# FOI Request FA 2021-06-00674

## Questions:

- 1. the number of 489 visa application on hand and granted from Jan 2020 to May 2021, breakdown to monthly.
- 2. the number of 887 visa application on hand and granted from Jan 2020 to May 2021, breakdown to monthly.

## Response:

### Question 1

| Skilled - Regional (Provisional; subclass 489) visa counts from January 2020 to May 2021. |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |
|---|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Visa count  | Jan-20 | Feb-20 | Mar-20 | Apr-20 | May-20 | Jun-20 | Jul-20 | Aug-20 | Sep-20 | Oct-20 | Nov-20 | Dec-20 | Jan-21 | Feb-21 | Mar-21 | Apr-21 | May-21 |
| On-hand   | 8,422  | 7,246  | 6,427  | 6,126  | 5,676  | 5,580  | 5,928  | 5,848  | 5,781  | 5,524  | 5,456  | 5,350  | 5,121  | 5,078  | 4,977  | 4,718  | 4,544  |
| Granted   | 1,272  | 1,155  | 826    | 303    | 460    | 115    | 81     | 88     | 82     | 256    | 83     | 109    | 242    | 59     | 119    | 256    | 189    |

#### Question 2

| Skilled - Regional (subclass 887) visa counts from January 2020 to May 2021. |        |        |             |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |            |        |        |        |
|--|--------|--------|-------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|------------|--------|--------|--------|
| Visa count   | Jan-20 | Feb-20 | Mar-20      | Apr-20 | May-20 | Jun-20 | Jul-20 | Aug-20 | Sep-20 | Oct-20 | Nov-20 | Dec-20 | Jan-21 | Feb-21     | Mar-21 | Apr-21 | May-21 |
| On-hand  | 8,731  | 9,015  | 9,429       | 9,260  | 8,556  | 7,537  | 6,546  | 5,318  | 4,542  | 4,498  | 5,008  | 5,505  | 5,908  | 6,556      | 7,250  | 8,177  | 8,995  |
| Granted  | 362    | 190    | <b>16</b> 5 | 690    | 1,296  | 1,691  | 1,759  | 1,832  | 1,485  | 698    | 149    | 158    | 290    | <b>1</b> 9 | 283    | 30     | 7      |

#### Caveats:

• 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.

#### Notes:

Source: Department of Home Affairs, 2021 (internal documents) Note: Figures include primary and secondary applicants.