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 2016 to 2021 (Q1-Q2)



U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services

			Employment Based		
	Employment	Employment	Preference Category		
	Based Preference	Based Preference	- 3rd	Based Preference	
Fiscal Year and Country	Category - 1st	Category - 2nd	(Professional and Skilled)	Category - 3rd	Total
Grand Total	(Priority)	(Professional)	•	(Other)	
Fiscal Year 2016	123,238 21,727	373,848 73,047	177,599	22,278 1,878	696,963 122,755
INDIA	5,816	44,066	26,103 9,926	1,878	59,826
CHINA	4,343	6,472	2,477	84	
	564	2,877	2,477	1,047	13,376 6,962
KOREA, SOUTH PHILIPPINES				95	-
	68	1,158	2,495	95	3,816
UNITED KINGDOM CANADA	1,418	680	423	3	2,527
	815	1,084	748		2,513
MEXICO	645	838	-	180	2,411
BRAZIL	818	547	308	13	1,686
IRAN	246	1,201	113	26	1,586
	97	1,109	204	19	1,429
REST OF THE WORLD	6,897	13,015	6,324	387	26,623
Fiscal Year 2017	23,639	63,647	28,068	2,680	118,034
INDIA	7,206	40,446	9,358	26	57,036
CHINA	4,762	6,252	3,898	87	14,999
KOREA, SOUTH	593	1,974	2,158	1,090	5,815
PHILIPPINES	86	805	2,189	265	3,345
UNITED KINGDOM	1,324	480	462	10	2,276
MEXICO	572	596	796	310	2,274
CANADA	778	769	662	8	2,217
BRAZIL	871	397	493	46	1,807
IRAN	276	1,239	207	34	1,756
FRANCE	586	503	242	7	1,338
REST OF THE WORLD	6,585	10,186	7,603	797	25,171
Fiscal Year 2018	27,376	70,831	29,760	3,264	131,231
INDIA	9,381	42,166	7,846	18	59,411
CHINA	4,841	8,350	4,201	77	17,469
KOREA, SOUTH	608	2,329	2,109	955	6,001
PHILIPPINES	138	668	2,745	291	3,842
MEXICO	621	719	1,112	455	2,907
CANADA	847	979	787	12	2,625
UNITED KINGDOM	1,558	520	517	22	2,617
BRAZIL	1,151	650	636	84	2,521
IRAN	192	1,754	203	48	2,197
TAIWAN	161	1,065	389	8	1,623
REST OF THE WORLD	7,878	11,631	9,215	1,294	30,018
Fiscal Year 2019	21,553	77,048	39,841	5,856	144,298
INDIA	7,286	47,387	11,964	55	66,692
CHINA	3,765	10,429	4,645	177	19,016
PHILIPPINES	133	598	4,854	522	6,107
KOREA, SOUTH	481	2,026	2,192	919	5,618
MEXICO	531	783	1,560	1,188	4,062

Fiscal Year and Country	Employment Based Preference Category - 1st (Priority)	Employment Based Preference Category - 2nd (Professional)	Employment Based Preference Category - 3rd (Professional and Skilled)	Employment Based Preference Category - 3rd (Other)	Total
Grand Total	123,238	373,848		22,278	696,963
BRAZIL	973	783	1,004	170	2,930
CANADA	720	982	1,084	10	2,796
UNITED KINGDOM	1,257	529	624	44	2,454
IRAN	103	1,567	263	31	1,964
TAIWAN	109	982	464	23	1,578
REST OF THE WORLD	6,195	10,982	11,187	2,717	31,081
Fiscal Year 2020	18,546	60,852	31,614	5,362	116,374
INDIA	6,856	35,217	8,937	27	51,037
CHINA	2,906	9,779	3,816	80	16,581
PHILIPPINES	95	374	5,789	480	6,738
KOREA, SOUTH	397	1,658	1,406	528	3,989
MEXICO	506	553	1,006	1,113	3,178
BRAZIL	942	988	743	252	2,925
CANADA	630	706	638	13	1,987
IRAN	62	1,616	153	21	1,852
UNITED KINGDOM	1,011	407	378	18	1,814
TAIWAN	76	756	329	12	1,173
REST OF THE WORLD	5,065	8,798	8,419	2,818	25,100
Fiscal Year 2021 (Q1-Q2)	10,397	28,423	22,213	3,238	64,271
INDIA	3,888	15,231	8,990	13	28,122
CHINA	2,062	4,583	3,365	219	10,229
PHILIPPINES	40	179	3,431	287	3,937
KOREA, SOUTH	188	1,029	787	393	2,397
BRAZIL	466	748	364	252	1,830
MEXICO	208	246	439	592	1,485
IRAN	41	828	67	4	940
CANADA	308	305	297	2	912
UNITED KINGDOM	460	201	210	9	880
TAIWAN	49	441	138	8	636
REST OF THE WORLD	2,687	4,632	4,125	1,459	12,903

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):

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