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		Ineligibility Finding ¹	Ineligibility Overcome ²	Ineligibility Finding ¹	Ineligibility Overcome ²
212(a)(1)(A)(i)	Communicable Disease	973	716	35	4
212(a)(1)(A)(ii)	Immigrant lacking required vaccinations	66	42	-	-
212(a)(1)(A)(iii)	Physical or mental disorder	342	150	142	22
212(a)(1)(A)(iv)	Drug Abuser or Addict	1,322	660	137	17
212(a)(2)(A)(i)(I)	Crime Involving Moral Turpitude	1,894	331	8,609	3,001
212(a)(2)(A)(i)(II)	Controlled Substance Violators	760	47	5,879	2,175
212(a)(2)(B)	Multiple Criminal Convictions	124	4	511	84
212(a)(2)(C)(i)	Illicit Trafficker in Any Controlled Substance	570	4	3,730	608
212(a)(2)(C)(ii)	Spouse, Son, or Daughter Who Benefited from Illicit Activities of Trafficker	48	0	985	27
212(a)(2)(D)(i)	Prostitution (within 10 years)	19	9	88	10
212(a)(2)(D)(ii)	Procuring (within 10 years)	6	2	24	2
212(a)(2)(D)(iii)	Unlawful Commercialized Vice	1	1	4	1
212(a)(2)(E)	Asserted immunity to avoid prosecution	0	0	4	1
212(a)(2)(G)	Foreign government officials who have engaged in violations of religious freedom	0	0	0	0
212(a)(2)(H)	Significant traffickers in persons	1	0	16	0
212(a)(2)(I)	Money Laundering	6	0	52	6
212(a)(3)(A)(i)	Espionage, sabotage, technology transfer, etc.	3	0	160	7
212(a)(3)(A)(ii)	Other Unlawful Activity	99	0	96	6
212(a)(3)(A)(iii)	Act to Overthrow U.S. Government	0	0	0	0
212(a)(3)(B)	Terrorist Activities	73	0	688	306
212(a)(3)(C)	Foreign Policy	0	0	2	0
212(a)(3)(D)	Immigrant Membership in Totalitarian Party	4	2	-	-
212(a)(3)(E)(i)	Participants in Nazi Persecutions	0	0	0	0
212(a)(3)(E)(ii)	Participants in Genocide	0	0	0	0
212(a)(3)(E)(iii)	Commission of Acts of Torture or Extrajudicial Killings	0	0	1	1
212(a)(3)(F)	Association with Terrorist Organizations	1	0	1	0
212(a)(3)(G)	Recruitment or Use of Child Soldiers	0	0	0	0
212(a)(4)	Public Charge	13,450	7,932	120	3
212(a)(5)(A)	Labor Certification (immigrants only)	10,481	342	-	-
212(a)(5)(B)	Unqualified Physician (immigrants only)	0	0	-	-
212(a)(5)(C)	Uncertified foreign health-care workers	1	0	0	0
212(a)(6)(B)	Failure to attend removal proceedings	35	22	10	5
212(a)(6)(C)(i)	Misrepresentation	8,078	1,809	16,357	2,901
212(a)(6)(C)(ii)	Falsely claiming citizenship	614	0	1,750	291
212(a)(6)(E)	Smugglers of aliens	5,379	1,376	5,535	587
212(a)(6)(F)	Subject of civil penalty (under INA 274C)	0	0	2	0
212(a)(6)(G)	Student visa abusers	0	0	8	0
212(a)(7)(B)	Documentation requirement for nonimmigrants	-	-	246	187
212(a)(8)(A)	Immigrant permanently ineligible for citizenship	0	0	-	-
212(a)(8)(B)	Draft evader	0	0	2	2
212(a)(9)(A)(i)	Ordered removed upon arrival	566	298	1,884	72

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212(a)(9)(A)(i)	Ordered removed upon arrival - multiple removals	229	43	670	16
212(a)(9)(A)(i)	Ordered removed upon arrival - convicted aggravated felony	35	0	123	5
212(a)(9)(A)(ii)	Ordered removed or departed while removal order outstanding	1,136	631	802	83
212(a)(9)(A)(ii)	Ordered removed or departed while removal order outstanding - multiple removals	233	63	312	20
212(a)(9)(A)(ii)	Ordered removed or departed while removal order outstanding - convicted aggravated felony	240	14	329	17
212(a)(9)(B)(i)(I)	Unlawfully present 181-364 days (within 3 years)	141	82	502	55
212(a)(9)(B)(i)(I)	Unlawfully present 181-364 days (within 3 years) (provisional waiver)	48	40	-	-
212(a)(9)(B)(i)(II)	Unlawfully present 365 or more days (within 10 years)	9,158	4,907	13,019	1,040
212(a)(9)(B)(i)(II)	Unlawfully present 365 or more days (within 10 years) (provisional waiver)	44,329	41,961	-	-
212(a)(9)(C)	Unlawfully present after previous immigration violations	3,768	773	10,749	1,392
212(a)(10)(A)	Practicing polygamist (immigrants only)	33	2	-	-
212(a)(10)(C)(i)	International child abductor	1	0	4	1
212(a)(10)(C)(ii)	Aliens supporting abductors and relatives of abductors	0	0	0	0
212(a)(10)(D)	Unlawful voter	0	0	1	0
212(a)(10)(E)	Former U.S. citizen who renounced citizenship to avoid taxation	0	0	0	0
212(e)	Foreign residence requirement: Former exchange visitors	22	16	6	4
212(f)	Presidential proclamation suspending the entry of any class of aliens	33	8	187	45
214(b)	Failure to establish entitlement to nonimmigrant status	-	-	2,771,339	22,482
221(g)	Application does not comply with provisions of INA or regulations issued pursuant thereto	341,128	159,842	839,146	742,296
222(g)(2)	Alien in illegal status, required to apply for new nonimmigrant visa in country of alien's nationality	-	-	27	2
243(d)	National of a country denying or delaying accepting an alien	0	0	196	187
501	Iranian Citizen Studying in Certain Energy-Related Fields	-	-	82	2
801	Any person who has been directly involved in the establishment or enforcement of forced abortion or sterilization	2	0	0	0
2017 E.O. on Immigration	Subject to 2017 Executive Order on Immigration	15,384	923	21,645	1,309
Sec. 5(a)(1) of the JADE Act	Visa restrictions for certain Burmese nationals under the JADE Act of 2008	4	0	0	0
Sec.103 Pub. Law 105-227	Disclosure/trafficking of confidential U.S. business information	0	0	0	0

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Sec. 401 Pub. Law 104-114	Helms-Burton refusal	0	0	0	0
Sec. 402 Pub. Law 104-114	Conversion of confiscated U.S. property for gain	0	0	0	0
Sec. 306 Pub. Law 107-173	Inadmissible alien from a country that is a state sponsor of terrorism	0	0	324	6
Total Grounds of Ineligibility:		460,840	223,052	3,706,541	779,288
Number of Applications:¹		323,360	202,232	3,639,857	775,205

The figures at the end of this table show totals of **applications** refused and refusals overcome. The total of applications refused does not necessarily reflect the number of persons refused during the year. One applicant can apply and be found ineligible more than one time in a fiscal year.

¹The total grounds of ineligibility may exceed the number of applications refused because one applicant may be found ineligible under more than one section of the Immigration and Nationality Act.

²The total of ineligibilities overcome may not necessarily represent the same visa applicants found ineligible and recorded in the total of ineligibility findings. A visa may be refused in one fiscal year and the refusal overcome in a subsequent fiscal year. Each action will be separately recorded as part of the appropriate statistical report for the year in which it occurred. A refusal can be overcome by evidence that the ineligibility does not apply, by approval of a waiver, or by other relief as provided by law.