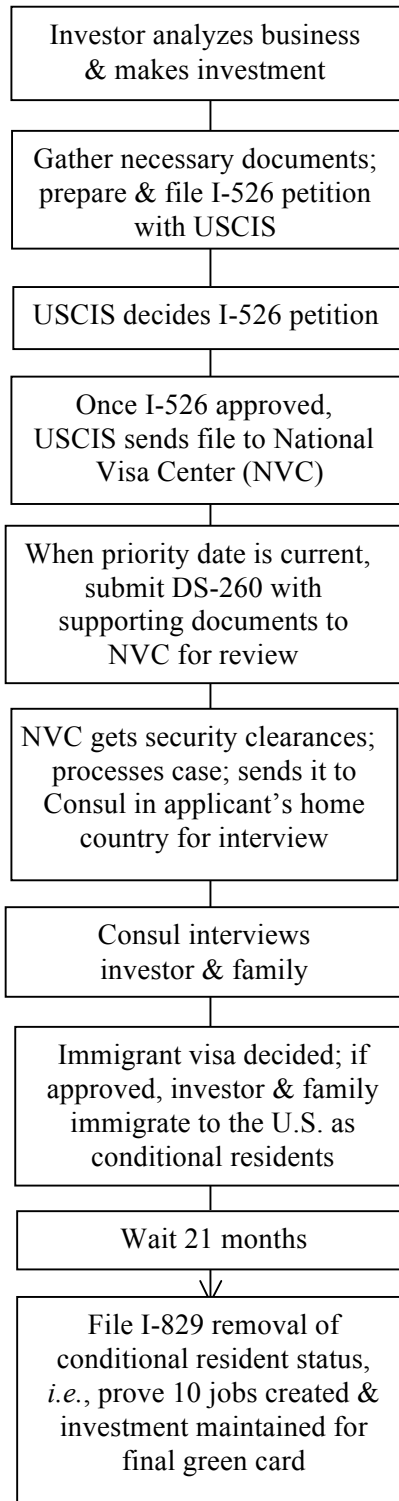


Your Guide to the EB-5 Process

Here is a step-by-step flowchart explaining the EB-5 immigrant visa (green card) process via an American Consul. Contact Martin J. Lawler for time estimates for each step.

The EB-5 immigrant investor category allows a person and his or her dependent family members to get a green card (*i.e.*, live permanently in the U.S.) by investing in the U.S. and creating or saving 10 U.S. jobs. The minimum amount of money to invest is \$500,000 (soon to be \$800,000) if invested in a high unemployment or rural area. Otherwise, you must invest at least \$1,000,000 (soon to be \$1,200,000).

Most invest in limited partnerships called regional centers, and the investment amount including their fee is \$535,000 to \$560,000. People can also create their own businesses. EB-5 immigration takes 2 to 3 years in most cases.



EB-5 Green Card Statistics

2014: 9,228
2013: 8,567
2012: 7,641
2011: 3,463
2010: 1,885
2009: 4,218
2008: 1,443
2007: 793

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