

Table III
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Foreign State	Immediate Relatives	Returning Residents and Armed Forces Special Immigrants	Family Preference	Employment Preference	Diversity Immigrants	Total
Africa						
Algeria	87	2	2	7	333	431
Angola	15	0	7	2	4	28
Benin	6	0	0	2	56	64
Botswana	1	0	0	1	2	4
Burkina Faso	7	0	3	2	5	17
Burundi	4	0	0	2	1	7
Cameroon	126	0	32	20	504	682
Cape Verde	261	0	279	1	0	541
Central African Republic	2	0	0	0	2	4
Chad	1	0	0	0	2	3
Comoros	2	0	0	0	0	2
Congo, Republic of the	4	0	0	2	4	10
Congo, Democratic Republic of the	70	0	7	8	285	370
Cote d'Ivoire	131	0	6	7	110	254
Djibouti	1	0	2	0	7	10
Egypt	678	5	445	127	926	2,181
Equatorial Guinea	0	0	0	0	1	1
Eritrea	232	0	33	6	140	411
Ethiopia	1,094	2	105	22	3,746	4,969
Gabon	3	0	5	0	14	22
Gambia	42	1	8	4	1	56
Ghana	1,005	0	294	60	1,586	2,945
Guinea	41	0	1	2	17	61
Guinea-Bissau	2	0	0	0	1	3
Kenya	245	1	119	57	2,173	2,595
Lesotho	6	0	0	1	0	7
Liberia	174	0	68	28	429	699
Libya	40	0	14	3	55	112
Madagascar	11	0	0	4	8	23
Malawi	11	0	5	2	10	28
Mali	19	0	3	3	7	32
Mauritania	1	0	1	0	0	2
Mauritius	5	0	7	3	11	26
Morocco	393	4	70	32	2,033	2,532
Mozambique	8	0	8	0	3	19
Namibia	9	0	0	0	2	11
Niger	18	0	2	1	9	30
Nigeria	1,789	0	568	292	3,335	5,984
Rwanda	7	0	0	2	5	14
Sao Tome and Principe	1	0	1	0	0	2
Senegal	179	0	5	9	44	237
Seychelles	2	0	5	0	0	7
Sierra Leone	254	1	79	12	141	487
Somalia	106	0	12	1	98	217
South Africa	265	3	56	345	282	951
Sudan	228	0	8	28	498	762
Swaziland	9	0	0	2	0	11

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Africa—Continued						
Tanzania	73	0	67	15	164	319
Togo	26	0	5	2	1,425	1,458
Tunisia	45	1	1	16	27	90
Uganda	46	0	43	12	89	190
Zambia	32	0	23	17	50	122
Zimbabwe	40	2	19	24	35	120
Region Total for Africa	7,857	22	2,418	1,186	18,680	30,163
Asia						
Afghanistan	197	2	114	18	8	339
Bahrain	8	1	2	22	6	39
Bangladesh	1,569	5	969	166	716	3,425
Bhutan	2	0	0	1	3	6
Brunei	6	0	0	3	2	11
Burma	120	2	238	4	219	583
Cambodia	944	1	290	18	46	1,299
China—mainland born	16,899	45	10,644	3,092	0	30,680
—Taiwan born	766	27	2,303	385	1,042	4,523
East Timor	1	0	0	0	0	1
Hong Kong Special Administrative Region	218	1	2,233	137	100	2,689
India	8,153	96	14,982	3,441	0	26,672
Indonesia	203	2	100	47	342	694
Iran	1,859	15	1,114	223	345	3,556
Iraq	557	3	395	51	13	1,019
Israel	763	9	123	236	54	1,185
Japan	2,074	6	68	786	552	3,486
Jordan	1,464	6	836	46	45	2,397
Korea, North	77	1	8	3	2	91
Korea, South	3,002	35	1,081	1,222	0	5,340
Kuwait	167	0	123	13	14	317
Laos	95	1	82	6	6	190
Lebanon	675	11	972	199	30	1,887
Malaysia	154	0	142	105	84	485
Maldives	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mongolia	52	0	0	1	33	86
Nepal	136	1	9	106	1,720	1,972
Oman	4	0	6	3	2	15
Pakistan	2,551	15	3,287	568	0	6,421
Philippines	11,527	83	14,050	7,406	0	33,066
Qatar	15	0	3	3	0	21
Saudi Arabia	127	2	68	58	13	268
Singapore	94	0	41	38	35	208
Sri Lanka	116	0	96	74	577	863
Syria	420	4	538	82	21	1,065

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Asia—Continued						
Thailand	487	3	174	69	100	833
United Arab Emirates	33	0	107	87	5	232
Vietnam	4,724	1	9,578	62	0	14,467 ¹
Yemen	957	1	274	1	12	1,245
Region Total for Asia	61,216	379	65,050	18,782	6,147	151,676 ¹
Europe						
Albania	612	0	188	21	1,996	2,817
Andorra	2	0	0	0	0	2
Armenia	208	0	42	32	407	689
Austria	66	0	10	25	38	139
Azerbaijan	107	0	16	8	147	278
Belarus	302	3	27	5	594	931
Belgium	103	1	8	80	23	215
Bosnia-Herzegovina	158	0	6	8	27	199
Bulgaria	559	13	42	57	2,693	3,364
Croatia	92	1	17	22	38	170
Cyprus	27	0	2	5	8	42
Czech Republic	205	3	8	14	103	333
Denmark	108	0	8	36	14	166
Greenland	0	0	0	0	0	0
Estonia	51	0	1	2	33	87
Finland	73	0	2	32	9	116
France	430	5	70	286	190	981
French Guiana	1	0	0	0	0	1
French Polynesia	0	0	0	1	3	4
French Southern and Antarctic Lands	0	0	0	0	0	0
Guadeloupe	5	0	6	0	0	11
Martinique	4	0	5	1	0	10
New Caledonia	1	0	0	0	0	1
Reunion	1	0	0	0	0	1
St. Pierre and Miquelon	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wallis and Futuna	0	0	0	0	0	0
Georgia	241	0	1	15	180	437
Germany	1,205	13	76	364	434	2,092
Great Britain and Northern Ireland	1,656	24	499	1,489	0	3,668
Anguilla	9	0	4	0	0	13
Bermuda	36	0	13	9	0	58
British Virgin Islands	5	0	14	0	0	19
Cayman Islands	4	0	6	4	0	14
Falkland Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0
Gibraltar	1	0	0	2	0	3
Montserrat	6	0	13	1	0	20
Pitcairn	0	0	0	0	0	0

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Europe—Continued						
St. Helena	0	0	0	0	0	0
Turks and Caicos Islands	1	0	1	0	0	2
Northern Ireland (DV only)	0	0	0	0	26	26
Greece	196	7	44	24	39	310
Hungary	232	5	28	44	103	412
Iceland	37	0	1	6	7	51
Ireland	134	1	6	77	143	361
Italy	278	1	63	146	99	587
Kazakhstan	921	0	2	4	228	1,155
Kyrgyzstan	41	0	1	2	128	172
Latvia	73	0	1	5	89	168
Liechtenstein	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lithuania	118	10	19	4	1,945	2,096
Luxembourg	4	1	1	1	1	8
Macedonia, The Former Yugoslav Republic of	234	2	124	11	115	486
Malta	10	0	7	2	5	24
Moldova	94	0	9	11	233	347
Monaco	0	0	0	2	0	2
Netherlands	230	2	12	103	43	390
Aruba	5	0	9	0	0	14
Netherlands Antilles	9	0	9	3	2	23
Norway	98	0	2	27	14	141
Poland	1,192	56	3,229	265	2,593	7,335
Portugal	150	2	132	32	24	340
Macau	13	1	150	4	2	170
Romania	665	7	277	135	1,327	2,411
Russia	6,127	6	72	181	1,283	7,669
San Marino	0	0	0	0	0	0
Serbia and Montenegro ²	530	4	134	27	184	879
Slovakia	115	0	15	19	263	412
Slovenia	11	1	0	1	2	15
Spain	261	3	24	50	30	368
Western Sahara	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sweden	248	2	19	87	56	412
Switzerland	125	2	3	79	80	289
Tajikistan	23	0	7	0	33	63
Turkey	651	10	88	169	1,051	1,969
Turkmenistan	12	0	0	0	36	48
Ukraine	1,456	4	122	55	2,834	4,471
Uzbekistan	86	2	5	14	772	879
Vatican City	0	0	0	0	0	0
Region Total for Europe	20,658	192	5,700	4,109	20,727	51,386

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North America						
Antigua and Barbuda	43	0	126	8	0	177
Bahamas	45	0	19	7	5	76
Barbados	113	1	113	29	2	258
Belize	92	0	58	5	1	156
Canada	757	5	491	2,058	0	3,311
Costa Rica	341	2	64	22	7	436
Cuba	758	1	1,573	16	314	2,662
Dominica	125	1	304	5	6	441
Dominican Republic	7,761	10	15,072	51	0	22,894
El Salvador	1,821	0	2,064	325	0	4,210
Grenada	92	0	171	5	0	268
Guatemala	3,343	0	997	70	2	4,412
Haiti	4,283	9	4,267	41	0	8,600
Honduras	1,225	0	863	116	4	2,208
Jamaica	3,628	9	5,236	190	0	9,063
Mexico	25,592	1	13,639	698	0	39,930
Nicaragua	604	2	316	18	15	955
Panama	207	2	200	39	3	451
Saint Kitts and Nevis	52	0	138	0	0	190
Saint Lucia	121	0	155	10	2	288
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	86	0	96	12	0	194
Trinidad and Tobago	592	8	1,320	173	24	2,117
Region Total for North America	51,681	51	47,282	3,898	385	103,297
Oceania						
Australia	374	3	28	155	190	750
Christmas Island	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cocos Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fiji	254	1	294	8	310	867
Kiribati	0	0	0	0	0	0
Marshall Islands	9	0	0	0	0	9
Micronesia, Federated States of	2	0	0	0	0	2
Nauru	1	0	1	0	0	2
New Zealand	186	0	30	86	109	411
Cook Islands	2	0	0	1	0	3
Niue	0	0	0	0	0	0
Palau	0	0	0	0	2	2
Papua New Guinea	5	0	5	4	1	15
Samoa	61	0	9	0	0	70
Solomon Islands	3	0	0	0	0	3
Tonga	30	0	22	0	8	60
Tuvalu	0	0	0	0	0	0
Vanuatu	0	0	0	0	0	0
Region Total for Oceania	927	4	389	254	620	2,194

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South America						
Argentina	467	2	109	166	123	867
Bolivia	290	0	152	132	49	623
Brazil	1,014	4	149	294	180	1,641
Chile	221	0	102	30	2	355
Colombia	4,504	10	1,784	179	0	6,477
Ecuador	2,169	14	1,712	249	175	4,319
Guyana	1,384	13	4,513	37	21	5,968
Paraguay	62	0	16	4	2	84
Peru	1,724	6	1,720	193	794	4,437
Suriname	26	0	61	9	7	103
Uruguay	73	2	26	18	20	139
Venezuela	487	3	224	172	153	1,039
Region Total for South America	12,421	54	10,568	1,483	1,526	26,052
Grand Totals	154,760	702	131,407	29,712	48,085	364,768 ¹

¹ Includes visas issued under the Vietnam Amerasian category. During FY-2003, 102 such visas were issued; the foreign state breakdown is: Vietnam 102.

² In March 2002, the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia agreed to form a new state, replacing Yugoslavia with a looser state union called Serbia and Montenegro. The new union came into effect on February 4, 2003.