Form I 140 Immigrant Petition for Alien Worker
Approvals by Fiscal Year and Employment-Based Preference
For Top Ten Countries and Rest of the World Each Year
Fiscal Years 2017 to 2021



Fiscal Year and Country	Employment Based Preference Category						
	1st (Priority)	2nd (Professional)	3rd (Professional and Skilled)	3rd (Other)	Total		
Grand Total	106,321	330,093	184,944	23,481	644,839		
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Fiscal Year 2017	23,627	63,576	27,968	2,660	117,831		
INDIA	7,200	40,422	9,354	26	57,002		
CHINA	4,760	6,241	3,896	86	14,983		
SOUTH KOREA	593	1,957	2,143	1,082	5,775		
PHILIPPINES	86	799	2,137	263	3,285		
UNITED KINGDOM	1,323	479	462	10	2,274		
MEXICO	572	596	794	310	2,272		
CANADA	777	769	661	8	2,215		
BRAZIL	871	397	491	46	1,805		
IRAN	276	1,239	206	34	1,755		
FRANCE	586	503	242	7	1,338		
REST OF THE WORLD	6,583	10,174	7,582	788	25,127		
Fiscal Year 2018	27,352	70,707	29,662	3,246	130,967		
INDIA	9,377	42,088	7,835	18	59,318		
CHINA	4,829	8,320	4,198	77	17,424		
SOUTH KOREA	608	2,324	2,107	950	5,989		
PHILIPPINES	138	667	2,704	290	3,799		
MEXICO	621	718	1,110	451	2,900		
CANADA	847	978	783	12	2,620		
UNITED KINGDOM	1,558	520	516	22	2,616		
BRAZIL	1,151	649	636	83	2,519		
IRAN	192	1,753	202	48	2,195		
TAIWAN	161	1,064	389	8	1,622		
REST OF THE WORLD	7,870	11,626	9,182	1,287	29,965		
Fiscal Year 2019	21,531	76,919	39,764	5,815	144,029		
INDIA	7,281	47,285	11,952	55	66,573		
CHINA	3,761	10,414	4,645	175	18,995		
PHILIPPINES	133	596	4,828	521	6,078		
SOUTH KOREA	478	2,023	2,188	913	5,602		
MEXICO	531	783	1,560	1,185	4,059		
BRAZIL	971	783	1,004	170	2,928		
CANADA	719	981	1,083	10	2,793		
UNITED KINGDOM	1,255	529	624	43	2,451		
IRAN	103	1,567	260	31	1,961		
TAIWAN	109	982	464	23	1,578		
REST OF THE WORLD	6,190	10,976	11,156	2,689	31,011		
Fiscal Year 2020	18,535	60,745	31,549	5,305	116,134		
INDIA	6,855	35,133	8,910	27	50,925		
CHINA	2,905	9,769	3,812	80	16,566		
PHILIPPINES	95	373	5,779	476	6,723		
SOUTH KOREA	396	1,656	1,405	525	3,982		

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	Employment Based Preference Category					
Fiscal Year and Country	1st (Priority)	2nd (Professional)	3rd (Professional and Skilled)	3rd (Other)	Total	
MEXICO	504	552	1,006	1,112	3,174	
BRAZIL	941	988	742	252	2,923	
CANADA	628	705	637	13	1,983	
IRAN	62	1,616	153	21	1,852	
UNITED KINGDOM	1,011	406	378	17	1,812	
TAIWAN	76	756	328	12	1,172	
REST OF THE WORLD	5,062	8,791	8,399	2,770	25,022	
Fiscal Year 2021	15,276	58,146	56,001	6,455	135,878	
INDIA	5,492	33,550	31,441	31	70,514	
CHINA	3,426	9,199	7,264	379	20,268	
PHILIPPINES	55	295	5,381	478	6,209	
SOUTH KOREA	268	1,768	1,307	756	4,099	
BRAZIL	660	1,333	727	505	3,225	
MEXICO	284	496	838	1,116	2,734	
IRAN	74	1,365	139	8	1,586	
CANADA	414	558	536	9	1,517	
UNITED KINGDOM	650	347	358	22	1,377	
VIETNAM	36	216	174	787	1,213	
REST OF THE WORLD	3,917	9,019	7,836	2,364	23,136	

Note(s):

- 1) Some petitions approved or denied may have been received in previous reporting periods.
- 2) This report reflects the most up to date data available at the time the database is queried.
- 3) Counts may differ from those reported in previous periods due to system updates and post-adjudicative outcomes.
- 4) The counts of approved petitions represent only primary beneficiaries. Dependents are not included.
- 5) Approvals reflect the initial decision on a case. The case may have been reopened and revoked at a later date.
- 6) This report is based on the fiscal year in which the petition was approved, not the fiscal year in which the petition was submitted to USCIS. A petition approved in a fiscal year may have been filed in an earlier year. Therefore, this report is different from other reports that are based on the fiscal year in which the petition was filed.

Source(s):

Department of Homeland Security, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, Office of Performance and Quality CLAIM3, queried 10/2021, TRK 8250.