



## Freedom of Information request: FA20/11/00750

1. The number of applications for the renunciation of Australian citizenship submitted each year between 1 July 2015 and 1 November 2020.

| Number of applications to renounce Australian citizenship which were approved*, by financial year (1 July 2015 to 31 October 2020) |                     |
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| Financial year   | No. of applications |
| 2015-16  | 132                 |
| 2016-17  | 167                 |
| 2017-18  | 206                 |
| 2018-19  | 247                 |
| 2019-20  | 197                 |
| 2020-21 (to 31 Oct)  | 72                  |
| <b>Total</b>   | <b>1,021</b>        |

*\*Note, figures relating to the lodgement of renunciation applications are not reportable due to system constraints - figures are for approved applications only.  
Data for the current financial year is drawn from a dynamic system environment and is correct at the time of publication but may differ slightly from previous or future reporting.  
The Department of Home Affairs must be consulted regarding any requests to use this data for purposes not originally intended or discussed.*

2. The number of applications that contained evidence that the applicant was renouncing Australia citizenship for the purpose of acquiring or re-acquiring Chinese citizenship by year between 1 July 2015 and 1 November 2020.

In relation to question 2 we are unable to provide statistics due to the data not being available in the Departmental systems and cannot report by “purpose of acquiring or re-acquiring”, therefore we’re not able to provide data/statistics for this part of the FOI Request.