

**Freedom of Information Request FA 21-11-00039**

**Questions:**

1. Visa statistics for subclasses 888 for activity months from 1/7/2021 to 31/10/2021 by various streams and by primary and secondary applicants for visas: a. Lodged b. Finalised (Granted, refused, withdrawn)
2. Monthly Aging balances for subclasses 888 by various streams as of 31/10/2021

**Response:**

**Question 1**

Business Innovation and Investment (Permanent; subclass 888) visa applications lodged by applicant type and visa stream from 1st July 2021 to 31 October 2021.						
Visa Subclass	Applicant Type	Visa Stream	Jul-21	Aug-21	Sep-21	Oct-21
888 Business Innovation and Investment (Permanent)	Primary	Business Innovation	50	97	95	62
		Investor	19	30	23	10
		Significant Investor	25	19	15	10
	Secondary	Business Innovation	123	248	249	160
		Investor	58	86	62	26
		Significant Investor	65	46	34	15

Business Innovation and Investment (Permanent; subclass 888) visa applications granted by applicant type and visa stream from 1st July 2021 to 31 October 2021.						
Visa Subclass	Applicant Type	Visa Stream	Jul-21	Aug-21	Sep-21	Oct-21
888 Business Innovation and Investment (Permanent)	Primary	Business Innovation	12	27	30	29
		Investor	<5	<5	<5	6
		Significant Investor	17	21	26	28
	Secondary	Business Innovation	31	76	77	79
		Investor	6	<5	6	20
		Significant Investor	25	52	63	66

Business Innovation and Investment (Permanent; subclass 888) visa applications refused by applicant type and visa stream from 1st July 2021 to 31 October 2021.					
Visa Subclass	Applicant Type	Visa Stream	Jul-21	Aug-21	Sep-21
888 Business Innovation and Investment (Permanent)	Primary	Business Innovation	<5	11	<5
		Investor		<5	
		Significant Investor	<5	<5	<5
	Secondary	Business Innovation	11	32	14
		Investor		<5	
		Significant Investor	8	11	<5

Business Innovation and Investment (Permanent; subclass 888) visa applications withdrawn by applicant type and visa stream from 1st July 2021 to 31 October 2021.					
Visa Subclass	Applicant Type	Visa Stream	Aug-21	Sep-21	Oct-21
888 Business Innovation and Investment (Permanent)	Primary	Business Innovation		<5	
		Investor			<5
		Significant Investor		<5	
	Secondary	Business Innovation		<5	
		Investor	<5		<5
		Significant Investor		5	

**Question 2**

Business Innovation and Investment (Permanent; subclass 888) visa applications onhand as at 31 October 2021 by onhand age and visa stream.			
On Hand Age	Business Innovation	Investor	Significant Investor
> 14 days to 1 month	249	37	25
> 1 to 2 months	340	85	53
> 2 to 3 months	322	112	61
> 3 to 6 months	777	236	272
> 6 to 9 months	687	161	267
> 9 to 12 months	795	205	416
> 12 to 18 months	1,923	258	705
> 18 to 24 months	1,136	155	711
24 months or more	119		314

- Caveats:**
- 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.

- Notes:**
- Note 1: Months with no relevant data have been excluded from the response.
- Note 2: Onhand age breakdowns are not available to report in monthly brackets. The breakdown provided in the response is the only onhand age breakdown available.