegro ⁴	17	D	D	8	D	D	15	D	D
Slovak Republic	9	-	9	D	-	D	D	-	D
Slovenia	-	-	-	D	-	D	-	-	-
Soviet Union ³	7	-	7	5	D	D	3	-	3
Spain	4	-	4	3	-	3	D	D	D
Sweden	8	D	D	D	-	D	3	-	3
Switzerland	5	-	5	4	-	4	5	-	5
Tajikistan	-	-	-	-	-	-	D	-	D
Turkmenistan	D	-	D	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ukraine	20	-	20	22	-	22	18	-	18
United Kingdom	36	7	29	34	4	30	38	7	31
Uzbekistan	D	-	D	3	-	3	3	D	D
Asia	860	54	806	716	58	658	623	61	562
Afghanistan	52	D	D	23	-	23	7	-	7

See footnotes at end of table.

**TABLE 47. ALIENS UNDER DOCKET CONTROL REQUIRED TO DEPART BY CRIMINAL STATUS
AND REGION AND COUNTRY OF NATIONALITY
FISCAL YEARS 1998-2003—Continued**

Region and country of nationality ¹	1998			1999			2000		
	Total	Criminal ²	Non- criminal	Total	Criminal ²	Non- criminal	Total	Criminal ²	Non- criminal
Bahrain	-	-	-	-	-	-	D	-	D
Bangladesh	37	3	34	36	D	D	20	-	20
Bhutan	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Burma	D	-	D	D	-	D	D	-	D
Cambodia	4	D	D	3	-	3	D	D	D
China, People's Republic	58	7	51	57	3	54	51	3	48
Cyprus	D	-	D	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hong Kong	D	-	D	3	-	3	4	-	4
India	74	3	71	100	8	92	59	4	55
Indonesia	15	-	15	9	-	9	24	D	D
Iran	24	5	19	19	D	D	18	5	13
Iraq	D	-	D	6	D	D	D	D	D
Israel	28	D	D	17	4	13	34	4	30
Japan	13	D	D	8	D	D	18	-	18
Jordan ⁵	24	D	D	27	D	D	24	3	21
Korea	45	4	41	52	7	45	57	5	52
Kuwait	D	-	D	3	-	3	4	-	4
Laos	7	D	D	6	D	D	5	D	D
Lebanon	10	D	D	12	D	D	13	3	10
Macau	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Malaysia	17	D	D	15	3	12	15	-	15
Maldives	-	-	-	-	-	-	D	-	D
Mongolia	-	-	-	3	D	D	4	D	D
Nepal	5	D	D	-	-	-	-	-	-
Oman	-	-	-	69	4	65	61	8	53
Pakistan	64	3	61	115	8	107	87	9	78
Philippines	152	8	144	-	-	-	-	-	-
Saudi Arabia	8	3	5	5	-	5	4	-	4
Singapore	7	-	7	D	-	D	-	-	-
Sri Lanka	142	3	139	67	D	D	45	3	42
Syria	6	-	6	9	-	9	9	D	D
Taiwan	4	D	D	11	D	D	13	-	13
Thailand	17	D	D	17	D	D	17	D	D
Turkey	16	D	D	16	D	D	13	D	D
United Arab Emirates	-	-	-	-	-	-	D	-	D
Vietnam	D	D	-	4	D	D	6	4	D
Yemen	21	-	21	D	D	D	D	-	D
Africa	391	16	375	259	23	236	121	21	100
Algeria	6	-	6	7	-	7	D	-	D
Angola	4	-	4	3	-	3	4	-	4
Benin	D	-	D	-	-	-	D	-	D
Burkina Faso	D	-	D	D	-	D	-	-	-
Burundi	-	-	-	D	-	D	-	-	-
Cameroon	5	D	D	D	-	D	5	D	D
Cape Verde	7	D	D	-	-	-	-	-	-
Central African Republic	-	-	-	D	-	D	-	-	-
Chad	19	-	19	5	-	5	-	-	-
Congo, Democratic Republic	36	-	36	6	-	6	D	-	D
Congo, Republic	4	-	4	5	-	5	-	-	-
Cote d'Ivoire	3	-	3	3	-	3	-	-	-
Djibouti	4	-	4	D	-	D	D	-	D
Egypt	20	D	D	27	4	23	18	3	15

See footnotes at end of table.

**TABLE 47. ALIENS UNDER DOCKET CONTROL REQUIRED TO DEPART BY CRIMINAL STATUS
AND REGION AND COUNTRY OF NATIONALITY
FISCAL YEARS 1998-2003—Continued**

Region and country of nationality ¹	1998			1999			2000		
	Total	Criminal ²	Non- criminal	Total	Criminal ²	Non- criminal	Total	Criminal ²	Non- criminal
Eritrea	18	-	18	9	-	9	D	-	D
Ethiopia	39	D	D	25	D	D	5	-	5
Gabon	-	-	-	D	-	D	-	-	-
Gambia, The	-	-	-	D	-	D	D	-	D
Ghana	11	D	D	15	4	11	13	-	13
Guinea	4	-	4	4	D	D	D	-	D
Guinea-Bissau	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Kenya	18	-	18	9	D	D	D	-	D
Lesotho	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Liberia	3	-	3	D	-	D	3	D	D
Libya	-	-	-	-	-	-	D	-	D
Malawi	-	-	-	-	-	-	D	D	-
Mali	D	-	D	-	-	-	D	-	D
Mauritania	-	-	-	-	-	-	D	-	D
Mauritius	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Morocco	7	D	D	D	-	D	3	D	D
Namibia	-	-	-	D	-	D	-	-	-
Niger	5	-	5	6	-	6	-	-	-
Nigeria	32	6	26	43	9	34	21	8	13
Rwanda	D	-	D	D	-	D	-	-	-
Senegal	4	-	4	7	-	7	7	3	4
Sierra Leone	D	-	D	7	-	7	-	-	-
Somalia	78	-	78	27	-	27	-	-	-
South Africa	10	D	D	10	-	10	12	-	12
Sudan	32	-	32	13	-	13	D	-	D
Tanzania	D	-	D	3	-	3	D	-	D
Togo	3	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tunisia	6	-	6	3	D	D	D	-	D
Uganda	3	-	3	4	-	4	3	D	D
Zambia	-	-	-	D	-	D	-	-	-
Zimbabwe	D	-	D	D	D	D	6	-	6
Oceania	40	D	D	47	D	D	34	5	29
American Samoa	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Australia	16	-	16	12	-	12	9	D	D
Cook Islands	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fiji	9	D	D	17	-	17	9	-	9
French Polynesia	4	-	4	-	-	-	D	-	D
Kiribati	D	-	D	D	-	D	-	-	-
Micronesia, Federated States	-	-	-	D	D	-	D	D	-
New Zealand	4	-	4	10	-	10	8	-	8
Palau	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Papua New Guinea	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Samoa	-	-	-	6	D	D	D	D	D
Solomon Islands	D	-	D	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tonga	4	-	4	-	-	-	3	D	D
Vanuatu	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
North America	7,289	1,057	6,232	6,455	1,010	5,445	5,913	1,197	4,716
Canada	88	21	67	106	27	79	95	22	73
Mexico	5,261	864	4,397	4,877	757	4,120	4,326	934	3,392
United States	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

See footnotes at end of table.

**TABLE 47. ALIENS UNDER DOCKET CONTROL REQUIRED TO DEPART BY CRIMINAL STATUS
AND REGION AND COUNTRY OF NATIONALITY
FISCAL YEARS 1998-2003—Continued**

Region and country of nationality ¹	1998			1999			2000		
	Total	Criminal ²	Non- criminal	Total	Criminal ²	Non- criminal	Total	Criminal ²	Non- criminal
Caribbean	561	83	478	550	136	414	576	137	439
Antigua-Barbuda	3	D	D	3	-	3	3	D	D
Aruba	-	-	-	D	D	-	-	-	-
Bahamas, The	6	-	6	7	D	D	D	D	D
Barbados	D	D	D	4	D	D	D	-	D
Bermuda	D	-	D	-	-	-	-	-	-
British Virgin Islands	4	-	4	D	-	D	-	-	-
Cayman Islands	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cuba	30	21	9	34	19	15	26	21	5
Dominica	8	D	D	7	D	D	D	-	D
Dominican Republic	373	32	341	352	67	285	427	64	363
Grenada	6	-	6	-	-	-	D	-	D
Guadeloupe	D	-	D	-	-	-	-	-	-
Haiti	25	D	D	23	7	16	18	10	8
Jamaica	63	18	45	79	38	41	66	28	38
Montserrat	-	-	-	-	D	D	-	D	D
Netherlands Antilles	-	-	-	-	D	D	-	D	D
St. Kitts-Nevis	D	-	D	D	-	D	D	-	D
St. Lucia	3	-	3	4	D	D	D	-	D
St. Vincent and the Grenadines	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	D	D
Trinidad and Tobago	32	6	26	33	-	33	25	11	14
Turks and Caicos Islands	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Central America	1,379	89	1,290	922	90	832	916	104	812
Belize	14	4	10	13	3	10	4	D	D
Costa Rica	23	D	D	21	-	21	21	D	D
El Salvador	575	38	537	424	47	377	356	48	308
Guatemala	435	20	415	318	20	298	334	23	311
Honduras	292	21	271	107	13	94	172	20	152
Nicaragua	31	3	28	28	4	24	15	6	9
Panama	9	D	D	11	3	8	14	4	10
South America	470	47	423	517	67	450	358	58	300
Argentina	23	D	D	21	6	15	8	3	5
Bolivia	24	-	24	12	3	9	10	-	10
Brazil	59	D	D	55	3	52	46	6	40
Chile	20	4	16	19	D	D	10	D	D
Colombia	119	18	101	100	27	73	72	21	51
Ecuador	86	4	82	98	10	88	49	3	46
Guyana	8	D	D	13	5	8	7	D	D
Paraguay	4	D	D	D	-	D	D	-	D
Peru	89	11	78	148	9	139	111	11	100
Suriname	D	-	D	D	-	D	3	-	3
Uruguay	D	-	D	6	-	6	4	-	4
Venezuela	35	5	30	41	D	D	36	11	25
Stateless	3	-	3	13	-	13	-	-	-
Unknown or not reported	D	D	D	D	-	D	3	-	3

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**TABLE 47. ALIENS UNDER DOCKET CONTROL REQUIRED TO DEPART BY CRIMINAL STATUS
AND REGION AND COUNTRY OF NATIONALITY
FISCAL YEARS 1998-2003—Continued**

Region and country of nationality ¹	2001			2002			2003		
	Total	Criminal ²	Non- criminal	Total	Criminal ²	Non- criminal	Total	Criminal ²	Non- criminal
All countries	6,898	1,492	5,406	8,137	1,374	6,763	9,228	1,140	8,088
Europe	310	43	267	369	43	326	438	40	398
Albania	6	-	6	16	-	16	20	3	17
Armenia	7	D	D	10	-	10	11	D	D
Austria	3	D	D	-	-	-	D	-	D
Azerbaijan	-	-	-	-	-	-	D	-	D
Belarus	3	-	3	D	-	D	7	-	7
Belgium	D	-	D	D	-	D	-	-	-
Bosnia-Herzegovina	-	-	-	D	D	D	D	-	D
Bulgaria	6	D	D	17	-	17	18	-	18
Croatia	-	-	-	D	D	-	D	-	D
Czech Republic	9	-	9	6	D	D	8	-	8
Czechoslovakia ³	21	3	18	52	D	D	44	D	D
Denmark	D	-	D	D	-	D	-	-	-
Estonia	D	-	D	3	D	D	5	D	D
Finland	D	-	D	D	-	D	-	-	-
France	3	-	3	4	-	4	5	-	5
Georgia	7	D	D	4	-	4	8	-	8
Germany	15	D	D	13	D	D	13	D	D
Greece	3	-	3	5	D	D	8	D	D
Hungary	25	-	25	20	D	D	18	D	D
Iceland	-	-	-	-	-	-	D	-	D
Ireland	5	-	5	4	D	D	7	D	D
Italy	9	3	6	4	D	D	9	3	6
Kazakhstan	D	-	D	D	-	D	3	-	3
Kyrgyzstan	-	-	-	4	-	4	-	-	-
Latvia	D	-	D	5	-	5	3	D	D
Lithuania	5	-	5	17	4	13	5	-	5
Macedonia	D	-	D	D	-	D	4	-	4
Malta	-	-	-	D	D	-	-	-	-
Moldova	-	-	-	D	D	-	D	-	D
Monaco	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Netherlands	3	-	3	D	-	D	5	D	D
Norway	-	-	-	D	D	-	D	-	D
Poland	37	6	31	36	6	30	61	3	58
Portugal	5	D	D	8	D	D	6	-	6
Romania	23	D	D	15	D	D	28	3	25
Russia	24	4	20	34	D	D	47	D	D
Serbia and Montenegro ⁴	17	D	D	6	D	D	13	-	13
Slovak Republic	8	D	D	5	D	D	12	-	12
Slovenia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Soviet Union ³	D	-	D	D	-	D	D	-	D
Spain	4	D	D	7	-	7	D	D	D
Sweden	D	D	-	4	-	4	D	-	D
Switzerland	D	-	D	D	-	D	4	-	4
Tajikistan	D	-	-	-	-	-	D	-	D
Turkmenistan	D	-	D	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ukraine	12	D	D	21	3	18	17	D	D
United Kingdom	34	7	27	26	7	19	23	6	17
Uzbekistan	3	D	D	6	-	6	10	D	D
Asia	492	59	433	1,133	143	990	1,242	85	1,157
Afghanistan	-	-	-	5	-	5	6	-	6

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**TABLE 47. ALIENS UNDER DOCKET CONTROL REQUIRED TO DEPART BY CRIMINAL STATUS
AND REGION AND COUNTRY OF NATIONALITY
FISCAL YEARS 1998-2003—Continued**

Region and country of nationality ¹	2001			2002			2003		
	Total	Criminal ²	Non- criminal	Total	Criminal ²	Non- criminal	Total	Criminal ²	Non- criminal
Bahrain	-	-	-	3	-	3	-	-	-
Bangladesh	6	-	6	28	6	22	28	D	D
Bhutan	-	-	-	D	-	D	-	-	-
Burma	-	-	-	D	-	D	-	-	-
Cambodia	-	-	-	D	D	-	D	D	D
China, People's Republic	42	D	D	60	4	56	45	3	42
Cyprus	-	-	-	D	D	-	-	-	-
Hong Kong	6	D	D	D	-	D	3	-	3
India	51	4	47	90	6	84	92	11	81
Indonesia	23	-	23	27	-	27	68	-	68
Iran	16	D	D	13	D	D	31	3	28
Iraq	D	-	D	4	D	D	5	-	5
Israel	51	3	48	125	3	122	67	4	63
Japan	15	3	12	12	3	9	8	-	8
Jordan ⁵	20	D	D	81	10	71	89	5	84
Korea	48	6	42	108	10	98	109	D	D
Kuwait	3	D	D	8	-	8	9	D	D
Laos	5	D	D	7	D	D	7	3	4
Lebanon	9	-	9	48	7	41	32	3	29
Macau	-	-	-	-	D	-	-	-	-
Malaysia	16	D	D	15	3	12	16	D	D
Maldives	D	-	D	10	-	10	10	D	D
Mongolia	-	-	-	4	D	D	5	-	5
Nepal	D	D	D	D	-	D	D	-	D
Oman	37	4	33	194	34	160	275	12	263
Pakistan	64	15	49	99	15	84	99	8	91
Philippines	-	-	-	-	-	-	D	-	D
Saudi Arabia	5	-	5	48	5	43	20	D	D
Singapore	3	D	D	D	-	D	D	-	D
Sri Lanka	28	D	D	11	D	D	9	-	9
Syria	5	-	5	22	3	19	25	D	D
Taiwan	D	D	D	10	4	6	7	-	7
Thailand	12	4	8	11	D	D	102	14	88
Turkey	12	D	D	54	13	41	38	4	34
United Arab Emirates	-	-	-	3	-	3	4	-	4
Vietnam	5	D	D	4	D	D	8	D	D
Yemen	3	-	3	19	4	15	20	D	D
Africa	131	30	101	292	42	250	357	37	320
Algeria	D	-	D	9	D	D	7	-	7
Angola	4	-	4	D	-	D	D	-	D
Benin	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Burkina Faso	-	-	-	D	-	D	-	-	-
Burundi	D	-	D	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cameroon	6	-	6	4	-	4	4	D	D
Cape Verde	-	-	-	-	D	-	-	-	-
Central African Republic	-	-	-	3	D	D	D	-	D
Chad	D	-	D	-	-	-	-	-	-
Congo, Democratic Republic	D	-	D	D	-	D	-	-	-
Congo, Republic	D	-	D	3	-	3	D	-	D
Cote d'Ivoire	D	-	D	4	D	D	D	-	D
Djibouti	5	-	5	D	-	D	-	-	-
Egypt	9	D	D	83	12	71	106	11	95

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**TABLE 47. ALIENS UNDER DOCKET CONTROL REQUIRED TO DEPART BY CRIMINAL STATUS
AND REGION AND COUNTRY OF NATIONALITY
FISCAL YEARS 1998-2003—Continued**

Region and country of nationality ¹	2001			2002			2003		
	Total	Criminal ²	Non- criminal	Total	Criminal ²	Non- criminal	Total	Criminal ²	Non- criminal
Eritrea	-	-	-	D	-	D	4	-	4
Ethiopia	3	D	D	4	-	4	20	D	D
Gabon	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Gambia, The	3	D	D	3	D	D	5	-	5
Ghana	D	D	D	14	D	D	11	-	11
Guinea	D	D	-	-	-	-	D	D	D
Guinea-Bissau	D	-	D	-	-	-	-	-	-
Kenya	3	D	D	17	3	14	27	3	24
Lesotho	D	-	D	-	-	-	D	-	D
Liberia	D	-	D	D	-	D	4	D	D
Libya	-	-	-	-	-	-	D	-	D
Malawi	D	-	D	D	D	-	4	-	4
Mali	D	-	D	3	-	3	D	-	D
Mauritania	D	-	D	7	3	4	D	-	D
Mauritius	-	-	-	D	-	D	-	-	-
Morocco	7	D	D	29	4	25	54	5	49
Namibia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Niger	-	-	-	3	-	3	4	-	4
Nigeria	28	15	13	14	6	8	23	7	16
Rwanda	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Senegal	6	3	3	5	D	D	3	-	3
Sierra Leone	D	-	D	D	-	D	3	-	3
Somalia	4	-	4	6	D	D	D	-	D
South Africa	7	-	7	20	D	D	13	-	13
Sudan	4	D	D	4	D	D	9	D	D
Tanzania	3	-	3	4	-	4	8	D	D
Togo	3	-	3	-	-	-	D	-	D
Tunisia	7	-	7	37	3	34	23	3	20
Uganda	D	D	D	D	-	D	-	-	-
Zambia	D	-	D	-	-	-	5	-	5
Zimbabwe	3	D	D	3	-	3	6	D	D
Oceania	43	7	36	41	7	34	43	9	34
American Samoa	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Australia	5	-	5	8	-	8	13	3	10
Cook Islands	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fiji	9	-	9	10	D	D	7	-	7
French Polynesia	-	-	-	-	-	-	D	-	D
Kiribati	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Micronesia, Federated States	5	D	D	D	D	-	6	6	-
New Zealand	7	D	D	6	-	6	7	-	7
Palau	D	D	-	D	D	-	-	-	-
Papua New Guinea	D	-	D	-	-	-	D	-	D
Samoa	12	D	D	11	D	D	6	-	6
Solomon Islands	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tonga	3	-	3	3	-	3	D	-	D
Vanuatu	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
North America	5,578	1,299	4,279	5,799	1,085	4,714	6,484	916	5,568
Canada	67	13	54	87	29	58	125	29	96
Mexico	4,234	1,076	3,158	4,549	902	3,647	4,618	733	3,885
United States	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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**TABLE 47. ALIENS UNDER DOCKET CONTROL REQUIRED TO DEPART BY CRIMINAL STATUS
AND REGION AND COUNTRY OF NATIONALITY
FISCAL YEARS 1998-2003—Continued**

Region and country of nationality ¹	2001			2002			2003		
	Total	Criminal ²	Non- criminal	Total	Criminal ²	Non- criminal	Total	Criminal ²	Non- criminal
Caribbean	588	109	479	451	91	360	509	75	434
Antigua-Barbuda	-	-	-	3	-	3	D	D	-
Aruba	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bahamas, The	6	D	D	9	3	6	5	D	D
Barbados	3	D	D	-	-	-	4	D	D
Bermuda	-	-	-	-	-	-	D	D	-
British Virgin Islands	-	-	-	D	-	D	-	-	-
Cayman Islands	-	-	-	-	-	-	D	-	D
Cuba	27	20	7	27	24	3	17	10	7
Dominica	D	D	-	5	-	5	7	-	7
Dominican Republic	446	41	405	317	35	282	360	27	333
Grenada	D	-	D	D	-	D	D	-	D
Guadeloupe	D	D	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Haiti	13	4	9	15	5	10	15	6	9
Jamaica	60	28	32	53	18	35	63	19	44
Montserrat	-	D	D	-	-	D	-	D	D
Netherlands Antilles	-	D	D	-	-	D	-	D	D
St. Kitts-Nevis	4	-	4	3	D	D	4	D	D
St. Lucia	3	D	D	D	D	-	5	D	D
St. Vincent and the Grenadines	4	D	D	D	-	D	5	-	5
Trinidad and Tobago	19	4	15	13	3	10	19	4	15
Turks and Caicos Islands	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Central America	689	101	588	712	63	649	1,232	79	1,153
Belize	7	3	4	9	3	6	10	D	D
Costa Rica	16	4	12	26	D	D	54	4	50
El Salvador	165	42	123	174	26	148	295	18	277
Guatemala	285	24	261	295	13	282	523	22	501
Honduras	189	15	174	175	18	157	307	28	279
Nicaragua	17	7	10	25	D	D	37	5	32
Panama	10	6	4	8	-	8	6	-	6
South America	342	54	288	502	54	448	655	53	602
Argentina	12	D	D	12	D	D	22	D	D
Bolivia	12	D	D	19	D	D	19	4	15
Brazil	61	D	D	157	10	147	239	9	230
Chile	23	3	20	19	D	D	22	D	D
Colombia	94	19	75	106	18	88	101	13	88
Ecuador	56	7	49	51	7	44	76	8	68
Guyana	9	6	3	10	D	D	14	4	10
Paraguay	D	-	D	D	-	D	D	-	D
Peru	57	11	46	81	8	73	109	5	104
Suriname	-	-	-	-	-	-	D	-	D
Uruguay	D	-	D	3	-	3	7	D	D
Venezuela	15	3	12	42	5	37	43	6	37
Stateless	D	-	D	-	-	-	6	-	6
Unknown or not reported	D	-	D	D	-	D	3	-	3

¹ Country is defined as nationality for sovereign states and country of birth for dependencies. ² Criminal status includes those cases in which DHS has evidence of a conviction. ³ Data are for unknown republic only; independent republics shown separately. See Notice of Special Geographic Definitions. ⁴ Yugoslavia (unknown republic) prior to February 7, 2003. See Notice of Special Geographic Definitions. ⁵ Includes Palestine.

- Represents zero. D Disclosure standards not met.

**TABLE 48. SERVICE PARTICIPATION IN THE CONTROL OF MARIJUANA, NARCOTICS,
AND DANGEROUS DRUG TRAFFIC
FISCAL YEARS 1992-2003**

Year and seizure	Type of contraband					Total
	Marijuana (lbs.)	Heroin (ozs.)	Cocaine (ozs.)	Dangerous drug pills (units)	Other	
1992:						
Number of seizures	6,162	285	1,265	93	276	8,081
Amount seized	587,512.5	6,859.6	796,681.0	362,199	X	X
Estimated value of seizures (millions of dollars)	552	70	1,009	3	2	1,636
1993:						
Number of seizures	7,846	269	1,219	112	364	9,810
Amount seized	683,687.3	5,976.3	847,745.8	75,965	X	X
Estimated value of seizures (millions of dollars)	584	38	1,566	Z	16	2,204
1994:						
Number of seizures	7,149	281	977	116	412	8,935
Amount seized	676,409.3	5,792.0	792,470.5	104,658	X	X
Estimated value of seizures (millions of dollars)	573	23	1,523	Z	34	2,154
1995:						
Number of seizures	6,713	271	924	134	371	8,413
Amount seized	724,523.7	13,205.5	1,362,257.8	250,970	X	X
Estimated value of seizures (millions of dollars)	623	41	2,215	Z	37	2,915
1996:						
Number of seizures	6,844	230	768	173	286	8,301
Amount seized	752,822.2	8,629.6	574,556.0	331,165	X	X
Estimated value of seizures (millions of dollars)	621	96	834	1	23	1,575
1997:						
Number of seizures	7,715	178	649	142	338	9,022
Amount seized	873,193.4	3,182.5	421,113.8	1,982,769	X	X
Estimated value of seizures (millions of dollars)	720	15	637	1	31	1,405
1998:						
Number of seizures	8,524	256	1,228	136	402	10,546
Amount seized	1,121,452.0	3,120.4	559,036.4	335,439	X	X
Estimated value of seizures (millions of dollars)	903	16	940	1	29	1,889
1999:						
Number of seizures	10,049	271	1,130	303	440	12,193
Amount seized	1,429,358.0	3,794.2	785,549.7	553,734	X	X
Estimated value of seizures (millions of dollars)	1,146	22	1,321	2	37	2,527
2000:						
Number of seizures	9,914	225	1,020	470	514	12,143
Amount seized	1,597,395.0	5,487.1	567,341.3	1,426,547	X	X
Estimated value of seizures (millions of dollars)	1,289	32	946	5	41	2,314
2001:						
Number of seizures	9,201	190	1,074	380	542	11,387
Amount seized	1,449,946.7	6,563.8	446,330.7	736,157.0	X	X
Estimated value of seizures (millions of dollars)	1,144	40	744	3	28	1,959
2002:						
Number of seizures	8,289	160	991	250	541	10,231
Amount seized	1,440,488.2	6,887.0	489,490.9	619,004.0	X	X
Estimated value of seizures (millions of dollars)	1,177	32	736	2	32	1,980
2003:						
Number of seizures	8,528	119	742	362	533	10,284
Amount seized	1,562,368.1	6,623.9	336,493.4	395,714.0	X	X
Estimated value of seizures (millions of dollars)	1,434	42	598	9	24	2,107

NOTE: Data for fiscal years 1993-96 and 1999-2001 presented in previous editions of the *Yearbook* have been updated and corrected. Starting in 1990, the reporting of opium seizures is combined with heroin, and hashish is combined with marijuana. X Not applicable. Z Rounds to less than \$500,000.

**TABLE 49. PROSECUTIONS, FINES, AND IMPRISONMENT FOR IMMIGRATION
AND NATIONALITY VIOLATIONS
FISCAL YEARS 1997-2003**

Action taken	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
Prosecutions:							
Total disposed of	19,180	23,826	22,491	22,926	24,316	23,852	24,917
Convictions	16,184	21,480	20,471	20,751	21,055	21,044	22,478
Acquittals	24	65	58	96	92	114	57
Dismissals ¹	2,972	2,281	1,962	2,079	3,169	2,694	2,382
Prosecutions for immigration violations:							
Disposed of	17,807	22,857	21,588	22,071	23,374	23,221	24,152
Convictions	15,219	20,768	19,753	20,007	20,297	20,485	21,820
Acquittals	22	60	52	81	88	108	46
Dismissals ¹	2,566	2,029	1,783	1,983	2,989	2,628	2,286
Prosecution for nationality violations:							
Disposed of	212	171	206	211	196	171	155
Convictions	164	129	173	181	168	146	137
Acquittals	D	-	-	D	-	3	D
Dismissals ¹	D	42	33	D	28	22	D
Prosecutions for other violations:							
Disposed of	1,161	798	697	644	746	460	610
Convictions	801	583	545	563	590	413	521
Acquittals	D	5	6	14	4	3	10
Dismissals ¹	D	210	146	67	152	44	79
Aggregate fines and imprisonment:							
Fines (dollars)	760,209	776,622	1,275,604	4,795,872	12,498,608	2,171,518	1,066,176
Immigration violations	310,893	437,547	692,477	3,677,297	468,718	707,224	941,950
Nationality violations	11,579	7,870	10,575	74,545	26,025	7,550	1,650
Other violations	437,737	331,205	572,552	1,044,030	12,003,865	1,456,744	122,576
Imprisonment (years)	11,353	12,030	14,843	19,003	17,863	16,804	19,643
Immigration violations	8,059	10,455	12,922	16,109	14,786	15,613	17,773
Nationality violations	77	116	180	101	121	104	118
Other violations	3,217	1,459	1,741	2,793	2,956	1,087	1,752

¹ Dismissed or otherwise closed.

NOTE: Data for fiscal years 1997-2000 presented in the last edition of the *Yearbook* have been updated and corrected.

- Represents zero.

**TABLE 50. CONVICTIONS FOR IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION VIOLATIONS
FISCAL YEARS 1997-2003**

Violations	1997 ¹	1998 ¹	1999 ¹	2000 ¹	2001	2002	2003
All violations	16,184	21,480	20,471	20,751	21,055	21,042	22,478
Immigration violations	15,219	20,768	19,753	20,007	20,297	20,483	21,820
Entry of aliens illegally	9,723	15,050	13,515	12,733	13,378	13,371	14,199
Reentry of deported aliens	2,859	3,149	3,623	4,759	4,315	4,699	4,938
Bringing in, transporting, harboring illegal aliens	1,182	1,103	1,403	1,700	1,680	1,691	1,612
Fraud and false statements to obtain or confer immigration benefits	63	41	36	31	98	119	270
Fraud, forgery, misuse of visas, alien registration, and other documents	203	322	366	362	327	196	253
Fraud, forgery, misuse of identification documents	1,127	1,032	765	363	432	367	390
Conspiring to defraud the United States ...	10	18	8	D	D	5	6
Employing unauthorized aliens, peonage, false attestations for employment	48	48	24	49	D	25	72
Other immigration violations	4	5	13	D	47	10	80
Naturalization violations	164	129	173	181	168	146	137
False representation as citizens of United States	105	81	99	93	129	98	101
Fraud, misuse of citizen naturalization papers	22	16	D	3	4	7	6
Fraud, forgery, misuse of U.S. passports ..	37	32	42	85	35	41	30
Other naturalization violations	-	-	D	-	-	-	-
Other violations	801	583	545	563	590	413	521
Racketeering	342	313	263	199	185	122	173
Money laundering and financial fraud	D	25	3	29	10	17	D
Weapons trafficking, unlawful possession by aliens	29	27	39	64	84	105	67
Drug trafficking	378	146	186	175	226	126	158
Obstructing justice	26	33	15	39	57	37	35
Alien prostitution	D	7	3	4	6	D	D
Other violations	21	32	36	53	22	D	63

¹ Data for fiscal years 1997-2000 have been revised due to recategorized statutes and adjusted classification for various violation codes.

- Represents zero. D Disclosure standards not met.

**TABLE 51. PRIVATE IMMIGRATION AND NATIONALITY BILLS
INTRODUCED AND LAWS ENACTED 77TH THROUGH
108TH CONGRESS (First Session)**

Congress	Bills introduced	Laws enacted
108th Congress (First Session)	NA	-
107th Congress	85	6
106th Congress	121	19
105th Congress	67	9
104th Congress	27	2
103rd Congress	50	4
102nd Congress	71	11
101st Congress	127	7
100th Congress	194	20
99th Congress	347	15
98th Congress	454	33
97th Congress	728	42
96th Congress	902	83
95th Congress	1,024	138
94th Congress	1,023	99
93rd Congress	1,085	63
92nd Congress	2,866	62
91st Congress	6,266	113
90th Congress	7,293	218
89th Congress	5,285	279
88th Congress	3,647	196
87th Congress	3,592	544
86th Congress	3,069	488
85th Congress	4,364	927
84th Congress	4,474	1,227
83rd Congress	4,797	753
82nd Congress	3,669	729
81st Congress	2,811	505
80th Congress	1,141	121
79th Congress	429	14
78th Congress	163	12
77th Congress	430	22

- Represents zero. NA Not available.

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Acquired Citizenship — Citizenship conferred at birth on children born abroad to a U.S. citizen parent(s).

Adoption — See Orphan.

Adjustment to Immigrant Status — Procedure allowing certain aliens already in the United States to apply for immigrant status. Aliens admitted to the United States in a nonimmigrant, refugee, or parolee category may have their status changed to that of lawful permanent resident if they are eligible to receive an immigrant visa and one is immediately available. In such cases, the alien is counted as an immigrant as of the date of adjustment, even though the alien may have been in the United States for an extended period of time.

Agricultural Worker — As a nonimmigrant class of admission, an alien coming temporarily to the United States to perform agricultural labor or services, as defined by the Secretary of Labor.

Alien — Any person not a citizen or national of the United States.

Amerasian Act — Public Law 97-359 (Act of 10/22/82) provides for the immigration to the United States of certain Amerasian children. In order to qualify for benefits under this law, an alien must have been born in Cambodia, Korea, Laos, Thailand, or Vietnam after December 31, 1950, and before October 22, 1982, and have been fathered by a U.S. citizen.

Amerasian (Vietnam) — Immigrant visas are issued to Amerasians under Public Law 100-202 (Act of 12/22/87), which provides for the admission of aliens born in Vietnam after January 1, 1962, and before January 1, 1976, if the alien was fathered by a U.S. citizen. Spouses, children, and parents or guardians may accompany the alien.

Application Support Centers — DHS Offices fingerprint applicants for immigration benefits. Some DHS applications, such as the *Application for Naturalization* or the *Application to Register Permanent Residence or Adjust Status*, require the DHS to conduct

an FBI fingerprint background check on the applicant. Most applicants that require a background check will be scheduled to appear at a specific Application Support Center (ASC) or Designated Law Enforcement Agency (DLEA) for fingerprinting.

Apprehension — The arrest of a removable alien by the Department of Homeland Security. Each apprehension of the same alien in a fiscal year is counted separately.

Asylee — An alien in the United States or at a port of entry who is found to be unable or unwilling to return to his or her country of nationality, or to seek the protection of that country because of persecution or a well-founded fear of persecution. Persecution or the fear thereof must be based on the alien's race, religion, nationality, membership in a particular social group, or political opinion. For persons with no nationality, the country of nationality is considered to be the country in which the alien last habitually resided. Asylees are eligible to adjust to lawful permanent resident status after one year of continuous presence in the United States. These immigrants are limited to 10,000 adjustments per fiscal year.

Beneficiaries — Aliens on whose behalf a U.S. citizen, lawful permanent resident, or employer have filed a petition for such aliens to receive immigration benefits from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security. Beneficiaries generally receive a lawful status as a result of their relationship to a U.S. citizen, lawful permanent resident, or U.S. employer.

Border Crosser — An alien resident of the United States reentering the country after an absence of less than six months in Canada or Mexico, or a nonresident alien entering the United States across the Canadian border for stays of no more than six months or across the Mexican border for stays of no more than 72 hours.

Border Patrol Sector — Any one of 21 geographic areas into which the United States is divided for the Department of Homeland Security's Border Patrol activities.

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Business Nonimmigrant — An alien coming temporarily to the United States to engage in commercial transactions which do not involve gainful employment in the United States, i.e., engaged in international commerce on behalf of a foreign firm, not employed in the U.S. labor market, and receives no salary from U.S. sources.

Cancellation of Removal — A discretionary benefit adjusting an alien's status from that of deportable alien to one lawfully admitted for permanent residence. Application for cancellation of removal is made during the course of a hearing before an immigration judge.

Certificate of Citizenship — Identity document proving U.S. citizenship. Certificates of citizenship are issued to derivative citizens and to persons who acquired U.S. citizenship (see definitions for Acquired and Derivative Citizenship).

Child — Generally, an unmarried person under 21 years of age who is: a child born in wedlock; a stepchild, provided that the child was under 18 years of age at the time that the marriage creating the stepchild relationship occurred; a legitimated child, provided that the child was legitimated while in the legal custody of the legitimating parent; a child born out of wedlock, when a benefit is sought on the basis of its relationship with its mother, or to its father if the father has or had a bona fide relationship with the child; a child adopted while under 16 years of age who has resided since adoption in the legal custody of the adopting parents for at least 2 years; or an orphan, under 16 years of age, who has been adopted abroad by a U.S. citizen or has an immediate-relative visa petition submitted in his/her behalf and is coming to the United States for adoption by a U.S. citizen.

Country of —

Birth: The country in which a person is born.

Chargeability: The independent country to which an immigrant entering under the preference system is accredited for purposes of numerical limitations.

Citizenship: The country in which a person is born (and has not renounced or lost citizenship) or naturalized and to which that person owes allegiance and by which he or she is entitled to be protected.

Former Allegiance: The previous country of citizenship of a naturalized U.S. citizen or of a person who derived U.S. citizenship.

(Last) Residence: The country in which an alien habitually resided prior to entering the United States.

Nationality: The country of a person's citizenship or country in which the person is deemed a national.

Crewman — A foreign national serving in a capacity required for normal operations and service on board a vessel or aircraft. Crewmen are admitted for twenty-nine days, with no extensions. Two categories of crewmen are defined in the INA: D1, departing from the United States with the vessel or aircraft on which he arrived or some other vessel or aircraft; and D2, departing from Guam with the vessel on which he arrived.

Criminal Removal — The deportation, exclusion, or removal of an alien who has 1) been charged under a section of the Immigration and Nationality Act that requires a criminal conviction and that charge is the basis for the removal or 2) a criminal conviction noted in the Deportable Alien Control System (DACS) for a crime that renders the alien removable. An alien with an appropriate criminal conviction is considered a criminal alien regardless of the section of law under which the alien was removed.

Cuban/Haitian Entrant — Status accorded 1) Cubans who entered illegally or were paroled into the United States between April 15, 1980, and October 10, 1980, and 2) Haitians who entered illegally or were paroled into the country before January 1, 1981. Cubans and Haitians meeting these criteria who have continuously resided in the United States since before January 1, 1982, and who were known to the INS before that date, may adjust to permanent residence under a provision of the Immigration Control and Reform Act of 1986.

Deferred Inspection — See Parolee.

Departure Under Safeguards — The departure of an illegal alien from the United States which is physically observed by a Department of Homeland Security official.

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Deportable Alien — An alien in and admitted to the United States subject to any grounds of removal specified in the Immigration and Nationality Act. This includes any alien illegally in the United States, regardless of whether the alien entered the country by fraud or misrepresentation or entered legally but subsequently lost legal status.

Deportation — The formal removal of an alien from the United States when the alien has been found removable for violating the immigration laws. Deportation is ordered by an immigration judge without any punishment being imposed or contemplated. Prior to April 1997 deportation and exclusion were separate removal procedures. The Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act of 1996 consolidated these procedures. After April 1, 1997, aliens in and admitted to the United States may be subject to removal based on deportability.

Derivative Citizenship — Citizenship conveyed to children through the naturalization of parents or, under certain circumstances, to foreign-born children adopted by U.S. citizen parents, provided certain conditions are met.

District — Geographic areas into which the United States and its territories are divided for the Department of Homeland Security's field operations or one of three overseas offices located in Rome, Bangkok, and Mexico City. Each District Office, headed by a District Director, has a specified service area that may include part of a state, an entire state, or many states. District Offices are where most DHS field staff are located. District Offices are responsible for providing certain immigration services and benefits to people resident in their service area, and for enforcing immigration laws in that jurisdiction. Certain applications are filed directly with District Offices, many kinds of interviews are conducted at these Offices, and DHS staff is available to answer questions, provide forms, etc.

Diversity — A category of immigrants replacing the earlier categories for nationals of underrepresented countries and countries adversely "affected" by the Immigration and Nationality Act Amendments of 1965 (P.L. 89-236). The annual limit on diversity immigration

was 40,000 during fiscal years 1992-94, under a transitional diversity program, and 55,000 beginning in fiscal year 1995, under a permanent diversity program.

Docket Control — The DHS mechanism for tracking the case status of potentially removable aliens.

Employer Sanctions — The employer sanctions provision of the Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986 prohibits employers from hiring, recruiting, or referring for a fee aliens known to be unauthorized to work in the United States. Violators of the law are subject to a series of civil fines for violations or criminal penalties when there is a pattern or practice of violations.

Exchange Visitor — An alien coming temporarily to the United States as a participant in a program approved by the Secretary of State for the purpose of teaching, instructing or lecturing, studying, observing, conducting research, consulting, demonstrating special skills, or receiving training.

Exclusion — Prior to the Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act of 1996, exclusion was the formal term for denial of an alien's entry into the United States. The decision to exclude an alien was made by an immigration judge after an exclusion hearing. Since April 1, 1997, the process of adjudicating inadmissibility may take place in either an expedited removal process or in removal proceedings before an immigration judge.

Expedited Removal — The Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act of 1996 authorized the DHS to quickly remove certain inadmissible aliens from the United States. The authority covers aliens who are inadmissible because they have no entry documents or because they have used counterfeit, altered, or otherwise fraudulent or improper documents. The authority covers aliens who arrive in, attempt to enter, or have entered the United States without having been admitted or paroled by an immigration officer at a port-of-entry. The DHS has the authority to order the removal, and the alien is not referred to an immigration judge except under certain circumstances after an alien makes a claim to lawful status in the United States or

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demonstrates a credible fear of persecution if returned to his or her home country.

Fiance(e)s of U.S. Citizen — A nonimmigrant alien coming to the United States to conclude a valid marriage with a U.S. citizen within ninety days after entry.

Files Control Office — A Department of Homeland Security field office—either a district (including DHS overseas offices) or a suboffice of that district—where alien case files are maintained and controlled.

Fiscal Year — Currently, the twelve-month period beginning October 1 and ending September 30. Historically, until 1831 and from 1843-49, the twelve-month period ending September 30 of the respective year; from 1832-42 and 1850-67, ending December 31 of the respective year; from 1868-1976, ending June 30 of the respective year. The transition quarter (TQ) for 1976 covers the three-month period, July-September 1976.

Foreign Government Official — As a nonimmigrant class of admission, an alien coming temporarily to the United States who has been accredited by a foreign government to function as an ambassador, public minister, career diplomatic or consular officer, other accredited official, or an attendant, servant or personal employee of an accredited official, and all above aliens' spouses and unmarried minor (or dependent) children.

Foreign Information Media Representative — As a nonimmigrant class of admission, an alien coming temporarily to the United States as a bona fide representative of foreign press, radio, film, or other foreign information media and the alien's spouse and unmarried minor (or dependent) children.

Foreign State of Chargeability — The independent country to which an immigrant entering under the preference system is accredited. No more than 7 percent of the family-sponsored and employment-based visas may be issued to natives of any one independent country in a fiscal year. No one dependency of any independent country may receive more than 2 percent of the family-

sponsored and employment-based visas issued. Since these limits are based on visa issuance rather than entries into the United States, and immigrant visas are valid for 6 months, there is not total correspondence between these two occurrences. Chargeability is usually determined by country of birth. Exceptions are made to prevent the separation of family members when the limitation for the country of birth has been met.

General Naturalization Provisions — The basic requirements for naturalization that every applicant must meet, unless a member of a special class. General provisions require an applicant to be at least 18 years of age and a lawful permanent resident with five years of continuous residence in the United States, have been physically present in the country for half that period, and have established good moral character for at least that period.

Geographic Area of Chargeability — Any one of five regions—Africa, East Asia, Latin America and the Caribbean, Near East and South Asia, and the former Soviet Union and Eastern Europe—into which the world is divided for the initial admission of refugees to the United States. Annual consultations between the Executive Branch and the Congress determine the ceiling on the number of refugees who can be admitted to the United States from each area. Beginning in fiscal year 1987, an unallocated reserve was incorporated into the admission ceilings.

H-1B Beneficiary — 1) the approved petition associated with a specialty worker admitted on the basis of professional education, skills, and/or equivalent experience (the H-1B subsection uses this definition); 2) a specialty worker whose petition to work temporarily in the United States has been approved by the Department of Homeland Security.

H-1B Petition — An application form used by employers seeking permission for an alien to work temporarily in the United States. An H-1B petition must be approved by the Department of Homeland Security before an alien specialty worker is authorized to begin or continue working in the United States. This requirement is true regardless of whether the alien is residing overseas or within the United States at the time of

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application. After a petition is approved, an H-1B worker is said to be a beneficiary.

Hemispheric Ceilings — Statutory limits on immigration to the United States in effect from 1968 to October 1978. Mandated by the Immigration and Nationality Act Amendments of 1965, the ceiling on immigration from the Eastern Hemisphere was set at 170,000, with a per-country limit of 20,000. Immigration from the Western Hemisphere was held to 120,000, without a per-country limit until January 1, 1977. The Western Hemisphere was then made subject to a 20,000 per country limit. Effective October 1978, the separate hemisphere limits were abolished in favor of a worldwide limit.

Immediate Relatives — Certain immigrants who because of their close relationship to U.S. citizens are exempt from the numerical limitations imposed on immigration to the United States. Immediate relatives are: spouses of citizens, children (under 21 years of age and unmarried) of citizens, and parents of citizens 21 years of age or older.

Immigrant — See Permanent Resident Alien

Immigration Act of 1990 — Public Law 101-649 (Act of November 29, 1990), increased the limits on lawful immigration to the United States, revised all grounds for exclusion and deportation, authorized temporary protected status to aliens of designated countries, revised and established new nonimmigrant admission categories, revised and extended the Visa Waiver Pilot Program, and revised naturalization authority and requirements.

Immigration Judge — An attorney appointed by the Attorney General to act as an administrative judge within the Executive Office for Immigration Review. They are qualified to conduct specified classes of proceedings, including removal proceedings.

INA — See Immigration and Nationality Act.

Immigration and Nationality Act — The Act (INA), which, along with other immigration laws, treaties, and

conventions of the United States, relates to the immigration, temporary admission, naturalization, and removal of aliens.

Immigration Marriage Fraud Amendments of 1986 — Public Law 99-639 (Act of 11/10/86), was passed in order to deter immigration-related marriage fraud. Its major provision stipulates that aliens deriving their immigrant status based on a marriage of less than two years are conditional immigrants. To remove their conditional status the immigrants must apply at an Department of Homeland Security office during the 90-day period before their second-year anniversary of receiving conditional status. If the aliens cannot show that the marriage through which the status was obtained was and is a valid one, their conditional immigrant status may be terminated and they may become deportable.

Immigration Reform and Control Act (IRCA) of 1986 — Public Law 99-603 (Act of 11/6/86), was passed in order to control and deter illegal immigration to the United States. Its major provisions stipulate legalization of undocumented aliens who had been continuously unlawfully present since 1982, legalization of certain agricultural workers, sanctions for employers who knowingly hire undocumented workers, and increased enforcement at U.S. borders.

Inadmissible — An alien seeking admission at a port of entry who does not meet the criteria in the INA for admission. The alien may be placed in removal proceedings or, under certain circumstances, allowed to withdraw his or her application for admission.

Industrial Trainee — See Temporary Worker.

International Representative — As a nonimmigrant class of admission, an alien coming temporarily to the United States as a principal or other accredited representative of a foreign government (whether officially recognized or not recognized by the United States) to an international organization, an international organization officer or employee, and all above aliens' spouses and unmarried minor (or dependent) children.

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Intracompany Transferee — An alien, employed for at least one continuous year out of the last three by an international firm or corporation, who seeks to enter the United States temporarily in order to continue to work for the same employer, or a subsidiary or affiliate, in a capacity that is primarily managerial, executive, or involves specialized knowledge, and the alien's spouse and minor unmarried children.

IRCA — See Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986.

Irish Peace Process Cultural and Training Program Act of 1998 — Amended the INA to establish new nonimmigrant classes (Q2 and Q3) to allow temporary admission to young people (and their spouses and minor children) of disadvantaged areas in Northern Ireland and certain counties of the Republic of Ireland for the purpose of developing job skills and conflict resolution abilities, so that those young people can return to their homes better able to contribute toward economic regeneration and the Irish peace process. Period of temporary admission not to exceed 36 months; program repealed, effective October 1, 2005.

Labor Certification — Requirement for U.S. employers seeking to employ certain persons whose immigration to the United States is based on job skills or nonimmigrant temporary workers coming to perform services for which qualified authorized workers are unavailable in the United States. Labor certification is issued by the Secretary of Labor and contains attestations by U.S. employers as to the numbers of U.S. workers available to undertake the employment sought by an applicant, and the effect of the alien's employment on the wages and working conditions of U.S. workers similarly employed. Determination of labor availability in the United States is made at the time of a visa application and at the location where the applicant wishes to work.

Legal Immigration Family Equity (LIFE) Act of 2000 — Public Law 106-553 (Act of 12/21/2000) temporarily reinstated Section 245(i) of the INA to allow persons who were qualified for permanent resident status but had immigration status violations to pay a penalty fee and apply for adjustment of status at an INS office; these persons were required to have been beneficiaries of an immigrant petition

or labor certification filed no later than April 30, 2001. Application for adjustment of status was also allowed for certain persons who had filed for class membership in one of three lawsuits challenging the implementation of IRCA legalization by INS. The Act also created nonimmigrant classes of admission allowing entry of spouses and children (and dependent children of spouses and children) of U.S. citizens and permanent resident aliens who had had petitions for immigrant visas pending for three years or more; adjustment to permanent resident status is afforded when the immigrant visa has been approved.

Legalization Dependents — A maximum of 55,000 visas were issued to spouses and children of aliens legalized under the provisions of the Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986 in each of fiscal years 1992-94.

Legalized Aliens — Certain illegal aliens who were eligible to apply for temporary resident status under the legalization provision of the Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986. To be eligible, aliens must have continuously resided in the United States in an unlawful status since January 1, 1982, not be excludable, and have entered the United States either 1) illegally before January 1, 1982, or 2) as temporary visitors before January 1, 1982, with their authorized stay expiring before that date or with the Government's knowledge of their unlawful status before that date. Legalization consists of two stages—temporary and then permanent residency. In order to adjust to permanent status aliens must have had continuous residence in the United States, be admissible as an immigrant, and demonstrate at least a minimal understanding and knowledge of the English language and U.S. history and government.

Medical and Legal Parolee — See Parolee.

Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSAs) — MSAs consist of a core area with a large population and adjacent communities having a high degree of social and economic integration with the core. They are defined by the U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB). MSAs are generally counties (cities and towns in New England) containing at least one city or urbanized area with a population of at least 50,000 and a total metropolitan population of at least 100,000 (75,000 in New England).

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MSAs of one million or more population may be recognized as Consolidated Metropolitan Statistical Areas (CMSAs). Primary Metropolitan Statistical Areas (PSMAs) are component areas within MSAs. New England County Metropolitan Areas (NECMAs) are the county based metropolitan alternative of the New England states for the city and town based MSAs and CMSAs.

Migrant — A person who leaves his/her country of origin to seek residence in another country.

NACARA — Nicaraguan Adjustment and Central American Relief Act, Public Law 105-100 (Act of 11/19/97). Pertains to certain Central American and other aliens who were long-term illegal residents in the United States when hardship relief rules were made more stringent by the Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act (IIRIRA). Provisions: 1) allowed approximately 150,000 Nicaraguans and 5,000 Cubans adjustment to permanent resident status without having to make any hardship showing; 2) allowed approximately 200,000 Salvadorans and 50,000 Guatemalans as well as certain aliens from the former Soviet Union to seek hardship relief under more lenient hardship rules than existed prior to IIRIRA amendments.

National — A person owing permanent allegiance to a state.

NATO Official — As a nonimmigrant class of admission, an alien coming temporarily to the United States as a member of the armed forces or as a civilian employed by the armed forces on assignment with a foreign government signatory to NATO (North Atlantic Treaty Organization), and the alien's spouse and unmarried minor (or dependent) children.

Naturalization — The conferring, by any means, of citizenship upon a person after birth.

Naturalization Application — The form used by a lawful permanent resident to apply for U.S. citizenship. The application is filed with the Department of Homeland Security at the Service Center with jurisdiction over the applicant's place of residence.

Nonimmigrant — An alien who seeks temporary entry to the United States for a specific purpose. The alien must have a permanent residence abroad (for most classes of admission) and qualify for the nonimmigrant classification sought. The nonimmigrant classifications include: foreign government officials, visitors for business and for pleasure, aliens in transit through the United States, treaty traders and investors, students, international representatives, temporary workers and trainees, representatives of foreign information media, exchange visitors, fiance(e)s of U.S. citizens, intracompany transferees, NATO officials, religious workers, and some others. Most nonimmigrants can be accompanied or joined by spouses and unmarried minor (or dependent) children.

Nonpreference Category — Nonpreference visas were available to qualified applicants not entitled to a visa under the preferences until the category was eliminated by the Immigration Act of 1990. Nonpreference visas for persons not entitled to the other preferences had not been available since September 1978 because of high demand in the preference categories. An additional 5,000 nonpreference visas were available in each of fiscal years 1987 and 1988 under a provision of the Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986. This program was extended into 1989, 1990, and 1991 with 15,000 visas issued each year. Aliens born in countries from which immigration was adversely affected by the Immigration and Nationality Act Amendments of 1965 (Public Law 89-236) were eligible for the special nonpreference visas.

North American Free-Trade Agreement (NAFTA) — Public Law 103-182 (Act of 12/8/93), superseded the United States-Canada Free-Trade Agreement as of 1/1/94. It continues the special, reciprocal trading relationship between the United States and Canada (see United States-Canada Free-Trade Agreement), and establishes a similar relationship with Mexico.

Numerical Limit, Exempt from — Those aliens accorded lawful permanent residence who are exempt from the provisions of the flexible numerical limit of 675,000 set by the Immigration Act of 1990. Exempt categories include immediate relatives of U.S. citizens, refugees, asylees (limited to 10,000 per year by section

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209(b) of the Immigration and Nationality Act), Amerasians, aliens adjusted under the legalization provisions of the Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986, and certain parolees from the former Soviet Union and Indochina.

Nursing Relief Act of 1989 — Public Law 101-238 (Act of 12/18/89), provides for the adjustment to permanent resident status of certain nonimmigrants who as of September 1, 1989, had H-1 nonimmigrant status as registered nurses; who had been employed in that capacity for at least 3 years; and whose continued nursing employment meets certain labor certification requirements.

Nursing Relief for Disadvantaged Areas Act of 1999 — Public Law 106-95 (Act of 11/12/1999), enacted as a short-term solution for nursing shortages in a limited number of medically underserved areas. Established a new nonimmigrant class of admission (H-1C) for temporary admission of 500 nurses annually for 4 years in health professional shortage areas. Sets forth admission requirements, including a maximum 3-year stay. Petitioning hospitals have to be in shortage areas defined by the Department of Health and Human Services, have at least 190 acute care beds, and have specified percentages of Medicare and Medicaid patients. Subject to fewer restrictions than the previous, expired H-1A provisions.

Occupation — For an alien entering the United States or adjusting without a labor certification, occupation refers to the employment held in the country of last lawful residence or in the United States. For an alien with a labor certification, occupation is the employment for which certification has been issued.

Orphan — For immigration purposes, a child whose parents have died or disappeared, or who has been abandoned or otherwise separated from both parents. An orphan may also be a child whose sole or surviving parent is incapable of providing that child with proper care and who has, in writing, irrevocably released the child for emigration and adoption. In order to qualify as an immediate relative, the orphan must be under the age of sixteen at the time a petition is filed on his or her behalf.

To enter the United States, an orphan must have been adopted abroad by a U.S. citizen (and spouse, if married) or be coming to the United States for adoption by a citizen.

Panama Canal Act Immigrants — Three categories of special immigrants established by Public Law 96-70 (Act of 9/27/79): 1) certain former employees of the Panama Canal Company or Canal Zone Government, their spouses and accompanying children; 2) certain former employees of the U.S. Government in the Panama Canal Zone who are Panamanian nationals, their spouses and children; and 3) certain former employees of the Panama Canal Company or Canal Zone Government on April 1, 1979, their spouses and children. The Act provides for admission of a maximum of 15,000 immigrants, at a rate of no more than 5,000 each year.

Parolee — A parolee is an alien, appearing to be inadmissible to the inspecting officer, allowed into the United States for urgent humanitarian reasons or when that alien's entry is determined to be for significant public benefit. Parole does not constitute a formal admission to the United States and confers temporary status only, requiring parolees to leave when the conditions supporting their parole cease to exist. Types of parolees include:

1) *Deferred inspection*: authorized at the port upon alien's arrival; may be conferred by an immigration inspector when aliens appear at a port of entry with documentation, but after preliminary examination, some question remains about their admissibility which can best be answered at their point of destination.

2) *Advance parole*: authorized at an DHS District office in advance of alien's arrival; may be issued to aliens residing in the United States in other than lawful permanent resident status who have an unexpected need to travel and return, and whose conditions of stay do not otherwise allow for readmission to the United States if they depart.

3) *Port-of-entry parole*: authorized at the port upon alien's arrival; applies to a wide variety of situations and is used at the discretion of the supervisory immigration inspector, usually to allow short periods of entry. Examples include allowing aliens who could not be

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issued the necessary documentation within the required time period, or who were otherwise inadmissible, to attend a funeral and permitting the entry of emergency workers, such as fire fighters, to assist with an emergency.

4) *Humanitarian parole*: authorized at DHS headquarters for “urgent humanitarian reasons” specified in the law. It is used in cases of medical emergency and comparable situations.

5) *Public interest parole*: authorized at DHS headquarters for “significant public benefit” specified in the law. It is generally used for aliens who enter to take part in legal proceedings.

6) *Overseas parole*: authorized at an DHS District or suboffice while the alien is still overseas; designed to constitute long-term admission to the United States. In recent years, most of the aliens the DHS has processed through overseas parole have arrived under special legislation or international migration agreements.

Per-Country Limit — The maximum number of family-sponsored and employment-based preference visas that can be issued to citizens of any country in a fiscal year. The limits are calculated each fiscal year depending on the total number of family-sponsored and employment-based visas available. No more than 7 percent of the visas may be issued to natives of any one independent country in a fiscal year; no more than 2 percent may be issued to any one dependency of any independent country. The per-country limit does not indicate, however, that a country is entitled to the maximum number of visas each year, just that it cannot receive more than that number. Because of the combined workings of the preference system and per-country limits, most countries do not reach this level of visa issuance.

Permanent Resident Alien — An alien admitted to the United States as a lawful permanent resident. Permanent residents are also commonly referred to as immigrants; however, the Immigration and Nationality Act (INA) broadly defines an immigrant as any alien in the United States, except one legally admitted under specific nonimmigrant categories (INA section 101(a)(15)). An illegal alien who entered the United States without inspection, for example, would be strictly defined as an

immigrant under the INA but is not a permanent resident alien. Lawful permanent residents are legally accorded the privilege of residing permanently in the United States. They may be issued immigrant visas by the Department of State overseas or adjusted to permanent resident status by the Department of Homeland Security in the United States.

Port of Entry — Any location in the United States or its territories that is designated as a point of entry for aliens and U.S. citizens. All district and files control offices are also considered ports, since they become locations of entry for aliens adjusting to immigrant status.

Pre-inspection — Complete immigration inspection of airport passengers before departure from a foreign country. No further immigration inspection is required upon arrival in the United States other than submission of Form I-94 for nonimmigrant aliens.

Preference System (prior to fiscal year 1992) — The six categories among which 270,000 immigrant visa numbers were distributed each year during the period 1981-91. This preference system was amended by the Immigration Act of 1990, effective fiscal year 1992. (see Preference System—Immigration Act of 1990). The six categories were: 1) unmarried sons and daughters (over 21 years of age) of U.S. citizens (20 percent); 2) spouses and unmarried sons and daughters of aliens lawfully admitted for permanent residence (26 percent); 3) members of the professions or persons of exceptional ability in the sciences and arts (10 percent); 4) married sons and daughters of U.S. citizens (10 percent); 5) brothers and sisters of U.S. citizens over 21 years of age (24 percent); and 6) needed skilled or unskilled workers (10 percent). A nonpreference category, historically open to immigrants not entitled to a visa number under one of the six preferences just listed, had no numbers available beginning in September 1978.

Preference System (Immigration Act of 1990) — The nine categories since fiscal year 1992 among which the family-sponsored and employment-based immigrant preference visas are distributed. The family-sponsored preferences are: 1) unmarried sons and daughters of U.S. citizens; 2) spouses, children, and unmarried sons and daughters of permanent resident aliens; 3) married sons and daughters of U.S.

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citizens; 4) brothers and sisters of U.S. citizens. The employment-based preferences are: 1) priority workers (persons of extraordinary ability, outstanding professors and researchers, and certain multinational executives and managers); 2) professionals with advanced degrees or aliens with exceptional ability; 3) skilled workers, professionals (without advanced degrees), and needed unskilled workers; 4) special immigrants; and 5) employment creation immigrants (investors).

Principal Alien — The alien who applies for immigrant status and from whom another alien may derive lawful status under immigration law or regulations (usually spouses and minor unmarried children).

Refugee — Any person who is outside his or her country of nationality who is unable or unwilling to return to that country because of persecution or a well-founded fear of persecution. Persecution or the fear thereof must be based on the alien's race, religion, nationality, membership in a particular social group, or political opinion. People with no nationality must generally be outside their country of last habitual residence to qualify as a refugee. Refugees are subject to ceilings by geographic area set annually by the President in consultation with Congress and are eligible to adjust to lawful permanent resident status after one year of continuous presence in the United States.

Refugee Approvals — The number of refugees approved for admission to the United States during a fiscal year. Department of Homeland Security officers in overseas offices make refugee approvals.

Refugee Arrivals — The number of refugees the Department of Homeland Security initially admits to the United States through ports of entry during a fiscal year.

Refugee Authorized Admissions — The maximum number of refugees allowed to enter the United States in a given fiscal year. As set forth in the Refugee Act of 1980 (Public Law 96-212) the President determines the annual figure after consultations with Congress.

Refugee-Parolee — A qualified applicant for conditional entry, between February 1970 and April 1980, whose

application for admission to the United States could not be approved because of inadequate numbers of seventh preference visas. As a result, the applicant was paroled into the United States under the parole authority granted the Attorney General.

Regional Offices — The three DHS Regional Offices that supervise the work of DHS Districts and Border Patrol Sectors. The Regional Directors report to the Executive Associate Commissioner for Field Operations in DHS Headquarters, Washington, DC. The three Regional Offices are located in (Eastern Region) Burlington, VT, (Central Region) Dallas, TX, and (Western Region) Laguna Nigel, CA.

Registry Date — Aliens who have continuously resided in the United States since January 1, 1972, are of good moral character, and are not inadmissible, are eligible to adjust to lawful permanent resident status under the registry provision. Before the Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986 amended the date, aliens had to have been in the country continuously since June 30, 1948, to qualify.

Removal — The expulsion of an alien from the United States. This expulsion may be based on grounds of inadmissibility or deportability.

Required Departure — See Voluntary Departure.

Resettlement — Permanent relocation of refugees in a place outside their country of origin to allow them to establish residence and become productive members of society there. Refugee resettlement is accomplished with the direct assistance of private voluntary agencies working with the Department of Health and Human Services Office of Refugee Resettlement.

Safe Haven — Temporary refuge given to migrants who have fled their countries of origin to seek protection or relief from persecution or other hardships, until they can return to their countries safely or, if necessary until they can obtain permanent relief from the conditions they fled.

Service Centers — Five offices established to handle the filing, data entry, and adjudication of certain applications

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for immigration services and benefits. The applications are mailed to DHS Service Centers—Service Centers are not staffed to receive walk-in applications or questions.

Special Agricultural Workers (SAW) — Aliens who performed labor in perishable agricultural commodities for a specified period of time and were admitted for temporary and then permanent residence under a provision of the Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986. Up to 350,000 aliens who worked at least 90 days in each of the 3 years preceding May 1, 1986 were eligible for Group I temporary resident status. Eligible aliens who qualified under this requirement but applied after the 350,000 limit was met and aliens who performed labor in perishable agricultural commodities for at least 90 days during the year ending May 1, 1986 were eligible for Group II temporary resident status. Adjustment to permanent resident status is essentially automatic for both groups; however, aliens in Group I were eligible on December 1, 1989 and those in Group II were eligible one year later on December 1, 1990.

Special Immigrants — Certain categories of immigrants who were exempt from numerical limitation before fiscal year 1992 and subject to limitation under the employment-based fourth preference beginning in 1992; persons who lost citizenship by marriage; persons who lost citizenship by serving in foreign armed forces; ministers of religion and other religious workers, their spouses and children; certain employees and former employees of the U.S. Government abroad, their spouses and children; Panama Canal Act immigrants; certain foreign medical school graduates, their spouses and children; certain retired employees of international organizations, their spouses and children; juvenile court dependents; and certain aliens serving in the U.S. Armed Forces, their spouses and children.

Special Naturalization Provisions — Provisions covering special classes of persons whom may be naturalized even though they do not meet all the general requirements for naturalization. Such special provisions allow: 1) wives or husbands of U.S. citizens to file for naturalization after three years of lawful permanent residence instead of the prescribed five years; 2) a surviving spouse of a U.S. citizen who served in the armed forces to file his or her naturalization application

in any district instead of where he/she resides; and 3) children of U.S. citizen parents to be naturalized without meeting certain requirements or taking the oath, if too young to understand the meaning. Other classes of persons who may qualify for special consideration are former U.S. citizens, servicemen, seamen, and employees of organizations promoting U.S. interests abroad.

Stateless — Having no nationality.

Stowaway — An alien coming to the United States surreptitiously on an airplane or vessel without lawful status of admission. Such an alien is subject to denial of formal admission and return to the point of embarkation by the transportation carrier.

Student — As a nonimmigrant class of admission, an alien coming temporarily to the United States to pursue a full course of study in an approved program in either an academic (college, university, seminary, conservatory, academic high school, elementary school, other institution, or language training program) or a vocational or other recognized nonacademic institution.

Suboffices — Offices found in some Districts that serve a portion of the District's jurisdiction. A Suboffice, headed by an Officer-in-Charge, provides many services and enforcement functions. Their locations are determined, in part, to increase convenience to DHS' customers.

Subject to the Numerical Limit — Categories of lawful immigrants subject to annual limits under the provisions of the flexible numerical limit of 675,000 set by the Immigration Act of 1990. The largest categories are: family-sponsored preferences; employment-based preferences; and diversity immigrants.

Temporary Protected Status (TPS) — Establishes a legislative basis for allowing a group of persons temporary refuge in the United States. Under a provision of the Immigration Act of 1990, the Attorney General may designate nationals of a foreign state to be eligible for TPS with a finding that conditions in that country pose a danger to personal safety due to ongoing armed conflict or an environmental disaster. Grants of TPS are initially made for periods of 6 to 18 months and may be

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extended depending on the situation. Removal proceedings are suspended against aliens while they are in Temporary Protected Status.

Temporary Resident — See Nonimmigrant.

Temporary Worker — An alien coming to the United States to work for a temporary period of time. The Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986 and the Immigration Act of 1990, as well as other legislation, revised existing classes and created new classes of nonimmigrant admission. Nonimmigrant temporary worker classes of admission are as follows:

- 1) H-1A—registered nurses (valid from 10/1/1990 through 9/30/1995);
- 2) H-1B—workers with “specialty occupations” admitted on the basis of professional education, skills, and/or equivalent experience;
- 3) H-1C—registered nurses to work in areas with a shortage of health professionals under the Nursing Relief for Disadvantaged Areas Act of 1999;
- 4) H-2A—temporary agricultural workers coming to the United States to perform agricultural services or labor of a temporary or seasonal nature when authorized workers are unavailable in the United States;
- 5) H-2B—temporary non-agricultural workers coming to the United States to perform temporary services or labor if unemployed persons capable of performing the service or labor cannot be found in the United States;
- 6) H-3—aliens coming temporarily to the United States as trainees, other than to receive graduate medical education or training;
- 7) O-1, O-2, O-3—temporary workers with extraordinary ability or achievement in the sciences, arts, education, business, or athletics; those entering solely for the purpose of accompanying and assisting such workers; and their spouses and children;
- 8) P-1, P-2, P-3, P-4—athletes and entertainers at an internationally recognized level of performance; artists and entertainers under a reciprocal exchange program; artists and entertainers under a program that is “culturally unique”; and their spouses and children;
- 9) Q-1, Q-2, Q-3—participants in international cultural

exchange programs; participants in the Irish Peace Process Cultural and Training Program; and spouses and children of Irish Peace Process participants;

10) R-1, R-2—temporary workers to perform work in religious occupations and their spouses and children.

See other sections of this Glossary for definitions of Exchange Visitor, Intracompany Transferee, and U.S.-Canada or North American Free-Trade Agreement classes of nonimmigrant admission.

Transit Alien — An alien in immediate and continuous transit through the United States, with or without a visa, including, 1) aliens who qualify as persons entitled to pass in transit to and from the United Nations Headquarters District and foreign countries and 2) foreign government officials and their spouses and unmarried minor (or dependent) children in transit.

Transition Quarter — The three-month period—July 1 through September 30, 1976—between fiscal year 1976 and fiscal year 1977. At that time, the fiscal year definition shifted from July 1-June 30 to October 1-September 30.

Transit Without Visa (TWOV) — A transit alien traveling without a nonimmigrant visa under section 233 of the INA. An alien admitted under agreements with a transportation line, which guarantees his immediate and continuous passage to a foreign destination. (See Transit Alien.)

Treaty Trader or Investor — As a nonimmigrant class of admission, an alien coming to the United States, under the provisions of a treaty of commerce and navigation between the United States and the foreign state of such alien, to carry on substantial trade or to direct the operations of an enterprise in which he/she has invested a substantial amount of capital, and the alien’s spouse and unmarried minor children.

Underrepresented Countries, Natives of — The Immigration Amendments of 1988, Public Law 101-658 (Act of 11/5/88) allowed for 10,000 visas to be issued to natives of underrepresented countries in each of fiscal years 1990 and 1991. Under-represented countries are

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defined as countries that received less than 25 percent of the maximum allowed under the country limitations (20,000 for independent countries and 5,000 for dependencies) in fiscal year 1988. (See Diversity.)

United States-Canada Free-Trade Agreement — Public Law 100-449 (Act of 9/28/88) established a special, reciprocal trading relationship between the United States and Canada. It provided two new classes of nonimmigrant admission for temporary visitors to the United States-Canadian citizen business persons and their spouses and unmarried minor children. Entry is facilitated for visitors seeking classification as visitors for business, treaty traders or investors, intracompany transferees, or other business people engaging in activities at a professional level. Such visitors are not required to obtain nonimmigrant visas, prior petitions, labor certifications, or prior approval but must satisfy the inspecting officer they are seeking entry to engage in activities at a professional level and that they are so qualified. The United States-Canada Free-Trade Agreement was superseded by the North American Free-Trade Agreement (NAFTA) as of 1/1/94.

Victims of Trafficking and Violence Protection Act of 2000 — Public Law 106-386 (Act of 10/28/2000), enacted to combat trafficking in persons, especially into the sex trade, slavery, and involuntary servitude, and to reauthorize certain Federal programs to prevent violence against immigrant women and children. Created nonimmigrant classes of admission allowing temporary status to individuals (and spouses, children, and parents) in the United States who are or have been victims of a

severe form of trafficking or who have suffered substantial physical or mental abuse as victims of criminal activity. Afforded the same immigrant benefits as refugees, with allowance for adjustment to permanent resident status.

Visa Waiver Program — Allows citizens of certain selected countries, traveling temporarily to the United States under the nonimmigrant admission classes of visitors for pleasure and visitors for business, to enter the United States without obtaining nonimmigrant visas. Admission is for no more than 90 days. The program was instituted by the Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986 (entries began 7/1/88). Under the Guam Visa Waiver Program, certain visitors from designated countries may visit Guam only for up to 15 days without first having to obtain nonimmigrant visitor visas. The Visa Waiver Program was made permanent in 2000.

Voluntary Departure — The departure of an alien from the United States without an order of removal. The departure may or may not have been preceded by a hearing before an immigration judge. An alien allowed to voluntarily depart concedes removability but does not have a bar to seeking admission at a port-of-entry at any time. Failure to depart within the time granted results in a fine and a ten-year bar to several forms of relief from deportation.

Withdrawal — An arriving alien's voluntary retraction of an application for admission to the United States in lieu of a removal hearing before an immigration judge or an expedited removal. Withdrawals are not included in nonimmigrant admission data.

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PREFERENCE IMMIGRATION LIMITS: FISCAL YEAR 2003

The Immigration Act of 1990 (P.L. 101-649) restructured the immigrant categories of admission and made other modifications to the Immigration and Nationality Act. The 1990 Act divided the preference classes into two general categories: family-sponsored and employment-based. Limits on the number of visas issued in these two categories are determined annually.

Family-sponsored limits — The worldwide level for family-sponsored preferences is calculated as:

480,000

minus the number of aliens who were issued visas or adjusted to legal permanent residence in the previous fiscal year as

- 1) immediate relatives of U.S. citizens,
- 2) children born subsequent to the issuance of a visa to an accompanying parent,
- 3) children born abroad to lawful permanent residents on temporary trips abroad, and
- 4) certain categories of aliens paroled into the United States in the second preceding fiscal year (2001)

plus unused employment preferences in the previous fiscal year.

The 1990 Act specifies that the family-sponsored limit may not fall below a minimum of 226,000 in any year. The number of legal permanent residents issued visas or who adjusted in fiscal year 2003 under categories 1-3 listed above was 486,430. There were no unused employment-based visas in 2002. The calculated limit was -6,430 (480,000 - 486,430). Since this number was below 226,000, the family sponsored limit was set at 226,000. Information on the exact number of parolees in 2001 was unknown but it would not have affected the family sponsored limit. The limits for each of the family-sponsored preferences and their descriptions are shown on the following page.

Employment-based limits — The 1990 Act specifies that the worldwide limit on employment-based preference immigrants is equal to 140,000 plus unused family-sponsored preference visas in the previous year. The limit for fiscal year 2003 was set to 171,532 (140,000 + 31,532 unused family preference visas in 2002).

Per-country limits — The per-country limit on preference immigration for independent countries is set to 7 percent of the total family and employment limits (226,000 + 171,532 = 397,532), while dependent areas are limited to 2 percent of the total. The 2003 limit for independent foreign states was 27,827 (7 percent of 397,532) and the limit for dependencies was 7,951 (2 percent of 397,532).

Diversity limits — The annual limit for 2003 was 50,000. The limit was set at 55,000 effective in fiscal year 1995, but reduced to 50,000 if necessary beginning in fiscal year 1999 to allow 5,000 visas for use under the Nicaraguan Adjustment and Central American Relief Act of 1997 (NACARA) program.

CATEGORIES OF IMMIGRANTS INCLUDED IN WORLD-WIDE ANNUAL LIMIT SPECIFIED IN SECTION 201 OF THE IMMIGRATION AND NATIONALITY ACT: FISCAL YEAR 2003 LIMITS

PREFERENCE	DESCRIPTION	UNADJUSTED LIMIT	LIMIT
Family-sponsored immigrants		480,000 ¹	480,000 ¹
Family-sponsored preferences		226,000	226,000
First	Unmarried sons and daughters of U.S. citizens and their children	23,400 ²	23,400 ²
Second	Spouses, children, and unmarried sons and daughters of permanent resident aliens	114,200 ³	114,200 ³
Third	Married sons and daughters of U.S. citizens	23,400 ³	23,400 ³
Fourth	Brothers and sisters of U.S. citizens (at least 21 years of age)	65,000 ³	65,000 ³
Immediate relatives of adult U.S. citizens (spouses, children, and parents) and children born abroad to alien residents		Not limited ¹	Not limited ¹
Employment-based preferences		140,000	171,532
First	Priority workers	40,040	49,058 ³
Second	Professionals with advanced degrees or aliens of exceptional ability	40,040	49,058 ³
Third	Skilled workers, professionals, needed unskilled workers	40,040	49,058 ³
Fourth	Special immigrants	9,940	12,179
Fifth	Employment creation (“Investors”)	9,940	12,179
Diversity		55,000	50,000

Note: The annual limits are adjusted based on visa usage in the previous year.

¹ The number of immediate relatives of U.S. citizens included in these figures is assumed to be 254,000. Immediate relatives may enter without any limitation; however, the limit for family-sponsored preference immigrants in a fiscal year is equal to 480,000 minus the number of immediate relatives admitted in the preceding year. The limit of family-sponsored preference visas cannot fall below a minimum of 226,000—the worldwide limit of 480,000 minus 254,000.

² Plus unused family 4th preference visas.

³ Visas not used in higher preferences may be used in these categories.

DATA SOURCES

DATA SERIES	FORM NUMBER AND TITLE
<i>Immigrants</i>	OF-155 — (State Dept.) Immigrant Visa and Alien Registration
◆ New arrivals (except children born subsequent to issuance of immigrant visa to accompanying alien parents; children born to lawful permanent resident aliens during temporary visits abroad; and American Indians born in Canada)	OF-230 — (State Dept.) Application for Immigrant Visa and Alien Registration
◆ Adjustments (and special new arrival cases listed above)	I-181 — Memorandum of Creation of Record of Lawful Permanent Residence
<i>Naturalizations</i>	N-400 — Application to File Petition for Naturalization
	N-402 — Application to File Petition for Naturalization in Behalf of Child
	N-405 — Petition for Naturalization
	N-480 — Naturalization Petitions Recommended to be Granted
	N-600 — Application for Certificate of Citizenship
	N-643 — Application for Certificate of Citizenship on Behalf of an Adopted Child
<i>Nonimmigrants</i>	I-94 — Arrival-Departure Record
	I-94W — Nonimmigrant Visa Waiver Program Arrival-Departure Record
<i>Required Departures</i>	— Deportable Alien Control System
<i>Removals</i>	— Deportable Alien Control System
<i>Performance Analysis</i>	G-23 — Report of Field Operations
<i>Refugees</i>	G-319 — Report of Applicants for Refugee Status under Section 207, INA
	I-94 — Arrival-Departure Record
	I-590 — Registration for Classification as Refugee
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<u>IMMIGRANTS</u>									
1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5
6	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
7	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8
9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9
12	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15
13	17	17	17	18	18	18	18	18	18
<u>REFUGEES, ASYLEES</u>									
14	21	21	21	22	22	22	22	23	23
15	22	22	22	23	23	23	23	24	24
16	23	23	23	24	24	24	24	25	25
17	24	24	24	25	25	25	25	26	26
18	25	25	25	27	27	27	27	28	28
19	26	26	26	28	28	28	28	29	29
20	27	27	27	29	29	29	29	30	30
21	28	28	28	30	30	30	30	31	31
22	29	29	29	31	31	31	31	32	32
23	30	30	30	32	32	32	32	33	33

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2002	2001	2000	1999	1998	1997	1996	1995	1994	1993
<u>TEMPORARY ADMISSIONS</u>									
24	35	35	35	37	37	37	37	38	38
25	36	36	36	38	38	38	38	39	39
26	37	37	37	39	39	39	39	40	40
27	38	38	38	40	40	40	40	41	41
28	39	39	39	41	41	41	41	42	42
29	40	40	40	42	42	42	42	43	43
30	41	41	41	43	43	43	43	44	44
31	42	42	42	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
32	43	43	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
<u>NATURALIZATIONS</u>									
34	45	46	43	45	44	44	44	45	45
35	48	49	46 ²	48 ²	47 ²	47 ²	47 ²	48 ²	48 ²
36	50	51	48	50	49	49	49	50	50
37	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<u>ENFORCEMENT</u>									
38	57	58	55	57	56	58 ³	58 ³	59 ³	59 ³
39	58	59	56	58	57	59	59	60	60
40	59	60	57	59	58	NA	NA	NA	NA
41	60	61	58	60	59	73	73	74	74
42	61	62	59	61	60	NA	NA	NA	NA
43	62	63	60	62	61	58 ⁴	58 ⁴	59 ⁴	59 ⁴
44	63	64	61	63	62	71 ⁴	71 ⁴	72 ⁴	72 ⁴
45	64	65	62	64	63	NA	NA	NA	NA
46	65	66	63	66	65	NA	NA	NA	NA
47	66	67	64	67	66	60	60	61	61
48	67	68	65	68	67	65	65	66	66
49	68	69	66	69	68	66	66	67	67

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- 47. Aliens under docket control required to depart by criminal status and region and country of nationality (historical ¹)
- 48. Service participation in the control of marijuana, narcotics, and dangerous drug traffic (historical ¹)

LITIGATION, LEGAL ACTIVITY, LEGISLATION

- 49. Prosecutions, fines, and imprisonment for immigration and nationality violations (historical ¹)
 - 50. Convictions for immigration and naturalization violations (historical ¹)
 - 51. Private immigration and nationality bills introduced and laws enacted by Congress (historical ¹)
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TABLE GENEALOGY

2002	2001	2000	1999	1998	1997	1996	1995	1994	1993
<u>ENFORCEMENT</u>									
50	69	70	67	70	69	63	63	64	64
51	70	71	68	71	70	72	72	73	73
<u>LITIGATION, LEGAL ACTIVITY, LEGISLATION</u>									
52	71	72	69	72	71	74	74	75	76
53	72	73	70	73	72	75	75	76	77
55	74	75	72	75	74	77	77	78	79

¹ Historical tables show data for a number of years, which may vary in each edition of the *Yearbook*. ² Data are for country of former allegiance. ³ Deportable aliens located are referred to as apprehended prior to 1997. ⁴ Formal removals are defined as aliens deported and excluded prior to 1997.

NA Not available. X Not applicable.

NOTICE OF SPECIAL GEOGRAPHIC DEFINITIONS

Changes in the political and geographical definitions of the Soviet Union, Yugoslavia, Czechoslovakia, and Ethiopia have led to inconsistencies in the reporting of data. Information for these republics and the independent states emerging from them are presented in this edition of the *Yearbook* as follows:

Soviet Union — On January 1, 1992, the United States formally recognized 12 independent republics within the former Soviet Union: Armenia; Azerbaijan; Belarus; Georgia; Kazakhstan; Kyrgyzstan; Moldova; Russia; Tajikistan; Turkmenistan; Ukraine; and Uzbekistan. The Soviet Union has officially dissolved as an independent state. The independent republics have been assigned nationality codes in the various Department of Homeland Security (DHS) databases and data are presented for them when available. However, a code has been retained for the Soviet Union because data for some data series are not completely available for the independent republics and continue to be reported for the Soviet Union.

Yugoslavia — On April 7, 1992, the United States formally recognized three independent states within the Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia: Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, and Slovenia. On February 9, 1994, The Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia (FYROM) was recognized as an independent state. In the view of the United States, the Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia has officially dissolved; however, the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia formed as its self-proclaimed successor (consisting of the republics of Serbia and Montenegro). On February 7, 2003, the United States recognized the new constitution adopted by the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia's Parliament establishing the independent republics of Montenegro and Serbia. The independent states of Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, Slovenia, Macedonia, and Serbia and Montenegro have been assigned nationality codes in the various DHS databases and data are presented for them when available. However, a code has been retained for Yugoslavia because data for some data series are not completely available for the independent states and continue to be reported for Yugoslavia (unknown republic). In this circumstance Yugoslavia is combined with Serbia and Montenegro.

Czechoslovakia — On January 1, 1993, the United States formally recognized two independent republics within the Czech and Slovak Federal Republic (CSFR, or Czechoslovakia): the Czech Republic and Slovak Republic (Slovakia). Czechoslovakia has officially dissolved as an independent republic. The independent republics have been assigned nationality codes in the various DHS databases and data are presented for them when available. However, a code has been retained for Czechoslovakia because data for some data series are not completely available for the independent republics and continue to be reported for Czechoslovakia.

Ethiopia / Eritrea — On April 27, 1993, the United States formally recognized Eritrea as a sovereign country, independent of Ethiopia. Data for Ethiopia exclude Eritrea unless otherwise indicated.

Name changes for the following countries are reflected in this edition of the *Yearbook*:

Zaire — On May 30, 1997, Zaire was formally recognized as the Democratic Republic of the Congo. This country is shown as Congo, Democratic Republic.

Congo — The conventional long form name for the Congo is the Republic of the Congo. With the change of Zaire to the Democratic Republic of the Congo, the long form names are used for both countries. Congo is shown as Congo, Republic.

Hong Kong — On December 19, 1984, the United Kingdom and China signed a joint declaration on the question of sovereignty over Hong Kong. Under that declaration, China resumed the exercise of sovereignty over Hong Kong on July 1, 1997. Since the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region government enjoys a high degree of political and economic autonomy, Hong Kong continues to be shown separately.

Western Samoa — On August 4, 1997, Western Samoa was formally recognized as Samoa. This country is shown as Samoa.

People's Republic of China / Taiwan — Though officially considered by the United States as part of the People's Republic of China, Taiwan retains a statistical code and is shown separately unless otherwise noted.

Palestine — The United States does not recognize Palestine as an independent state. Though some DHS data systems collect data separately for Palestine data are not shown for this entity. As indicated in the footnotes for each table showing country, data for Palestine are included with Jordan or Unknown country.

In addition, there are known cross-reporting problems for certain pairs of countries with similar names or historical associations. These pairs of countries are: the People's Republic of China and Taiwan; the Dominican Republic and Dominica; Nigeria and Niger; Australia and Austria; Netherlands and Netherlands Antilles; and Mauritania and Mauritius. For each pair, persons from one country may be reported as being from the other country.