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All temporary visa holders	105,063	70.5	14,737	70.7	13,636	69.1	14,235	70.1	14,784	70.7	15,674	70.1	15,842	71.1	16,155	71.2
Africa	3,953	65.5	482	66.4	477	62.9	511	64.2	572	66.3	610	65.2	648	66.8	653	66.3
Egypt	789	64.4	72	70.8	73	65.8	114	57.9	126	64.3	140	61.4	135	70.4	129	62.8
Ghana	445	70.3	67	77.6	65	64.6	55	70.9	55	67.3	58	70.7	62	77.4	83	65.1
Kenya	488	69.7	68	64.7	68	72.1	77	75.3	66	68.2	79	68.4	72	70.8	58	67.2
Nigeria	461	79.6	56	73.2	51	74.5	51	84.3	67	77.6	65	87.7	87	82.8	84	76.2
Other	1,770	60.1	219	60.3	220	55.9	214	57.0	258	63.6	268	59.7	292	57.2	299	65.2
East Asia and South Asia	66,525	75.4	9,355	75.7	8,581	74.5	9,051	74.8	9,441	75.1	9,902	75.2	10,006	76.3	10,189	76.1
China <sup>a</sup>	31,218	82.0	4,101	83.3	3,744	82.1	3,988	82.1	4,222	82.6	4,796	82.0	4,983	81.3	5,384	81.1
India	15,577	84.8	2,272	84.9	2,142	83.3	2,165	84.6	2,248	85.7	2,204	84.3	2,316	86.2	2,230	84.5
Japan	1,529	47.1	256	48.4	236	47.5	244	50.8	240	45.0	217	47.5	173	48.6	163	39.9
South Korea	9,728	61.5	1,526	64.9	1,381	62.1	1,445	60.0	1,472	60.6	1,383	59.1	1,284	60.7	1,237	62.7
Singapore	590	40.7	76	47.4	66	43.9	70	50.0	88	35.2	91	38.5	97	38.1	102	36.3
Taiwan	4,779	64.8	735	58.6	650	58.5	693	65.5	719	65.2	699	67.4	668	68.6	615	70.2
Thailand	1,706	26.6	242	29.8	222	27.9	266	25.9	260	23.5	264	31.1	231	26.4	221	21.3
Vietnam	767	68.8	70	54.3	82	63.4	99	64.6	99	64.6	140	71.4	142	76.8	135	74.8
Other	631	52.9	77	61.0	58	69.0	81	61.7	93	59.1	108	39.8	112	50.0	102	42.2
Europe	10,459	63.9	1,702	62.6	1,510	64.0	1,486	65.5	1,512	65.7	1,449	63.4	1,396	63.6	1,404	62.3
Bulgaria	341	74.5	57	78.9	64	79.7	46	65.2	50	76.0	47	78.7	42	66.7	35	71.4
France	820	62.2	133	66.9	109	56.9	125	64.8	111	56.8	97	62.9	114	67.5	131	58.8
Germany	1,403	56.1	208	56.3	192	56.8	203	65.5	200	60.0	202	51.5	203	51.2	195	51.3
Greece	640	66.3	123	57.7	81	54.3	83	71.1	100	64.0	88	76.1	81	72.8	84	71.4
Italy	1,004	62.1	129	55.8	134	61.2	137	60.6	168	65.5	154	61.0	156	64.1	126	65.1
Romania	672	78.0	155	74.2	113	80.5	101	83.2	101	75.2	66	74.2	79	78.5	57	82.5
Russian Federation (former USSR)	865	73.1	158	71.5	128	75.8	120	72.5	125	69.6	110	71.8	106	72.6	118	78.0
Spain	604	62.1	108	58.3	82	62.2	101	62.4	66	66.7	82	65.9	68	60.3	97	60.8
Ukraine	390	77.2	81	72.8	72	75.0	46	78.3	46	84.8	52	76.9	51	72.5	42	85.7
United Kingdom	706	61.0	101	59.4	101	61.4	103	54.4	91	72.5	113	56.6	97	70.1	100	55.0

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Other	3,014	60.4	449	58.4	434	60.8	421	62.0	454	63.2	438	61.6	399	58.9	419	57.8
North America and South America	10,456	56.1	1,580	56.2	1,453	55.9	1,449	57.3	1,471	56.0	1,482	56.3	1,543	55.7	1,478	55.7
Argentina	637	59.0	128	63.3	102	57.8	110	62.7	85	58.8	81	49.4	67	64.2	64	53.1
Brazil	1,066	47.7	160	50.6	162	47.5	151	41.7	163	46.6	142	46.5	139	50.4	149	50.3
Canada	3,288	56.4	516	57.0	469	56.3	455	55.8	423	58.4	485	55.5	488	55.1	452	56.6
Chile	579	38.9	82	30.5	56	D	80	D	85	50.6	74	36.5	99	35.4	103	32.0
Colombia	1,187	58.1	153	57.5	132	60.6	163	57.1	161	53.4	179	53.1	216	56.9	183	68.3
Mexico	1,378	54.7	215	51.6	201	46.8	185	56.8	213	59.2	177	61.6	193	54.9	194	53.1
Venezuela	275	74.5	55	65.5	46	D	37	D	28	67.9	40	82.5	40	82.5	29	75.9
Other	2,046	61.5	271	63.5	285	65.3	268	64.9	313	56.5	304	64.1	301	59.8	304	57.6
Pacific and Australia	1,421	58.9	195	66.2	213	58.7	187	60.4	194	64.4	243	58.8	213	49.8	176	54.5
Indonesia	432	47.9	52	61.5	61	52.5	66	48.5	51	51.0	71	49.3	78	38.5	53	37.7
Philippines	486	70.8	71	73.2	71	71.8	69	71.0	73	74.0	92	66.3	70	67.1	40	75.0
Other	503	56.9	72	62.5	81	51.9	52	61.5	70	64.3	80	58.8	65	44.6	83	55.4
West Asia	11,521	66.2	1,317	67.1	1,276	60.3	1,458	64.3	1,529	66.4	1,815	66.6	1,943	67.9	2,183	68.4
Bangladesh	693	82.5	66	77.3	63	71.4	77	83.1	86	88.4	107	78.5	140	83.6	154	87.7
Iran	2,297	88.6	141	89.4	147	85.0	198	88.9	287	88.5	409	86.8	483	89.2	632	89.7
Israel	618	61.2	92	70.7	104	56.7	90	57.8	83	61.4	81	60.5	81	61.7	87	59.8
Jordan	744	46.5	75	48.0	93	46.2	103	55.3	121	46.3	115	46.1	110	40.9	127	44.1
Lebanon	420	74.3	67	82.1	60	70.0	72	69.4	66	80.3	66	81.8	50	66.0	39	64.1
Nepal	837	87.1	71	88.7	73	84.9	100	86.0	94	86.2	150	90.0	172	84.9	177	88.1
Pakistan	644	50.3	47	D	58	D	91	46.2	99	42.4	98	49.0	127	47.2	124	54.0
Saudi Arabia	506	14.0	47	D	40	D	49	14.3	57	14.0	73	11.0	105	17.1	135	14.1
Turkey	3,309	61.4	527	66.0	477	54.3	493	61.9	439	63.8	478	60.7	426	62.9	469	59.9
Other	1,453	57.1	184	57.6	161	57.8	185	53.0	197	58.4	238	55.5	249	60.6	239	56.5
Country unknown	728	36.0	106	41.5	126	44.4	93	37.6	65	41.5	173	25.4	93	24.7	72	45.8

D = suppressed to avoid disclosure of confidential information.

<sup>a</sup> Includes Hong Kong.

NOTE: Percentages based on all doctorate recipients on temporary visas who indicated where they intended to stay after graduation (United States versus foreign location), not just those with definite commitments for employment or postdoctoral study.

SOURCE: National Science Foundation, National Center for Science and Engineering Statistics, Survey of Earned Doctorates.