

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT-RELATED STATS & FACTS

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS FACTS:

- **Over one million** international students and scholars study in the US each year. (That's the population of Rhode Island!) [Reference](#)
- **Future world leaders**—study in the US. Including Kofi Annan (former UN Secretary General), Ellen Johnson Sirleaf (Nobel Peace Prize winner and Liberian president), Mohamed Morsi (former Egyptian president), & Sayyid Qutb ("father" of Islamic fundamentalism). Their influence could be for good or for bad.
- **~70%** of int'l students will **never enter an American home**. [Reference](#)
- Nearly **40 percent** of international students do not have close American friends. [Reference](#)
- **Nearly all int'l students** are from the **10/40 window** (region with most un- or under-evangelized)¹ or belong to an **unreached people group** (<2% Christian)²
- Top 3 sending countries are China, India, & Saudi Arabia. Other top contenders include Taiwan, Japan, Vietnam, Turkey, Nepal, Iran, & Kuwait. [Reference](#)

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GLOBAL STATS:

- More than **4 out of 7** people in the world are unreached [Reference](#)
- **2/3 of the world** are made up of predominantly non-Christian people groups, but **only 1 of 4 Christian workers/ missionaries** work in a pioneering ministry amongst **non-Christian people groups** (*Perspectives on the World Christian Movement, 3rd ed., p. 522*).
- **85%** of all Muslims, Hindus, and Buddhists do not have a personal relationship with a Christian. [Reference](#)
- A Japanese is **30x more likely** to become a Christian outside of Japan than in Japan ([JCFN unpublished/unofficial study results](#))

INTERVARSITY STATS:

- **At least HALF** of the international students in InterVarsity are NOT in designated ISM chapters. (That's ~2,500).
- For every ISM chapter, there are **19+ "non-ISM"** chapters (50 ISM chapters out of 1000+ InterVarsity chapters) [Reference](#)
- **Approximately HALF** of all "non-ISM" chapters do not have core int'l student involvement.

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¹ **10/40 Window:** The general area between latitudes 10° & 40° and the Atlantic & Pacific Oceans where **more than 2/3 of the world's under-evangelized** population live. Of the ~ 1.6 billion who have never had a chance to hear the Gospel, over 95% reside in the 10/40 window (*Perspectives, p. 543*).

² **Unreached People Groups:** A **people group** is an ethno-linguistic group with a common self-identity shared by its members. For strategic purposes it is the largest group within which the Gospel can spread without encountering barriers of understanding or acceptance. A people group is **considered unreached** when there is no indigenous community of believing Christians able to engage the group with church planting and less than 2% of the population is Christian. (peoplegroups.org)