

Table III
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Foreign State	Immediate Relatives	Special Immigrants ¹	Family Preference	Employment Preference	Diversity Immigrants	Total
Africa						
Algeria	395	3	155	16	1,643	2,212
Angola	24	0	23	0	54	101
Benin	107	1	34	5	363	510
Botswana	6	0	0	0	2	8
Burkina Faso	130	0	32	3	90	255
Burundi	71	0	11	1	141	224
Cabo Verde	370	0	1,058	2	3	1,433
Cameroon	900	11	532	11	1,651	3,105
Central African Republic	11	0	6	0	7	24
Chad	20	0	1	4	22	47
Comoros	0	0	0	0	5	5
Congo, Dem. Rep. of the	334	0	308	43	3,082	3,767
Congo, Rep. of the	48	1	10	21	166	246
Cote d'Ivoire	413	4	190	18	423	1,048
Djibouti	18	0	13	0	29	60
Egypt	1,656	19	1,157	262	3,307	6,401
Equatorial Guinea	2	0	0	0	0	2
Eritrea	417	2	197	141	116	873
Eswatini	1	0	1	0	0	2
Ethiopia	2,464	4	1,454	120	1,694	5,736
Gabon	12	0	8	0	16	36
Gambia, The	603	0	145	11	16	775
Ghana	4,063	2	1,348	107	634	6,154
Guinea	671	3	170	4	300	1,148
Guinea-Bissau	20	0	1	0	3	24
Kenya	1,180	21	514	520	1,187	3,422
Lesotho	5	0	0	0	0	5
Liberia	947	8	493	7	653	2,108
Libya	171	7	33	10	46	267
Madagascar	12	0	2	15	15	44
Malawi	17	0	9	5	7	38
Mali	234	0	51	0	25	310
Mauritania	65	2	33	0	17	117
Mauritius	6	0	7	0	4	17
Morocco	1,150	11	462	33	1,131	2,787
Western Sahara	1	0	0	0	0	1
Mozambique	10	0	0	1	1	12
Namibia	11	0	0	1	0	12
Niger	52	1	4	1	22	80
Nigeria	3,092	51	2,735	868	0	6,746
Rwanda	45	0	49	8	337	439
Sao Tome and Principe	5	0	2	0	0	7
Senegal	708	3	247	26	82	1,066
Seychelles	0	0	1	1	1	3
Sierra Leone	631	0	189	1	172	993

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Somalia	373	3	83	3	2	464
South Africa	369	2	115	230	167	883
South Sudan	85	1	10	14	4	114
Sudan	496	6	144	12	1,544	2,202
Tanzania	141	1	65	21	48	276
Togo	424	2	212	13	757	1,408
Tunisia	152	3	21	12	45	233
Uganda	295	3	145	47	132	622
Zambia	52	0	14	10	8	84
Zimbabwe	101	1	39	69	25	235
Region Total For Africa	23,586	176	12,533	2,697	20,199	59,191
Asia						
Afghanistan	598	9,805	356	13	265	11,037
Bahrain	24	0	14	23	3	64
Bangladesh	4,531	16	8,099	142	0	12,788
Bhutan	14	0	1	3	19	37
Brunei	2	0	2	3	0	7
Burma	593	7	593	27	203	1,423
Cambodia	1,202	1	612	110	86	2,011
China - mainland born	9,296	62	13,229	4,954	0	27,541
- Taiwan born	550	9	767	630	163	2,119
Hong Kong S.A.R.	202	0	566	200	43	1,011
India	9,067	118	13,272	2,508	0	24,965
Indonesia	316	8	199	19	53	595
Iran	741	33	521	61	267	1,623
Iraq	845	274	392	42	261	1,814
Israel	330	14	106	72	51	573
Japan	961	19	65	242	189	1,476
Jordan	1,789	7	1,430	83	321	3,630
Korea, North	10	0	0	4	0	14
Korea, South	1,729	13	747	2,824	0	5,313
Kuwait	173	2	241	56	51	523
Laos	202	1	121	15	0	339
Lebanon	598	8	801	83	75	1,565
Malaysia	166	2	141	42	26	377
Maldives	0	0	0	0	4	4
Mongolia	76	4	45	35	136	296
Nepal	1,451	3	920	169	2,765	5,308
Oman	9	0	7	20	8	44
Pakistan	3,726	38	4,867	431	0	9,062
Philippines	9,872	113	13,171	4,304	0	27,460
Qatar	29	0	31	46	24	130
Saudi Arabia	321	3	249	110	252	935
Singapore	63	3	47	37	11	161
Sri Lanka	254	4	200	51	294	803

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Montserrat	5	0	3	0	0	8
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	5	0	2	0	0	7
Greece	190	3	71	45	55	364
Hungary	122	4	30	39	36	231
Iceland	7	0	2	1	0	10
Ireland	110	0	15	31	19	175
Italy	413	10	117	143	126	809
Kazakhstan	151	0	54	38	576	819
Kosovo	232	1	326	4	231	794
Kyrgyzstan	120	3	43	17	379	562
Latvia	74	0	19	6	23	122
Liechtenstein	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lithuania	84	5	64	10	109	272
Luxembourg	4	0	0	0	0	4
Malta	5	0	0	1	1	7
Moldova	192	3	87	21	616	919
Monaco	0	0	0	0	1	1
Montenegro	66	0	108	0	17	191
Netherlands	157	3	29	25	23	237
Aruba	5	0	7	2	0	14
Curacao	4	0	3	0	0	7
Sint Maarten	5	0	8	0	0	13
North Macedonia	215	1	210	17	193	636
Northern Ireland (DV only)	0	0	0	0	3	3
Norway	48	1	2	4	2	57
Svalbard	0	0	0	0	0	0
Poland	478	17	464	174	206	1,339
Portugal	81	1	37	24	4	147
Macau	15	0	10	5	1	31
Romania	375	21	231	52	242	921
Russia	1,335	14	562	271	2,436	4,618
San Marino	0	0	0	0	0	0
Serbia	143	3	119	23	213	501
Slovakia	35	0	13	17	13	78
Slovenia	11	1	5	1	2	20
Spain	211	3	102	74	50	440
Sweden	99	0	23	36	9	167
Switzerland	76	2	4	27	12	121
Tajikistan	61	1	61	27	917	1,067
Turkey	585	29	185	243	1,314	2,356
Turkmenistan	28	0	18	1	174	221
Ukraine	1,474	13	922	145	2,019	4,573
Uzbekistan	190	7	594	13	817	1,621

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Vatican City	0	0	0	0	0	0
Region Total For Europe	13,186	207	7,755	2,616	17,509	41,273
North America						
Antigua and Barbuda	68	0	82	10	1	161
Bahamas, The	101	0	51	28	7	187
Barbados	45	1	57	19	0	122
Belize	130	0	130	4	0	264
Canada	935	4	273	371	0	1,583
Costa Rica	409	1	186	27	3	626
Cuba	3,375	11	4,254	5	103	7,748
Dominica	120	0	156	12	4	292
Dominican Republic	12,251	57	25,822	56	0	38,186
El Salvador	5,259	13	5,271	62	0	10,605
Grenada	131	0	105	0	1	237
Guatemala	3,383	32	2,000	45	19	5,479
Haiti	3,012	13	3,114	60	0	6,199
Honduras	4,390	15	1,598	28	14	6,045
Jamaica	4,773	18	4,783	923	0	10,497
Mexico	33,429	39	20,259	818	0	54,545
Nicaragua	1,416	7	872	27	5	2,327
Panama	194	3	143	11	0	351
Saint Kitts and Nevis	42	0	97	1	0	140
Saint Lucia	135	0	139	15	0	289
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	108	0	59	13	0	180
Trinidad and Tobago	530	9	646	49	6	1,240
Region Total For North America	74,236	223	70,097	2,584	163	147,303
Oceania						
Australia	323	8	50	44	284	709
Christmas Island	0	0	1	0	0	1
Cocos Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0
Norfolk Island	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fiji	140	2	283	5	132	562
Kiribati	0	0	2	0	0	2
Marshall Islands	3	0	0	0	0	3
Micronesia, Federated States of	1	0	0	0	1	2
Nauru	0	0	0	0	0	0
New Zealand	90	3	14	25	77	209
Cook Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0
Niue	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tokelau	0	0	0	0	0	0
Palau	0	0	0	1	0	1
Papua New Guinea	5	0	0	0	4	9

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Samoa	26	0	5	2	1	34
Solomon Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tonga	24	0	46	0	13	83
Tuvalu	0	0	0	0	0	0
Vanuatu	2	0	0	0	0	2
Region Total for Oceania	614	13	401	77	512	1,617
South America						
Argentina	258	11	140	154	40	603
Bolivia	264	1	251	24	7	547
Brazil	2,179	13	623	792	0	3,607
Chile	180	1	86	15	12	294
Colombia	3,100	15	2,251	191	0	5,557
Ecuador	2,908	12	2,805	87	77	5,889
Guyana	849	3	2,804	39	6	3,701
Paraguay	54	0	44	5	1	104
Peru	2,220	54	2,422	63	0	4,759
Suriname	20	0	44	6	0	70
Uruguay	85	0	23	7	7	122
Venezuela	913	6	532	363	507	2,321
Region Total For South America	13,030	116	12,025	1,746	657	27,574
Worldwide Grand Totals²	186,584	11,384	190,938	28,538	44,882	462,422

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 2019, 96 such visas were issued; the foreign state breakdown is: Vietnam 96.