

TABLE 25

Top 40 countries or economies of origin of temporary visa holders earning doctorates at U.S. colleges and universities, ranked by number of doctorate recipients: 2018

(Number)

Country or economy	Rank	Doctorate recipients
All temporary visa holders (162 countries or economies) ^a	-	17,124
Top 40 countries or economies of origin	-	15,903
China ^b	1	6,182
India	2	2,040
South Korea	3	1,035
Iran	4	935
Taiwan	5	513
Turkey	6	452
Canada	7	424
Saudi Arabia	8	404
Bangladesh	9	280
Nepal	10	225
Colombia	11	205
Mexico	12	185
Brazil	13	178
Thailand	14	177
Egypt	15	156
Russian Federation (former USSR)	16	154
Sri Lanka	17	148
Nigeria	18	146
Germany	19	144
Italy	20	138
France	21	133
Vietnam	22	122
Iraq	23	121
Japan	24	117
Greece	25	113
Pakistan	26	110
United Kingdom	27	109
Spain	28	104
Ghana	29	103
Chile	30	91
Malaysia	31	84
Indonesia	32	82
Singapore	33	81
Jordan	34	76
Israel	35	64
Argentina	36	60
Philippines	37	56
Libya	38	55
Lebanon	39	51
Kenya	40	50

^a Excludes cases with unknown country or economy of origin.^b Includes Hong Kong.**Note(s)**

Tied countries or economies are listed alphabetically.

Source(s)

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