

TABLE 14. REFUGEE-STATUS APPLICATIONS: FISCAL YEARS 1980-2002

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

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.

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

**TABLE 15. REFUGEE-STATUS APPLICATIONS BY GEOGRAPHIC AREA AND COUNTRY OF CHARGEABILITY
FISCAL YEAR 2002**

Geographic area and country of chargeability	Applications filed during year	Applications approved during year	Applications denied during year	Applications otherwise closed during year
All countries	89,726	18,652	19,773	28,876
Europe	13,009	7,621	5,624	2,291
Albania	1	-	-	-
Armenia	265	204	19	10
Azerbaijan	180	109	37	4
Belarus	548	232	195	23
Bosnia-Herzegovina	5,036	3,874	3,110	1,842
Croatia	307	305	24	55
Estonia	76	36	26	8
Georgia	33	16	5	-
Germany	1	1	-	-
Kazakhstan	209	122	58	3
Kyrgyzstan	16	6	9	-
Latvia	54	20	18	-
Lithuania	25	8	12	2
Moldova	139	31	35	6
Poland	1	-	-	-
Romania	-	-	-	1
Russia	1,748	731	499	105
Tajikistan	19	4	2	-
Turkmenistan	5	3	1	-
Ukraine	3,959	1,618	1,545	187
Uzbekistan	112	82	16	2
Yugoslavia ¹	275	219	13	43
Asia	8,884	5,036	2,102	1,544
Afghanistan	2,138	1,635	390	126
Burma	10	3	8	-
Cambodia	11	7	4	-
China, People's Republic	5	3	2	-
Iran	2,727	2,000	595	535
Iraq	1,583	592	125	248
Israel	2	1	1	-
Laos	1	1	-	-
Lebanon	6	3	-	-
Pakistan	7	4	5	-
Sri Lanka	10	6	7	-
Syria	4	4	-	1
Thailand	3	3	-	-
United Arab Emirates	5	-	-	3
Vietnam	2,361	774	954	631
Yemen	11	-	11	-
Africa	61,374	3,421	9,019	24,184
Algeria	21	2	11	3
Angola	12	8	-	-
Burundi	80	6	-	14
Cameroon	9	4	-	-
Central African Republic	6	-	-	2
Chad	-	1	-	1
Congo, Democratic Republic	246	54	23	278
Congo, Republic	78	7	1	4
Djibouti	7	-	-	-

See footnotes at end of table.

**TABLE 15. REFUGEE-STATUS APPLICATIONS BY GEOGRAPHIC AREA AND COUNTRY OF CHARGEABILITY
FISCAL YEAR 2002—Continued**

Geographic area and country of chargeability	Applications filed during year	Applications approved during year	Applications denied during year	Applications otherwise closed during year
Egypt	6	-	-	1
Eritrea	738	155	16	272
Ethiopia	14,585	249	1,097	7,891
Gambia, The	21	-	-	-
Ghana	7	8	-	-
Guinea-Bissau	1	1	-	-
Kenya	3	-	-	3
Liberia	13,283	982	3,427	130
Nigeria	33	2	-	3
Rwanda	151	28	18	54
Senegal	8	-	-	-
Sierra Leone	3,878	317	763	19
Somalia	24,458	536	3,327	14,335
Sudan	3,680	1,054	317	1,168
Tanzania	15	-	-	-
Togo	45	7	18	5
Uganda	1	-	-	1
Zambia	1	-	-	-
Zimbabwe	1	-	1	-
North America	6,419	2,534	3,028	857
Caribbean	6,419	2,534	3,028	857
Cuba	6,419	2,534	3,028	857
Not reported	40	40	-	-

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

- Represents zero.

**TABLE 16. REFUGEE APPROVALS AND ARRIVALS BY GEOGRAPHIC AREA OF CHARGEABILITY
FISCAL YEARS 1998-2002**

Geographic area of chargeability	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002
Authorized admissions ¹	83,000	91,000	90,000	80,000	70,000
Africa	7,000	13,000	18,000	21,000	22,000
East Asia	14,000	10,500	8,000	6,000	4,000
Europe	54,000	61,000	44,500	37,000	26,000
Latin America/Caribbean	4,000	2,250	3,500	3,500	3,000
Near East/South Asia	4,000	4,250	10,000	12,500	15,000
Unallocated Reserve	-	-	6,000	-	-
Approvals	73,198	85,592	66,546 ²	66,198 ²	18,652
Africa	8,437	15,581	20,014	18,402	3,419
East Asia	12,881	6,728	941 ²	277 ²	791
Europe	46,671	55,666	32,355	32,686	7,621
Latin America/Caribbean	1,208	2,796	2,896	2,768	2,534
Near East/South Asia	3,937	4,725	10,266	12,030	4,247
Not reported	64	96	74	35	40
Arrivals ³	76,181	85,076	72,143	68,925	26,839
Africa	6,665	13,036	17,560	19,016	2,545
East Asia ³	10,475	9,963	3,557	3,346	3,260
Europe	54,260	55,877	37,664	31,526	15,408
Latin America/Caribbean	1,587	2,110	3,233	2,973	1,937
Near East/South Asia	3,194	4,090	10,129	12,064	3,689

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 373 in fiscal year 1998, 241 in 1999, 1004 in 2000, 379 in 2001, and 347 in 2002.

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 17. REFUGEE ARRIVALS INTO THE UNITED STATES
BY COUNTRY OF CHARGEABILITY
FISCAL YEARS 1996-2002**

Country of chargeability	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002
All countries ¹	74,791	69,276	76,181	85,076	72,143	68,925	26,839
Europe	41,617	48,450	54,260	55,877	37,664	31,526	15,408
Albania	23	9	3	8	1	3	5
Armenia	NA	NA	NA	35	20	27	30
Azerbaijan	NA	NA	NA	210	259	449	115
Belarus	NA	NA	NA	1,008	1,050	971	680
Bosnia-Herzegovina	12,030	21,357	30,906	22,699	19,033	14,593	3,463
Bulgaria	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Croatia	-	-	-	1,660	2,995	1,020	109
Czechoslovakia ²	1	-	-	-	1	-	-
Estonia	NA	NA	NA	71	81	57	38
Georgia	-	-	-	50	30	49	14
Hungary	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Kazakhstan	NA	NA	NA	412	284	291	222
Kyrgyzstan	NA	NA	NA	140	147	116	69
Latvia	NA	NA	NA	167	103	125	57
Lithuania	NA	NA	NA	20	16	40	1
Macedonia	-	-	-	3	2	2	4
Moldova	NA	NA	NA	1,035	1,056	1,168	1,021
Poland	11	6	2	3	1	4	-
Romania	16	3	-	2	4	-	-
Russia	NA	NA	NA	4,386	3,723	4,454	2,100
Slovenia	-	-	-	2	-	2	-
Soviet Union ³	29,536	27,072	23,349	194	282	133	2
Tajikistan	NA	NA	NA	9	24	9	4
Turkmenistan	NA	NA	NA	16	1	7	1
Ukraine	NA	NA	NA	8,649	7,334	7,172	5,219
Uzbekistan	NA	NA	NA	818	693	681	394
Yugoslavia ³	-	3	-	14,280	524	153	1,860
Asia ¹	22,131	11,771	13,669	14,041	13,622	15,356	6,949
Afghanistan	-	-	88	365	1,709	2,930	1,677
Bahrain	-	-	-	-	5	3	-
Burma	11	182	186	295	637	543	128
Cambodia	-	-	-	-	-	23	4
China, People's Republic	1	-	-	1	1	12	7
India	4	6	-	-	-	-	-
Indonesia	-	-	1	26	14	5	18
Iran	1,256	1,305	1,699	1,750	5,145	6,590	1,525
Iraq	2,528	2,679	1,407	1,955	3,158	2,473	465
Jordan	-	-	-	-	5	-	-
Kuwait	-	-	-	-	13	-	6
Laos	2,201	939	-	19	64	22	18
Lebanon	-	-	-	-	-	1	7
Malaysia	-	-	-	-	-	5	-
Maldives	-	-	-	-	1	2	-
Pakistan	-	-	-	-	6	3	-
Sri Lanka	-	-	-	5	4	2	5
Syria	-	-	-	2	18	8	4
Thailand	-	-	-	-	-	4	4
Vietnam ¹	16,130	6,660	10,288	9,622	2,841	2,730	3,081
Yemen	-	-	-	1	1	-	-
Africa	7,502	6,069	6,665	13,048	17,624	19,070	2,545
Algeria	-	-	-	12	57	31	-
Angola	2	-	-	-	2	34	16
Benin	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Burkina Faso	-	1	-	-	1	-	-
Burundi	8	33	24	223	165	109	62

See footnotes at end of table.

**TABLE 17. REFUGEE ARRIVALS INTO THE UNITED STATES
BY COUNTRY OF CHARGEABILITY
FISCAL YEARS 1996-2002—Continued**

Country of chargeability	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002
Cameroon	1	19	15	9	7	5	6
Central African Republic	-	-	-	1	-	1	-
Chad	-	45	41	22	2	2	1
Congo, Democratic Republic ⁴	38	45	52	42	1,354	260	105
Congo, Republic ⁴	-	-	-	27	11	6	5
Cote d' Ivoire	-	-	1	5	-	1	3
Djibouti	-	16	15	8	-	12	1
Egypt	-	-	-	-	6	8	-
Equatorial Guinea	-	-	-	-	12	-	-
Eritrea	14	7	9	32	94	109	13
Ethiopia	194	197	152	1,873	1,347	1,429	329
Gambia, The	-	16	50	13	13	5	-
Ghana	1	4	-	5	3	2	4
Guinea	-	-	-	6	1	4	5
Kenya	6	-	13	2	11	13	24
Lesotho	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Liberia	46	231	1,494	2,495	2,620	3,429	559
Libya	-	-	-	-	-	5	-
Madagascar	-	-	2	-	-	-	-
Malawi	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mauritania	-	-	-	1	-	202	6
Mozambique	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Namibia	-	-	-	-	5	1	-
Nigeria	34	7	312	625	50	85	27
Rwanda	118	100	86	153	345	94	47
Senegal	-	-	-	-	-	-	3
Sierra Leone	13	57	176	675	1,128	2,004	176
Somalia	6,436	4,974	2,951	4,320	6,026	4,951	238
South Africa	1	1	-	-	-	-	-
Sudan	575	277	1,252	2,393	3,833	5,959	895
Tanzania	-	-	-	1	-	1	1
Togo	1	30	15	93	511	280	16
Tunisia	-	-	3	-	2	10	-
Uganda	10	9	2	12	18	12	2
Zambia	4	-	-	-	-	-	-
Zimbabwe	-	-	-	-	-	6	-
North America	3,539	2,986	1,587	2,109	3,233	2,968	1,929
Caribbean	3,537	2,986	1,587	2,109	3,233	2,968	1,929
Cuba	3,498	2,911	1,587	2,018	3,184	2,944	1,925
Haiti	39	75	-	91	49	24	4
Central America	2	-	-	-	-	-	-
El Salvador	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nicaragua	2	-	-	-	-	-	-
South America	2	-	-	1	-	5	8
Argentina	-	-	-	-	-	5	-
Colombia	-	-	-	-	-	-	8
Peru	2	-	-	1	-	-	-
Venezuela	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

¹ Amerasians from Vietnam are not included as refugee arrivals because they enter the United States on immigrant visas. In fiscal year 2002, 347 Amerasians from Vietnam arrived on immigrant visas according to immigrant statistics (see Table 5). The State Department includes Amerasian immigrant arrivals in its admissions report because Amerasian immigrants count against the annual ceiling. ² Data include independent and unknown republics. See Notice of Special Geographic Definitions. ³ Data are for unknown republic only. 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. 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.

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. NA Not available.

**TABLE 18. ASYLUM CASES FILED WITH INS DISTRICT DIRECTORS AND ASYLUM OFFICERS
FISCAL YEARS 1973-2002**

Year	Cases received ¹	Cases completed ²	Cases approved	Cases denied	Cases adjudicated ³	Percent approved ⁴
1973-2002	1,539,441	1,218,659	189,809	244,380	681,341	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	327,085	411,610	63,392	11,001	228,836	28
1996	116,877	104,885	13,537	2,355	61,697	22
1997 ⁶	76,620	116,628	10,213	2,302	52,673	19
1998 ⁶	48,976	79,373	9,932	3,008	42,403	23
1999 ⁶	38,013	52,553	13,160	1,613	34,201	38
2000 ⁶	46,599	58,171	16,550	1,723	37,862	44
2001 ⁶	63,166	67,851	20,303	1,553	47,023	43
2002	63,427	83,034	18,998	1,658	52,607	36

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 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 was changed from July 1-June 30 to October 1-September 30.

⁶ Data for 1997-2001 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 INS Asylum Officer Corps. See Glossary for fiscal year definitions.

TABLE 19. NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS GRANTED ASYLUM BY INS ASYLUM OFFICERS BY NATIONALITY FISCAL YEARS 1996-2002

Nationality	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002
All nationalities	18,601	16,215	13,009	17,845	22,858	28,719	25,919
Europe	4,548	2,299	2,549	2,735	3,676	4,007	2,900
Albania	439	379	541	402	425	526	384
Armenia	337	248	312	377	1,137	1,432	959
Austria	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Azerbaijan	128	83	161	150	265	373	252
Belarus	10	20	26	31	63	77	70
Belgium	1	-	2	-	1	2	-
Bosnia-Herzegovina	199	41	20	23	24	32	31
Bulgaria	43	56	72	62	79	53	65
Croatia	59	47	38	40	36	11	7
Czechoslovakia ¹	1	3	1	-	-	-	1
Estonia	-	3	7	-	7	11	16
France	1	-	-	-	-	2	3
Georgia	72	62	67	121	140	112	68
Germany	4	1	1	1	3	1	4
Greece	5	-	1	1	5	-	3
Hungary	13	4	2	1	6	3	1
Ireland	-	-	-	-	-	2	-
Italy	1	-	-	-	1	-	1
Kazakhstan	15	17	27	18	51	24	24
Kyrgyzstan	5	12	4	11	17	17	20
Latvia	17	7	3	1	11	7	10
Lithuania	-	-	3	2	1	10	17
Macedonia	10	31	22	3	8	30	37
Moldova	14	6	3	2	13	22	13
Netherlands	-	-	-	-	-	1	2
Norway	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
Poland	12	2	6	1	2	1	1
Portugal	-	-	-	1	-	-	1
Romania	77	53	45	38	39	93	135
Russia	472	381	434	559	630	542	395
San Marino	-	-	2	-	-	-	-
Slovak Republic	-	2	3	4	-	2	-
Slovenia	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Soviet Union ¹	128	59	63	15	4	5	3
Spain	-	-	1	-	-	1	2
Switzerland	1	-	-	-	-	-	3
Tajikistan	11	6	15	17	18	5	5
Turkmenistan	3	17	13	2	10	17	15
Ukraine	215	196	142	98	94	103	92
United Kingdom	2	9	5	4	2	3	5
Uzbekistan	42	37	54	32	62	128	134
Yugoslavia ¹	2,210	517	453	718	521	359	120
Asia	5,369	8,672	3,380	5,809	7,730	10,400	10,272
Afghanistan	222	284	296	339	268	329	191
Bahrain	-	-	1	-	3	3	1
Bangladesh	251	121	105	124	88	78	99
Bhutan	2	1	-	4	15	15	9
Burma	153	180	269	348	341	1,312	338
Cambodia	7	10	124	145	61	15	46
China, People's Republic	430	485	666	1,189	3,353	4,802	5,713
Hong Kong	-	-	-	-	-	3	-
India	1,685	871	395	392	647	842	1,081
Indonesia	6	3	15	1,545	937	615	493
Iran	592	416	708	779	874	876	716
Iraq	951	5,777	179	206	386	643	560
Israel	16	7	1	6	15	17	14

See footnotes at end of table.

**TABLE 19. NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS GRANTED ASYLUM BY INS ASYLUM OFFICERS BY NATIONALITY
FISCAL YEARS 1996-2002—Continued**

Nationality	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002
Japan	-	-	-	-	1	-	2
Jordan	21	19	25	33	22	56	56
Korea	7	5	3	-	-	1	-
Kuwait	22	8	13	23	9	7	7
Laos	17	14	18	18	15	9	11
Lebanon	78	37	64	48	27	50	39
Malaysia	5	1	5	15	26	19	27
Mongolia	-	-	-	1	5	6	4
Nepal	4	3	17	13	18	19	70
Oman	4	-	-	-	1	-	2
Pakistan	448	268	280	371	378	408	504
Philippines	37	17	19	28	17	2	20
Qatar	-	-	-	-	-	4	1
Saudi Arabia	6	1	7	9	4	10	14
Singapore	1	1	5	3	4	11	1
Sri Lanka	32	46	53	42	56	96	77
Syria	307	35	44	34	30	27	42
Taiwan	1	-	-	6	6	2	2
Thailand	-	-	5	-	-	1	6
Turkey	15	27	20	32	53	74	73
United Arab Emirates	-	-	-	2	3	2	11
Vietnam	5	6	10	13	16	7	13
Yemen	44	29	33	41	51	39	29
Africa	4,065	3,076	4,938	7,140	7,268	6,330	5,888
Algeria	80	79	184	143	66	34	22
Angola	8	4	12	35	57	51	28
Benin	-	1	-	8	1	1	3
Burkina Faso	2	2	1	6	9	4	3
Burundi	92	57	43	52	29	52	62
Cameroon	95	79	155	244	335	322	708
Cape Verde	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
Central African Republic	-	-	3	1	2	5	23
Chad	8	2	13	20	16	11	13
Comoros	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
Congo, Democratic Republic ²	135	139	208	215	223	149	200
Congo, Republic ²	5	5	110	266	260	241	252
Cote d' Ivoire	30	15	12	17	25	43	24
Djibouti	-	-	-	1	4	3	1
Egypt	139	130	355	402	468	468	486
Equatorial Guinea	-	-	2	-	2	-	1
Eritrea	34	45	103	169	203	142	167
Ethiopia	823	451	541	1,089	1,409	1,132	1,044
Gabon	1	2	1	3	3	2	1
Gambia, The	75	56	42	45	24	32	19
Ghana	28	19	16	12	19	7	6
Guinea	39	15	53	48	94	157	183
Guinea-Bissau	-	-	-	2	4	1	2
Kenya	18	27	70	107	96	122	249
Lesotho	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Liberia	703	478	495	669	678	760	602
Libya	6	7	10	12	21	5	4
Madagascar	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Malawi	-	1	2	5	-	1	7
Mali	9	6	2	9	4	2	9
Mauritania	403	105	139	101	93	94	91
Mauritius	24	2	3	-	1	-	1
Morocco	1	4	5	6	7	8	15
Mozambique	-	-	-	-	2	-	-
Namibia	4	-	-	-	1	-	-

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**TABLE 19. NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS GRANTED ASYLUM BY INS ASYLUM OFFICERS BY NATIONALITY
FISCAL YEARS 1996-2002—Continued**

Nationality	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002
Niger	66	87	109	99	50	31	19
Nigeria	120	99	145	119	44	29	27
Rwanda	69	101	85	108	96	58	40
Senegal	10	7	9	21	15	15	17
Sierra Leone	61	25	157	183	218	303	172
Somalia	530	701	1,316	2,355	1,982	1,248	441
South Africa	15	4	-	6	7	2	14
Sudan	343	266	404	441	508	521	452
Swaziland	-	-	-	-	-	3	-
Tanzania	5	-	9	4	5	18	16
Togo	54	34	49	57	62	82	199
Tunisia	1	5	2	1	2	3	3
Uganda	28	15	71	55	115	117	152
Zambia	-	-	2	-	-	8	14
Zimbabwe	-	1	-	3	8	42	95
Oceania	35	9	2	35	79	341	182
Australia	1	-	-	1	-	1	-
Fiji	34	9	2	34	79	340	180
New Zealand	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
North America	3,814	1,762	1,689	1,332	1,370	1,667	1,385
Canada	-	-	-	-	-	3	1
Mexico	43	32	36	56	39	48	41
Caribbean	2,114	1,019	601	445	875	1,277	1,047
Bahamas, The	-	-	1	-	-	1	-
Barbados	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
Cuba	631	313	196	252	118	76	53
Dominica	-	-	-	-	3	-	-
Dominican Republic	-	-	2	1	-	3	-
Haiti	1,483	699	394	188	754	1,194	989
Jamaica	-	7	6	1	-	-	-
St. Vincent and the Grenadines	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
Trinidad and Tobago	-	-	1	2	-	3	5
Central America	1,657	711	1,052	831	456	339	296
Belize	-	-	-	-	1	1	-
Costa Rica	-	-	-	-	1	-	2
El Salvador	198	182	388	296	146	158	75
Guatemala	892	349	468	433	275	148	184
Honduras	140	51	49	64	13	15	24
Nicaragua	420	128	146	29	20	17	11
Panama	7	1	1	9	-	-	-
South America	596	318	392	710	2,668	5,857	5,180
Argentina	-	-	-	-	2	3	5
Bolivia	12	-	-	11	7	3	2
Brazil	15	4	27	45	19	27	35
Chile	5	1	4	21	9	6	5
Colombia	91	48	108	229	2,470	5,672	4,958
Ecuador	-	-	2	4	3	13	29
Guyana	1	2	2	-	-	-	-
Paraguay	-	6	-	2	-	2	2
Peru	469	246	219	374	131	88	71
Suriname	-	1	15	6	1	-	-
Uruguay	-	1	1	-	3	2	1
Venezuela	3	9	14	18	23	41	72
Stateless	122	53	48	75	63	114	111
Unknown	52	26	11	9	4	3	1

¹ Data are for unknown republic only. See Notice of Special Geographic Definitions.

² 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.

- Represents zero.

**TABLE 20. ASYLUM CASES FILED WITH INS ASYLUM OFFICERS BY NATIONALITY
FISCAL YEAR 2002**

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	58,439	4,988	18,998	36	25,919	1,658
Europe	5,992	349	2,085	36	2,900	189
Albania	1,240	18	255	22	384	36
Armenia	1,389	51	688	42	959	53
Austria	2	-	-	-	1	-
Azerbaijan	312	26	199	63	252	2
Belarus	174	3	54	36	70	4
Belgium	2	-	-	-	-	-
Bosnia-Herzegovina	44	2	20	42	31	7
Bulgaria	95	7	47	53	65	3
Croatia	9	3	6	43	7	-
Czech Republic	7	-	-	-	-	-
Czechoslovakia ⁵	30	7	-	-	1	1
Estonia	55	2	7	21	16	-
Finland	-	1	-	-	-	-
France	10	1	1	20	3	-
Georgia	187	3	51	34	68	4
Germany	8	-	1	17	4	-
Greece	1	-	1	33	3	1
Hungary	8	5	1	17	1	-
Ireland	1	-	-	-	-	1
Italy	5	-	-	-	1	-
Kazakhstan	59	4	19	42	24	1
Kyrgyzstan	54	1	17	31	20	6
Latvia	56	3	6	20	10	-
Lithuania	79	1	9	15	17	-
Macedonia	76	8	18	21	37	7
Moldova	52	2	9	24	13	2
Netherlands	2	-	-	-	2	-
Poland	17	37	1	8	1	1
Portugal	4	3	-	-	1	-
Romania	210	14	111	47	135	5
Russia	861	62	291	42	395	24
Slovak Republic	5	3	-	-	-	-
Slovenia	1	1	-	-	-	-
Soviet Union ⁵	-	14	-	-	3	1
Spain	5	-	-	-	2	-
Sweden	1	1	-	-	-	-
Switzerland	1	-	-	-	3	-
Tajikistan	13	-	4	31	5	-
Turkmenistan	16	-	9	64	15	-
Ukraine	249	29	75	33	92	6
United Kingdom	3	2	-	-	5	-
Uzbekistan	275	8	94	38	134	6
Yugoslavia ⁵	374	27	91	26	120	18
Asia	17,883	1,516	8,270	49	10,272	461
Afghanistan	132	8	121	63	191	5
Bahrain	2	-	-	-	1	-
Bangladesh	125	332	59	41	99	6
Bhutan	9	1	9	82	9	-
Burma	544	16	302	58	338	36
Cambodia	220	1	35	19	46	10
China, People's Republic ...	10,522	542	5,030	52	5,713	184
Cyprus	1	-	-	-	-	-
Hong Kong	3	-	-	-	-	-
India	1,714	266	911	48	1,081	21
Indonesia	1,604	30	340	23	493	112
Iran	894	28	522	61	716	22

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**TABLE 20. ASYLUM CASES FILED WITH INS ASYLUM OFFICERS BY NATIONALITY
FISCAL YEAR 2002—Continued**

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
Iraq	544	14	314	67	560	18
Israel	35	9	6	29	14	1
Japan	4	-	-	-	2	-
Jordan	133	5	31	35	56	5
Korea	6	3	-	-	-	-
Kuwait	19	-	4	67	7	-
Laos	21	6	7	28	11	2
Lebanon	102	6	27	37	39	5
Malaysia	39	1	26	74	27	1
Mongolia	9	-	2	20	4	1
Nepal	172	11	57	46	70	6
Oman	-	-	-	-	2	-
Pakistan	560	161	292	56	504	14
Philippines	80	41	11	17	20	4
Qatar	1	-	-	-	1	-
Saudi Arabia	10	-	5	71	14	-
Singapore	4	-	1	100	1	-
Sri Lanka	151	7	47	32	77	2
Syria	47	1	19	40	42	1
Taiwan	4	-	-	-	2	-
Thailand	10	4	1	13	6	-
Turkey	96	13	58	56	73	4
United Arab Emirates	4	-	-	-	11	-
Vietnam	23	2	11	46	13	1
Yemen	39	8	22	42	29	-
Africa	11,134	362	4,801	49	5,888	321
Algeria	53	5	17	34	22	1
Angola	53	2	26	55	28	1
Benin	7	-	3	50	3	-
Burkina Faso	20	2	3	19	3	-
Burundi	98	2	55	62	62	2
Cameroon	1,343	12	666	62	708	37
Cape Verde	-	-	-	-	-	-
Central African Republic	83	-	22	44	23	2
Chad	20	1	10	56	13	-
Congo, Dem. Republic	400	6	174	47	200	12
Congo, Republic	499	3	190	47	252	6
Cote d'Ivoire	85	7	19	32	24	-
Djibouti	2	-	1	50	1	-
Egypt	607	11	246	41	486	26
Equatorial Guinea	1	-	1	100	1	-
Eritrea	260	-	142	60	167	8
Ethiopia	1,286	27	917	68	1,044	32
Gabon	4	-	1	50	1	-
Gambia, The	33	24	16	46	19	2
Ghana	18	14	5	31	6	-
Guinea	814	23	158	24	183	13
Guinea-Bissau	8	-	2	25	2	-
Kenya	495	2	151	56	249	9
Liberia	767	44	513	55	602	64
Libya	7	-	3	75	4	-
Madagascar	1	-	1	100	1	-
Malawi	4	-	2	33	7	2
Mali	18	25	8	40	9	-
Mauritania	1,089	19	87	15	91	13
Mauritius	11	3	1	14	1	-
Morocco	14	1	7	39	15	1
Namibia	2	-	-	-	-	-
Niger	59	4	18	33	19	4
Nigeria	77	38	20	32	27	4
Rwanda	64	2	36	52	40	4

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**TABLE 20. ASYLUM CASES FILED WITH INS ASYLUM OFFICERS BY NATIONALITY
FISCAL YEAR 2002—Continued**

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
Senegal	64	11	15	35	17	4
Seychelles	1	-	-	-	-	-
Sierra Leone	679	14	155	30	172	20
Somalia	531	42	364	50	441	4
South Africa	52	-	6	18	14	1
Sudan	468	8	354	64	452	27
Swaziland	1	-	-	-	-	-
Tanzania	57	-	12	41	16	1
Togo	434	4	180	58	199	10
Tunisia	7	-	2	29	3	-
Uganda	282	4	135	49	152	4
Zambia	36	1	6	23	14	1
Zimbabwe	220	1	51	38	95	6
Oceania	143	11	100	39	182	21
Australia	4	1	-	-	-	-
Fiji	133	10	100	40	180	21
New Zealand	1	-	-	-	2	-
Samoa	1	-	-	-	-	-
Tonga	4	-	-	-	-	-
North America	14,012	2,436	974	8	1,385	316
Canada	5	-	-	-	1	2
Mexico	8,977	339	31	Z	41	3
Caribbean	3,700	423	744	28	1,047	56
Bahamas, The	1	-	-	-	-	-
Cuba	112	59	47	64	53	2
Dominica	-	1	-	-	-	-
Dominican Republic	6	2	-	-	-	-
Grenada	-	1	-	-	-	-
Haiti	3,562	324	695	27	989	53
Jamaica	15	12	-	-	-	1
St Lucia	-	-	-	-	-	-
St. Vincent and the Grenadines	1	-	-	-	-	-
Trinidad and Tobago	3	24	2	40	5	-
Central America	1,330	1,674	199	12	296	255
Belize	5	1	-	-	-	-
Costa Rica	3	4	-	-	2	-
El Salvador	274	597	58	8	75	212
Guatemala	954	679	118	15	184	33
Honduras	56	76	15	19	24	10
Nicaragua	32	317	8	35	11	-
Panama	6	-	-	-	-	-
South America	8,894	288	2,668	36	5,180	345
Argentina	255	3	5	11	5	3
Bolivia	19	2	1	8	2	-
Brazil	86	34	29	30	35	2
Chile	21	2	5	26	5	-
Colombia	7,967	79	2,528	37	4,958	323
Ecuador	37	85	9	23	29	3
Guyana	8	42	-	-	-	-
Paraguay	6	-	2	25	2	-
Peru	228	27	40	22	71	5
Suriname	-	11	-	-	-	-
Uruguay	6	-	1	100	1	-
Venezuela	261	3	48	32	72	9
Stateless	205	20	99	43	111	5
Unknown	176	6	1	1	1	-

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**TABLE 20. ASYLUM CASES FILED WITH INS ASYLUM OFFICERS BY NATIONALITY
FISCAL YEAR 2002—Continued**

Nationality	Individuals denied asylum during year	Cases referred to immigration judge, past filing deadline ⁶	Cases otherwise closed during year ⁷	Cases referred to immigration judge, not interviewed	Cases referred to immigration judge, interviewed
All nationalities	2,986	13,747	26,860	3,567	18,204
Europe	327	821	599	307	2,665
Albania	66	208	85	23	646
Armenia	97	160	28	86	744
Austria	-	-	1	-	-
Azerbaijan	3	36	22	80	81
Belarus	5	14	6	5	77
Belgium	-	-	1	-	-
Bosnia-Herzegovina	9	5	6	1	16
Bulgaria	4	9	21	3	29
Croatia	-	1	4	-	7
Czech Republic	-	2	-	1	2
Czechoslovakia ⁵	1	12	7	1	8
Estonia	1	11	1	1	15
Finland	-	-	-	-	-
France	-	1	4	1	3
Georgia	6	51	6	12	42
Germany	2	1	-	1	4
Greece	1	-	1	-	1
Hungary	1	2	10	1	3
Ireland	1	-	-	-	-
Italy	-	1	3	-	-
Kazakhstan	2	4	-	-	21
Kyrgyzstan	7	5	-	2	27
Latvia	-	6	5	1	18
Lithuania	4	19	5	1	32
Macedonia	12	20	18	6	41
Moldova	7	5	1	2	21
Netherlands	-	-	1	-	-
Poland	1	-	61	2	10
Portugal	-	2	2	-	-
Romania	7	26	67	9	93
Russia	38	110	79	30	276
Slovak Republic	-	-	1	-	7
Slovenia	-	-	2	-	-
Soviet Union ⁵	1	-	41	-	-
Spain	-	2	1	-	-
Sweden	-	-	1	-	1
Switzerland	-	-	-	1	-
Tajikistan	2	2	1	2	7
Turkmenistan	-	-	-	-	5
Ukraine	10	43	33	9	101
United Kingdom	2	-	2	-	4
Uzbekistan	11	15	5	9	131
Yugoslavia ⁵	26	48	67	17	192
Asia	724	2,129	2,036	879	5,914
Afghanistan	5	25	11	10	42
Bahrain	2	1	-	-	-
Bangladesh	11	14	301	12	66
Bhutan	-	1	1	-	1
Burma	44	53	66	21	127
Cambodia	12	21	7	6	120
China, People's Republic ..	253	1,234	645	472	3,214
Cyprus	-	-	-	-	-
Hong Kong	-	1	-	-	2
India	31	187	336	146	776
Indonesia	186	327	27	60	682
Iran	38	71	59	65	241

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**TABLE 20. ASYLUM CASES FILED WITH INS ASYLUM OFFICERS BY NATIONALITY
FISCAL YEAR 2002—Continued**

Nationality	Individuals denied asylum during year	Cases referred to immigration judge, past filing deadline ⁶	Cases otherwise closed during year ⁷	Cases referred to immigration judge, not interviewed	Cases referred to immigration judge, interviewed
Iraq	39	23	124	14	114
Israel	2	-	12	-	14
Japan	1	-	2	-	-
Jordan	13	13	14	5	40
Korea	-	1	1	-	2
Kuwait	-	-	4	-	2
Laos	2	2	30	-	14
Lebanon	15	8	19	2	33
Malaysia	5	5	3	2	3
Mongolia	4	2	-	1	5
Nepal	9	10	9	2	51
Oman	-	1	-	-	-
Pakistan	29	47	205	21	172
Philippines	11	19	98	23	31
Qatar	-	2	-	-	-
Saudi Arabia	-	-	-	-	2
Singapore	-	-	1	-	-
Sri Lanka	4	26	11	3	71
Syria	1	8	8	1	20
Taiwan	1	1	-	1	3
Thailand	-	1	10	2	6
Turkey	5	14	17	5	28
United Arab Emirates	-	-	-	-	-
Vietnam	1	4	2	2	8
Yemen	-	7	13	3	24
Africa	438	1,165	465	499	3,493
Algeria	1	16	21	3	16
Angola	1	3	3	-	17
Benin	-	1	1	-	2
Burkina Faso	-	1	1	-	12
Burundi	2	8	1	2	24
Cameroon	42	54	22	15	319
Cape Verde	1	-	2	-	-
Central African Republic	2	8	3	1	18
Chad	-	-	-	1	8
Congo, Dem. Republic	13	46	6	15	137
Congo, Republic	11	57	18	16	152
Cote d'Ivoire	2	11	10	3	29
Djibouti	-	-	-	-	1
Egypt	62	30	10	10	295
Equatorial Guinea	-	-	-	-	-
Eritrea	12	21	7	2	67
Ethiopia	39	121	55	24	274
Gabon	-	-	1	-	1
Gambia, The	2	8	11	-	9
Ghana	-	2	26	-	9
Guinea	16	129	19	72	357
Guinea-Bissau	-	2	3	1	4
Kenya	15	25	8	5	86
Liberia	73	33	49	21	325
Libya	1	1	1	1	-
Madagascar	-	-	-	-	-
Malawi	2	-	-	-	2
Mali	-	3	21	-	9
Mauritania	13	110	22	61	366
Mauritius	-	-	1	1	6
Morocco	1	3	-	2	7
Namibia	-	1	-	-	1
Niger	4	8	10	2	24
Nigeria	10	13	42	7	26
Rwanda	4	2	1	-	27
Senegal	4	5	17	3	19
Seychelles	-	-	-	-	1

See footnotes at end of table.

**TABLE 20. ASYLUM CASES FILED WITH INS ASYLUM OFFICERS BY NATIONALITY
FISCAL YEAR 2002—Continued**

Nationality	Individuals denied asylum during year	Cases referred to immigration judge, past filing deadline ⁶	Cases otherwise closed during year ⁷	Cases referred to immigration judge, not interviewed	Cases referred to immigration judge, interviewed
Sierra Leone	25	144	22	38	199
Somalia	4	159	24	163	205
South Africa	3	6	2	2	21
Sudan	34	19	8	12	157
Swaziland	-	-	-	-	-
Tanzania	2	5	1	1	11
Togo	13	8	3	1	113
Tunisia	-	3	1	-	2
Uganda	4	55	9	7	84
Zambia	1	2	1	3	17
Zimbabwe	19	42	2	4	34
Oceania	46	29	33	13	108
Australia	-	1	-	-	1
Fiji	46	27	32	11	105
New Zealand	-	-	1	-	-
Samoa	-	-	-	1	-
Tonga	-	1	-	1	2
North America	497	8,195	23,070	1,594	2,836
Canada	9	1	-	-	2
Mexico	6	7,486	263	1,111	511
Caribbean	108	291	2,134	243	1,557
Bahamas, The	1	1	1	-	-
Cuba	2	6	675	9	19
Dominica	-	-	1	-	-
Dominican Republic	1	1	16	-	2
Grenada	-	-	1	-	-
Haiti	102	280	1,378	231	1,526
Jamaica	2	3	24	3	7
St Lucia	-	-	1	-	-
St. Vincent and the Grenadines	-	-	1	-	-
Trinidad and Tobago	-	-	36	-	3
Central America	374	417	20,673	240	766
Belize	-	2	-	-	4
Costa Rica	-	2	3	-	1
El Salvador	317	116	12,913	122	336
Guatemala	45	265	4,270	110	381
Honduras	10	22	87	8	34
Nicaragua	-	7	3,399	-	8
Panama	2	3	1	-	2
South America	949	1,324	623	263	2,983
Argentina	5	24	46	4	13
Bolivia	-	7	6	-	5
Brazil	7	37	119	13	28
Chile	-	6	3	2	8
Colombia	910	1,157	201	227	2,750
Ecuador	7	6	137	5	22
Guyana	-	3	48	1	7
Paraguay	-	1	1	-	5
Peru	8	52	49	5	82
Suriname	-	-	8	-	3
Uruguay	-	-	3	1	-
Venezuela	12	31	2	5	60
Stateless	5	32	29	9	92
Unknown	-	52	5	3	113

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 under 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; exclude independent republics. See Notice of Special Geographic Definitions. ⁶ These cases referred because they were filed after the applicants had been in the United States for a year. ⁷ Include ABC interview no show cases. See Asylum section of text.
- Represents zero. Z Rounds to less than .5 percent.

**TABLE 21. ASYLUM CASES FILED WITH INS ASYLUM OFFICERS BY
ASYLUM OFFICE AND STATE OF RESIDENCE
FISCAL YEAR 2002**

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	58,439	4,988	18,998	36	25,919	1,658
Asylum office:						
Arlington	5,133	289	2,740	60	3,474	188
Chicago	3,984	204	719	29	1,091	210
Houston	2,210	91	717	31	987	166
Los Angeles	18,056	832	5,594	33	6,806	306
Miami	11,858	793	3,108	34	5,627	368
New York	4,718	1,471	1,010	21	1,369	132
Newark	4,893	998	1,416	31	1,862	150
San Francisco	7,587	310	3,694	48	4,703	138
State:						
Alabama	47	8	5	50	6	1
Alaska	14	2	-	-	-	-
Arizona	232	18	24	53	30	1
Arkansas	26	4	9	41	16	2
California	24,069	1,045	8,903	37	11,009	429
Colorado	400	16	127	31	165	20
Connecticut	231	44	73	34	91	6
Delaware	58	38	22	42	33	-
District of Columbia ...	307	15	206	65	239	19
Florida	11,398	777	3,043	34	5,504	361
Georgia	704	69	123	56	187	6
Hawaii	46	-	4	67	4	-
Idaho	17	1	-	-	-	-
Illinois	657	38	221	35	280	54
Indiana	151	11	48	31	69	17
Iowa	211	7	6	33	8	2
Kansas	63	7	14	32	19	5
Kentucky	230	14	22	12	44	13
Louisiana	39	2	8	31	12	1
Maine	36	5	13	30	17	1
Maryland	2,507	69	1,465	60	1,745	104
Massachusetts	745	107	248	35	339	15
Michigan	658	19	214	35	428	41
Minnesota	422	31	156	35	196	37
Mississippi	16	1	8	47	8	-
Missouri	116	16	20	18	33	7
Montana	6	-	-	-	-	-
Nebraska	360	19	14	50	20	2
Nevada	192	30	81	39	115	12
New Hampshire	160	2	25	23	45	2
New Jersey	761	346	295	38	429	41
New Mexico	19	-	4	29	6	-
New York	6,938	1,847	1,558	23	2,007	175
North Carolina	343	45	184	52	264	17
North Dakota	5	-	2	67	2	-
Ohio	1,127	42	71	20	94	15
Oklahoma	46	3	18	45	32	5
Oregon	122	9	22	34	32	2
Pennsylvania	777	61	273	34	380	43
Rhode Island	58	17	35	49	57	-
South Carolina	76	3	5	36	10	3
South Dakota	15	4	3	17	9	2
Tennessee	531	9	112	19	139	9
Texas	1,039	51	410	38	569	122
Utah	108	10	41	37	62	6
Vermont	12	2	10	67	12	-
Virginia	1,157	81	724	59	978	45
Washington	726	19	77	53	104	5
West Virginia	9	-	6	75	12	-
Wisconsin	76	4	23	32	31	10
Wyoming	2	1	2	50	6	-
Guam	57	11	19	53	19	-
Puerto Rico	16	1	1	100	2	-
U.S. Virgin Islands	301	7	1	1	1	-

See footnotes at end of table.

**TABLE 21. ASYLUM CASES FILED WITH INS ASYLUM OFFICERS BY
ASYLUM OFFICE AND STATE OF RESIDENCE
FISCAL YEAR 2002—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	2,986	13,747	26,860	3,567	18,204
Asylum office:					
Arlington	264	415	1,582	117	1,216
Chicago	345	314	753	157	1,263
Houston	245	236	1,243	229	1,169
Los Angeles	463	7,593	8,475	1,671	3,439
Miami	977	1,504	6,127	467	4,232
New York	217	871	5,051	246	2,847
Newark	228	956	2,645	143	2,025
San Francisco	247	1,858	984	537	2,013
State:					
Alabama	4	2	22	3	2
Alaska	-	-	30	-	-
Arizona	3	9	43	3	11
Arkansas	4	4	44	5	7
California	681	9,312	8,939	2,163	5,238
Colorado	27	59	59	41	209
Connecticut	6	31	129	10	104
Delaware	-	7	38	1	23
District of Columbia ...	25	20	230	2	73
Florida	951	1,468	6,000	418	4,089
Georgia	11	34	98	22	58
Hawaii	-	-	2	-	2
Idaho	-	2	9	4	19
Illinois	77	73	201	14	279
Indiana	32	21	56	8	67
Iowa	2	2	41	-	8
Kansas	11	3	59	14	22
Kentucky	15	38	27	32	105
Louisiana	1	7	18	1	10
Maine	1	8	25	3	21
Maryland	143	217	505	44	658
Massachusetts	31	138	717	33	314
Michigan	85	49	81	25	299
Minnesota	48	60	105	33	197
Mississippi	-	1	3	1	8
Missouri	10	38	41	8	45
Montana	-	1	1	5	8
Nebraska	9	3	74	-	9
Nevada	20	45	300	16	70
New Hampshire	3	44	4	1	36
New Jersey	72	110	980	27	327
New Mexico	-	1	3	1	9
New York	278	1,361	5,564	294	3,720
North Carolina	32	37	134	11	114
North Dakota	-	-	1	-	1
Ohio	33	47	89	13	215
Oklahoma	9	3	18	3	14
Oregon	3	12	32	8	29
Pennsylvania	55	145	93	20	336
Rhode Island	-	6	153	4	31
South Carolina	5	3	4	-	3
South Dakota	2	3	23	-	10
Tennessee	15	46	20	128	416
Texas	177	101	1,069	38	451
Utah	16	22	40	13	42
Vermont	-	1	9	-	4
Virginia	63	117	640	42	331
Washington	8	25	51	10	38
West Virginia	-	-	2	-	2
Wisconsin	18	4	16	1	35
Wyoming	-	-	-	-	2
Guam	-	2	9	1	15
Puerto Rico	-	-	7	-	-
U.S. Virgin Islands	-	5	2	43	68

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 under 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.

- Represents zero.

**TABLE 22. REFUGEES AND ASYLEES GRANTED LAWFUL PERMANENT
RESIDENT STATUS BY ENACTMENT
FISCAL YEARS 1946-2002**

Enactment	Total	1946-50	1951-60	1961-70	1971-80
Total	3,727,484	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	2
Refugee-Escapee Act of 9/11/57	29,462	X	24,263	5,199	X
Hungarian Refugee Act of 7/25/58	30,755	X	30,491	258	2
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	82
Refugee Conditional Entrants Act of 10/3/65	142,103	X	X	39,149	102,625
Cuban Adjustment Act of 11/2/66	654,149	X	X	135,947	252,119
Indochinese Refugee Act of 10/28/77	175,170	X	X	X	137,309
Refugee Parolee Act of 10/5/78	139,298	X	X	X	46,058
Refugee Act of 1980, 3/17/80	1,868,458	X	X	X	1,250
Refugees	1,711,243	X	X	X	X
Asylees	157,215	X	X	X	1,250
P.L. 105-277 (Iraqi asylees) of 10/20/98.....	4,744	X	X	X	X
Syrian Adjustment Act of 10/27/00.....	1	X	X	X	X

Enactment	1981-90	1991-2000	2001	2002
Total	1,013,620	1,021,266	108,506	126,084
Presidential Directive of 12/22/45	X	X	X	X
Displaced Persons Act of 6/25/48	X	X	X	X
Orphan Act of 7/29/53	X	X	X	X
Refugee Relief Act of 8/7/53	2	X	X	X
Refugee-Escapee Act of 9/11/57	X	X	X	X
Hungarian Refugee Act of 7/25/58	1	-	3	-
Azores and Netherlands Refugee Act of 9/2/58	X	X	X	X
Refugee Relatives Act of 9/22/59	X	X	X	X
Fair Share Refugee Act of 7/14/60	3	1	-	-
Refugee Conditional Entrants Act of 10/3/65	329	X	X	X
Cuban Adjustment Act of 11/2/66	105,898	116,604	21,207	22,374
Indochinese Refugee Act of 10/28/77	37,752	107	1	1
Refugee Parolee Act of 10/5/78	92,971	265	4	-
Refugee Act of 1980, 3/17/80	776,664	901,173	86,201	103,170
Refugees	734,259	807,437	76,090	93,457
Asylees	42,405	93,736	10,111	9,713
P.L. 105-277 (Iraqi asylees) of 10/20/98.....	X	3,116	1,090	538
Syrian Adjustment Act of 10/27/00.....	X	X	X	1

NOTE: See Glossary for fiscal year definitions.

X Not applicable.

**TABLE 23. REFUGEES AND ASYLEES GRANTED LAWFUL PERMANENT RESIDENT STATUS
BY REGION AND SELECTED COUNTRY OF BIRTH
FISCAL YEARS 1946-2002**

Region and country of birth	Total	1946-50	1951-60	1961-70	1971-80	1981-90	1991-2000	2001	2002
All countries	3,727,484	213,347	492,371	212,843	539,447	1,013,620	1,021,266	108,506	126,084
Europe	1,496,035	211,983	456,146	55,235	71,858	155,512	426,565	55,825	62,911
Albania	7,613	29	1,409	1,952	395	289	3,255	114	170
Armenia	2,747	X	X	X	X	X	2,161	321	265
Austria	17,628	4,801	11,487	233	185	424	390	37	71
Azerbaijan	13,045	X	X	X	X	X	12,072	476	497
Belarus	27,575	X	X	X	X	X	24,581	1,548	1,446
Belgium	94	NA	NA	NA	21	33	26	7	7
Bosnia-Herzegovina	85,927	X	X	X	X	X	37,591	23,303	25,033
Bulgaria	7,281	139	1,138	1,799	1,238	1,197	1,679	57	34
Croatia	7,459	X	X	X	X	X	1,807	2,337	3,315
Czech Republic	6	X	X	X	X	X	3	1	2
Czechoslovakia ¹	38,011	8,449	10,719	5,709	3,646	8,204	1,255	14	15
Denmark	28	NA	NA	NA	1	5	18	1	3
Estonia	12,304	7,143	4,103	16	2	25	843	93	79
Finland	18	NA	NA	NA	2	5	10	-	1
France	578	NA	NA	NA	139	268	142	14	15
Georgia	2,945	X	X	X	X	X	2,593	178	174
Germany	105,695	36,633	62,860	665	143	851	1,309	1,345	1,889
Gibraltar	1	NA	NA	NA	1	-	-	-	-
Greece	31,555	124	28,568	586	478	1,408	374	12	5
Hungary	76,498	6,086	55,740	4,044	4,358	4,942	1,285	19	24
Iceland	4	NA	NA	NA	2	2	-	-	-
Ireland	22	NA	NA	NA	8	6	6	1	1
Italy	63,697	642	60,657	1,198	346	394	412	15	33
Kazakstan	5,576	X	X	X	X	X	4,269	659	648
Kyrgyzstan	1,749	X	X	X	X	X	1,248	305	196
Latvia	41,404	21,422	16,783	49	16	48	2,757	175	154
Liechtenstein	1	NA	NA	NA	NA	-	1	-	-
Lithuania	28,658	18,694	8,569	72	23	37	1,161	69	33
Luxembourg	2	NA	NA	NA	-	2	-	-	-
Macedonia	436	X	X	X	X	X	137	114	185
Malta	14	NA	NA	NA	6	5	-	2	1
Moldova	14,375	X	X	X	X	X	11,717	1,322	1,336
Monaco	1	NA	NA	NA	1	-	-	-	-
Netherlands	17,713	129	14,336	3,134	8	14	36	8	48
Norway	20	NA	NA	NA	4	7	7	1	1
Poland	210,445	78,529	81,323	3,197	5,882	33,889	7,500	71	54
Portugal	5,080	12	3,650	1,361	21	21	13	-	2
Romania	75,917	4,180	12,057	7,158	6,812	29,798	15,708	119	85
Russia	70,251	X	X	X	X	X	60,404	4,758	5,089
San Marino	1	NA	NA	NA	1	-	-	-	-
Slovak Republic	40	X	X	X	X	X	31	5	4
Slovenia	227	X	X	X	X	X	97	60	70
Soviet Union ²	242,279	14,072	30,059	871	31,309	72,306	90,533	1,621	1,508
Spain	10,927	1	246	4,114	5,317	736	443	39	31
Sweden	40	NA	NA	NA	3	NA	17	9	11
Switzerland	169	NA	NA	NA	12	NA	46	39	72
Tajikistan	2,699	X	X	X	X	X	2,546	100	53
Turkmenistan	471	X	X	X	X	X	410	28	33
Ukraine	131,470	X	X	X	X	X	109,739	11,130	10,601
United Kingdom	402	NA	NA	NA	58	192	120	9	23
Uzbekistan	21,676	X	X	X	X	X	19,539	1,099	1,038
Yugoslavia ²	103,511	9,816	44,755	18,299	11,297	324	6,274	4,190	8,556
Unknown Europe	9,750	1,082	7,687	778	123	80	-	-	-
Asia	1,369,951	1,106	33,422	19,895	210,683	712,092	351,347	19,992	21,414
Afghanistan	34,515	-	1	-	542	22,946	9,725	257	1,044

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**TABLE 23. REFUGEES AND ASYLEES GRANTED LAWFUL PERMANENT RESIDENT STATUS
BY REGION AND SELECTED COUNTRY OF BIRTH
FISCAL YEARS 1946-2002—Continued**

Region and country of birth	Total	1946-50	1951-60	1961-70	1971-80	1981-90	1991-2000	2001	2002
Bahrain	5	NA	NA	NA	-	NA	5	-	-
Bangladesh	952	NA	NA	NA	2	NA	566	204	180
Bhutan	3	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	2	-	1
Burma	1,344	NA	NA	NA	70	NA	721	181	372
Cambodia	128,313	-	-	-	7,739	114,064	6,388	75	47
China ³	48,439	319	12,008	5,308	13,760	7,928	7,608	813	695
Cyprus	60	NA	NA	NA	48	NA	9	2	1
Hong Kong	9,551	-	1,076	2,128	3,468	1,916	611	247	105
India	5,085	NA	NA	NA	41	NA	2,544	942	1,558
Indonesia	17,888	-	8,253	7,658	222	1,385	201	111	58
Iran	77,988	118	192	58	364	46,773	24,313	1,364	4,806
Iraq	43,691	-	130	119	6,851	7,540	22,557	3,060	3,434
Israel	282	NA	NA	NA	76	NA	176	12	18
Japan	4,556	3	3,803	554	56	110	24	1	5
Jordan	464	NA	NA	NA	88	NA	333	11	32
Korea	4,653	-	3,116	1,316	65	120	26	3	7
Kuwait	578	NA	NA	NA	11	NA	469	37	61
Laos	202,813	-	-	-	21,690	142,964	37,265	520	374
Lebanon	1,762	NA	NA	NA	595	NA	1,028	38	101
Macau	32	NA	NA	NA	29	NA	3	-	-
Malaysia	856	NA	NA	NA	189	NA	385	210	72
Maldives	4	NA	NA	NA	-	NA	2	-	2
Mongolia	37	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	31	5	1
Nepal	40	NA	NA	NA	1	NA	32	2	5
Oman	8	NA	NA	NA	1	5	1	1	-
Pakistan	2,457	NA	NA	NA	20	NA	1,650	320	467
Philippines	1,338	NA	NA	NA	213	NA	968	89	68
Qatar	19	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	18	1	-
Saudia Arabia	1,017	NA	NA	NA	10	NA	880	70	57
Singapore	55	NA	NA	NA	28	NA	13	9	5
Sri Lanka	449	NA	NA	NA	24	NA	354	19	52
Syria	6,700	4	119	383	1,336	2,145	2,125	327	261
Thailand	55,438	-	15	13	1,241	30,259	22,759	653	498
Turkey	7,235	603	1,427	1,489	1,193	1,896	559	32	36
United Arab Emirates ..	66	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	59	3	4
Vietnam	698,862	-	2	7	150,266	324,453	206,857	10,351	6,926
Yemen	196	NA	NA	NA	22	11	80	22	61
Unknown Asia	12,200	59	3,280	862	422	7,577	-	-	-
Africa	104,423	20	1,768	5,486	2,991	22,149	51,649	6,906	13,454
Algeria	267	NA	NA	NA	1	5	138	46	77
Angola	361	NA	NA	NA	4	255	91	3	8
Benin	85	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	20	15	50
Botswana	96	NA	NA	NA	NA	85	9	-	2
Burkina Faso	39	NA	NA	NA	2	-	14	13	10
Burundi	327	NA	NA	NA	NA	8	148	64	107
Cameroon	432	NA	NA	NA	NA	9	302	44	77
Cape Verde.....	24	NA	NA	NA	4	13	6	1	-
Central African Rep. ...	6	NA	NA	NA	1	1	3	-	1
Chad	91	NA	NA	NA	7	-	43	18	23
Congo, Democratic Republic ⁴	1,328	NA	NA	NA	7	192	924	77	128
Congo, Republic	402	NA	NA	NA	1	1	25	34	341
Cote d' Ivoire	275	NA	NA	NA	1	1	119	52	102
Djibouti	70	NA	NA	NA	NA	19	20	9	22
Egypt	9,482	8	1,354	5,396	1,473	426	420	136	269
Equatorial Guinea	3	NA	NA	NA	-	2	-	-	1
Eritrea	695	X	X	X	X	X	608	36	51

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**TABLE 23. REFUGEES AND ASYLEES GRANTED LAWFUL PERMANENT RESIDENT STATUS
BY REGION AND SELECTED COUNTRY OF BIRTH
FISCAL YEARS 1946-2002—Continued**

Region and country of birth	Total	1946-50	1951-60	1961-70	1971-80	1981-90	1991-2000	2001	2002
Ethiopia ⁵	40,555	NA	61	2	1,307	18,542	17,865	881	1,897
Gabon	11	NA	NA	NA	NA	1	6	-	4
Gambia, The	172	NA	NA	NA	NA	-	54	61	57
Ghana	751	NA	NA	NA	3	135	431	81	101
Guinea	70	NA	NA	NA	NA	15	50	1	4
Guinea-Bissau	93	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	36	31	26
Kenya.....	2,281	NA	NA	NA	4	87	1,447	332	411
Lesotho	39	NA	NA	NA	1	29	9	-	-
Liberia	6,606	NA	NA	NA	2	109	3,839	976	1,680
Libya	984	NA	NA	NA	14	363	591	8	8
Madagascar	1	NA	NA	NA	-	1	-	-	-
Malawi	68	NA	NA	NA	8	33	23	4	-
Mali	28	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	12	8	8
Mauritania	342	NA	NA	NA	NA	1	211	68	62
Mauritius	28	NA	NA	NA	1	NA	19	7	1
Morocco	43	NA	NA	NA	3	11	23	1	5
Mozambique	110	NA	NA	NA	3	72	31	1	3
Namibia	113	NA	NA	NA	3	71	37	1	1
Niger	186	NA	NA	NA	NA	1	27	70	88
Nigeria	1,205	NA	NA	NA	6	14	443	300	442
Reunion	1	NA	NA	NA	-	1	-	-	-
Rwanda	685	NA	NA	NA	-	3	389	106	187
Sao Tome and Principe	1	NA	NA	NA	-	1	-	-	-
Senegal	76	NA	NA	NA	1	NA	40	19	16
Seychelles	15	NA	NA	NA	NA	12	3	-	-
Sierra Leone	1,232	NA	NA	NA	2	21	272	215	722
Somalia	23,481	NA	NA	NA	6	70	16,837	2,484	4,084
South Africa	511	NA	NA	NA	14	285	195	11	6
Sudan	8,514	NA	NA	NA	4	739	5,191	593	1,987
Swaziland	6	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	2	2	2
Tanzania	66	NA	NA	NA	2	7	32	9	16
Togo	462	NA	NA	NA	1	NA	114	44	303
Tunisia	17	NA	NA	NA	1	NA	7	6	3
Uganda	886	NA	NA	NA	58	301	439	35	53
Zambia	116	NA	NA	NA	3	53	52	1	7
Zimbabwe	62	NA	NA	NA	3	24	32	2	1
Unknown Africa	623	12	353	88	40	130	-	-	-
Oceania	505	7	75	21	37	22	291	19	33
American Samoa	1	NA	NA	NA	1	-	-	-	-
Australia	30	NA	NA	NA	21	NA	7	2	-
Fiji	323	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	280	15	28
French Polynesia	1	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	1	-	-
Guam	2	NA	NA	NA	2	-	-	-	-
New Caledonia	2	NA	NA	NA	1	NA	1	-	-
New Zealand	6	NA	NA	NA	2	4	-	-	-
Palau	3	X	X	X	X	X	-	-	3
Papua New Guinea	5	NA	NA	NA	2	3	-	-	-
Soloman Islands	3	NA	NA	NA	-	-	-	2	1
Vanuatu	1	X	X	X	-	-	-	-	1
Wallis and Futuna Is.	2	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	2	-	-
Unknown Oceania	126	7	75	21	8	15	-	-	-
North America	744,371	163	831	132,068	252,633	121,840	185,333	24,696	26,807
Canada	216	NA	NA	NA	96	NA	80	14	26
Greenland	2	NA	NA	NA	1	1	-	-	-
Mexico	785	NA	NA	NA	202	NA	416	67	100
St. Pierre and Miquelon	1	NA	NA	NA	1	-	-	-	-
United States	28	NA	NA	NA	5	NA	20	2	1

See footnotes at end of table.

**TABLE 23. REFUGEES AND ASYLEES GRANTED LAWFUL PERMANENT RESIDENT STATUS
BY REGION AND SELECTED COUNTRY OF BIRTH
FISCAL YEARS 1946-2002—Continued**

Region and country of birth	Total	1946-50	1951-60	1961-70	1971-80	1981-90	1991-2000	2001	2002
Caribbean	700,993	3	6	131,557	251,825	114,213	154,235	23,448	25,706
Anguilla	5	NA	NA	NA	-	5	-	-	-
Antigua-Barbuda	1	NA	NA	NA	1	-	-	-	-
Bahamas, The	854	NA	NA	NA	1	832	14	3	4
Barbados	5	NA	NA	NA	1	4	-	-	-
Bermuda	7	NA	NA	NA	5	-	1	1	-
British Virgin Islands	1	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	1	-	-
Cayman Islands	12	NA	NA	NA	9	NA	2	-	1
Cuba	688,639	3	6	131,557	251,514	113,367	144,612	22,687	24,893
Dominica	10	NA	NA	NA	4	NA	6	-	-
Dominican Republic	383	NA	NA	NA	152	NA	193	13	25
Grenada	2	NA	NA	NA	1	NA	1	-	-
Guadeloupe	4	NA	NA	NA	-	NA	-	2	2
Haiti	10,954	NA	NA	NA	86	NA	9,364	735	769
Jamaica	57	NA	NA	NA	25	NA	22	4	6
Martinique	4	NA	NA	NA	1	NA	3	-	-
Montserrat	2	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	2	-	-
Netherlands Antilles	7	NA	NA	NA	3	NA	1	-	3
Puerto Rico	5	NA	NA	NA	NA	3	2	-	-
St. Kitts and Nevis	4	NA	NA	NA	3	1	-	-	-
St. Lucia	3	NA	NA	NA	1	1	-	1	-
St. Vincent and the Grenadines	14	NA	NA	NA	13	NA	1	-	-
Trinidad and Tobago	14	NA	NA	NA	4	NA	5	2	3
Turks and Caicos Is.	6	NA	NA	NA	1	NA	5	-	-
Central America	39,989	1	1	4	289	6,973	30,582	1,165	974
Belize	17	NA	NA	NA	8	NA	6	2	1
Costa Rica	320	NA	NA	NA	51	NA	220	26	23
El Salvador	5,884	-	-	1	45	1,383	4,073	195	187
Guatemala	2,889	NA	NA	NA	47	NA	2,033	456	353
Honduras	1,359	NA	NA	NA	69	NA	1,050	124	116
Nicaragua	28,739	1	1	3	27	5,590	22,486	350	281
Panama	781	NA	NA	NA	42	NA	714	12	13
Unknown N. America	2,357	159	824	507	214	653	-	-	-
South America	11,474	32	74	123	1,244	1,986	5,857	936	1,222
Argentina	301	NA	NA	NA	101	NA	125	17	58
Bolivia	129	NA	NA	NA	10	NA	91	15	13
Brazil	226	NA	NA	NA	16	NA	136	34	40
Chile	1,170	-	5	4	415	532	171	27	16
Colombia	2,296	NA	NA	NA	217	350	1,132	217	380
Ecuador	426	NA	NA	NA	149	NA	194	40	43
Guyana	51	NA	NA	NA	7	NA	24	12	8
Paraguay	14	NA	NA	NA	4	NA	7	1	2
Peru	3,691	NA	NA	NA	132	251	2,507	399	402
Suriname	63	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	59	2	2
Uruguay	69	NA	NA	NA	43	NA	16	5	5
Venezuela	2,305	NA	NA	NA	83	407	1,395	167	253
Unknown S. America	733	32	69	119	67	446	-	-	-
Unknown or not reported	725	36	55	15	1	19	224	132	243

¹ Beginning in 1993, current country not reported. See Notice of Special Geographic Definitions.

² Beginning in 1992, current country not reported. See Notice of Special Geographic Definitions.

³ Includes People's Republic of China and Taiwan.

⁴ Zaire prior to May 1997.

⁵ Prior to 1993, data include Eritrea.

NOTE: See Glossary for fiscal year definitions.

- Represents zero. NA Not available. X Not applicable.