

Table III
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Foreign State	Immediate Relatives	Special Immigrants ¹	Family Preference	Employment Preference	Diversity Immigrants	Total
Africa						
Algeria	437	2	198	18	1,343	1,998
Angola	26	0	14	1	17	58
Benin	138	0	60	1	237	436
Botswana	10	0	4	0	0	14
Burkina Faso	121	2	35	3	107	268
Burundi	74	0	13	0	97	184
Cabo Verde	395	1	980	6	1	1,383
Cameroon	1,070	9	548	10	1,613	3,250
Central African Republic	9	0	0	0	4	13
Chad	15	0	3	0	18	36
Comoros	0	0	1	0	1	2
Congo, Dem. Rep. of the	413	3	387	17	2,856	3,676
Congo, Rep. of the	42	0	17	22	100	181
Cote d'Ivoire	321	0	152	15	383	871
Djibouti	32	0	6	0	37	75
Egypt	1,918	22	1,132	238	3,459	6,769
Equatorial Guinea	0	0	0	0	2	2
Eritrea	449	0	269	39	137	894
Eswatini	5	0	5	0	1	11
Ethiopia	3,735	5	1,999	101	2,101	7,941
Gabon	18	0	14	2	6	40
Gambia, The	424	0	152	2	18	596
Ghana	4,035	3	1,586	66	771	6,461
Guinea	614	0	137	1	155	907
Guinea-Bissau	4	0	3	0	0	7
Kenya	1,553	21	533	327	1,205	3,639
Lesotho	4	0	4	1	4	13
Liberia	832	8	351	12	1,247	2,450
Libya	76	9	26	8	20	139
Madagascar	9	2	6	14	9	40
Malawi	27	1	8	8	4	48
Mali	193	1	46	5	34	279
Mauritania	56	0	16	3	13	88
Mauritius	14	0	7	1	3	25
Morocco	1,033	8	294	33	1,006	2,374
Western Sahara	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mozambique	13	0	7	1	0	21
Namibia	4	0	1	2	4	11
Niger	69	0	5	3	21	98
Nigeria	4,525	82	2,820	495	0	7,922
Rwanda	39	0	45	6	276	366
Sao Tome and Principe	2	0	3	0	0	5
Senegal	575	2	211	28	94	910
Seychelles	1	1	1	0	0	3

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Sierra Leone	787	1	244	1	119	1,152
Somalia	408	5	116	6	11	546
South Africa	364	3	78	240	167	852
South Sudan	101	1	9	0	10	121
Sudan	722	5	159	25	1,674	2,585
Tanzania	163	1	62	27	38	291
Togo	500	2	242	3	664	1,411
Tunisia	163	3	13	8	59	246
Uganda	342	1	131	35	176	685
Zambia	71	0	28	27	13	139
Zimbabwe	159	2	45	16	50	272
Region Total For Africa	27,110	206	13,226	1,877	20,385	62,804
Asia						
Afghanistan	444	7,431	370	12	229	8,486
Bahrain	22	0	16	5	0	43
Bangladesh	7,047	11	7,771	117	0	14,946
Bhutan	20	0	2	4	7	33
Brunei	3	0	6	4	2	15
Burma	577	1	570	10	125	1,283
Cambodia	1,719	0	659	152	121	2,651
China - mainland born	10,791	50	12,245	6,274	0	29,360
- Taiwan born	562	5	957	619	150	2,293
Hong Kong S.A.R.	245	3	702	227	51	1,228
India	10,806	87	15,593	1,587	0	28,073
Indonesia	328	2	172	35	56	593
Iran	461	25	534	136	293	1,449
Iraq	873	522	399	34	292	2,120
Israel	384	6	125	97	43	655
Japan	1,085	15	77	219	148	1,544
Jordan	1,863	12	1,355	84	251	3,565
Korea, North	4	0	0	0	1	5
Korea, South	1,706	13	924	2,384	0	5,027
Kuwait	146	0	185	45	76	452
Laos	227	2	105	7	1	342
Lebanon	758	16	819	76	44	1,713
Malaysia	174	3	179	84	34	474
Maldives	1	0	1	0	0	2
Mongolia	82	9	33	19	156	299
Nepal	1,498	14	1,018	199	3,258	5,987
Oman	12	0	7	5	5	29
Pakistan	5,012	79	5,521	453	0	11,065
Philippines	11,718	158	14,826	5,421	0	32,123
Qatar	37	1	33	24	25	120
Saudi Arabia	305	7	284	50	203	849

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Singapore	93	3	42	67	7	212
Sri Lanka	282	5	172	25	351	835
Syria	317	3	401	67	50	838
Thailand	1,102	6	328	77	24	1,537
Timor-Leste	2	0	0	0	0	2
United Arab Emirates	173	6	228	226	63	696
Vietnam ²	9,676	31	18,053	849	0	28,701
Yemen	819	5	337	8	26	1,195
Region Total For Asia²	71,374	8,531	85,049	19,702	6,092	190,840
Europe						
Albania	1,183	3	932	40	2,629	4,787
Andorra	0	0	0	0	0	0
Armenia	761	7	344	58	1,647	2,817
Austria	60	3	15	13	12	103
Azerbaijan	150	1	69	17	501	738
Belarus	240	4	138	20	820	1,222
Belgium	56	3	18	15	23	115
Bosnia and Herzegovina	113	1	125	7	47	293
Bulgaria	445	9	191	30	343	1,018
Croatia	43	0	29	4	23	99
Cyprus	21	0	5	5	2	33
Czech Republic	66	5	11	21	39	142
Denmark	53	2	14	16	11	96
Faroe Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0
Greenland	0	0	0	0	0	0
Estonia	16	0	5	1	24	46
Finland	50	2	5	15	17	89
France	395	6	120	162	201	884
French Polynesia	4	0	0	0	0	4
French Southern and Antarctic Lands	0	0	0	0	0	0
New Caledonia	1	0	0	0	0	1
St. Barthelemy	0	0	0	0	0	0
Saint Martin	2	0	1	0	0	3
St. Pierre and Miquelon	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wallis and Futuna	0	0	0	0	0	0
Georgia	374	4	150	36	673	1,237
Germany	814	14	143	105	285	1,361
Great Britain and Northern Ireland	1,502	15	442	450	0	2,409
Anguilla	3	0	5	0	0	8
Bermuda	21	0	1	1	0	23
British Indian Ocean Territory	0	0	0	0	0	0
British Virgin Islands	3	0	9	1	0	13

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Cayman Islands	10	0	6	0	0	16
Falkland Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0
Gibraltar	1	0	0	0	0	1
Montserrat	3	0	0	0	0	3
Pitcairn	0	0	0	0	0	0
St. Helena	0	0	0	0	0	0
South Georgia and the South Sandwich Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0
Turks and Caicos Islands	6	0	6	0	0	12
Greece	219	4	57	37	68	385
Hungary	132	1	38	35	75	281
Iceland	7	0	3	8	1	19
Ireland	120	1	24	53	24	222
Italy	429	1	166	133	139	868
Kazakhstan	165	2	64	23	496	750
Kosovo	263	0	150	4	230	647
Kyrgyzstan	128	2	60	16	381	587
Latvia	124	1	12	8	32	177
Liechtenstein	1	0	0	0	0	1
Lithuania	127	3	51	5	106	292
Luxembourg	4	0	1	0	0	5
Macedonia	266	2	211	4	281	764
Malta	6	0	1	0	0	7
Moldova	157	9	137	9	569	881
Monaco	2	0	0	0	0	2
Montenegro	83	0	74	6	14	177
Netherlands	156	3	21	26	19	225
Aruba	7	0	1	1	0	9
Curacao	10	0	4	4	2	20
Sint Maarten	11	0	12	0	0	23
Northern Ireland (DV only)	0	0	0	0	2	2
Norway	53	4	11	17	9	94
Svalbard	0	0	0	0	0	0
Poland	614	16	712	109	258	1,709
Portugal	79	0	45	16	25	165
Macau	12	0	23	4	1	40
Romania	410	21	193	60	195	879
Russia	1,195	9	510	275	2,083	4,072
San Marino	0	0	0	0	0	0
Serbia	146	1	83	26	239	495
Slovakia	52	0	19	1	26	98
Slovenia	14	1	1	8	3	27
Spain	241	15	119	83	67	525
Sweden	125	4	35	25	32	221
Switzerland	89	1	10	13	18	131
Tajikistan	58	0	38	6	691	793

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Turkey	680	18	181	220	1,730	2,829
Turkmenistan	30	0	21	4	154	209
Ukraine	1,591	24	999	91	2,599	5,304
Uzbekistan	283	14	543	16	2,053	2,909
Vatican City	0	0	0	0	0	0
Region Total For Europe	14,485	236	7,414	2,363	19,919	44,417
North America						
Antigua and Barbuda	79	2	83	6	0	170
Bahamas, The	118	0	64	26	1	209
Barbados	93	0	67	14	0	174
Belize	147	0	84	3	2	236
Canada	1,006	5	300	265	0	1,576
Costa Rica	557	1	146	27	9	740
Cuba	2,779	2	3,536	0	187	6,504
Dominica	152	0	206	6	0	364
Dominican Republic	18,595	82	31,225	40	0	49,942
El Salvador	8,988	22	6,947	57	0	16,014
Grenada	152	0	78	10	0	240
Guatemala	6,137	33	2,959	24	35	9,188
Haiti	7,311	32	7,728	87	0	15,158
Honduras	4,666	13	2,222	19	47	6,967
Jamaica	6,351	21	5,654	721	0	12,747
Mexico	46,334	36	28,120	411	0	74,901
Nicaragua	1,174	1	747	27	4	1,953
Panama	220	2	172	10	4	408
Saint Kitts and Nevis	57	0	134	0	0	191
Saint Lucia	198	0	149	18	6	371
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	111	0	72	2	0	185
Trinidad and Tobago	671	6	656	42	26	1,401
Region Total For North America	105,896	258	91,349	1,815	321	199,639
Oceania						
Australia	357	6	48	79	428	918
Christmas Island	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cocos Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0
Norfolk Island	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fiji	158	2	283	1	183	627
Kiribati	1	0	0	0	1	2
Marshall Islands	8	0	0	0	0	8
Micronesia, Federated States of	1	0	0	0	0	1
Nauru	1	0	0	0	0	1
New Zealand	114	1	11	27	102	255

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Cook Islands	1	0	0	0	0	1
Niue	1	0	0	0	0	1
Tokelau	0	0	0	0	0	0
Palau	0	0	0	0	0	0
Papua New Guinea	1	0	0	0	0	1
Samoa	26	1	6	0	3	36
Solomon Islands	1	0	0	0	0	1
Tonga	39	0	33	0	10	82
Tuvalu	1	0	0	0	0	1
Vanuatu	2	0	0	0	0	2
Region Total for Oceania	712	10	381	107	727	1,937
South America						
Argentina	319	8	159	96	27	609
Bolivia	377	2	259	28	12	678
Brazil	3,004	18	691	587	0	4,300
Chile	198	2	112	13	10	335
Colombia	4,071	25	3,083	152	0	7,331
Ecuador	3,616	22	3,208	52	287	7,185
Guyana	1,137	4	3,067	12	8	4,228
Paraguay	100	1	33	2	1	137
Peru	2,826	38	2,778	58	0	5,700
Suriname	46	0	53	2	0	101
Uruguay	87	1	37	10	9	144
Venezuela	1,168	13	742	469	780	3,172
Region Total For South America	16,949	134	14,222	1,481	1,134	33,920
Worldwide Grand Totals²	236,526	9,375	211,641	27,345	48,578	533,557

¹ Includes returning residents, Armed Forces special immigrants, Iraqi and Afghan translators, certain Iraqis and Afghans employed by or on behalf of the U.S. Government, and certain family members of U1 Nonimmigrants.

² Includes visas issued under the Vietnam Amerasian category. During FY 2018, 92 such visas were issued; the foreign state breakdown is: Vietnam 92.