

APPENDIX TABLE 3-6

**Immigrants Admitted by Class and Year of Admission  
United States, 1982–1989**

	<u>Total,</u> <u>1982–1989</u>	<u>1982</u>	<u>1983</u>	<u>1984</u>	<u>1985</u>	<u>1986</u>	<u>1987</u>	<u>1988</u>	<u>1989</u>
<b>TOTAL IMMIGRATION</b>	<b>4,726,165</b>	<b>594,131</b>	<b>559,763</b>	<b>543,903</b>	<b>570,009</b>	<b>601,708</b>	<b>601,516</b>	<b>643,025</b>	<b>612,110</b>
<b>Total, Numerically Limited</b>	2,137,712	259,749	269,213	262,016	264,208	266,968	271,135	264,148	280,275
<b>FAMILY PREFERENCES</b>	1,687,746	206,065	213,488	212,324	213,257	212,939	211,809	200,772	217,092
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Preference</b>	78,042	6,604	6,892	7,569	9,319	10,910	11,382	12,107	13,259
Unmarried son or daughter of a U.S. citizen	63,650	5,539	5,753	6,242	7,661	8,711	9,263	9,971	10,510
Children	14,392	1,065	1,139	1,327	1,658	2,199	2,119	2,136	2,749
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Preference</b>	894,231	113,070	116,623	112,309	114,997	110,926	110,758	102,777	112,771
Spouses of permanent resident aliens	291,901	39,567	39,731	37,643	40,549	38,384	34,528	29,898	31,601
Unmarried son or daughter of a permanent resident alien	488,171	64,843	67,539	64,711	61,263	57,311	58,270	54,123	60,111
Children	114,159	8,660	9,353	9,955	13,185	15,231	17,960	18,756	21,059
<b>4<sup>th</sup> Preference (3<sup>rd</sup> preference from 1992 onward)</b>	163,874	19,465	20,948	14,681	18,460	20,702	20,703	21,940	26,975
Married son or daughter of a U.S. citizen	46,665	5,511	5,933	4,258	5,376	5,947	5,839	6,227	7,574
Spouses	37,505	4,284	4,666	3,282	4,216	4,737	4,833	5,168	6,319
Children	79,704	9,670	10,349	7,141	8,868	10,018	10,031	10,545	13,082
<b>5<sup>th</sup> Preference (4<sup>th</sup> preference from 1992 onward)</b>	551,599	66,926	69,025	77,765	70,481	70,401	68,966	63,948	64,087
Brothers or sisters of U.S. citizens	197,689	25,802	26,573	29,287	25,536	24,837	23,517	21,489	20,648
Spouses	116,837	13,124	13,998	15,951	14,861	15,321	14,910	14,497	14,175
Children	237,073	28,000	28,454	32,527	30,084	30,243	30,539	27,962	29,264
<b>EMPLOYMENT PREFERENCES</b>	420,936	51,182	55,468	49,521	50,902	53,625	53,876	53,607	52,755
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Preference</b>	210,230	26,001	27,250	24,852	24,905	26,823	26,921	26,680	26,798
Professional or highly skilled workers	93,721	11,981	12,338	10,691	10,947	11,763	12,048	11,758	12,195
Spouses	56,427	6,794	7,141	6,637	6,602	7,209	7,309	7,325	7,410
Children	60,082	7,226	7,771	7,524	7,356	7,851	7,564	7,597	7,193
<b>6<sup>th</sup> Preference</b>	210,696	25,181	28,218	24,669	25,990	26,802	26,952	26,927	25,957
Needed skilled or unskilled workers	91,672	12,041	12,708	11,393	11,425	11,399	11,623	10,696	10,387
Spouses	46,504	5,049	5,980	5,219	5,674	5,988	6,181	6,390	6,023
Children	72,520	8,091	9,530	8,057	8,891	9,415	9,148	9,841	9,547
<b>Nonpreference</b>	10	–	–	–	7	–	–	–	–
<b>UNDERREPRESENTED COUNTRIES (Diversity)</b>	16,134	–	–	–	–	–	3,037	6,029	7,068
<b>OTHER</b>	12,896	2,502	257	171	49	404	2,413	3,740	3,360
<b>Total, Exempt from Numerical Limitation</b>	2,588,453	334,382	290,550	281,887	305,801	334,740	330,381	378,877	331,835
<b>Immediate Relatives</b>	1,612,702	168,398	177,792	183,247	204,368	223,468	218,575	219,340	217,514
Spouses of citizens	990,040	104,218	112,666	116,596	129,790	137,597	132,452	130,977	125,744
Children of citizens	290,554	28,735	30,429	32,080	35,592	40,639	40,940	40,863	41,276
Parents of adult citizens	332,108	35,445	34,697	34,571	38,986	45,232	45,183	47,500	50,494
<b>Refugees and Asylees</b>	845,135	156,601	102,685	92,127	95,040	104,383	96,474	110,721	87,104
<b>Other</b>	130,616	9,383	10,073	6,513	6,393	6,889	15,332	48,816	27,217
Special Immigrants	29,777	4,940	3,177	2,338	2,551	3,013	3,652	5,120	4,986

– Indicates cells with fewer than 5 immigrants. In some cases the data category is not applicable.