

DECLARATION OF BRENDA GREWE

I, Brenda Grewe, hereby declare under penalty of perjury pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746:

1. I am employed by the U.S. Department of State (“Department”) as the Director of the Office of Domestic Operations of the Visa Office, Bureau of Consular Affairs. The Office of Domestic Operations manages the Visa Office’s domestic processing activities, including the Immigrant Visa Control and Reporting Division, which is responsible for official visa statistics. In that capacity, I have knowledge regarding the Department’s statistics and data regarding immigrant visas.

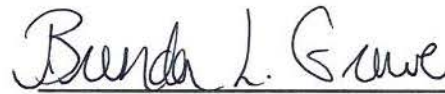
2. The Department posts both immigrant and nonimmigrant visa issuance statistics on <https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/legal/visa-law0/visa-statistics.html> on both a monthly and annual basis. The methodology employed in this declaration counts the most recent adjudication for each applicant, which fluctuates depending on when the data is pulled and which date(s) are included. Visa data is not static and often changes over time as the application moves through the adjudication process. While the most common movement for an application is from refused to issued, there are occurrences of applications being issued and then re-issued, or even issued and then subsequently refused.

3. As of August 27, 2025, the Department has used 40,094 visa numbers for the Fiscal Year 2025 diversity visa program, meaning consular officers have issued 40,094 diversity visa applicants (principal applicants and their derivatives) immigrant visas.

4. As of August 27, 2025, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (“USCIS”) reported to the Department that USCIS has used 793 visa numbers for the Fiscal Year 2025 diversity visa program, meaning USCIS has granted 793 diversity visa applicants (principal applicants and their derivatives) applications for adjustment of status.

5. As of August 27, 2025, there are 3,078 diversity visa applicants refused only under INA 221(g) for the Fiscal Year 2025 diversity visa program

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed August 28, 2025.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Brenda L. Grewe". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Brenda L. Grewe, Director
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