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## III. ASYLEES

*This section presents information on persons who come to the United States to seek asylum from persecution abroad, including the number and characteristics of cases filed, individuals granted asylum, and adjustments to lawful permanent resident status.*

**A**n asylee is an alien in the United States who is unable or unwilling to return to his or her country of nationality because of persecution or a well-founded fear of persecution. An asylee must meet the same criteria as a refugee; the only difference is the location of the person upon application—the potential asylee is in the United States or applying for admission at a port of entry, and the potential refugee is outside the United States. The Immigration and Nationality Act, as amended by the Refugee Act of 1980, regulates U.S. asylum policy as well as governing refugee procedures. The Act, for the first time, established a statutory basis for granting asylum in the United States consistent with the 1967 United Nations Protocol on Refugees.

### U.S. Asylum Program

Any alien physically present in the United States or at a port of entry may request asylum in the United States. According to the Refugee Act, current immigration status, whether legal or illegal, is not relevant to an applicant's asylum claim. An alien may apply for asylum in one of two ways: with an INS asylum officer, or, if apprehended, with an immigration judge as part of a deportation or exclusion hearing. Aliens who appear at the ports of entry without proper documents and request asylum are referred for exclusion hearings. The data reported in this section pertain only to asylum cases filed with INS asylum officers. An alien denied asylum by the INS may renew the asylum claim with an immigration judge.

No limits are set by law on the number of individuals who may be granted asylum in the United States. Under immigration law, an approved asylee must reside in the United States for 1 year following his or her approval to be eligible to apply for adjustment to lawful permanent resident status. One year of the asylee's residence prior to adjustment is counted toward the naturalization residency requirement. Although asylee adjustments are exempt from the worldwide annual limitation on immigrants, the law places a ceiling on the number of asylees who may adjust each year. The Immigration Act of 1990 increased the ceiling from 5,000 to 10,000 per year, effective in fiscal year 1991. It also waived the annual ceiling beginning in fiscal year 1991 for those asylees who had met the required

1-year waiting period and filed for adjustment of status on or before June 1, 1990.

The Asylum Officer Corps (AOC) assumed responsibility within INS for the adjudication of asylum claims on April 2, 1991. Before that date asylum claims had been heard by examiners in INS district offices. During fiscal year 1996, asylum officers worked from eight sites: Los Angeles, San Francisco, Chicago, Newark, New York City, Arlington (Virginia), Miami, and Houston. The New York office opened at the beginning of fiscal year 1995, assuming some of the caseload that had previously been handled from Newark. Applicants who do not live near these locations may be interviewed by asylum officers who travel to other INS offices.

In March 1994, the INS published proposed regulations designed to streamline the asylum decision process, discourage the filing of frivolous claims, and integrate the work of asylum officers with the work of the immigration judges in the Executive Office of Immigration Review (EOIR, an independent Justice Department agency) in the case of claims that do not appear to meet the standards for granting asylum. The final asylum reform regulations were published in December 1994, and took effect on January 4, 1995.

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***More than 128,000 asylum applications were filed in the United States during 1996.***

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Under asylum reform the INS standard is to conduct the asylum interview within 60 days after the claim is filed, and to identify and grant those cases that have merit in a timely fashion. If the INS asylum officer does not find the claim to be grantable at the interview, the applicant is referred immediately for deportation proceedings before EOIR (unless a nonimmigrant status is still valid). The immigration judge may grant the claim or may issue a denial and an order of deportation. Under this system INS asylum officers issue relatively few denials, but an

interview followed by a referral to EOIR represents the asylum officer's judgment that the application is not readily grantable. An applicant who fails without good cause to keep a scheduled appointment for an asylum interview is referred immediately to EOIR for deportation; this is considered to be one type of case closure.

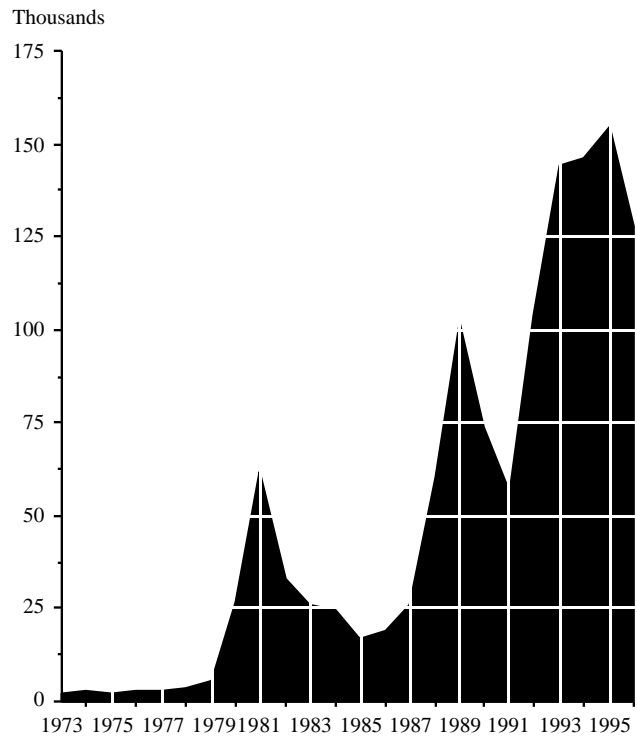
### Data Overview

The annual number of asylum applications filed with the INS has fluctuated greatly since the effective date of the Refugee Act of 1980, as shown in Chart G. In fiscal year 1996, 128,190 asylum cases were filed or reopened. This represents a 17 percent decrease from the 154,464 cases filed in 1995. Central Americans accounted for about two-thirds of the new claims, as well as total applications; the trend in claims from Central America is shown in Table F. Approximately 63,000 new claims were filed by Salvadorans and nearly 9,000 by Guatemalans. Mexico, with 7,820 new claims, ranked third, and India accounted for nearly 4,000. The 1996 figures were swelled by about 57,000 claims filed or reopened under the terms of the ABC settlement (see discussion below). Excluding them, about 71,000 applications were received, a decrease of more than 15 percent from fiscal year 1995. Moreover, applications surged just before the ABC filing deadline, suggesting that many potential applicants preferred to submit their applications under the old rules.

In recent years, the trend in asylum claims filed by persons from Central America has been driven in large part by what are known as ABC cases. In 1991 a settlement was reached in a class action lawsuit, *American Baptist Churches (ABC) v. Thornburgh*. Under its terms, many nationals of El Salvador and Guatemala were allowed to file or renew their claims for asylum. The Guatemalans had a filing deadline of March 31, 1992, which was the peak year for claims from Guatemalans. The 187,000 Salvadorans who had registered for Temporary Protected Status (TPS) in 1991 became eligible to file for asylum at the expiration of their TPS period in 1992. They were later granted additional time under deferred enforced departure periods which extended until December 1994, and they had until January 31, 1996 to apply for asylum under the ABC agreement. The number of ABC claims filed by Salvadorans surged during fiscal year 1996 before the filing deadline. These claims are heard under the pre-reform regulations. Applications filed after the ABC filing deadline were processed as reform filings, except those ABC cases that were closed by the EOIR or federal courts and were never filed with the INS before. Under the settlement, once the latter cases are identified by the INS, they are treated as ABC filings instead of reform filings.

Approximately 21,000 asylum cases were reopened in 1996, which accounted for about 16 percent of the

**Chart G**  
**Asylum Applications Filed with the INS:**  
**Fiscal Years 1973-96**



NOTE: See Glossary for fiscal year definitions. Source: Table 27.

applications received and represents a 290 percent increase over the number of cases reopened in 1995. The number of reopened cases has increased significantly since May 1995. This is due to an automatic function which triggers the reopening of cases that were administratively closed, due to a failure to appear for the asylum interview or an invalid mailing address, when aliens apply for a renewal of their employment authorization. This function also automatically reschedules an interview. Under the new regulation now in effect, those who do not appear for the scheduled interview can be placed in removal proceedings immediately. Some of these reopened cases may qualify for ABC treatment.

During fiscal year 1996, the Asylum Officer Corps completed work on 123,706 claims, a more than 14 percent increase from the 108,042 cases completed in fiscal year 1995. The number of cases granted was 13,532, representing 22 percent of the cases adjudicated. These cases encompassed 18,556 persons given asylum, a record high number. In fiscal year 1995, 12,454 asylum cases were granted, which was 20 percent of the adjudicated cases.

In 1996, 10,037 asylees adjusted to lawful permanent resident status. This number represents a rise of 28 percent

**Table F**  
**Asylum Applications Filed with the INS by Central Americans: Fiscal Years 1990-96**

Area of citizenship	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996
<b>Central America .....</b>	<b>54,379</b>	<b>28,114</b>	<b>53,966</b>	<b>54,898</b>	<b>62,310</b>	<b>104,228</b>	<b>83,410</b>
Nicaragua .....	18,304	2,219	2,075	3,180	4,682	1,908	2,034
El Salvador .....	22,271	10,244	6,781	14,616	18,600	75,860	65,588
Guatemala .....	12,234	14,774	43,915	34,198	34,433	23,202	13,892
Other .....	1,570	877	1,195	2,904	4,595	3,258	1,896

Source: Table 29; applications received and reopened during year.

from the 7,837 asylees who became permanent resident aliens in fiscal year 1995. The limit of 10,000 was exceeded slightly because some of the applicants qualified for waiver of the annual ceiling under the Immigration Act of 1990. The backlog of registered asylees waiting to adjust status was gone by the end of fiscal year 1993, and the ceiling of 10,000 was sufficient to accommodate all who applied during 1995 and 1996. Because more than 10,000 persons have received asylum each year since fiscal year 1994, a potential backlog is building again. The largest groups of asylees who adjusted status in 1996 included 909 Haitians, 874 persons from the former Soviet Union, 814 Chinese, 714 Nicaraguans, 612 persons from the former Yugoslavia, 593 Ethiopians, and 522 Peruvians. No other nationality adjusting status accounted for as many as 500 asylees.

Approximately 130,000 individuals have been granted asylum by the INS under the provisions of the Refugee Act from 1980 through 1996. During the same period, 112,638 asylees have adjusted to permanent resident status. At times the total number of asylees adjusting status might exceed the number granted asylum by the INS because immigration judges and the Board of Immigration Appeals also grant asylum. In addition, persons whose asylum applications are successful can apply for their spouses and children to join them from abroad, and these relatives also adjust status as asylees.

## Understanding the Data

### Data Collection

Prior to April 1, 1991, data on asylum applicants reflect cases filed with INS district directors and, subsequently, cases filed with INS asylum officers on Form I-589 (Request for Asylum in the United States). A centralized, automated data system (Refugee, Asylum, and Parole System—RAPS) has been developed to support the processing of the existing caseload and new asylum applications. The system is designed to support case tracking, schedule and control interviews, and generate

management and statistical reports. The system is capable of reporting asylum casework by nationality and other characteristics of asylum applicants. Data can be reported by case or by the number of persons covered, since a case may include more than one person. Data on asylum applicants have been collected by the INS for selected nationalities since July 1980, and for all nationalities since June 1983.

As with refugees, the Immigration and Naturalization Service collects data on asylees adjusting to lawful permanent resident status in the Immigrant Data Capture System (IMDAC) (see Immigrants section). Adjustment to immigrant status has been the only point at which detailed characteristics of asylees were collected in past years. The RAPS system is now able to provide data on selected characteristics of asylees at an earlier time.

### Limitations of Data

The figures shown here for fiscal year 1996 differ slightly from preliminary statistics that were released by the Asylum Division in November 1996. The data presented here were tabulated from the RAPS system several months after the close of the fiscal year and incorporate late additions and corrections to the data base. Cases that were entered into the RAPS system during fiscal year 1996 showing filing dates in fiscal year 1995 were treated as new cases in these tabulations. Other corrections resulted in a drop from 464,121 to 461,764 in the pending caseload as reported at the close of fiscal year 1995 and at the beginning of fiscal year 1996. Another change between 1995 and 1996 concerns the identification of applicants from the former Soviet Union whose records are being recoded in the system to one of the succeeding republics. Therefore, the pending number of cases from the “Soviet Union” decreased, and the numbers for Armenia, Ukraine, and other republics increased.

It is possible for an asylum case to have more than one action during a year, particularly if the claimant fails to pursue a claim and later reopens it. Therefore, some claims

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may be double-counted as received and reopened, or closed and denied or granted. For this reason, and due to recent growth in the number of reopened claims, the pending caseload at the end of the year can no longer be calculated by taking the pending caseload at the beginning of the year, adding claims filed, and subtracting claims completed.

Tables 29 and 30 contain a column showing the number of applications that were reopened during the year. Most of these are cases that had been closed earlier without a decision. The number of asylum applications filed is defined here as the sum of the new applications received and the applications reopened during the year. The tabulations also contain columns showing the number of cases referred to the immigration judges, with and without an interview. A referral due to failure to keep an appointment for an interview without good cause is considered comparable, for statistical purposes, to a closed case. The approval rate is calculated as the

number of cases approved divided by the number of cases adjudicated, which is defined as the cases approved, denied, and referred to EOIR following an interview.

Data on applicants for asylum collected by the Immigration and Naturalization Service historically have covered only cases filed with the INS. Information has not been available on cases filed by apprehended aliens or cases denied or referred by the INS and renewed with the immigration judges in the Executive Office for Immigration Review. The two agencies are working to integrate their data systems to provide these data in the future. The data collected by the INS at the time asylees adjust to permanent resident status include all aliens who adjust regardless of whether they were granted asylum by the INS, immigration judges, or the BIA. Adjustment data also include spouses and children of persons granted asylum.

**TABLE 22. REFUGEE-STATUS APPLICATIONS: FISCAL YEARS 1980-96**

Year	Applications pending beginning of year	Applications filed during year	Applications approved during year	Applications denied during year	Applications otherwise closed during year	Applications pending end of year
1980 (April-Sept.)..	16,642	95,241	89,580	6,149	1,197	14,957
1981 .....	14,957	178,273	155,291	15,322	3,998	18,619
1982 .....	18,619	76,150	61,527	14,943	6,631	11,668
1983 .....	11,668	92,522	73,645	20,255	2,489	7,801
1984 .....	7,801	99,636	77,932	16,220	604	12,681
1985 .....	12,681	80,734	59,436	18,430	1,842	13,707
1986 .....	13,707	67,310	52,081	9,679	3,362	15,895
1987 .....	15,895	85,823	61,529	13,911	6,126	20,152
1988 .....	20,152	105,024	80,282	11,821	5,632	27,441
1989 .....	27,441	190,597	95,505	33,179	4,005	85,349
1990 .....	39,524	135,251	99,697	29,805	24,904	20,369
1991 .....	20,369	123,492	107,962	12,644	5,700	17,555
1992 .....	18,238	133,786	115,330	14,886	6,780	15,028
1993 .....	15,028	127,676	106,026	20,280	5,107	11,291
1994 .....	15,582	142,068	105,137	20,557	19,485	12,471
1995 .....	12,471	143,223	78,936	32,412	34,251	10,095
1996 .....	10,095	155,868	74,491	26,317	59,589	5,566

NOTE: The Refugee Act of 1980 went into effect April 1, 1980. The pending beginning of fiscal year 1990 does not match the pending end of fiscal year 1989 due to changes in the processing of Soviet refugees residing inside the Soviet Union. The figures beginning fiscal year 1990 exclude the initial questionnaires submitted by refugee applicants residing in the former Soviet Union. Changes in the number of applications pending from 1991 to 1992 and 1993 to 1994 are due to revisions in the data from reporting offices.

**TABLE 23. REFUGEE-STATUS APPLICATIONS BY GEOGRAPHIC AREA AND SELECTED COUNTRY OF CHARGEABILITY  
FISCAL YEAR 1996**

Geographic area and country of chargeability	Applications pending beginning of year	Applications filed during year	Applications approved during year	Applications denied during year	Applications otherwise closed during year	Applications pending end of year
<b>All countries.....</b>	<b>10,095</b>	<b>155,868</b>	<b>74,491</b>	<b>26,317</b>	<b>59,589</b>	<b>5,566</b>
<b>Africa .....</b>	<b>3,271</b>	<b>16,343</b>	<b>9,681</b>	<b>6,667</b>	<b>2,478</b>	<b>788</b>
Angola .....	39	3	3	-	39	-
Burundi .....	6	45	42	1	3	5
Cameroon .....	-	34	33	-	-	1
Chad .....	-	54	50	-	-	4
Djibouti .....	-	24	17	2	5	-
Eritrea .....	-	16	4	-	10	2
Ethiopia .....	338	186	221	8	247	48
Gambia .....	-	25	25	-	-	-
Liberia .....	28	310	200	25	69	44
Nigeria .....	-	108	91	15	1	1
Rwanda .....	60	304	225	78	58	3
Sierra Leone .....	13	191	71	15	114	4
Somalia .....	2,255	14,383	8,175	6,431	1,548	484
Sudan .....	337	498	406	66	260	103
Togo .....	-	62	45	9	6	2
Uganda .....	41	19	10	1	47	2
Zaire .....	122	65	53	15	36	83
Other Africa .....	32	16	10	1	35	2
<b>East Asia .....</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>73,193</b>	<b>11,891</b>	<b>9,596</b>	<b>51,728</b>	<b>23</b>
Laos .....	1	3,385	3,324	61	1	-
Vietnam .....	42	69,802	8,566	9,530	51,725	23
Other East Asia .....	2	6	1	5	2	-
<b>Eastern Europe and Soviet Union .....</b>	<b>4,367</b>	<b>58,271</b>	<b>47,611</b>	<b>7,225</b>	<b>4,264</b>	<b>3,538</b>
Albania .....	18	55	23	8	4	38
Bosnia-Herzegovina .....	3,640	19,242	14,654	1,939	2,834	3,455
Bulgaria .....	25	-	-	-	24	1
Poland .....	313	8	12	-	297	12
Romania .....	307	5	15	-	273	24
Soviet Union <sup>1</sup> .....	38	38,959	32,906	5,278	807	6
Other Eastern Europe .....	26	2	1	-	25	2
<b>Latin America .....</b>	<b>467</b>	<b>1,570</b>	<b>982</b>	<b>581</b>	<b>468</b>	<b>6</b>
Cuba .....	464	1,566	978	581	465	6
Other Latin America .....	3	4	4	-	3	-
<b>Near East .....</b>	<b>1,945</b>	<b>6,411</b>	<b>4,246</b>	<b>2,248</b>	<b>651</b>	<b>1,211</b>
Afghanistan .....	64	7	42	2	20	7
Iran .....	683	2,255	1,528	726	288	396
Iraq .....	1,194	4,145	2,672	1,520	339	808
Other Near East .....	4	4	4	-	4	-
Not reported .....	-	80	80	-	-	-

<sup>1</sup> The Washington Processing Center, which handles the administrative processing of potential applicants residing in the former Soviet Union, received 32,166 pre-application questionnaires in fiscal year 1996. See the Refugee section of the text for further explanation.

- Represents zero.

**TABLE 24. REFUGEE APPROVALS AND ADMISSIONS BY GEOGRAPHIC AREA OF CHARGEABILITY  
FISCAL YEARS 1989-96**

Geographic area of chargeability	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996
<b>Authorized admissions .....</b>	<b>104,500</b>	<b>110,000</b>	<b>116,000</b>	<b>123,500</b>	<b>116,000</b>	<b>117,500</b>	<b>111,000</b>	<b>90,000</b>
Africa .....	2,000	3,500	4,900	6,000	7,000	7,000	7,000	7,000
East Asia .....	38,000	36,800	38,500	33,500	36,000	41,500	39,000	25,000
Eastern Europe & Soviet Union .....	50,000	58,300	53,500	64,000	51,500	55,000	48,000	45,000
Latin America & Caribbean .....	3,500	2,400	3,100	3,000	3,500	4,000	8,000	6,000
Near East .....	7,000	6,000	6,000	6,000	7,000	6,000	5,000	4,000
Unallocated Reserve .....	4,000	4,000	10,000	11,000	11,000	4,000	4,000	3,000
<b>Approvals .....</b>	<b>95,505</b>	<b>99,697</b>	<b>107,962</b>	<b>115,330</b>	<b>106,026</b>	<b>105,137</b>	<b>78,936</b>	<b>74,491</b>
Africa .....	1,825	3,318	4,430	5,667	6,813	5,748	4,895	9,681
East Asia .....	35,196	30,613	33,560	31,751	38,314	40,639	23,023	11,891
Eastern Europe & Soviet Union .....	48,620	58,951	62,582	68,131	52,090	48,963	45,900	47,611
Latin America & Caribbean .....	2,848	1,863	2,263	4,121	3,991	2,513	1,933	982
Near East .....	7,016	4,952	5,127	5,660	4,818	7,229	3,068	4,246
Not reported .....	-	-	-	-	-	45	117	80
<b>Admissions <sup>1</sup> .....</b>	<b>98,563</b>	<b>109,078</b>	<b>96,587</b>	<b>114,498</b>	<b>107,926</b>	<b>109,593</b>	<b>98,520</b>	<b>74,791</b>
Africa .....	1,922	3,493	4,424	5,491	6,969	5,856	4,779	7,502
East Asia .....	37,017	38,370	37,262	34,202	38,302	40,601	35,956	18,343
Eastern Europe & Soviet Union .....	48,501	56,912	45,516	64,184	51,278	50,838	45,703	41,617
Latin America & Caribbean .....	4,117	5,312	4,026	3,777	4,377	6,437	7,618	3,541
Near East .....	7,006	4,991	5,359	6,844	7,000	5,861	4,464	3,788

<sup>1</sup> In past editions of the *Statistical Yearbook*, refugee admissions data were derived from the Nonimmigrant Information System of the Immigration and Naturalization Service. However, admissions data shown in this edition are from the Bureau for Refugee Programs, Department of State. Any comparison of refugee admissions data between this and any previous edition of the *Yearbook* must be made with caution (see Refugees section, Data Overview and Data Collection). Admissions may be higher than approvals because of the arrival of persons approved in previous years.

NOTE: The authorized admission levels for 1989, 1990, 1991, 1992, 1993, 1994, 1995, and 1996 were 116,500, 125,000, 131,000, 142,000, 132,000, 121,000, 112,000, and 90,000, respectively, including 12,000 Amerasians in 1989, 15,000 in both 1990 and 1991, 18,500 in 1992, 16,000 in 1993, 3,500 in 1994, and 1,000 in 1995. Since Amerasians enter the United States on immigrant visas, they are not included as refugee admissions. As a result, the authorized admission levels for 1989 through 1995 for East Asia have been reduced accordingly.

- Represents zero.

**TABLE 25. REFUGEE ADMISSIONS INTO THE UNITED STATES  
BY SELECTED COUNTRY OF CHARGEABILITY  
FISCAL YEARS 1990-96**

Country of chargeability	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996
<b>All countries .....</b>	<b>109,078</b>	<b>96,587</b>	<b>114,498</b>	<b>107,926</b>	<b>109,593</b>	<b>98,520</b>	<b>74,791</b>
Afghanistan .....	1,594	1,480	1,452	1,233	21	4	-
Albania .....	98	1,363	1,108	458	171	51	23
Bosnia-Herzegovina .....	<sup>1</sup>	<sup>1</sup>	<sup>1</sup>	1,887	7,088	9,870	12,030
Bulgaria .....	332	585	126	34	5	3	-
Cambodia .....	2,166	38	141	22	6	1	-
China, People's Republic .....	52	4	1	-	-	-	1
Cuba .....	4,753	3,933	3,720	3,065	2,670	6,133	3,498
Czechoslovakia .....	345	158	18	3	5	-	1
El Salvador .....	22	6	2	1	-	-	-
Eritrea .....	<sup>2</sup>	<sup>2</sup>	<sup>2</sup>	<sup>2</sup>	6	-	14
Ethiopia <sup>2</sup> .....	3,228	3,948	2,972	2,765	328	239	194
Ghana .....	11	-	-	2	5	9	1
Haiti .....	-	-	54	1,307	3,766	1,485	39
Hungary .....	274	7	1	-	1	-	-
Iran .....	3,329	2,692	1,949	1,161	851	978	1,256
Iraq .....	67	842	3,442	4,605	4,984	3,482	2,528
Laos .....	8,771	9,249	7,315	6,967	6,272	3,675	2,201
Liberia .....	3	1	637	961	610	52	46
Nicaragua .....	532	87	1	1	1	-	2
Poland .....	1,491	290	134	54	31	39	11
Romania .....	3,650	4,452	1,499	215	67	24	16
Somalia .....	25	192	1,570	2,753	3,555	2,506	6,436
South Africa .....	34	19	15	8	-	-	1
Soviet Union .....	50,716	38,661	61,298	48,627	43,470	35,716	29,536
Sudan .....	7	24	113	244	1,220	1,705	575
Uganda .....	27	125	93	24	2	10	10
Vietnam .....	27,378	27,957	26,690	31,219	34,248	32,244	16,130
Yugoslavia .....	<sup>6</sup> <sup>1</sup>	-	<sup>1</sup>	<sup>1</sup>	<sup>1</sup>	<sup>1</sup>	<sup>1</sup>
Zaire .....	79	73	76	199	92	85	38
Other .....	88	401	71	111	118	209	204

<sup>1</sup> Data for Bosnia-Herzegovina are not available separately from Yugoslavia prior to fiscal year 1993; Yugoslavia excludes Bosnia-Herzegovina in 1990; Yugoslavia was officially dissolved as an independent republic in 1992 (see Notice page).

<sup>2</sup> Data for Eritrea are not available separately from Ethiopia prior to fiscal year 1994; beginning in 1994, data for Ethiopia exclude Eritrea (see Notice page).

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**TABLE 26. REFUGEES GRANTED LAWFUL PERMANENT RESIDENT STATUS IN FISCAL YEAR 1996  
BY CALENDAR YEAR OF ENTRY AND REGION AND SELECTED COUNTRY OF BIRTH**

Region and country of birth	Total	1995	1994	1993	1992	1991	1990	1989	Before 1989	Unknown or not reported
<b>All countries .....</b>	<b>118,528</b>	<b>25,367</b>	<b>69,395</b>	<b>17,912</b>	<b>3,314</b>	<b>955</b>	<b>490</b>	<b>262</b>	<b>827</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>Europe .....</b>	<b>50,009</b>	<b>8,143</b>	<b>30,229</b>	<b>10,168</b>	<b>855</b>	<b>273</b>	<b>135</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>128</b>	<b>4</b>
Albania .....	134	15	63	20	20	15	1	-	-	-
Latvia .....	335	50	217	62	3	-	-	-	3	-
Lithuania .....	130	24	89	12	-	4	-	-	1	-
Poland .....	157	12	66	23	5	8	8	12	23	-
Romania .....	182	8	54	31	21	26	24	4	14	-
Soviet Union, former .....	41,482	5,246	25,383	9,661	776	211	95	51	55	4
Armenia .....	151	22	90	27	1	1	-	-	10	-
Azerbaijan .....	1,410	126	875	368	22	9	5	4	1	-
Belarus .....	3,452	503	2,171	694	52	20	3	4	5	-
Georgia .....	527	64	363	91	6	-	2	-	1	-
Kazakhstan .....	612	69	350	176	4	11	1	1	-	-
Kyrgyzstan .....	176	13	112	46	2	-	-	3	-	-
Moldova .....	1,407	145	860	350	34	12	3	2	-	1
Russia .....	9,348	1,487	5,933	1,721	129	35	21	7	14	1
Tajikistan .....	528	11	298	211	5	1	2	-	-	-
Turkmenistan .....	70	4	47	17	-	1	-	1	-	-
Ukraine .....	16,401	2,216	10,429	3,254	343	82	34	24	17	2
Uzbekistan .....	4,123	258	2,028	1,739	76	10	9	-	3	-
Unknown republic .....	3,277	328	1,827	967	102	29	15	5	4	-
Yugoslavia, former .....	7,208	2,712	4,153	326	9	-	1	-	7	-
Bosnia-Herzegovina .....	6,120	2,400	3,468	241	6	-	1	-	4	-
Croatia .....	202	67	131	4	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other .....	27	10	12	3	1	-	-	-	1	-
Unknown .....	859	235	542	78	2	-	-	-	2	-
Other Europe .....	381	76	204	33	21	9	6	7	25	-
<b>Asia .....</b>	<b>38,975</b>	<b>11,468</b>	<b>22,985</b>	<b>2,724</b>	<b>675</b>	<b>305</b>	<b>228</b>	<b>136</b>	<b>453</b>	<b>1</b>
Cambodia .....	204	19	48	13	3	-	10	23	88	-
Iran .....	812	203	451	51	33	34	13	7	20	-
Iraq .....	3,642	1,110	2,322	178	20	5	-	-	7	-
Laos .....	2,083	243	773	533	215	81	75	39	124	-
Saudi Arabia .....	269	90	175	4	-	-	-	-	-	-
Thailand .....	1,940	223	834	481	177	94	50	24	57	-
Vietnam .....	29,692	9,522	18,227	1,414	192	83	75	40	138	1
Other Asia .....	333	58	155	50	35	8	5	3	19	-
<b>Africa .....</b>	<b>3,796</b>	<b>1,197</b>	<b>1,868</b>	<b>551</b>	<b>148</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>-</b>
Ethiopia .....	428	107	152	107	39	12	3	2	6	-
Kenya .....	159	56	81	15	7	-	-	-	-	-
Liberia .....	477	27	340	80	30	-	-	-	-	-
Somalia .....	1,565	499	707	290	68	1	-	-	-	-
Sudan .....	922	419	473	28	1	1	-	-	-	-
Zaire .....	107	27	55	22	1	-	-	-	2	-
Other Africa .....	138	62	60	9	2	-	-	-	5	-
<b>Oceania .....</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>North America .....</b>	<b>25,432</b>	<b>4,460</b>	<b>14,193</b>	<b>4,400</b>	<b>1,621</b>	<b>358</b>	<b>118</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>231</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Caribbean .....</b>	<b>25,274</b>	<b>4,401</b>	<b>14,148</b>	<b>4,360</b>	<b>1,612</b>	<b>356</b>	<b>117</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>229</b>	<b>1</b>
Cuba .....	22,134	4,269	11,319	4,184	1,610	356	117	50	229	-
Haiti .....	3,119	127	2,821	168	2	-	-	-	-	1
Other Caribbean .....	21	5	8	8	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Central America .....</b>	<b>123</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>-</b>
Other North America .....	35	11	13	10	1	-	-	-	-	-
<b>South America .....</b>	<b>315</b>	<b>99</b>	<b>119</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>-</b>
Venezuela .....	146	36	56	40	6	4	4	-	-	-
Other South America .....	169	63	63	29	9	1	2	-	2	-

- Represents zero.

**TABLE 27. ASYLUM CASES FILED WITH INS DISTRICT DIRECTORS AND ASYLUM OFFICERS  
FISCAL YEARS 1973-96**

Year	Cases received <sup>1</sup>	Cases completed <sup>2</sup>	Cases approved	Cases denied	Cases adjudicated <sup>3</sup>	Percent approved <sup>4</sup>
<b>1973-96 .....</b>	<b>1,225,716</b>	<b>808,926</b>	<b>100,611</b>	<b>234,252</b>	<b>416,442</b>	<b>24.2</b>
1973.....	1,913	1,510	380	1,130	1,510	25.2
1974 .....	2,716	2,769	294	2,475	2,769	10.6
1975 .....	2,432	1,664	562	1,102	1,664	33.8
<b>1976-80.....</b>	<b>42,173</b>	<b>10,847</b>	<b>4,990</b>	<b>5,857</b>	<b>10,847</b>	<b>46.0</b>
1976 .....	2,733	1,914	590	1,324	1,914	30.8
1976, TQ .....	896	370	97	273	370	26.2
1977 .....	2,529	1,939	754	1,185	1,939	38.9
1978 .....	3,702	2,312	1,218	1,094	2,312	52.7
1979 .....	5,801	2,312	1,227	1,085	2,312	53.1
1980 .....	26,512	2,000	1,104	896	2,000	55.2
<b>1981-85 .....</b>	<b>161,872</b>	<b>124,142</b>	<b>25,162</b>	<b>73,928</b>	<b>99,090</b>	<b>25.4</b>
1981 .....	61,568	4,521	1,175	3,346	4,521	26.0
1982 .....	33,296	11,326	3,909	7,255	11,164	35.0
1983 .....	26,091	25,447	7,215	16,811	24,026	30.0
1984 .....	24,295	54,320	8,278	32,344	40,622	20.4
1985 .....	16,622	28,528	4,585	14,172	18,757	24.4
<b>1986-90 .....</b>	<b>281,048</b>	<b>310,071</b>	<b>24,067</b>	<b>75,621</b>	<b>99,688</b>	<b>24.1</b>
1986 .....	18,889	45,792	3,359	7,882	11,241	29.9
1987 .....	26,107	44,785	4,062	3,454	7,516	54.0
1988 .....	60,736	68,357	5,531	8,582	14,113	39.2
1989 .....	101,679	102,795	6,942	31,547	38,489	18.0
1990 .....	73,637	48,342	4,173	24,156	28,329	14.7
<b>1991-95 .....</b>	<b>605,372</b>	<b>234,217</b>	<b>31,624</b>	<b>71,635</b>	<b>138,891</b>	<b>22.8</b>
1991 .....	56,310	16,552	2,108	4,167	6,275	33.6
1992 .....	103,964	21,996	3,919	6,506	10,425	37.6
1993 .....	144,166	34,228	5,012	17,979	22,991	21.8
1994 .....	146,468	53,399	8,131	28,892	37,023	22.0
1995 .....	154,464	108,042	12,454	14,091	62,177	20.0
1996 .....	128,190	123,706	13,532	2,504	61,983	21.8

<sup>1</sup> Beginning in 1992, includes cases newly filed and cases reopened. <sup>2</sup> Includes approvals, denials, and cases otherwise closed. Beginning in 1995, also includes cases referred to an immigration judge (interviewed and not interviewed). Cases otherwise closed are those in which the applicant withdrew the case from consideration, never acknowledged the request for an interview with the INS, or died. <sup>3</sup> Includes approvals and denials. Beginning in 1995, includes cases referred to an immigration judge following an interview. <sup>4</sup> Cases approved divided by cases adjudicated.

NOTE: The Refugee Act of 1980 went into effect April 1, 1980. Data for fiscal years 1982 and 1983 have been estimated due to changes in the reporting procedures during those two periods. Since April 1, 1991, authority to decide most asylum claims has resided with the INS Asylum Officer Corps. See Glossary for fiscal year definitions.

**TABLE 28. NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS GRANTED ASYLUM BY INS DISTRICT DIRECTORS  
AND ASYLUM OFFICERS BY SELECTED NATIONALITY  
FISCAL YEARS 1990-96**

Nationality	1990	1991	1992 <sup>1</sup>	1993	1994	1995	1996
<b>All nationalities .....</b>	<b>5,672</b>	<b>2,908</b>	<b>3,959</b>	<b>7,464</b>	<b>11,764</b>	<b>17,493</b>	<b>18,556</b>
Afghanistan .....	24	46	90	70	159	335	216
Albania .....	6	-	23	30	47	147	433
Bangladesh .....	1	1	2	33	87	349	247
Bulgaria .....	26	22	44	75	40	59	45
Burma .....	10	7	22	42	87	215	151
Burundi .....	-	-	-	-	19	98	91
Cameroon .....	-	4	19	26	74	160	95
China, People's Republic .....	679	348	277	336	414	535	433
Colombia .....	19	4	16	36	69	104	92
Cuba .....	229	124	214	319	494	524	634
Czechoslovakia, former .....	19	2	-	2	2	6	1
Czech Republic .....	X	X	-	-	-	-	-
Slovak Republic .....	X	X	-	-	-	4	-
Unknown republic .....	19	2	-	2	2	2	1
Egypt .....	4	1	11	28	54	196	136
El Salvador .....	260	185	110	74	187	237	195
Estonia .....	-	-	7	2	2	2	-
Eritrea .....	-	-	-	-	5	12	34
Ethiopia .....	382	405	347	352	667	1,096	818
Fiji .....	1	4	18	70	29	51	35
Guatemala .....	65	49	94	172	373	1,065	889
Haiti .....	3	1	120	636	1,060	749	1,491
Honduras .....	5	5	19	32	92	194	140
Hungary .....	20	5	1	2	13	27	13
India .....	-	13	78	357	584	1,108	1,709
Iran .....	256	232	231	347	638	785	607
Iraq .....	21	26	70	101	214	204	918
Jordan .....	3	6	31	35	38	55	20
Laos .....	38	36	56	79	85	33	17
Latvia .....	3	-	5	5	15	7	18
Lebanon .....	86	67	81	65	91	91	76
Liberia .....	10	53	209	247	305	615	694
Libya .....	23	6	14	22	20	20	6
Lithuania .....	4	1	1	5	5	6	-
Mauritania .....	2	2	1	10	17	275	407
Mexico .....	-	-	-	-	9	83	43
Nicaragua .....	2,277	703	341	291	520	484	418
Pakistan .....	11	11	83	176	219	512	442
Panama .....	251	3	3	6	1	2	7
Peru .....	27	20	113	241	470	688	464
Philippines .....	4	1	16	58	76	54	37
Poland .....	39	6	2	58	3	10	13
Romania .....	204	50	156	258	184	181	80
Rwanda .....	-	-	-	13	43	148	69
Sierra Leone .....	-	-	2	22	48	71	59
Somalia .....	204	117	122	121	150	286	529
Soviet Union, former <sup>2</sup> .....	264	142	442	923	1,175	1,556	1,440
Armenia .....	X	X	2	28	75	409	334
Azerbaijan .....	X	X	1	4	25	78	127
Belarus .....	X	X	-	1	2	14	10
Georgia .....	X	X	-	5	36	81	70
Kazakhstan .....	X	X	-	3	1	17	15
Kyrgyzstan .....	X	X	-	-	-	6	5

See footnotes at end of table.

**TABLE 28. NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS GRANTED ASYLUM BY INS DISTRICT DIRECTORS  
AND ASYLUM OFFICERS BY SELECTED NATIONALITY  
FISCAL YEARS 1990-96—Continued**

Nationality	1990	1991	1992 <sup>1</sup>	1993	1994	1995	1996
Moldova .....	X	X	-	3	8	15	12
Russia .....	X	X	51	233	565	578	477
Tajikistan .....	X	X	-	1	7	10	11
Turkmenistan .....	X	X	-	-	1	-	3
Ukraine .....	X	X	7	54	191	218	215
Uzbekistan .....	X	X	-	3	22	62	43
Unknown republic .....	264	142	381	588	242	68	118
Sri Lanka .....	10	4	44	16	62	69	32
Sudan .....	8	31	73	133	248	397	343
Syria .....	63	9	16	638	1,032	680	304
Yugoslavia, former.....	14	3	72	521	906	1,414	2,470
Bosnia-Herzegovina .....	X	X	X	15	164	289	192
Croatia .....	X	X	X	9	52	59	62
Macedonia .....	X	X	X	-	-	11	10
Montenegro .....	X	X	X	-	-	-	-
Slovenia .....	X	X	X	1	6	-	1
Unknown .....	14	3	72	496	684	1,055	2,205
Zaire .....	5	7	22	45	93	214	137
Other .....	92	146	241	334	539	1,284	1,008

<sup>1</sup> The 3,959 individuals known to have been granted asylum were in the 2,740 cases in the data system. An additional 1,179 cases were granted asylum, but the number of individuals covered and their nationalities are unknown. <sup>2</sup> Beginning in 1992, some claims filed by persons from the former Soviet Union were recorded under the new Soviet republics.

- Represents zero. X Not applicable.

**TABLE 29. ASYLUM CASES FILED WITH INS ASYLUM OFFICERS BY SELECTED NATIONALITY  
FISCAL YEAR 1996**

Nationality	Cases pending beginning of year <sup>1</sup>	Cases filed during year	Cases reopened during year	Cases granted during year	Percent approved <sup>2</sup>	Individuals granted asylum during year
<b>All nationalities</b> .....	<b>461,764</b>	<b>107,130</b>	<b>21,060</b>	<b>13,532</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>18,556</b>
Afghanistan .....	626	137	30	114	53	216
Albania .....	602	305	60	276	56	433
Bangladesh .....	7,506	436	597	162	10	247
Bosnia-Herzegovina ...	193	115	10	142	69	192
Brazil .....	1,722	64	35	7	9	15
Bulgaria .....	1,365	87	74	34	14	45
Burma .....	382	138	52	125	54	151
Cameroon .....	356	107	26	80	50	95
China, People's Rep. ...	25,773	1,976	1,539	340	5	433
Colombia .....	2,755	250	146	49	17	92
Cote d'Ivoire .....	963	99	58	24	8	29
Croatia .....	456	49	13	39	36	62
Cuba .....	5,599	654	112	508	66	634
Ecuador .....	3,089	326	250	-	-	-
Egypt .....	1,083	81	73	77	27	136
El Salvador .....	137,286	63,174	2,414	157	3	195
Ethiopia .....	2,227	948	145	700	56	818
Fiji .....	860	59	13	14	23	35
Gambia .....	999	244	94	56	14	75
Ghana .....	2,964	94	142	20	4	28
Guatemala .....	126,001	8,857	5,035	739	9	889
Guyana .....	1,169	24	76	1	1	1
Haiti .....	19,554	3,792	633	1,216	30	1,491
Honduras .....	5,520	972	864	111	8	140
India .....	8,895	3,942	742	1,572	40	1,709
Iran .....	1,686	468	153	416	59	607
Iraq .....	388	422	21	376	78	918
Israel .....	683	22	41	7	11	15
Jamaica .....	1,277	9	47	-	-	-
Jordan .....	819	46	72	13	8	20
Laos .....	1,513	36	26	17	14	17
Lebanon .....	1,480	87	81	54	22	76
Liberia .....	4,295	606	151	527	49	694
Mali .....	1,056	34	42	7	3	9
Mauritania .....	433	1,203	59	403	33	407
Mexico .....	5,376	7,820	1,909	31	1	43
Nicaragua .....	23,081	1,444	590	250	16	418
Nigeria .....	3,489	266	173	92	13	118
Pakistan .....	7,854	651	761	280	20	442
Peru .....	4,445	341	445	251	25	464
Philippines .....	5,970	722	932	22	3	37
Poland .....	2,789	50	79	7	3	13
Romania .....	3,919	138	106	58	12	80
Senegal .....	904	68	74	10	5	10
Somalia .....	383	1,140	21	487	64	529
Soviet Union, former <sup>3</sup>	12,081	1,555	805	956	31	1,440
Armenia .....	883	351	296	218	32	334
Russia .....	4,423	512	258	299	28	477
Ukraine .....	1,854	330	133	159	22	215
Other republics .....	668	352	73	207	42	286
Unknown republic ...	4,253	10	45	73	99	128
Sudan .....	467	298	35	271	70	343
Syria .....	686	61	72	138	61	304
Trinidad & Tobago .....	1,154	14	91	-	-	-
Turkey .....	775	31	36	14	18	15
Yemen .....	699	80	42	39	27	43
Yugoslavia <sup>4</sup> .....	4,326	737	160	1,444	65	2,205
Zaire .....	234	163	21	99	60	137
Stateless .....	1,164	98	43	84	40	120
Other .....	10,393	1,590	739	616	24	871

See footnotes at end of table.

**TABLE 29. ASYLUM CASES FILED WITH INS ASYLUM OFFICERS BY SELECTED NATIONALITY  
FISCAL YEAR 1996—Continued**

Nationality	Cases denied during year	Individuals denied asylum during year	Cases otherwise closed during year	Cases to immigration judge, not interviewed	Cases to immigration judge, interviewed	Cases pending end of year
<b>All nationalities</b> .....	<b>2,504</b>	<b>3,438</b>	<b>50,698</b>	<b>11,025</b>	<b>45,947</b>	<b>453,580</b>
Afghanistan .....	10	18	60	1	90	495
Albania .....	18	26	93	11	201	321
Bangladesh .....	46	62	1,626	73	1,480	4,723
Bosnia-Herzegovina ...	9	15	22	1	55	82
Brazil .....	6	10	320	17	64	1,380
Bulgaria .....	40	59	244	7	169	997
Burma .....	15	15	59	5	93	240
Cameroon .....	9	13	70	2	70	237
China, People's Rep. ...	230	304	6,367	203	5,859	15,133
Colombia .....	22	46	541	94	222	2,129
Cote d'Ivoire .....	9	9	344	16	259	436
Croatia .....	9	9	82	4	61	312
Cuba .....	10	15	670	50	253	4,791
Ecuador .....	12	13	1,512	110	252	1,655
Egypt .....	21	40	287	7	188	604
El Salvador .....	55	79	3,298	1,681	4,998	191,309
Ethiopia .....	83	116	205	11	474	1,759
Fiji .....	8	13	25	12	38	832
Gambia .....	22	23	442	21	335	405
Ghana .....	20	20	951	19	490	1,601
Guatemala .....	54	70	7,421	2,525	7,881	118,470
Guyana .....	7	11	373	12	69	759
Haiti .....	396	462	1,412	304	2,435	17,808
Honduras .....	27	27	1,702	332	1,282	3,452
India .....	69	84	1,839	506	2,309	6,826
Iran .....	49	72	310	16	242	1,174
Iraq .....	7	11	70	4	98	257
Israel .....	7	11	164	3	49	486
Jamaica .....	4	6	440	7	69	784
Jordan .....	12	15	209	2	144	503
Laos .....	10	26	121	3	93	1,314
Lebanon .....	14	23	314	9	181	1,016
Liberia .....	83	113	302	20	476	3,560
Mali .....	8	8	252	9	222	604
Mauritania .....	5	5	49	121	803	256
Mexico .....	27	48	2,158	3,617	3,826	4,599
Nicaragua .....	175	250	2,123	86	1,151	21,049
Nigeria .....	30	38	869	46	566	2,210
Pakistan .....	83	126	1,822	96	1,064	5,455
Peru .....	36	55	822	75	718	3,078
Philippines .....	38	56	2,564	364	834	3,053
Poland .....	63	72	670	23	13	1,976
Romania .....	59	88	649	16	374	2,937
Senegal .....	6	6	377	22	174	408
Somalia .....	12	16	28	19	268	717
Soviet Union, former <sup>3</sup>	269	419	1,845	120	1,819	8,877
Armenia .....	74	108	316	30	396	293
Russia .....	98	155	795	39	670	3,111
Ukraine .....	49	83	343	30	512	1,140
Other republics .....	48	67	87	21	240	436
Unknown republic ...	-	6	304	-	1	3,897
Sudan .....	20	29	74	4	97	312
Syria .....	9	16	158	6	81	378
Trinidad & Tobago .....	3	3	373	13	59	767
Turkey .....	2	2	237	9	61	497
Yemen .....	9	9	159	5	99	481
Yugoslavia <sup>4</sup> .....	60	75	507	21	713	2,370
Zaire .....	9	14	41	7	57	195
Stateless .....	12	16	195	6	114	859
Other .....	176	251	2,831	252	1,731	6,652

<sup>1</sup> The total number of cases pending at the beginning of fiscal year 1996 is lower than the 464,121 reported at the end of fiscal year 1995 because of corrections to the data base. <sup>2</sup> The number of cases granted divided by the sum of: cases granted; denied; and referred to an immigration judge following an interview. See Asylum section of text. <sup>3</sup> Some pending cases filed by persons from the former Soviet Union were recoded under the new Soviet republics. <sup>4</sup> Data for Yugoslavia exclude Bosnia-Herzegovina and Croatia (see Notice page). - Represents zero.

**TABLE 30. ASYLUM CASES FILED WITH INS ASYLUM OFFICERS BY  
ASYLUM OFFICE AND STATE OF RESIDENCE  
FISCAL YEAR 1996**

Asylum office and state of residence	Cases pending beginning of year <sup>1</sup>	Cases filed during year	Cases reopened during year	Cases granted during year	Percent approved <sup>2</sup>	Individuals granted asylum during year
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>461,764</b>	<b>107,130</b>	<b>21,060</b>	<b>13,532</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>18,556</b>
Asylum office:						
Arlington .....	35,733	15,937	1,953	1,301	32	1,586
Chicago .....	14,005	2,966	554	665	26	1,005
Houston .....	10,757	13,191	698	406	20	527
Los Angeles .....	156,434	37,463	9,319	2,327	14	3,162
Miami .....	65,836	8,286	1,740	1,974	30	2,661
Newark .....	79,320	8,496	3,030	1,663	12	2,418
New York .....	69,019	10,944	3,148	2,587	23	3,680
San Francisco .....	30,660	9,847	618	2,609	45	3,517
State:						
Alabama .....	796	166	62	11	12	17
Alaska .....	325	51	10	4	21	5
Arizona .....	1,555	635	105	53	16	82
Arkansas .....	916	350	78	7	4	9
California .....	175,836	44,490	9,468	4,293	21	5,461
Colorado .....	1,185	497	70	65	26	86
Connecticut .....	2,522	275	93	76	15	121
Delaware .....	1,760	114	114	10	4	15
District of Columbia ...	4,357	2,897	151	190	42	237
Florida .....	64,883	8,220	1,692	1,977	30	2,676
Georgia .....	5,913	2,006	493	149	17	217
Hawaii .....	240	29	12	3	20	3
Idaho .....	166	50	7	4	40	28
Illinois .....	2,531	870	132	214	27	358
Indiana .....	450	122	28	21	16	37
Iowa .....	901	150	40	17	19	41
Kansas .....	950	261	54	10	14	12
Kentucky .....	471	69	28	19	37	33
Louisiana .....	215	116	21	17	21	28
Maine .....	139	21	7	4	33	4
Maryland .....	9,413	4,481	406	405	35	493
Massachusetts .....	12,054	1,471	161	68	24	102
Michigan .....	3,481	288	111	148	23	231
Minnesota .....	1,456	410	48	136	41	185
Mississippi .....	87	19	7	3	16	4
Missouri .....	477	92	25	41	51	73
Montana .....	12	3	2	-	-	-
Nebraska .....	2,140	379	83	17	9	17
Nevada .....	2,908	782	145	62	12	76
New Hampshire .....	130	23	2	7	64	17
New Jersey .....	19,973	3,618	857	451	13	650
New Mexico .....	90	63	9	4	13	5
New York .....	104,999	13,274	4,772	3,390	18	4,861
North Carolina .....	2,839	725	280	74	23	98
North Dakota .....	6	13	-	8	73	25
Ohio .....	1,402	285	34	89	42	130
Oklahoma .....	271	68	33	13	19	17
Oregon .....	2,850	324	43	110	47	153
Pennsylvania .....	3,595	379	107	208	25	308
Rhode Island .....	2,954	297	32	15	23	26
South Carolina .....	327	62	36	3	9	7
South Dakota .....	108	14	9	7	54	8
Tennessee .....	798	326	83	72	34	112
Texas .....	7,245	11,701	359	291	24	430
Utah .....	506	168	42	42	38	94
Vermont .....	68	8	6	9	69	9
Virginia .....	12,992	5,672	575	531	40	677
Washington .....	1,977	577	86	130	52	187
West Virginia .....	27	6	-	2	40	2
Wisconsin .....	207	94	22	44	44	79
Wyoming .....	17	3	-	-	-	-
Guam .....	55	50	1	3	60	5
Puerto Rico .....	99	22	4	5	31	5
Virgin Islands .....	89	43	15	-	-	-

See footnotes at end of table.

**TABLE 30. ASYLUM CASES FILED WITH INS ASYLUM OFFICERS BY  
ASYLUM OFFICE AND STATE OF RESIDENCE  
FISCAL YEAR 1996—Continued**

Asylum office and state of residence	Cases denied during year	Individuals denied asylum during year	Cases otherwise closed during year	Cases to immigration judge, not interviewed	Cases to immigration judge, interviewed	Cases pending end of year
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>2,504</b>	<b>3,438</b>	<b>50,698</b>	<b>11,025</b>	<b>45,947</b>	<b>453,580</b>
Asylum office:						
Arlington .....	200	300	2,602	650	2,601	45,330
Chicago .....	318	436	1,844	164	1,578	12,633
Houston .....	55	91	806	370	1,552	21,138
Los Angeles .....	492	701	12,954	5,611	13,320	162,982
Miami .....	370	475	4,631	1,737	4,268	61,891
Newark .....	675	847	16,908	489	11,087	58,053
New York .....	263	372	10,233	1,253	8,523	58,008
San Francisco .....	131	216	720	751	3,018	33,545
State:						
Alabama .....	1	2	34	16	81	860
Alaska .....	4	8	14	-	11	351
Arizona .....	5	10	74	84	267	1,747
Arkansas .....	3	5	100	29	151	1,020
California .....	570	829	13,191	6,131	15,370	184,614
Colorado .....	7	12	108	27	180	1,325
Connecticut .....	18	24	484	14	418	1,826
Delaware .....	4	8	342	14	214	1,339
District of Columbia ...	24	25	274	83	234	6,502
Florida .....	374	481	4,456	1,712	4,243	61,053
Georgia .....	20	29	405	236	701	6,721
Hawaii .....	1	1	13	1	11	245
Idaho .....	1	1	9	1	5	196
Illinois .....	169	217	367	21	422	2,277
Indiana .....	12	22	78	10	95	373
Iowa .....	4	6	35	19	69	922
Kansas .....	6	6	36	37	56	1,087
Kentucky .....	3	6	30	4	29	464
Louisiana .....	7	8	37	4	57	218
Maine .....	-	-	16	1	8	132
Maryland .....	71	115	646	92	688	12,151
Massachusetts .....	20	25	334	18	193	12,959
Michigan .....	50	68	929	26	458	2,194
Minnesota .....	26	43	123	13	173	1,411
Mississippi .....	1	1	16	2	15	71
Missouri .....	5	7	31	4	34	465
Montana .....	1	1	2	-	1	12
Nebraska .....	3	3	73	31	167	2,260
Nevada .....	19	28	174	51	421	3,033
New Hampshire .....	-	-	1	1	4	142
New Jersey .....	154	199	4,814	247	2,776	15,467
New Mexico .....	2	6	4	7	26	113
New York .....	698	895	20,480	1,427	15,191	78,519
North Carolina .....	14	33	485	121	238	2,805
North Dakota .....	1	3	2	-	2	6
Ohio .....	16	25	173	17	109	1,296
Oklahoma .....	7	12	26	7	48	253
Oregon .....	9	17	65	26	115	2,868
Pennsylvania .....	40	63	557	24	571	2,613
Rhode Island .....	7	12	38	1	44	3,161
South Carolina .....	2	3	24	9	28	349
South Dakota .....	1	1	8	1	5	105
Tennessee .....	6	9	106	37	133	809
Texas .....	23	40	395	262	915	17,273
Utah .....	4	6	35	14	65	540
Vermont .....	-	-	9	-	4	54
Virginia .....	63	83	888	117	719	16,619
Washington .....	17	23	70	19	104	2,256
West Virginia .....	-	-	3	-	3	25
Wisconsin .....	10	16	36	1	46	177
Wyoming .....	-	-	-	-	4	16
Guam .....	-	-	-	-	2	100
Puerto Rico .....	1	1	33	1	10	72
Virgin Islands .....	-	-	15	5	13	112

<sup>1</sup> The total number of applications pending at the beginning of fiscal year 1996 is lower than the 464,121 reported at the end of fiscal year 1995 because of corrections to the data base. <sup>2</sup> The number of cases granted divided by the sum of: cases granted; denied; and referred to an immigration judge following an interview. See Asylum section of text. - Represents zero.



**TABLE 31. REFUGEES AND ASYLEES GRANTED LAWFUL PERMANENT  
RESIDENT STATUS BY ENACTMENT  
FISCAL YEARS 1946-96**

Enactment	Total	1946-50	1951-60	1961-70	1971-80	1981-90	1991-96
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>3,219,750</b>	<b>213,347</b>	<b>492,371</b>	<b>212,843</b>	<b>539,447</b>	<b>1,013,620</b>	<b>748,122</b>
Presidential Directive of 12/22/45 .....	40,324	40,324	X	X	X	X	-
Displaced Persons Act of 6/25/48 .....	409,696	173,023	236,669	4	X	X	-
Orphan Act of 7/29/53 .....	466	X	466	X	X	X	-
Refugee Relief Act of 8/7/53 .....	189,025	X	188,993	28	2	2	-
Refugee-Escapee Act of 9/11/57 .....	29,462	X	24,263	5,199	X	X	-
Hungarian Refugee Act of 7/25/58 .....	30,752	X	30,491	258	2	1	-
Azores & Netherlands Refugee Act of 7/25/58 .....	22,213	X	10,057	12,156	X	X	-
Refugee Relatives Act of 9/22/59 .....	1,820	X	1,432	388	X	X	-
Fair Share Refugee Act of 7/14/60 .....	19,800	X	X	19,714	82	3	1
Refugee Conditional Entrants Act of 10/3/65	142,103	X	X	39,149	102,625	329	-
Cuban Refugee Act of 11/2/66 .....	549,817	X	X	135,947	252,119	105,898	55,853
Indochinese Refugee Act of 10/28/77 .....	175,162	X	X	X	137,309	37,752	101
Refugee Parolee Act of 10/5/78 .....	139,284	X	X	X	46,058	92,971	255
<b>Refugee Act of 1980, 3/17/80 .....</b>	<b>1,469,826</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>1,250</b>	<b>776,664</b>	<b>691,912</b>
Refugees .....	1,357,188	X	X	X	X	734,259	622,929
Asylees .....	112,638	X	X	X	1,250	42,405	68,983

NOTE: See Glossary for fiscal year definitions. Data for fiscal years 1987-88 have been adjusted. The data no longer include Cuban/Haitian entrants granted immigrant status.

- Represents zero. X Not applicable.

**TABLE 32. REFUGEES AND ASYLEES GRANTED LAWFUL PERMANENT RESIDENT STATUS  
BY REGION AND SELECTED COUNTRY OF BIRTH  
FISCAL YEARS 1946-96**

Region and country of birth	Total <sup>1</sup>	1946-50	1951-60	1961-70	1971-80 <sup>2</sup>	1981-90 <sup>2</sup>	1994	1995	1996
<b>All countries .....</b>	<b>3,219,750</b>	<b>213,347</b>	<b>492,371</b>	<b>212,843</b>	<b>539,447</b>	<b>1,013,620</b>	<b>121,434</b>	<b>114,664</b>	<b>128,565</b>
<b>Europe .....</b>	<b>1,263,549</b>	<b>211,983</b>	<b>456,146</b>	<b>55,235</b>	<b>71,858</b>	<b>155,512</b>	<b>54,978</b>	<b>46,998</b>	<b>51,977</b>
Albania .....	7,151	29	1,409	1,952	395	353	733	314	154
Austria .....	17,460	4,801	11,487	233	185	424	25	15	15
Bulgaria .....	7,030	139	1,138	1,799	1,238	1,197	138	105	100
Czechoslovakia .....	37,928	8,449	10,719	5,709	3,646	8,204	41	38	25
Estonia .....	11,935	7,143	4,103	16	2	25	176	83	98
Germany .....	101,777	36,633	62,860	665	143	851	84	61	90
Greece .....	31,506	124	28,568	586	478	1,408	65	50	33
Hungary .....	76,401	6,086	55,740	4,044	4,358	4,942	37	28	40
Italy .....	63,615	642	60,657	1,198	346	394	11	7	17
Latvia .....	40,474	21,422	16,783	49	16	48	568	387	359
Lithuania .....	28,356	18,694	8,569	72	23	37	214	151	136
Netherlands .....	17,638	129	14,336	3,134	8	14	3	-	-
Poland .....	210,030	78,529	81,323	3,197	5,882	33,889	334	245	183
Portugal .....	5,077	12	3,650	1,361	21	21	2	3	1
Romania .....	75,144	4,180	12,057	7,158	6,812	29,798	1,199	592	447
Soviet Union, former ..	412,804	14,072	30,059	871	31,309	72,306	50,756	40,120	42,356
Russia .....	37,245	X	X	X	X	X	10,359	8,176	9,745
Ukraine .....	67,916	X	X	X	X	X	19,366	14,937	16,636
Uzbekistan .....	13,088	X	X	X	X	X	3,211	3,258	4,144
Other republics .....	40,675	X	X	X	X	X	12,101	8,689	8,528
Unknown republic ....	253,880	14,072	30,059	871	31,309	72,306	5,719	5,060	3,303
Spain .....	10,731	1	246	4,114	5,317	736	55	33	46
Yugoslavia .....	97,762	9,816	44,755	18,299	11,297	324	506	4,744	7,820
Other Europe .....	10,730	1,082	7,687	778	382	541	31	22	57
<b>Asia .....</b>	<b>1,263,323</b>	<b>1,106</b>	<b>33,422</b>	<b>19,895</b>	<b>210,683</b>	<b>712,092</b>	<b>45,768</b>	<b>43,314</b>	<b>42,076</b>
Afghanistan .....	32,554	-	1	-	542	22,946	1,665	616	369
Cambodia .....	127,891	-	-	-	7,739	114,064	557	268	210
China <sup>3</sup> .....	44,422	319	12,008	5,308	13,760	7,928	774	805	847
Hong Kong .....	9,123	-	1,076	2,128	3,468	1,916	82	48	47
Indonesia .....	17,692	-	8,253	7,658	222	1,385	41	62	30
Iran .....	67,631	118	192	58	364	46,773	2,186	1,245	1,212
Iraq .....	29,104	-	130	119	6,851	7,540	4,400	3,848	3,802
Japan .....	4,544	3	3,803	554	56	110	4	2	-
Korea .....	4,631	-	3,116	1,316	65	120	3	5	4
Laos .....	198,355	-	-	-	21,690	142,964	4,482	3,364	2,155
Syria .....	4,950	4	119	383	1,336	2,145	34	258	208
Thailand .....	50,851	-	15	13	1,241	30,259	3,076	2,932	1,940
Turkey .....	7,068	603	1,427	1,489	1,193	1,896	156	58	42
Vietnam .....	644,288	-	2	7	150,266	324,453	27,318	28,595	29,700
Other Asia .....	20,219	59	3,280	862	1,890	7,593	990	1,208	1,510
<b>Africa .....</b>	<b>66,638</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>1,768</b>	<b>5,486</b>	<b>2,991</b>	<b>22,149</b>	<b>6,078</b>	<b>7,527</b>	<b>5,464</b>
Egypt .....	8,894	8	1,354	5,396	1,473	426	37	29	66
Ethiopia .....	36,233	-	61	2	1,307	18,542	2,730	2,006	1,053
Other Africa .....	21,511	12	353	88	211	3,181	3,311	5,492	4,345
<b>Oceania .....</b>	<b>348</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>56</b>
<b>North America .....</b>	<b>619,279</b>	<b>163</b>	<b>831</b>	<b>132,068</b>	<b>252,633</b>	<b>121,840</b>	<b>14,204</b>	<b>16,265</b>	<b>28,070</b>
Cuba .....	572,817	3	6	131,557	251,514	113,367	11,998	12,355	22,542
El Salvador .....	5,052	-	-	1	45	1,383	275	283	262
Nicaragua .....	26,883	1	1	3	36	5,590	966	727	766
Other North America ..	14,527	159	824	507	1,038	1,500	965	2,900	4,500
<b>South America .....</b>	<b>6,484</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>123</b>	<b>1,244</b>	<b>1,986</b>	<b>383</b>	<b>497</b>	<b>922</b>
Chile .....	1,066	-	5	4	415	532	8	10	21
Colombia .....	1,038	NA	NA	NA	217	350	70	102	116
Peru .....	1,668	NA	NA	NA	132	251	153	241	568
Venezuela .....	1,301	NA	NA	NA	83	407	91	95	150
Other South America	1,411	32	69	119	397	446	61	49	67
Unknown or not reported	129	36	55	15	1	19	-	-	-

<sup>1</sup> Includes data for fiscal years 1991-93, not shown separately. <sup>2</sup> Data for fiscal years 1971-90 have been adjusted. <sup>3</sup> Includes People's Republic of China and Taiwan. NOTE: See Glossary for fiscal year definitions. The data no longer include Cuban/Haitian entrants granted immigrant status.

- Represents zero. NA Not available. X Not applicable.

**TABLE 33. REFUGEES AND ASYLEES GRANTED LAWFUL PERMANENT RESIDENT STATUS BY AGE AND SEX  
FISCAL YEARS 1989-96**

Age and sex	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996
<b>Total</b> .....	<b>84,288</b>	<b>97,364</b>	<b>139,079</b>	<b>117,037</b>	<b>127,343</b>	<b>121,434</b>	<b>114,664</b>	<b>128,565</b>
Under 5 years .....	4,712	5,315	6,721	5,760	5,563	5,181	4,509	4,303
5-9 years .....	8,933	9,662	13,578	11,304	11,496	10,198	9,163	9,525
10-14 years .....	8,425	8,839	12,494	9,250	9,971	9,451	9,287	10,737
15-19 years .....	9,426	10,237	13,270	12,224	11,654	9,596	8,076	8,153
20-24 years .....	9,279	10,067	12,859	13,280	13,869	13,115	13,199	14,210
25-29 years .....	9,333	10,831	14,522	11,895	12,094	11,148	11,491	14,009
30-34 years .....	8,675	10,250	15,044	10,738	10,703	9,978	9,433	11,897
35-39 years .....	7,381	8,764	13,275	9,170	9,151	8,420	7,860	9,226
40-44 years .....	5,155	6,527	10,790	8,078	9,068	8,031	7,546	8,620
45-49 years .....	3,397	4,032	5,871	6,130	7,949	7,827	7,707	9,078
50-54 years .....	2,719	3,360	5,148	5,207	6,294	5,969	5,574	6,467
55-59 years .....	1,955	2,611	3,689	4,008	5,491	6,064	5,862	6,663
60-64 years .....	1,705	2,309	3,780	3,481	4,747	5,053	4,594	4,846
65-69 years .....	1,485	2,090	3,782	3,002	4,281	4,945	4,267	4,587
70-74 years .....	755	1,144	2,023	1,655	2,443	3,143	2,905	3,062
75-79 years .....	529	734	1,266	991	1,305	1,649	1,502	1,494
80 years and over .....	395	569	938	819	1,223	1,641	1,676	1,674
Unknown age .....	29	23	29	45	41	25	13	14
<b>Male</b> .....	<b>45,348</b>	<b>51,843</b>	<b>72,189</b>	<b>60,583</b>	<b>64,885</b>	<b>61,790</b>	<b>59,023</b>	<b>67,386</b>
Under 5 years .....	2,424	2,794	3,549	3,062	2,836	2,660	2,279	2,198
5-9 years .....	4,700	5,057	6,972	5,766	5,910	5,259	4,776	4,950
10-14 years .....	4,496	4,718	6,595	4,913	5,122	4,841	4,835	5,619
15-19 years .....	5,432	5,835	7,417	6,724	6,170	5,067	4,282	4,342
20-24 years .....	5,168	5,748	6,841	7,131	7,337	6,987	7,190	7,590
25-29 years .....	5,108	5,884	7,690	6,381	6,518	6,290	6,457	8,196
30-34 years .....	4,575	5,281	7,870	5,487	5,481	5,415	5,274	6,832
35-39 years .....	3,981	4,629	6,971	4,640	4,544	4,176	3,901	4,867
40-44 years .....	2,820	3,507	5,714	4,079	4,280	3,748	3,582	4,135
45-49 years .....	1,957	2,213	3,249	3,293	4,248	4,019	3,816	4,538
50-54 years .....	1,462	1,787	2,711	2,726	3,383	3,168	3,034	3,575
55-59 years .....	1,035	1,382	1,814	2,037	2,699	2,860	2,839	3,325
60-64 years .....	795	1,043	1,594	1,630	2,344	2,421	2,289	2,375
65-69 years .....	658	929	1,545	1,295	1,924	2,306	2,112	2,313
70-74 years .....	344	492	828	702	1,072	1,321	1,209	1,305
75-79 years .....	211	304	478	395	535	644	575	626
80 years and over .....	164	232	338	297	457	592	569	591
Unknown age .....	18	8	13	25	25	16	4	9
<b>Female</b> .....	<b>38,922</b>	<b>45,475</b>	<b>66,825</b>	<b>56,415</b>	<b>62,448</b>	<b>59,633</b>	<b>55,638</b>	<b>61,178</b>
Under 5 years .....	2,284	2,514	3,169	2,698	2,727	2,519	2,230	2,105
5-9 years .....	4,232	4,599	6,597	5,534	5,584	4,937	4,387	4,574
10-14 years .....	3,928	4,118	5,891	4,336	4,847	4,608	4,452	5,118
15-19 years .....	3,991	4,398	5,843	5,496	5,483	4,527	3,794	3,811
20-24 years .....	4,109	4,313	6,011	6,145	6,531	6,128	6,009	6,620
25-29 years .....	4,225	4,945	6,827	5,506	5,576	4,857	5,034	5,813
30-34 years .....	4,099	4,962	7,170	5,244	5,222	4,563	4,159	5,065
35-39 years .....	3,398	4,132	6,303	4,528	4,606	4,243	3,958	4,359
40-44 years .....	2,334	3,019	5,066	3,998	4,787	4,282	3,964	4,485
45-49 years .....	1,440	1,816	2,619	2,834	3,699	3,808	3,891	4,540
50-54 years .....	1,257	1,571	2,437	2,479	2,911	2,801	2,540	2,892
55-59 years .....	919	1,228	1,874	1,970	2,792	3,204	3,023	3,338
60-64 years .....	910	1,265	2,186	1,849	2,403	2,632	2,304	2,471
65-69 years .....	827	1,161	2,235	1,707	2,357	2,639	2,155	2,274
70-74 years .....	411	652	1,193	953	1,371	1,822	1,696	1,757
75-79 years .....	316	430	788	596	770	1,005	926	868
80 years and over .....	231	337	600	522	766	1,049	1,107	1,083
Unknown age .....	11	15	16	20	16	9	9	5
Unknown sex .....	18	46	65	39	10	11	3	1
<b>Percent distribution</b> .....	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>
Male .....	53.8	53.2	51.9	51.8	51.0	50.9	51.5	52.4
Female .....	46.2	46.7	48.0	48.2	49.0	49.1	48.5	47.6
Unknown .....	-	Z	Z	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Median age</b> .....	<b>25.7</b>	<b>27.1</b>	<b>28.7</b>	<b>27.8</b>	<b>29.6</b>	<b>31.0</b>	<b>30.8</b>	<b>31.3</b>
Male .....	25.4	26.5	28.1	27.1	28.8	29.8	29.7	30.5
Female .....	26.1	27.8		28.6	30.5	32.4	32.3	32.5

- Represents zero. Z Rounds to less than 0.05 percent.

**TABLE 34. REFUGEES AND ASYLEES GRANTED LAWFUL PERMANENT RESIDENT STATUS  
BY REGION AND SELECTED COUNTRY OF BIRTH  
FISCAL YEARS 1987-96**

Region and country of birth	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996
<b>All countries .....</b>	<b>91,840</b>	<b>81,719</b>	<b>84,288</b>	<b>97,364</b>	<b>139,079</b>	<b>117,037</b>	<b>127,343</b>	<b>121,434</b>	<b>114,664</b>	<b>128,565</b>
<b>Europe .....</b>	<b>9,684</b>	<b>11,418</b>	<b>18,348</b>	<b>33,111</b>	<b>62,946</b>	<b>42,721</b>	<b>53,195</b>	<b>54,978</b>	<b>46,998</b>	<b>51,977</b>
Albania .....	44	66	55	64	75	539	1,198	733	314	154
Austria .....	40	39	26	84	131	90	54	25	15	15
Belgium .....	4	4	3	1	1	1	2	2	-	3
Bulgaria .....	117	129	126	178	311	562	303	138	105	100
Czechoslovakia, former .....	1,075	1,164	640	883	659	319	119	41	38	25
Czech Republic .....	X	X	X	X	X	X	-	-	-	-
Slovak Republic .....	X	X	X	X	X	X	-	-	2	4
Unknown republic .....	1,075	1,164	640	883	659	319	119	41	36	21
Denmark .....	-	-	-	1	3	-	1	-	2	9
Estonia .....	2	1	-	5	9	155	125	176	83	98
Finland .....	-	-	1	3	2	2	3	-	2	-
France .....	14	19	36	34	34	13	15	10	7	24
Germany .....	X	X	X	X	214	94	82	84	61	90
Germany, East .....	-	28	8	4	X	X	X	X	X	X
Germany, West .....	76	94	100	150	X	X	X	X	X	X
Greece .....	27	54	185	315	127	28	39	65	50	33
Hungary .....	589	738	588	868	817	229	80	37	28	40
Ireland .....	-	2	-	-	1	2	-	-	-	2
Italy .....	37	26	44	86	206	105	32	11	7	17
Latvia .....	1	9	8	6	34	315	493	568	387	359
Liechtenstein .....	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
Lithuania .....	1	8	5	11	75	157	228	214	151	136
Netherlands .....	1	2	-	4	5	2	7	3	-	-
Norway .....	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	1	2
Poland .....	3,357	4,242	3,842	3,903	4,205	1,512	731	334	245	183
Portugal .....	-	1	-	2	2	-	4	2	3	1
Romania .....	2,959	3,028	3,338	3,186	4,276	4,971	3,654	1,199	592	447
Soviet Union, former .....	1,242	1,642	9,264	23,186	51,551	33,504	45,900	50,756	40,120	42,356
Armenia .....	X	X	X	X	X	479	329	342	214	182
Azerbaijan .....	X	X	X	X	X	1,551	2,790	2,668	1,594	1,446
Belarus .....	X	X	X	X	X	3,008	4,480	5,156	3,421	3,480
Georgia .....	X	X	X	X	X	255	213	392	383	591
Kazakhstan .....	X	X	X	X	X	460	544	595	600	624
Kyrgyzstan .....	X	X	X	X	X	123	114	210	155	177
Moldova .....	X	X	X	X	X	1,588	2,546	2,154	1,597	1,415
Russia .....	X	X	X	X	X	7,122	8,965	10,359	8,176	9,745
Tajikistan .....	X	X	X	X	X	167	301	534	654	535
Turkmenistan .....	X	X	X	X	X	30	40	50	71	78
Ukraine .....	X	X	X	X	X	13,347	16,977	19,366	14,937	16,636
Uzbekistan .....	X	X	X	X	X	1,550	2,475	3,211	3,258	4,144
Unknown republic .....	1,242	1,642	9,264	23,186	51,551	3,824	6,126	5,719	5,060	3,303
Spain .....	48	75	37	84	96	50	37	55	33	46
Sweden .....	-	-	1	1	-	2	1	-	-	3
Switzerland .....	6	5	1	5	10	4	3	2	1	3
United Kingdom .....	10	16	17	23	34	7	7	17	9	11
Yugoslavia, former .....	34	26	23	23	66	58	77	506	4744	7820
Bosnia-Herzegovina .....	X	X	X	X	X	X	-	337	3,818	6,246
Croatia .....	X	X	X	X	X	X	2	11	117	236
Macedonia .....	X	X	X	X	X	X	-	4	20	20
Slovenia .....	X	X	X	X	X	X	-	-	11	17
Unknown .....	34	26	23	23	66	58	75	154	778	1,301
<b>Asia .....</b>	<b>52,600</b>	<b>56,006</b>	<b>56,751</b>	<b>51,867</b>	<b>49,762</b>	<b>53,422</b>	<b>51,783</b>	<b>45,768</b>	<b>43,314</b>	<b>42,076</b>
Afghanistan .....	2,141	2,597	2,606	2,144	2,100	2,082	2,233	1,665	616	369
Bahrain .....	-	1	-	-	2	2	-	-	-	-
Bangladesh .....	3	3	-	-	15	10	7	19	36	50
Burma .....	-	1	3	2	16	19	78	114	136	101
Cambodia .....	12,206	9,255	5,648	4,719	2,550	1,695	808	557	268	210
China, People's Republic .....	540	588	500	330	620	884	1,153	774	803	845
Cyprus .....	-	7	11	8	4	-	-	3	2	-

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FISCAL YEARS 1987-96—Continued**

Region and country of birth	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996
Hong Kong .....	102	147	66	30	75	193	90	82	48	47
India .....	22	35	27	14	47	34	103	133	323	485
Indonesia .....	138	81	77	28	12	13	16	41	62	30
Iran .....	5,559	6,895	8,167	8,649	8,515	3,093	3,875	2,186	1,245	1,212
Iraq .....	310	268	191	141	193	365	1,856	4,400	3,848	3,802
Israel .....	5	10	8	16	10	10	20	29	34	32
Japan .....	7	2	4	1	4	5	3	4	2	-
Jordan .....	5	4	9	17	15	15	42	48	64	58
Korea .....	2	7	4	2	1	-	1	3	5	4
Kuwait .....	-	4	4	4	11	13	114	94	63	74
Laos .....	6,560	10,348	12,033	9,824	9,127	8,026	6,547	4,482	3,364	2,155
Lebanon .....	24	29	116	118	318	140	204	88	48	77
Malaysia .....	67	68	72	59	93	88	37	49	44	15
Maldives .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-
Mongolia .....	-	-	-	-	2	3	4	4	2	3
Nepal .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	5	7
Pakistan .....	65	101	142	157	166	129	185	181	197	194
Philippines .....	386	429	361	290	249	221	122	103	80	80
Qatar .....	1	1	1	-	-	6	2	5	3	1
Saudi Arabia .....	6	4	13	15	33	19	24	75	126	280
Singapore .....	5	2	4	3	2	2	-	1	1	1
Sri Lanka .....	4	1	2	6	59	22	62	33	30	42
Syria .....	34	67	273	393	252	96	115	34	258	208
Taiwan .....	18	11	2	3	5	10	1	-	2	2
Thailand .....	3,751	3,587	4,347	4,077	3,603	4,048	3,724	3,076	2,932	1,940
Turkey .....	13	33	175	276	109	16	79	156	58	42
United Arab Emirates .....	1	2	2	1	6	2	15	7	9	4
Vietnam .....	20,617	21,407	21,883	20,537	21,543	32,155	30,249	27,318	28,595	29,700
Yemen .....	5	11	-	3	5	5	9	4	4	6
Other Asia .....	3	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-
<b>Africa .....</b>	<b>1,719</b>	<b>2,121</b>	<b>2,269</b>	<b>2,212</b>	<b>4,731</b>	<b>4,480</b>	<b>5,944</b>	<b>6,078</b>	<b>7,527</b>	<b>5,464</b>
Algeria .....	-	-	-	3	-	-	2	3	3	16
Angola .....	25	22	19	14	22	25	13	7	4	11
Benin .....	-	-	-	-	9	1	-	-	-	1
Burundi .....	-	1	3	-	4	5	4	6	4	17
Cameroon .....	1	-	-	-	3	-	12	14	33	68
Cape Verde .....	-	-	-	1	5	-	-	-	-	-
Central African Republic .....	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-
Chad .....	-	-	-	-	1	1	3	2	3	4
Congo .....	-	-	-	-	6	1	-	-	2	-
Cote d'Ivoire .....	-	-	-	-	2	-	3	15	19	24
Djibouti .....	1	1	-	4	1	2	3	6	-	-
Egypt .....	6	25	49	69	52	18	35	37	29	66
Eritrea .....	X	X	X	X	X	X	43	200	204	68
Ethiopia .....	1,425	1,723	1,784	1,682	3,582	3,268	3,682	2,530	1,802	985
Gabon .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Gambia .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	2
Ghana .....	1	13	21	59	64	16	35	37	54	56
Guinea .....	-	4	-	-	-	1	2	7	7	21
Kenya .....	4	18	17	31	32	42	42	98	165	171
Lesotho .....	4	3	3	5	-	9	-	-	-	-
Liberia .....	7	6	7	26	42	25	239	851	855	700
Libya .....	37	54	71	84	175	143	172	27	28	24
Malawi .....	11	5	-	3	9	3	-	4	2	-
Mali .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
Mauritania .....	-	-	-	-	-	1	7	4	10	10
Mauritius .....	-	-	-	-	-	2	1	3	1	5
Morocco .....	2	1	1	1	4	1	3	3	1	5
Mozambique .....	5	8	7	8	3	9	16	3	-	-
Namibia .....	3	13	8	5	6	6	17	5	-	-
Nigeria .....	1	-	2	1	20	9	14	21	26	40
Rwanda .....	-	1	-	1	-	1	4	8	13	84

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Region and country of birth	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996
Senegal .....	-	-	-	-	2	2	2	-	1	7
Seychelles .....	5	3	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	-
Sierra Leone .....	1	10	-	-	4	3	2	4	25	44
Somalia .....	15	20	33	38	282	330	885	1,572	3,095	1,700
South Africa .....	21	38	80	35	77	33	37	6	23	9
Sudan .....	83	80	97	60	184	369	443	402	935	1,089
Swaziland .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Tanzania .....	1	1	1	1	3	3	1	-	1	3
Togo .....	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	5	8	17
Tunisia .....	-	1	-	1	2	1	2	-	1	1
Uganda .....	18	31	29	54	54	64	87	79	36	24
Zaire .....	23	23	20	14	57	72	109	113	130	175
Zambia .....	6	3	9	-	17	4	10	3	7	6
Zimbabwe .....	8	-	3	6	3	4	6	2	-	9
Other Africa .....	5	13	5	6	-	5	3	1	-	-
<b>Oceania .....</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	-	<b>1</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>56</b>
Australia .....	1	-	1	-	1	-	2	1	-	2
Fiji .....	-	-	-	-	-	8	31	22	61	54
New Zealand.....	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Oceania .....	2	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	2	-
<b>North America .....</b>	<b>27,677</b>	<b>11,912</b>	<b>6,740</b>	<b>9,910</b>	<b>21,317</b>	<b>15,962</b>	<b>15,926</b>	<b>14,204</b>	<b>16,265</b>	<b>28,070</b>
Canada .....	3	12	6	5	14	5	8	10	5	3
Mexico .....	39	28	46	60	74	29	29	15	37	47
<b>Caribbean .....</b>	<b>26,850</b>	<b>10,907</b>	<b>5,272</b>	<b>7,700</b>	<b>8,005</b>	<b>9,969</b>	<b>11,700</b>	<b>12,672</b>	<b>14,888</b>	<b>26,597</b>
Bahamas, The .....	9	1	-	1	3	2	4	-	1	2
Cuba .....	26,817	10,846	5,245	7,668	7,953	9,919	11,603	11,998	12,355	22,542
Dominica .....	1	5	3	4	1	-	4	-	-	1
Dominican Republic .....	10	16	10	20	14	27	18	8	22	19
Grenada .....	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1
Haiti .....	11	39	11	-	31	16	68	664	2,502	4,028
Jamaica .....	2	-	2	5	2	1	3	1	4	3
St. Vincent & the Grenadines	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
Trinidad & Tobago .....	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	2	1
Other Caribbean .....	-	-	-	1	1	4	-	-	2	-
<b>Central America .....</b>	<b>785</b>	<b>964</b>	<b>1,416</b>	<b>2,143</b>	<b>13,221</b>	<b>5,959</b>	<b>4,188</b>	<b>1,507</b>	<b>1,335</b>	<b>1,422</b>
Belize .....	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	1	2	2
Costa Rica .....	8	24	22	37	64	31	29	20	8	18
El Salvador .....	172	170	198	245	1,249	743	811	275	283	262
Guatemala .....	13	37	33	58	296	169	210	131	158	234
Honduras .....	36	71	58	66	133	105	165	81	119	119
Nicaragua.....	555	645	1,075	1,694	11,233	4,668	2,892	966	727	766
Panama .....	1	17	22	43	246	243	81	33	38	21
Other North America .....	-	1	-	2	3	-	1	-	-	1
<b>South America .....</b>	<b>155</b>	<b>260</b>	<b>175</b>	<b>264</b>	<b>320</b>	<b>442</b>	<b>461</b>	<b>383</b>	<b>497</b>	<b>922</b>
Argentina .....	6	19	8	21	8	15	4	9	11	13
Bolivia .....	9	5	2	10	6	3	6	10	9	17
Brazil .....	2	8	7	6	10	7	11	9	10	18
Chile .....	21	25	19	20	38	16	17	8	10	21
Colombia .....	46	66	38	63	46	74	63	70	102	116
Ecuador .....	14	15	9	17	14	6	25	25	11	15
Guyana .....	5	-	-	-	1	-	4	3	3	-
Paraguay .....	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	1
Peru .....	25	59	29	35	73	74	176	153	241	568
Suriname .....	-	-	-	1	2	27	16	2	4	3
Uruguay .....	1	5	1	3	2	-	4	2	1	-
Venezuela .....	25	58	62	87	120	220	135	91	95	150
Unknown or not reported .....	2	1	4	-	2	1	-	-	-	-

NOTE: Data for fiscal years 1987-88 have been adjusted. The data no longer include Cuban/Haitian entrants granted immigrant status.

- Represents zero. X Not applicable.

**TABLE 35. REFUGEES AND ASYLEES GRANTED LAWFUL PERMANENT RESIDENT STATUS BY SELECTED COUNTRY OF BIRTH AND SELECTED METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA OF RESIDENCE  
FISCAL YEAR 1996**

Metropolitan statistical area <sup>1</sup>	All countries	Azerbaijan	Bosnia-Herzegovina	Belarus	Cuba	Haiti	Iran	Iraq	Laos
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>128,565</b>	<b>1,446</b>	<b>6,246</b>	<b>3,480</b>	<b>22,542</b>	<b>4,028</b>	<b>1,212</b>	<b>3,802</b>	<b>2,155</b>
New York, NY .....	21,945	652	173	1,578	141	251	90	8	1
Miami, FL .....	19,259	-	-	16	17,409	541	6	-	-
Chicago, IL .....	4,832	49	856	326	67	65	24	350	16
Los Angeles-Long Beach, CA .....	4,439	74	190	118	106	2	508	40	11
Orange County, CA .....	3,983	7	37	18	18	-	40	8	9
Minneapolis-St. Paul, MN-WI .....	3,452	12	58	99	13	32	7	12	744
Washington, DC-MD-VA .....	3,310	4	123	5	18	76	77	97	6
Houston, TX .....	3,116	10	143	11	23	45	5	15	5
Seattle-Bellevue-Everett, WA .....	3,094	77	92	29	3	53	11	167	45
Boston-Lawrence-Lowell-Brockton, MA .....	2,599	26	158	81	31	166	9	42	5
Atlanta, GA .....	2,504	9	198	18	27	39	17	25	4
Detroit, MI .....	2,221	30	224	22	4	3	4	1,277	31
Portland-Vancouver, OR-WA .....	2,123	20	69	57	26	47	10	14	14
San Diego, CA .....	2,093	9	74	15	44	27	15	357	24
Philadelphia, PA-NJ .....	2,091	20	44	63	26	166	2	18	5
Sacramento, CA .....	1,895	9	22	37	4	-	18	-	176
San Francisco, CA .....	1,846	40	58	97	14	8	8	49	2
San Jose, CA .....	1,825	3	63	7	3	-	16	8	3
Dallas, TX .....	1,677	16	103	28	111	3	33	153	7
Oakland, CA .....	1,310	13	7	12	10	4	15	4	34
Denver, CO .....	1,225	12	47	82	2	27	8	22	26
St. Louis, MO-IL .....	1,185	25	380	52	9	68	8	38	1
Jersey City, NJ .....	1,058	3	4	-	835	89	2	-	-
Newark, NJ .....	1,023	3	57	23	284	194	-	1	-
Fort Lauderdale, FL .....	946	-	7	4	362	314	-	-	-
Fort Worth-Arlington, TX .....	926	-	63	-	7	24	5	36	1
Cleveland-Lorain-Elyria, OH .....	865	16	95	31	5	-	-	19	1
Baltimore, MD .....	834	18	10	38	2	7	27	5	-
Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater, FL .....	794	-	56	3	455	31	-	4	1
West Palm Beach-Boca Raton, FL .....	771	-	8	-	366	270	3	-	2
Rochester, NY .....	725	5	125	20	122	18	1	15	1
Kansas City, MO-KS .....	676	21	15	14	40	95	8	46	4
Spokane, WA .....	675	1	9	32	-	14	1	-	30
Des Moines, IA .....	636	-	223	4	-	-	1	-	7
Riverside-San Bernardino, CA .....	635	-	1	1	13	-	3	7	3
Salt Lake City-Ogden, UT .....	604	9	151	10	7	-	11	47	5
Nashville, TN .....	588	4	22	-	28	67	17	108	2
Orlando, FL .....	570	-	43	7	140	127	5	1	-
Bergen-Passaic, NJ .....	512	-	39	21	80	15	7	4	-
Utica-Rome, NY .....	448	-	127	26	9	62	5	37	-
Tacoma, WA .....	438	-	-	16	1	-	-	7	-
Stockton-Lodi, CA .....	436	-	1	-	3	-	-	5	120
Jacksonville, FL .....	413	11	136	4	22	4	5	11	-
Las Vegas, NV .....	405	-	47	-	213	9	4	2	8
Charlotte-Gastonia-Rock Hill, NC-SC .....	392	-	32	2	16	-	1	1	18
New Orleans, LA .....	387	-	15	1	35	12	-	-	-
Grand Rapids-Muskegon-Holland, MI .....	387	3	81	-	12	27	-	-	1
Worcester-Fitchburg-Leominster, MA .....	382	-	4	12	11	-	-	4	16
Springfield, MA .....	378	20	20	5	2	31	-	3	-
Merced, CA .....	371	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	179
Other MSA .....	16,473	179	1,473	402	896	934	138	704	498
Non-MSA .....	2,780	36	262	33	467	61	34	31	89
Unknown .....	13	-	1	-	-	-	3	-	-

See footnotes at end of table.

**TABLE 35. REFUGEES AND ASYLEES GRANTED LAWFUL PERMANENT RESIDENT STATUS BY SELECTED COUNTRY OF BIRTH AND SELECTED METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA OF RESIDENCE  
FISCAL YEAR 1996—Continued**

Metropolitan statistical area <sup>1</sup>	Moldova	Russia	Somalia	Sudan	Thailand	Ukraine	Uzbeki- stan	Vietnam	Other
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>1,415</b>	<b>9,745</b>	<b>1,700</b>	<b>1,089</b>	<b>1,940</b>	<b>16,636</b>	<b>4,144</b>	<b>29,700</b>	<b>17,285</b>
New York, NY .....	557	3,636	10	4	1	7,255	3,344	183	4,061
Miami, FL .....	3	39	-	1	-	65	15	12	1,152
Chicago, IL .....	69	507	20	8	7	1,041	44	533	850
Los Angeles-Long Beach, CA .....	38	335	13	1	13	744	82	1,339	825
Orange County, CA .....	1	25	35	1	18	34	1	3,588	143
Minneapolis-St. Paul, MN-WI .....	36	201	339	124	639	180	8	463	485
Washington, DC-MD-VA .....	4	101	244	81	-	67	3	1,299	1,105
Houston, TX .....	1	50	8	34	3	61	1	2,559	142
Seattle-Bellevue-Everett, WA .....	31	290	151	5	30	506	31	982	591
Boston-Lawrence-Lowell-Brockton, MA .....	21	394	89	3	19	410	19	846	280
Atlanta, GA .....	37	101	120	4	1	151	38	1,571	144
Detroit, MI .....	13	93	18	2	35	117	6	8	334
Portland-Vancouver, OR-WA .....	62	350	14	6	1	413	11	679	330
San Diego, CA .....	13	75	246	112	15	90	21	798	158
Philadelphia, PA-NJ .....	44	207	7	3	17	592	47	584	246
Sacramento, CA .....	93	118	-	2	129	452	19	358	458
San Francisco, CA .....	45	231	-	2	-	548	43	185	516
San Jose, CA .....	7	132	7	3	8	59	-	1,318	188
Dallas, TX .....	2	54	19	90	3	55	18	789	193
Oakland, CA .....	6	69	1	8	31	89	18	471	518
Denver, CO .....	11	189	11	13	21	143	19	518	74
St. Louis, MO-IL .....	3	92	30	1	-	61	3	344	70
Jersey City, NJ .....	1	27	3	-	-	15	2	39	38
Newark, NJ .....	12	100	-	1	-	147	12	59	130
Fort Lauderdale, FL .....	4	21	-	-	-	50	9	35	140
Fort Worth-Arlington, TX .....	-	1	2	12	3	2	1	722	47
Cleveland-Lorain-Elyria, OH .....	51	154	1	6	-	335	30	29	92
Baltimore, MD .....	13	237	9	1	-	215	15	68	169
Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater, FL .....	-	1	-	-	-	6	1	198	38
West Palm Beach-Boca Raton, FL .....	-	6	-	1	-	16	4	33	62
Rochester, NY .....	30	52	-	30	-	157	3	71	75
Kansas City, MO-KS .....	3	23	22	18	2	64	6	239	56
Spokane, WA .....	3	153	-	-	6	188	9	160	69
Des Moines, IA .....	-	3	-	123	-	7	-	219	49
Riverside-San Bernardino, CA .....	-	4	-	2	7	4	-	506	84
Salt Lake City-Ogden, UT .....	19	24	2	11	1	22	1	193	91
Nashville, TN .....	-	1	46	101	-	7	-	147	38
Orlando, FL .....	4	10	-	8	1	4	6	180	34
Bergen-Passaic, NJ .....	9	126	-	-	-	103	17	2	89
Utica-Rome, NY .....	1	38	-	-	-	45	-	71	27
Tacoma, WA .....	18	23	-	-	7	13	-	323	30
Stockton-Lodi, CA .....	-	-	-	-	164	-	-	90	53
Jacksonville, FL .....	11	23	-	2	-	40	13	96	35
Las Vegas, NV .....	-	3	-	10	-	2	-	17	90
Charlotte-Gastonia-Rock Hill, NC-SC .....	-	2	9	-	6	19	-	243	43
New Orleans, LA .....	-	5	1	-	-	1	-	274	43
Grand Rapids-Muskegon-Holland, MI .....	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	223	38
Worcester-Fitchburg-Leominster, MA .....	-	15	2	-	11	12	-	258	37
Springfield, MA .....	20	55	-	-	-	120	5	55	42
Merced, CA .....	-	-	-	-	190	-	-	-	2
Other MSA .....	105	1,139	194	238	470	1,636	191	4,976	2,300
Non-MSA .....	13	207	27	17	81	271	27	746	378
Unknown .....	1	2	-	-	-	2	-	1	3

<sup>1</sup> Ranked by the number of refugees and asylees. See Glossary for definition of metropolitan statistical area.

- Represents zero.



**TABLE 36. REFUGEES AND ASYLEES GRANTED LAWFUL PERMANENT RESIDENT STATUS  
BY STATE OF RESIDENCE  
FISCAL YEARS 1987-96**

State of residence	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>91,840</b>	<b>81,719</b>	<b>84,288</b>	<b>97,364</b>	<b>139,079</b>	<b>117,037</b>	<b>127,343</b>	<b>121,434</b>	<b>114,664</b>	<b>128,565</b>
Alabama .....	236	230	182	127	136	94	118	106	67	95
Alaska .....	44	33	41	27	72	56	62	47	20	72
Arizona .....	633	593	655	682	890	608	973	708	628	333
Arkansas .....	150	194	190	76	122	99	150	111	91	96
California .....	23,907	27,423	36,136	38,507	45,594	38,261	39,516	29,284	26,104	20,233
Colorado .....	831	591	705	578	1,342	1,114	1,106	1,186	1,296	1,416
Connecticut .....	1,011	933	788	1,162	1,767	1,111	1,116	904	956	864
Delaware .....	22	39	28	48	107	39	47	51	37	59
District of Columbia .....	139	169	225	295	508	408	355	413	445	506
Florida .....	25,003	11,257	5,750	9,145	15,064	14,035	14,344	14,108	14,527	23,535
Georgia .....	1,475	1,047	787	989	1,777	1,467	1,765	2,287	2,672	2,645
Hawaii .....	166	449	320	255	261	245	241	239	240	208
Idaho .....	131	159	125	114	139	169	146	217	190	387
Illinois .....	2,829	2,366	3,231	3,419	5,679	4,411	3,906	4,122	5,060	5,040
Indiana .....	209	229	113	130	433	248	457	463	424	585
Iowa .....	495	534	331	467	544	445	654	467	733	851
Kansas .....	221	530	991	291	508	691	623	655	473	755
Kentucky .....	263	210	129	66	84	348	286	267	430	486
Louisiana .....	837	928	706	470	898	938	660	614	376	909
Maine .....	242	119	137	165	281	141	131	127	135	257
Maryland .....	1,044	1,062	1,062	1,242	2,148	2,275	1,497	2,774	2,244	2,136
Massachusetts .....	3,415	4,169	3,758	4,724	5,289	3,461	4,303	3,824	3,639	3,445
Michigan .....	1,124	1,071	1,164	1,221	2,384	1,916	2,596	2,594	2,979	3,001
Minnesota .....	2,598	1,594	2,251	2,656	3,027	2,338	2,678	2,989	3,635	3,787
Mississippi .....	174	191	121	124	80	120	66	75	38	116
Missouri .....	571	684	510	534	908	692	1,029	1,338	1,303	1,733
Montana .....	20	43	23	9	131	61	61	42	15	48
Nebraska .....	115	137	104	175	221	143	663	490	574	362
Nevada .....	251	243	248	358	464	377	400	297	411	444
New Hampshire .....	153	113	120	139	189	227	155	144	185	257
New Jersey .....	1,076	1,632	2,335	1,339	3,141	2,603	3,188	2,680	2,058	3,665
New Mexico .....	102	151	133	26	142	166	215	196	179	282
New York .....	6,402	6,259	6,289	12,871	22,105	14,097	16,986	20,846	19,721	24,625
North Carolina .....	386	666	470	337	649	684	887	1,162	863	884
North Dakota .....	51	40	26	70	42	49	180	311	138	271
Ohio .....	665	776	1,164	770	1,375	2,734	2,378	2,254	1,791	1,668
Oklahoma .....	366	307	247	214	204	404	258	419	418	487
Oregon .....	887	881	912	1,315	2,624	1,746	2,619	1,935	766	1,813
Pennsylvania .....	1,857	2,466	2,343	2,983	3,953	3,827	3,748	3,313	3,125	2,712
Rhode Island .....	576	476	469	395	635	488	385	321	287	284
South Carolina .....	80	124	62	67	130	74	150	120	154	142
South Dakota .....	100	59	67	52	196	176	213	326	279	200
Tennessee .....	621	591	512	448	525	668	869	942	1,152	1,030
Texas .....	4,433	3,495	2,703	2,866	4,911	3,957	4,862	4,576	4,272	6,415
Utah .....	410	492	306	364	513	363	441	500	414	650
Vermont .....	76	81	29	85	139	68	67	70	112	177
Virginia .....	1,813	2,052	1,808	1,692	2,403	1,891	1,766	2,258	2,054	2,544
Washington .....	2,841	2,722	2,161	1,605	2,194	5,063	6,018	6,330	4,793	5,271
West Virginia .....	14	9	8	5	31	-	6	3	6	10
Wisconsin .....	675	989	1,251	1,578	2,011	1,302	1,868	1,814	2,052	561
Wyoming .....	8	2	-	6	4	3	1	4	1	4
U.S. territories and possessions										
Guam .....	14	14	-	4	6	16	1	-	13	14
Puerto Rico .....	76	95	62	77	97	120	133	109	84	194
Virgin Islands .....	2	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	5	1
Other .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-

NOTE: Data for fiscal years 1987-88 have been adjusted. The data no longer include Cuban/Haitian entrants granted immigrant status. - Represents zero.