

## MAJOR NONIMMIGRANT VISA CATEGORIES

Visa	Covers	Issued Annually	Notes
A / G / NATO	Diplomats, members of international organizations, their families, necessary staff	Not Available	
B	Temporary visitor for business (B-1), pleasure (B-2), or combined (B-1 / B-2)	Approx. 7,000,000	
F	Full-time college students (F-1) and their spouses/children (F-2), "border commuters" (F-3)	Approx. 400,000	
H1B	Professional workers with a minimum bachelor's degree	85,000 Limit	Dual-intent visa
H2A	Temporary agricultural workers	80,000 Limit	Employer must provide housing and meals
H2B	Temporary non-agricultural workers	66,000 Limit	Common occupations include landscaping, housekeeping, recreation
H4	Immediate family members of H visa holders	Approx. 120,000	Dual-intent for families of H-1B holders
I	Members of foreign media	Not Available	
J	Participants in work-and study-based exchange programs (J-1) and their immediate family members (J-2)	Approx. 400,000	Common programs include au pairs, camp counselors, students, teachers, researchers, summer work/study
K	Fiancé, fiancée', spouse, same-sex partner, or dependent of US citizen	Approx. 40,000	Dual-intent visa
L	Employees of an international company with offices in the US (L-1) and their spouses and non-adult children (L-2)	Approx. 100,000	Dual-intent visa
O / P	Aliens with extraordinary abilities, athletes, artists, entertainers, as well as their spouses, dependents, and necessary staff	Less than 2,000	
R	Temporary religious workers and their dependents	Not Available	
TN	Temporary workers from Canada or Mexico under special NAFTA program and their dependents	Approx. 4,000	
U / T	Victims of crimes and human trafficking and their immediate family members	Less than 2,000	

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IR1	Spouses of US citizens	Approx. 250,000 (No Limit)	
IR2	Minor children of US citizens		
IR3	Minor children adopted adopted by US citizens		
IR4	Minor children adopted to be adopted by US citizens		
IR55	Parents of US citizens		
F1	Unmarried sons and daughters of U.S. citizens, and their minor children	23,400 Limit	
F2	Spouses, minor children, and unmarried sons and daughters (age 21 and over) of legal permanent residents	114,200 Limit	
F3	Married sons and daughters of U.S. citizens, and their spouses and minor children	23,400 Limit	
F4	Brothers and sisters of U.S. citizens, and their spouses and minor children	65,000 Limit	
EB1	Priority workers with extraordinary abilities	40,000 Limit	Includes outstanding academics and multinational executives
EB2	Members of professions holding advanced degrees or persons of exceptional ability	40,000 Limit	Exceptional ability means having a degree of expertise significantly above that ordinarily encountered in the sciences, arts, or business
EB3	Skilled workers, professionals and other qualified workers	40,000 Limit	Skilled workers require 2 years of training. Professionals require baccalaureate degree
EB4	Certain special immigrants including those in religious vocations	10,000 Limit	Includes veterans of US Armed Forces, translators, religious workers
EB5	Immigrant investors	10,000 Limit	Investors and their immediate families creating employment with minimum \$500,000 investment
Diversity Immigrant Visa	Lottery for all applicants meeting any F or EB category	50,000 Limit	Allocated among F and EB categories