

Table III
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Foreign State	Immediate Relatives	Special Immigrants ¹	Family Preference	Employment Preference	Diversity Immigrants	Total
Africa						
Algeria	443	2	138	9	1,271	1,863
Angola	21	0	20	2	37	80
Benin	104	0	19	6	280	409
Botswana	13	0	6	0	1	20
Burkina Faso	105	0	35	2	131	273
Burundi	35	0	7	0	64	106
Cabo Verde	634	2	1,086	1	0	1,723
Cameroon	1,308	13	458	11	1,615	3,405
Central African Republic	19	0	3	2	8	32
Chad	15	1	6	1	17	40
Comoros	1	0	1	0	0	2
Congo, Dem. Rep. of the	547	1	186	2	2,770	3,506
Congo, Rep. of the	34	0	4	0	50	88
Cote d'Ivoire	365	2	111	5	508	991
Djibouti	34	0	7	12	33	86
Egypt	3,262	20	1,016	163	2,848	7,309
Equatorial Guinea	3	0	0	0	0	3
Eritrea	458	1	180	35	149	823
Ethiopia	5,688	5	2,030	52	2,138	9,913
Gabon	27	0	5	1	8	41
Gambia, The	443	0	105	1	6	555
Ghana	3,263	3	1,222	31	428	4,947
Guinea	542	1	105	8	293	949
Guinea-Bissau	8	0	4	0	0	12
Kenya	1,434	9	359	95	1,092	2,989
Lesotho	7	0	1	0	0	8
Liberia	964	11	293	4	1,550	2,822
Libya	248	1	30	5	99	383
Madagascar	9	0	6	8	29	52
Malawi	13	0	10	0	0	23
Mali	147	0	23	3	39	212
Mauritania	65	0	12	1	6	84
Mauritius	9	0	9	0	7	25
Morocco	2,013	8	359	24	1,110	3,514
Western Sahara	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mozambique	13	0	2	0	0	15
Namibia	7	0	0	1	3	11
Niger	83	0	9	2	13	107
Nigeria	6,225	61	2,456	246	0	8,988
Rwanda	34	0	16	8	240	298
Sao Tome and Principe	6	0	2	0	0	8
Senegal	568	6	106	14	136	830
Seychelles	6	0	5	0	0	11
Sierra Leone	674	1	119	5	381	1,180

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Somalia	1,511	1	178	3	104	1,797
South Africa	444	11	84	86	162	787
South Sudan	86	0	2	0	10	98
Sudan	642	1	121	12	1,830	2,606
Swaziland	4	0	0	0	4	8
Tanzania	164	1	79	7	28	279
Togo	683	4	182	1	685	1,555
Tunisia	226	1	16	12	97	352
Uganda	366	3	103	56	158	686
Zambia	76	0	15	22	18	131
Zimbabwe	146	1	61	10	79	297
Region Total For Africa	34,245	171	11,412	969	20,535	67,332
Asia						
Afghanistan	818	12,298	365	31	192	13,704
Bahrain	13	0	22	9	2	46
Bangladesh	7,402	4	9,667	74	0	17,147
Bhutan	17	0	3	5	7	32
Brunei	5	0	2	1	0	8
Burma	627	2	584	19	138	1,370
Cambodia	1,783	0	541	33	266	2,623
China - mainland born	17,807	54	15,535	8,673	0	42,069
- Taiwan born	574	10	828	286	152	1,850
Hong Kong S.A.R.	321	1	903	83	51	1,359
India	14,815	214	15,655	676	0	31,360
Indonesia	424	14	154	37	39	668
Iran	2,283	21	2,407	294	2,722	7,727
Iraq	958	2,270	272	14	146	3,660
Israel	435	10	105	79	31	660
Japan	1,318	23	95	116	163	1,715
Jordan	2,975	18	1,611	71	163	4,838
Korea, North	4	0	1	4	0	9
Korea, South	1,638	25	804	2,953	0	5,420
Kuwait	272	0	182	25	56	535
Laos	183	2	112	0	0	297
Lebanon	969	5	791	80	71	1,916
Malaysia	242	6	193	21	41	503
Maldives	1	0	0	0	0	1
Mongolia	110	1	23	3	155	292
Nepal	2,167	13	922	132	3,210	6,444
Oman	10	0	14	0	4	28
Pakistan	7,440	62	7,114	343	0	14,959
Philippines	15,875	219	13,516	5,664	0	35,274
Qatar	79	0	26	2	14	121
Saudi Arabia	444	1	225	45	123	838

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Singapore	106	0	39	42	10	197
Sri Lanka	378	0	242	17	302	939
Syria	1,265	10	1,157	47	154	2,633
Thailand	1,198	9	274	20	26	1,527
Timor-Leste	2	0	0	0	0	2
United Arab Emirates	243	16	201	86	27	573
Vietnam ²	12,083	49	20,269	563	0	32,970
Yemen	8,447	9	4,116	30	396	12,998
Region Total For Asia²	105,731	15,366	98,970	20,578	8,661	249,312
Europe						
Albania	2,208	13	949	13	1,502	4,685
Andorra	0	0	0	0	0	0
Armenia	1,126	2	279	3	992	2,402
Austria	68	1	7	7	8	91
Azerbaijan	171	3	65	5	195	439
Belarus	306	3	94	35	560	998
Belgium	65	0	10	11	11	97
Bosnia and Herzegovina	189	0	125	4	48	366
Bulgaria	648	7	164	17	608	1,444
Croatia	79	3	22	4	21	129
Cyprus	27	1	5	4	8	45
Czech Republic	83	4	8	6	27	128
Denmark	52	1	13	14	8	88
Faroe Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0
Greenland	0	0	0	0	0	0
Estonia	24	0	13	0	10	47
Finland	81	0	9	4	20	114
France	508	6	136	77	165	892
French Polynesia	5	0	0	0	0	5
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	1	0	2	0	0	3
St. Pierre and Miquelon	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wallis and Futuna	0	0	0	0	0	0
Georgia	450	7	138	10	360	965
Germany	1,035	6	137	86	265	1,529
Great Britain and Northern Ireland	1,987	10	481	369	0	2,847
Anguilla	7	0	3	0	0	10
Bermuda	30	0	8	2	0	40
British Indian Ocean Territory	0	0	0	0	0	0
British Virgin Islands	7	0	3	0	0	10

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Cayman Islands	16	0	6	0	0	22
Falkland Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0
Gibraltar	1	0	2	0	0	3
Montserrat	2	1	4	0	0	7
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	2	0	0	8
Greece	350	2	53	15	50	470
Hungary	121	1	20	20	75	237
Iceland	19	5	1	1	0	26
Ireland	191	1	36	9	29	266
Italy	577	8	124	74	159	942
Kazakhstan	183	3	61	21	236	504
Kosovo	392	0	112	9	164	677
Kyrgyzstan	137	1	38	6	130	312
Latvia	123	0	33	1	31	188
Liechtenstein	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lithuania	100	3	54	6	90	253
Luxembourg	2	0	0	1	0	3
Macedonia	295	1	203	3	206	708
Malta	10	0	0	1	0	11
Moldova	228	3	123	2	1,187	1,543
Monaco	1	0	1	0	0	2
Montenegro	138	0	82	0	6	226
Netherlands	175	2	20	17	30	244
Aruba	2	0	1	0	0	3
Curacao	5	0	4	0	0	9
Sint Maarten	16	0	9	0	0	25
Northern Ireland (DV only)	0	0	0	0	6	6
Norway	61	2	12	3	3	81
Svalbard	0	0	0	0	0	0
Poland	781	23	810	43	305	1,962
Portugal	94	1	57	24	9	185
Macau	10	0	19	10	7	46
Romania	567	29	253	7	325	1,181
Russia	1,720	16	487	144	1,327	3,694
San Marino	0	0	0	0	0	0
Serbia	216	1	93	3	210	523
Slovakia	57	1	19	9	25	111
Slovenia	8	1	4	4	4	21
Spain	297	3	98	32	65	495
Sweden	146	1	22	33	46	248
Switzerland	86	1	6	3	22	118
Tajikistan	38	1	23	12	231	305

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Turkey	616	22	177	103	737	1,655
Turkmenistan	38	0	9	1	71	119
Ukraine	2,360	8	948	53	1,762	5,131
Uzbekistan	399	14	546	12	2,366	3,337
Vatican City	0	0	0	0	0	0
Region Total For Europe	19,742	222	7,243	1,353	14,722	43,282
North America						
Antigua and Barbuda	103	1	80	4	0	188
Bahamas, The	123	0	37	19	5	184
Barbados	79	1	65	3	0	148
Belize	146	0	150	11	0	307
Canada	1,527	2	424	237	0	2,190
Costa Rica	539	1	112	19	10	681
Cuba	4,411	7	4,176	1	536	9,131
Dominica	154	0	189	3	4	350
Dominican Republic	24,869	49	28,335	86	0	53,339
El Salvador	8,320	10	5,935	74	0	14,339
Grenada	130	1	70	5	1	207
Guatemala	4,253	16	2,239	10	9	6,527
Haiti	10,217	61	8,427	105	0	18,810
Honduras	5,271	11	1,966	58	24	7,330
Jamaica	9,629	20	5,324	485	0	15,458
Mexico	63,764	37	25,192	241	0	89,234
Nicaragua	1,420	8	678	5	4	2,115
Panama	210	3	143	4	1	361
Saint Kitts and Nevis	82	0	62	2	0	146
Saint Lucia	217	1	90	9	0	317
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	125	0	71	10	0	206
Trinidad and Tobago	781	2	533	20	20	1,356
Region Total For North America	136,370	231	84,298	1,411	614	222,924
Oceania						
Australia	469	3	37	50	246	805
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	213	3	271	1	129	617
Kiribati	0	0	0	0	3	3
Marshall Islands	11	0	0	0	0	11
Micronesia, Federated States of	3	0	0	0	0	3
Nauru	0	0	0	0	0	0
New Zealand	139	4	16	19	52	230

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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	0	0	0
Papua New Guinea	3	0	1	0	0	4
Samoa	46	0	2	0	0	48
Solomon Islands	1	0	0	0	0	1
Tonga	52	0	44	6	1	103
Tuvalu	0	0	0	0	0	0
Vanuatu	0	0	1	0	1	2
Region Total for Oceania	937	10	372	76	432	1,827
South America						
Argentina	414	7	158	77	22	678
Bolivia	452	2	244	29	23	750
Brazil	2,710	11	426	163	0	3,310
Chile	223	1	67	10	1	302
Colombia	4,686	38	2,933	91	0	7,748
Ecuador	3,777	53	2,767	85	0	6,682
Guyana	1,494	3	3,357	12	3	4,869
Paraguay	82	2	34	0	2	120
Peru	3,284	47	2,593	39	0	5,963
Suriname	19	0	41	0	2	62
Uruguay	79	1	25	7	8	120
Venezuela	1,107	11	558	156	639	2,471
Region Total For South America	18,327	176	13,203	669	700	33,075
Worldwide Grand Totals²	315,352	16,176	215,498	25,056	45,664	617,752

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 2016, 6 such visas were issued; the foreign state breakdown is: Vietnam 6.