

OCTOBER 2007 VISA BULLETIN SUMMARY



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The October 2007 Visa Bulletin contains the following highlights

- In the **FAMILY** category, all cutoff dates (for every country) moved forward. Most cutoff dates moved forward a month of so.
- In the **EMPLOYMENT** category, for the month of October 2007:
 - The EB-1 category is “Current” for all countries;
 - The EB-2 category is “Current” for all countries except China (January 1, 2006 cutoff date) and India (April 1, 2004)
 - The EB-3 skilled worker/professional category has cutoff dates for all countries, with the worldwide cutoff date being August 1, 2002;
 - The EB-3 “other worker” category is now “Current”
 - The EB-4 category (including religious workers) is now “Current”
 - The EB-5 category is now “Current”
- If a category is “Current”, this means that immigrant visa numbers are available. Applicants can file in these categories during the month of October 2007. In addition, if applicants have already filed in these categories and their cases are approvable, an immigration officer can approve these cases and issue green cards.
- If a category has a cutoff date, then immigrant visa numbers are not available in those categories, unless the priority date for the case is earlier than the cutoff date listed in the particular category.

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