

DECEMBER 2008 VISA AVAILABILITY

The bulletin issued by the Bureau of Consular Affairs of the U.S. Department of State gives the following availability position for issuance of immigrant visas during December 2008:

Persons Chargeable to India

Family-Sponsored Preferences

1st Preference	May 22, 2002
2nd Preference	
2A	Apr 01, 2004
2B	Feb 15, 2000
3rd Preference	Jul 22, 2000
4th Preference	Sep 15, 1997

Employment-Based Preferences

1st Preference	Current
2nd Preference	Jun 01, 2003
3rd Preference	Oct 01, 2001
Other Workers	Jan 15, 2003
4 th Preference	Current
Certain Religious Workers	Current
5 th Preference	Current
Targeted Emp Areas	Current

Persons Chargeable to Other Countries

For other chargeability areas, including Pakistan, Bangladesh, Sri Lanka, United Kingdom, and the nations of Africa, the cut-off dates for December 2008 are:

Family-Sponsored Preferences

1st Preference	May 22, 2002
2nd Preference	
2A	Apr 01, 2004
2B	Feb 15, 2000
3rd Preference	Jul 22, 2000
4th Preference	Jan 01, 1998

Employment-Based Preferences

1st Preference	Current
2nd Preference	Current
3rd Preference	May 01, 2005
Other Workers	Jan 15, 2003
4th Preference	Current
Certain Religious Workers	Current
5th Preference	Current
Targeted Emp Areas	Current