

DIVERSITY VISA LOTTERY 2014 (DV-2014) RESULTS

The Kentucky Consular Center in Williamsburg, Kentucky has registered and notified the winners of the DV-2014 diversity lottery. The diversity lottery was conducted under the terms of section 203(c) of the Immigration and Nationality Act and makes available *50,000 permanent resident visas annually to persons from countries with low rates of immigration to the United States. Approximately 140,660 applicants have been registered and notified and may now make an application for an immigrant visa. Since it is likely that some of the first *50,000 persons registered will not pursue their cases to visa issuance, this larger figure should insure that all DV-2014 numbers will be used during fiscal year 2014 (October 1, 2013 until September 30, 2014).

Applicants registered for the DV-2014 program were selected at random from 9,374,191 qualified entries (14,633,767 with derivatives) received during the 30-day application period that ran from noon, Eastern Daylight Time on Tuesday, October 2, 2012, until noon, Eastern Daylight Time on Saturday, November 3, 2012. The visas have been apportioned among six geographic regions with a maximum of seven percent available to persons born in any single country. During the visa interview, principal applicants must provide proof of a high school education or its equivalent, or show two years of work experience in an occupation that requires at least two years of training or experience within the past five years. Those selected will need to act on their immigrant visa applications quickly. Applicants should follow the instructions in their notification letter and must fully complete the information requested.

Registrants living legally in the United States who wish to apply for adjustment of their status must contact the Bureau of Citizenship and Immigration Services for information on the requirements and procedures. Once the total *50,000 visa numbers have been used, the program for fiscal year 2014 will end. Selected applicants who do not receive visas by September 30, 2014 will derive no further benefit from their DV-2014 registration. Similarly, spouses and children accompanying or following to join DV-2014 principal applicants are only entitled to derivative diversity visa status until September 30, 2014.

Dates for the DV-2015 program registration period will be widely publicized in the coming months. Those interested in entering the DV-2015 program should check the Department of State's Visa web page for more details in September.

* The Nicaraguan and Central American Relief Act (NACARA) passed by Congress in November 1997 stipulated that up to 5,000 of the 55,000 annually-allocated diversity visas be made available for use under the NACARA program. The reduction of the limit of available visas to 50,000 began with DV-2000.

The following is the statistical breakdown by foreign-state chargeability of those registered for the DV-2014 program:

AFRICA

ALGERIA 2,583	GABON 72	SAO TOME AND PRINCIPE 0
ANGOLA 84	GAMBIA, THE 67	SENEGAL 824
BENIN 639	GHANA 3,945	SEYCHELLES 5
BOTSWANA 19	GUINEA 1,759	SIERRA LEONE 2,977
BURKINA FASO 267	GUINEA-BISSAU 14	SOMALIA 273
BURUNDI 138	KENYA 4,245	SOUTH AFRICA 1,038
CAMEROON 4,268	LESOTHO 6	SOUTH SUDAN 18
CAPE VERDE 33	LIBERIA 3,809	SUDAN 2,281
CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC 45	LIBYA 156	SWAZILAND 5
CHAD 49	MADAGASCAR 50	TANZANIA 209

COMOROS 5
CONGO 236
CONGO, DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC
OF THE 6,025
COTE D'IVOIRE 1,399
DJIBOUTI 75
EGYPT 5,757
EQUATORIAL GUINEA 4
ERITREA 837
ETHIOPIA 5,718

ASIA

AFGHANISTAN 447
BAHRAIN 27
BHUTAN 21
BRUNEI 3
BURMA 696
CAMBODIA 1,892
HONG KONG SPECIAL ADMIN.
REGION 159
INDONESIA 379
IRAN 6,027
IRAQ 384

EUROPE

ALBANIA 3,289
ANDORRA 2
ARMENIA 2,221
AUSTRIA 150 (+39%)
AZERBAIJAN 494
BELARUS 1,873
BELGIUM 120
BOSNIA & HERZEGOVINA 153
BULGARIA 1,957
CROATIA 125
CYPRUS 24
CZECH REPUBLIC 133
DENMARK 103
 Greenland 1
ESTONIA 75
FINLAND 111
FRANCE 958
 French Polynesia 8
 French Southern and
 Antarctic Territories 4
 New Caledonia 1
 Saint Martin 2

MALAWI 52
MALI 176
MAURITANIA 21
MAURITIUS 68
MOROCCO 2,428
MOZAMBIQUE 21
NAMIBIA 12
NIGER 137
NIGERIA 6,043
RWANDA 477

ISRAEL 330
JAPAN 861
JORDAN 581
NORTH KOREA 3
KUWAIT 275
LAOS 9
LEBANON 396
MALAYSIA 167
MALDIVES 4
MONGOLIA 224
NEPAL 6,082

GEORGIA 806
GERMANY 1,696 (+35%)
GREECE 230
HUNGARY 363
ICELAND 49
IRELAND 175
ITALY 787
KAZAKHSTAN 784
KOSOVO 257
KYRGYZSTAN 537
LATVIA 147
LIECHTENSTEIN 1
LITHUANIA 385
LUXEMBOURG 13
MACEDONIA 421
MALTA 6
MOLDOVA 2,903
MONACO 2
MONTENEGRO 20
NETHERLANDS 225
 Aruba 6
 Curacao 4

TOGO 1,481
TUNISIA 159
UGANDA 620
ZAMBIA 117
ZIMBABWE 196

OMAN 12
QATAR 43
SAUDI ARABIA 467
SINGAPORE 119
SRI LANKA 1,616
SYRIA 493
TAIWAN 723
THAILAND 131
TIMOR-LESTE 0
UNITED ARAB EMIRATES 167
YEMEN 532

NORTHERN IRELAND 37
NORWAY 63
POLAND 1,552
PORTUGAL 124
 Macau 12
ROMANIA 1,245
RUSSIA 4,544
SAN MARINO 1
SERBIA 582
SLOVAKIA 115
SLOVENIA 14
SPAIN 485
 Western Sahara 1
SWEDEN 225
SWITZERLAND 224 (+70%)
TAJIKISTAN 531
TURKEY 3,972
TURKMENISTAN 216
UKRAINE 6,009
UZBEKISTAN 5,014
VATICAN CITY 0

Sint Maarten 2

NORTH AMERICA

BAHAMAS, THE 23

OCEANIA

AUSTRALIA 2,104

Cocos Islands 1

Norfolk Island 2

FIJI 1,174

KIRIBATI 6

MARSHALL ISLANDS 2

MICRONESIA, FEDERATED STATES
OF 5

NAURU 12

NEW ZEALAND 674

Cook Islands 4

Niue 25

Tokelau 3

PALAU 0

PAPUA NEW GUINEA 34

SAMOA 43

SOLOMON ISLANDS 3

TONGA 105

TUVALU 1

VANUATU 17

SOUTH AMERICA, CENTRAL AMERICA, AND THE CARIBBEAN

ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA 11

ARGENTINA 218

BARBADOS 34

BELIZE 18

BOLIVIA 145

CHILE 50

COSTA RICA 101

CUBA 1,178

DOMINICA 22

GRENADA 31

GUATEMALA 225

GUYANA 50

HONDURAS 121

NICARAGUA 78

PANAMA 22

PARAGUAY 27

SAINT KITTS AND NEVIS 15

SAINT LUCIA 42

SAINT VINCENT AND THE GRENADINES

SURINAME 27

TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO 246

URUGUAY 41

VENEZUELA 1,905

Natives of the following countries were not eligible to participate in DV-2014: Bangladesh, Brazil, Canada, China (mainland-born, excluding Hong Kong S.A.R., Macau S.A.R., and Taiwan), Colombia, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Haiti, India, Jamaica, Mexico, Pakistan, Peru, the Philippines, South Korea, United Kingdom (except Northern Ireland) and its dependent territories, and Vietnam.