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Global Entry Program and Expedited Clearance are Available for Nationals of Partner Countries, including Japan, Germany, India, Mexico, and Canada?

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As U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) inspection lines are getting longer, all eligible individuals should consider applying for the Global Entry Program. The Global Entry Program is a CBP program that allows expedited clearance for pre-approved, low-risk travelers upon arrival in the U.S. Individuals who are not U.S. nationals or lawful permanent residents may also be eligible for the Global Entry Program if they are a national of one of the Global Entry partner countries. As of April 2025, twenty-two (22) countries are listed as Global Entry partner countries, including Japan, Germany, India, Mexico, and Canada (<u>List of Partner Countries</u>). In order to minimize the wait time and contact with CBP officers, eligible individuals who frequently travel to the U.S. should consider enrolling in the Global Entry Program. Even ESTA/VWP travelers can be eligible for the Global Entry program. The details can be found on the CBP website <u>here</u>.

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