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Nationality	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Africa										
Algeria	6,878	6,597	6,454	6,685	7,069	3,694	3,114	3,727	4,075	4,614
Angola	2,401	2,222	2,843	3,529	3,565	2,545	2,418	2,645	3,240	3,342
Benin	1,115	1,100	1,433	1,481	1,336	855	944	1,123	1,268	1,497
Botswana	850	1,238	1,153	1,387	1,322	1,191	1,048	1,218	1,385	1,089
Burkina Faso	1,196	1,379	1,353	1,355	1,952	1,507	1,426	1,617	1,861	2,243
Burundi	461	431	506	671	901	832	535	705	864	1,074
Cameroon	2,970	3,303	5,106	5,403	6,891	7,476	7,634	7,085	7,276	7,334
Cape Verde	4,262	2,885	2,909	3,321	5,986	3,295	1,483	1,438	1,733	2,115
Central African Republic	210	210	232	344	468	434	150	166	234	239
Chad	499	716	591	596	620	628	603	703	779	730
Comoros	51	47	43	71	112	67	63	79	103	111
Congo, Republic of the	611	652	791	866	1,093	736	786	741	847	959
Congo, Dem. Rep. of the	3,175	2,804	2,566	3,229	4,312	2,783	2,151	2,412	2,714	2,513
Cote d'Ivoire	4,756	4,627	4,393	3,991	4,702	3,661	2,495	2,803	2,349	2,678
Djibouti	398	908	569	715	510	184	412	294	279	231
Egypt	40,696	41,717	43,486	48,883	50,138	20,397	15,831	18,562	23,911	30,989
Equatorial Guinea	164	160	234	316	362	428	415	506	598	643
Eritrea	1,343	1,227	1,963	1,694	1,704	1,693	1,557	1,721	1,546	1,291
Ethiopia	5,297	5,912	6,702	7,185	7,132	5,859	7,051	6,077	5,731	7,768
Gabon	1,161	1,155	1,282	1,323	1,308	1,128	838	888	1,062	1,125
Gambia, The	1,586	1,646	2,012	2,835	2,934	4,119	3,442	2,188	2,042	1,341
Ghana	11,593	13,291	18,690	18,482	19,995	19,061	18,386	20,951	13,552	11,392
Guinea	3,834	5,992	3,456	3,885	5,058	4,362	3,871	3,751	2,661	2,923
Guinea-Bissau	251	185	153	266	260	157	138	162	141	149
Kenya	9,628	10,646	11,483	12,971	20,971	14,204	11,272	13,528	13,947	15,892
Lesotho	210	309	248	323	221	266	260	243	294	276
Liberia	2,056	2,892	2,692	4,885	3,015	1,896	1,224	1,483	966	1,120
Libya	411	370	436	445	500	289	260	405	797	1,092
Madagascar	796	914	1,097	1,156	1,136	944	988	1,154	1,198	1,070
Malawi	891	948	1,101	1,396	1,290	1,142	1,110	1,109	1,267	1,079
Mali	2,999	3,329	3,098	5,433	6,048	4,377	4,310	2,746	2,879	4,487

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Mauritania	687	775	1,051	1,436	1,588	831	616	700	678	575
Mauritius	1,777	1,756	1,818	1,898	1,818	1,369	1,291	1,655	1,752	1,679
Morocco	16,443	18,965	20,991	19,813	18,958	11,484	11,401	12,194	11,760	10,946
Mozambique	743	854	921	1,116	1,084	1,063	956	856	868	840
Namibia	693	764	902	957	875	747	802	901	925	926
Niger	706	847	1,240	1,510	1,600	1,117	1,006	1,175	1,313	1,209
Nigeria	25,077	26,966	28,208	27,294	42,222	42,575	47,593	44,653	43,201	37,234
Rwanda	705	1,192	1,237	1,424	980	800	679	948	1,024	1,192
Sao Tome and Principe	47	102	85	97	82	92	78	85	96	71
Senegal	7,134	8,441	9,028	12,156	10,265	5,301	5,094	5,199	4,602	4,635
Seychelles	209	247	266	279	256	229	181	160	187	186
Sierra Leone	2,056	1,462	1,301	1,750	1,910	1,415	1,550	1,685	1,462	1,522
Somalia	619	783	892	995	989	284	191	181	219	205
South Africa	72,221	73,354	68,685	71,605	66,541	49,805	51,347	56,634	61,063	57,767
Sudan	3,362	3,207	3,778	4,598	4,930	2,188	1,658	1,555	1,604	1,980
Swaziland	311	289	298	455	367	304	285	365	446	432
Tanzania	3,391	3,564	5,265	5,719	6,414	4,245	4,111	4,120	4,264	4,429
Togo	1,063	1,228	1,140	1,559	2,773	1,955	1,767	1,795	1,229	1,038
Tunisia	7,630	8,080	9,830	11,905	6,759	2,096	2,259	2,874	3,226	3,353
Uganda	2,510	3,188	4,333	4,627	4,239	3,422	3,566	4,085	3,974	4,335
Zambia	2,045	2,261	2,864	3,312	5,012	3,149	2,337	2,564	2,837	2,734
Zimbabwe	5,032	5,934	6,518	7,941	6,362	4,660	4,073	4,298	4,499	4,228
Africa Total	267,210	284,071	299,726	327,568	348,935	249,341	239,056	250,912	252,828	254,922
Asia										
Afghanistan	2,285	2,164	2,217	1,991	1,988	1,121	1,346	1,539	1,912	2,043
Bahrain	2,948	2,694	2,502	2,815	2,826	1,193	1,490	1,610	2,305	2,405
Bangladesh	12,688	14,154	16,119	17,013	18,731	10,407	8,444	8,720	9,466	9,409
Bhutan	224	242	329	335	407	369	367	438	451	414
Brunei	397	205	142	210	154	178	168	181	189	127
Burma	3,452	4,083	4,386	5,431	4,505	2,994	3,232	3,764	4,317	4,366

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Cambodia	3,050	676	895	2,550	4,439	3,371	4,019	5,080	4,852	4,225
China - mainland born	250,503	255,114	252,673	315,536	345,748	288,100	216,949	262,963	325,955	382,085
East Timor	0	0	0	16	29	46	56	68	94	96
Hong Kong S.A.R.	5,194	35,766	24,374	25,857	30,764	22,676	20,183	30,365	43,108	47,454
India	249,715	295,220	331,784	396,853	416,559	332,546	336,516	389,398	378,039	437,687
Indonesia	78,213	38,837	50,835	70,299	68,736	36,395	31,836	41,421	55,570	51,825
Iran	21,164	23,296	23,362	24,932	22,749	13,071	7,486	9,125	10,805	11,575
Iraq	2,467	2,378	2,395	2,993	3,546	2,086	1,355	2,366	3,418	3,255
Israel	129,580	128,338	129,303	143,297	147,745	108,892	102,586	104,115	118,331	125,018
Japan	116,093	117,712	112,944	111,140	112,062	101,433	94,329	95,360	89,269	85,119
Jordan	15,423	16,320	19,403	21,811	25,472	13,174	12,185	12,861	14,500	15,165
Korea, North	1,745	1,531	1,643	1,634	1,489	761	296	222	202	148
Korea, South	619,011	380,645	402,418	479,205	430,855	353,457	411,445	344,213	386,524	436,028
Kuwait	13,038	16,240	13,923	10,443	9,537	3,776	4,723	5,661	7,990	9,235
Laos	1,019	1,168	1,135	1,454	2,415	2,282	1,953	2,466	2,930	3,294
Lebanon	16,144	16,265	20,523	24,697	28,440	12,169	9,758	14,331	13,581	16,083
Macau S.A.R.	0	0	0	1,341	1,611	930	613	744	1,077	1,039
Malaysia	67,941	37,147	42,892	52,173	53,191	27,452	24,598	34,750	36,723	38,185
Maldives	81	113	180	239	203	145	301	256	205	180
Mongolia	1,909	2,282	2,922	2,792	3,498	6,371	5,060	4,595	4,242	5,037
Nepal	5,709	7,008	5,969	6,652	7,539	7,708	6,920	6,755	8,097	11,285
Oman	2,442	2,760	2,996	2,949	2,968	1,522	1,060	1,578	1,908	1,734
Pakistan	48,695	44,574	49,769	88,791	75,512	29,613	24,092	24,934	28,025	39,096
Palestinian Authority Travel Document	3,159	3,172	3,398	3,734	4,700	1,737	2,617	2,381	4,170	4,597
Philippines	145,043	151,182	146,603	169,408	195,328	180,844	125,553	127,185	143,364	152,102
Qatar	2,784	2,866	2,550	2,917	2,625	860	852	965	1,507	1,921
Saudi Arabia	51,443	51,067	56,495	60,508	46,636	14,126	10,635	11,985	17,537	25,532
Singapore	63,159	50,379	35,423	7,475	7,991	7,423	6,896	8,723	9,740	10,384
Sri Lanka	8,778	10,707	11,687	12,756	10,499	6,304	8,693	9,761	12,332	14,185
Syria	9,914	10,423	12,416	14,344	13,502	6,679	5,189	6,027	5,558	5,719
Taiwan	344,901	263,967	269,802	279,153	242,547	184,827	152,577	189,854	196,909	190,634
Thailand	66,674	33,371	47,041	61,300	59,127	43,415	38,481	48,310	53,694	61,521
United Arab Emirates	10,741	11,310	11,365	12,000	11,505	1,906	1,490	2,533	3,736	4,517

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Netherlands	16,773	17,576	16,829	17,682	16,452	15,389	13,838	15,115	15,151	15,574
Aruba	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Netherlands Antilles	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	16,773	17,576	16,829	17,682	16,452	15,389	13,838	15,115	15,151	15,574
Norway	8,546	8,581	8,135	8,311	7,721	7,917	7,697	8,139	9,365	9,921
Poland	88,277	89,748	103,177	110,471	105,365	103,161	92,814	109,986	120,211	113,042
Portugal	47,711	45,619	42,872	5,576	4,685	4,758	4,361	4,374	4,950	5,126
Macau	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	47,711	45,619	42,872	5,576	4,685	4,758	4,361	4,374	4,950	5,126
Romania	24,744	26,193	25,298	27,213	33,662	30,033	31,040	38,872	42,038	45,321
Russia	126,222	137,960	106,126	99,051	97,638	91,390	96,097	102,272	121,843	130,220
San Marino	20	20	30	25	10	24	18	14	23	17
Serbia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
Serbia and Montenegro	18,832	16,984	12,898	14,167	16,807	17,674	16,862	18,046	18,174	18,663
Slovakia	15,157	14,851	14,604	16,746	19,662	19,314	18,017	17,468	17,342	18,673
Slovenia	10,792	1,609	1,227	1,212	1,270	1,358	1,185	1,195	1,091	1,039
Spain	19,721	19,507	21,326	21,961	21,594	18,619	17,083	18,067	19,208	17,526
Western Sahara	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	19,721	19,507	21,326	21,961	21,594	18,619	17,083	18,067	19,208	17,526
Sweden	18,652	18,779	17,607	17,679	15,637	12,701	11,712	12,393	13,185	13,449
Switzerland	16,644	17,883	17,896	16,341	14,707	14,714	8,919	9,016	9,074	9,101
Tajikistan	409	241	456	469	511	534	730	641	794	855
Turkey	52,118	57,494	65,574	76,539	64,139	46,965	42,794	46,632	53,121	57,878
Turkmenistan	565	496	457	548	718	504	588	911	902	941
Ukraine	23,427	25,270	22,248	27,185	28,776	21,560	26,608	31,675	36,208	40,732
Uzbekistan	3,576	3,766	5,004	6,471	6,097	3,956	3,957	3,563	5,020	4,429
Vatican City	75	77	76	62	58	63	39	72	47	31
Europe Total	1,145,164	1,099,114	1,081,904	1,095,296	1,065,039	888,078	853,938	910,485	989,019	1,072,000
North America										
Antigua and Barbuda	3,304	3,144	4,150	3,462	2,813	2,962	3,795	4,100	2,996	3,390

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Bahamas, The	16,168	17,782	24,987	18,010	17,354	14,317	11,609	16,673	23,432	15,743
Barbados	9,957	11,649	12,447	11,099	10,258	8,979	12,063	13,128	11,950	12,631
Belize	7,106	7,055	9,499	11,125	10,198	6,890	6,413	5,203	5,023	6,314
Canada	4,062	4,344	4,935	5,237	5,475	6,887	5,454	6,037	5,854	5,527
Costa Rica	50,732	56,032	54,387	57,594	47,076	38,530	30,845	31,744	39,546	39,268
Cuba	7,215	10,473	9,197	44,283	27,800	21,822	10,122	11,843	12,939	9,046
Dominica	2,472	3,062	4,226	2,817	2,002	1,419	2,047	2,336	2,222	2,090
Dominican Republic	58,919	61,940	69,371	50,171	52,738	49,038	44,152	35,780	60,422	77,465
El Salvador	39,112	56,644	67,590	73,054	96,748	58,012	36,636	25,146	19,666	20,493
Grenada	3,000	4,512	5,918	4,506	2,954	1,905	3,566	3,831	2,407	2,889
Guatemala	46,396	55,387	64,388	64,733	71,352	41,899	34,283	29,271	36,717	35,320
Haiti	16,355	20,551	26,565	27,609	25,623	22,297	20,114	23,268	22,926	20,332
Honduras	24,875	32,672	31,209	36,776	35,202	30,434	22,999	22,808	28,168	29,815
Jamaica	37,409	48,904	71,331	82,190	71,271	44,991	36,790	44,458	53,564	65,405
Mexico	548,716	741,501	1,108,588	1,762,402	2,220,330	1,582,674	1,022,013	912,892	906,623	910,381
Nicaragua	19,468	18,960	15,606	13,017	13,593	12,548	11,162	12,879	13,641	13,576
Panama	19,583	18,284	21,715	23,316	20,719	16,818	18,074	19,574	20,190	22,813
Saint Kitts and Nevis	1,586	1,742	2,770	2,135	1,779	1,344	1,999	2,673	2,306	1,954
Saint Lucia	4,801	5,746	7,919	6,827	3,570	2,856	5,331	4,475	4,439	4,703
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	2,817	3,337	4,695	3,721	2,850	2,415	3,382	3,583	3,086	3,170
Trinidad and Tobago	43,422	43,930	44,863	57,889	53,143	32,353	23,303	41,203	39,206	42,758
North America Total	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	1,345,083
Oceania										
Australia	26,973	28,044	30,576	31,145	32,472	29,133	28,488	30,387	29,449	31,021
Christmas Island	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cocos (Keeling) Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	26,973	28,044	30,576	31,145	32,472	29,133	28,488	30,387	29,449	31,021
Fiji	4,667	4,645	5,735	4,946	4,340	2,892	3,598	4,255	4,270	4,167
Kiribati	1,001	951	757	702	936	748	782	825	629	527
Marshall Islands	40	41	59	57	70	52	25	35	62	52

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Micronesia, Federated States of	6	14	8	16	10	11	10	20	12	2
Nauru	55	61	70	272	121	38	21	24	30	37
New Zealand	8,774	8,435	9,265	9,895	11,088	9,022	8,995	9,648	8,950	8,816
Cook Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Niue	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	8,774	8,435	9,265	9,895	11,088	9,022	8,995	9,648	8,950	8,816
Palau	29	6	2	13	19	16	22	17	29	16
Papua New Guinea	873	901	1,063	775	613	543	488	467	559	513
Samoa	1,594	1,601	1,679	2,030	2,638	2,163	1,575	1,479	1,252	1,113
Solomon Islands	93	124	143	88	108	103	101	94	106	102
Tonga	2,072	1,982	2,895	2,548	2,762	1,869	1,187	1,725	1,997	1,903
Tuvalu	164	172	227	175	217	283	232	201	266	235
Vanuatu	68	76	86	173	117	72	75	58	63	49
Oceania Total	46,409	47,053	52,565	52,835	55,511	46,945	45,599	49,235	47,674	48,553
South America										
Argentina	11,226	12,089	12,636	13,793	15,375	90,474	88,256	82,393	93,847	97,431
Bolivia	12,746	14,521	20,543	34,751	16,387	9,408	8,443	10,581	9,056	9,931
Brazil	575,041	496,683	313,034	261,096	240,609	129,605	108,795	159,103	200,321	283,762
Chile	55,696	55,464	55,311	66,451	64,395	46,144	39,491	39,973	37,036	44,948
Colombia	176,438	236,891	280,238	195,058	197,407	182,721	200,359	194,720	179,759	186,738
Ecuador	62,287	66,942	45,104	38,763	69,906	76,826	60,088	49,504	48,246	54,738
Guyana	9,201	8,392	7,194	5,891	12,508	12,821	8,335	5,761	6,179	4,840
Paraguay	7,400	7,329	7,471	7,500	7,339	5,202	4,357	4,873	4,883	4,824
Peru	56,017	55,059	61,792	81,782	107,768	67,807	63,410	79,348	59,693	55,157
Suriname	3,157	3,071	2,276	2,342	2,109	1,743	1,737	1,727	1,904	1,914
Uruguay	23,274	22,314	16,776	2,395	2,486	3,295	10,712	14,676	12,829	14,054
Venezuela	87,172	106,496	119,232	116,414	128,827	89,022	70,366	79,381	95,358	109,586
South America Total	1,079,655	1,085,251	941,607	826,236	865,116	715,068	664,349	722,040	749,111	867,923

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No Nationality	46,377	23,225	22,851	21,023	17,383	13,478	7,532	3,744	2,890	2,534
United Nations Laissez-Passer	87	162	152	246	239	192	157	243	211	187
Grand Totals	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	5,836,730