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This section summarizes data on selected Limited English Proficient (LEP) individuals being served by ESA's Office of Refugee and Immigrant Assistance (ORIA).

ORIA provides services to refugees and other immigrants to help them become self-sufficient and adjust to life in the United States. Data provided in this section are for RIA clients who receive services through the following programs:

- Temporary Assistance to Needy Families/State Family Assistance (TANF/SFA) provides cash assistance to needy families with children.
- LEP Pathway Program provides employment services including job skills training, job search and employment placement assistance. The program also provides work experience and community service placements, and English as a Second Language (ESL) classes.
- Refugee Resettlement Assistance (RRA) provides home management workshops and information and referral to access services such as healthcare, school enrollment for children, subsidized housing, elder services, and transportation.
- Naturalization (NS) provides services that prepare lowincome refugees and legal immigrants for U.S. citizenship testing.

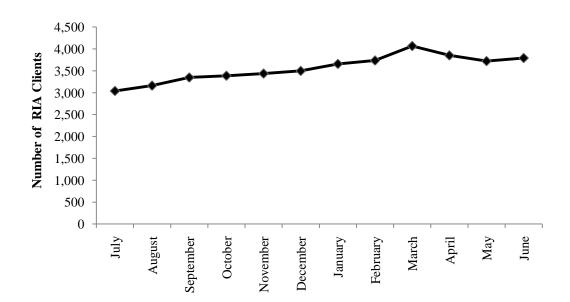
#### <u>Highlights</u>:

- The average monthly number of RIA clients increased by 14% to 4,216 in SFY 2010 from 3,559 clients in SFY 2009.
- In June 2010, 45.7% of RIA clients were refugees.
- 33.32% of RIA clients have resided in the U.S. for one year or less and 27.18% have resided in the U.S. between two and five years.
- The majority of RIA clients (59.69%) in June 2010 were female, and 33.5% were between 30 and 39 years of age.
- An average of 2,922 adult RIA clients, about 6.14% of total TANF/SFA clients, received TANF/SFA services each month in SFY 2010.
- Approximately 13.24% of RIA clients were employed each month in SFY 2010.
- Approximately 798 RIA clients received RRA assistance per month in SFY 2010. The majority of these clients lived in King County (66.9%).

## Selected RIA Program Characteristics SFY 2009 and SFY 2010

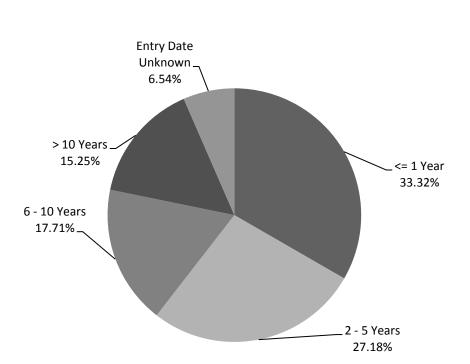
	SFY 2009 (July 2008 – June 2009)	SFY 2010 (July 2009 – June 2010)
Average Number of RIA Clients	3,559	4,216
Per Month (Range)	(3,040 – 4,067)	(3,580 – 4,630)
Average Number of Adult RIA Clients with TANF/SFA	1,658	2,922
Per Month (Range)	(1,013 – 2,640)	(2,657 – 3,138)
Average Number of RIA Clients with ESL	503	527
Per Month (Range)	(445 - 590)	(477 - 588)
Average Number of RIA Clients with Resettlement	535	798
Assistance (RRA) Service Per Month (Range)	(354 – 685)	(508 – 1,004)
Average Number of RIA Clients who received Naturalization Services Per Month (Range)	854 (693 – 961)	876 (352 – 1,259)
Average Number of RIA Adult TANF/SFA Clients	501	558
Employed Per Month (Range)	(442 - 577)	(523 - 596)





SFY 2010	Clients
July	4,168
August	4,198
September	4,245
October	4,203
November	4,140
December	4,630
January	4,563
February	4,439
March	4,529
April	4,241
May	3,654
June	3,580
Mo. Avg.	4,216

#### RIA Clients Length of Stay in the U.S. June 2010



	Caseload		
June 2010	Number	Percent	
One year or less	1,193	33.32%	
Two – Five Years	973	27.18%	
Six – Ten Years	634	17.71%	
Greater than Ten Years	546	15.25%	
Entry Date Unknown	234	6.54%	
Total	3,580	100%	

#### RIA Client Demographics June 2010

Sources: ESA-ACES and MAPPER Data

Characteristic	Number	Percent
TOTAL	3,580	100%
Gender		
Female	2,137	59.69%
Male	1,441	40.25%
Unknown	2	0.06%
Immigrant Status <sup>1</sup>		
Amerasian	2	0.06%
Asylee	96	2.68%
Battered Alien	5	0.14%
Conditional Entrant	5	0.14%
Deportation Withheld	3	0.08%
Parolee	1	0.03%
Permanent Resident Alien	152	4.25%
Permanent Resident Under Color of Law	1,679	46.90%
Refugee	1,637	45.73%
Unknown	2	0.06%
Age		
1-17 Years Old	5	0.1%
18-20 Years Old	74	2.1%
21-29 Years Old	762	21.3%
30-39 Years Old	1,200	33.5%
40-49 Years Old	939	26.2%
50-55 Years Old	271	7.6%
56-59 Years Old	84	2.3%
60-64 Years Old	76	2.1%
65+ Years Old	167	4.7%
Unknown	2	0.1%
Mean Age of Adults Median Age of Adults	38.36 Yea 37.0 Year	

<sup>1</sup> See page 24 of this section for Immigrant Status definitions.

#### RIA Clients by Region June 2010

Region	Number	Percent
Region 1	216	6.0%
Region 2	124	3.5%
Region 3	298	8.3%
Region 4	1,864	52.1%
Region 5	247	6.9%
Region 6	178	5.0%
Unknown <sup>1</sup>	653	18.2%
Total	3,580	100%

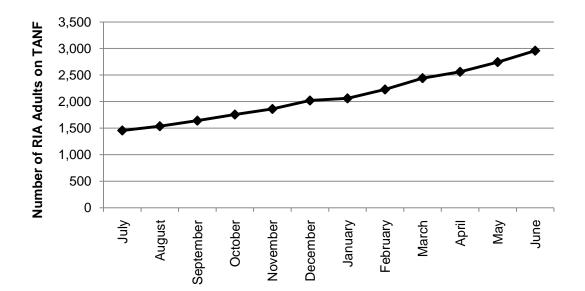
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Some Regions are unknown because DSHS does not collect regional information from clients who are not receiving public assistance, but who receive a RIA service.

Sources: ESA-ACES and N		Develop
Country	Number	Percent
Afghanistan	16	0.5%
Belarus	16	0.5%
Belorussia	5	0.1%
Bolivia	7	0.2%
Bulgaria	6	0.2%
Burma	171	4.9%
Burundi	22	0.6%
Cambodia Kampuchea	43	1.2%
Canada	7	0.2%
Chile	6	0.2%
China	5	0.1%
Columbia	5	0.1%
Cuba	11	0.3%
Egypt	4	0.1%
Eithopia	139	3.9%
El Salvador	11	0.3%
Eritrea	66	1.9%
Georgia	7	0.2%
Guatemala	7	0.2%
Iran	44	1.2%
Iraq	185	5.3%
Kazakhstan	22	0.6%
Kenya	28	0.8%
Korea (South)	9	0.3%
Kyrgystan	4	0.1%
Laos	6	0.2%
Liberia	5	0.1%
Marshall Islands	98	2.8%
Mexico	161	4.6%
Micronesia	27	0.8%
Moldovia	136	3.9%
Montenegro	4	0.1%
Могоссо	9	0.3%
Pakistan	6	0.2%
Philippines	11	0.3%
Russia	260	7.4%
Somalia	559	15.9%
Sri Lanka (Ceylon)	4	0.1%
Sudan	32	0.9%
Turkey	4	0.1%
Ukraine	289	8.2%
Uzbekistan	23	0.7%
Vietnam	118	3.4%
Western Samoa	5	0.1%
Zaire	4	0.1%
Countries with 3 or less clients <sup>1</sup>	58	1.6%
Other Country <sup>2</sup>	256	7.3%
Unknown <sup>3</sup>	659	18.7%
Total	3,580	100.0%
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# RIA Clients by Country of Origin, June 2010 Sources: ESA-ACES and MAPPER Data

<sup>1</sup> Country of original identified as "other" in record.
<sup>2</sup> Albania, Argentina, Armenia, Bangladesh, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Cameroon, Central African Republic, Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, Fiji, Ghana, Haiti, Honduras, Jamaica, Japan, Jordan, Korea (North), Lebanon, Libya, Malaysia, Mongolia, Myanmar, Nigeria, Peru, Poland, Romania Saudi Arabia, Syria, Thailand, Turkmenistan, Uganda, and Yemen.
<sup>3</sup> Clients are not required to report country of origin.





	TANF/SFA Adults	RIA TANF/SFA Ad	lults
SFY 2010		Number	Percent
July	44,864	2,657	5.92%
August	45,363	2,703	5.96%
September	46,329	2,720	5.87%
October	47,400	2,822	5.95%
November	47,550	2,875	6.05%
December	48,130	3,062	6.36%
January	48,236	2,989	6.20%
February	47,861	3,074	6.42%
March	48,503	3,138	6.47%
April	48,746	3,067	6.29%
Мау	48,681	2,993	6.15%
June	48,860	2,958	6.05%
Mo. Avg.	47,544	2,922	6.14%

#### RIA TANF/SFA Adult Clients By Language June 2010

Language	Number	Percent
Albanian	2	0.07%
Amharic	55	1.86%
Arabic	142	4.80%
Bulgarian	1	0.03%
Burmese	113	3.82%
Cambodian (Khmer)	24	0.81%
Chinese	11	0.37%
Czech	1	0.03%
English	834	28.19%
Farsi	21	0.71%
French	10	0.34%
German	1	0.03%
Haitian-Creole	1	0.03%
Hindi	1	0.03%
Hmong	5	0.17%
Japanese	1	0.03%
Korean	8	0.27%
Oromo	21	0.71%
Other Language	192	6.49%
Persian	5	0.17%
Polish	1	0.03%
Punjabi	3	0.10%
Romanian	17	0.57%
Russian	555	18.76%
Samoan	6	0.20%
Serbo-Croatian	1	0.03%
Shona	2	0.07%
Slovak	1	0.03%
Somali	430	14.54%
Spanish	235	7.94%
Sudanese	1	0.03%
Swahili	25	0.85%
Tagalog	5	0.17%
Tamil	1	0.03%
Thai	1	0.03%
Tigrigna	53	1.79%
Trukese	7	0.24%
Turkish	3	0.10%
Ukrainian	23	0.78%
Urdu	3	0.10%
Vietnamese	104	3.52%
Unknown	32	1.08%
Total	2,958	100.00%

#### **RIA TANF/SFA Adult Client Demographics** June 2010 & Annual Unduplicated

Sources: ESA-ACES and MAPPER Data

			Annual	
ESL Level <sup>1</sup>	June 2010	Percent	Unduplicated	Percent
Level 1	834	28.2%	974	25.6%
Level 2	458	15.5%	552	14.5%
Level 3	477	16.1%	563	14.8%
Level 4	445	15.0%	538	14.1%
Level 5	276	9.3%	335	8.8%
Level 6	134	4.5%	157	4.1%
Level 7	10	0.3%	13	0.3%
Not Tested	324	11.0%	671	17.6%
Total	2,958	100%	3,803	100.0%

			Annual	
Immigrant Status <sup>2</sup>	June 2010	Percent	Unduplicated	Percent
Amerasian	2	0.1%	5	0.1%
Asylee	70	2.4%	83	2.2%
Battered Alien Citizen of Marshall	5	0.1%	7	0.2%
islands/Micronesia	5	0.1%	6	0.2%
Conditional Entrant	2	0.1%	3	0.1%
Cuban/Haitian Entrants	0	0.0%	1	0.0%
Deportation Withheld	1	0.0%	2	0.0%
Parolee	135	4.6%	164	4.3%
Refugee	1352	45.7%	1,634	43.0%
Unknown	1386	46.9%	1,898	49.9%
Total	2,958	100.0%	3,803	100.0%

Annual

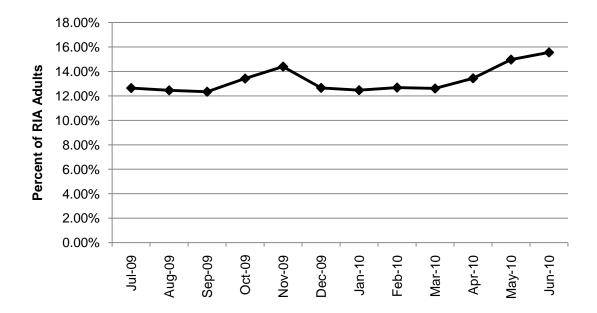
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> English as a second language (ESL) proficiency levels are based on Comprehensive Adult Student Assessment Systems (CASAS) standards. CASAS is used to assess language proficiency levels in four areas – speaking, listening, reading, and writing. ESL level 1 indicates the client's English proficiency skills are at the low end of the scale, higher ESL levels indicate higher English proficiencies. <sup>2</sup> See page 24 of this section for Immigrant Status definitions.

## RIA TANF/SFA Adults by Region June 2010

Region	Number	Percent
Region 1	218	7.4%
Region 2	127	4.3%
Region 3	313	10.6%
Region 4	1,875	63.4%
Region 5	247	8.4%
Region 6	178	6.0%
Total	2,958	100.0%

## RIA TANF/SFA Adults with Employment<sup>1</sup> SFY 2010





	RIA	RIA TANF/SFA Adults with		
	Adults	Employment		
SFY 2010		Number	Percent	
July	4,168	527	12.64%	
August	4,198	523	12.46%	
September	4,245	524	12.34%	
October	4,203	564	13.42%	
November	4,140	596	14.40%	
December	4,630	586	12.66%	
January	4,563	569	12.47%	
February	4,439	563	12.68%	
March	4,529	571	12.61%	
April	4,241	570	13.44%	
Мау	3,654	547	14.97%	
June	3,580	557	15.56%	
Mo. Avg.	4,216	558	13.24%	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Adults with employment: TANF/SFA adults who worked either full or part time during the report month.

#### RIA English as a Second Language Clients (ESL) SFY 2010

RIA **RIA Clients** Clients With ESL SFY 2010 Number Percent July 4,168 500 12.0% 12.4% August 4,198 519 September 12.2% 4,245 517 October 4,203 13.4% 565 November 4,140 529 12.8% December 12.7% 4,630 588 12.2% January 4,563 557 February 4,439 11.9% 530 March 4,529 541 11.9% April 11.6% 4,241 491 May 3,654 13.1% 477 June 3,580 509 14.2% Mo. Avg. 4,216 527 12.5%

## RIA ESL Client Demographics June 2010

Characteristic	Number	Percent
TOTAL	509	100.0%
Gender		
Female	321	63.1%
Male	188	36.9%
ESL level		
Level 1	150	29.5%
Level 2	80	15.7%
Level 3	68	13.4%
Level 4	83	16.3%
Level 5	39	7.7%
Level 6	13	2.6%
Level 7	1	0.2%
Not Tested	75	14.7%
Age		
18 – 20 Years Old	6	1.2%
21 – 29 Years Old	126	24.8%
30 – 39 Years Old	198	38.9%
40 – 49 Years Old	132	25.9%
50 – 55 Years Old	34	6.7%
56 – 59 Years Old	8	1.6%
60 – 64 Years Old	5	1.0%
65+ Years Old	6	1.2%
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Mean Age of Adults	36.7 Ye	
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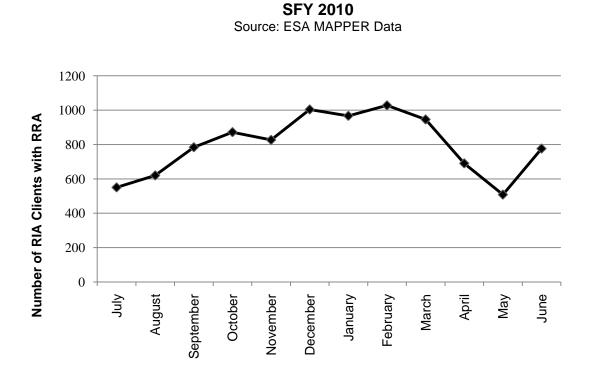
#### RIA ESL Clients by Region June 2010

Region Number Percent Region 1 12 2.36% Region 2 72 14.15% Region 3 124 24.36% Region 4 44.20% 225 Region 5 3.93% 20 Region 6 56 11.00% 100% Total 509

## RIA ESL Clients by Primary Language June 2010

Primary Language	Number	Percent
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Albanian	1	0.20%
Amharic	15	2.95%
Arabic	36	7.07%
Burmese	23	4.52%
Cambodian (Khmer)	3	0.59%
Chinese	2	0.39%
English	149	29.27%
Farsi	3	0.59%
French	2	0.39%
Hindi	1	0.20%
Hmong	1	0.20%
Korean	3	0.59%
Romanian	1	0.20%
Russian	88	17.29%
Serbo-Croatian	1	0.20%
Somali	35	6.88%
Spanish	75	14.73%
Sudanese	1	0.20%
Swahili	6	1.18%
Tagalog	1	0.20%
Thai	1	0.20%
Tigrigna	5	0.98%
Trukese	2	0.39%
Ukrainian	3	0.59%
Vietnamese	17	3.34%
Other Language	34	6.68%
Total	509	100%

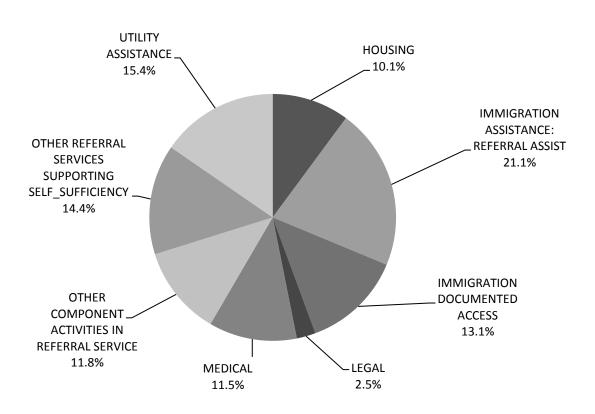
**RIA Refugee Resettlement Assistance (RRA) Clients** 



	RIA Clients	RIA Clients with RRA	
SFY 2010		Number	Percent
July	4,168	550	13.2%
August	4,198	620	14.8%
September	4,245	784	18.5%
October	4,203	872	20.7%
November	4,140	827	20.0%
December	4,630	1,004	21.7%
January	4,563	967	21.2%
February	4,439	1,028	23.2%
March	4,529	946	20.9%
April	4,241	690	16.3%
Мау	3,654	508	13.9%
June	3,580	776	21.7%
Mo. Avg.	4,216	798	18.9%

#### RIA RRA Clients by Services Provided<sup>1</sup> SFY 2010

Source: ESA MAPPER Data



RRA Service Type	Clients	Percent
Housing	928	10.1%
Immigration Assistance: Referral Assist	1,937	21.1%
Immigration Documented Access	1,202	13.1%
Legal	228	2.5%
Medical	1,058	11.5%
Other Component Activities In Referral Service	1,078	11.8%
Other Referral Services Supporting Self Sufficiency	1,323	14.4%
Utility Assistance	1,411	15.4%
Total	9,165	100.0%

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> "Other Component Activities in Referral Service" includes referrals to elderly services, immigration adjustment access, family violence referrals, and workshops on access to technology, education resources, health & safety, and financial.

## RIA RRA Clients by Region<sup>1</sup> June 2010 & Annual Unduplicated

Source: ESA MAPPER Data

	June		Annual	
Immigrant Status	2010	Percent	Unduplicated	Percent
Region 1	24	3.1%	668	12.2%
Region 2	1	0.1%	188	3.4%
Region 3	107	13.8%	638	11.6%
Region 4	519	66.9%	3,326	60.7%
Region 5	84	10.8%	422	7.7%
Region 6	39	5.0%	218	4.0%
Unknown	2	0.3%	21	0.4%
Total	776	100%	5,481	100%

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Some Regions are unknown because DSHS does not collect regional information from clients who are not receiving public assistance, but who receive a RIA service.

#### RIA Clients who Received Naturalization Services (NS) SFY 2010

Source: ESA MAPPER Data

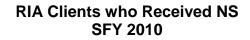
SFY 2010	RIA Clients	RIA Clients who Received NS <sup>1</sup>	Submitted Naturalization Application (N-400)	Clients who Naturalized <sup>2</sup>	Outreach Clients <sup>3</sup> who Naturalized	Outreach Clients who Had Pre- Screening Service
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July	4,168	1,073	175	247	80	48
August	4,198	960	183	147	43	53
September	4,245	923	185	99	32	50
October	4,203	931	192	55	12	52
November	4,140	907	133	71	23	22
December	4,630	1,010	216	198	60	47
January	4,563	1,259	194	419	167	38
February	4,439	1,073	222	121	37	27
March	4,529	1,006	250	86	28	40
April	4,241	571	145	102	24	18
May	3,654	441	103	19	7	17
June	3,580	352	74	25	6	6
Mo. Avg.	4,216	876	173	132	43	35
Total Undup	licated	4,286	2,072	1,589	519	418

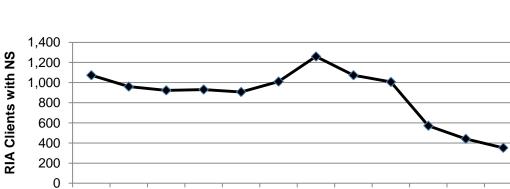
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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Naturalization Services (NS): Assistance with completion and submittal of the application for Naturalization, payment of the Naturalization application fee and required finger printing fees, fee waiver requests, citizen training and instruction, including classes in American history and civics, English language training needed for the citizenship test, and assistance in obtaining test exemptions when appropriate.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Naturalized: U.S. citizenship is conferred.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Outreach Clients: Refugees who entered the U.S. after August of 1996 who are eligible to receive Supplemental Security Income (SSI) are limited to these benefits for 7 years from their date of entry unless they naturalize. Services in the Outreach Project include informing SSI recipients in advance of their limited time frame to receive federal benefits and to inform recipients ineligible for federal benefits because they are not citizens of the free naturalization services available in their area. Outreach clients receive priority services from RIA 's Naturalization Service providers.





March

April

February

January

December

November

June

May

August

September

October

July

Source: ESA MAPPER Data

SFY 2010	Clients who Received NS
July August	1,073 960
September	923
October November	931 907
December January	1,010 1,259
February March	1,073
April	1,006 571
May June	441 352
Mo. Avg.	876

#### RIA NS Clients Demographics June 2010

#### Source: ESA MAPPER Data

Characteristic	Number	Percent
TOTAL	352	100%
Gender		
Female Male Unknown	220 117 15	62.5% 33.2% 4.3%
Immigrant Status <sup>1</sup>		
Asylee Conditional Entrant Permanent Resident Under	4 1	1.1% 0.3%
Color of Law Permanent Resident Alien Parolee (Paroled for one year	4 204	1.1% 58.0%
or more) Refugee Unknown	14 116 9	4.0% 33.0% 2.6%
Age		
18 – 20 Years Old 21 – 29 Years Old 30 – 39 Years Old 40 – 49 Years Old 50 – 55 Years Old 56 – 59 Years Old 60 – 64 Years Old 65+ Years Old	10 39 48 46 26 22 44 117	2.8% 11.1% 13.6% 13.1% 7.4% 6.3% 12.5% 33.2%
Mean Age of Adults Median Age of Adults	53 Yea 58 Yea	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See page 24 of this section for Immigrant Status definitions.

## RIA NS Clients by Country of Origin June 2010

Country	Number	Percent
Afghanistan	1	0.3%
Bolivia	2	0.6%
Cambodia Kampuchea	14	4.0%
Ethiopia	1	0.3%
Mexico	3	0.9%
Moldova	20	5.7%
Могоссо	2	0.6%
Somalia	10	2.8%
Sudan	2	0.6%
Ukraine	5	1.4%
Uzbekistan	3	0.9%
Unknown	289	82.1%
Total	352	100.0%

#### Glossary Definitions of Immigrant and INS Entry Status, and Citizenship

- Amerasian United States Citizen-fathered children born in Korea, Vietnam, Laos, Cambodia or Thailand after 1950 and before Oct 22, 1982.
- Asylee A person granted protection from removal from the United States by the Department of Homeland Security who is unable or unwilling to return to his or her home country because of persecution or a well-founded fear of persecution based on race, religion, nationality, political opinion, or membership in a social group.
- **Battered Alien** A qualified immigrant based on the fact that she or he was battered or subjected to extreme cruelty by a spouse or parent or another member of the household, or is the parent or child of an individual who has been so abused.
- Born in U.S. a person born in the United States.
- **Conditional Entrant** An individual who admitted to the United States under a provision of the pre-1980 immigration law because of persecution or fear of persecution in his or her home country.
- Cuban / Haitian Entrant A national of Cuba or Haiti who was paroled in the United States, whether the parole document expressly stated "Cuban/Haitian entrant" or not, or was granted any other special status. Includes nationals of these countries who are in the United States under a variety of circumstances, including persons paroled on any basis, those involved in deportation proceedings, asylum applicants, those granted adjustment to lawful permanent resident status under the Cuban Adjustment Act, the Nicaraguan Adjustment and Central American Relief Act, or the Haitian Refugee Immigration Fairness Act, or those granted "special status" under the Refugee Education Assistance Act.
- **Deportation Withheld** –The formal removal of an alien from the United States when the alien has been found removable for violating the immigration laws. Deportation is ordered by an immigration judge without any punishment being imposed or contemplated.
- Non-Refugee An alien lawfully admitted into the United States for permanent residence under any status <u>other than</u> Refugee, Asylee, Amerasian, Cuban/Haitian entrant, Conditional Entry, ORR Certified Victim of Human Trafficking with T-2, T-3, T-4, or T-5 Visa, Special Immigrant from Iraq or Afghanistan.
- **Parolee** An alien allowed entry to the United States by the Department of Homeland Security for urgent medical or humanitarian reasons or other emergencies.
- **Permanent Resident Alien** A person who has been granted the legal right to live and work in the United States and travel outside the United States without interference.
- **Permanently Residing Under Color of Law** non-citizens who are not considered "qualified aliens" under federal law, who are residing in the United States indefinitely, and USCIS is aware of their presence but is not taking steps to enforce their departure.
- **Refugee** a noncitizen given permission to live in the United States because he or she was persecuted, or has a well-founded fear of persecution on account of race, nationality, religion, political opinion, or membership in a particular social group, in his or her home country.

- **Resident Alien** an immigrant who has been granted a status that allows him or her to reside and work permanently in the United States. This is the same as lawful permanent resident, or "Green Card" holder.
- U.S. Citizen The following individuals are considered to be citizens of the United States:
  - 1. Persons born in the United States or its territories (Guam, Puerto Rico, and the United States Virgin Islands; also residents of the Northern Mariana Islands who elected to become United States citizens).
  - 2. Legal Immigrants who have naturalized after immigrating to the United States
  - 3. Persons born to at least one United States citizen parent may be a United States citizen under certain conditions.
  - 4. Individuals under the age of eighteen automatically become citizens when they meet the following conditions on or after February 27, 2001:
    - (1) The child is a lawful permanent resident
    - (2) At least one of the parents is a United States citizen by birth or naturalization; and
    - (3) The child resides in the United States in the legal and physical custody of the citizen parent
  - 5. For those individuals who turned eighteen before February 27, 2001, the child would automatically be a citizen if still under eighteen when he or she began lawful permanent residence in the United States and both parents had naturalized. Such a child could have derived citizenship when only one parent had naturalized if the other parent were dead, a United States citizen by birth, or the parents were legally separated and the naturalizing parent had custody.
- **U.S. National –** a person who owes permanent allegiance to the United States and may enter and work in the United States without restriction. The following are the only persons classified as United States Nationals:
  - 1. Persons born in American Samoa or Swain's Island after December 24, 1952
  - 2. Residents of the Northern Mariana Islands who did not elect to become United States citizens