



U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services California Service Center Processing Dates Posted April 15, 2008

The processing times shown below are a tool for our customers to gauge our current processing times. When applications and petitions are completed within our target timeframes, that goal will be shown in the data display.

The processing times shown below are for applications that have just been completed. If you have just filed your application, these timeframes may not reflect how long your application will take to be completed. We encourage you to check this page periodically before inquiring about your case. The processing times are updated monthly.

USCIS has received a significant increase in the number of applications filed. In July and August, nearly 2.5 million applications and petitions of all types were received. This compares to 1.2 million applications and petitions received in the same time period last year. This fiscal year, we received 1.4 million applications for naturalization; nearly double the volume we received the year before. The agency is working to improve processes and focus increased resources, including hiring approximately 1,500 new employees, to address this workload.

As a result, average processing times for certain application types may be longer. In particular, naturalization applications filed after June 1, 2007 may take approximately 13-15 months to process.

We offer a variety of services after you file. For example, for most kinds of cases you can [check the status of your case online](#).

For more information about when and how to contact us, whether your case is outside our processing time or if there are other issues, please see our customer guide –

[Case Services - How do I... know what kind of services are available to me after I file my application or petition?](#)

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Form	Title	Classification or Basis for Filing	Processing Timeframe
I-90	Application to Replace Permanent Resident Card	Initial issuance or replacement	August 13, 2006
I-102	Application for Replacement/Initial Nonimmigrant Arrival/Departure Record	Initial issuance or replacement of a Form I-94	January 16, 2008
I-129	Petition for A Nonimmigrant Worker	H-1B - Specialty occupation - Visa to be issued abroad	February 15, 2008
I-129	Petition for A Nonimmigrant Worker	H-1B - Specialty occupation - Change of status in the U.S.	February 15, 2008
I-129	Petition for A Nonimmigrant Worker	H-1B - Specialty occupation - Extension of stay in the U.S.	February 15, 2008
I-129	Petition for A Nonimmigrant Worker	H-2A - Temporary workers	March 31, 2008

I-129	Petition for A Nonimmigrant Worker	H-2B - Other temporary workers	March 16, 2008
I-129	Petition for A Nonimmigrant Worker	H-3 - Temporary trainees	February 15, 2008
I-129	Petition for A Nonimmigrant Worker	E - Treaty traders and investors	February 15, 2008
I-129	Petition for A Nonimmigrant Worker	L - Intracompany transfers	March 16, 2008
I-129	Petition for A Nonimmigrant Worker	Blanket L	February 15, 2008
I-129	Petition for A Nonimmigrant Worker	O - Extraordinary ability	February 15, 2008
I-129	Petition for A Nonimmigrant Worker	P - Athletes, artists, and entertainers	February 15, 2008
I-129	Petition for A Nonimmigrant Worker	Q - Cultural exchange visitors and exchange visitors participating in the Irish Peace process	February 15, 2008
I-129	Petition for A Nonimmigrant Worker	R - Religious occupation	February 15, 2008
I-129	Petition for A Nonimmigrant Worker	TN - North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) professional	February 15, 2008
I-129F	Petition for Alien Fiance(e)	K-1/K-2 - Not yet married - fiance and/or dependent child	October 08, 2007
I-129F	Petition for Alien Fiance(e)	K-3/K-4 - Already married - spouse and/or dependent child	October 08, 2007
I-130	Petition for Alien Relative	U.S. citizen filing for a spouse, parent, or child under 21	August 19, 2007
I-130	Petition for Alien Relative	U.S. citizen filing for an unmarried son or daughter over 21	January 17, 2003
I-130	Petition for Alien Relative	U.S. citizen filing for a married son or daughter over 21	April 30, 2001
I-130	Petition for Alien Relative	U.S. citizen filing for a brother or sister	April 30, 2001
I-130	Petition for Alien Relative	Permanent resident filling for a spouse or child under 21	January 01, 2005
I-130	Petition for Alien Relative	Permanent resident filling for an unmarried son or daughter over 21	February 07, 2005
I-131	Application for Travel Document	All other applicants for advance parole	September 14, 2007
I-212	Application for Permission to Reapply for Admission into the U.S. After Deportation or Removal	Readmission after deportation or removal	October 18, 2007
I-360	Petition for Amerasian, Widow(er), or Special Immigrant	All other special immigrants	September 08, 2007
I-485	Application to Register Permanent Residence or to Adjust Status	Employment-based adjustment applications	October 18, 2007
I-526	Immigrant Petition By Alien Entrepreneur	For use by an entrepreneur who wishes to immigrate to the United States	September 13, 2007

I-539	Application to Extend/Change Nonimmigrant Status	Change of status to H or L dependents	January 16, 2008
I-539	Application to Extend/Change Nonimmigrant Status	Change status to the F or M academic or vocational student categories	January 16, 2008
I-539	Application to Extend/Change Nonimmigrant Status	Change Status to the J exchange visitor category	January 16, 2008
I-539	Application to Extend/Change Nonimmigrant Status	All other change of status applications	January 16, 2008
I-539	Application to Extend/Change Nonimmigrant Status	Extension of stay for H and L dependents	January 16, 2008
I-539	Application to Extend/Change Nonimmigrant Status	Extension of Stay for F or M academic or vocational students	January 16, 2008
I-539	Application to Extend/Change Nonimmigrant Status	Extension of Stay for J exchange visitors	January 16, 2008
I-539	Application to Extend/Change Nonimmigrant Status	All other extension applications	January 16, 2008
I-612	Application for Waiver of the Foreign Residence Requirement	Application for a waiver of the 2-year foreign residence requirement based on exceptional hardship or persecution	June 02, 2007
I-751	Petition to Remove the Conditions on Residence	Removal of lawful permanent resident conditions (spouses of U.S. citizens and lawful permanent residents)	October 18, 2007
I-765	Application for Employment Authorization	Based on a request by a qualified F-1 academic student. [(c)(3)]	January 29, 2008
I-765	Application for Employment Authorization	Based on a pending asylum application [(c)(8)]	March 16, 2008
I-765	Application for Employment Authorization	Based on a pending I-485 adjustment application [(c)(9)]	January 29, 2008
I-765	Application for Employment Authorization	Based on TPS for Honduras/Nicaragua [(c)(19), (a)(12)]	January 29, 2008
I-765	Application for Employment Authorization	Based on TPS for El Salvador [(c)(19)(a)(12)]	January 29, 2008
I-765	Application for Employment Authorization	All other applications for employment authorization	January 29, 2008
I-817	Application for Family Unity Benefits	Voluntary departure under the family unity program	July 08, 2007
I-824	Application for Action on an Approved Application or Petition	To request further action on an approved application or petition	October 18, 2007
I-829	Petition by Entrepreneur to Remove Conditions	Removal of lawful permanent resident conditions (immigrant investors)	October 18, 2007
I-829	Petition by Entrepreneur to Remove Conditions	Removal of lawful permanent resident conditions (immigrant investors) based on PL107-273	September 10, 1997

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