

Table I
Immigrant and Nonimmigrant Visas Issued at Foreign Service Posts
Fiscal Years 2003 - 2007

	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Immigrant Categories					
Immediate Relatives	154,760	151,724	180,432	224,187	219,323
Special Immigrants ¹	701	675	782	766	1,648
Vietnam Amerasian immigrants	102	37	119	96	69
Family Sponsored Preference	131,407	152,454	146,279	139,753	151,128
Employment-Based Preference	29,712	28,656	21,290	15,744	19,722
Armed Forces Special Immigrants	1	7	4	0	2
Diversity Immigrants	48,085	45,849	46,099	44,349	38,762
Schedule A Workers ²	-	-	7,242	24,208	3,757
Total	364,768	379,402	402,247	449,103	434,411
Nonimmigrant Categories					
Visas Issued	4,881,634	5,049,099	5,388,951	5,836,730	6,444,285
(B1/B2/Border Crossing Cards) ³	[836,407]	[740,616]	[732,566]	[660,482]	[777,680]
Total	4,881,634	5,049,099	5,388,951	5,836,730	6,444,285

Note: The totals on this table do not include replaced immigrant visas.

¹ Special Immigrant totals include returning residents and Iraqi and Afghan translators.

² Section 502, Title V, Division B of Pub. L. 109-13 enacted May 22, 2005 (the REAL ID Act of 2005) amended Sec. 106(d) of Pub. L. 106-313 to provide for the recapture of 50,000 Employment Preference numbers that were unused in Fiscal Years 2001-2004. The recaptured numbers were to be used for workers with petitions approved under the Department of Labor's Schedule A labor certification regulations. Issuances ceased in Fiscal Year 2007.

³ Combination B1/B2 visitor visa/Border Crossing Cards are issued to Mexican nationals. B1/B2/Border Crossing Card issuances are included in the "Visas Issued" line.