

EB-5 APPROVAL TIMELINES						
Actions	Stage	Considerations	Duration	Time in Years		
Make Investment	(A) Planning, Paperwork, Investment	Must commit investment and meet other requirements before filing I-526		Three Estimated Timing Scenarios in Years		
				S1	S2	S3
File I-526, receive Priority Date	(B) Wait for USCIS to Process I-526 petition	Can't make material changes to the petition or depart materially from the business plan during this period	13 months average now (<6 months ideally)	1	1	1
Receive I-526 approval, apply for Visa	(C) Wait for visa interview or I-485 status adjustment (may include waiting for visa number)		from 4 months (avg I-485 time) to 1+ years (if waiting for a visa number)		2	2
			4	4		
			5	5		
			6	6		
Receive Visa	(D) Two-year conditional permanent residence period	Investment must be sustained and at risk; job creation must occur; material change may be ok	24 months exactly (file I-829 after Month 21)	2	3	7
					4	8
File I-829 to remove conditions	(E) Wait for USCIS to process I-829 petition	No longer subject to EB-5 program requirements		3	5	9
Receive I-829 approval & permanent green card	(F) Permanent residence					
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Note: In the "Time in Years" column:

S1 = scenario at the theoretical minimum (USCIS's target) processing times

S2 = scenario assuming average processing times as aimed by USCIS

S3 = This scenario is only for mainland Chinese applicants

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