

Table 1. Distribution of Sub-Saharan African Immigrants by Country and Region of Origin, 2015

Region/Country	Number	Percent (%)
Sub-Saharan African Total	1,716,000	100.0
Eastern Africa	613,000	35.7
Ethiopia	229,000	13.3
Kenya	130,000	7.6
Somalia	89,000	5.2
Eritrea	39,000	2.3
Other Eastern Africa	126,000	7.3
Middle Africa	129,000	7.5
Cameroon	51,000	3.0
Other Middle Africa	77,000	4.5
Southern Africa	99,000	5.8
South Africa	94,000	5.5
Other Southern Africa	5,000	0.3
Western Africa	766,000	44.6
Nigeria	324,000	18.9
Ghana	156,000	9.1
Liberia	79,000	4.6
Cabo Verde	43,000	2.5
Sierra Leone	42,000	2.5
Other Western Africa	122,000	7.1
Africa, n.e.c.	110,000	6.4

Notes: Due to ACS data limitation, people shown in the “Africa, not else classified” (Africa, n.e.c.) category, who did not report their country of birth, were included in the sub-Saharan African foreign-born group though some may have been from North Africa. The 110,000 foreign born from the residual “Africa, n.e.c.” category accounted for 5 percent of the total 2.1 million African-born immigrants and for 6 percent of the 1.7 million sub-Saharan African-born immigrants. The formal name of Cape Verde was changed to Cabo Verde in 2013.

Source: Migration Policy Institute (MPI) tabulation of data from the U.S. Census Bureau 2015 ACS.

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