







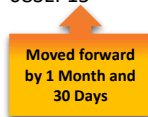




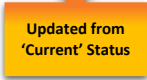

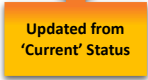
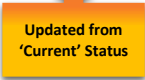
May 2023 Visa Bulletin Updates on Employment-Based and Family-Sponsored Preference Cases

I. Employment-Based Visa

A. MAY 2023 FINAL ACTION DATES FOR EMPLOYMENT-BASED PREFERENCE CASES CHART:

Employment-based	All Chargeability Areas Except Those Listed	CHINA-Mainland born	INDIA	MEXICO	PHILIPPINES
1 st	C	01FEB22	01FEB22	C	C
2 nd	15FEB22 	08JUN19	01JAN11	15FEB22 	15FEB22 
3 rd	01JUN22 	01APR19 	15JUN12	01JUN22 	01JUN22 
Other Workers	01JAN20	15APR15 	15JUN12	01JAN20	01JAN20
4 th	01SEP18	01SEP18	01SEP18	01SEP18	01SEP18
Certain Religious Workers	01SEP18	01SEP18	01SEP18	01SEP18	01SEP18
5 th Unreserved (Including C5, T5, I5, R5)	C	08SEP15 	01JUN18	C	C
5 th Set Aside: Rural (20%)	C	C	C	C	C
5 th Set Aside: High Unemployment (10%)	C	C	C	C	C
5 th Set Aside: Infrastructure (2%)	C	C	C	C	C

B. MAY 2023 DATES FOR FILING OF EMPLOYMENT-BASED VISA APPLICATIONS CHART:

Employment-based	All Chargeability Areas Except Those Listed	CHINA- Mainland born	INDIA	MEXICO	PHILIPPINES
1 st	C	01JUN22	01JUN22	C	C
2 nd	01DEC22	08JUL19	01MAY12	01DEC22	01DEC22
3 rd	01MAY23 	01JUN19 	01AUG12	01MAY23 	01MAY23 
Other Workers	01FEB20	01NOV15	01AUG12	01FEB20	01FEB20
4 th	01OCT18	01OCT18	01OCT18	01OCT18	01OCT18
Certain Religious Workers	01OCT18	01OCT18	01OCT18	01OCT18	01OCT18
5 th Unreserved (Including C5, T5, I5, R5)	C	01JAN16	08DEC19	C	C
5 th Set Aside: (Rural - 20%)	C	C	C	C	C
5 th Set Aside: (High Unemployment - 10%)	C	C	C	C	C
5 th Set Aside: (Infrastructure - 2%)	C	C	C	C	C

As seen in the marked visa bulletin charts above, here are the major updates on the May 2023 Visa Bulletin:

A. For final action dates for employment-based preference cases:

- The final action date for applications from all chargeability areas (except those listed) under the '2nd' category was moved backwards by 4 Months and 16 Days.
- The final action date for applications from Mexico under the '2nd' category was moved backwards by 4 Months and 16 Days.
- The final action date for applications from the Philippines under the '2nd' category was moved backwards by 4 Months and 16 Days.
- The final action date for applications from all chargeability areas (except those listed) under the '3rd' category was updated from 'Current' Status to '01JUN22.'
- The final action date for applications from mainland China under the '3rd' category was moved forward by 5 Months.
- The final action date for applications from Mexico under the '3rd' category was updated from 'Current' Status to '01JUN22.'
- The final action date for applications from the Philippines under the '3rd' category was updated from 'Current' Status to '01JUN22.'
- The final action date for applications from mainland China under the 'Other Workers' category was moved forward by 6 Months and 14 Days.

- The final action date for applications from mainland China under the '5th Unreserved' category was moved forward by 1 Month and 30 Days.

B. For dates for filing of employment-based visa applications:




- The date for filing of applications from all chargeability areas (except those listed) under the '3rd' category was updated from 'Current' Status to '01MAY23.'
- The date for filing of applications from mainland China under the '3rd' category was moved forward by 4 Months.
- The date for filing of applications from Mexico under the '3rd' category was updated from 'Current' Status to '01MAY23.'
- The date for filing of applications from the Philippines under the '3rd' category was updated from 'Current' Status to '01MAY23.'

II. Family-Sponsored Visa

A. MAY 2023 FINAL ACTION DATES FOR FAMILY-SPONSORED PREFERENCE CASES CHART:

Family-Sponsored	All Chargeability Areas Except Those Listed	CHINA- Mainland born	INDIA	MEXICO	PHILIPPINES
F1	15DEC14 	15DEC14 	15DEC14 	01APR01	01MAR12
F2A	08SEP20	08SEP20	08SEP20	01NOV18	08SEP20
F2B	22SEP15	22SEP15	22SEP15	01JUN01	22OCT11
F3	08DEC08 	08DEC08 	08DEC08 	01NOV97	08JUN02
F4	08APR07 	08APR07 	15SEP05	01AUG00	22AUG02

B. MAY 2023 DATES FOR FILING OF FAMILY-SPONSORED PREFERENCE CASES CHART:

Family-Sponsored	All Chargeability Areas Except Those Listed	CHINA- Mainland born	INDIA	MEXICO	PHILIPPINES
F1	01JAN17 	01JAN17 	01JAN17 	01DEC02	22APR15
F2A	C	C	C	C	C
F2B	01JAN17	01JAN17	01JAN17	01JAN02	01OCT13
F3	08FEB10 	08FEB10 	08FEB10 	15JUN01	08NOV03
F4	01FEB08	01FEB08 	22FEB06	01APR01	22APR04

As seen in the marked visa bulletin charts above, here are the major updates on the May 2023 Visa Bulletin:

A. For final action dates for family-sponsored preference cases:

- The final action date for applications from all chargeability areas (except those listed) under the 'F1' category was moved forward by 14 Days.
- The final action date for applications from mainland China under the 'F1' category was moved forward by 14 Days.

- The final action date for applications from India under the 'F1' category was moved forward by 14 Days.
- The final action date for applications from all chargeability areas (except those listed) under the 'F3' category was moved forward by 16 Days.
- The final action date for applications from mainland China under the 'F3' category was moved forward by 16 Days.
- The final action date for applications from India under the 'F3' category was moved forward by 16 Days.
- The final action date for applications from all chargeability areas (except those listed) under the 'F4' category was moved forward by 16 Days.
- The final action date for applications from mainland China under the 'F4' category was moved forward by 16 Days.

B. Dates for filing of family-sponsored preference cases:

- The dates for filing of applications from all chargeability areas (except those listed) under the 'F1' category was moved forward by 4 Months and 24 Days.
- The dates for filing of applications from mainland China under the 'F1' category was moved forward by 4 Months and 24 Days.
- The dates for filing of applications from India under the 'F1' category was moved forward by 4 Months and 24 Days.
- The dates for filing of applications from all chargeability areas (except those listed) under the 'F3' category was moved forward by 3 Months.
- The dates for filing of applications from mainland China under the 'F3' category was moved forward by 3 Months.
- The dates for filing of applications from India under the 'F3' category was moved forward by 3 Months.
- The dates for filing of applications from all chargeability areas (except those listed) under the 'F4' category was moved forward by 1 Month and 17 Days.
- The dates for filing of applications from mainland China under the 'F4' category was moved forward by 1 Month and 17 Days.

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