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**Immediate Relative Visas Issued at Foreign Service Posts**  
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Foreign State	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
<b>Africa</b>										
Algeria	200	250	226	282	352	290	264	373	443	413
Angola	12	18	16	24	21	15	13	23	21	29
Benin	20	42	30	33	44	41	81	64	104	128
Botswana	2	8	2	10	9	5	7	8	13	6
Burkina Faso	15	23	22	46	69	77	49	99	105	88
Burundi	14	11	12	14	20	26	18	41	35	59
Cabo Verde	514	613	418	467	563	427	294	347	634	556
Cameroon	260	328	444	494	632	603	622	1,062	1,308	1,179
Central African Republic	3	3	10	11	5	1	5	7	19	18
Chad	6	4	3	9	10	9	8	18	15	14
Comoros	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	0	1	0
Congo, Dem. Rep. of the	74	123	162	250	411	457	417	423	547	332
Congo, Rep. of the	6	13	11	24	22	21	20	29	34	27
Cote d'Ivoire	230	211	142	178	376	283	193	240	365	397
Djibouti	8	19	11	18	21	10	31	24	34	16
Egypt	1,551	1,718	2,113	1,574	3,125	1,718	1,928	1,819	3,262	1,884
Equatorial Guinea	1	3	5	1	5	1	2	3	3	2
Eritrea	234	323	329	293	470	401	376	333	458	454
Ethiopia	4,015	5,004	5,100	4,509	5,695	4,404	3,348	2,231	5,688	4,390
Gabon	6	12	17	6	18	10	14	22	27	26
Gambia, The	132	151	175	196	265	196	216	329	443	433
Ghana	3,192	1,601	1,794	1,640	4,597	3,409	2,040	2,144	3,263	3,771
Guinea	89	126	130	184	276	212	228	319	542	524
Guinea-Bissau	8	4	11	12	15	18	10	15	8	14
Kenya	530	665	660	545	993	1,324	1,186	1,213	1,434	1,876
Lesotho	2	3	14	12	7	7	2	4	7	4
Liberia	652	494	603	682	851	741	694	697	964	1,200
Libya	96	88	98	154	79	86	147	211	248	339
Madagascar	6	14	15	16	12	19	11	12	9	10
Malawi	13	23	18	20	21	24	8	18	13	19
Mali	42	40	54	68	90	104	72	133	147	158
Mauritania	15	22	21	38	53	39	48	73	65	78
Mauritius	5	7	3	10	10	12	9	15	9	11
Morocco	1,055	1,308	1,399	1,508	1,544	1,278	1,121	1,556	2,013	1,367
Western Sahara	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mozambique	5	8	18	12	16	9	5	10	13	10
Namibia	6	3	8	7	7	9	4	10	7	16
Niger	19	9	9	18	37	25	43	55	83	79
Nigeria	4,333	4,467	4,194	3,774	5,311	4,402	3,244	4,209	6,225	3,831
Rwanda	37	30	58	73	59	32	22	41	34	43
Sao Tome and Principe	6	1	3	4	5	1	2	0	6	5
Senegal	303	361	345	362	531	352	317	399	568	622
Seychelles	1	4	4	3	1	2	0	4	6	3
Sierra Leone	400	411	573	605	504	494	440	583	674	914

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Somalia	404	519	564	594	784	836	1,487	885	1,511	1,465
South Africa	303	309	311	353	300	297	255	425	444	374
South Sudan	-	-	-	0	18	70	40	70	86	96
Sudan	377	533	613	497	777	474	448	359	642	556
Swaziland	4	19	10	5	7	3	2	4	4	2
Tanzania	86	92	129	114	143	108	86	149	164	144
Togo	125	249	374	408	547	484	445	527	683	436
Tunisia	68	110	135	189	184	185	140	219	226	174
Uganda	173	239	192	344	425	492	371	431	366	342
Zambia	65	83	68	90	79	56	67	94	76	82
Zimbabwe	69	111	96	107	75	109	79	109	146	136
<b>Africa Total</b>	<b>19,792</b>	<b>20,830</b>	<b>21,772</b>	<b>20,887</b>	<b>30,493</b>	<b>24,708</b>	<b>20,981</b>	<b>22,488</b>	<b>34,245</b>	<b>29,152</b>
<b>Asia</b>										
Afghanistan	479	581	477	448	457	450	817	640	818	809
Bahrain	12	9	12	22	18	13	10	19	13	14
Bangladesh	3,328	4,630	4,132	4,679	5,482	4,112	4,423	5,839	7,402	5,330
Bhutan	3	5	16	2	8	3	5	14	17	23
Brunei	0	0	1	3	0	3	4	3	5	1
Burma	347	423	381	530	545	532	353	503	627	597
Cambodia	1,627	1,481	1,026	1,167	1,238	1,000	1,064	778	1,783	2,402
China - mainland born	14,618	10,534	13,245	14,497	15,214	11,592	11,798	15,627	17,807	12,318
- Taiwan born	845	960	853	713	576	479	314	486	574	391
Hong Kong S.A.R.	230	220	214	232	206	206	166	225	321	214
India	10,524	13,019	12,039	12,067	12,243	12,091	10,467	13,406	14,815	11,568
Indonesia	296	364	352	453	406	364	250	392	424	332
Iran	2,571	2,626	3,053	2,625	2,743	1,928	1,888	2,087	2,283	2,054
Iraq	709	800	540	573	609	424	365	572	958	1,092
Israel	436	318	287	422	330	356	308	344	435	353
Japan	1,481	1,504	1,473	1,446	1,179	985	875	1,304	1,318	1,048
Jordan	1,600	1,869	1,644	1,929	2,155	1,993	1,982	1,704	2,975	2,337
Korea, North	18	14	9	4	5	3	1	5	4	1
Korea, South	2,445	2,363	2,018	1,892	1,782	1,251	1,386	1,607	1,638	1,611
Kuwait	173	199	170	186	184	168	184	172	272	205
Laos	68	101	106	103	152	116	98	140	183	182
Lebanon	1,037	997	921	968	746	768	849	811	969	873
Malaysia	176	150	163	178	172	141	129	165	242	166
Maldives	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	3	1	1
Mongolia	79	91	74	81	65	71	68	96	110	92
Nepal	279	408	642	836	990	1,026	893	1,618	2,167	1,690
Oman	9	8	11	7	4	9	8	10	10	17
Pakistan	5,564	5,914	5,161	4,961	5,158	4,452	5,335	6,637	7,440	5,585
Philippines	15,253	19,100	16,537	15,436	16,795	15,673	12,605	16,997	15,875	12,486
Qatar	23	32	38	36	34	44	33	49	79	42
Saudi Arabia	253	352	294	346	289	263	274	321	444	350

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Singapore	87	62	69	86	56	64	47	93	106	92
Sri Lanka	197	233	291	265	295	284	225	293	378	296
Syria	525	649	591	771	851	1,019	800	868	1,265	1,150
Thailand	838	1,042	985	1,030	1,102	1,009	734	1,069	1,198	1,010
Timor-Leste	1	2	0	1	2	0	0	4	2	0
United Arab Emirates	87	115	156	163	128	144	137	189	243	184
Vietnam	7,728	7,563	7,038	9,401	8,534	8,796	6,242	8,513	12,083	9,974
Yemen	1,008	2,553	1,920	1,916	1,812	2,366	2,010	2,348	8,447	3,584
<b>Asia Total</b>	<b>74,955</b>	<b>81,292</b>	<b>76,939</b>	<b>80,476</b>	<b>82,566</b>	<b>74,198</b>	<b>67,147</b>	<b>85,951</b>	<b>105,731</b>	<b>80,474</b>
<b>Europe</b>										
Albania	1,628	1,434	1,525	1,444	1,761	1,230	1,250	1,978	2,208	1,429
Andorra	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Armenia	277	449	398	440	661	662	448	551	1,126	736
Austria	57	61	66	58	61	57	52	61	68	29
Azerbaijan	95	122	112	146	146	119	91	149	171	181
Belarus	158	202	213	236	221	258	198	376	306	245
Belgium	67	62	56	89	52	67	53	85	65	67
Bosnia and Herzegovina	310	343	261	250	201	199	143	224	189	158
Bulgaria	385	463	457	526	533	577	485	583	648	429
Croatia	82	78	66	67	52	62	35	66	79	43
Cyprus	11	9	29	21	12	22	16	24	27	10
Czech Republic	94	93	80	97	76	53	64	92	83	63
Denmark	60	58	71	72	43	64	40	74	52	47
Faroe Islands	-	-	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Greenland	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Estonia	35	33	45	29	25	16	27	26	24	25
Finland	49	62	60	58	47	47	54	56	81	45
France	430	362	445	463	370	400	299	494	508	411
French Guiana	1	4	1	0	-	-	-	-	-	-
French Polynesia	5	4	2	7	4	0	2	2	5	1
French Southern and Antarctic Lands	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Guadeloupe	8	12	1	0	-	-	-	-	-	-
Martinique	6	3	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-
New Caledonia	0	2	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0
Reunion	1	0	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-
St. Barthelemy	-	-	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Saint Martin	-	-	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	3
St. Pierre and Miquelon	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wallis and Futuna	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Georgia	150	227	322	358	334	352	257	444	450	406
Germany	1,320	1,240	1,311	1,271	1,318	1,345	1,064	1,119	1,035	840
Great Britain and Northern Ireland	1,644	1,703	1,670	1,665	1,757	1,927	1,687	1,895	1,987	1,610
Anguilla	5	1	6	2	1	2	5	5	7	5
Bermuda	32	29	16	15	7	16	17	21	30	22

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British Indian Ocean Territory	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
British Virgin Islands	6	4	12	5	10	6	9	6	7	4
Cayman Islands	5	6	11	5	13	12	6	3	16	5
Falkland Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Gibraltar	1	2	1	1	0	3	2	1	1	1
Montserrat	3	4	5	2	7	2	4	4	2	2
Pitcairn	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
St. Helena	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
South Georgia and the South Sandwich Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Turks and Caicos Islands	6	4	3	3	2	9	5	3	6	7
Greece	122	140	154	295	347	446	235	233	350	239
Hungary	151	148	123	153	114	114	101	153	121	98
Iceland	14	30	17	18	19	14	12	15	19	7
Ireland	151	144	213	210	149	169	145	173	191	120
Italy	351	346	322	368	385	398	452	542	577	432
Kazakhstan	535	479	346	279	201	182	136	203	183	137
Kosovo	35	434	410	419	371	317	221	355	392	286
Kyrgyzstan	167	108	112	113	109	67	70	166	137	120
Latvia	77	77	83	105	129	129	105	225	123	110
Liechtenstein	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Lithuania	107	141	86	128	107	85	67	107	100	79
Luxembourg	4	6	1	4	3	10	2	4	2	2
Macedonia	344	387	326	321	307	240	189	283	295	215
Malta	7	14	2	5	7	3	4	4	10	11
Moldova	160	138	127	181	132	163	110	199	228	171
Monaco	0	0	2	1	0	1	1	4	1	0
Montenegro	116	143	107	121	144	112	69	110	138	95
Netherlands	147	150	134	168	125	110	98	215	175	121
Aruba	1	4	6	7	11	3	5	4	2	7
Curacao	-	-	-	2	7	10	7	3	5	10
Netherlands Antilles	15	21	11	3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sint Maarten	-	-	-	10	10	10	11	9	16	4
Norway	56	55	77	69	39	49	31	60	61	41
Svalbard	-	-	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Poland	686	746	676	705	618	558	477	738	781	581
Portugal	78	100	84	106	91	90	49	92	94	85
Macau	7	13	13	11	12	13	8	5	10	8
Romania	662	733	629	735	664	563	407	540	567	425
Russia	3,277	3,158	2,580	2,638	2,417	1,715	1,142	1,581	1,720	1,273
San Marino	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Serbia	585	259	228	201	197	229	138	216	216	147
Slovakia	47	67	53	72	58	37	31	50	57	40
Slovenia	6	15	14	3	18	8	8	17	8	14
Spain	215	229	319	372	227	281	234	335	297	268
Sweden	142	127	177	153	110	131	85	141	146	133
Switzerland	63	93	63	97	90	72	55	92	86	61



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<b>New Zealand</b>	153	150	164	152	126	141	102	165	139	86
Cook Islands	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0
Niue	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Tokelau	-	-	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Palau	3	2	6	3	1	0	0	2	0	3
Papua New Guinea	3	2	6	3	3	8	5	3	3	5
Samoa	20	37	33	24	21	36	28	52	46	26
Solomon Islands	1	0	1	1	0	0	2	0	1	2
Tonga	51	44	36	67	34	34	38	49	52	33
Tuvalu	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Vanuatu	1	4	0	2	2	1	1	1	0	0
<b>Oceania Total</b>	<b>867</b>	<b>990</b>	<b>935</b>	<b>941</b>	<b>802</b>	<b>831</b>	<b>636</b>	<b>966</b>	<b>937</b>	<b>615</b>
<b>South America</b>										
Argentina	274	233	218	299	329	321	249	400	414	292
Bolivia	435	421	435	384	370	288	264	425	452	307
Brazil	1,317	1,373	1,240	1,491	1,530	1,223	1,184	1,961	2,710	2,512
Chile	279	259	263	266	245	222	139	249	223	183
Colombia	4,344	3,840	4,070	4,807	5,583	4,281	3,334	4,350	4,686	3,631
Ecuador	3,880	3,325	2,864	3,205	2,817	2,755	2,613	3,790	3,777	3,307
Guyana	1,656	1,659	1,517	1,828	1,577	1,246	1,044	1,268	1,494	1,126
Paraguay	93	88	76	120	69	55	63	93	82	77
Peru	3,306	2,945	2,810	2,880	2,994	2,349	1,900	2,832	3,284	2,379
Suriname	38	16	37	26	30	27	18	30	19	30
Uruguay	83	70	59	73	67	56	62	93	79	76
Venezuela	692	908	959	1,018	889	709	555	876	1,107	901
<b>South America Total</b>	<b>16,397</b>	<b>15,137</b>	<b>14,548</b>	<b>16,397</b>	<b>16,500</b>	<b>13,532</b>	<b>11,425</b>	<b>16,367</b>	<b>18,327</b>	<b>14,821</b>
<b>Grand Totals</b>	<b>238,848</b>	<b>227,517</b>	<b>215,947</b>	<b>216,856</b>	<b>235,616</b>	<b>205,435</b>	<b>185,130</b>	<b>243,432</b>	<b>315,352</b>	<b>254,430</b>

**NOTE:** Please see Appendix B for notes on Foreign State of Chargeability.