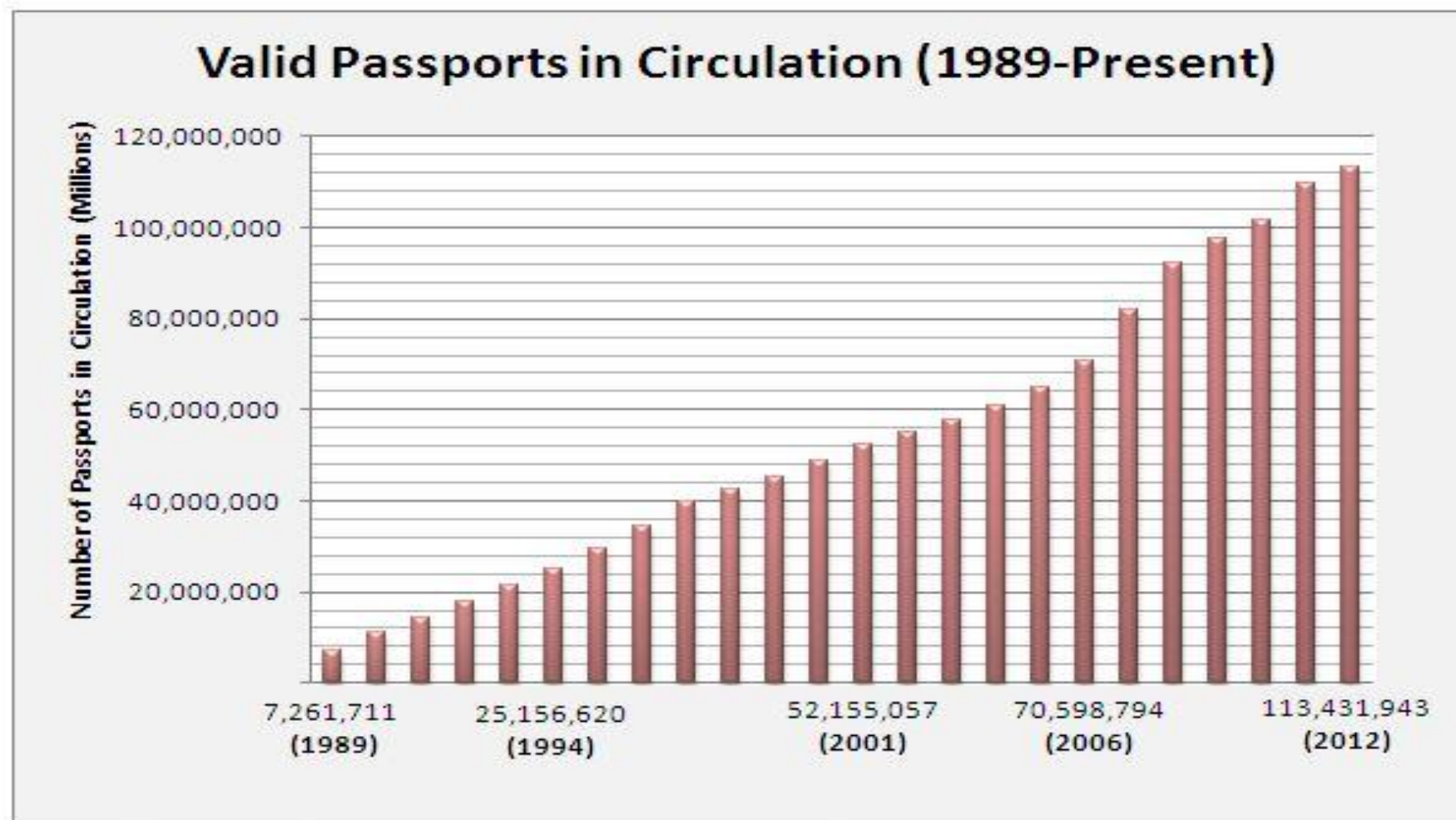


Chart: Valid Passports in Circulation (1989-Present)



The number of valid passports constantly changes as new passports are issued and old passports expire. Passports for adults (16 and older) are valid for 10 years, while passports for minors (under 16) are valid for five years.

U.S. Passports Issued Per Calendar Year (1995-1974):

Note: As of 1996, passport statistics are tabulated for the fiscal year.