









## Open Doors 2012 Regional Fact Sheet: Middle East and North Africa

Open Doors 2012 Report on International Educational Exchange
Institute of International Education International Student Mobility by Region

The number of students from the Middle East in the U.S. increased by 33.2% in 2011/12 to 56,664 students, while the number of students from North Africa increased by 0.7% to 5,456 students.

The total number of students from this region increased 29.5% to 62,120students.

Place of Origin	2011/12 Total	% Undergraduate	% Change
Bahrain	438	69.9	7.1
Iran	6,982	6.5	24.1
Iraq	809	20.0	31.3
Israel	2,490	30.5	-7.8
Jordan	2,062	28.6	3
Kuwait	3,722	66.3	24.1
Lebanon	1,350	25.5	-7.7
Oman	538	36.2	71.9
Palestinian Territories	331	36.6	0
Qatar	979	78.8	36.7
Saudi Arabia	34,139	42.0	50.4
Syria	458	36.5	-12.9
United Arab Emirates	2,097	68.2	12.1
Yemen	269	54.6	0.4
Middle East Total	56,664	39.3	33.2
Algeria	177	42.9	12
Egypt	2,201	27.6	0.9
Libya	1,328	10.8	-11.1
Morocco	1,305	54.6	8.7
Tunisia	445	39.3	15.3
North Africa Total	5,456	31.4	0.7
Middle East and North Africa Total	62,120	30.1	29.5

U.S. Study Abroad: 4,997 students from the United States studied abroad in the Middle East in 2010/11, a 0.8% increase over the previous year, while 2,209 U.S. students studied abroad in North Africa, a 33.5% decrease over the previous year.

A total of 7,206 students from the United States studied abroad in the region in 2010/11, a 13.0% decrease over the previous year.

Destinations	2009/10 Total	2010/11 Total	% Change
Bahrain	31	16	-48.4
Iran	2	1	-50
Iraq	2	1	-50
Israel	3,146	3441	9.4
Jordan	745	731	-1.9
Kuwait	30	30	0
Lebanon	86	117	36
Oman	48	36	-25
Palestinian Territories	27	15	-44.4
Qatar	84	67	-20.2
Saudi Arabia	14	18	28.6
Syria	104	50	-51.9
United Arab Emirates	634	474	-25.2
Yemen	6	0	-100
Middle East Total	4,959	4,997	0.8
Algeria	1	1	0
Egypt	1,923	1,096	-43
Morocco	1,257	1,038	-17.4
Tunisia	141	74	-47.5
North Africa Total	3,322	2,209	-33.5
Middle East and North Africa Total	8,281	7,206	-13.0

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 2011/12 will be reported in *Open Doors 2013*, once credit is awarded by the home campus.