

Request

1. The breakdown and total number of visa grants to applicants with Iranian nationality in 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020 and 2021 who applied for visa subclasses 188 ,189, 190 and 491
2. The breakdown and total number of visa refusals to Iranian applicants in 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020 and 2021 who applied for subclass 188 , 189 , 190 and 491.
3. The breakdown and total number of visa grants to Iranian applicants in 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020 and 2021 who applied for subclass 888
4. Top 20 countries providing the most permanent migrants to Australia in order of ranking in 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020 and 2021 in Family migration , Business migration and Skilled migration program?.

Note: FOI agreed to variation of calendar years to program years instead.

Caveats:

- This information is provided for the specific purpose of this request. Any other use of the information provided will require consideration and clearance by Data Division, and a separate request should be made to s. 22(1)(a)(ii)
- It is the responsibility of the area providing Department of Home Affairs information to external stakeholders to ensure that the disclosure is in accordance with the ABF Act, Australian Privacy Principles or other relevant legislation.
- 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.

Response:

Source: Department of Home Affairs, 2021 (internal spreadsheet)

Note 1: Data includes primary and secondary applicants

Note 2: FOI agreed to variation of calendar years to program years instead.

Number of visa grants to Iranian applicants for selected visa subclasses from program years 2016-17 to 2021-2022 as at 30 September 2021.

Citizenship Country	Visa Subclass	Financial Year					2021-22 to 30/09/2021
		2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	
Iran	188 Business Innovation and Investment (Provisional)	304	327	264	243	1,040	381
	189 Skilled - Independent	1,020	759	681	255	110	<5
	190 Skilled - Nominated	420	520	377	628	247	39
	491 Skilled Work Regional (Provisional)				11	247	22

Number of visa refusals to Iranian applicants for selected visa subclasses from program years 2016-17 to 2021-2022 as at 30 September 2021.

Citizenship Country	Visa Subclass	Financial Year					2021-22 to 30/09/2021
		2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	
Iran	188 Business Innovation and Investment (Provisional)	56	70	134	65	73	108
	189 Skilled - Independent	39	17	17	7	5	<5
	190 Skilled - Nominated	7	6	17	<5	11	<5

No data available for subclass 491

Business Innovation and Investment (subclass 888) visas granted to applicants from Iran from program years 2016-17 to 2021-22 as at 30 September 2021

Citizenship Country	Visa Subclass	Financial Year				
		2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22 to 30/09/2021
Iran	888 Business Innovation and Investment (Permanent)	10	21	31	94	7

Question 4A**Family visa category grants for Top 20 Countries from Program years 2016-17 to 2021-22 as at 30 September 2021**

Visa Category	Citizenship Country	Financial Year						
		2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22 to 30/09/2021	
Family	China, Peoples Republic of (excl SARs)	15,603	15,471	16,807	13,071		16,331	3,746
	India	10,283	11,047	11,114	9,302		9,101	2,991
	United Kingdom	8,265	8,363	7,161	8,701		11,576	2,907
	Philippines	7,147	7,428	6,739	7,742		10,679	2,353
	Vietnam	6,767	6,009	6,921	7,278		9,095	1,622
	United States of America	3,320	3,295	3,909	4,748		5,743	1,423
	Thailand	3,942	3,958	4,411	4,358		5,911	1,019
	Afghanistan	2,568	3,172	2,761	3,274		2,036	871
	Indonesia	1,890	2,307	1,936	2,443		3,111	821
	Canada	1,604	1,567	1,630	2,162		2,494	779
	Pakistan	1,966	2,433	2,719	2,745		2,887	650
	Brazil	1,004	1,187	1,219	1,895		2,535	640
	Lebanon	1,491	1,611	1,572	1,357		1,279	615
	Japan	1,194	1,086	1,215	1,555		1,936	585
	Korea, South	1,900	1,772	2,098	2,524		2,526	578
	Malaysia	1,584	1,663	1,297	1,773		1,899	508
	Hong Kong (SAR of the PRC)	1,097	1,342	1,251	1,461		1,760	505
	Taiwan	1,195	1,353	1,276	1,851		1,811	452
	Germany, Fed Republic of	1,231	1,213	1,275	1,624		1,876	446
	Italy	1,176	1,091	1,195	1,545		1,714	408

Question 4B**Business visa category grants for Top 20 Countries from program years 2016-17 to 2021-22 as at 30 September 2021**

Visa Type	Citizenship Country	Financial Year						
		2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22 to 30/09/2021	
Business Innovation &	China, Peoples Republic of (excl SARs)	8,190	8,315	8,347	5,345		9,066	1,805
	Hong Kong (SAR of the PRC)	293	426	353	189		1,939	646
	Iran	369	369	316	342		1,173	406
	Vietnam	368	531	576	468		1,314	337
	South Africa	178	135	134	100		423	106
	Malaysia	673	516	426	327		549	85
	India	75	116	97	97		220	64
	United Kingdom	129	98	97	64		177	60
	Sri Lanka	61	37	35	66		134	47
	Pakistan	70	101	58	84		102	44
	United States of America	68	48	93	39		128	39
	Korea, South	164	110	47	44		125	35
	Bangladesh	107	73	83	80		153	33
	Singapore	77	77	61	37		125	26
	Taiwan	73	108	81	62		86	22
	Indonesia	42	37	46	37		80	21
	Cambodia	13	6	12	24		43	19
	Japan	33	44	42	23		36	17
	Kenya	32	12	<5	8		24	16
	Poland		7		<5		8	11

Question 4C**Skilled visa category grants for Top 20 Countries from Program years 2016-17 to 2021-22 as at 30 September 2021**

Sum of Finalised		Financial Year					
Visa Category	Citizenship Country	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22 to 30/09/2021
Skilled	India	35,663	30,775	30,073	24,311	18,031	3,173
	China, Peoples Republic of (excl SARs)	21,064	19,497	18,312	15,431	15,705	2,942
	New Zealand	1,477	5,011	5,963	4,784	3,474	1,405
	Hong Kong (SAR of the PRC)	1,081	1,196	998	842	3,417	1,227
	Nepal	3,885	3,006	3,992	5,499	4,468	1,137
	United Kingdom	13,048	10,408	10,828	7,836	6,076	965
	Philippines	8,607	7,241	6,522	6,518	4,538	818
	South Africa	4,253	3,854	3,543	3,515	2,902	664
	Vietnam	1,930	2,171	2,354	2,795	3,025	659
	Iran	2,316	2,174	1,865	2,350	3,001	633
	Pakistan	5,654	5,156	3,580	3,501	2,804	531
	Sri Lanka	2,760	2,400	2,182	2,488	2,118	456
	Korea, South	2,218	1,589	1,434	1,702	1,254	364
	United States of America	1,690	1,624	1,917	1,445	1,379	319
	Malaysia	3,331	2,540	1,930	1,755	1,826	318
	Bangladesh	2,183	1,491	1,161	1,966	1,588	269
	Brazil	1,167	1,018	1,561	1,569	1,318	245
	Italy	1,226	1,206	1,384	1,294	837	243
	Ireland, Republic of	3,405	2,125	2,004	1,429	1,233	214
	Canada	1,091	992	1,079	834	734	170