



FA 21/04/00393 – Travel Exemptions

Q1. How many Prospective Marriage Visas (subclass 300) granted between 10 Dec 2020 and 23 Feb 2021.

Visa Applications **granted** for subclass **300 Prospective Marriage** between **01/12/2020** and **23/02/2021**

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Source: Department of Home Affairs, 2021 (DD-10646.01)

Note 1: Includes primary and secondary applicants.

Visa Subclass	Grant Month		
	DEC - 2020	JAN - 2021	FEB - 2021 to 23/02/2021
300 Prospective Marriage Total	26	12	16

Q5. How many travel exemption requests & rejections for PMV300 visa holders from 01 Oct 2020 and 09 April 21 and under what category were they rejected

Between 1 October 2020 and 9 April 2021, 2,011 inwards requests for a travel exemption were received from persons who declared they had applied for or held a subclass 300 (Prospective Marriage) visa.

Between 1 October 2020 and 9 April 2021, 1,814 inwards requests for a travel exemption from persons who declared they had applied for or held a subclass 300 (Prospective Marriage) visa were refused. Requests were considered against all exemption categories. However, the primary category recorded was:

Discretionary category	Number
Assessed as not meeting immediate family member criteria	1,066
Compassionate and compelling	702
Critical Skills	<50
Urgent medical treatment / evacuation	<5
TOTAL	1,814

Note:

- i. 'Requests' means individuals who sought an exemption. An individual may submit more than one request.
- ii. Finalisations in a period are not all derived from the requests received in the same period.
- iii. With regards to Immigration data, the Department's current policy is to mask numbers which are less than five as <5, noting we are reviewing the confidentiality method for the future.

Q6. How many Tourist 600/651 & Working Holidays Visas 417 were granted between 01 Oct 2020 and 9 April 2021.

Visa Applications granted for subclasses 417 Working Holiday, 600 Visitor, 651 eVisitor between 01/10/2020 and 09/04/2021

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Note 1: Includes primary and secondary applicants.

Visa Subclass	Grant Month						
	OCT - 2020	NOV - 2020	DEC - 2020	JAN - 2021	FEB - 2021	MAR - 2021	APR - 2021 to 09/04/2021
417 Working Holiday	2,854	3,266	2,916	2,786	3,519	3,610	355
600 Visitor	9,649	7,606	6,236	6,568	5,747	8,772	1,419
651 eVisitor	371	672	450	424	424	491	231

Q9. Under all three of the above temporary visa categories, which countries were granted exemptions between 01 Oct 2020 and 9 April 2021. I'm seeking access to the statistics/numbers for all of them but seek further information, specifically the reason why and where they were applying from for points 1 and 4.

Inwards travel exemption requests approved between 1 October 2020 and 9 April 2021 from persons declaring they had applied for or held a subclass 600, 651 or 417 visa – by stated location (country):

Country*	Number
United Kingdom	293
China	232
India	175
Ireland	95
Mauritius	72
United States of America	58
Papua New Guinea	48
Germany	39
Antarctica	35
New Caledonia	30
Fiji	28

Philippines	28
Indonesia	27
France	24
Italy	24
South Africa	24
Canada	23
Viet Nam	23
Netherlands	21
Sri Lanka	20
Other	365
Total	1,684

** Self-declared current location of the applicant as stated in the travel exemption request form.*