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	5th Employment Creation	5th Target Employment	5th Regional Target Areas	5th Regional Pilot Program	5th Total		
Africa							
Algeria	0	0	5	0	5	15	116
Angola	0	0	0	0	0	1	9
Benin	0	0	0	0	0	3	30
Botswana	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Burkina Faso	0	0	0	0	0	5	23
Burundi	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
Cabo Verde	0	0	0	0	0	6	473
Cameroon	0	0	0	0	0	16	305
Central African Republic	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Chad	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Comoros	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Congo, Dem. Rep. of the	0	0	0	0	0	17	194
Congo, Rep. of the	0	0	0	0	0	14	20
Cote d'Ivoire	0	0	0	0	0	2	132
Djibouti	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Egypt	0	0	12	0	12	244	756
Equatorial Guinea	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Eritrea	0	0	0	0	0	101	204
Eswatini	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ethiopia	0	0	0	0	0	97	1,051
Gabon	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Gambia, The	0	0	0	0	0	0	83
Ghana	0	0	0	0	0	66	722
Guinea	0	0	0	0	0	6	77
Guinea-Bissau	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Kenya	0	0	0	0	0	319	569
Lesotho	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Liberia	0	0	0	0	0	22	137
Libya	0	0	0	0	0	4	16
Madagascar	0	0	0	0	0	15	16
Malawi	0	0	1	0	1	6	8
Mali	0	0	0	0	0	0	26
Mauritania	0	0	0	0	0	0	9
Mauritius	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Morocco	0	0	0	0	0	13	252
Western Sahara	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mozambique	0	0	4	0	4	4	5
Namibia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Niger	0	0	0	0	0	7	12
Nigeria	0	0	4	0	4	485	1,984
Rwanda	0	0	1	0	1	3	26
Sao Tome and Principe	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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Senegal	0	0	0	0	0	10	115	
Seychelles	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Sierra Leone	0	0	0	0	0	0	74	
Somalia	0	0	0	0	0	5	128	
South Africa	0	3	21	0	24	170	243	
South Sudan	0	0	0	0	0	12	15	
Sudan	0	0	0	0	0	17	61	
Tanzania	0	0	0	0	0	11	33	
Togo	0	0	0	0	0	10	192	
Tunisia	0	0	0	0	0	5	18	
Uganda	0	0	0	0	0	21	79	
Zambia	0	0	0	0	0	13	24	
Zimbabwe	0	0	0	0	0	119	142	
Region Total For Africa	0	3	48	0	51	1,865	8,397	
Asia								
Afghanistan	0	0	0	0	0	8	288	
Bahrain	0	0	0	0	0	14	17	
Bangladesh	0	0	0	0	0	224	3,695	
Bhutan	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	
Brunei	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	
Burma	0	0	0	0	0	10	303	
Cambodia	0	0	5	0	5	84	375	
China - mainland born	10	52	967	3	1,032	1,272	7,927	
- Taiwan born	0	4	71	0	75	201	562	
Hong Kong S.A.R.	0	6	5	0	11	43	499	
India	5	34	270	0	309	1,314	6,853	
Indonesia	0	1	1	0	2	28	108	
Iran	3	8	54	0	65	294	2,285	
Iraq	0	0	2	0	2	6	120	
Israel	0	0	7	0	7	77	128	
Japan	0	0	15	0	15	129	164	
Jordan	0	0	11	0	11	50	662	
Korea, North	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Korea, South	0	3	130	0	133	1,691	2,111	
Kuwait	0	0	1	0	1	13	85	
Laos	0	0	0	0	0	1	45	
Lebanon	0	0	3	0	3	56	530	
Malaysia	0	0	0	0	0	33	92	
Maldives	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Mongolia	0	0	0	0	0	15	41	
Nepal	0	0	0	0	0	180	701	
Oman	0	0	0	0	0	3	7	

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Pakistan	0	0	15	0	15	324	3,240	
Philippines	0	0	4	0	4	1,733	5,732	
Qatar	0	0	8	0	8	43	63	
Saudi Arabia	0	0	1	0	1	52	170	
Singapore	0	0	3	0	3	16	30	
Sri Lanka	0	0	0	0	0	31	146	
Syria	8	0	9	0	17	73	946	
Thailand	0	0	7	0	7	48	148	
Timor-Leste	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
United Arab Emirates	0	2	22	0	24	195	310	
Vietnam	0	3	416	5	424	587	15,437	
Yemen	0	0	0	0	0	78	2,115	
Region Total For Asia	26	113	2,027	8	2,174	8,927	55,937	
Europe								
Albania	0	0	0	0	0	63	930	
Andorra	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Armenia	0	0	0	0	0	46	292	
Austria	0	0	0	0	0	9	12	
Azerbaijan	0	4	1	0	5	12	27	
Belarus	0	0	0	0	0	11	57	
Belgium	0	0	4	0	4	11	16	
Bosnia and Herzegovina	0	0	0	0	0	13	97	
Bulgaria	0	0	0	0	0	15	84	
Croatia	0	0	0	0	0	3	7	
Cyprus	0	0	0	0	0	1	8	
Czech Republic	0	0	0	0	0	6	8	
Denmark	0	0	0	0	0	7	10	
Faroe Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Greenland	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Estonia	0	0	1	0	1	1	3	
Finland	0	0	0	0	0	8	10	
France	0	0	10	0	10	129	177	
French Polynesia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
French Southern and Antarctic Lands	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
New Caledonia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Saint Barthelemy	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Saint Martin	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	
St. Pierre and Miquelon	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	
Wallis and Futuna	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Georgia	0	0	0	0	0	23	92	
Germany	0	1	1	0	2	73	126	
Great Britain and Northern Ireland	0	0	7	0	7	247	407	

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Anguilla	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	
Bermuda	0	0	0	0	0	0	14	
British Indian Ocean Territory	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
British Virgin Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	
Cayman Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	
Falkland Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Gibraltar	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Montserrat	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	
Pitcairn	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
St. Helena	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
South Georgia and the South Sandwich Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Turks and Caicos Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	
Greece	0	0	0	0	0	15	47	
Hungary	0	0	0	0	0	9	21	
Iceland	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	
Ireland	0	0	0	0	0	13	19	
Italy	0	0	2	0	2	111	132	
Kazakhstan	0	0	2	0	2	8	51	
Kosovo	0	0	0	0	0	13	165	
Kyrgyzstan	0	0	0	0	0	7	40	
Latvia	0	0	1	0	1	1	12	
Liechtenstein	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Lithuania	0	0	0	0	0	4	24	
Luxembourg	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Malta	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Moldova	0	0	0	0	0	14	56	
Monaco	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Montenegro	0	0	0	0	0	2	59	
Netherlands	0	2	0	0	2	14	20	
Aruba	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Curacao	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	
Sint Maarten	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	
North Macedonia	0	0	0	0	0	13	96	
Norway	0	0	0	0	0	5	8	
Svalbard	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Poland	0	0	0	0	0	149	293	
Portugal	0	0	0	0	0	4	28	
Macau	0	0	2	0	2	2	18	
Romania	0	0	0	0	0	37	134	
Russia	2	0	26	0	28	137	383	
San Marino	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Serbia	0	0	0	0	0	23	78	
Slovakia	0	0	0	0	0	3	6	
Slovenia	0	0	0	0	0	5	6	

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Spain	0	0	4	0	4	24	57	
Sweden	0	0	0	0	0	7	17	
Switzerland	0	0	3	0	3	8	12	
Tajikistan	0	0	0	0	0	9	20	
Turkey	0	0	6	0	6	102	182	
Turkmenistan	0	0	0	0	0	10	22	
Ukraine	0	0	0	0	0	105	531	
Uzbekistan	0	0	0	0	0	7	193	
Vatican City	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Region Total For Europe	2	7	70	0	79	1,541	5,130	
North America								
Antigua and Barbuda	0	0	0	0	0	0	39	
Bahamas, The	0	0	0	0	0	18	44	
Barbados	0	0	0	0	0	13	59	
Belize	0	0	0	0	0	0	38	
Canada	0	0	0	0	0	178	298	
Costa Rica	0	0	0	0	0	19	102	
Cuba	0	0	0	0	0	0	2,232	
Dominica	0	0	0	0	0	1	60	
Dominican Republic	0	0	0	0	0	20	10,778	
El Salvador	0	0	0	0	0	96	2,314	
Grenada	0	0	0	0	0	3	40	
Guatemala	0	0	4	0	4	52	775	
Haiti	0	0	0	0	0	37	1,505	
Honduras	0	0	0	0	0	22	688	
Jamaica	0	0	0	0	0	322	1,960	
Mexico	0	0	23	5	28	504	7,813	
Nicaragua	0	0	0	0	0	19	490	
Panama	0	0	0	0	0	5	71	
Saint Kitts and Nevis	0	0	0	0	0	0	31	
Saint Lucia	0	0	0	0	0	19	84	
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	0	0	0	0	0	5	33	
Trinidad and Tobago	0	0	0	0	0	15	238	
Region Total For North America	0	0	27	5	32	1,348	29,692	
Oceania								
Australia	0	0	0	0	0	51	65	
Christmas Island	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Cocos (Keeling) Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Norfolk Island	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	

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Fiji	0	0	0	0	0	3	90	
Kiribati	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Marshall Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Micronesia, Federated States of	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Nauru	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	
New Zealand	0	0	2	0	2	20	27	
Cook Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Niue	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Tokelau	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Palau	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Papua New Guinea	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Samoa	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Solomon Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Tonga	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	
Tuvalu	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Vanuatu	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Region Total For Oceania	0	0	2	0	2	74	187	
South America								
Argentina	0	0	3	0	3	53	103	
Bolivia	0	0	0	0	0	16	134	
Brazil	0	5	53	0	58	480	814	
Chile	0	0	0	0	0	9	47	
Colombia	0	0	5	0	5	56	835	
Ecuador	0	0	0	0	0	54	1,077	
Guyana	0	0	0	0	0	6	1,222	
Paraguay	0	0	1	0	1	8	13	
Peru	0	1	3	0	4	44	1,007	
Suriname	0	0	0	0	0	0	32	
Uruguay	0	0	0	0	0	6	11	
Venezuela	0	2	14	0	16	207	491	
Region Total For South America	0	8	79	0	87	939	5,786	
Grand Totals	28	131	2,253	13	2,425	14,694	105,129	