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Foreign State	1st	2nd	3rd	Other Workers	3rd Total
Africa					
Algeria	0	2	2	0	2
Angola	0	0	0	0	0
Benin	0	0	2	0	2
Botswana	0	2	0	0	0
Burkina Faso	0	0	0	0	0
Burundi	0	0	0	0	0
Cabo Verde	0	0	0	0	0
Cameroon	1	17	13	2	15
Central African Republic	0	0	0	0	0
Chad	0	0	0	0	0
Comoros	0	0	0	0	0
Congo, Dem. Rep. of the	0	8	0	1	1
Congo, Rep. of the	0	0	0	0	0
Cote d'Ivoire	0	2	0	0	0
Djibouti	0	0	0	0	0
Egypt	7	96	46	17	63
Equatorial Guinea	0	0	0	0	0
Eritrea	0	0	0	0	0
Eswatini	0	0	4	1	5
Ethiopia	3	6	4	0	4
Gabon	0	0	1	0	1
Gambia, The	0	0	0	0	0
Ghana	0	17	353	0	353
Guinea	0	0	0	0	0
Guinea-Bissau	0	0	0	0	0
Kenya	2	5	1,225	0	1,225
Lesotho	0	0	0	0	0
Liberia	0	1	0	0	0
Libya	0	0	3	0	3
Madagascar	0	0	0	0	0
Malawi	0	0	5	7	12
Mali	0	0	0	0	0
Mauritania	0	0	0	0	0
Mauritius	0	0	0	0	0
Morocco	13	4	2	1	3
Western Sahara	0	0	0	0	0
Mozambique	0	0	0	0	0
Namibia	0	0	0	2	2
Niger	0	0	0	0	0
Nigeria	19	175	1,232	8	1,240

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Rwanda	0	5	0	0	0
Sao Tome and Principe	0	0	0	0	0
Senegal	0	0	0	0	0
Seychelles	0	0	0	0	0
Sierra Leone	0	0	0	4	4
Somalia	0	0	0	0	0
South Africa	73	33	228	111	339
South Sudan	0	0	0	0	0
Sudan	0	1	2	0	2
Tanzania	1	3	1	0	1
Togo	0	0	1	0	1
Tunisia	2	7	6	4	10
Uganda	0	0	23	0	23
Zambia	0	2	42	1	43
Zimbabwe	2	6	316	334	650
Region Total For Africa	123	392	3,511	493	4,004
Asia					
Afghanistan	6	0	7	1	8
Bahrain	0	0	8	0	8
Bangladesh	20	49	15	44	59
Bhutan	0	5	1	3	4
Brunei	0	1	4	1	5
Burma	0	1	0	29	29
Cambodia	0	1	6	46	52
China - mainland born	3,566	294	861	118	979
Hong Kong S.A.R.	24	23	46	35	81
India	651	139	1,187	18	1,205
Indonesia	0	0	8	1	9
Iran	129	197	98	16	114
Iraq	1	6	4	0	4
Israel	16	17	71	11	82
Japan	61	57	107	23	130
Jordan	11	22	155	21	176
Korea, North	0	0	0	0	0
Korea, South	176	1,584	590	221	811
Kuwait	0	10	42	0	42
Laos	0	0	0	0	0
Lebanon	7	12	113	8	121
Malaysia	2	10	24	2	26
Maldives	0	0	0	0	0

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Mongolia	0	0	6	33	39
Nepal	57	48	286	47	333
Oman	0	0	17	0	17
Pakistan	17	44	257	59	316
Philippines	8	60	15,990	415	16,405
Qatar	2	0	90	0	90
Saudi Arabia	2	27	273	8	281
Singapore	5	11	48	1	49
Sri Lanka	16	10	34	0	34
Syria	3	10	24	5	29
Taiwan	31	112	63	29	92
Thailand	7	5	114	93	207
Timor-Leste	0	0	0	0	0
United Arab Emirates	5	17	721	0	721
Vietnam	7	48	50	542	592
Yemen	0	0	1	0	1
Region Total For Asia	4,830	2,820	21,321	1,830	23,151
Europe					
Albania	3	6	23	109	132
Andorra	0	0	0	0	0
Armenia	35	10	56	5	61
Austria	6	1	3	0	3
Azerbaijan	12	4	5	3	8
Belarus	10	8	12	5	17
Belgium	5	12	1	1	2
Bosnia and Herzegovina	0	2	2	2	4
Bulgaria	2	4	19	8	27
Croatia	4	0	6	0	6
Cyprus	0	2	3	0	3
Czech Republic	4	14	2	5	7
Denmark	6	3	8	0	8
Faroe Islands	0	0	0	0	0
Greenland	0	0	0	0	0
Estonia	1	0	3	0	3
Finland	0	0	7	0	7
France	59	68	32	6	38
French Polynesia	0	0	0	0	0
French Southern and Antarctic Lands	0	0	0	0	0
New Caledonia	0	0	0	0	0

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Saint Barthelemy	0	0	0	0	0
Saint Martin	0	0	0	0	0
St. Pierre and Miquelon	0	0	0	0	0
Wallis and Futuna	0	0	0	0	0
Georgia	3	5	2	3	5
Germany	34	18	48	3	51
Great Britain and Northern Ireland	155	67	262	25	287
Anguilla	0	0	0	0	0
Bermuda	1	0	7	0	7
British Indian Ocean Territory	0	0	0	0	0
British Virgin Islands	0	0	0	0	0
Cayman Islands	0	0	0	0	0
Falkland Islands	0	0	0	0	0
Gibraltar	0	0	0	0	0
Montserrat	0	0	0	0	0
Pitcairn	0	0	0	0	0
St. Helena	0	0	0	0	0
South Georgia and the South Sandwich Islands	0	0	0	0	0
Turks and Caicos Islands	0	0	0	1	1
Greece	11	3	3	2	5
Hungary	9	9	6	9	15
Iceland	3	0	0	2	2
Ireland	18	15	23	2	25
Italy	64	24	83	32	115
Kazakhstan	15	3	3	1	4
Kosovo	3	0	0	13	13
Kyrgyzstan	0	3	0	1	1
Latvia	4	0	4	0	4
Liechtenstein	0	0	0	0	0
Lithuania	1	4	10	3	13
Luxembourg	0	0	0	0	0
Malta	0	0	0	0	0
Moldova	1	2	2	3	5
Monaco	0	0	0	0	0
Montenegro	0	0	1	0	1
Netherlands	6	15	3	7	10
Aruba	0	0	1	0	1
Curacao	0	0	0	0	0
Sint Maarten	0	0	3	0	3
North Macedonia	0	2	6	30	36
Norway	1	6	3	2	5
Svalbard	0	0	0	0	0

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Poland	12	18	97	152	249
Portugal	2	5	9	6	15
Macau	0	0	0	1	1
Romania	5	5	15	15	30
Russia	159	57	63	18	81
San Marino	0	0	0	0	0
Serbia	4	3	14	20	34
Slovakia	1	2	0	0	0
Slovenia	0	1	0	0	0
Spain	44	32	41	11	52
Sweden	24	6	8	0	8
Switzerland	7	3	3	0	3
Tajikistan	1	4	1	1	2
Turkey	56	47	52	5	57
Turkmenistan	2	0	7	7	14
Ukraine	44	20	37	38	75
Uzbekistan	8	0	5	0	5
Vatican City	0	0	0	0	0
Region Total For Europe	845	513	1,004	557	1,561
North America					
Antigua and Barbuda	0	0	7	0	7
Bahamas, The	0	0	51	0	51
Barbados	0	0	6	0	6
Belize	0	0	12	0	12
Canada	69	73	181	9	190
Costa Rica	4	12	5	7	12
Cuba	6	0	6	0	6
Dominica	0	0	8	0	8
Dominican Republic	9	9	14	10	24
El Salvador	7	1	34	145	179
Grenada	0	0	10	0	10
Guatemala	3	9	18	53	71
Haiti	0	2	4	2	6
Honduras	0	7	37	39	76
Jamaica	8	4	536	45	581
Mexico	70	19	282	849	1,131
Nicaragua	0	0	18	5	23
Panama	2	1	6	0	6
Saint Kitts and Nevis	0	0	0	0	0
Saint Lucia	0	0	8	0	8

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Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	0	0	9	0	9
Trinidad and Tobago	1	9	64	31	95
Region Total For North America	179	146	1,316	1,195	2,511
Oceania					
Australia	19	10	10	0	10
Christmas Island	0	0	0	0	0
Cocos (Keeling) Islands	0	0	0	0	0
Norfolk Island	0	0	0	0	0
Fiji	2	0	1	0	1
Kiribati	0	0	0	0	0
Marshall Islands	0	0	0	0	0
Micronesia, Federated States of	0	0	0	0	0
Nauru	0	0	0	0	0
New Zealand	9	2	7	0	7
Cook Islands	0	0	0	0	0
Niue	0	0	0	0	0
Tokelau	0	0	0	0	0
Palau	0	0	2	0	2
Papua New Guinea	0	0	1	0	1
Samoa	0	0	0	0	0
Solomon Islands	0	0	0	0	0
Tonga	0	0	0	0	0
Tuvalu	0	0	0	0	0
Vanuatu	0	0	0	0	0
Region Total For Oceania	30	12	21	0	21
South America					
Argentina	104	25	85	14	99
Bolivia	0	8	4	19	23
Brazil	420	1,391	313	347	660
Chile	15	9	15	1	16
Colombia	40	31	80	41	121
Ecuador	7	6	23	56	79
Guyana	1	1	9	1	10
Paraguay	0	6	2	1	3
Peru	4	11	10	15	25
Suriname	0	0	0	0	0

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Uruguay	0	18	1	0	1
Venezuela	76	79	118	63	181
Region Total For South America	667	1,585	660	558	1,218
Grand Totals	6,674	5,468	27,833	4,633	32,466