

**Table 21.**  
**PERSONS NATURALIZED BY REGION AND COUNTRY OF BIRTH: FISCAL YEARS 1999 TO 2008**

Region and country of birth	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
<b>REGION</b>										
Total .....	837,418	886,026	606,259	572,646	462,435	537,151	604,280	702,589	660,477	1,046,539
Africa .....	20,358	25,792	24,255	31,489	28,529	34,531	38,830	50,397	41,652	54,420
Asia .....	273,163	330,176	246,516	231,990	191,761	218,974	237,724	257,125	238,797	323,792
Europe .....	100,989	120,972	89,210	93,515	74,113	89,014	97,482	107,459	86,742	115,187
North America .....	384,385	345,980	200,089	169,548	130,551	151,047	180,572	223,086	241,163	462,372
Oceania .....	2,378	2,676	2,585	2,348	2,889	3,551	3,898	3,657	3,342	4,781
South America .....	54,205	57,807	42,155	42,812	33,635	38,676	44,504	59,985	48,133	84,853
Unknown .....	1,940	2,623	1,449	944	957	1,358	1,270	880	648	1,134
<b>COUNTRY</b>										
Total .....	837,418	886,026	606,259	572,646	462,435	537,151	604,280	702,589	660,477	1,046,539
Afghanistan .....	2,747	2,832	1,938	1,424	1,235	1,323	1,464	2,018	2,013	2,650
Albania .....	598	826	1,032	2,450	2,284	3,324	3,830	3,964	2,786	2,972
Algeria .....	277	426	469	615	493	616	722	825	578	894
American Samoa .....	75	80	97	102	117	137	294	247	161	178
Angola .....	99	113	85	68	64	87	86	106	105	161
Anguilla .....	165	66	38	30	24	18	27	35	37	47
Antigua-Barbuda .....	1,100	938	477	450	325	357	371	520	416	661
Argentina .....	3,351	3,416	2,204	2,129	1,879	1,965	1,976	2,695	2,348	4,170
Armenia .....	3,181	2,554	1,968	1,814	1,673	1,793	1,737	1,605	1,495	2,195
Aruba .....	86	85	41	49	28	30	39	44	36	55
Australia .....	342	433	391	424	882	1,295	1,155	1,240	1,067	1,636
Austria .....	230	289	270	275	240	277	307	359	292	357
Azerbaijan .....	878	1,315	946	1,187	886	793	904	997	606	834
Bahamas .....	793	589	392	401	342	378	343	574	397	838
Bahrain .....	32	41	47	47	31	54	57	81	56	85
Bangladesh .....	2,277	3,309	4,416	5,626	4,345	5,148	5,503	6,683	4,746	5,345
Barbados .....	2,551	1,884	906	871	663	650	778	1,006	718	1,203
Belarus .....	1,869	3,060	2,006	2,141	1,224	1,464	1,549	1,769	1,401	1,767
Belgium .....	292	362	296	265	250	232	247	355	248	716
Belize .....	2,072	1,797	1,014	771	665	664	704	918	799	1,291
Benin .....	35	23	19	25	27	42	56	64	61	79
Bermuda .....	83	90	58	47	38	47	58	72	42	75
Bhutan .....	3	D	4	D	D	3	6	D	10	9
Bolivia .....	1,456	1,369	905	1,098	932	1,125	1,361	1,630	1,311	2,807
Bosnia-Herzegovina .....	300	1,745	2,756	4,092	4,993	8,013	8,921	9,686	8,175	8,176
Botswana .....	4	8	7	4	12	5	9	17	D	18
Brazil .....	4,103	4,510	3,925	3,885	3,091	4,074	4,583	7,028	5,745	8,808
British Virgin Islands .....	202	134	48	40	22	41	38	54	40	67
Brunei .....	13	15	8	12	9	10	13	13	20	25
Bulgaria .....	498	845	1,169	1,310	1,599	2,487	2,906	3,488	2,621	3,213
Burkina Faso .....	8	16	10	7	12	19	26	51	37	48
Burma .....	889	1,129	1,076	1,069	905	1,177	1,360	1,486	1,058	1,383
Burundi .....	6	13	15	28	21	59	56	71	95	76
Cambodia .....	7,110	5,275	3,460	3,113	3,135	3,975	4,806	4,778	4,197	5,869
Cameroon .....	181	285	299	461	534	575	661	771	611	967
Canada .....	9,253	11,322	7,528	7,581	6,399	7,682	7,815	9,607	8,473	12,387
Cape Verde .....	849	732	577	683	429	635	933	1,126	1,223	1,265
Cayman Islands .....	136	23	15	17	7	9	8	18	9	24
Central African Republic .....	4	4	3	10	6	5	10	14	17	19
Chad .....	6	9	12	3	24	27	19	18	22	22
Chile .....	1,885	1,881	1,200	1,148	1,073	1,142	1,183	1,549	1,346	2,851
China, People's Republic .....	38,347	54,443	34,353	31,987	23,991	27,309	31,708	35,387	33,134	40,017
Colombia .....	13,122	13,964	10,826	10,601	7,939	9,819	11,396	15,698	12,089	22,926
Congo, Democratic Republic .....	127	138	115	116	101	88	122	229	164	211
Congo, Republic .....	42	58	90	139	123	163	193	369	287	306
Costa Rica .....	2,081	1,887	1,138	1,000	868	970	1,161	1,402	1,227	2,376
Cote d'Ivoire .....	121	184	171	271	264	317	324	491	382	479
Croatia .....	357	500	516	620	615	1,084	1,348	1,623	1,073	1,251
Cuba .....	25,383	15,608	11,343	10,857	7,698	11,236	11,227	21,481	15,394	39,871
Cyprus .....	188	204	185	150	100	104	134	140	109	160
Czech Republic .....	27	58	47	64	50	69	102	122	122	192

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**PERSONS NATURALIZED BY REGION AND COUNTRY OF BIRTH: FISCAL YEARS 1999 TO 2008** - *Continued*

Region and country of birth	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Czechoslovakia (former) . . . . .	546	654	489	453	333	434	490	614	449	629
Denmark . . . . .	233	285	226	194	197	175	154	199	170	210
Djibouti . . . . .	9	10	9	18	16	12	17	18	14	25
Dominica . . . . .	976	713	370	456	361	441	543	741	539	975
Dominican Republic . . . . .	23,027	25,098	14,958	15,562	12,607	15,464	20,831	22,165	20,645	35,251
Ecuador . . . . .	8,380	9,454	6,547	6,392	5,061	5,616	7,091	8,321	7,229	11,908
Egypt . . . . .	2,680	3,486	3,779	3,698	2,922	3,726	4,061	4,271	3,231	4,165
El Salvador . . . . .	22,938	24,001	13,613	10,699	8,719	9,602	12,174	13,430	17,157	35,796
Eritrea . . . . .	566	823	755	809	819	829	692	653	553	694
Estonia . . . . .	82	108	105	110	102	126	104	156	132	221
Ethiopia . . . . .	2,602	2,758	2,756	3,892	3,820	4,255	4,621	5,397	5,165	7,160
Fiji . . . . .	773	921	1,175	1,020	1,206	1,267	1,503	1,163	1,118	1,508
Finland . . . . .	159	200	114	140	118	352	431	532	359	549
France . . . . .	1,897	2,278	1,742	1,718	1,476	1,802	1,963	2,449	1,979	2,765
French Guiana . . . . .	D	10	D	6	D	6	6	5	5	8
French Polynesia . . . . .	139	128	41	16	9	10	22	16	19	15
Gabon . . . . .	5	8	5	12	11	12	18	23	18	24
Gambia . . . . .	68	81	69	135	113	136	189	286	246	330
Georgia . . . . .	147	406	415	444	416	382	443	628	514	627
Germany . . . . .	4,131	4,508	3,200	3,424	3,192	3,836	3,811	4,556	3,617	4,708
Ghana . . . . .	1,546	2,032	1,828	3,326	2,831	3,577	3,561	4,760	3,181	4,557
Greece . . . . .	2,347	2,252	1,661	1,285	933	1,100	1,075	1,291	1,200	1,314
Grenada . . . . .	1,530	1,164	609	607	524	530	649	781	511	850
Guadeloupe . . . . .	61	32	14	25	18	21	26	36	16	39
Guatemala . . . . .	10,995	11,444	6,257	5,442	4,551	5,080	6,250	6,551	8,181	17,087
Guinea . . . . .	42	70	67	111	81	124	137	194	191	225
Guinea-Bissau . . . . .	167	20	6	14	15	10	10	14	5	14
Guyana . . . . .	10,347	10,794	7,038	7,220	4,929	4,877	5,543	7,434	5,631	8,290
Haiti . . . . .	19,507	14,373	10,355	9,268	7,247	8,215	9,740	15,979	11,552	21,229
Honduras . . . . .	5,282	5,168	3,248	3,496	3,004	3,455	3,953	4,949	4,669	8,794
Hong Kong . . . . .	6,605	8,085	5,269	4,849	3,752	3,713	4,479	4,263	3,871	4,940
Hungary . . . . .	880	1,071	873	827	618	738	720	955	788	1,089
Iceland . . . . .	50	52	44	32	41	79	82	70	62	83
India . . . . .	30,612	42,092	34,240	33,737	29,761	37,975	35,962	47,542	46,871	65,971
Indonesia . . . . .	1,459	2,480	1,242	1,003	963	1,131	1,234	1,287	1,213	1,823
Iran . . . . .	18,205	19,171	13,834	11,773	10,782	11,781	11,031	11,363	10,557	11,813
Iraq . . . . .	3,225	5,209	3,443	3,314	2,209	3,646	3,273	3,614	2,967	5,057
Ireland . . . . .	3,400	5,448	4,437	3,438	2,583	2,421	1,995	1,754	1,335	2,179
Israel . . . . .	2,910	3,573	2,970	2,556	2,036	2,373	2,436	2,905	2,363	2,933
Italy . . . . .	4,370	4,425	2,972	2,614	1,845	2,295	2,511	2,769	2,217	2,991
Jamaica . . . . .	28,544	22,497	13,947	13,949	11,218	12,271	13,674	18,953	12,314	21,324
Japan . . . . .	3,168	3,746	2,362	1,857	1,795	1,955	2,154	2,192	1,934	2,712
Jordan . . . . .	2,461	3,246	2,876	2,821	1,917	2,324	2,464	2,634	2,125	2,632
Kazakhstan . . . . .	226	437	429	562	455	572	726	872	725	908
Kenya . . . . .	698	932	731	865	823	997	1,158	1,636	1,396	2,218
Korea <sup>1</sup> . . . . .	17,663	23,717	17,979	17,252	15,928	17,184	19,223	17,668	17,628	22,759
Kosovo . . . . .	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	89
Kuwait . . . . .	596	903	766	791	606	796	846	903	755	1,031
Kyrgyzstan . . . . .	32	87	81	128	131	159	217	246	331	361
Laos . . . . .	9,164	7,129	6,469	8,363	5,841	5,678	5,261	4,114	3,787	5,553
Latvia . . . . .	383	484	359	376	224	335	348	347	327	455
Lebanon . . . . .	4,214	4,929	3,550	3,402	2,499	3,314	3,288	3,393	2,779	3,399
Lesotho . . . . .	D	5	3	5	6	8	4	7	11	6
Liberia . . . . .	846	1,022	778	1,047	917	1,218	1,548	2,193	1,815	2,468
Libya . . . . .	153	181	171	163	112	130	173	142	136	198
Lithuania . . . . .	308	354	402	489	457	738	887	964	819	969
Luxembourg . . . . .	15	11	9	8	9	9	7	9	9	17
Macau . . . . .	197	254	199	196	115	146	195	163	158	181
Macedonia . . . . .	212	310	394	559	376	601	651	837	597	756
Madagascar . . . . .	16	30	25	29	22	30	29	36	26	43
Malawi . . . . .	37	50	39	44	25	52	60	67	46	64
Malaysia . . . . .	883	1,370	1,032	1,092	983	1,019	1,221	1,264	1,217	1,705
Mali . . . . .	31	48	51	72	64	66	85	118	93	124

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Region and country of birth	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Malta	93	115	63	85	61	80	67	86	66	71
Marshall Islands	D	D	3	D	4	9	4	14	12	12
Martinique	20	23	21	16	10	18	21	16	11	21
Mauritania	12	13	19	23	29	53	56	106	72	122
Mauritius	41	60	38	37	42	43	46	65	55	70
Mexico	207,072	189,051	102,736	76,310	55,946	63,840	77,089	83,979	122,258	231,815
Micronesia, Federated States	D	3	4	6	6	14	22	41	41	62
Moldova	1,154	1,573	955	919	713	711	927	988	1,068	1,328
Mongolia	6	15	9	13	17	21	41	60	53	129
Montenegro	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	-	32
Montserrat	190	128	86	84	64	54	78	96	51	87
Morocco	854	1,197	1,247	1,274	1,283	1,841	2,628	3,643	2,684	3,383
Mozambique	59	68	29	57	32	40	50	62	45	73
Namibia	10	13	15	13	13	13	18	17	22	38
Nepal	143	203	205	247	318	408	417	575	638	953
Netherlands	690	807	546	512	500	722	860	1,008	819	1,219
Netherlands Antilles	88	78	34	28	19	23	25	33	28	43
New Zealand	316	421	345	356	340	420	444	440	447	649
Nicaragua	6,636	5,413	3,549	3,788	3,044	3,444	5,080	9,283	8,164	17,954
Niger	607	554	183	110	46	46	48	46	52	73
Nigeria	3,115	4,128	4,349	6,412	5,691	6,470	6,894	8,652	6,582	8,597
Norway	159	191	126	108	93	137	136	145	105	153
Oman	D	6	8	9	16	13	16	23	15	33
Pakistan	6,547	8,706	8,367	8,643	7,424	8,744	9,699	10,411	9,147	11,813
Palau	19	17	7	9	12	19	18	36	40	62
Panama	3,080	2,906	1,577	1,591	1,248	1,462	1,643	1,930	1,617	2,870
Papua New Guinea	3	7	7	7	3	3	10	12	5	14
Paraguay	193	214	165	198	175	178	202	285	234	386
Peru	8,292	8,927	6,659	7,375	6,130	6,980	7,904	10,063	7,965	15,016
Philippines	38,850	46,442	35,347	30,440	29,043	31,448	36,673	40,500	38,830	58,792
Poland	13,102	16,363	11,625	12,811	9,139	10,335	9,801	10,230	9,320	14,237
Portugal	5,810	4,728	2,762	2,187	2,034	2,173	2,403	2,638	2,506	3,988
Qatar	27	35	37	48	34	48	66	59	60	85
Romania	3,268	3,577	3,512	4,014	3,267	4,388	4,602	5,484	3,986	4,515
Russia	10,331	12,898	9,395	9,841	6,669	7,586	8,297	9,412	7,660	10,778
Rwanda	9	31	60	86	77	116	123	178	91	101
Saint Kitts-Nevis	993	702	331	351	321	282	331	483	334	529
Saint Lucia	708	600	392	417	366	359	515	623	506	779
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	996	824	439	461	374	388	491	624	450	623
Samoa	257	281	194	150	117	157	165	201	163	204
Saudi Arabia	152	309	247	309	251	354	397	511	504	615
Senegal	188	218	250	346	274	371	401	503	386	566
Serbia and Montenegro <sup>2</sup>	1,755	2,188	2,076	2,302	2,012	3,159	5,857	5,555	3,382	3,582
Seychelles	13	27	18	12	15	13	8	22	5	26
Sierra Leone	486	600	516	763	777	945	1,043	1,683	1,485	2,018
Singapore	292	404	306	322	273	332	338	347	315	433
Slovak Republic	80	200	243	301	286	318	362	479	380	498
Slovenia	36	43	42	58	43	60	58	61	60	80
Somalia	815	1,245	1,167	1,789	2,235	2,714	3,238	4,242	3,594	3,816
South Africa	1,416	1,965	1,468	1,526	1,262	1,453	1,495	2,225	2,069	2,980
Soviet Union (former)	11,282	9,174	4,563	4,302	3,437	3,772	3,668	3,831	2,813	3,538
Spain	1,234	1,066	722	631	552	1,120	1,256	1,465	1,175	1,958
Sri Lanka	880	998	835	961	827	980	927	1,023	1,024	1,377
Sudan	281	514	739	1,012	839	1,104	1,551	2,587	2,785	2,893
Suriname	130	161	111	119	120	97	125	222	159	202
Swaziland	5	11	3	8	7	5	5	10	4	8
Sweden	350	369	321	819	948	1,016	980	984	786	1,207
Switzerland	504	652	516	462	430	487	541	539	501	658
Syria	2,337	2,793	2,151	2,278	1,881	2,385	2,252	2,395	1,799	2,105
Taiwan	11,185	13,163	9,052	8,599	6,742	7,889	8,295	8,819	7,486	8,711
Tajikistan	167	406	368	234	127	117	116	147	109	168
Tanzania	354	419	333	345	295	348	363	490	356	464
Thailand	4,026	5,197	4,088	4,013	3,636	3,779	4,314	4,583	4,438	6,930

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Region and country of birth	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Togo	35	58	57	113	153	204	291	536	473	673
Tonga	423	365	301	246	182	207	246	235	251	421
Trinidad and Tobago	7,711	7,239	4,474	4,814	3,774	3,958	4,832	6,612	4,514	7,305
Tunisia	129	167	157	165	119	192	226	315	299	390
Turkey	2,017	2,069	1,792	1,924	1,724	1,964	2,231	2,742	2,009	2,771
Turkmenistan	27	73	60	65	43	58	59	75	58	99
Turks and Caicos Islands	83	43	39	18	15	16	21	30	14	33
U.S. Virgin Islands	11	12	D	7	4	5	4	D	D	5
Uganda	347	429	296	321	279	327	340	477	344	541
Ukraine	12,184	16,833	11,819	12,106	8,236	8,069	9,343	10,184	8,594	10,992
United Arab Emirates	44	79	84	109	112	168	197	277	253	328
United Kingdom	9,951	11,704	8,038	8,194	6,717	7,785	8,087	9,104	7,752	12,095
United States	28	44	38	42	37	36	29	57	41	67
Uruguay	686	688	471	485	352	412	475	579	496	924
Uzbekistan	1,142	3,078	2,492	2,541	1,480	1,224	1,588	1,821	1,148	1,377
Venezuela	2,258	2,418	2,103	2,156	1,952	2,385	2,659	4,476	3,575	6,557
Vietnam	53,176	55,769	41,462	36,757	25,933	27,480	32,926	29,917	27,921	39,584
Yemen	510	832	807	882	589	822	814	989	734	1,080
Zambia	168	227	158	168	134	180	159	239	212	290
Zimbabwe	172	274	206	231	210	225	260	322	312	413
All other countries	71	43	34	26	28	30	37	32	40	68
Unknown	1,940	2,623	1,449	944	957	1,358	1,270	880	648	1,134

X Not applicable.

D Data withheld to limit disclosure.

- Represents zero.

<sup>1</sup> Korea includes both North and South Korea.<sup>2</sup> Yugoslavia (unknown republic) prior to February 7, 2003.

Note: Based on N-400 data for persons aged 18 and over.

Source: U.S. Department of Homeland Security.