









## Open Doors 2011 Regional Fact Sheet: Middle East and North Africa

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Institute of International Education International Student Mobility by Region

The number of students from the Middle East in the U.S. increased by 25.9% in 2010/11 to 42,543 students, while the number of students from North Africa increased by 9.7% to 5,420 students.

The total number of students from this region increased 23.8% to 47,963 students.

Place of Origin	2010/11 Total	% Undergraduate	% Change
Bahrain	409	71.1	-1.4
Iran	5,626	7.6	18.9
Iraq	616	30.8	45.6
Israel	2,701	29.2	-2.8
Jordan	2,002	29.4	0.4
Kuwait	2,998	61.6	22.8
Lebanon	1,462	30.0	-9.1
Oman	313	61.3	9.4
Palestinian Territories	331	44.1	8.9
Qatar	716	78.6	8.0
Saudi Arabia	22,704	48.2	43.6
Syria	526	30.6	24.1
United Arab Emirates	1,871	57.2	13.2
Yemen	268	54.9	1.1
Middle East Total	42,543	41.8	25.9
Algeria	158	41.1	-11.2
Egypt	2,181	26.1	-4.0
Libya	1,494	14.8	40.4
Morocco	1,201	52.9	7.2
Tunisia	386	38.3	25.3
North Africa Total	5,420	30.2	9.7
Middle East and North Africa Total	47,963	40.5	23.8

U.S. Study Abroad: 4,959 students from the United States studied abroad in the Middle East in 2009/10, a 35.1% increase over the previous year, while 3,322 U.S. students studied abroad in North Africa, a 19.7% increase over the previous year.

A total of 8,281 students from the United States studied abroad in the region in 2009/10, a 28.5% increase over the previous year.

Destinations	2008/09 Total	2009/10 Total	% Change
Bahrain	26	31	19.2
Iran	3	2	-33.3
Iraq	0	2	-
Israel	1,958	3,146	60.7
Jordan	483	745	54.2
Kuwait	25	30	20.0
Lebanon	44	86	95.5
Oman	27	48	77.8
Palestinian Territories	8	27	237.5
Qatar	70	84	20.0
Saudi Arabia	26	14	-46.2
Syria	35	104	197.1
United Arab Emirates	955	634	-33.6
Yemen	10	6	-40.0
Middle East Total	3,670	4,959	35.1
Egypt	1,781	1,923	8.0
Morocco	865	1,257	45.3
Tunisia	130	141	8.5
Algeria	0	1	-
North Africa Total	2,776	3,322	19.7
Middle East and North Africa Total	6,446	8,281	28.5

Note: U.S. study abroad figures from *Open Doors* reflect credit given by U.S. campuses during the survey year to their students who studied abroad in the academic year just completed, including the summer term. U.S. study abroad in 2010/11 will be reported in *Open Doors 2012*, once credit is awarded by the home campus.