

Student visa and Temporary Graduate visa programme quarterly report

Quarter ending at 30 September 2014



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About this report

This report provides quarterly data about the student visa and temporary graduate visa programme administered by the Department of Immigration and Border Protection (the department). The report has been produced to assist education providers, representative bodies and policymakers.

It is important to note that the information used in this report comes from a new data source. Consequently, figures for previous financial years have been revised and may differ slightly from those previously published by the department.

Data is sourced from several departmental visa processing and recording systems. Data can be dynamic and there can be delays in transmission of information from the department's global operations. Variations in figures between this report and previous issues can occur. The current financial year should always be considered provisional.

For privacy reasons < 5 has been used where a number in a table is between 1 and 4. Further data about the student visa programme, including yearly student visa trends and comprehensive data on student visa grants by sector and country from 2002-03 to the 2012-13 programme year is available on the department's website at: http://www.immi.gov.au/Study/Pages/Study.aspx

Further information about the student visa programme is available at: www.immi.gov.au/students

Enquiries

Any comment or enquiries concerning this report should be sent to visa.reporting@immi.gov.au quoting report id BR0097.

Definition of terms

Applicant type: Under the Migration Regulations 1994 (the Regulations), there are two types of

applicants. These are primary applicants and secondary applicants. These terms

are defined below.

If the table or graph heading includes the word 'primary', such as 'primary

applications' or 'primary visa holders', dependants (secondary applicants) are not

included.

Citizenship country: The country of citizenship of the visa applicant or visa holder. Where a visa applicant

or visa holder has more than one citizenship country, either the citizenship of the

travel document or the citizenship nominated by the visa applicant is used.

Destination: Where a visa holder has moved from one type of visa to another. This most

> commonly occurs where a temporary visa holder applies for a permanent visa. However, many temporary visa holders go on to apply for a further temporary visa. The original visa is determined by the last visa held prior to the destination visa being

granted. Destination visas include visas granted onshore and offshore.

Granted: Unless otherwise specified, the number of visas granted includes primary and review

grants.

Last visa held: This refers to the last substantive visa held by a visa holder (that is, the last visa other

than a bridging visa) prior to a point in time. The last visa held may have expired or

still be in effect.

Lodged: Lodged is the count of paper applications receipted in a departmental office or

submitted electronically.

Offshore: In this report, refers to the location of the client at the time the application was lodged.

Generally, student visa applicants subject to Assessment Levels 2-3 are required to

lodge their first student visa application while outside Australia.

Onshore: In this report, refers to the location of the client at the time the application was lodged.

> An onshore applicant may already hold a visa of the same kind or may be applying for another type of visa. Student visa applicants subject to Assessment Level 1 can

lodge their first student visa application while in Australia.

Primary applicant: The primary applicant is the person who must satisfy the primary criteria for the grant

of a visa under the Regulations. In this case, it would be the person proposing to

study in Australia.

Primary application: An application lodged by a primary applicant.

Primary grant: An outcome where a decision maker (which may include system generated decision

making) makes an assessment based on the initial visa application which results in a

visa being granted to an applicant.

Primary visa holder: A person who has had a primary application for a visa granted.

Secondary applicant: Secondary applicants must satisfy the secondary criteria for the grant of a visa under

the Regulations. In this case, a secondary applicant is generally a dependant of the

primary applicant.

Secondary application: A visa application lodged by a secondary applicant.

Secondary visa holder: A person who has had a secondary application for a visa granted.

Skilled Occupation List: The Skilled Occupation List (SOL) is a list of skilled occupations that deliver high

> value skills needed by the Australian economy and aligns with the national workforce development strategy. It applies to international students who wish to apply for the Graduate Work stream under the Temporary Graduate (subclass 485) visa. To apply for this stream, students must nominate an occupation on the SOL and graduate with

skills and qualifications that closely relate to this occupation.

Snapshot date: The snapshot date is a point in time at which a count is undertaken. In this report, the

number of visa holders in Australia at a point in time is used.

Visa applicant: Used to refer to clients applying for a visa. Unless otherwise specified, the term

covers both primary and secondary applicants.

Visa holders in Australia: The number of visa holders lawfully in Australia. This is not a count of all valid visas,

as a number of visa holders may be outside Australia on the snapshot date.

Background to the student visa programme

International students must have a valid visa for the duration of their studies in Australia. Most international students will need a student visa. However, visitor visas permit up to three months study and working holiday maker visas permit up to four months study. Further information about these visa options are available at: http://www.immi.gov.au/Visit/Pages/Visit.aspx

There are seven types of student visa:

- 1) English Language Intensive Course for Overseas Students (ELICOS) sector (subclass 570) visa. This visa is for international students undertaking a stand-alone English language course that leads to a certificate level award or non-formal award
- 2) Schools sector (subclass 571) visa. This visa is designed for international students applying to study in Australia in a primary, junior secondary or senior secondary school course or an approved secondary school exchange programme.
- 3) Vocational Education and Training sector (subclass 572) visa. This visa is designed for international students applying to study in Australia and whose main course of study is a certificate, vocational education and training diploma, vocational education and training advanced diploma, vocational graduate certificate or vocational graduate diploma.
- 4) Higher Education sector (subclass 573) visa. This visa is designed for international students applying to study in Australia and whose main course of study is a bachelor degree, associate degree, higher education diploma, higher education advanced diploma, graduate certificate, graduate diploma or Masters by coursework.
- 5) Postgraduate Research sector (subclass 574) visa. This visa is designed for international students who want to study a Master's degree by research or a Doctoral degree in Australia.
- 6) Non Award sector (subclass 575) visa. This visa is designed for international students who want to study non award foundation studies or other full time courses not leading to an Australian award.
- 7) Foreign Affairs or Defence sector (subclass 576) visa. This visa is designed for international students who are sponsored by Foreign Affairs or Defence to study a full-time course of any type in Australia.

To be eligible for a student visa, applicants must be accepted for full time study in a course listed on the Commonwealth Register of Institutions and Courses for Overseas Students (CRICOS). Applicants must also meet financial, health insurance, English language proficiency and health and character requirements.

There is no limit on the number of student visas issued each year. If applicants meet requirements, they will be granted a student visa. Student visas are issued for the entire period of study in Australia. Visas are issued in alignment with the period for which the applicant has Overseas Student Health Cover (OSHC).

There are two other visas related to the student visa programme, the Student Guardian (subclass 580) visa and the Temporary Graduate (subclass 485) visa. The Student Guardian visa is for individuals who wish to accompany and care for minors studying in Australia. The Temporary Graduate visa allows international students to live and work in Australia temporarily after they have finished their studies.

Family members

Students can apply to have partners and dependant children under the age of eighteen accompany them to Australia. These family members are known as secondary visa holders and are counted in student visa numbers. A parent or guardian seeking to accompany an international student to Australia may be eligible for a Student Guardian (subclass 580) visa.

Background to the student visa programme - continued

Ability to work

Student visas include a visa condition that, once the course has commenced, allows most students to work for up to 40 hours per fortnight while their course is in session and for unlimited hours during course breaks. The limitation imposed by this visa condition reflects the purpose of a student visa; that it is to allow entry to Australia in order to study, not to work. Secondary visa holders are subject to a visa condition that limits them to 40 hours work per fortnight at any time.

Higher degree by research students on a Postgraduate Research (subclass 574) visa may work unlimited hours once their Masters or PhD course has commenced. Dependants of students studying a Masters or PhD research course have no limitation on their work hours.

Assessment Levels

There are three Assessment Levels in the student visa programme. They serve to align student visa evidentiary requirements to the immigration risk posed by applicants from a particular country applying for a particular student visa. Assessment Level 1 represents the lowest immigration risk and Assessment Level 3 the highest. The higher the Assessment Level, the greater the evidence an applicant is required to demonstrate to support their claims for the grant of a student visa.

Further information is available at: http://www.immi.gov.au/Study/Pages/student-visa-assessment-levels.aspx

Streamlined visa processing

The department assesses student visa applicants who lodge their applications on or after 24 March 2012, with a Confirmation of Enrolment (CoE) from a participating higher education provider in Australia at Bachelor, Masters or Doctoral degree level as though they were a lower migration risk (similar to the current Assessment Level 1), regardless of their country of origin. This is in response to recommendations 3, 5, 6, and 18 of the Hon Michael Knight AO's report, Strategic Review of the Student Visa Programme 2011 (the Knight Review).

Financial requirements

Students and their families need to be aware of the costs involved in studying and living in Australia. In order to meet the financial requirements for the grant of a student visa, applicants must be able to demonstrate that they have access to sufficient funds to cover tuition fees, travel costs, educational costs for any accompanying school age children and living costs for the full study period.

Genuine temporary entrant (GTE) requirement

The GTE requirement was introduced on 5 November 2011 to enhance the integrity of the student visa programme.

The GTE requirement explicitly addresses whether the individual circumstances of an applicant indicate that their intention is for a temporary stay in Australia.

Factors that the department may consider as part of the GTE requirement are set out in a Ministerial Direction available at www.immi.gov.au/gateways/agents/pdf/direction-53-assessing-gte.pdf and include:

- circumstances in the applicant's home country;
- the applicant's potential circumstances in Australia;
- the applicant's immigration history;
- the value of the course to the applicant's future; and/or
- any other matter relevant to the applicant's intention to stay temporarily.

Overseas Student Health Cover (OSHC)

Overseas students must have health insurance for the duration of their stay in Australia. The OSHC is insurance to assist international students meet the costs of medical and hospital care that they may need while in Australia.

Background to the student visa programme - continued

Visa refusals

A decision to refuse a student visa application is made when the delegate of the Minister is not satisfied that the applicant meets the legal criteria for grant of a visa. When refusing a visa application, the department provides an applicant, or their agent, with a written decision record that sets out the reason for the decision.

Reasons for refusal of student visa applications may include:

- failure to meet financial requirements;
- failure to meet English language requirements;
- fraudulent documentation present in the application;
- failure to satisfy the department that the applicant is a genuine student; and/or
- failure to meet GTE requirements.

Processing time service standards

The department gives priority to offshore applications to ensure that prospective students receive their visas in time to travel to Australia to commence their courses. Onshore students are granted bridging visas pending finalisation of their new student visa applications and can still commence their courses.

Depending on the relevant Assessment Level the service standards are that 75% of offshore applications are finalised within 14 to 90 days and 75% of onshore applications are finalised within 14 to 30 days. It should be noted that approximately 80% of onshore applications are incomplete when lodged and this adds to processing times as officers request and then wait for applicants to provide required information.

The table below shows the processing time service standards for student visa applications.

Visa application	Lodged in Australia		Lodged outside Australia		
Assessment Level	Level 1 or 2	Level 3 or 4	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3 or 4
Students (subclass 570, 571, 572, 573, 574, 575, 576)	14 days	1 month	14 days	21 days	3 months

Further information can be found at: www.immi.gov.au/about/charters/client-services-charter/visas/2.0.htm

Background to the subclass 485 visa

The Skilled Graduate (Subclass 485) visa was renamed the Temporary Graduate (Subclass 485) visa on 23 March 2013, and has become a key component of the Student Temporary Visa Programme. Previously, the Subclass 485 visa was a component of the Skilled Migration Programme.

The Temporary Graduate visa has two streams, the Graduate Work stream and the Post-Study Work stream:

- Graduate Work stream for international students who have recently graduated with the skills and qualifications that relate to an occupation on the Skilled Occupations List. Applicants in this stream must have completed a trade qualification, diploma or degree. Successful applicants are granted a visa of 18 months validity.
- Post-Study Work stream for international students who have recently graduated with an Australian Bachelor degree, Masters degree or Doctorate from an Australian educational institution. This stream is only available to international students who applied for, and were granted, their first student visa on or after 5 November 2011. Successful applicants are granted a visa of two, three or four years duration, depending on the highest educational qualification they have obtained.

This visa provides eligible graduates with the opportunity to gain practical work experience in Australia following their studies. More information on the Temporary Graduate visa can be found on the department's website at: http://www.immi.gov.au/Visas/Pages/485.aspx

Eligible visas

To be eligible for the Temporary Graduate visa, graduates must have completed their studies in Australia while on a qualifying student visa. A qualifying student visa is a subclass 572, 573 or 574.

Australian study requirement

The Australian study requirement is defined as study in Australia in a course registered on the Commonwealth Register of Institutions and Courses for Overseas Students (CRICOS) for a period of at least two academic years (92 weeks). The course should be conducted in English and should be completed in no less than 16 calendar months. All Temporary Graduate visa applicants must meet the Australian study requirement in the six months immediately prior to lodging their visa application. More information is available at: http://www.immi.gov.au/skilled/general-skilled-migration/2-year-study.htm

Family members

Family members must meet legislative requirements and must provide evidence of their relationship to the Temporary Graduate visa applicant. Additionally, family members can apply to join the Temporary Graduate visa holder in Australia after the Temporary Graduate visa has been granted. More information on including family members in your application is available at: www.immi.gov.au/visas/including-family-members.htm

Ability to work and study

There are no restrictions on the type of work a Temporary Graduate visa holder can do. Temporary Graduate visa holders may work or study in any field, regardless of their study and qualifications. Dependents and secondary applicants are able to work and study on the Temporary Graduate visa.

It is the responsibility of the Temporary Graduate visa holder to seek their own employment if they are granted the visa. The Australian government is not responsible for arranging employment.

Processing time service standards

The processing time service standard for the Temporary Graduate visa is 75% of applications should be finalised within 12 months, however, actual processing times may vary depending on a range of factors. Further information can be found at: www.immi.gov.au/about/charters/client-services-charter/visas/9.0.htm

Executive Summary

Key Points

- Total student visa lodgements increased by 10.5 per cent in this quarter making it the highest September quarter for lodgements in the last five years.
- Offshore student visa lodgements increased by 16.2 per cent. This was led by offshore applications for Higher Education visas increasing by 23.4 per cent in the same period.
- Total student visa grants increased by 2.4 per cent in this quarter compared with the same period in the previous year.
- In the September 2014 quarter, 92.4 per cent of student visa applicants were granted a visa.
- As at 30 September 2014 there were 387,799 student visa holders in Australia.
- There was an increase of 24.3 per cent in Temporary Graduate (subclass 485) visa lodgements in this quarter compared with the same period last year.

1 Applications lodged

There were 82,263 student visa applications lodged in the September 2014 quarter. Total lodgements increased by 10.5 per cent in this quarter when compared with the same period in 2013. This was the highest September quarter in the last five years, and most sectors experienced growth.

Offshore lodgements increased by 16.2 per cent to 47,064 lodgements in this quarter compared with last year (40,515). This growth was a result of increased applications for Higher Education Sector (subclass 573) visas which grew by 23.4 per cent in the same period. Offshore Vocational Education and Training (VET) Sector (subclass 572) visas also increased by 14.5 per cent in this quarter compared with last year.

Onshore lodgements increased by 3.7 per cent to 35,199 applications in the September 2014 quarter. This growth was due to higher numbers of applications for VET visas, which increased by 16.7 per cent when compared to the same quarter in 2013.

China remains Australia's largest source of student visa applications. In this quarter, lodgements from Chinese nationals increased by 13.1 per cent to 21,174 applications compared with 18,726 last year. This was led by a 25.4 per cent growth in offshore applications (12,582 applications) in the same period.

Offshore applications from the top six source countries increased and this was especially evident for Indian nationals. Offshore applications from Indian nationals increased to 6,836 applications in the September 2014 quarter compared with 4,216 in the 2013 quarter.

2 Visas granted

There is no cap on the number of student visas granted. Applicants who meet the legislative requirements will be granted a student visa.

Total grants increased by 2.4 per cent to 74,527 compared with 72,756 in the September 2013 quarter. This increase was due to climbing Higher Education, VET, Schools Sector (subclass 571) and Independent ELICOS Sector (subclass 570) visa grants. VET visa grants grew by 5.2 per cent compared to the same period last year.

Student visas granted offshore (44,602 grants) increased by 10.8 per cent. This increase was a result of an increase in Schools (25.7 per cent) and Higher Education (16.3 per cent) visas.

In the September 2014 quarter, onshore student visa grants decreased by 8 per cent to 29,925 grants compared with the same period in the previous year.

Of the total student visas granted in the September 2014 quarter, 26.1 per cent were to Chinese nationals followed by 11.5 per cent to Indian nationals.

Offshore grants for China, India and Thailand increased by 30.5, 42.2 and 13.2 per cent respectively compared to the same period in the previous year. Offshore grants for Brazil and Nepal decreased by 19.1 and 13 per cent over the same period.

3 Grant rates

The grant rate for student visa applications in the September 2014 quarter was 92.4 per cent.

Offshore grant rates decreased in the September 2014 quarter to 90.4 per cent from 92.4 per cent in the September 2013 quarter. Onshore grant rates also decreased to 95.5 per cent in the September 2014 quarter from 97 per cent in the same period in 2013.

Offshore grant rates decreased when compared to the same period last year for all sectors. Offshore grant rates for Higher Education and VET visas decreased to 90.4 and 77.8 per cent from 92.6 and 79.8 per cent respectively in the same period last year.

Executive Summary - continued

In the September 2014 quarter, offshore grant rates for our two largest source countries, China and India, decreased. In this quarter, the offshore grant rate for China was 96.5 per cent compared to 96.9 per cent per cent last year, and 82.5 per cent compared to 91 per cent in the same period for India.

4 Processing times

The number of applications lodged in a given timeframe is not comparable with the number of visas granted in the same period due to processing times.

The time required to process visa applications depends on whether the applicant is onshore or offshore, the assessment level applicable to the applicant and the supporting evidence provided by the applicant.

In the September 2014 quarter, 75 per cent of all student visas were processed within 30 days while 50 per cent were processed within 15 days.

Offshore, 75 per cent of applications were processed within 22 days. Onshore, 75 per cent were processed within 41 days.

5 Applications on hand

The number of primary student visa applications on hand at 30 September 2014 was 26,461. Of the total primary applications on hand, 14,291 were offshore and 12,170 were onshore applications.

Total on hand applications increased by 11.1 per cent as at 30 September 2014 compared with 30 September 2013 where there were 23,826 on hand applications.

6 Visa holders in Australia

On 30 September 2014 there were 387,799 international student visa holders in Australia. Of these, 87.3 per cent were primary visa holders.

The majority of student visa holders held a Higher Education visa (61.7 per cent) followed by a VET visa (18.8 per cent).

On 30 September 2014 there were 95,415 student visa holders from China (24.6 per cent of total) and 44,792 student visa holders from India (11.6 per cent of total).

7 Destinations

In the September 2014 quarter, there were 30,521 visas granted to former student visa holders.

Of these former student visa holders, 29.3 per cent moved to a Tourist visa with 8,939 visas granted. A further 6,768 (22.2 per cent) were granted a subsequent student visa, with VET visa grants being the most popular (58.8 per cent).

The Temporary Graduate (subclass 485) visa remained a popular choice for former student visa holders, with 3,412 (11.2 per cent) granted this visa.

8 Temporary Graduate visa

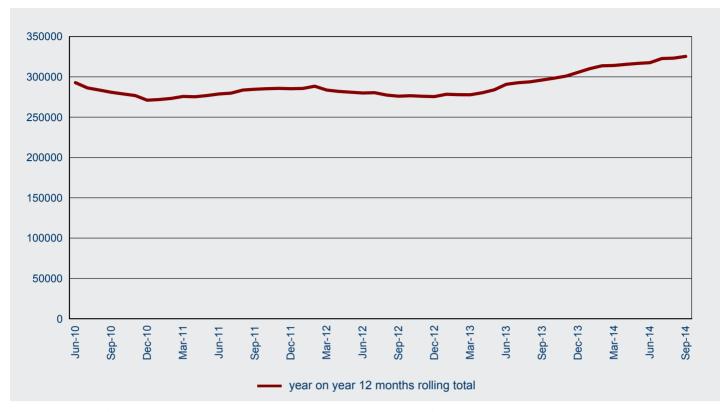
There were 7,381 Temporary Graduate visas lodged in the September 2014 quarter. This is an increase of 24.3 per cent when compared with the same period last year (5,938).

In the September 2014 quarter, grants decreased by 1.5 per cent to 3,703 (from 3,760). The majority of visas (71 per cent or 2,628 visas) were granted in the Graduate Work stream. A further 26.3 per cent (975) of visa were granted in the Post-Study Work stream.

As at 30 September 2014 there were 4,524 on-hand primary Temporary Graduate visa applications, compared with 8,510 on 30 September 2013.

As at 30 September 2014 there were 21,968 Temporary Graduate visa holders in Australia. This is a decrease of 27.6 per cent when compared with the number of visa holders in Australia at 30 September 2013this quarter last year (30,349).

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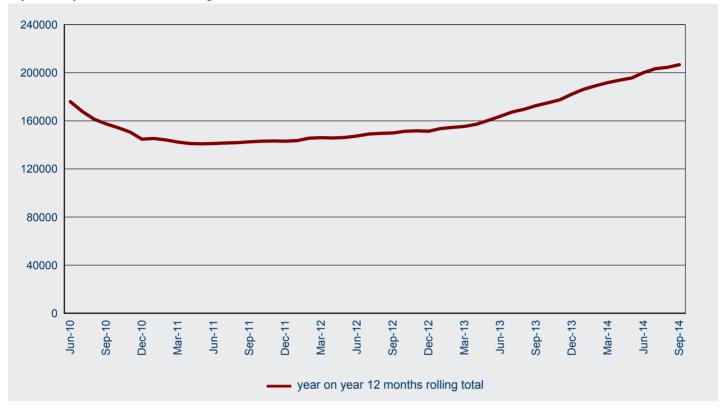


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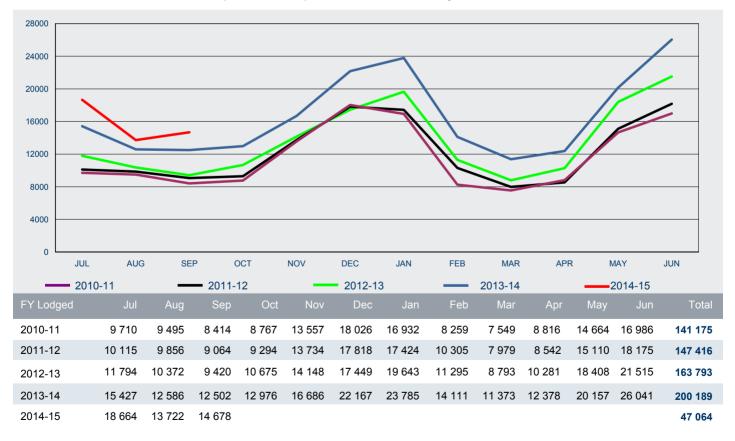


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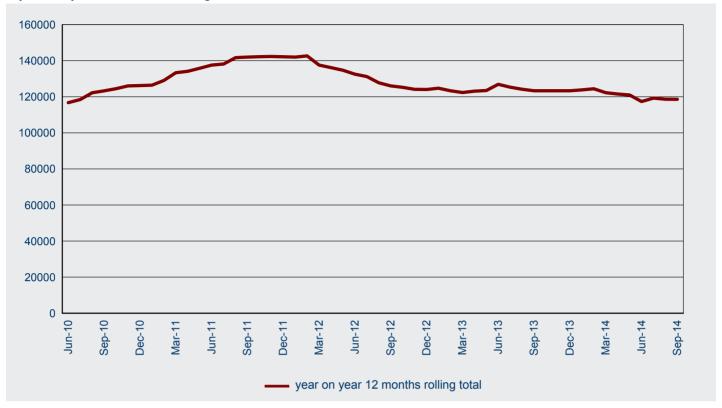


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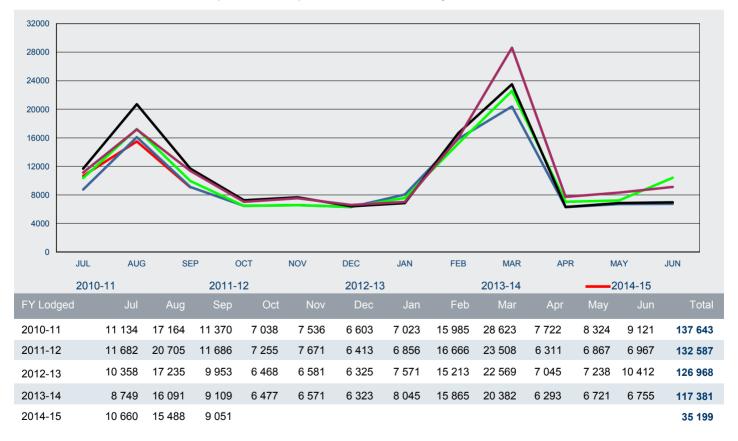


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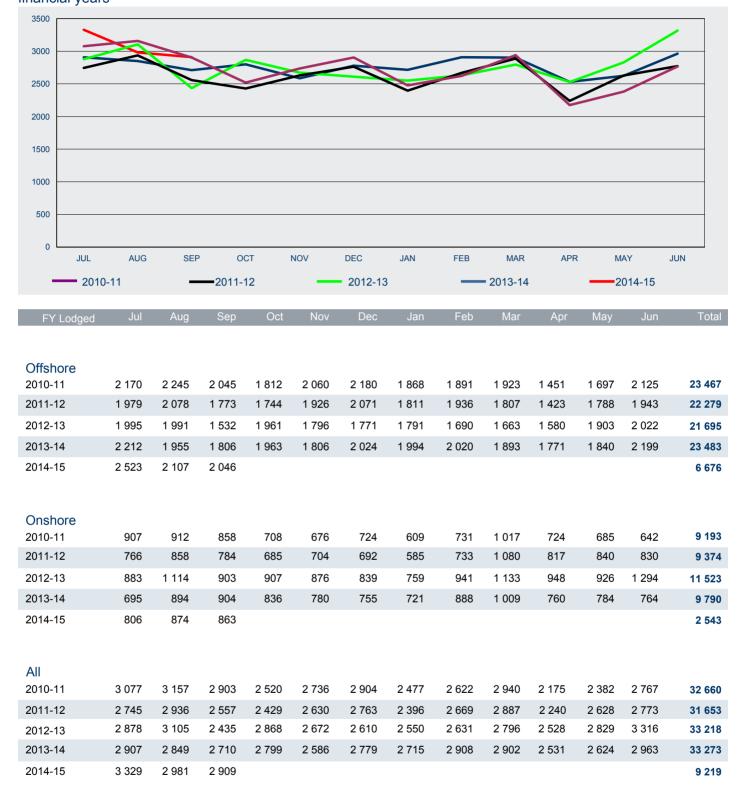
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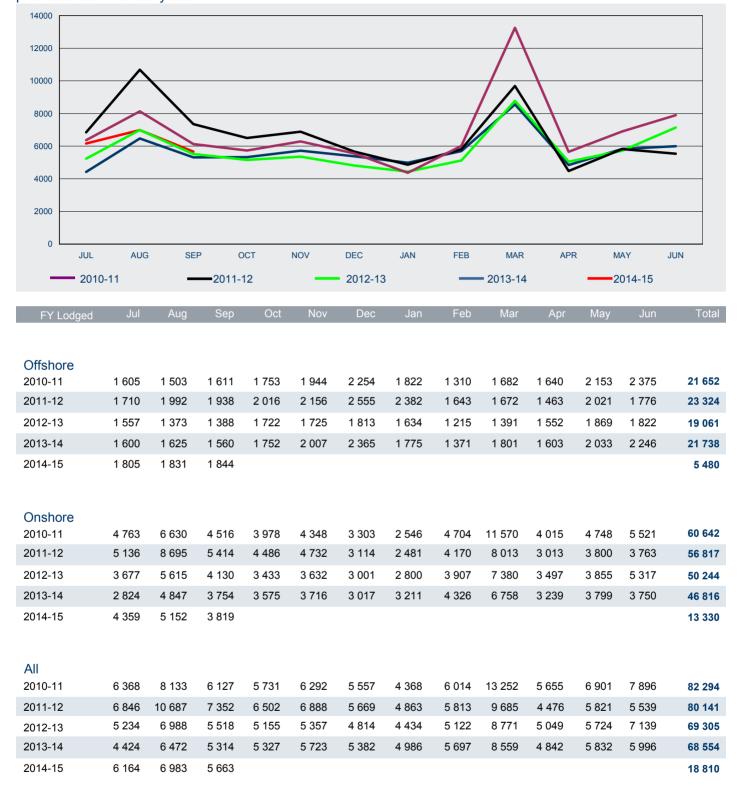
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1.08 Number of student visa applications lodged for subclass 571 Schools Sector in 2014-15 to 30 September 2014 by client location and month - comparison with previous four financial years



1.09 Number of student visa applications lodged for subclass 572 Vocational Education and Training Sector in 2014-15 to 30 September 2014 by client location and month - comparison with previous four financial years



1.10 Number of student visa applications lodged for subclass 573 Higher Education Sector in 2014-15 to 30 September 2014 by client location and month - comparison with previous four financial years



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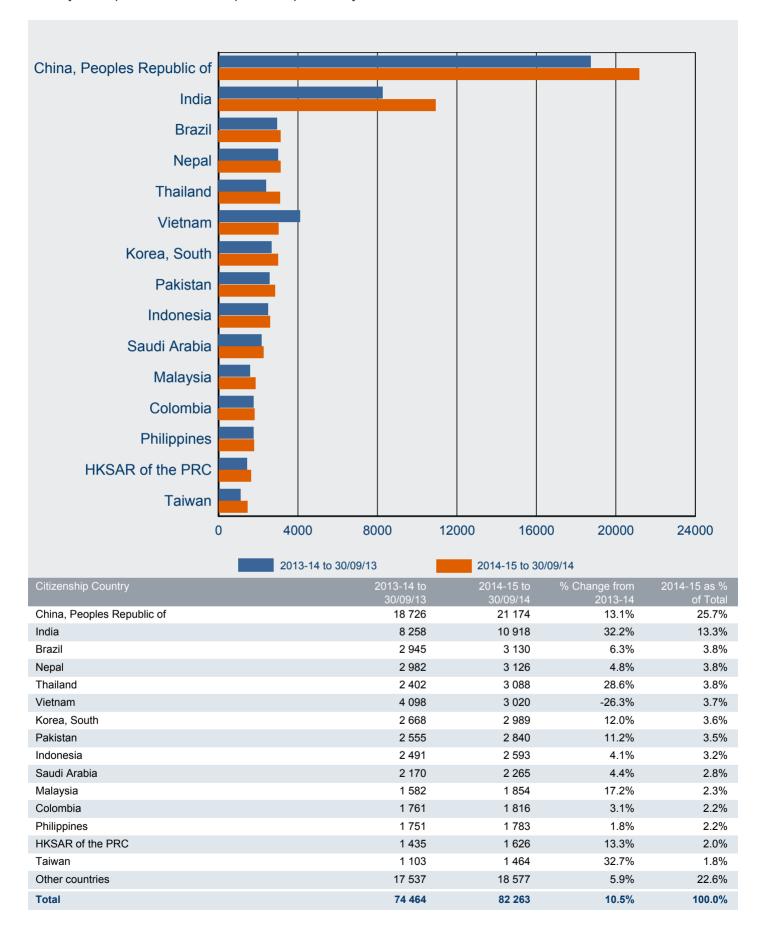
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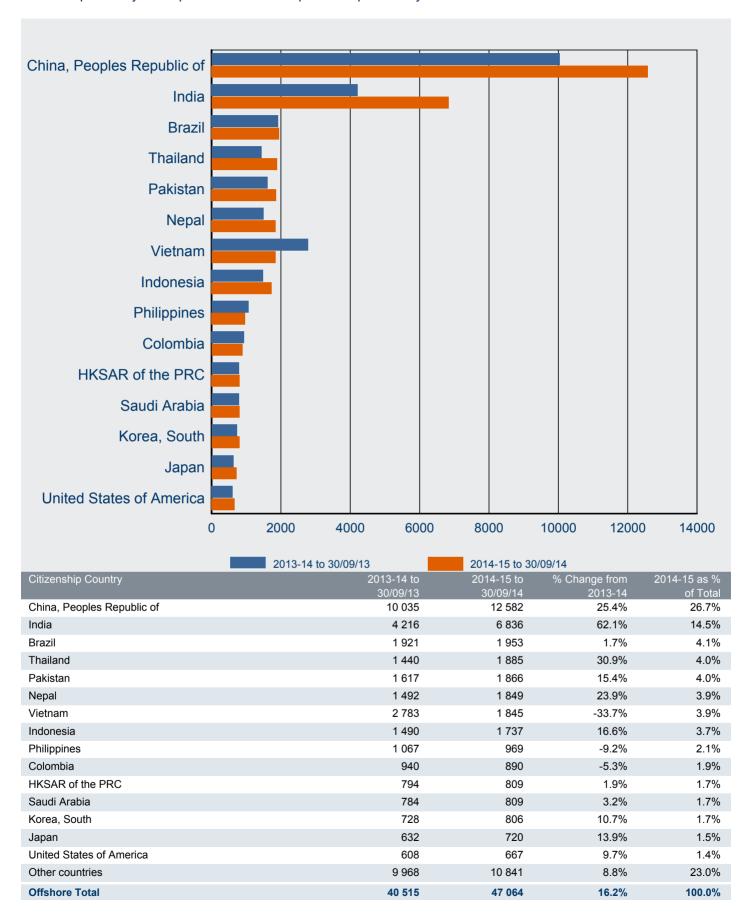
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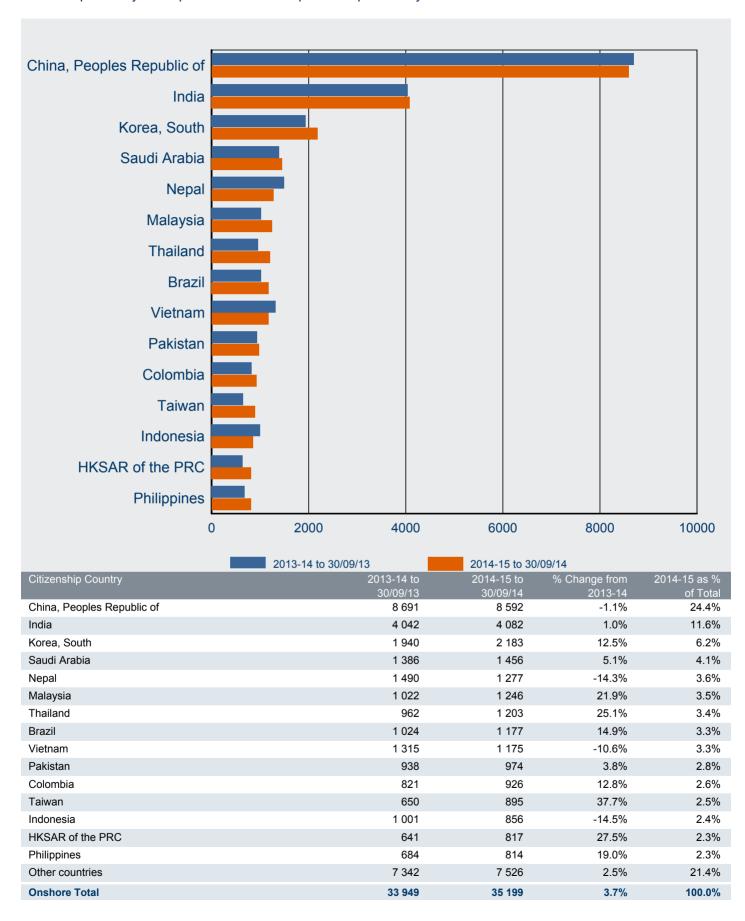
1.14 Number of student visa applications lodged in 2014-15 to 30 September 2014 by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year



1.15 Number of student visa applications lodged OFFSHORE in 2014-15 to 30 September 2014 by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year



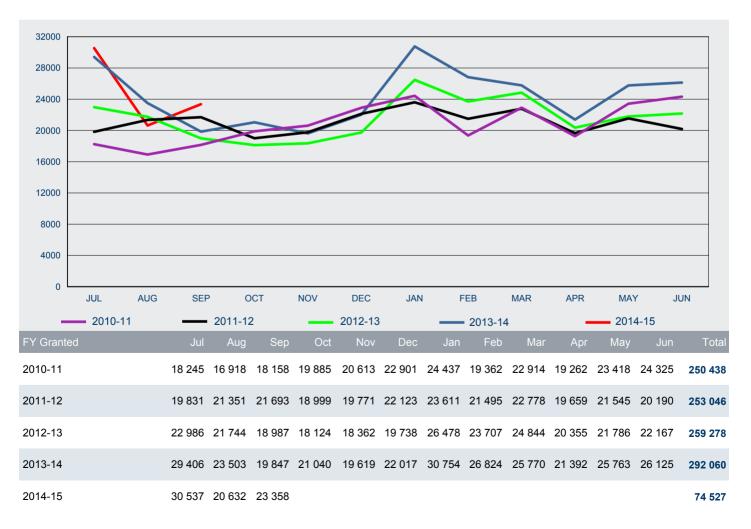
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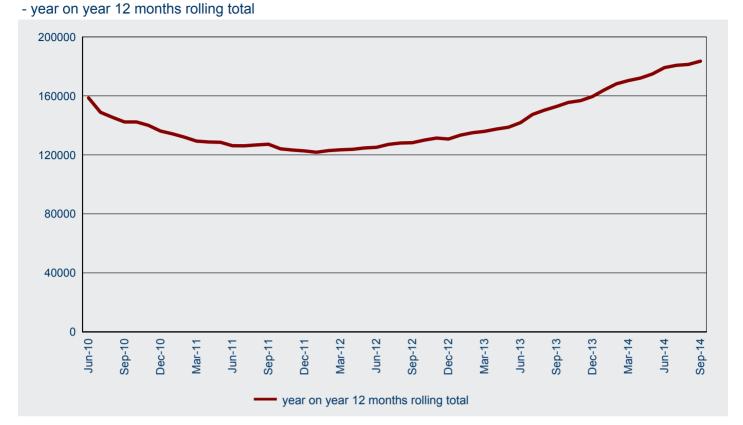
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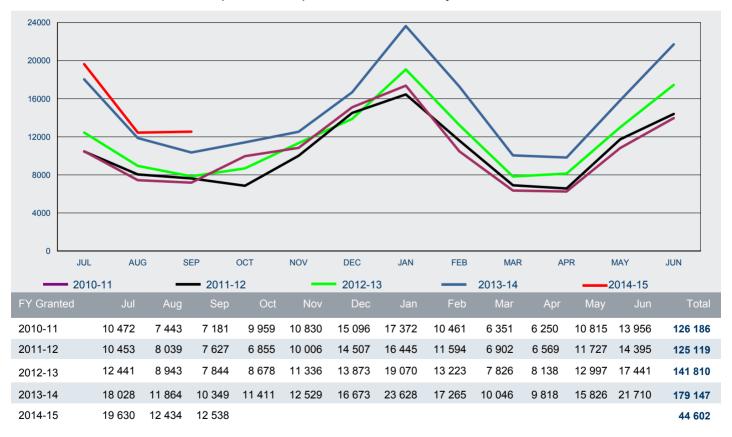
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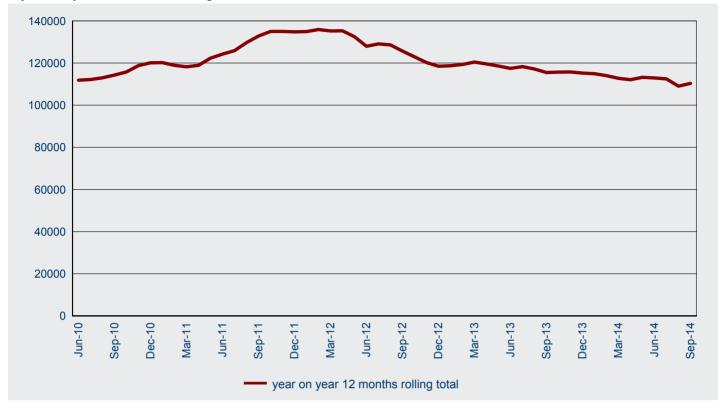


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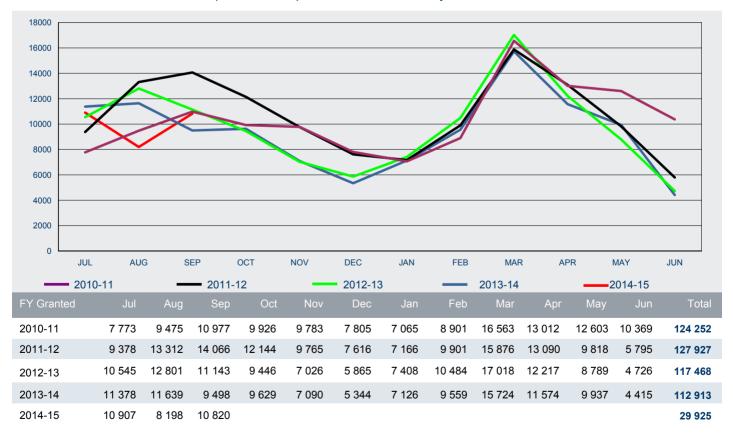


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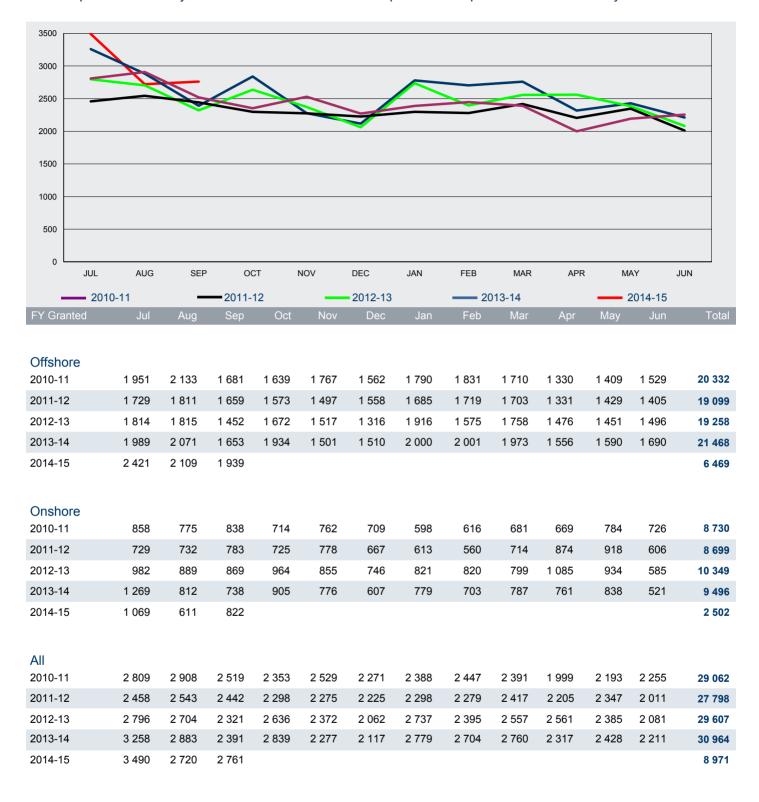
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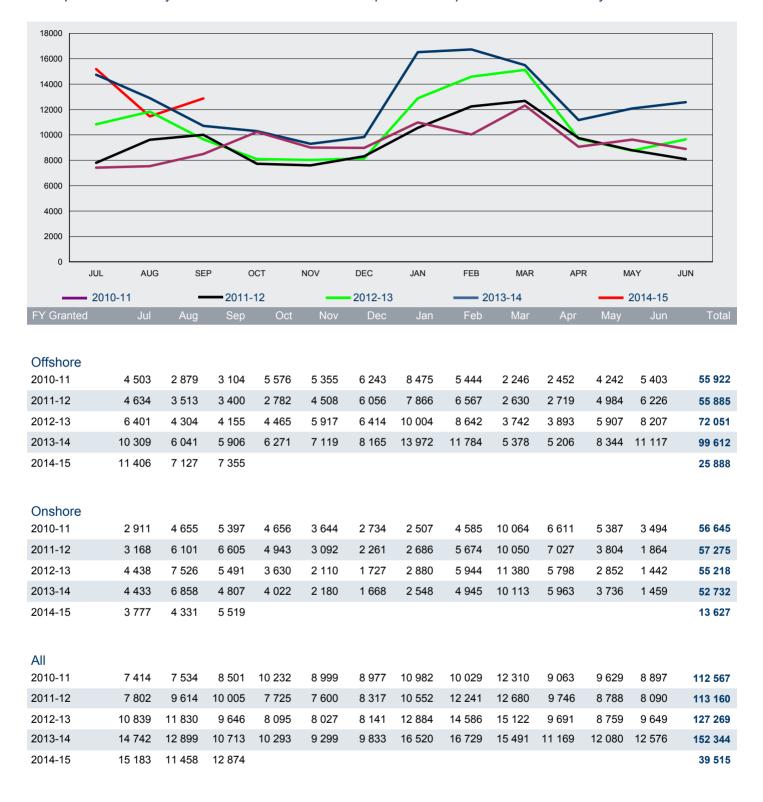
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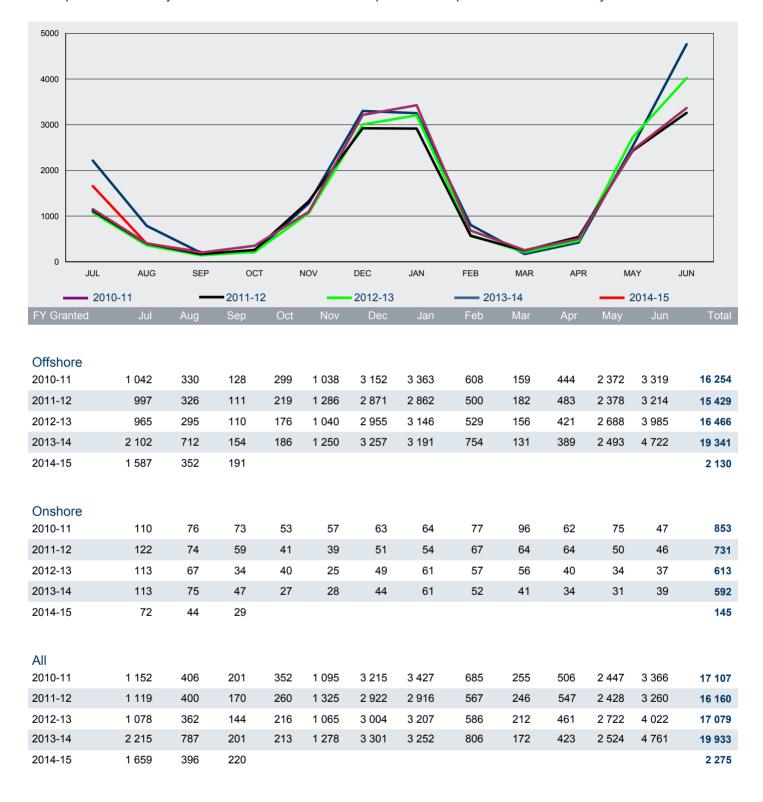
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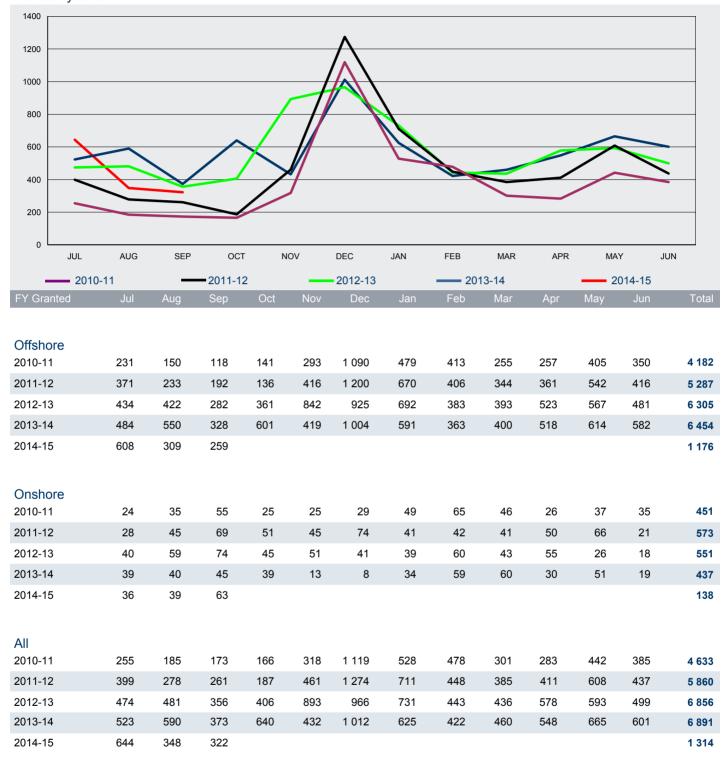
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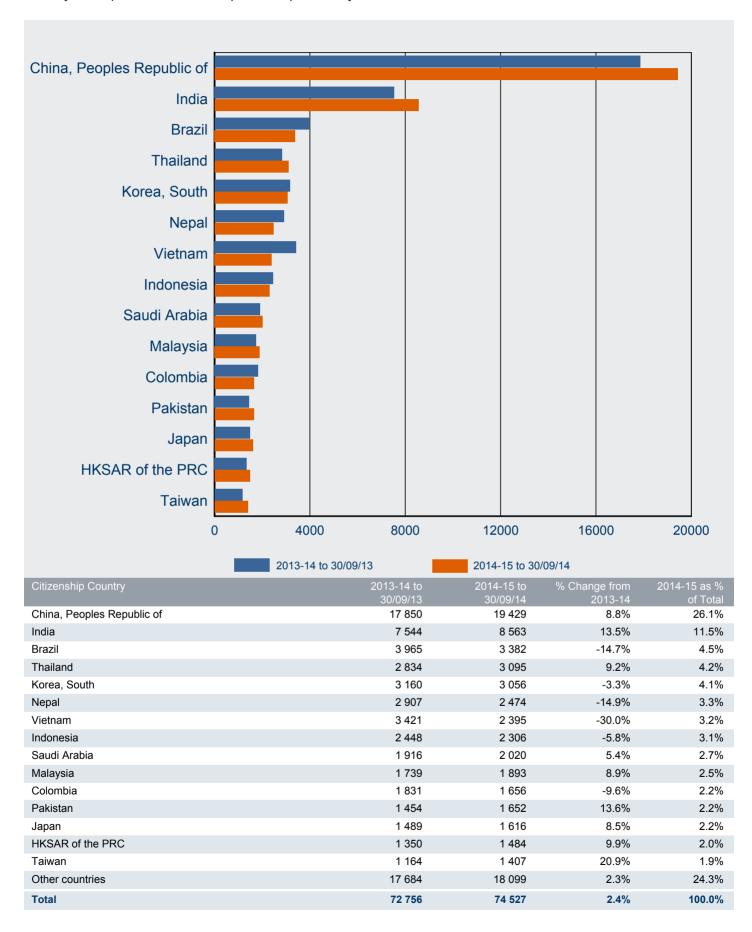
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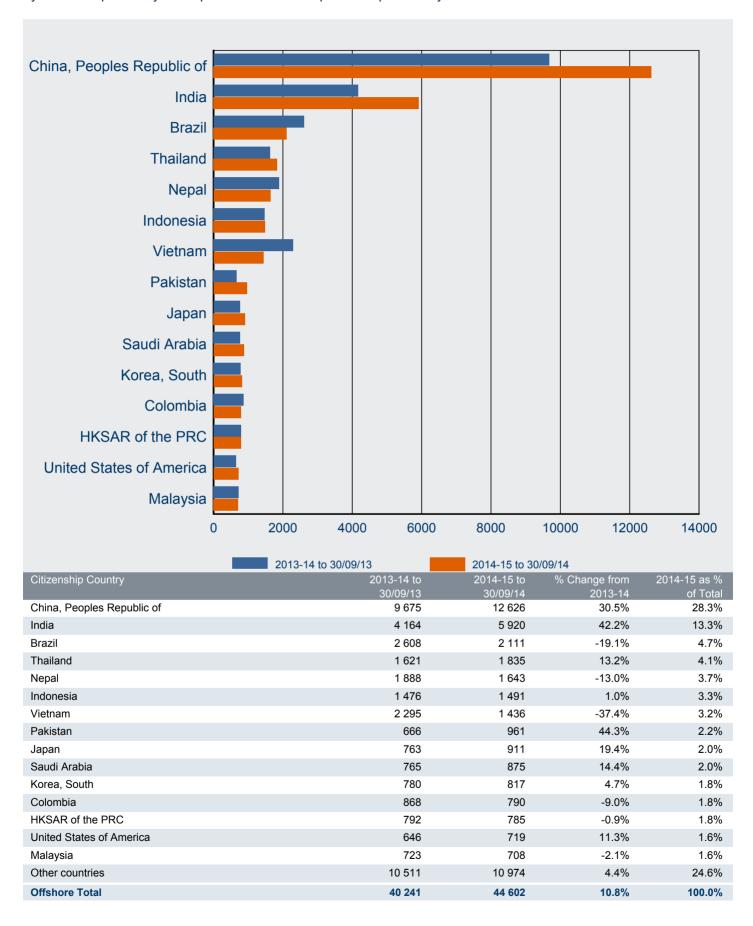
2.13 Number of visa applications granted for subclass 576 Foreign Affairs or Defence Sector in 2014-15 to 30 September 2014 by client location and month - comparison with previous four financial years



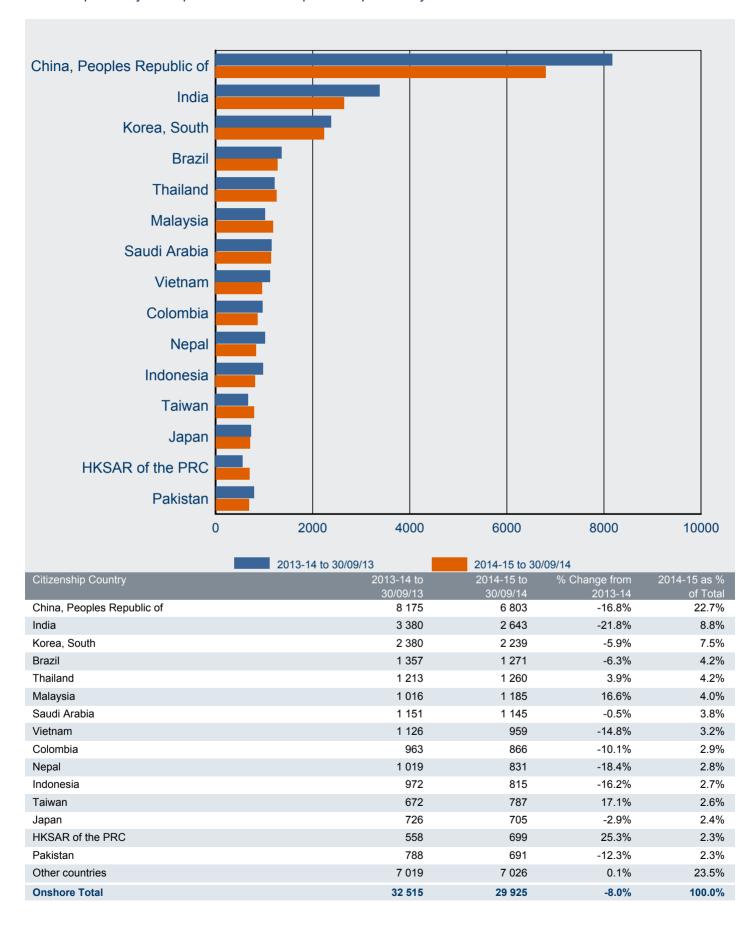
2.14 Number of student visa applications granted in 2014-15 to 30 September 2014 by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year



2.15 Number of student visa applications granted OFFSHORE in 2014-15 to 30 September 2014 by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year



2.16 Number of student visa applications granted ONSHORE in 2014-15 to 30 September 2014 by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year



2.17 Number of subclass 570 Independent ELICOS Sector visa applications granted in 2014-15 to 30 September 2014 where the client location was OFFSHORE by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year

Citizenship Country	2013-14 to 30/09/13	2014-15 to 30/09/14	% Change from 2013-14	2014-15 as % of Total
Brazil	1018	1409	38.4%	21.8%
Colombia	786	701	-10.8%	10.8%
Thailand	593	648	9.3%	10.0%
Japan	531	639	20.3%	9.9%
Saudi Arabia	324	436	34.6%	6.7%
Spain	355	337	-5.1%	5.2%
Czech Republic	270	238	-11.9%	3.7%
Switzerland	184	224	21.7%	3.5%
Italy	176	221	25.6%	3.4%
Taiwan	165	215	30.3%	3.3%
Korea, South	231	200	-13.4%	3.1%
Chile	105	169	61.0%	2.6%
France	124	150	21.0%	2.3%
Mexico	72	97	34.7%	1.5%
Poland	112	58	-48.2%	0.9%
Other countries	667	727	9.0%	11.2%
Sub-total Offshore	5 713	6 469	13.2%	100.0%

2.18 Number of subclass 570 Independent ELICOS Sector visa applications granted in 2014-15 to 30 September 2014 where the client location was ONSHORE by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year

Citizenship Country	2013-14 to 30/09/13	2014-15 to 30/09/14	% Change from 2013-14	2014-15 as % of Total
Colombia	516	454	-12.0%	18.1%
Korea, South	478	303	-36.6%	12.1%
Saudi Arabia	225	287	27.6%	11.5%
Brazil	409	228	-44.3%	9.1%
Japan	198	220	11.1%	8.8%
Taiwan	136	189	39.0%	7.6%
Italy	156	170	9.0%	6.8%
HKSAR of the PRC	23	76	230.4%	3.0%
Malaysia	46	70	52.2%	2.8%
Spain	87	62	-28.7%	2.5%
Thailand	74	56	-24.3%	2.2%
Chile	54	54	0.0%	2.2%
Poland	27	43	59.3%	1.7%
Czech Republic	39	38	-2.6%	1.5%
France	38	37	-2.6%	1.5%
Other countries	313	215	-31.3%	8.6%
Sub-total Onshore	2 819	2 502	-11.2%	100.0%
Total	8 532	8 971	5.1%	

2.19 Number of subclass 571 Schools Sector visa applications granted in 2014-15 to 30 September 2014 where the client location was OFFSHORE by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year

Citizenship Country	2013-14 to 30/09/13	2014-15 to 30/09/14	% Change from 2013-14	2014-15 as % of Total
China, Peoples Republic of	1241	1673	34.8%	61.2%
Vietnam	218	157	-28.0%	5.7%
Italy	41	104	153.7%	3.8%
Germany, Fed Republic of	76	97	27.6%	3.5%
HKSAR of the PRC	99	81	-18.2%	3.0%
Brazil	30	78	160.0%	2.9%
France	22	47	113.6%	1.7%
Belgium	13	42	223.1%	1.5%
Spain	6	41	583.3%	1.5%
Korea, South	56	37	-33.9%	1.4%
Taiwan	33	34	3.0%	1.2%
Japan	32	27	-15.6%	1.0%
Denmark	27	27	0.0%	1.0%
India	18	24	33.3%	0.9%
Switzerland	8	21	162.5%	0.8%
Other countries	255	243	-4.7%	8.9%
Sub-total Offshore	2 175	2 733	25.7%	100.0%

2.20 Number of subclass 571 Schools Sector visa applications granted in 2014-15 to 30 September 2014 where the client location was ONSHORE by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year

Citizenship Country	2013-14 to 30/09/13	2014-15 to 30/09/14	% Change from 2013-14	2014-15 as % of Total
Korea, South	59	57	-3.4%	30.8%
Germany, Fed Republic of	9	19	111.1%	10.3%
Japan	23	16	-30.4%	8.6%
China, Peoples Republic of	13	13	0.0%	7.0%
Brazil	6	12	100.0%	6.5%
Italy	<5	8	100.0%	4.3%
Taiwan	11	7	-36.4%	3.8%
Vietnam	<5	7	133.3%	3.8%
United Kingdom	<5	7	600.0%	3.8%
Malaysia	<5	6	50.0%	3.2%
Indonesia	<5	5	400.0%	2.7%
Denmark	0	<5	0.0%	2.2%
India	0	<5	0.0%	1.6%
Thailand	7	<5	-71.4%	1.1%
United States of America	5	<5	-60.0%	1.1%
Other countries	25	17	-32.0%	9.2%
Sub-total Onshore	171	185	8.2%	100.0%
Total	2 346	2 918	24.4%	

2.21 Number of subclass 572 Vocational Education and Training Sector visa applications granted in 2014-15 to 30 September 2014 where the client location was OFFSHORE by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year

Citizenship Country	2013-14 to 30/09/13	2014-15 to 30/09/14	% Change from 2013-14	2014-15 as % of Total
Indonesia	228	378	65.8%	8.5%
Korea, South	244	331	35.7%	7.5%
Thailand	173	283	63.6%	6.4%
Philippines	479	269	-43.8%	6.1%
India	265	238	-10.2%	5.4%
Taiwan	129	219	69.8%	4.9%
Brazil	119	197	65.5%	4.5%
Spain	106	181	70.8%	4.1%
United States of America	152	177	16.4%	4.0%
Italy	88	150	70.5%	3.4%
Papua New Guinea	130	145	11.5%	3.3%
China, Peoples Republic of	60	128	113.3%	2.9%
Malaysia	87	126	44.8%	2.8%
Venezuela	12	94	683.3%	2.1%
Japan	77	92	19.5%	2.1%
Other countries	1577	1417	-10.1%	32.0%
Sub-total Offshore	3 926	4 425	12.7%	100.0%

2.22 Number of subclass 572 Vocational Education and Training Sector visa applications granted in 2014-15 to 30 September 2014 where the client location was ONSHORE by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year

Citizenship Country	2013-14 to 30/09/13	2014-15 to 30/09/14	% Change from 2013-14	2014-15 as % of Total
India	2253	1574	-30.1%	12.9%
Korea, South	1264	1427	12.9%	11.7%
China, Peoples Republic of	857	1010	17.9%	8.3%
Thailand	880	977	11.0%	8.0%
Brazil	803	931	15.9%	7.6%
Malaysia	450	669	48.7%	5.5%
Taiwan	320	419	30.9%	3.4%
Philippines	400	398	-0.5%	3.3%
Indonesia	382	389	1.8%	3.2%
Italy	296	355	19.9%	2.9%
Japan	337	353	4.7%	2.9%
HKSAR of the PRC	158	278	75.9%	2.3%
United Kingdom	288	267	-7.3%	2.2%
Colombia	253	243	-4.0%	2.0%
Pakistan	312	226	-27.6%	1.9%
Other countries	2616	2668	2.0%	21.9%
Sub-total Onshore	11 869	12 184	2.7%	100.0%
Total	15 795	16 609	5.2%	

2.23 Number of subclass 573 Higher Education Sector visa applications granted in 2014-15 to 30 September 2014 where the client location was OFFSHORE by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year

Citizenship Country	2013-14 to 30/09/13	2014-15 to 30/09/14	% Change from 2013-14	2014-15 as % of Total
China, Peoples Republic of	7782	10115	30.0%	39.1%
India	3747	5540	47.9%	21.4%
Nepal	1778	1573	-11.5%	6.1%
Vietnam	1849	1054	-43.0%	4.1%
Thailand	762	835	9.6%	3.2%
Pakistan	530	794	49.8%	3.1%
Indonesia	772	695	-10.0%	2.7%
HKSAR of the PRC	572	566	-1.0%	2.2%
Sri Lanka	357	472	32.2%	1.8%
Malaysia	460	430	-6.5%	1.7%
Philippines	376	345	-8.2%	1.3%
Saudi Arabia	320	330	3.1%	1.3%
Bangladesh	247	325	31.6%	1.3%
Korea, South	214	220	2.8%	0.8%
Singapore	171	204	19.3%	0.8%
Other countries	2319	2390	3.1%	9.2%
Sub-total Offshore	22 256	25 888	16.3%	100.0%

2.24 Number of subclass 573 Higher Education Sector visa applications granted in 2014-15 to 30 September 2014 where the client location was ONSHORE by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year

Citizenship Country	2013-14 to 30/09/13	2014-15 to 30/09/14	% Change from 2013-14	2014-15 as % of Total
China, Peoples Republic of	7080	5592	-21.0%	41.0%
India	1060	1026	-3.2%	7.5%
Vietnam	848	668	-21.2%	4.9%
Saudi Arabia	683	640	-6.3%	4.7%
Nepal	742	629	-15.2%	4.6%
Pakistan	443	442	-0.2%	3.2%
Korea, South	548	438	-20.1%	3.2%
Malaysia	458	389	-15.1%	2.9%
HKSAR of the PRC	369	337	-8.7%	2.5%
Indonesia	458	297	-35.2%	2.2%
Bangladesh	219	247	12.8%	1.8%
Philippines	198	238	20.2%	1.7%
Thailand	227	215	-5.3%	1.6%
Sri Lanka	239	206	-13.8%	1.5%
Singapore	244	172	-29.5%	1.3%
Other countries	2282	2091	-8.4%	15.3%
Sub-total Onshore	16 098	13 627	-15.3%	100.0%
Total	38 354	39 515	3.0%	

2.25 Number of subclass 574 Postgraduate Research Sector visa applications granted in 2014-15 to 30 September 2014 where the client location was OFFSHORE by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year

Citizenship Country	2013-14 to 30/09/13	2014-15 to 30/09/14	% Change from 2013-14	2014-15 as % of Total
China, Peoples Republic of	377	434	15.1%	24.4%
Iraq	246	166	-32.5%	9.3%
Vietnam	49	122	149.0%	6.9%
Bangladesh	107	113	5.6%	6.3%
Saudi Arabia	100	96	-4.0%	5.4%
Iran	127	86	-32.3%	4.8%
Indonesia	98	78	-20.4%	4.4%
India	87	77	-11.5%	4.3%
Malaysia	112	72	-35.7%	4.0%
Pakistan	42	53	26.2%	3.0%
United States of America	30	43	43.3%	2.4%
Sri Lanka	41	33	-19.5%	1.9%
Germany, Fed Republic of	24	20	-16.7%	1.1%
Brazil	21	20	-4.8%	1.1%
Oman	27	19	-29.6%	1.1%
Other countries	353	349	-1.1%	19.6%
Sub-total Offshore	1 841	1 781	-3.3%	100.0%

2.26 Number of subclass 574 Postgraduate Research Sector visa applications granted in 2014-15 to 30 September 2014 where the client location was ONSHORE by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year

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Citizenship Country	2013-14 to 30/09/13	2014-15 to 30/09/14	% Change from 2013-14	2014-15 as % of Total
Saudi Arabia	162	180	11.1%	15.7%
China, Peoples Republic of	184	161	-12.5%	14.1%
Indonesia	98	82	-16.3%	7.2%
Iran	44	81	84.1%	7.1%
Bangladesh	52	62	19.2%	5.4%
Vietnam	67	54	-19.4%	4.7%
Malaysia	52	42	-19.2%	3.7%
India	51	36	-29.4%	3.1%
United States of America	28	31	10.7%	2.7%
Sri Lanka	32	26	-18.8%	2.3%
Germany, Fed Republic of	16	25	56.3%	2.2%
Pakistan	26	22	-15.4%	1.9%
United Kingdom	12	19	58.3%	1.7%
Iraq	7	19	171.4%	1.7%
Canada	10	18	80.0%	1.6%
Other countries	358	286	-20.1%	25.0%
Sub-total Onshore	1 199	1 144	-4.6%	100.0%
Total	3 040	2 925	-3.8%	

2.27 Number of subclass 575 Non-Award Sector visa applications granted in 2014-15 to 30 September 2014 where the client location was OFFSHORE by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year

Citizenship Country	2013-14 to 30/09/13	2014-15 to 30/09/14	% Change from 2013-14	2014-15 as % of Total
United States of America	374	422	12.8%	19.8%
Brazil	1378	372	-73.0%	17.5%
Germany, Fed Republic of	188	272	44.7%	12.8%
China, Peoples Republic of	153	219	43.1%	10.3%
Japan	54	78	44.4%	3.7%
Norway	56	68	21.4%	3.2%
France	54	59	9.3%	2.8%
Spain	42	51	21.4%	2.4%
United Kingdom	44	48	9.1%	2.3%
Mexico	26	44	69.2%	2.1%
Denmark	30	42	40.0%	2.0%
Sweden	46	39	-15.2%	1.8%
India	30	33	10.0%	1.5%
Netherlands, Kingdom of The	16	30	87.5%	1.4%
HKSAR of the PRC	28	29	3.6%	1.4%
Other countries	449	324	-27.8%	15.2%
Sub-total Offshore	2 968	2 130	-28.2%	100.0%

2.28 Number of subclass 575 Non-Award Sector visa applications granted in 2014-15 to 30 September 2014 where the client location was ONSHORE by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year

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Citizenship Country	2013-14 to 30/09/13	2014-15 to 30/09/14	% Change from 2013-14	2014-15 as % of Total
United States of America	21	19	-9.5%	13.1%
Saudi Arabia	12	18	50.0%	12.4%
Japan	20	12	-40.0%	8.3%
Germany, Fed Republic of	12	10	-16.7%	6.9%
China, Peoples Republic of	13	9	-30.8%	6.2%
Malaysia	6	9	50.0%	6.2%
Singapore	<5	6	500.0%	4.1%
Brazil	31	5	-83.9%	3.4%
Korea, South	22	5	-77.3%	3.4%
France	13	5	-61.5%	3.4%
Colombia	11	<5	-63.6%	2.8%
Italy	<5	<5	0.0%	2.8%
Denmark	<5	<5	33.3%	2.8%
United Kingdom	<5	<5	100.0%	2.8%
Sweden	9	<5	-66.7%	2.1%
Other countries	55	28	-49.1%	19.3%
Sub-total Onshore	235	145	-38.3%	100.0%
Total	3 203	2 275	-29.0%	

2.29 Number of subclass 576 Foreign Affairs or Defence Sector visa applications granted in 2014-15 to 30 September 2014 where the client location was OFFSHORE by citizenship country comparison with same period in previous year

Citizenship Country	2013-14 to 30/09/13	2014-15 to 30/09/14	% Change from 2013-14	2014-15 as % of Total
Indonesia	310	290	-6.5%	24.7%
Pakistan	40	74	85.0%	6.3%
Papua New Guinea	114	72	-36.8%	6.1%
Vietnam	107	52	-51.4%	4.4%
Mongolia	64	51	-20.3%	4.3%
Philippines	44	49	11.4%	4.2%
Tanzania	13	46	253.8%	3.9%
Timor-Leste	45	39	-13.3%	3.3%
Thailand	25	38	52.0%	3.2%
Sri Lanka	39	36	-7.7%	3.1%
Tonga	55	29	-47.3%	2.5%
Nigeria	16	25	56.3%	2.1%
Ghana	14	23	64.3%	2.0%
Myanmar	43	22	-48.8%	1.9%
Malawi	11	21	90.9%	1.8%
Other countries	422	309	-26.8%	26.3%
Sub-total Offshore	1 362	1 176	-13.7%	100.0%

2.30 Number of subclass 576 Foreign Affairs or Defence Sector visa applications granted in 2014-15 to 30 September 2014 where the client location was ONSHORE by citizenship country comparison with same period in previous year

Citizenship Country	2013-14 to 30/09/13	2014-15 to 30/09/14	% Change from 2013-14	2014-15 as % of Total
Indonesia	21	39	85.7%	28.3%
Vietnam	15	26	73.3%	18.8%
Papua New Guinea	20	25	25.0%	18.1%
Bangladesh	<5	8	166.7%	5.8%
Afghanistan	10	5	-50.0%	3.6%
Bhutan	5	<5	-20.0%	2.9%
Cambodia	8	<5	-62.5%	2.2%
Philippines	<5	<5	0.0%	2.2%
Ghana	<5	<5	200.0%	2.2%
Kenya	0	<5	0.0%	2.2%
Mongolia	<5	<5	-33.3%	1.4%
Solomon Islands	<5	<5	0.0%	1.4%
France	<5	<5	100.0%	1.4%
Tanzania	<5	<5	100.0%	1.4%
Liberia	0	<5	0.0%	1.4%
Other countries	31	9	-71.0%	6.5%
Sub-total Onshore	124	138	11.3%	100.0%
Total	1 486	1 314	-11.6%	

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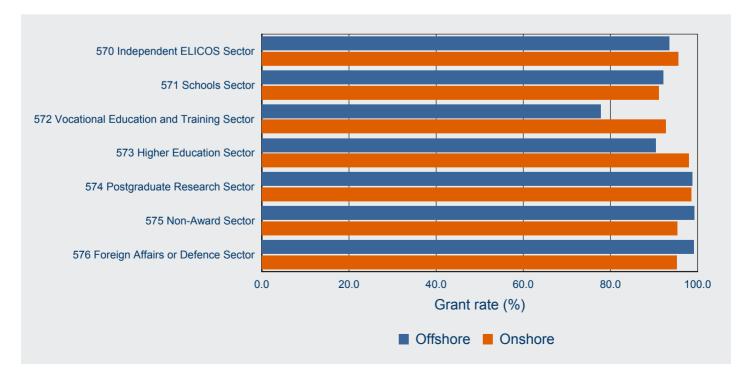
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3.01 Grant rate of student visa applications decided in the three month period between 1 July 2014 and 30 September 2014 by client location and visa subclass - comparison with previous four periods

Visa Subclass	01/07/13 to 30/09/13	01/10/13 to 31/12/13	01/01/14 to 31/03/14	01/04/14 to 30/06/14	01/07/14 to 30/09/14
Offshore					
570 Independent ELICOS Sector	93.8%	92.1%	93.3%	91.3%	93.5%
571 Schools Sector	94.4%	91.9%	90.3%	93.8%	92.2%
572 Vocational Education and Training Sector	79.9%	76.3%	76.8%	76.6%	77.8%
573 Higher Education Sector	92.6%	89.7%	93.6%	90.5%	90.4%
574 Postgraduate Research Sector	99.1%	98.0%	98.7%	98.0%	98.8%
575 Non-Award Sector	99.5%	99.8%	99.7%	99.9%	99.3%
576 Foreign Affairs or Defence Sector	99.6%	98.3%	99.5%	98.4%	99.1%
All Offshore	92.4%	90.2%	92.6%	91.1%	90.4%
Onshore					
570 Independent ELICOS Sector	96.4%	95.8%	96.2%	92.6%	95.6%
571 Schools Sector	95.5%	93.8%	97.2%	94.8%	91.1%
572 Vocational Education and Training Sector	95.1%	92.9%	94.7%	90.7%	92.7%
573 Higher Education Sector	98.5%	95.6%	98.6%	95.3%	98.0%
574 Postgraduate Research Sector	99.2%	98.9%	98.4%	98.6%	98.5%
575 Non-Award Sector	96.3%	92.5%	96.9%	98.1%	95.4%
576 Foreign Affairs or Defence Sector	93.9%	98.4%	92.2%	93.5%	95.2%
All Onshore	97.0%	94.4%	97.0%	93.2%	95.5%
All	94.4%	91.7%	94.3%	91.9%	92.4%

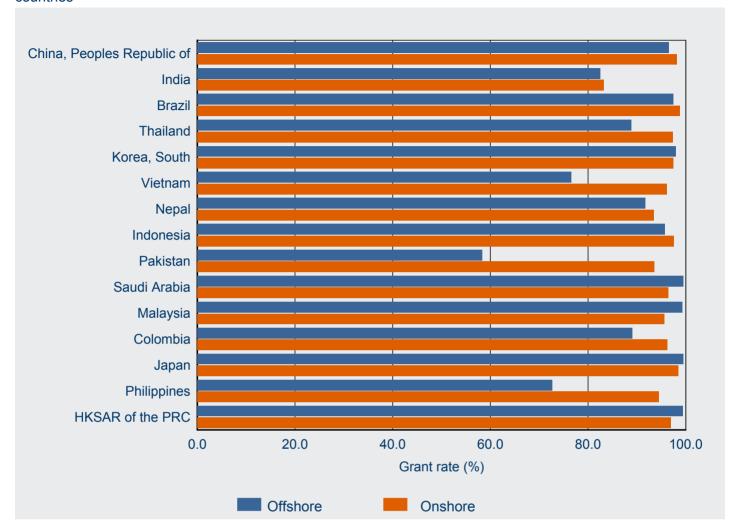
3.02 Grant rate of student visa applications decided in the three month period between 1 July 2014 and 30 September 2014 by client location and visa subclass



3.03 Grant rate of student visa applications decided in the three month period between 1 July 2014 and 30 September 2014 by client location and citizenship country - comparison with previous four periods

Offshore China, Peoples Republic of India Brazil Thailand Nepal Indonesia Vietnam Pakistan Japan Saudi Arabia Korea, South	96.9% 91.0% 99.3% 97.4% 96.2% 92.1% 87.3% 51.3% 99.7% 98.8%	92.9% 87.9% 97.8% 96.2% 95.0% 93.2% 84.4% 39.1%	95.3% 93.5% 97.2% 96.7% 97.3% 95.6% 80.7% 70.0%	94.9% 85.6% 97.3% 94.7% 90.0% 98.1% 78.7% 62.9%	96.5% 82.5% 97.5% 88.9% 91.7% 95.8% 76.6%
India Brazil Thailand Nepal Indonesia Vietnam Pakistan Japan Saudi Arabia	91.0% 99.3% 97.4% 96.2% 92.1% 87.3% 51.3% 99.7% 98.8%	87.9% 97.8% 96.2% 95.0% 93.2% 84.4% 39.1%	93.5% 97.2% 96.7% 97.3% 95.6% 80.7% 70.0%	85.6% 97.3% 94.7% 90.0% 98.1% 78.7%	82.5% 97.5% 88.9% 91.7% 95.8% 76.6%
Brazil Thailand Nepal Indonesia Vietnam Pakistan Japan Saudi Arabia	99.3% 97.4% 96.2% 92.1% 87.3% 51.3% 99.7% 98.8%	97.8% 96.2% 95.0% 93.2% 84.4% 39.1%	97.2% 96.7% 97.3% 95.6% 80.7% 70.0%	97.3% 94.7% 90.0% 98.1% 78.7%	97.5% 88.9% 91.7% 95.8% 76.6%
Thailand Nepal Indonesia Vietnam Pakistan Japan Saudi Arabia	97.4% 96.2% 92.1% 87.3% 51.3% 99.7% 98.8%	96.2% 95.0% 93.2% 84.4% 39.1%	96.7% 97.3% 95.6% 80.7% 70.0%	94.7% 90.0% 98.1% 78.7%	88.9% 91.7% 95.8% 76.6%
Nepal Indonesia Vietnam Pakistan Japan Saudi Arabia	96.2% 92.1% 87.3% 51.3% 99.7% 98.8%	95.0% 93.2% 84.4% 39.1%	97.3% 95.6% 80.7% 70.0%	90.0% 98.1% 78.7%	91.7% 95.8% 76.6%
Indonesia Vietnam Pakistan Japan Saudi Arabia	92.1% 87.3% 51.3% 99.7% 98.8%	93.2% 84.4% 39.1%	95.6% 80.7% 70.0%	98.1% 78.7%	95.8% 76.6%
Vietnam Pakistan Japan Saudi Arabia	87.3% 51.3% 99.7% 98.8%	84.4% 39.1%	80.7% 70.0%	78.7%	76.6%
Pakistan Japan Saudi Arabia	51.3% 99.7% 98.8%	39.1%	70.0%		
Japan Saudi Arabia	99.7% 98.8%			62.9%	
Saudi Arabia	98.8%	99.4%	99.9%		58.3%
				99.3%	99.6%
Korea, South		97.8%	99.3%	98.5%	99.5%
	97.6%	97.2%	98.9%	98.2%	98.0%
Colombia	90.2%	92.0%	93.3%	89.9%	89.1%
HKSAR of the PRC	99.2%	99.7%	98.9%	97.5%	99.4%
United States of America	99.1%	99.7%	99.8%	99.8%	99.6%
Malaysia	97.3%	99.4%	99.3%	98.8%	99.3%
Other countries	89.7%	90.1%	89.2%	91.3%	89.6%
All Offshore	92.4%	90.2%	92.6%	91.1%	90.4%
Onshore					
China, Peoples Republic of	98.5%	95.1%	98.9%	94.9%	98.1%
India	91.4%	88.3%	91.4%	88.6%	83.2%
Korea, South	98.4%	97.5%	98.1%	95.2%	97.5%
Brazil	98.7%	98.0%	98.9%	97.1%	98.8%
Thailand	96.8%	98.2%	95.2%	92.0%	97.4%
Malaysia	97.2%	95.2%	97.7%	94.5%	95.6%
Saudi Arabia	96.3%	95.2%	96.0%	96.3%	96.5%
Vietnam	96.6%	90.1%	97.2%	92.7%	96.1%
Colombia	98.6%	96.1%	96.8%	95.2%	96.2%
Nepal	96.0%	94.8%	95.5%	93.3%	93.5%
Indonesia	98.1%	95.9%	97.5%	94.5%	97.6%
Taiwan	98.8%	97.1%	95.5%	96.0%	98.0%
Japan	99.5%	98.2%	98.4%	95.1%	98.5%
HKSAR of the PRC	97.0%	94.7%	96.5%	89.7%	96.9%
Pakistan	96.5%	93.4%	94.6%	90.0%	93.6%
Other countries	97.1%	95.0%	97.1%	92.5%	96.0%
All Onshore	97.0%	94.4%	97.0%	93.2%	95.5%
All	94.4%	91.7%	94.3%	91.9%	92.4%

3.04 Grant rate of student visa applications decided in the three month period between 1 July 2014 and 30 September 2014 by citizenship country and client location - top 15 citizenship countries



This section contains information on 25, 50 and 75 percentile processing times for primary applications.

In general terms:

25 percentile means that 25 per cent of applications granted during the period were processed within the number of

days shown in the tables. Conversely, 75 per cent took longer than the number of days shown. This measure gives an indication of how long it is taking to process the more straight-forward student

applications.

50 percentile more commonly known as the median, it means that 50 per cent of applications granted during the

period were processed within the number of days shown in the tables. Conversely, 50 per cent took longer than the number of days shown. This measure gives an indication of how long it is taking to

process the typical student applications.

75 percentile means that 75 per cent of applications granted during the period were processed within the number of

days shown in the tables. Conversely, 25 per cent took longer than the number of days shown. This measure gives an indication of how long it is taking to process the more complex student applications.

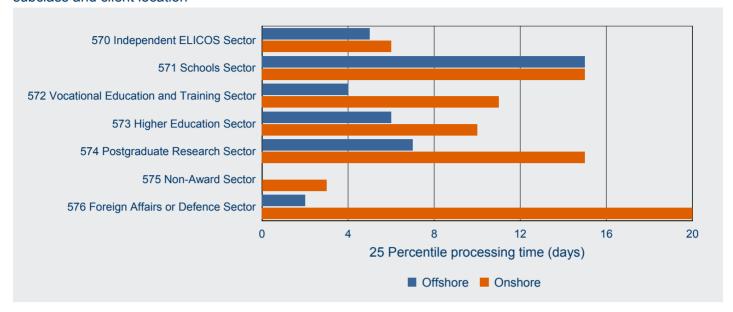
4.01 Processing time (in calendar days) for student PRIMARY visa applications granted in the three month period between 1 July 2014 and 30 September 2014 by client location and visa subclass - comparison with previous four periods

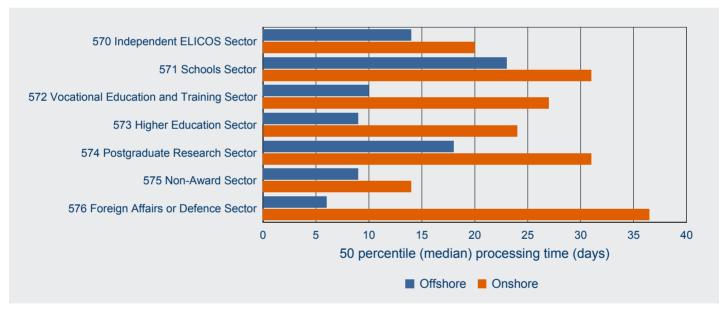
Visa Subclass		01/07/13 to 30/09/13 (days)	01/10/13 to 31/12/13 (days)	01/01/14 to 31/03/14 (days)	01/04/14 to 30/06/14 (days)	01/07/14 to 30/09/14 (days)
Offshore						
570 Independent ELICOS	25th percentile	6	5	7	7	5
Sector	50th percentile (Median)	15	14	16	14	14
	75th percentile	24	22	25	20	23
571 Schools Sector	25th percentile	9	7	8	4	15
	50th percentile (Median)	15	15	18	9	23
	75th percentile	28	35	34	18	38
572 Vocational Education	25th percentile	7	4	6	4	4
and Training Sector	50th percentile (Median)	17	13	14	11	10
	75th percentile	37	29	32	23	22
573 Higher Education	25th percentile	7	6	6	6	6
Sector	50th percentile (Median)	13	12	13	10	9
	75th percentile	25	23	28	19	19
574 Postgraduate	25th percentile	8	7	6	7	7
Research Sector	50th percentile (Median)	19	14	16	17	18
	75th percentile	35	28	30	33	32
575 Non-Award Sector	25th percentile	3	0	0	0	0
	50th percentile (Median)	12	0	2	0	9
	75th percentile	28	9	17	7	20
576 Foreign Affairs or	25th percentile	5	6	6	2	2
Defence Sector	50th percentile (Median)	11	19	18	8	6
	75th percentile	20	48	70	27	14
All Offshore	25th percentile	7	5	6	4	6
	50th percentile (Median)	14	11	13	9	11
	75th percentile	26	23	27	18	22

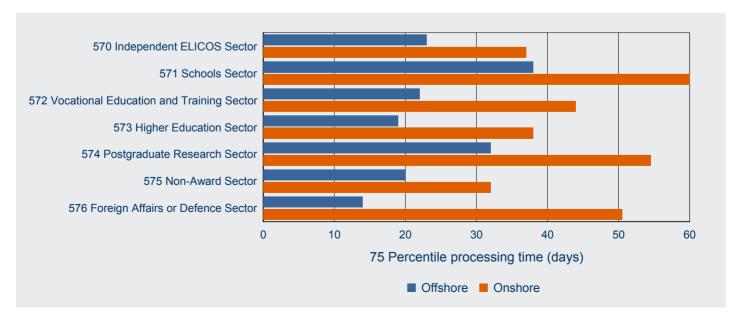
4.01 Processing time (in calendar days) for student PRIMARY visa applications granted in the three month period between 1 July 2014 and 30 September 2014 by client location and visa subclass - comparison with previous four periods - continued

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		14	15	18	21	20
571 Schools Sector	75th percentile	28	32	34	40	37
	25th percentile	15	10	16	28	15
;	50th percentile (Median)	29	25	29	45	31
-	75th percentile	58	43	45	72	60
	25th percentile	8	10	7	16	11
and Training Sector	50th percentile (Median)	22	27	23	33	27
•	75th percentile	39	45	42	54	44
	25th percentile	4	14	7	26	10
Sector	50th percentile (Median)	14	32	15	39	24
•	75th percentile	27	50	26	57	38
	25th percentile	8	11	9	20	15
Research Sector	50th percentile (Median)	19	27	20	35	31
-	75th percentile	34	50	35	60	55
575 Non-Award Sector	25th percentile	3	2	2	5	3
;	50th percentile (Median)	11	5	6	18	14
·	75th percentile	29	18	24	42	32
576 Foreign Affairs or	25th percentile	9	14	27	27	20
Defence Sector	50th percentile (Median)	20	38	45	53	37
-	75th percentile	44	76	66	66	51
All Onshore	25th percentile	5	10	7	20	10
(50th percentile (Median)	17	27	17	35	25
	75th percentile	31	46	32	55	41
All	25th percentile	7	6	6	6	6
	50th percentile (Median)	15	14	15	14	15
	75th percentile	28	32	29	33	30

4.02 25, 50 and 75 percentile processing time (in calendar days) for student PRIMARY visa applications granted in the three month period between 1 July 2014 and 30 September 2014 by visa subclass and client location







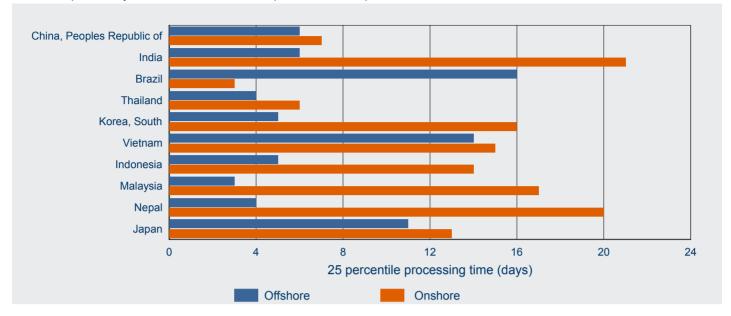
4.03 Processing time (in calendar days) for student PRIMARY visa applications granted in the three month period between 1 July 2014 and 30 September 2014 by client location and citizenship country - comparison with previous four periods

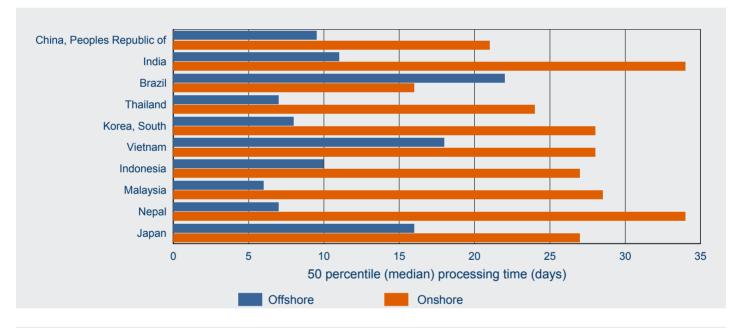
Citizenship country		01/07/13 to 30/09/13	01/10/13 to 31/12/13	01/01/14 to 31/03/14	01/04/14 to 30/06/14	01/07/14 to 30/09/14
		(days)	(days)	(days)	(days)	(days)
Offshore	0511 (1)	_	•	•	_	•
China, Peoples Republic of	25th percentile	7	6	6	7	6
	50th percentile (Median)	10	9	8	10	10
	75th percentile	19	18	15	16	21
India	25th percentile	12	10	11	7	6
	50th percentile (Median)	20	21	24	13	11
	75th percentile	29	43	42	28	26
Brazil	25th percentile	13	13	16	13	16
	50th percentile (Median)	21	18	22	17	22
	75th percentile	34	25	28	22	29
Vietnam	25th percentile	10	14	13	5	14
	50th percentile (Median)	14	19	22	9	18
	75th percentile	26	32	31	14	25
Thailand	25th percentile	5	4	4	6	4
	50th percentile (Median)	10	6	7	11	7
	75th percentile	19	12	12	15	14
United States of America	25th percentile	0	0	0	0	0
	50th percentile (Median)	1	0	0	0	0
	75th percentile	4	1	5	0	3
Malaysia	25th percentile	5	4	2	3	3
	50th percentile (Median)	9	7	6	7	6
	75th percentile	16	14	13	13	13
Indonesia	25th percentile	11	11	8	7	5
	50th percentile (Median)	20	20	14	13	10
	75th percentile	32	48	23	28	18
Nepal	25th percentile	20	17	20	7	4
	50th percentile (Median)	30	29	32	11	7
	75th percentile	64	54	47	27	14
Korea, South	25th percentile	7	6	5	5	5
·	50th percentile (Median)	12	10	9	9	8
	75th percentile	20	17	15	15	14
Other countries	25th percentile	5	2	5	1	3
	50th percentile (Median)	14	10	14	7	10
	75th percentile	27	22	28	19	22
All Offshore	25th percentile	7	5	6	4	6
7.11 O11011010	50th percentile (Median)	14	11	13	9	11
	75th percentile (Median)	26	23	13 27	18	22
	rotti percentile	20	23	21	10	22

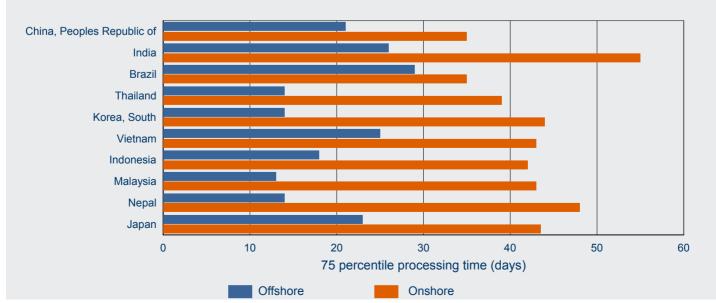
4.03 Processing time (in calendar days) for student PRIMARY visa applications granted in the three month period between 1 July 2014 and 30 September 2014 by client location and citizenship country - comparison with previous four periods - continued

Citizenship country		01/07/13 to 30/09/13 (days)	01/10/13 to 31/12/13 (days)	01/01/14 to 31/03/14 (days)	01/04/14 to 30/06/14 (days)	01/07/14 to 30/09/14 (days)
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Onshore						
China, Peoples Republic of	25th percentile	3	13	5	26	7
	50th percentile (Median)	11	31	13	37	21
	75th percentile	22	50	22	55	35
India	25th percentile	14	25	19	28	21
	50th percentile (Median)	31	39	34	42	34
	75th percentile	54	66	67	69	55
Korea, South	25th percentile	11	10	12	17	16
	50th percentile (Median)	21	23	21	31	28
	75th percentile	34	40	34	49	44
Brazil	25th percentile	4	4	4	4	3
	50th percentile (Median)	15	17	17	19	16
	75th percentile	29	32	33	35	35
Malaysia	25th percentile	10	13	12	21	17
	50th percentile (Median)	21	26	20	35	29
-	75th percentile	34	43	32	54	43
Thailand	25th percentile	5	4	4	6	6
	50th percentile (Median)	14	15	16	27	24
	75th percentile	29	35	32	49	39
Vietnam	25th percentile	6	14	9	27	15
	50th percentile (Median)	16	30	18	42	28
	75th percentile	29	50	31	62	43
Colombia	25th percentile	6	6	9	13	7
	50th percentile (Median)	17	21	25	30	23
	75th percentile	32	39	48	51	41
Saudi Arabia	25th percentile	7	8	7	15	9
	50th percentile (Median)	19	25	17	33	24
	75th percentile	34	46	30	56	42
Nepal	25th percentile	12	22	14	26	20
	50th percentile (Median)	27	34	30	37	34
	75th percentile	43	53	50	56	48
Other countries	25th percentile	6	8	7	15	10
	50th percentile (Median)	18	24	19	33	25
	75th percentile	33	42	34	54	42
All Onshore	25th percentile	5	10	7	20	10
	50th percentile (Median)	17	27	17	35	25
	75th percentile	31	46	32	55	41
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All	25th percentile	7	6	6	6	6
	50th percentile (Median) 75th percentile	15 28	14 32	15 29	14 33	15 30
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4.04 25, 50 and 75 percentile processing time (in calendar days) for student PRIMARY visa applications granted in the three month period between 1 July 2014 and 30 September 2014 by citizenship country and client location - top 10 citizenship countries



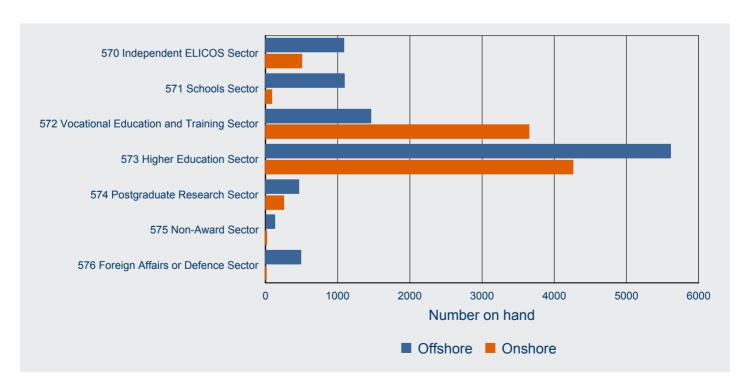




5.01 Number of student PRIMARY visa applications on hand at 30 September 2014 by client location and visa subclass - comparison with previous four periods

Visa Subclass	On hand at 30/09/13	On hand at 31/12/13	On hand at 31/03/14	On hand at 30/06/14	On hand at 30/09/14
Offshore					
570 Independent ELICOS Sector	1 628	2 034	1 486	1 912	1 610
571 Schools Sector	1 156	1 390	817	1 889	1 431
572 Vocational Education and Training Sector	1 845	2 233	1 559	1 963	1 932
573 Higher Education Sector	6 808	9 988	6 707	9 019	8 059
574 Postgraduate Research Sector	432	584	460	548	533
575 Non-Award Sector	177	891	169	802	154
576 Foreign Affairs or Defence Sector	557	484	487	287	572
Sub-total Offshore	12 603	17 604	11 685	16 420	14 291
Onshore					
570 Independent ELICOS Sector	738	706	874	877	730
571 Schools Sector	120	107	306	131	127
572 Vocational Education and Training Sector	5 157	4 204	6 384	5 294	5 014
573 Higher Education Sector	4 793	2 469	8 447	2 869	5 893
574 Postgraduate Research Sector	343	218	475	341	350
575 Non-Award Sector	31	37	46	45	25
576 Foreign Affairs or Defence Sector	41	62	44	24	31
Sub-total Onshore	11 223	7 803	16 576	9 581	12 170
Total	23 826	25 407	28 261	26 001	26 461

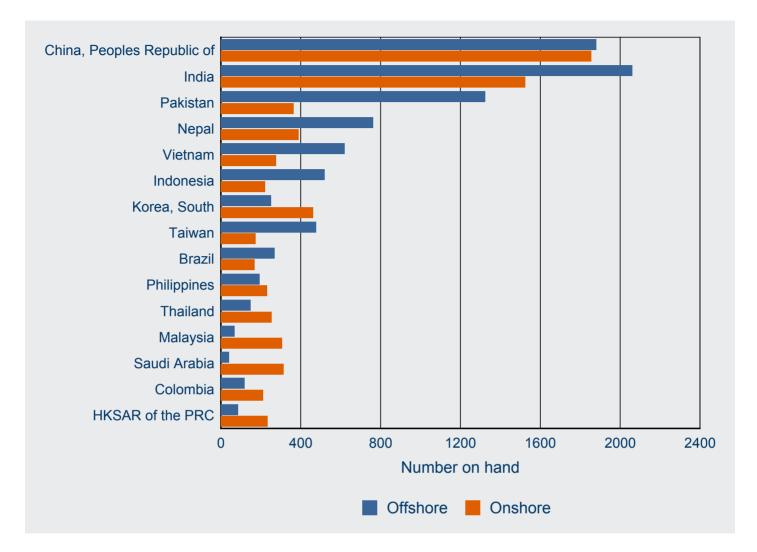
5.02 Number of student PRIMARY visa applications on hand at 30 September 2014 by client location and visa subclass



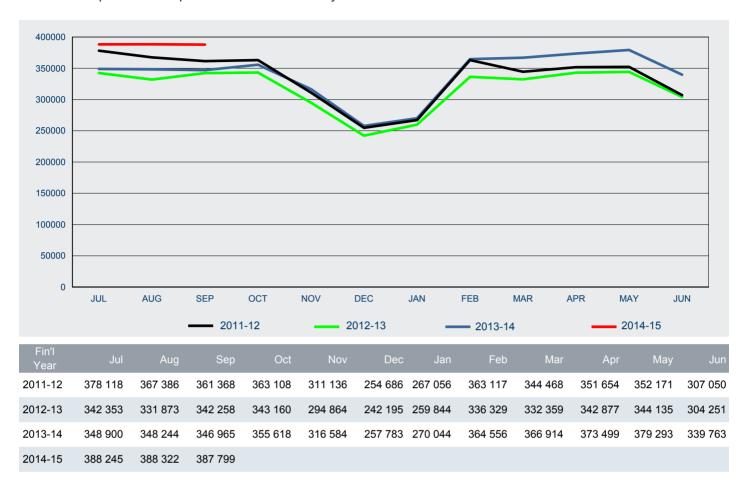
5.03 Number of student PRIMARY visa applications on hand at 30 September 2014 by client location and citizenship country - comparison with previous four periods

Visa Subclass	On hand at 30/09/13	On hand at 31/12/13	On hand at 31/03/14	On hand at 30/06/14	On hand at 30/09/14
Offshore					
China, Peoples Republic of	2 668	2 274	1 507	3 764	3 311
India	1 388	3 143	1 967	2 715	2 503
Pakistan	1 449	1 089	942	1 610	1 754
Nepal	690	1 216	1 858	655	840
Vietnam	993	1 101	564	853	795
Indonesia	617	539	510	449	676
Taiwan	521	544	536	580	514
Brazil	279	649	252	648	418
Korea, South	331	470	340	353	327
Thailand	199	288	281	448	285
Philippines	622	577	246	271	271
Colombia	245	409	226	253	237
HKSAR of the PRC	153	243	115	137	144
Japan	118	357	198	327	129
Papua New Guinea	71	227	137	144	129
Other countries	2 259	4 478	2 006	3 213	1 958
Sub-total Offshore	12 603	17 604	11 685	16 420	14 291
Onshore					
China, Peoples Republic of	1 962	870	4 294	1 149	2 645
India	2 171	1 631	2 234	1 508	1 960
Korea, South	642	597	984	847	698
Nepal	671	333	674	280	506
Pakistan	547	341	601	304	495
Malaysia	331	241	582	426	421
Vietnam	387	231	841	273	415
Saudi Arabia	311	162	535	303	411
Thailand	305	238	437	422	350
HKSAR of the PRC	235	157	390	234	316
Philippines	238	182	377	218	312
Colombia	244	338	407	296	303
Taiwan	234	159	281	238	301
Indonesia	285	193	375	276	293
Brazil	254	243	272	373	258
Other countries	2 406	1 887	3 292	2 434	2 486
Sub-total Onshore	11 223	7 803	16 576	9 581	12 170
Total	23 826	25 407	28 261	26 001	26 461

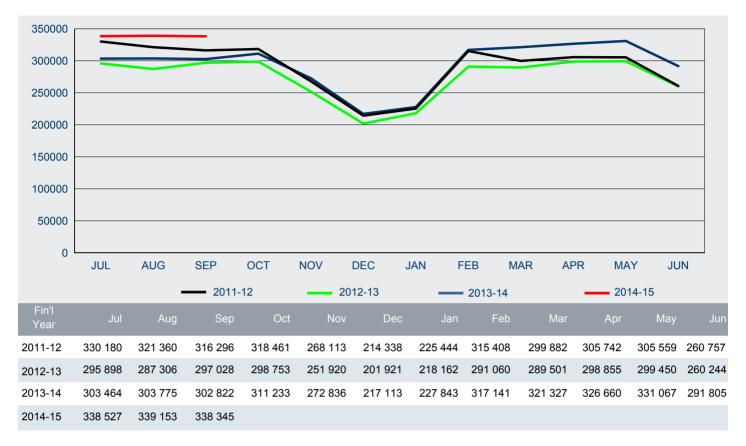
5.04 Number of student PRIMARY visa applications on hand at 30 September 2014 by citizenship country and client location - top 15 citizenship countries



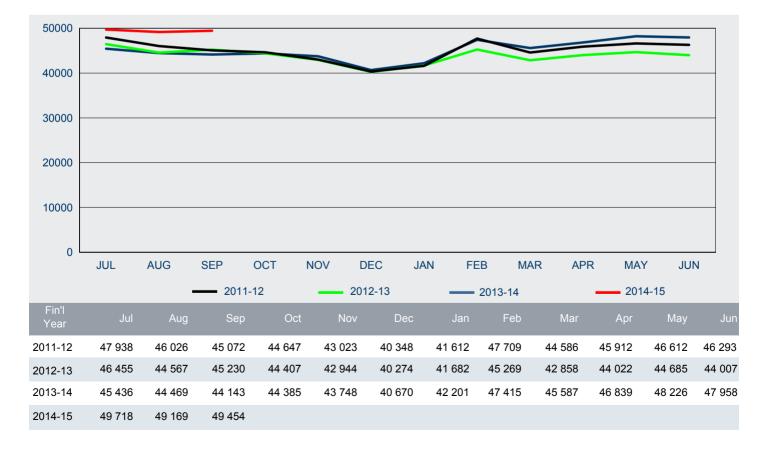
6.01 Number of student visa holders at the end of each month in 2014-15 to 30 September 2014 by month - comparison with previous three financial years



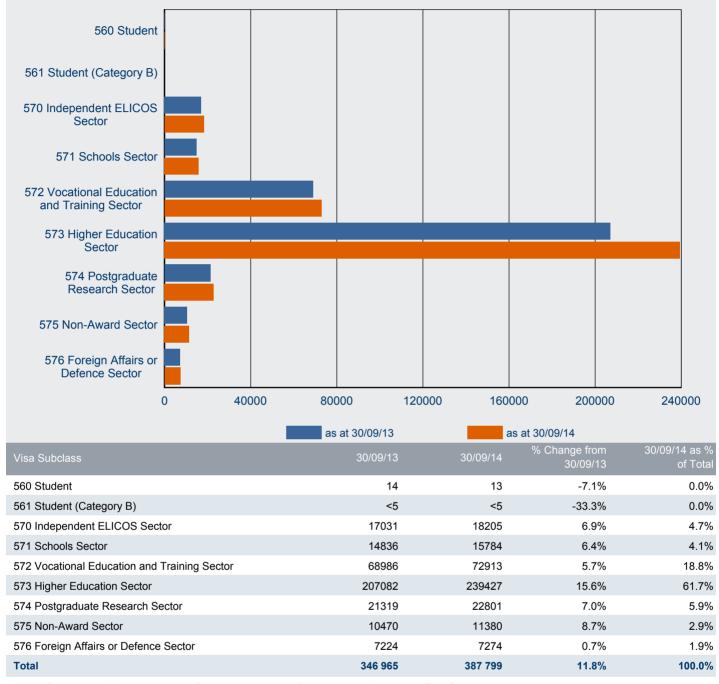
6.02 Number of student PRIMARY visa holders in Australia at the end of each month in 2014-15 to 30 September 2014 - comparison with previous three financial years



6.03 Number of student SECONDARY visa holders in Australia at the end of each month in 2014-15 to 30 September 2014 - comparison with previous three financial years



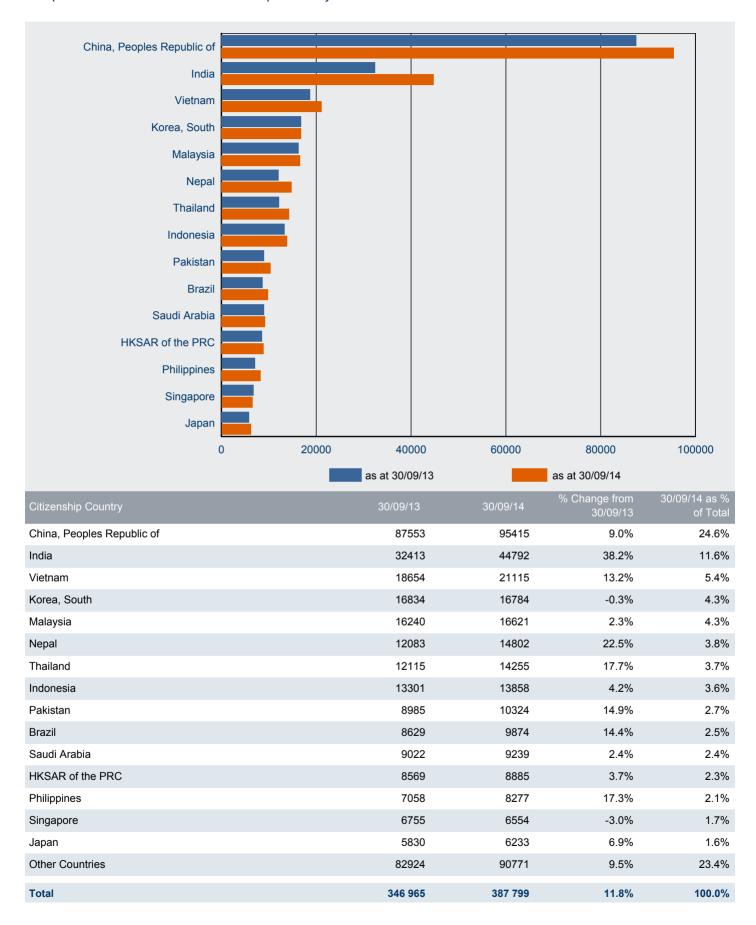
6.04 Number of student visa holders in Australia as at 30 September 2014 by visa subclass - comparison with the same date in the previous year



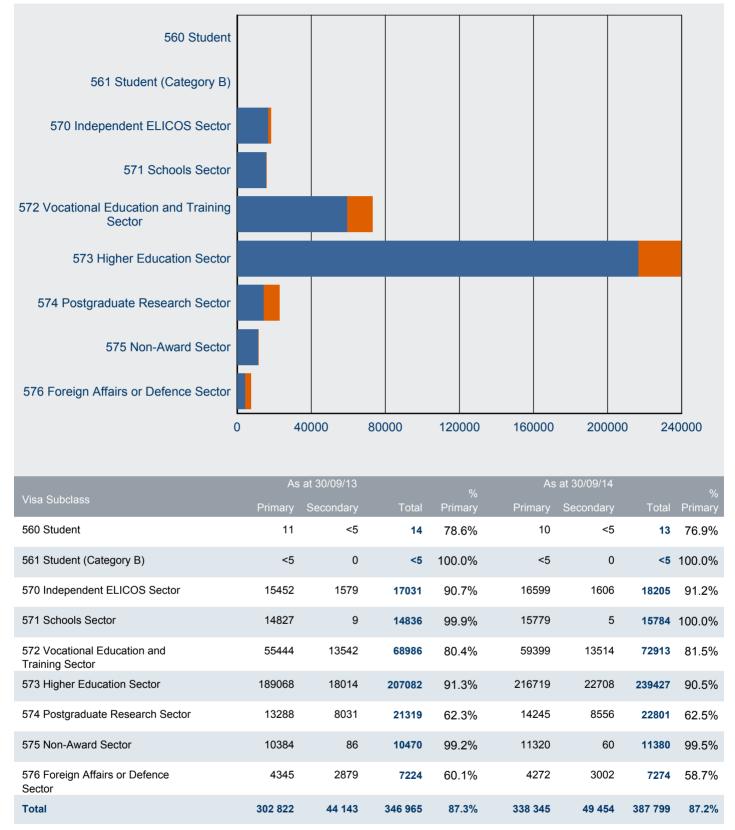
Note: Subclass 560 - was omitted from the Migration Regulations 1994 with effect from 1 July 2001.

Subclass 561 (Student - Category B) - since 1 September 1994, has not been specified under the *Migration Regulations* 1994.

6.05 Number of student visa holders in Australia as at 30 September 2014 by citizenship country - comparison with the same date in the previous year



6.06 Number of student visa holders in Australia as at 30 September 2014 by visa subclass and applicant type



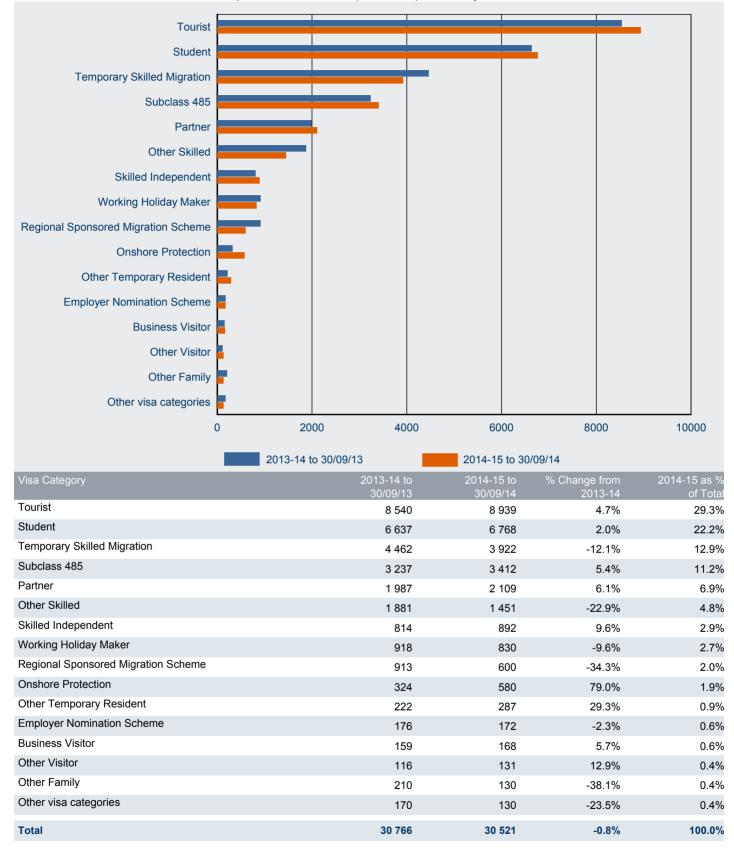
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7 Destinations

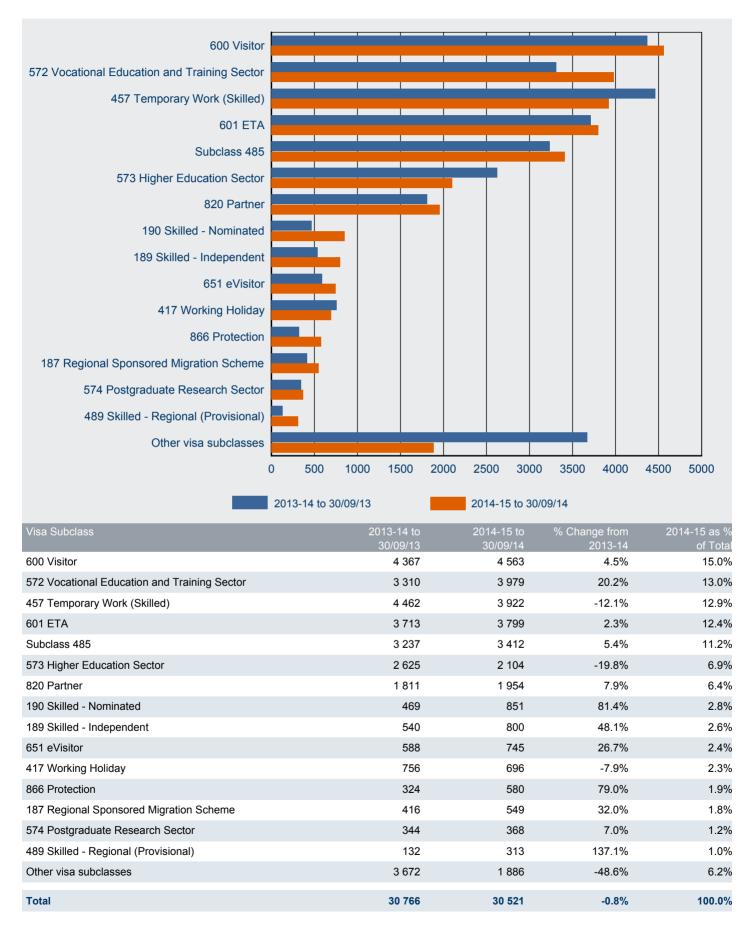
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7.01 Number of visas granted in 2014-15 to 30 September 2014 by visa category where the last visa held was a student visa - comparison with same period in previous year



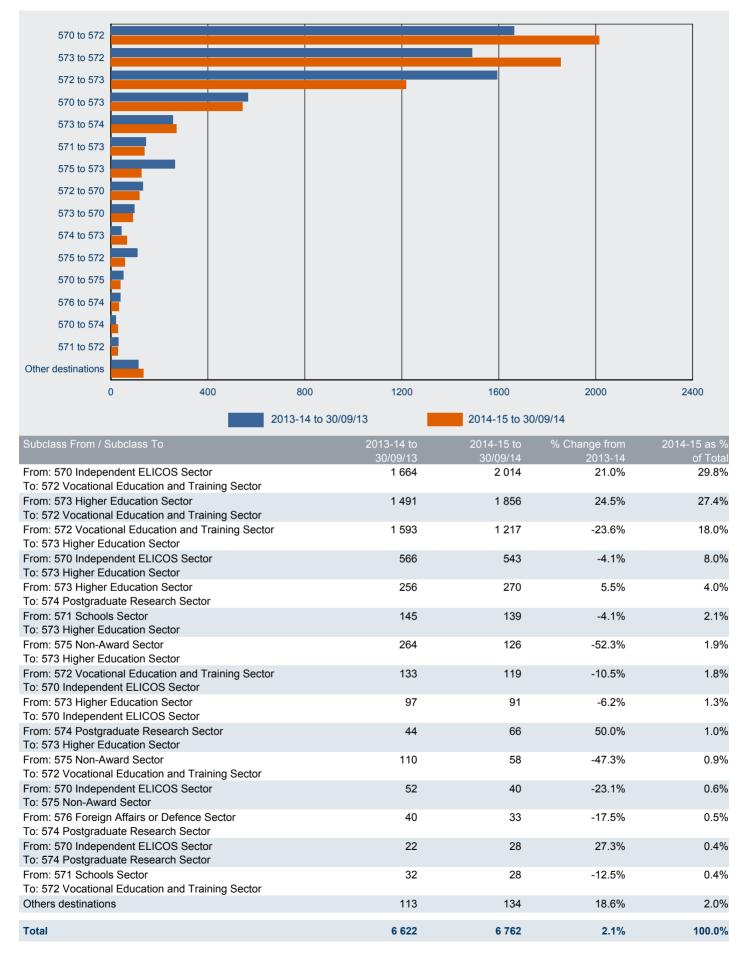
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7.02 Number of visas granted in 2014-15 to 30 September 2014 by visa subclass where the last visa held was a student visa - comparison with same period in previous year



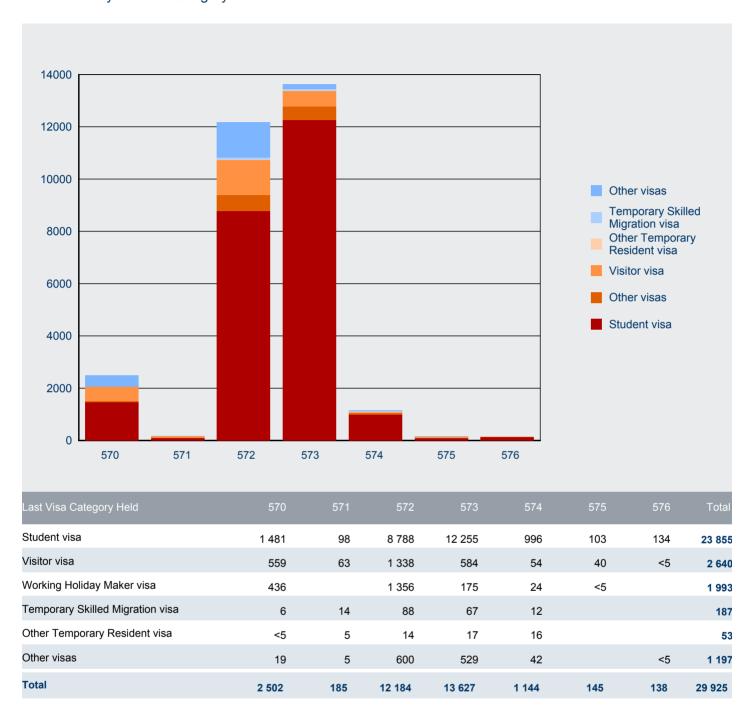
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7.03 Number of student visas granted in 2014-15 to 30 September 2014 by visa subclass where the last visa held was a different student visa - comparison with same period in previous year



7 Destinations

7.04 Number of student visa granted in 2014-15 to 30 September 2014 where the client was ONSHORE by last visa category held



8 Subclass 485 visa

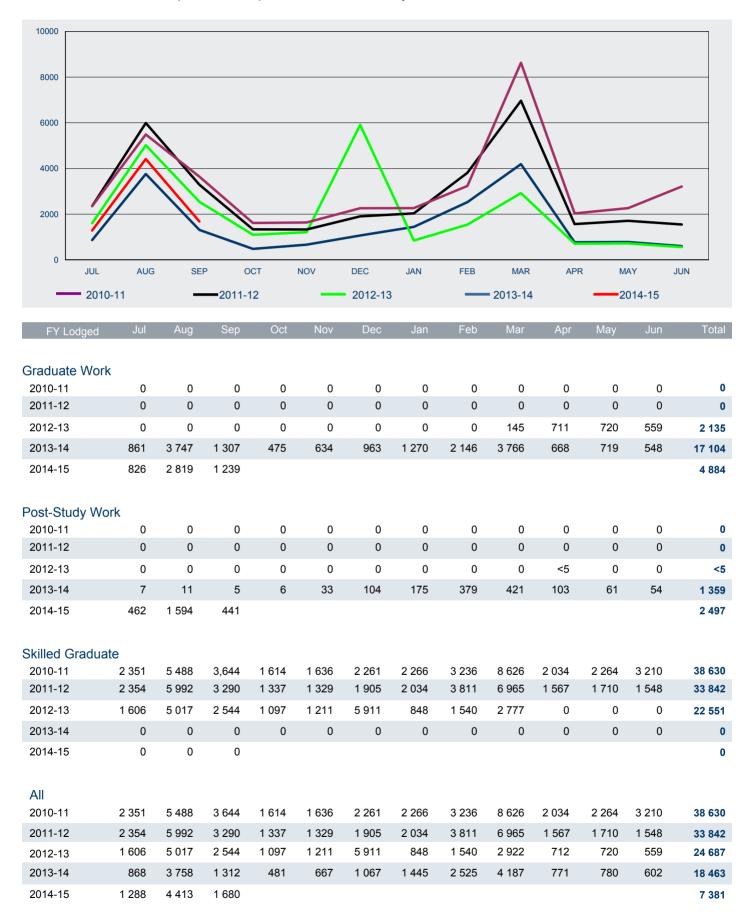
8 Subclass 485 visa - Lodged

8.01 Number of subclass 485 visa applications lodged by month - year on year 12 months rolling total



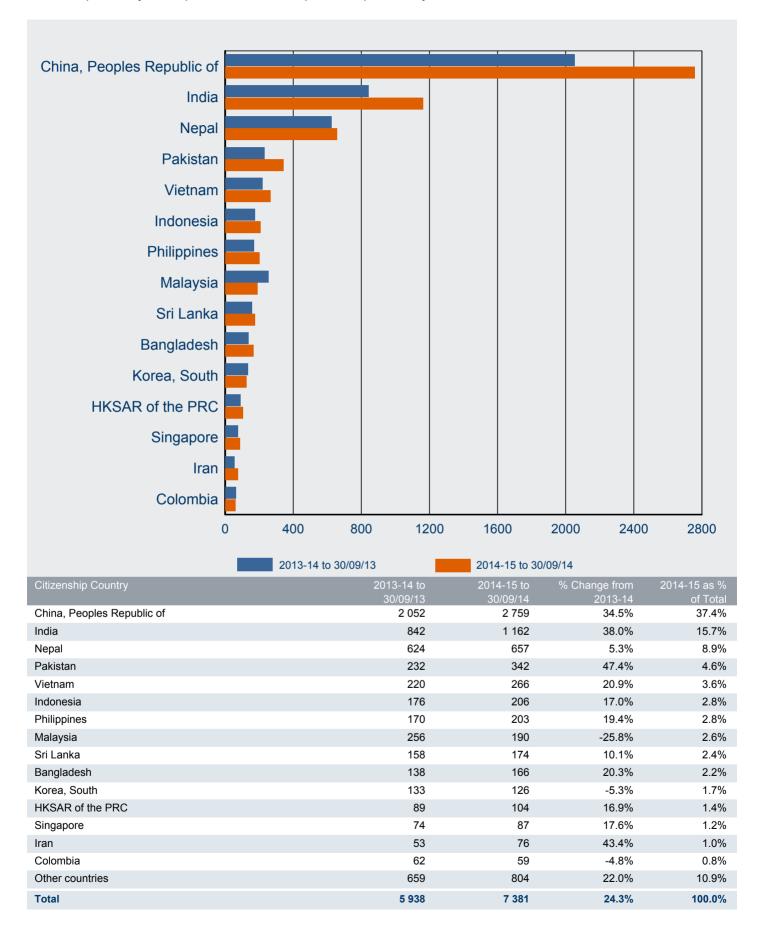
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8.02 Number of subclass 485 visa applications lodged in 2014-15 to 30 September 2014 by visa stream and month - comparison with previous four financial years



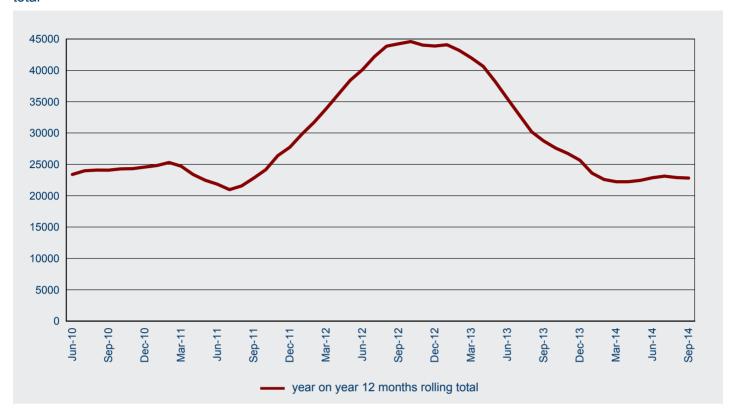
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8.03 Number of subclass 485 visa applications lodged in 2014-15 to 30 September 2014 by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year



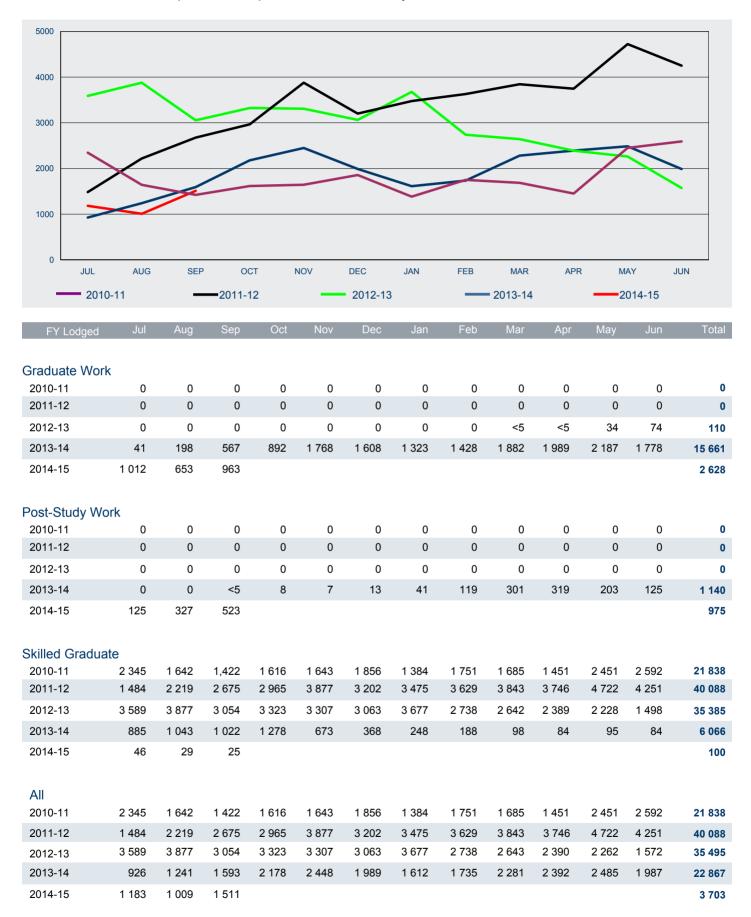
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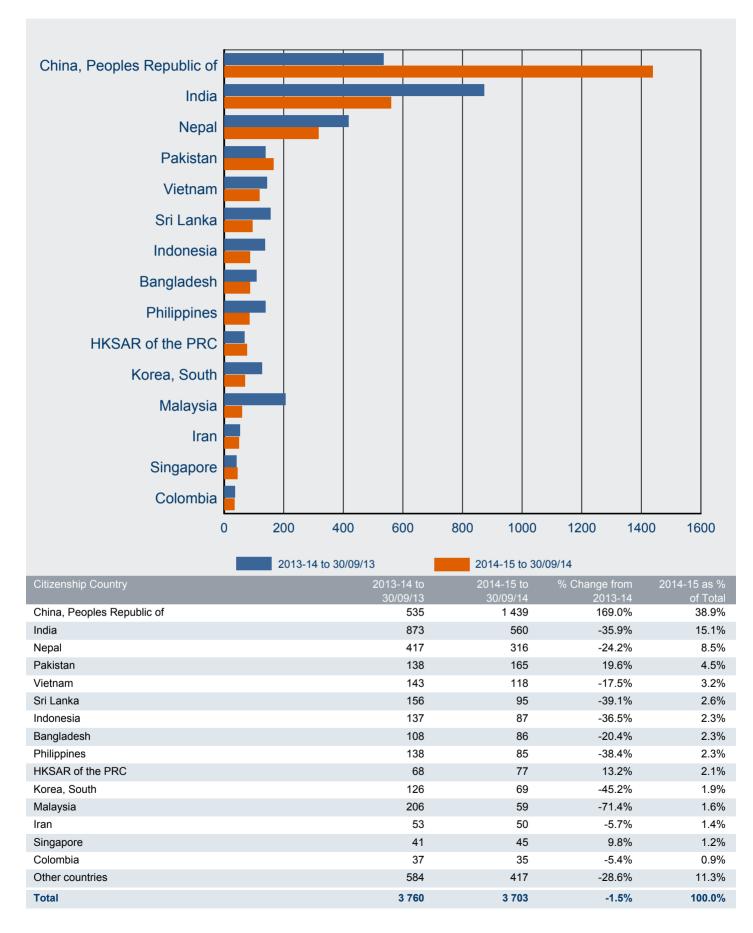
8 Subclass 485 visa - Granted

8.05 Number of subclass 485 visa applications granted in 2014-15 to 30 September 2014 by visa stream and month - comparison with previous four financial years



8 Subclass 485 visa - Granted

8.06 Number of subclass 485 visa applications granted in 2014-15 to 30 September 2014 by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year

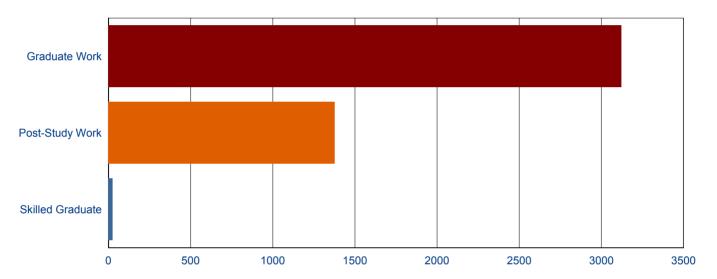


8 Subclass 485 visa - On hand

8.07 Number of subclass 485 PRIMARY visa applications on hand at 30 September 2014 by visa stream - comparison with previous four periods

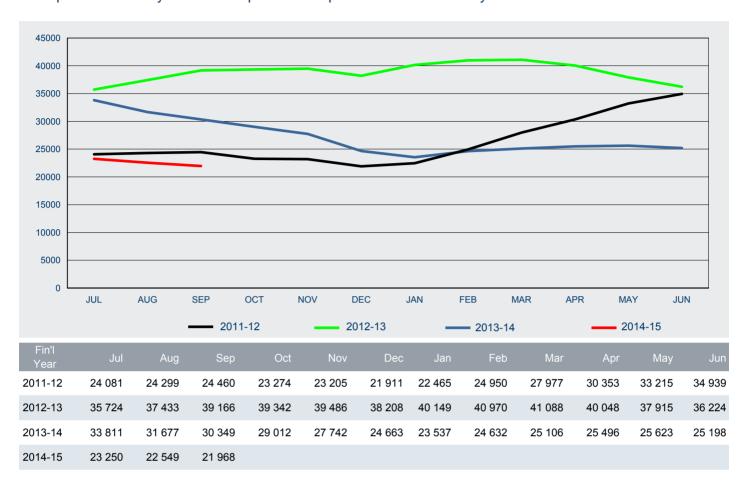
Visa Stream	On hand at 30/09/13	On hand at 31/12/13	On hand at 31/03/14	On hand at 30/06/14	On hand at 30/09/14
Graduate Work	5 374	3 130	4 997	1 439	3 122
Post-Study Work	14	109	529	132	1 377
Skilled Graduate	3 122	759	309	110	25
Total	8 510	3 998	5 835	1 681	4 524

8.08 Number of subclass 485 PRIMARY visa applications on hand at 30 September 2014 by visa stream



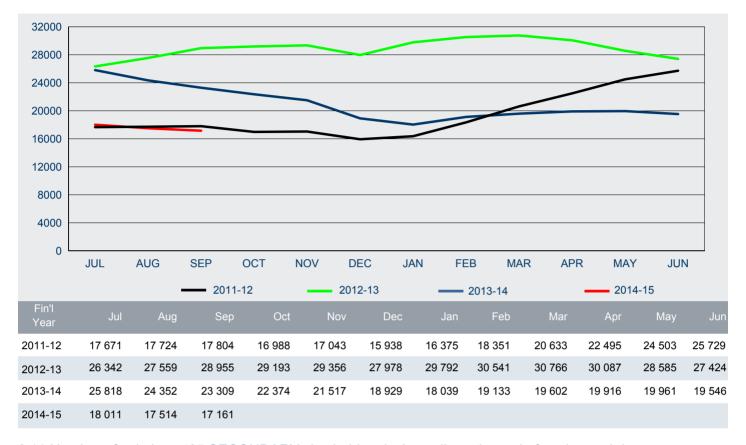
8 Subclass 485 visa - Visa holders in Australia

8.09 Number of subclass 485 visa holders at the end of each month in 2014-15 to 30 September 2014 by month - comparison with previous three financial years



8 Subclass 485 visa - Visa holders in Australia

8.10 Number of subclass 485 PRIMARY visa holders in Australia at the end of each month in 2014-15 to 30 September 2014 - comparison with previous three financial years



8.11 Number of subclass 485 SECONDARY visa holders in Australia at the end of each month in 2014-15 to 30 September 2014 - comparison with previous three financial years

