

IMMIGRATION STATUS COMPARATIVE CHART

INDEPENDENT RETIREE	INDEPENDENT RESIDENT	INVESTOR RESIDENT	COMPANY VISA	OTHERS
US\$600 per month, generated outside the country as pension or pension investment fund payment	US\$1000 generated abroad, stable income or by a 5-year deposit in a national system bank entity in the amount of US\$75,000 if monthly income is US\$500.	US\$50,000 investment in priority areas defined by PROCOMER. US\$200,000 if outside these areas.	Granted to exporting companies with net value above 50 million colones.	Family, diplomatic missions, refugees, students, political asylum.
Committed to live in the country for at least 4 consecutive or alternate months a year.	Committed to live in the country at least 4 consecutive or alternate months a year.	Committed to live in the country at least 6 consecutive or alternate months a year.	Companies are allowed to bring executives and technicians for one year.	
Cannot be salaried, unless working for the government.	Cannot be salaried, unless working for the government.	Can be salaried.	Can be salaried.	-
Can be shareholder and participate in profits.	Can be shareholder and participate in profits.	Priority areas: Ornamental plants, leather goods, condiments, fruits and vegetables, processed foods, wood products and tourism.	No exemption on domestic goods or vehicles.	
Yearly document presentation that proves foreign currency exchange in the national bank system.	Yearly document presentation that proves foreign currency exchange in the national bank system.	Annually present investment evidence.		

NOTE: State assignment also ensures residency of family dependants. And can be obtain as follows:

Investor-Investor, Retiree-Investor, Independent-Investor, Company Visa-any.

Source: Ministry of Foreign Relations. www.rree.go.cr