

Open Doors 2008 Report on International Educational Exchange
Institute of International Education

International Student Mobility by Region - MIDDLE EAST 2007/08

The number of students from the Middle East in the U.S. increased by 10.9% in 2007/08 to 24,755 students.

<u>Place of Origin</u>	<u>2007/08</u>	<u>% UG</u>	<u>% Change</u>
Bahrain	394	67.0	0.5
Iran	3060	18.3	9.5
Iraq	307	28.3	17.2
Israel	3004	34.3	-8.1
Jordan	1799	27.4	4.2
Kuwait	1823	66.6	11.6
Lebanon	1807	33.0	-2.4
Oman	361	42.4	42.1
Palestinian Authority	249	59.8	-31.0
Qatar	345	74.5	16.6
Saudi Arabia	9873	58.5	25.2
Syria	517	37.5	11.9
United Arab Emirates	983	59.5	11.1
Yemen	233	51.1	-6.0

U.S. Study Abroad: 2,764 U.S. students studied abroad in the Middle East in 2006/07, a 6.9% increase over the previous year.

<u>Top 10 Destinations</u>	<u>2006/07</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>% of Total U.S.</u>
	<u>Total</u>	<u>Change</u>	<u>Study Abroad</u>
Israel	2,226	12.4	0.92
Jordan	231	-25.2	0.10
United Arab Emirates	173	18.5	0.07
Bahrain	33	3200.0	0.01
Yemen	24	500.0	0.01
Oman	21	-8.7	0.009
Syria	21	-46.2	0.009
Lebanon	14	-69.6	0.006
Palestinian Authority	7	-72.0	0.003
Iraq	5	-	0.002