

NUMBER OF THAI WORKERS WORKING OVERSEAS BY COUNTRIES, 1997-2000

COUNTRY	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002
Saudi Arabia	18,835	18,587	18,466	18,147	18,087	17,800
Israel	27,688	23,630	24,797	21,705	21,238	24,540
Qatar	2,613	2,266	1,731	1,238	1,177	2,538
Bahrain	469	605	725	727	740	657
United Arab Emirates	1,798	2,150	2,840	3,295	3,428	3,394
Oman	645	608	517	443	589	512
Kuwait	1,895	1,990	1,898	1,780	1,912	2,010
Others in Middle-East	253	291	319	432	639	482
Total in Middle-East	54,196	50,127	51,293	47,768	47,810	51,933
Libya	3,168	2,846	3,017	2,766	2,385	2,600
Others in Africa	386	548	813	847	902	1,457
Total in Africa	3,554	3,394	3,830	3,614	3,287	4,057
Malaysia	38,223	37,916	46,764	57,839	43,439	35,153
Singapore	37,371	36,831	43,621	49,168	46,071	34,755
Brunei	38,785	33,469	23,576	16,531	16,940	14,335
Hong Kong	8,261	8,686	9,028	9,367	10,214	8,972
Japan	37,142	37,815	32,959	27,212	26,932	25,435
Taiwan	197,609	208,099	221,983	222,314	197,952	144,273
Korea	10,449	10,666	11,093	12,913	12,208	11,321
Others in Asia	5,008	6,280	5,649	4,828	4,350	4,503
Total in Asia	372,848	379,762	394,673	400,173	358,106	278,747
U.S.A. / Saipan	1,676	2,646	2,966	2,757	3,264	3,278
England	185	226	268	366	625	896
Germany	494	850	1,064	709	618	607
Australia	66	109	166	178	139	76
Italy	270	830	970	517	490	377
Others	1,289	3,033	4,077	3,999	4,047	3,467
Total in others	3,980	7,693	9,511	8,525	9,183	8,701
Grand Total	434,578	440,975	459,307	460,079	418,386	343,438

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