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Nationality	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Africa										
Algeria	6,081	6,878	6,597	6,454	6,685	7,069	3,694	3,114	3,727	4,075
Angola	2,119	2,401	2,222	2,843	3,529	3,565	2,545	2,418	2,645	3,240
Benin	1,046	1,115	1,100	1,433	1,481	1,336	855	944	1,123	1,268
Botswana	887	850	1,238	1,153	1,387	1,322	1,191	1,048	1,218	1,385
Burkina Faso	1,185	1,196	1,379	1,353	1,355	1,952	1,507	1,426	1,617	1,861
Burundi	498	461	431	506	671	901	832	535	705	864
Cameroon	2,876	2,970	3,303	5,106	5,403	6,891	7,476	7,634	7,085	7,276
Cape Verde	2,084	4,262	2,885	2,909	3,321	5,986	3,295	1,483	1,438	1,733
Central African Republic	266	210	210	232	344	468	434	150	166	234
Chad	327	499	716	591	596	620	628	603	703	779
Comoros	74	51	47	43	71	112	67	63	79	103
Congo, Republic of the	1,222	611	652	791	866	1,093	736	786	741	847
Congo, Dem. Rep. of the	4,124	3,175	2,804	2,566	3,229	4,312	2,783	2,151	2,412	2,714
Cote d'Ivoire	4,831	4,756	4,627	4,393	3,991	4,702	3,661	2,495	2,803	2,349
Djibouti	434	398	908	569	715	510	184	412	294	279
Egypt	37,898	40,696	41,717	43,486	48,883	50,138	20,397	15,831	18,562	23,911
Equatorial Guinea	162	164	160	234	316	362	428	415	506	598
Eritrea	1,354	1,343	1,227	1,963	1,694	1,704	1,693	1,557	1,721	1,546
Ethiopia	5,979	5,297	5,912	6,702	7,185	7,132	5,859	7,051	6,077	5,731
Gabon	1,231	1,161	1,155	1,282	1,323	1,308	1,128	838	888	1,062
Gambia, The	2,055	1,586	1,646	2,012	2,835	2,934	4,119	3,442	2,188	2,042
Ghana	13,680	11,593	13,291	18,690	18,482	19,995	19,061	18,386	20,951	13,552
Guinea	3,170	3,834	5,992	3,456	3,885	5,058	4,362	3,871	3,751	2,661
Guinea-Bissau	288	251	185	153	266	260	157	138	162	141
Kenya	8,753	9,628	10,646	11,483	12,971	20,971	14,204	11,272	13,528	13,947
Lesotho	294	210	309	248	323	221	266	260	243	294
Liberia	1,332	2,056	2,892	2,692	4,885	3,015	1,896	1,224	1,483	966
Libya	450	411	370	436	445	500	289	260	405	797
Madagascar	812	796	914	1,097	1,156	1,136	944	988	1,154	1,198
Malawi	889	891	948	1,101	1,396	1,290	1,142	1,110	1,109	1,267
Mali	2,482	2,999	3,329	3,098	5,433	6,048	4,377	4,310	2,746	2,879

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Mauritania	670	687	775	1,051	1,436	1,588	831	616	700	678
Mauritius	1,697	1,777	1,756	1,818	1,898	1,818	1,369	1,291	1,655	1,752
Morocco	16,713	16,443	18,965	20,991	19,813	18,958	11,484	11,401	12,194	11,760
Mozambique	694	743	854	921	1,116	1,084	1,063	956	856	868
Namibia	802	693	764	902	957	875	747	802	901	925
Niger	695	706	847	1,240	1,510	1,600	1,117	1,006	1,175	1,313
Nigeria	21,896	25,077	26,966	28,208	27,294	42,222	42,575	47,593	44,653	43,201
Rwanda	515	705	1,192	1,237	1,424	980	800	679	948	1,024
Sao Tome and Principe	73	47	102	85	97	82	92	78	85	96
Senegal	6,862	7,134	8,441	9,028	12,156	10,265	5,301	5,094	5,199	4,602
Seychelles	393	209	247	266	279	256	229	181	160	187
Sierra Leone	2,418	2,056	1,462	1,301	1,750	1,910	1,415	1,550	1,685	1,462
Somalia	586	619	783	892	995	989	284	191	181	219
South Africa	65,159	72,221	73,354	68,685	71,605	66,541	49,805	51,347	56,634	61,063
Sudan	3,219	3,362	3,207	3,778	4,598	4,930	2,188	1,658	1,555	1,604
Swaziland	416	311	289	298	455	367	304	285	365	446
Tanzania	2,907	3,391	3,564	5,265	5,719	6,414	4,245	4,111	4,120	4,264
Togo	1,270	1,063	1,228	1,140	1,559	2,773	1,955	1,767	1,795	1,229
Tunisia	5,550	7,630	8,080	9,830	11,905	6,759	2,096	2,259	2,874	3,226
Uganda	2,372	2,510	3,188	4,333	4,627	4,239	3,422	3,566	4,085	3,974
Zambia	1,986	2,045	2,261	2,864	3,312	5,012	3,149	2,337	2,564	2,837
Zimbabwe	4,273	5,032	5,934	6,518	7,941	6,362	4,660	4,073	4,298	4,499
Africa Total	250,049	267,210	284,071	299,726	327,568	348,935	249,341	239,056	250,912	252,828
Asia										
Afghanistan	2,564	2,285	2,164	2,217	1,991	1,988	1,121	1,346	1,539	1,912
Bahrain	3,831	2,948	2,694	2,502	2,815	2,826	1,193	1,490	1,610	2,305
Bangladesh	18,366	12,688	14,154	16,119	17,013	18,731	10,407	8,444	8,720	9,466
Bhutan	191	224	242	329	335	407	369	367	438	451
Brunei	339	397	205	142	210	154	178	168	181	189
Burma	3,364	3,452	4,083	4,386	5,431	4,505	2,994	3,232	3,764	4,317

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Cambodia	1,838	3,050	676	895	2,550	4,439	3,371	4,019	5,080	4,852
China - mainland born	229,879	250,503	255,114	252,673	315,536	345,748	288,100	216,949	262,963	325,955
East Timor	-	-	-	-	16	29	46	56	68	94
Hong Kong S.A.R.	-	5,194	35,766	24,374	25,857	30,764	22,676	20,183	30,365	43,108
India	198,831	249,715	295,220	331,784	396,853	416,559	332,546	336,516	389,398	378,039
Indonesia	76,282	78,213	38,837	50,835	70,299	68,736	36,395	31,836	41,421	55,570
Iran	25,631	21,164	23,296	23,362	24,932	22,749	13,071	7,486	9,125	10,805
Iraq	2,462	2,467	2,378	2,395	2,993	3,546	2,086	1,355	2,366	3,418
Israel	124,010	129,580	128,338	129,303	143,297	147,745	108,892	102,586	104,115	118,331
Japan	109,045	116,093	117,712	112,944	111,140	112,062	101,433	94,329	95,360	89,269
Jordan	20,736	15,423	16,320	19,403	21,811	25,472	13,174	12,185	12,861	14,500
Korea, North	1,856	1,745	1,531	1,643	1,634	1,489	761	296	222	202
Korea, South	545,867	619,011	380,645	402,418	479,205	430,855	353,457	411,445	344,213	386,524
Kuwait	16,722	13,038	16,240	13,923	10,443	9,537	3,776	4,723	5,661	7,990
Laos	885	1,019	1,168	1,135	1,454	2,415	2,282	1,953	2,466	2,930
Lebanon	14,183	16,144	16,265	20,523	24,697	28,440	12,169	9,758	14,331	13,581
Macau S.A.R.	-	-	-	-	1,341	1,611	930	613	744	1,077
Malaysia	67,770	67,941	37,147	42,892	52,173	53,191	27,452	24,598	34,750	36,723
Maldives	146	81	113	180	239	203	145	301	256	205
Mongolia	1,290	1,909	2,282	2,922	2,792	3,498	6,371	5,060	4,595	4,242
Nepal	4,755	5,709	7,008	5,969	6,652	7,539	7,708	6,920	6,755	8,097
Oman	2,848	2,442	2,760	2,996	2,949	2,968	1,522	1,060	1,578	1,908
Pakistan	39,753	48,695	44,574	49,769	88,791	75,512	29,613	24,092	24,934	28,025
Palestinian Authority Travel Document	2,470	3,159	3,172	3,398	3,734	4,700	1,737	2,617	2,381	4,170
Philippines	163,287	145,043	151,182	146,603	169,408	195,328	180,844	125,553	127,185	143,364
Qatar	2,558	2,784	2,866	2,550	2,917	2,625	860	852	965	1,507
Saudi Arabia	48,255	51,443	51,067	56,495	60,508	46,636	14,126	10,635	11,985	17,537
Singapore	61,397	63,159	50,379	35,423	7,475	7,991	7,423	6,896	8,723	9,740
Sri Lanka	9,038	8,778	10,707	11,687	12,756	10,499	6,304	8,693	9,761	12,332
Syria	10,886	9,914	10,423	12,416	14,344	13,502	6,679	5,189	6,027	5,558
Taiwan	379,355	344,901	263,967	269,802	279,153	242,547	184,827	152,577	189,854	196,909
Thailand	74,287	66,674	33,371	47,041	61,300	59,127	43,415	38,481	48,310	53,694
United Arab Emirates	12,754	10,741	11,310	11,365	12,000	11,505	1,906	1,490	2,533	3,736

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Vietnam	8,456	8,539	8,963	8,839	13,339	20,446	21,409	17,210	20,522	25,479
Yemen	3,403	3,419	3,287	3,665	4,076	3,083	1,177	1,292	1,410	1,784
Asia Total	2,289,590	2,389,684	2,047,626	2,127,317	2,456,459	2,441,707	1,854,945	1,704,851	1,839,535	2,029,895
Europe										
Albania	4,462	2,616	3,933	4,912	7,245	7,661	6,194	5,996	5,620	7,391
Andorra	46	21	24	25	24	11	32	23	26	35
Armenia	4,534	5,397	5,673	12,271	12,488	11,125	7,144	5,483	5,474	5,483
Austria	8,793	8,203	7,832	8,205	7,772	7,333	6,343	5,840	5,536	6,103
Azerbaijan	1,498	1,482	1,776	2,330	2,582	2,469	2,069	2,514	2,397	2,359
Belarus	5,069	5,643	6,167	8,583	8,867	8,166	8,676	11,051	9,421	9,363
Belgium	6,657	6,236	6,730	6,443	6,958	6,059	6,128	7,589	6,693	5,553
Bosnia and Herzegovina	2,190	2,893	3,505	6,005	8,414	8,805	6,248	6,516	7,577	7,722
Bulgaria	13,967	12,957	16,262	18,558	19,401	22,763	21,730	23,034	25,244	26,816
Croatia	17,914	17,303	18,662	20,165	21,197	20,340	15,359	15,092	15,657	16,496
Cyprus	6,616	6,872	6,920	7,180	7,307	6,383	4,557	4,572	4,727	4,843
Czech Republic	45,021	46,676	49,031	44,457	42,932	40,541	30,252	28,858	30,632	34,024
Denmark	15,022	10,830	10,316	10,111	9,569	8,667	7,468	6,947	8,352	8,334
Estonia	4,569	5,214	5,206	6,278	6,444	6,150	5,653	5,356	5,188	6,183
Finland	6,738	5,585	5,977	6,141	5,776	5,648	5,226	4,347	4,504	5,073
France	42,865	37,730	39,931	41,872	45,188	47,323	38,105	37,463	36,829	38,616
Georgia	3,398	3,615	5,815	7,587	4,149	4,062	4,288	4,991	5,130	4,581
Germany	76,303	72,868	72,488	74,756	74,915	72,567	62,632	59,338	60,150	64,601
Great Britain and Northern Ireland	221,628	243,921	175,882	155,011	163,150	158,112	114,976	105,030	112,101	111,818
Greece	47,056	45,609	41,622	42,281	43,567	40,183	28,851	30,413	32,755	36,508
Hungary	46,660	44,051	40,435	40,975	42,908	32,982	20,378	18,410	18,569	21,499
Iceland	2,972	2,111	2,485	1,944	1,833	1,899	1,506	1,526	1,507	1,491
Ireland	14,514	14,573	16,846	18,811	20,407	21,074	16,561	16,991	13,456	16,763
Italy	24,086	21,665	22,036	22,946	22,648	20,606	18,949	18,929	20,954	22,801
Kazakhstan	5,913	3,805	4,686	4,515	5,161	5,368	5,193	5,264	5,780	7,413
Kyrgyzstan	1,290	1,446	1,683	1,605	1,825	1,704	1,808	1,699	1,662	1,612

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Latvia	4,816	4,848	5,399	6,090	7,144	7,556	6,995	7,158	7,283	8,555
Liechtenstein	75	88	82	79	88	71	60	49	38	44
Lithuania	7,765	6,954	6,987	6,924	14,193	20,466	12,968	9,395	8,150	8,097
Luxembourg	506	413	381	429	393	363	278	256	319	318
Macedonia	4,786	4,482	4,961	5,287	4,966	6,340	5,659	3,995	3,963	3,859
Malta	5,115	5,184	4,885	5,114	5,156	4,348	2,617	2,555	3,194	3,056
Moldova	1,900	1,586	1,815	2,159	2,885	2,365	2,518	2,885	3,114	3,825
Monaco	24	26	27	15	35	20	23	14	32	37
Netherlands	23,020	16,773	17,576	16,829	17,682	16,452	15,389	13,838	15,115	15,151
Norway	10,281	8,546	8,581	8,135	8,311	7,721	7,917	7,697	8,139	9,365
Poland	85,828	88,277	89,748	103,177	110,471	105,365	103,161	92,814	109,986	120,211
Portugal	48,134	47,711	45,619	42,872	5,576	4,685	4,758	4,361	4,374	4,950
Romania	28,984	24,744	26,193	25,298	27,213	33,662	30,033	31,040	38,872	42,038
Russia	141,627	126,222	137,960	106,126	99,051	97,638	91,390	96,097	102,272	121,843
San Marino	27	20	20	30	25	10	24	18	14	23
Serbia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Serbia and Montenegro	-	-	-	-	14,167	16,807	17,674	16,862	18,046	18,174
Slovakia	16,920	15,157	14,851	14,604	16,746	19,662	19,314	18,017	17,468	17,342
Slovenia	9,883	10,792	1,609	1,227	1,212	1,270	1,358	1,185	1,195	1,091
Spain	23,303	19,721	19,507	21,326	21,961	21,594	18,619	17,083	18,067	19,208
Sweden	19,794	18,652	18,779	17,607	17,679	15,637	12,701	11,712	12,393	13,185
Switzerland	18,154	16,644	17,883	17,896	16,341	14,707	14,714	8,919	9,016	9,074
Tajikistan	587	409	241	456	469	511	534	730	641	794
Turkey	42,869	52,118	57,494	65,574	76,539	64,139	46,965	42,794	46,632	53,121
Turkmenistan	792	565	496	457	548	718	504	588	911	902
Ukraine	32,455	23,427	25,270	22,248	27,185	28,776	21,560	26,608	31,675	36,208
Uzbekistan	3,413	3,576	3,766	5,004	6,471	6,097	3,956	3,957	3,563	5,020
Vatican City	79	75	77	76	62	58	63	39	72	47
Yugoslavia	18,747	18,832	16,984	12,898	-	-	-	-	-	-
Europe Total	1,179,665	1,145,164	1,099,114	1,081,904	1,095,296	1,065,039	888,078	853,938	910,485	989,019

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North America										
Antigua and Barbuda	2,177	3,304	3,144	4,150	3,462	2,813	2,962	3,795	4,100	2,996
Bahamas, The	15,796	16,168	17,782	24,987	18,010	17,354	14,317	11,609	16,673	23,432
Barbados	8,854	9,957	11,649	12,447	11,099	10,258	8,979	12,063	13,128	11,950
Belize	8,318	7,106	7,055	9,499	11,125	10,198	6,890	6,413	5,203	5,023
Canada	4,938	4,062	4,344	4,935	5,237	5,475	6,887	5,454	6,037	5,854
Costa Rica	49,632	50,732	56,032	54,387	57,594	47,076	38,530	30,845	31,744	39,546
Cuba	7,774	7,215	10,473	9,197	44,283	27,800	21,822	10,122	11,843	12,939
Dominica	1,761	2,472	3,062	4,226	2,817	2,002	1,419	2,047	2,336	2,222
Dominican Republic	72,054	58,919	61,940	69,371	50,171	52,738	49,038	44,152	35,780	60,422
El Salvador	35,349	39,112	56,644	67,590	73,054	96,748	58,012	36,636	25,146	19,666
Grenada	2,482	3,000	4,512	5,918	4,506	2,954	1,905	3,566	3,831	2,407
Guatemala	42,088	46,396	55,387	64,388	64,733	71,352	41,899	34,283	29,271	36,717
Haiti	22,488	16,355	20,551	26,565	27,609	25,623	22,297	20,114	23,268	22,926
Honduras	23,954	24,875	32,672	31,209	36,776	35,202	30,434	22,999	22,808	28,168
Jamaica	49,644	37,409	48,904	71,331	82,190	71,271	44,991	36,790	44,458	53,564
Mexico	508,431	548,716	741,501	1,108,588	1,762,402	2,220,330	1,582,674	1,022,013	912,892	906,623
Nicaragua	13,421	19,468	18,960	15,606	13,017	13,593	12,548	11,162	12,879	13,641
Panama	21,608	19,583	18,284	21,715	23,316	20,719	16,818	18,074	19,574	20,190
Saint Kitts and Nevis	1,496	1,586	1,742	2,770	2,135	1,779	1,344	1,999	2,673	2,306
Saint Lucia	3,395	4,801	5,746	7,919	6,827	3,570	2,856	5,331	4,475	4,439
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	2,740	2,817	3,337	4,695	3,721	2,850	2,415	3,382	3,583	3,086
Trinidad and Tobago	48,841	43,422	43,930	44,863	57,889	53,143	32,353	23,303	41,203	39,206
North America Total	947,241	967,475	1,227,651	1,666,356	2,361,973	2,794,848	2,001,390	1,366,152	1,272,905	1,317,323
Oceania										
Australia	268,667	26,973	28,044	30,576	31,145	32,472	29,133	28,488	30,387	29,449
Fiji	4,812	4,667	4,645	5,735	4,946	4,340	2,892	3,598	4,255	4,270
Kiribati	1,092	1,001	951	757	702	936	748	782	825	629
Marshall Islands	27	40	41	59	57	70	52	25	35	62

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Micronesia, Federated States of	22	6	14	8	16	10	11	10	20	12
Nauru	76	55	61	70	272	121	38	21	24	30
New Zealand	11,261	8,774	8,435	9,265	9,895	11,088	9,022	8,995	9,648	8,950
Palau	13	29	6	2	13	19	16	22	17	29
Papua New Guinea	981	873	901	1,063	775	613	543	488	467	559
Samoa	1,239	1,594	1,601	1,679	2,030	2,638	2,163	1,575	1,479	1,252
Solomon Islands	65	93	124	143	88	108	103	101	94	106
Tonga	1,831	2,072	1,982	2,895	2,548	2,762	1,869	1,187	1,725	1,997
Tuvalu	242	164	172	227	175	217	283	232	201	266
Vanuatu	39	68	76	86	173	117	72	75	58	63
Oceania Total	290,367	46,409	47,053	52,565	52,835	55,511	46,945	45,599	49,235	47,674
South America										
Argentina	111,684	11,226	12,089	12,636	13,793	15,375	90,474	88,256	82,393	93,847
Bolivia	10,676	12,746	14,521	20,543	34,751	16,387	9,408	8,443	10,581	9,056
Brazil	635,770	575,041	496,683	313,034	261,096	240,609	129,605	108,795	159,103	200,321
Chile	58,438	55,696	55,464	55,311	66,451	64,395	46,144	39,491	39,973	37,036
Colombia	133,538	176,438	236,891	280,238	195,058	197,407	182,721	200,359	194,720	179,759
Ecuador	46,110	62,287	66,942	45,104	38,763	69,906	76,826	60,088	49,504	48,246
Guyana	13,028	9,201	8,392	7,194	5,891	12,508	12,821	8,335	5,761	6,179
Paraguay	8,307	7,400	7,329	7,471	7,500	7,339	5,202	4,357	4,873	4,883
Peru	54,510	56,017	55,059	61,792	81,782	107,768	67,807	63,410	79,348	59,693
Suriname	3,208	3,157	3,071	2,276	2,342	2,109	1,743	1,737	1,727	1,904
Uruguay	21,449	23,274	22,314	16,776	2,395	2,486	3,295	10,712	14,676	12,829
Venezuela	117,093	87,172	106,496	119,232	116,414	128,827	89,022	70,366	79,381	95,358
South America Total	1,213,811	1,079,655	1,085,251	941,607	826,236	865,116	715,068	664,349	722,040	749,111

Table XVIII
Nonimmigrant Visas Issued by Nationality
(Including Border Crossing Cards)
Fiscal Year 1996-2005

Nationality	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
No Nationality	67,040	46,377	23,225	22,851	21,023	17,383	13,478	7,532	3,744	2,890
United Nations Laissez-Passer	107	87	162	152	246	239	192	157	243	211
Grand Totals	6,237,870	5,942,061	5,814,153	6,192,478	7,141,636	7,588,778	5,769,437	4,881,634	5,049,099	5,388,951