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1. Statistics showing the number of applications for citizenship by conferral that were approved during the 2019-2020 financial year, broken down by visa subclass.

Number of Australian citizenship by conferral applications* approved, by top 20 visa subclasses (1 July 2019 to 30 June 2020)	
Visa subclass	No. of applications
100 Partner	29,984
186 Employer Nomination Scheme	29,898
189 Skilled - Independent	29,361
801 Partner	26,305
190 Skilled - Nominated	17,553
187 Regional Sponsored Migration Scheme	9,121
200 Refugee	7,006
175 Skilled - Independent	6,557
887 Skilled - Regional	6,375
143 Contributory Parent (Migrant)	4,318
202 Global Special Humanitarian	4,239
176 Skilled - Sponsored	4,154
866 Protection	4,148
444 Special Category	4,056
856 Employer Nomination Scheme	3,089
136 Skilled - Independent	2,861
101 Child	2,228
892 State/Territory Sponsored Business Owner	2,080
885 Skilled - Independent	1,666
204 Woman at Risk	1,412
Other/Unknown	18,983
Total	215,394

* includes counts of children under 16 years of age who were included on a responsible parent's application form.

2. Statistics showing the number of applications for citizenship by conferral that were refused during 2019-2020, broken down by visa subclass.

Number of Australian citizenship by conferral applications* refused, by top 20 visa subclasses (1 July 2019 to 30 June 2020)	
Visa subclass	No. of applications
100 Partner	1,291
200 Refugee	1,109
866 Protection	1,034
444 Special Category	939
801 Partner	838
186 Employer Nomination Scheme	543
202 Global Special Humanitarian	414
189 Skilled - Independent	348
204 Woman at Risk	239
190 Skilled - Nominated	221
187 Regional Sponsored Migration Scheme	212
856 Employer Nomination Scheme	131
101 Child	108
143 Contributory Parent (Migrant)	108
175 Skilled - Independent	86
136 Skilled - Independent	78
885 Skilled - Independent	58
151 Former Resident	56
117 Orphan Relative	55
892 State/Territory Sponsored Business Owner	55
Other/Unknown	839
Total	8,762

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3. Statistics showing the number of applications for citizenship by conferral that were approved during the 2019-2020 financial year, broken down by country of origin.

Number of Australian citizenship by conferral applications* approved, by top 20 nationalities of applicants (1 July 2019 to 30 June 2020)	
Country of nationality	No. of applications
India	32,957
United Kingdom	30,338
China**	16,938
Philippines	11,571
Pakistan	9,939
Vietnam	8,189
New Zealand	7,343
Afghanistan	6,518
South Africa	6,430
Iraq	5,467
Iran	5,412
Sri Lanka	5,331
Ireland, Republic of	3,705
Malaysia	3,158
Thailand	3,041
United States of America	2,958
Bangladesh	2,819
Nepal	2,752
Korea, South	2,634
Hong Kong	2,556
Other	45,338
Total	215,394

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4. Statistics showing the number of applications for citizenship by conferral that were refused during 2019-2020, broken down by country of origin.

Number of Australian citizenship by conferral applications* refused, by top 20 nationalities of applicants (1 July 2019 to 30 June 2020)	
Country of nationality	No. of applications
New Zealand	885
Afghanistan	700
United Kingdom	616
Iraq	610
India	511
China**	462
Vietnam	371
Iran	230
Myanmar	191
Philippines	189
Lebanon	185
Pakistan	163
Ireland, Republic of	158
Sudan	147
Syrian Arab Republic	143
Sri Lanka	135
United States of America	134
Thailand	115
Korea, South	110
South Africa	99
Other	2,608
Total	8,762

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5. Statistics showing the number of applications for citizenship by conferral that were on hand (pending decision) as at 30/6/2020, broken down by visa subclass, and showing the average number of days the applications have been on hand for each visa subclass.

Number of Australian citizenship by conferral applications* onhand as at 30 June 2020, by top 20 visa subclasses and by average days since lodgement		
Visa subclass	No. of applications	Average of days since lodgement
189 Skilled - Independent	22,587	168
186 Employer Nomination Scheme	19,870	174
100 Partner	15,839	258
801 Partner	14,837	213
190 Skilled - Nominated	10,785	165
200 Refugee	9,708	571
866 Protection	7,898	1,113
187 Regional Sponsored Migration Scheme	5,835	181
202 Global Special Humanitarian	5,227	464
887 Skilled - Regional	2,811	180
175 Skilled - Independent	2,363	211
444 Special Category	2,270	204
204 Woman at Risk	1,581	509
101 Child	1,273	212
176 Skilled - Sponsored	1,268	197
856 Employer Nomination Scheme	1,114	258
136 Skilled - Independent	1,089	240
143 Contributory Parent (Migrant)	1,030	211
117 Orphan Relative	756	655
885 Skilled - Independent	705	296
Other/Unknown	9,373	285
Total	138,219	297

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6. Statistics showing the number of applications for citizenship by conferral that were on hand (pending decision) as at 30/6/2020, broken down by country of origin of the applicant, and showing the average number of days the applications have been on hand for each country of origin.

Number of Australian citizenship by conferral applications* onhand as at 30 June 2020, by top 20 nationalities of applicants and by average days since lodgement		
Country of nationality	No. of applications	Average of days since lodgement
India	22,003	171
United Kingdom	13,008	186
Afghanistan	10,058	989
Philippines	7,357	177
China**	6,910	301
Myanmar	5,137	804
Pakistan	4,917	219
New Zealand	4,537	176
Vietnam	4,267	200
Iraq	3,356	320
South Africa	3,079	176
Sri Lanka	2,673	214
Iran	2,231	280
Ireland, Republic of	2,180	194
Nepal	2,062	199
Bangladesh	1,914	197
United States of America	1,824	183
Thailand	1,676	207
Syrian Arab Republic	1,607	244
Malaysia	1,575	192
Other	35,848	258
Total	138,219	297

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