# CA BY THE **NUMBERS**\*

OUR MISSION: The U.S. Department of State's Bureau of Consular Affairs (CA) provides consular services that protect U.S. citizens and their interests abroad, ensures U.S. border security, facilitates the entry of legitimate travelers, and fosters economic growth.



# STRENGTHEN U.S. BORDER SECURITY



- Adjudicated 13.3 MILLION **NIV** applications
- Issued 10.4 MILLION nonimmigrant visas
- Issued 617,752 immigrant visas
- Issued 482,033 student visas
- Issued 339,712 exchange visitor visas
- 88 PERCENT of applicants obtained a visa appointment within three weeks

We prevent unqualified applicants from gaining visas, while efficiently facilitating legitimate travel to the United States.

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#### **HELP CHILDREN**

We have a special commitment to the world's most vulnerable citizens.

**Intercountry Adoptions:** 

- Adoptions to the United States: 5,372
- Adopted from the United States: 89

## HELP U.S. CITIZENS **OVERSEAS**

- Registered 70,666 overseas births of U.S. citizens
- Issued 50,307 emergency passports
- Responded to 33,867 welfare/ whereabouts inquiries
- Assisted families of 10,992 U.S. citizens who died while overseas
- 10,629 visits to U.S. citizens in prison
- Published 2,050 emergency messages
- Repatriated 1,218 U.S. citizens

# **DID YOU KNOW?** 9 MILLION

U.S. citizens live overseas.

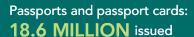


## **GROW THE ECONOMY**



- International visitors contributed \$246 BILLION to the U.S. economy
- International students contributed \$41.4 BILLION to the U.S. economy
- 1.2 MILLION U.S. jobs supported by international travelers
- 11 PERCENT of all U.S. exports are related to Travel and Tourism (CY 2016)

#### **PASSPORTS**





- 132 MILLION valid U.S. passports are in circulation
- 12.3 MILLION Passport cards issued since 2008
- 41 PERCENT of U.S. citizens have a passport
- 25 domestic passport agencies
- 4 adjudication centers, and approximately 8,000 passport application acceptance facilities nationwide

### PREVENT FRAUD



- Adjudicators referred 138,324 passport and visa applications to specialized Fraud Prevention Units globally
- 50 fraud prevention courses offered to consular employees worldwide
- 3 new online tools to help prevent fraud

#### STAY CONNECTED

Travel.state.gov - Find country specific travel information, passport information, and visa requirements.

Adoption.state.gov - General information and country-by-country statistics, alerts, and notices on intercountry adoptions. Studentsabroad.state.gov - Information for student travelers.

Step.state.gov - Enroll in the Smart Traveler Enrollment Program (STEP) for security and travel updates on the go.

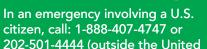
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