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Questions:

- 1. The annual number of primary applications lodged, granted and refused for subclass 188 Investor (188B) and Significant Investor (188C) Streams from financial years 1 July 2014 to 30 June 2021.
- 2. and on hand (being processed) as at 30 June 2021, and categorise by country/nationality (showing top 5 countries plus the "others" in one entry).

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).

Response:

Question 1

Business Innovation and Investment (Provisional; subclass 188) visas lodged, granted and refused by primary applicants only for visa sub-types Investor and Significant Investor by financial year from July 2014 to June 2021.				
Visa sub-type	Financial year	Lodged	Granted	Refused
Investor	2014-15	227	76	18
	2015-16	427	130	33
	2016-17	610	208	54
	2017-18	646	278	62
	2018-19	780	341	83
	2019-20	1,071	189	69
	2020-21	967	441	36
Significant Investor	2014-15	1,530	592	161
	2015-16	213	552	153
	2016-17	440	404	33
	2017-18	372	183	26
	2018-19	423	192	23
	2019-20	427	136	29
	2020-21	403	422	45

Question 2

Business Innovation and Investment (Provisional; subclass 188) visas onhand by primary applicants only for visa sub-types Investor and Significant Investor as at 30 June 2021 by top 5 citizenship country. Visa sub-type Citizenship country Onhand 1,089 China Investor Hong Kong 399 Vietnam 307 South Africa 51 47 Malaysia Other 328 China 273 Significant Investor Hong Kong 86 17 Vietnam United States of America 10 10 Taiwan 56 Other