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## Massachusetts hand-dryer maker gets helping hand from U.S.-China trade war



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EAST LONGMEADOW, Mass. (Reuters) - The U.S.-China trade war is creating something William Gagnon once thought impossible - a 100% American-made bathroom hand dryer.

Excel Dryer vice president of marketing and key accounts, Bill Gagnon, works at the factory in East Longmeadow, Massachusetts, U.S., October 25, 2019. REUTERS/Tim Aeppel Gagnon's family-owned company, Excel Dryer Inc, sells about \$40 million worth of dryers a year that mostly go into public bathrooms, including at airports and casinos as well as at Starbucks Corp (SBUX.O) and Walmart Inc (WMT.N) stores across the United States.

The Western Massachusetts company uses parts made in the United States at its 50-employee factory, except for the motors and electronic controllers at their core. They long sought a domestic supplier for those items, but nobody could beat China's low prices. Until now.

One challenge for manufacturers who want to produce Made in USA products is that their supply chains, especially for things like electronics and motors, have migrated overseas in search of cheaper alternatives - something the Trump administration vowed to address with tariffs.

But pulling supply chains back to the United States is proving hard to do. Many U.S. factories, including the Apple Inc (AAPL.O) plant in Texas that President Donald Trump

recently toured, have instead scrambled to obtain tariff exemptions for key imported parts. Other producers are simply shifting to buying key parts from other low-cost producers in Asia, sidestepping the tariffs.

Excel's new motors are a rare example of a tariff success.

Within a few months, Excel will roll out its first all-American dryers, said Gagnon, with motors and controllers built by a company in Tennessee.

"We'd actually be willing to pay a little more for U.S.-made," but due to the tariffs and the reduced cost of shipping from a domestic factory, the parts will end up costing less, he said, pointing to a prototype of a motor and controller on the table in front of him.

Tariffs implemented by the Trump administration pushed up the cost of Excel's Chinese parts by 25% last year and, like many small companies, Excel lacked the resources to invest in seeking an exemption in Washington. Instead, the company viewed it as an opportunity. It was already working on upgrading its motor designs, making changes that among other things will quadruple the life of the machines.

Average retail prices for Excel's dryers range from \$400 to \$700 per unit. The global hand dryer business is sur-

prisingly competitive, with the U.S. market still dominated by paper towels.

This is one reason a sign above Excel's office door bears the slogan "Time to Throw in the Towel."

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The United States imported \$11.5 million worth of hand dryers in 2018, the vast majority from China, according to U.S. Census Bureau data. As tariffs have kicked in, U.S. imports of hand dryers from China have edged down - declining nearly 9% since 2016 - while imports from Spain and Japan have increased.

"We hope that more customers will be like this - once they see the total cost involved," said Adam Finch, director of engineering at the Fairview, Tennessee, factory that will produce the new motor. Finch's plant is part of the Scott Fetzer Co, which is owned by Berkshire Hathaway (BRKa.N). Finch said many customers come to him because they want a small number of motors made - which is easier to do at a domestic plant - or if they are developing a new device that will be offshore to save money once it is perfected. In the case of Excel, the work will flow the other way: the Tennessee factory is in the process of moving tooling from China to the United States as it gears up production for Excel.

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# China's English proficiency scale links to TOEFL

BEIJING, Dec. 11 (Xinhua) -- An examination institution affiliated with China's Ministry of Education and the U.S.-based Educational Testing Service (ETS) Wednesday jointly released the results of their collaborative research on linking TOEFL iBT to China's Standards of English Language Ability (CSE).

The research results show the cutoff scores of the TOEFL iBT test mapped to CSE levels, according to a statement issued by the ministry's National Education Examinations Authority (NEEA) and the ETS.

According to the results, a total score of 87 in the

TOEFL iBT test is equivalent to CSE level 7, while a total score of 101 is equivalent to CSE level 8.

"The research will help Chinese students, schools and test-takers understand the requirements and scores of the international examination and be better prepared," said Yu Han, deputy head of the NEEA.

The TOEFL iBT test measures learners' four skills of reading, listening, speaking and writing in English at the university level, with a total score ranging between 0 and 120.

The CSE, the first full-range English proficiency scale

designed for Chinese English learners and users, was released by authorities in February 2018. It categorizes the ability of Chinese English learners into nine proficiency levels across the three broad stages of basic, intermediate and advanced. The collaborative research focuses on CSE levels 4 to 8.

## 8 more countries set up Confucius institutes or classrooms in 2019

CHANGSHA, Dec. 11 (Xinhua) -- Eight countries have established their inaugural Confucius Institutes or classrooms in 2019, according to an international conference.

These countries are Haiti, the Central African Republic, Chad, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, the Commonwealth of Dominica, the Democratic Republic of Timor-Leste, the Maldives and Saudi Arabia, according to the 2019 International Chinese Language Education Conference that ended Tuesday in central China's Hunan Province.

With these countries included, a total of 162 countries and regions have established 550 Confucius Institutes and 1,172 Confucius classrooms.

In 2019, 27 new Confucius Institutes and 66 Confucius classrooms have been set up.

These language programs serve as a bridge for deeper understanding, communication and cooperation around the world, said Chinese Vice Minister of Education Tian Xuejun at the closing ceremony of the conference.

## China's gene-sequencing giant BGI to join UAE genome project

SHENZHEN, Dec. 11 (Xinhua) -- China's top gene-sequencing provider BGI will participate in the Genome Program, which aims to use genomic data to improve health outcomes in the United Arab Emirates (UAE), the company announced Wednesday.

The program plans to use large-scale genomic data to establish a health care system with predictable, preventative and individual-based medical treatment for the UAE people, according to the Shenzhen-based company.

It will be executed and delivered by the Abu Dhabi-based tech giant Group 42 in collaboration with companies including BGI.

BGI's technology, sequencing equipment and analytic capability stood out from the competition and will provide core technological support for the program, said Wang Jian, chairman of BGI.

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## Trump Lowering The Number Of Refugees Permitted Into U.S. To 18,000



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(Photo/AFP via Getty Images)

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The Trump administration is proposing to cut the number of refugees permitted to resettle in the U.S. next year to just 18,000 — down from a record-low of 30,000 last year, according to a State Department press release on Thursday.

**Why it matters:** The administration also plans to prioritize refugees who have been persecuted for religious beliefs, Iraqis who have helped the U.S. overseas, and legitimate refugees from Northern Triangle countries, per the release. This would be the fourth time the Trump administration lowered the refugee cap, and it had reportedly discussed lowering it to zero. There are more displaced people in the world today than at any point since World War II, according to the United Nations.

In addition, Trump issued an Executive Order on Thursday evening instructing

the federal government to resettle refugees only in jurisdictions where state and local governments have consented to receive those refugees, with "limited exceptions."



Acting Homeland Security Secretary Kevin McAleenan said in a statement that the new refugee cap will allow DHS "to focus on addressing the ongoing crisis at the southern border, reducing a staggering asylum backlog that unfairly delays relief for those with meritorious claims..."

**Between the lines:** The asylum system and high number of applicants was also mentioned in the State Department press release. Advocates for cutting the refugee cap often argue that the high numbers of asylum seekers the U.S. allows compensates for cutting the refugee cap — both forms of humanitarian protection for those who have been forced to flee their home nations.

"The current burdens on the U.S. immigration system must be alleviated before it is again possible to resettle large number of refugees," the press release said. Jared Kushner has also argued that the money spent on bringing refugees into the U.S. would be better spent helping countries already hosting refugees.

The big picture: Trump has made it more difficult for victims and refugees to find help in the U.S.

His administration has repeatedly tried to thwart asylum seekers through new regulations.

Denial rates for visas intended for victims of crime or human trafficking have risen.

The administration has also ended Temporary Protected Status (TPS) for hundreds of thousands of immigrants from nations such as El Salvador, Haiti, Sudan and Nicaragua — although the courts have kept the protected status alive for now.

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**Millions of immigrant files physically stored in underground Missouri cave**  
Officials are trying to carry out President Trump's months-old directive demanding that sponsors of immigrants pay the government for the costs when those immigrants used certain public benefits. But to tabulate that, they have to go through a cave in Missouri.

  
Acting Director of U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS)

**Ken Cuccinelli. Photo: Chen Meng-tong/China News Service/Visual China Group via Getty Images**

**The bottom line:** The majority of those immigration files — including sponsors' information — are located on physical sheets of paper often stored in a large, underground facility in Kansas City's limestone caves, multiple current and former government officials tell Axios.

"The cave stores more than 20 million immigration files, and we add 1.5 million new files every year," a U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) Facebook post from 2014 says.

**The state of play:** An interagency working group has had monthly calls with the White House to work out a system, an administration official tells Axios. But

it's proved a complicated — if not impossible — task.

"An alien's file could be hundreds of pages long," the official said. "It's almost comical."

**USCIS' former chief counsel**, Ur Jaddou, said the agency has databases with some immigrant data points, and it has digitized a handful of forms — but there is no simple way to find an immigrant's sponsor.

•Family-based visas — one of the most common visas requiring sponsors — are handled entirely on paper, another former USCIS official said.

**The response:** A spokesperson said USCIS is continuing to work on digitizing records. (Courtesy axios.com)

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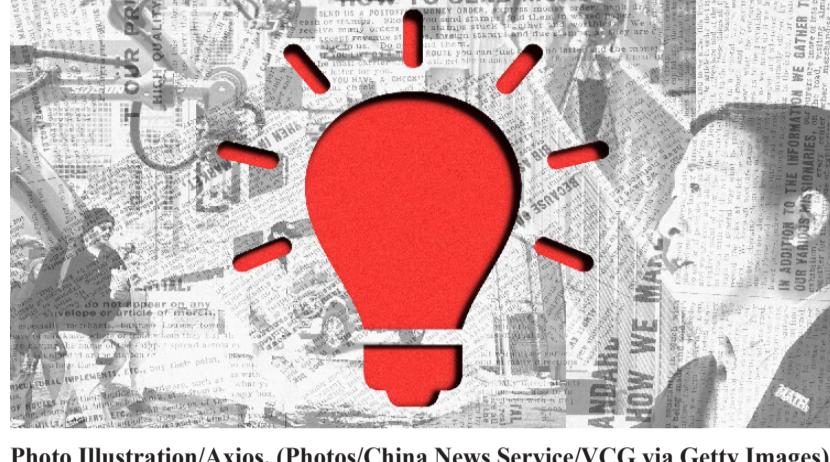


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• Billionaire Michael Bloomberg, who officially announced his candidacy on Sunday, has spent \$500 million in recent years on global climate-related efforts, and in June he committed another \$500 million for a Beyond Carbon initiative.

**The big picture:** The impacts of climate change, like more intense wildfires and more severe flooding, are increasing in frequency. Meanwhile, ways to solve the problem, like renewable energy, are becoming more affordable, even while the science increasingly says the problem is growing more dire.

• These developments taken together are

making climate change a tangible issue for broader swaths of the population than in the past — so it's permeating our politics in new and forceful ways.

**Between the lines:** Multiple surveys of public opinion show Americans' growing concern about climate change being driven almost entirely by Democrats.

• Democrats are looking to clamp down significantly on fossil fuels and enact ever-more aggressive and expensive plans, embodied by rhetoric surrounding the Green New Deal.



**Where it stands:** Trump mocks and rejects mainstream climate-change science and is repealing virtually everything predecessor Barack Obama's administration did on the matter.

• Trump will attack the ultimate Democratic nominee's climate change plan as radical, while that person will attack the president for denying science. Don't expect an inch of common ground.

**But, but, but:** Climate change is unlikely to be the top issue for most voters in 2020.

• The complexity and decades-long nature of this problem makes it uniquely ill-suited for politics operating on two- to six-year cycles and makes it unlikely to ever be the top priority for any sizable portion of the population.

• More imminent concerns, like health care and the economy, will almost always win out with most voters.

**The bottom line:** That all said, we're entering a new high-water mark for climate change and its political saliency. (Courtesy axios.com)

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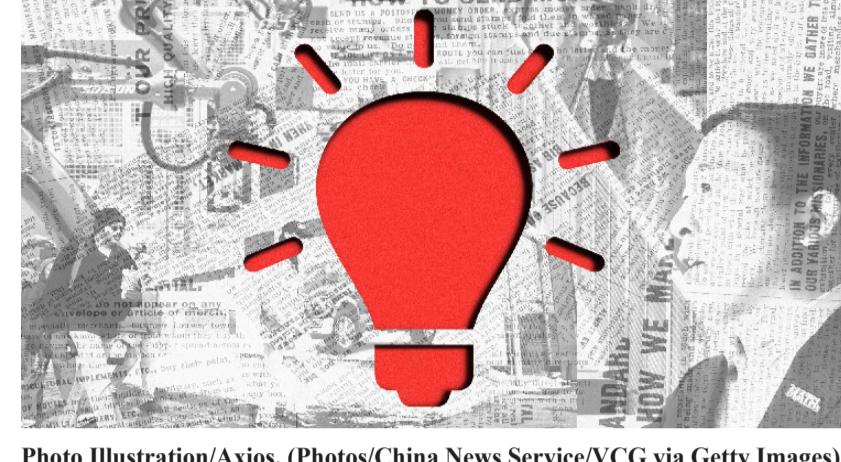


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• Billionaire Michael Bloomberg, who officially announced his candidacy on Sunday, has spent \$500 million in recent years on global climate-related efforts, and in June he committed another \$500 million for a Beyond Carbon initiative.

**The big picture:** The impacts of climate change, like more intense wildfires and more severe flooding, are increasing in frequency. Meanwhile, ways to solve the problem, like renewable energy, are becoming more affordable, even while the science increasingly says the problem is growing more dire.

• These developments taken together are

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# 2019-2020，现在可能是移民加拿大的黄金时期

都说现在是加拿大移民的黄金时期，并非虚言。

在其他传统移民国家都在收紧移民政策时，只有加拿大在大力引进移民，宣布了三年百万移民计划，欢迎申请者移民这个国家。2019年末，加拿大新移民部长上任后颁布的多项利好政策，也足以说明加拿大政府对于吸纳新移民的意向强烈。

加拿大新任移民部长：Marco Mendicino，上任后移民政策利好包括：增加移民人数、申请入籍630加币免除、启动“市政提名计划”，帮助加拿大偏远地区、AIPP大西洋试点项目成为永久性项目。

近期，杰圣各项加国移民项目喜讯不断，除了每天收到大量取签新、提名纸之外，更是创造了同一天十余名亲友获得体检信的战绩。这也从一定程度说明目前加国审理速度的状态良好，进入了一个最佳时期。

加拿大大规模引进移民其实是有很深的原因的，那就是加拿大这个国家实在是太缺人了！迫切的希望海外人士来到加拿大，让移民申请者在当地过上想要生活的同时，也让加拿大这个国家看起来更加的有活力。

不过，加拿大接收移民也不是全无条件，近些年来随着申请人数的增加，要求也逐渐增高，例如增加了英语要求，一步到位改为工签等，因此，如果现在符合条件，不妨抓住机会，免得之后后悔莫及。

加拿大到底有多缺人？

直白的说可能不足以解释。不妨来看加拿大移民中心公布的一组数据：

到2035年，25%的加拿大人会超过65岁，500万人将退休。工作人员和退休人员比例变为2:1。

就出生率方面而言，加拿大同样不容乐观，必须要未雨绸缪。目前，加拿大出生率为1.6，世界排名第181。

而根据权威机构给出的数字表明，若想保持人口的稳定和自然更替，生育率必须达到2.1。如此看来，加拿大的出生率距离这个还有比较遥远的距离，单纯靠着出生率恐怕是难以解决人口不断萎缩的局面了。

所以，加拿大大力引进移民的做法就显得无可厚非了。

同时加拿大移民局还预计，到2035年，几乎净增人口都是移民。那时候每年需要新增35万移民才能满足劳动力需求。

看到这里，足以知道加拿大这个国家对移民有多渴望了吧。

加拿大迫切地希望移民申请者来到这个国家，对于有移民加拿大想法的朋友来说，是一个非常重大的利好。虽然加拿大的大力引进移民计划究竟能不能缓解加拿大的人口问题，尚且拭目以待，但是对于想要移民加拿大的申请者而言，当下显然是一个最佳的时机。

移民加拿大的都有哪些人？

每个移民加拿大的人，追求的东西都不相同。干净的空气、优美的生活环境等，教育占主要部分。

加拿大是一个老牌的移民国家，在福利、教育、医疗等方面都做得十分出色。也正是这些，吸引着越来越多的人前往加拿大。

为教育：一切为了孩子

如今，“先移民再留学”早已不是什么新鲜事，更是许多家庭的优先选择。除去成绩认可度的因素外，子女在持有国外身份后，就可以按本地的录取标准招收，无论是学习费用还是录取门槛都会相应降低。

加拿大教育体制综合了美式教育和英式教育的优点

，但总体上更偏向于美式，教学质量一流。加拿大大学在北美、英联邦乃至全世界均被承认。

与中国的应试教育不同，加拿大更注重培养学生的实践和动手能力以及与他人合作能力，注重学生多方面的综合素质培养，对孩子未来踏入社会之后的就业，是非常有利的。

加拿大的留学费用较其他英语国家更为合理，学费也较低廉，对本国公民与移民学生，学校还会给予很多经济上的补贴。

另一方面，加拿大优质的教育质量，让留学加拿大拥有了极佳的性价比。

为生活：“移”进宜居国家

加拿大拥有优美的自然环境，地广人稀，地理环境多样，自然景色优越，从辽阔的牧场到浩瀚的湖泊，从森林密布的山峦到大西洋沿岸如画的海岸线。

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态环境。

在联合国计划开展署公布的人类发展世界报告中，加拿大已连续多年蝉联“最适合人类居住的地方”之美誉。

在世界100多个国家中，加拿大人民的生活品质堪称一流，其地位举世公认。每年只要与生活环境与教育有关的排名，加拿大永远是位居前列。

据2019年的最新USNEWS报告，加拿大位列世界上最适宜居住的国家第三名；世界上生活品质最高的国家第一名！

为养老：世界最好的福利体系之一

加拿大最吸引人的要数它完善的福利。加拿大福利制度是一个庞大复杂的体系，它的覆盖面积很广，除了面向全民的福利制度，还有分别针对不同人群的设定，并且公共性质与私营计划并存。

加拿大移民生活当中，孩子能够享受牛奶金，高中之前的教育经费全免，

全家享受医保，只要在加拿大住满10年，退休后还可以无条件享受养老金等各种津贴。

这里环境优美，地广人稀，一直以来都被称为养老天堂。

为通行：免签国家最多的护照之一

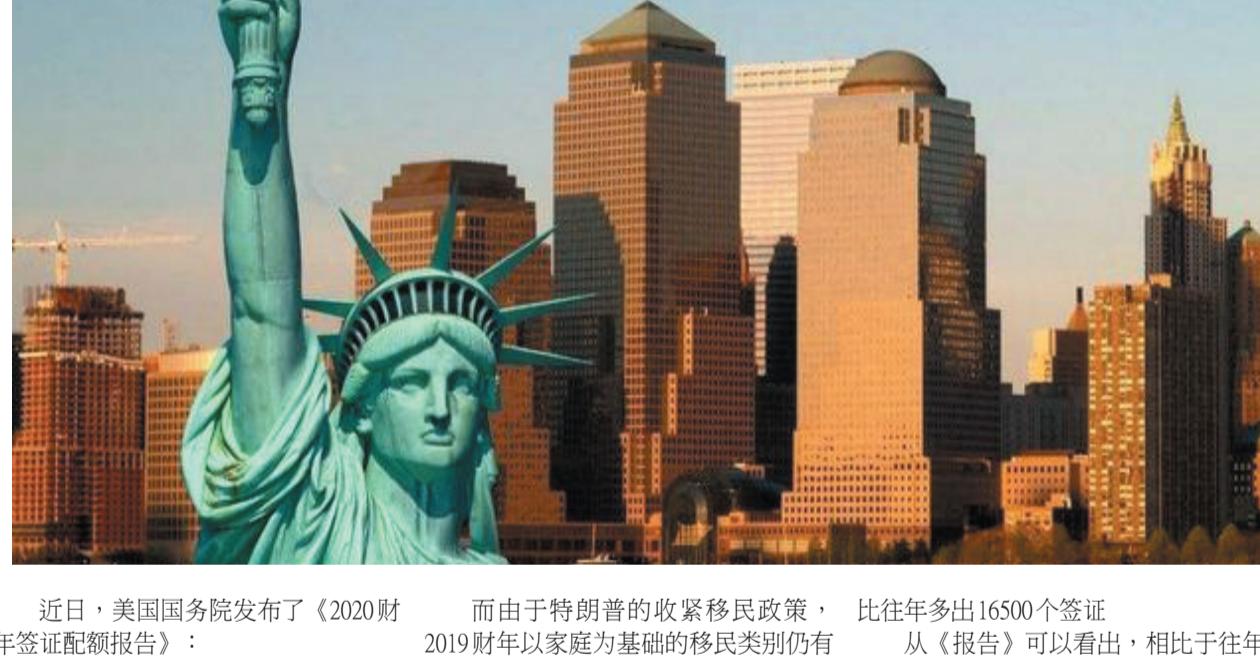
常说一个护照的“含金量”有多少，其实主要标准就是该国护照免签国家的数量和质量。

而全世界共有200多个国家和地区，其中有184个国家和地区对加拿大都是实行的免签政策。

许多成功人士会因为工作的原因，需要飞往世界各地，持有加拿大护照更是方便了他们的出行，免去了很多申请签证的麻烦，工作自由度无疑大大提升，日程安排也可更为灵活。

加拿大以高质量的教育体制，完善的社会福利保障体系、丰富多彩的多元文化的社会环境而闻名。且作为移民大国，加拿大现在依旧是敞开怀抱欢迎海外人士前来。

# 美国2020财年 移民签证增加16500配额



近日，美国国务院发布了《2020财年签证配额报告》：

按照惯例，每个财政年度（10月1日至次年的9月30日），职业移民签证大约有14万个名额，具体分配为：EB-1、EB-2、EB-3各40,000个，EB-4、EB-5各10,000个。

而由于特朗普的收紧移民政策，2019财年以家庭为基础的移民类别仍有未使用的签证配额，这些剩余签证将分配给职业类移民在2020财年使用，从而使新财年职业类别移民签证配额增加至156500张，比往年的约14万张签证总额多出16500张，涨幅近12%！

比往年多出16500个签证

从《报告》可以看出，相比于往年多出的16500个签证中，EB-1、EB-2多分得4,759张签证，EB-5多分得1,111张签证，意味着2020财年EB-1、EB-2共可分到44,759张签证，EB-5共可分到11,111张签证。

而根据美国国务院签证办公室主任Charles10月底参加EB-5年度大会上作出的预测，由于2020财年世界其他国家和地区的EB-5签证使用情况比2019财年要少，因此在11111张EB-5签证配额中，扣除掉其他国家和地区的使用，可预留给中国大陆申请人使用的约5200张。

因此，预计2020财年，美国移民排期表可能比以前预想的要走得快很多，这些多得的签证是其中不小的利好因素。

不仅如此，之前发布的美国最新排期公告中，EB-1和EB-5都有大幅度前进。签证增多，排期前进，有意向的申请人务必要抓住机会，尽早确定移民方案。

移民美国快速途径

1 EB-5投资移民

EB-5没有任何领域、职业、学历的要求，只需要有钱，从近日开始EB-5美国投资移民实施涨价后的新规，所以你需要在美投资90万或180万美元，即可有机会拿绿卡！这简单粗暴的移民方式一度备受国内投资人的热捧，深入人心。

不想要投入大量资金又想移民美国的客户，可以考虑EB-1A杰出人才移民。

## 2、职业类移民

除去简单粗暴的投资移民，近年，无需劳工证申请、最快3个月获批的EB-1A杰出人才移民；快至1年登陆、拿身份后可退出投资的EB-1C跨国高管移民；以及隶属于EB-2类别、无需雇主担保和劳工证申请的NIW美国国家利益豁免，也深得人心。

这三个类别均无临时绿卡过渡，可全家一步到位拿美国永久绿卡，因此，受到了越来越多中国申请人关注。

而2020财年的签证分配也给予了EB-1和EB-2类别更多的签证配额，分别达到44759张！预计在2020财年，这两个类别的中国大陆申请人签证截止日期将会得到更积极的推进，从而进一步缩短整体办理周期。尤其是EB-1类别，自2020财年开始以来（2019年10-12月），中国大陆申请人的签证排期已向前跃进41.5个月，形势大好！

尽管目前排期形势乐观，但随着后续申请人数的持续涌入，可以预见的是，EB-1和EB-2的排期将会逐渐拉长。因此对于仍想通过这两大类别移民美国的申请人，理想的办理时机，依然是当下的41.5个月。

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# 这里是宁夏，这才是宁夏



如果说有哪个地方，既有文化的厚重，又有风景的滋润身心，同时还很少人扎堆，那这个地方，一定是宁夏。

不知为何，就连那些热爱旅行的驴友们，也不经常会提起宁夏这个地方，以至于这一处美妙的“塞上江南”，淹没在了追逐雪山草原的旅行热情之下，变得小众，而独特。

宁夏，实在是一处极为与众不同的去处。

这里没有江南的小桥流水，有的是西北深沉的苍茫；

这里没有雪山与海子，有的是粗犷的沙漠和朴素的黄河；

只有到了宁夏，你才会知道山势峥嵘原来是这样的形容，原来岳飞的“踏破贺兰山缺”是如此的悲壮苍凉。

这里是贺兰山，400里山脉犹如一道天然的巍峨石墙，为宁夏人挡住了来自西北的寒冷，拦住了腾格里沙漠向东的侵蚀，它隔开了草原与荒漠，也隔开了宁夏回族自治区和内蒙古自治区。

中国的各个大山中，没有一座像贺兰山那样，几乎一直处于战争的状态中。这是座历史上著名的军山。秦朝时，蒙恬（对，就是电影《神话》中的蒙恬将军）在青铜峡以步兵之力，击退匈奴骑兵，匈奴大败，单于率残部败退于贺兰山后。蒙恬一战定乾坤，使“胡人不敢南下而牧马，士不敢弯弓而抱怨”。

这里山峦陡峭、碎石遍地、难以攀爬。大山的精灵“岩羊”灵巧的出没在悬崖峭壁上，灰灰的毛色和岩石融为一体，不时踩落的碎石，让人生怕这小巧的生灵失足摔下山崖。

在贺兰山的峡谷深处，稀疏的灌木间藏着一个个神秘的图画，它们笔画简单却奇异，有的人首长着犄角，有的插着羽毛，它们是何人所刻，又是何时所刻？也许答案很快就能知道。

在这里，有神秘的西夏王朝，北宋时，党项族首领李元昊以宁夏为中心，建立大夏国，后人称西夏，对抗宋朝、辽国、金国，存在了189年。

西夏有自己的性格一个王朝，看一眼西夏王陵神奇的形状就能明白，为什么说这个王朝很神秘。

宁夏是农耕文化与游牧文化交会的地方，西夏更是吸收了秦汉唐宋的文化，这时佛教文化已悄然渗入，西夏王族创造性的将这些文化与党项文化融合，建造出了我国陵园建筑中最特别的一种样式。

这里干旱而风大，没有高大的树木，只有低矮的灌木在风中晃动，倔强的根部紧紧抓在黄土之下，一座座陵墓散落在旷野上，远方是隐约可见的贺兰山。

这里，闭上眼，就能看金戈铁马、大漠弯弓！

这里有会发出声音的沙子——中卫

沙坡头，是中国三大鸣沙山之一（甘肃敦煌县鸣沙山，内蒙库布齐沙漠罕台川响沙湾）。有横跨黄河的“天下黄河第一索”，有黄河上最古老的运输工具羊皮筏子，有沙漠中难得一见的海市蜃楼。

这里是沙湖，在这里，沙与湖相伴，鸟与苇飞舞，这里被称为“世间少有”的景色，它有大漠戈壁之雄浑，又有江南水乡之柔美，它是“中国35个王牌景点”之一。

这本是一片渔场，盛产“天然脑黄金”的沙湖大鱼头，在这里吃鱼吃的是气势，大粒盐炖制而成，尺二的圆盘卧着三五斤左右一劈两半的沙湖鱼，外带一盆鲜鱼汤，味道滑嫩、筋道，食过回味悠长。

这里有须弥山石窟，国内绝大多数石窟都开在一面崖面上，而须弥山石窟却开凿在为洪沟间隔的7座山崖上，形成了数峰并举、山形变幻、曲径通幽、对景丛生的奇特布局。

这里也是古丝绸之路的关隘：石门关（古称石门水），曾是唐朝的国门，也曾是宋朝和西夏兵戎相见的战场。

这里是“中国电影从这里走向世界”的镇北堡西部影城，没有精雕细琢，有的是黄土遍地、西风乍起，这里有《大话西游》、《红高粱》、《东邪西

毒》……

这里找到至尊宝的影子、看到姜文的那个月亮门、听到张国荣的声音。只怕轻轻一步，就走进了剧中的爱恨情仇。

这里是六盘山，山路曲折险狭，须经六重盘道才能到达顶峰，得名六盘山。它是泾河与渭河的界山，滋养了关中平原，是黄土高原上的“绿色岛屿”。山中峡谷溪流交错，水流到陡处飞泻成瀑，或落地成潭。

六盘山，是红军长征翻越的最后一座大山，与陕北红军胜利会师，完成了震惊世界的二万五千里长征。自此有了毛主席的一首气壮山河的词章《清平乐·六盘山》：

天高云淡，望断南飞雁。不到长城

非好汉，屈指行程二万。

六盘山上高峰，红旗漫卷西风。今

日长缨在手，何时缚住苍龙？

长城不只有北京的八达岭，也不只

有山海关、雁门关，宁夏素有“关中屏障，河陇咽喉”之称，享有“中国长城博物馆”之美称，毛主席在

这里留下“不到长城非好汉”。

铁马冰河的年代，从此地出征的将

士，多少忠臣良将马革裹尸还，秦时明

月，汉时关隘，是时候唱一曲《长城谣》了。

宁夏有着世界上品质最好、种植时

间最长的枸杞（红），和甘草（黄）、贺兰石（蓝）、滩羊皮（白）、太西煤（黑），并称宁夏五宝，其中贺兰石历来为文人墨客所爱，清朝时便有“一端二歙三贺兰”的说法（端砚、歙砚、贺兰砚）。

宁夏葡萄酒被誉为国内产区中的黑马，在国际大赛上，来自宁夏的酒款获奖无数，有“葡萄酒界第一夫人”之称的杰西丝·罗宾逊将宁夏贺兰山东麓葡萄酒产区和山东、河北产区一道，列入《世界葡萄酒地图》第七版。

这里有餐饮业内独树一帜的清真风味，尤其是黄渠桥爆炒羊羔肉，选用7.5~10公斤的小羊羔，在爆的基础上，用焖、烩手法，使味道更加鲜嫩可口、香味飘飘。

说到羊肉，无论如何少不了手抓羊肉，这个吃法可是有上千年的历史，在宁夏分三种吃法：热吃——切片后上笼蒸熟后蘸三合油、冷吃——切片生直接蘸着精盐、煎吃——平锅煎热，边煎边吃，肉味鲜美，不膻不腻，色香兼具。

当然还有辣爆羊肉、烩羊杂、烩小吃、蒜汁羊蹄……

说到小吃，回族饣饦儿绝对是一大特色，青稞去壳翻炒，在笸箩中揉搓筛簸，吹去薄皮壳，然后用过石磨两遍之后，在食用时，要加入油、盐、醋、辣汤等调味品，翠绿松软，清香可口。

## 印象皖北 || 临涣茶馆

至少10年前，我就听说了临涣茶馆，后来在网上也看到了很多关于临涣茶馆的摄影图片，图片中那古朴的茶馆，脸上刻满沧桑、叼着旱烟袋听书喝茶的老人，仿佛临涣茶馆就一直停留在上世纪三四十年代的时光里。

不知自觉，这个小小的地方就深居内心，且频繁骚动着了。去临涣茶馆的想法便有了无数遍，其实临涣距离阜阳也就160多公里，驱车不过2个多小时，差的就是一个决定。终于，我和几位朋友踏上临涣的路上了。

上午9点多钟，我们终于走进了临涣茶馆。光线较为昏暗的茶馆里，室内经年烟熏火燎，黑乎乎的。房舍内的地面凹凸不平，乡土气很浓。茶馆里一般都摆设着几张八仙桌或陈年古董般的木茶桌，配着数条长凳。由于日深年久，大部分桌凳缺角少棱、残缺不全。

主人还在门面的两边或对面的空地处，放些粗糙的石凳、石凳，供茶客多时使用。

也许是旅途上有些疲劳，我们也挑一个靠里的角落，要一壶棒棒茶、一盘葵花籽、一小袋五香花生。临涣的茶很独特，按说临涣不产茶，当地人喝的棒棒茶均是出自两百里外的六安，而在六安本地却很少有人喝这种茶。据说，这棒棒茶经过临涣泉水的冲泡后，入口微甜，回味无穷，一旦将茶带出临涣，用其他地方的水冲泡，就再也喝不出这种味道了。

我一边喝茶，一边看景。发现茶馆为数不多的几位茶馆里的老人喜欢边喝茶边抽烟，茶雾烟气里的老人就成了摄友们的主角。我一直以来没有端着镜头直面陌生人的勇气，所以进茶馆的前个多小时里，一直把相机藏在包里，不敢拿出来，直到“请示”茶馆老板，可否拍照，想拍谁就拍谁，没问题！



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本报记者秦鸿钧摄影

# 十二月1热门电影快报—汤唯雷佳音 《吹哨人》12月6日已热烈登场 遭遇生死威胁!平凡英雄勇敢揭秘行业内幕



由汤唯、雷佳音领衔主演的电影《吹哨人》定档12月6日,将镜头对准了鲜为人知,却又无比英勇的平凡英雄。

时光网讯 由薛晓路执导,汤唯、雷佳音领衔主演的华语首部聚焦“吹哨人”题材的电影,《吹哨人》将镜头对准了鲜为人知,却又无比英勇的平凡英雄。

在此次发布的定档海报中,雷佳音慌张无措地面对媒体的层层围堵;



而汤唯则怀抱秘密文件谨慎地躲避背后的危险。可见选择成为“吹哨人”不仅需要巨大的勇气,还将面对无法想像的危机和困难。正如雷佳音所说:“英雄有很多种类,马柯(雷佳音饰)就是其中一种,他是一个平凡的英雄。”

汤唯也认为“吹哨人”们非常勇敢:“周雯(汤唯饰)对我来讲是一个很复杂的角色。她身边埋藏了许多诱惑,但在性命攸关的时刻,她选择不再沉默,成为一个很勇敢的人。”

一个竞争对手的死亡报告,一份被刻意掩盖的地质环境分析数据,以及接二连三的坍塌和爆炸,让在澳洲工作的华人员工马柯渐渐察觉到其中蹊跷,而神秘女人中方代表周雯带来更多线索,事关中国几百万人民性命的巨大阴谋开始浮出水面……马柯虽身在海外却心系祖国,当同胞生命面临威胁他选择挺身而出,这也展现了华人的爱国情怀。

导演薛晓路曾用四个字来描述“吹哨人”的内心动机:无法安宁。

正如电影《吹哨人》中的马柯与周雯,作为“吹哨人”,他们的内心都经历著煎熬和恐惧。选择说出真相意味着自己将会面临巨大威胁;保持沉默则意味着公众利益会被损害。每一次的挺身而出,其实都凝聚了“吹哨人”们的莫大勇气。

**《吹哨人》The Whistleblower**  
导演:薛晓路(《北京遇上西雅图》、《北京遇上西雅图之不二情书》、《海洋天堂》)

编剧:薛晓路  
主演:雷佳音(《疯狂的外星人》、《超时空同居》)、汤唯(《北京遇上西雅图》、《色戒》)

出演:齐溪、约翰·巴勃罗·安德烈·格雷格  
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一场发生在南非马拉维的6.6级地震给当地造成了灾难性的影响。环保能源集团(Eco Energy Technology),一家在马拉维当地有跨境贸易的澳大利亚能源集团向灾区紧急派遣了救援队和救援物资帮助马拉维应对这场灾难。

同时,为庆祝与中国韩氏能源(Han Coal)集团关于清洁能源计划的跨国合作,环保能源集团在澳大利亚昆士兰海岸一个隐蔽的度假村里举办了一场派对。在派对中,即将去非洲发展跨国事业的华侨马柯(雷佳音饰)遇到了他的前女友周雯(汤唯饰),而此时她已经是韩氏能源集团董事长的妻子了。当两人相遇时,对于过去美好的回忆和爱恋顿时涌上心头,

在周雯一早飞回中国的头一晚,他们旧情复燃缠绵一夜。第二天下午,

马柯得到了令他震惊的消息:周雯乘坐的那班飞机失事,无人生还。

两周过去了,马柯正努力忘记这一切。但就在这时,他接到一个再次打破他平静生活的电话。他前去见了打电话给他的神秘人,那个人竟是周雯——马柯惊讶地得知她还活着。原来她没有坐上那班飞机,并在消息爆出后顺势假死。在这第二次生命中,周雯决定活在暗地里,因为她怕她的丈夫察觉到自己对其不干净的交易已有所知情,从而致自己于危险境地。然而在确定好下一步棋怎么下之前,无论他们逃到哪里,凶手都能追踪到他们;显然有人想要他们真的死去。身处绝境中的马柯尽全力保护著周雯,两人一边逃离追杀,一边一路挖掘真相。

时间推移,两人逐渐发现了清洁能源计划与马拉维灾难之间的联系。这场灾难看似是不可抗的天灾,实际竟是一场阴谋,用于掩盖两人难以想象的险恶事实。为了结束这一切,他们将奋力揭露这可怕的真相。

