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Fiscal Years 2005-2009

Visa Symbol/Class		2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
A1	Ambassador, public minister, career diplomat, consul, and immediate family	9,944	10,159	10,216	10,152	10,313
A2	Other foreign government official or employee, and immediate family	83,051	81,144	82,341	86,181	91,326
A3	Attendant, servant, or personal employee of A1 and A2, and immediate family	1,227	1,017	1,000	1,000	1,186
B1	Temporary visitor for business	52,649	56,432	61,461	47,899	42,261
B1/B2	Temporary visitor for business and pleasure	2,709,468	3,053,656	3,318,802	3,490,013	2,924,368
B1/B2/BCC	Combination B1/B2 and Border Crossing Card	732,566	660,482	470,321	345,894	372,758
B2	Temporary visitor for pleasure	245,829	305,645	356,224	407,723	443,100
B1/B2/BCV	Combination B1/B2 and Mexican Lincoln			307,359	404,589	334,497
C1	Person in transit	65,272	54,994	47,714	34,466	27,589
C1/D	Combination transit/crew member (individ. iss.)	229,115	214,942	241,947	217,428	205,893
C2	Person in transit to United Nations Headquarters	44	21	32	22	18
C3	Foreign government official, immediate family, attendant, servant, or personal employee in transit	10,537	12,198	13,392	12,745	10,780
D	Crew member (sea or air) (individual issuance)	19,989	20,488	20,162	24,706	23,634
DCREW	Crewlist Visas	0	0	0	0	0
E1	Treaty trader, spouse and children	8,867	8,015	7,413	6,862	6,432
E2	Treaty investor, spouse and children	28,290	29,453	29,298	28,588	24,033
E3	Australian specialty occupation professional	4	1,918	2,572	2,961	2,191
E3D	Spouse or child of Australian specialty occupation professional	3	1,053	1,368	1,568	1,421
E3R	Returning Australian specialty occupation professional	0	0	6	114	561
F1	Student (academic or language training program)	237,890	273,870	298,393	340,711	331,208
F2	Spouse or child of student	18,061	20,748	22,036	23,193	21,817
F3	Border commuter academic or language student	42	19	119	519	773
G1	Principal resident representative of recognized foreign member government to international organization, staff, and immediate family	4,995	4,894	5,270	5,105	5,467
G2	Other representative of recognized foreign member government to international organization, and immediate family	13,703	11,946	12,319	14,715	12,509
G3	Representative of nonrecognized or nonmember foreign government to international organization, and immediate family	309	284	278	341	329
G4	International organization officer or employee, and immediate family	20,930	20,887	21,768	23,830	24,660
G5	Attendant, servant, or personal employee of G1 through G4, and immediate family	998	940	1,058	973	911
H1A	Temporary worker performing services as a registered nurse	0	0	0	0	0
H1B	Temporary worker of distinguished merit and ability performing services other than as a registered nurse	124,099	135,421	154,053	129,464	110,367
H1B1	Free Trade Agreement Professional	275	440	639	719	621
H1C	Shortage area nurse	63	8	26	174	128

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H2A	Temporary worker performing agricultural services	31,892	37,149	50,791	64,404	60,112
H2B	Temporary worker performing other services	87,492	71,687	60,227	94,304	44,847
H2R	Returning H2B worker ¹	1,643	50,854	69,320	-	0
H3	Trainee	1,763	2,369	3,096	3,427	2,084
H4	Spouse or child of H1A/B/B1/C, H2A/B/R, or H3	70,266	74,326	86,219	71,019	60,009
I	Representative of foreign information media, spouse and children	16,975	15,514	15,885	17,069	15,219
J1	Exchange visitor	275,161	309,951	343,946	359,447	313,597
J2	Spouse or child of exchange visitor	28,661	30,104	32,236	32,642	31,944
K1	Fiance(e) of U.S. citizen	33,910	30,575	33,190	30,288	27,679
K2	Child of K1	5,308	5,013	5,455	5,013	4,188
K3	Certain spouse of U.S. citizen	11,312	10,341	9,816	7,854	7,210
K4	Child of K3	3,438	2,935	2,474	1,856	1,568
L1	Intracompany transferee (executive, managerial, and specialized personnel continuing employment with international firm or corporation)	65,458	72,613	84,532	84,078	64,696
L2	Spouse or child of intracompany transferee	57,523	61,984	70,340	71,683	59,579
M1	Vocational and other nonacademic student	5,822	7,227	9,221	10,475	9,257
M2	Spouse or child of vocational student	153	178	219	278	250
M3	Border commuter vocational or nonacademic student	0	0	0	1	0
N8	Parent of SK3 special immigrant	10	11	7	8	10
N9	Child of N8 or of SK1, SK2 or SK4 special immigrant	4	0	0	3	2
NATO1	Principal permanent representative of member state to NATO (including any of its subsidiary bodies) resident in the U.S., and resident members of official staff; principal NATO officers; and immediate family	28	5	5	11	37
NATO2	Other representatives of member states to NATO (including any of its subsidiary bodies), and immediate family; dependents of member of a force entering in accordance with provisions of NATO agreements; members of such force if issued visas	5,893	5,911	6,406	6,381	6,741
NATO3	Official clerical staff accompanying a representative of member state to NATO, and immediate family	1	0	7	2	0
NATO4	Officials of NATO (other than those classifiable as NATO1), and immediate family	353	333	287	358	266
NATO5	Experts, other than NATO4 officials, employed in missions on behalf of NATO, and their dependents	69	88	67	87	69
NATO6	Members of a civilian component accompanying a force entering in accordance with the provisions of NATO agreements, and their dependents	201	176	164	127	196
NATO7	Attendant, servant, or personal employee of NATO1 through NATO6, and immediate family	5	2	2	3	3
O1	Person with extraordinary ability in the sciences, art, education, business, or athletics	6,712	6,961	7,653	9,014	9,368
O2	Person accompanying and assisting in the artistic or athletic performance by O1	3,387	3,726	4,218	5,054	4,702
O3	Spouse or child of O1 or O2	1,861	1,912	2,238	2,642	2,396

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P1 Internationally recognized athlete or member of an internationally recognized entertainment group	23,907	22,698	24,737	27,240	23,920
P2 Artist or entertainer in a reciprocal exchange program	125	92	168	135	119
P3 Artist or entertainer in a culturally unique program	9,611	9,949	9,732	10,277	8,847
P4 Spouse or child of P1, P2, or P3	1,022	1,007	1,059	1,140	1,124
Q1 Participant in an International Cultural Exchange Program	1,972	1,541	1,661	2,443	1,626
Q2 Irish Peace Process trainee	6	80	1	1	0
Q3 Spouse or child of Q2	0	3	0	0	0
R1 Person in a religious occupation	8,538	8,716	10,372	10,061	2,771
R2 Spouse or child of R1	3,267	3,234	3,216	2,941	1,160
S5 Informant processing critical reliable information concerning criminal organization or enterprise	0	0	0	0	0
S6 Informant processing critical reliable information concerning terrorist organization, enterprise, or operation	0	0	0	0	0
S7 Spouse, married or unmarried son or daughter, or parent of S5 or S6	0	0	0	0	0
T1 Victim of a severe form of trafficking in persons	0	0	0	0	0
T2 Spouse of T1	35	11	20	34	8
T3 Child of T1	65	43	70	132	81
T4 Parent of T1	7	5	5	5	3
T5 Unmarried sibling under 18 years of age on date T1 applied	5	1	3	8	3
TD Spouse or child of TN	1,941	2,779	3,438	3,715	3,203
TN NAFTA professional	1,902	2,972	4,091	4,761	4,124
U1 Victim of criminal activity	0	0	0	0	8
U2 Spouse of U1	0	0	0	0	0
U3 Child of U1	0	0	0	0	5
U4 Parent of U1	0	0	0	0	0
V1 Certain Spouse of Legal Permanent Resident	911	166	30	0	0
V2 Certain Child of Legal Permanent Resident	951	133	23	0	0
V3 Child of V1 or V2	1,165	281	51	0	0
Grand Total	5,388,951	5,836,730	6,444,285	6,603,076	5,804,182

¹ Issuance of H2R visas ceased at the end of FY2007.