

RECEIVING STATES 2004 – 2015

STATES OF ORIGIN 2004 - 2014

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These tables are based on data provided by 24 receiving States. The statistics used for the USA are the Fiscal Year data on visas published by the US State Department and for 2010 include 1,090 'humanitarian' visas issued after the Haiti earthquake. Step-parent and relative (*familiale*) adoptions have been excluded where separately defined – e.g. Switzerland. They replace a previous set of data from 23 states..

Table 1 has data for 24 receiving States - with the addition of Slovenia from 2005. The data for 2010-2013 have been revised in the light of new statistics provided for the 2015 Special Commission by several States, including Canada, Germany and Luxembourg. 2015 statistics have been obtained for 14 states = Canada, Finland, Germany, Spain, Switzerland and 5 others awaited

In Table 2 annual totals for States of origin 2005-13 are based on 25-27 receiving States and include statistics submitted to the Hague Permanent Bureau by Austria, Portugal (2005-9) and Monaco (2007-13). Totals for some States of origin may be too low where receiving States do not give numbers below 5 (e.g. UK 2005-13 and Italy 2013). Data are subject to revision and correction: as further statistics are submitted. **Data for 2014 are incomplete** with full data on states of origin from only 23 states- Detailed statistics for **Italy (total only available) awaited**'.

Comments, corrections and suggestions by e-mail are welcome.

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Table 1: 24 receiving States 2004-2015, ranked by number of adoptions 2004-14

	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2004-14	2015
USA	22,884	22,739	20,632	19,613	17,438	12,753	12,149	9,320	8,668	7,094	6,441	159,731	5,648
Italy	3,402	2,874	3,188	3,420	3,977	3,964	4,130	4,022	3,106	2,825	2,206	36,114	2,211
Spain	5,541	5,423	4,472	3,648	3,156	3,006	2,891	2,573	1,669	1,191	824	34,394	
France	4,079	4,136	3,977	3,162	3,270	3,017	3,508	2,003	1,569	1,343	1,069	31,133	815
Canada	1,949	1,858	1,568	1,715	1,614	1,695	1,660	1,513	1,162	1,243	905	16,882	
Sweden	1,109	1,083	879	800	793	912	729	630	466	341	345	8,087	333
Netherlands	1,307	1,185	816	782	767	682	705	528	488	401	354	8,015	304
Germany^{1 a}	749	721	662	783	718	606	524	624	452	289	227	6,355	
Denmark	528	586	450	426	395	496	419	338	219	176	124	4,157	97
Switzerland	567	389	410	394	367	349	388	367	314	280	226	4,051	
Norway	706	582	448	426	304	344	343	304	239	144	152	3,992	132
Belgium	470	471	383	358	364	439	388	351	260	178	156	3,818	137
Australia	370	434	421	405	270	269	222	215	149	138	114	3,018	63
Ireland	398	366	313	392	422	307	201	188	119	72	34	2,812	
UK	333	369	363	356	225	200	173	153	120	124	68	2,484	58
Finland	289	308	218	176	157	187	160	163	175	141	142	2,116	
Israel	226	191	176	218	150	120	114	115	88	69	42	1,467	37
N Zealand	339 ²	30	20	49	30	16	13	19	25	42	22	605	
Malta	46	39	60	64	53	34	42	50	57	19	11	475	18
Luxembourg	56	41	45	23	28	36	32	24	32	17	13	347	18
Iceland	29	41	19	18	13	17	18	19	17	8	11	210	20
Slovenia	n/a	3	15	3	6	14	21	18	35	15	14	144	
Cyprus	3	3	0	19	16	12	4	12	1	2	2	74	
Andorra	3	1	4	6	5	7	9	2	1	4	2	44	
Total (24)	45,383	43,873	39,539	37,256	34,538	29,482	28,844	23,553	19,439	16,156	13,504	331,567	9,911

14 states

¹ German data have been revised based on their submission to the 2015 Special Commission.

² Total for New Zealand for 2004 include many adoptions from Samoa which may be relative adoptions.

Table 2: Top States of origin 2004-2014; ranked by number of ICA to 23/27 Receiving States

	2004-14	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014 ³
China	78,432	13,418	14,487	10,766	8,749	5,882	5,012	5,429	4,373	4,136	3,406	2,774
Russia	48,816	9,453	7,577	6,839	4,933	4,162	4,058	3,426	3,424	2,677	1,834	458
Ethiopia	30,622	1,539	1,789	2,174	3,041	3,913	4,553	4,368	3,440	2,781	2,005	983
Guatemala	21,511	3,425	3,870	4,230	4,853	4,186	784	58	9	11	26	32
Colombia	14,913	1,751	1,504	1,681	1,644	1,613	1,403	1,828	1,599	933	575	382
Ukraine	13,941	2,048	2,032	1,074	1,616	1,577	1,505	1,098	1,065	722	642	561
South Korea	13,788	2,242	2,120	1,816	1,226	1,367	1,395	1,128	950	818	227	499
Viet Nam	10,729	492	1,199	1,363	1,691	1,722	1,500	1,260	704	214	295	289
Haiti ⁴	10,804	1,170	949	1,107	821	1,320	1,210	2,502 ^a	239	369	546	571
India	7,437	1,067	864	831	992	742	710	607	627	393	351	253
Kazakhstan	5,558	890	849	734	810	769	682	516	218	5	28	57
Philippines	5,500	407	509	497	573	588	558	496	490	411	534	437
Brazil	4,286	487	488	529	490	492	466	377	350	334	240	33
Thailand	4,124	533	491	422	467	400	368	303	283	282	306	269
Poland	3,633	408	406	393	371	398	391	317	290	244	304	111
23/24 states	329,364	45,383	43,873	39,586	37,256	34,538	29,482	28,844	23,553	19,439	16,156	11,298 ⁴
25-27 states (2005-14)	283,998	43,940	39,641	37,307	34,588	29,538	28,845	23,555	19,440	16,160	11,299	

³ Based on 23 states (excluding Italy).

⁴ 2010 total includes 1,090 humanitarian visas to USA (also for USA 2010 in Table 1).

TOP TEN STATES OF ORIGIN: 2004-2014

The countries sending most children for intercountry adoption have changed during the past ten years
 Countries joining the Hague Convention are highlighted from the date of "entry into force" (EIF)

Rank	2004	2006	2008	2010	2011	2012	2014	2004-14
1	CHINA	CHINA	CHINA	CHINA	CHINA	CHINA	CHINA	CHINA
2	RUSSIA	RUSSIA	RUSSIA	ETHIOPIA	ETHIOPIA	ETHIOPIA	ETHIOPIA	RUSSIA
3	GUATEMALA	GUATEMALA	GUATEMALA	RUSSIA	RUSSIA	RUSSIA	HAITI	ETHIOPIA
4	S KOREA	S KOREA	ETHIOPIA	HAITI	COLOMBIA	COLOMBIA	UKRAINE	GUATEMALA
5	UKRAINE	UKRAINE	VIETNAM	VIETNAM	UKRAINE	S KOREA	S. KOREA	COLOMBIA
6	COLOMBIA	ETHIOPIA	COLOMBIA	UKRAINE	S KOREA	UKRAINE	RUSSIA	S KOREA
7	INDIA	COLOMBIA	UKRAINE	COLOMBIA	VIETNAM	CONGO DR	PHILIPPINES	UKRAINE
8	HAITI	VIETNAM	S KOREA	S KOREA	INDIA	PHILIPPINES	COLOMBIA	VIETNAM
9	VIETNAM	HAITI	INDIA	INDIA	PHILIPPINES	INDIA	BULGARIA	HAITI
10	KAZAKHSTAN	INDIA	HAITI	PHILIPPINES	BRAZIL	BULGARIA	VIETNAM	INDIA