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Student visa and Temporary Graduate visa programme quarterly report

Quarter ending at 31 December 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

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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 2.8 per cent in this quarter making it the highest December quarter for lodgements in the last six years.

- Offshore student visa lodgements increased by 4.9 per cent in this quarter compared with last year, with Higher Education Sector (subclass 573) visas accounting for 55.6 per cent of those lodgements.

- Total student visa grants increased by 13.6 per cent in this quarter compared with the same period in the previous year.

- As at 31 December 2014 there were 303,171 student visa holders in Australia. Over a third of these visa holders were from China or India.

- Total Temporary Graduate (subclass 485) visa lodgements increased by 25.3 per cent when compared to the same period last year.

1 Applications lodged

Total student visa lodgements continue to grow. In the December 2014 quarter there were 73,186 student visas lodged – an increase of 2.8 per cent compared to the same period last year. This was the highest December quarter in the last six years.

Offshore lodgements increased in this quarter by 4.9 per cent to 54,394 lodgements compared with the same quarter last year. The Higher Education sector has been driving this growth for the last few quarters and in this quarter offshore lodgements for Higher Education Sector (subclass 573) visas increased by 7.4 per cent. Offshore lodgements for Vocational Education and Training (VET) Sector (subclass 572) visas also increased by 7.1 per cent to 6,557 lodgements.

Most subclasses experienced a decrease in onshore lodgements in this quarter with overall onshore lodgements decreasing by 3 per cent to 18,792 applications in the December 2014 quarter. Onshore VET sector visa applications decreased by 3.2 per cent compared to the same period last year while there was a slight decrease of 0.2 per cent in onshore lodgements for Higher Education sector visas.

In the 2014-15 financial year to date (July-December 2014), there were 33,262 and 19,415 student visa applications lodged by Chinese and Indian passport holders respectively, the two largest cohorts. This is an increase over the same period in the previously year where there were 28,502 applications lodged for Chinese and 17,391 applications lodged for Indian passport holders. This growth is being driven by offshore lodgements.

For offshore applications, the top three source countries experienced growth in 2014-15 until 31 December compared to the same period in the previous year. China, India and Pakistan experienced growth at 26.5 per cent, 30.4 per cent and 31.9 per cent respectively. In comparison, decreases were experienced by Brazil (4.8 per cent), Vietnam (31.3 per cent) and Nepal (2.5 per cent).

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.

There were 71,221 student visas granted in the December 2014 quarter – an increase of 13.6 per cent compared with the December 2013 quarter. Total visa grants increased for most student visa subclasses. The Higher Education sector experienced significant growth with 35,063 visas granted in this quarter, an increase of 19.2 per cent when compared with the same period last year.

There was an increase of 11.7 per cent in offshore grants in this quarter compared with the December 2013 quarter. Offshore grants for Higher Education visas increased by 16.1 per cent to 25,025 grants. Offshore VET visa grants increased by 23.9 per cent to 4,975.

Onshore grants also experienced growth in the December 2014 quarter, with 25,850 visas granted onshore (a 17.2 per cent increase over the same period in the previous year). This was driven by growth in onshore grants for Higher Education sector visas (27.5 per cent) and VET sector visas (13.8 per cent).

Of the total student visas granted in 2014-15 until 31 December 2014, 22.4 per cent were to Chinese passport holders followed by 11.2 per cent to Indian passport holders.

During this period, the most significant growth in offshore grants was experienced by China (25.5 per cent), India (43.8 per cent), Nepal (14.9 per cent) and Pakistan (49.9 per cent).

Executive Summary - continued

3 Grant rates

Grant rates for student visas decreased to 91.2 per cent in the December 2014 quarter. This compares with 91.7 per cent in the December 2013 quarter.

Offshore grant rates were 90.0 per cent which was slightly lower than the same time last year where it was 90.2 per cent. Onshore grant rates are generally higher than offshore at 93.3 per cent in the December 2014 quarter.

In the December 2014 quarter, offshore grant rates for China and India decreased to 92.2 per cent and 79.9 per cent respectively.

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 December 2014 quarter, 75 per cent of all student visas were processed within 30 days which was quicker than in the December 2013 quarter, with 75 per cent processed within 32 days.

Offshore, 75 per cent of applications were processed within 20 days while onshore they were processed within 54 days. The department gives priority to offshore applications to ensure that prospective students receive their visas in time to travel to Australia to commence their studies. Many onshore applications are incomplete when lodged which adds to processing times as officers must request and then wait for applicants to provide the missing information.

5 Applications on hand

The number of primary student visa applications on hand at 31 December 2014 was 22,238. Of the total primary applications on hand, 17,272 were offshore and 4,966 were onshore applications.

6 Visa holders in Australia

On 31 December 2014 there were 303,171 international student visa holders in Australia. Many student visa holders temporarily depart Australia during December and time of year traditionally has the lowest number of visa holders.

Of the total student visa holders in Australia on 31 December 2014, 51 per cent were from China, India, Vietnam, South Korea or Nepal.

The number of student visa holders in Australia reached 402,363 on 31 October 2014. This is the highest recorded number of student visa holders in Australia on a given date since 31 October 2010.

7 Destinations

In 2014-15 to December 2014, 59,333 former student visa holders were granted another visa. This is a decrease of 1.2 per cent from the same period last year (60,084 visa grants).

In 2014-15 to December 2014, of the former student visa holders granted another visa, most moved on to a Tourist visa (28.8 per cent), followed by a student visa (21.4 per cent) and a Subclass 485 visa (13.5 per cent).

8 Subclass 485
There were 10,219 Subclass 485 visas lodged in 2014-15 until 31 December 2014. This is an increase of 25.3 per cent when compared with the same period last year (8,153). Lodgements are expected to increase when a greater number of onshore students become eligible to meet the requirements for the Post-Study Work stream.

Grants decreased by 16.9 per cent to 8,626 (from 10,375) in the same period.

On 31 December 2014 there were 19,506 Subclass 485 visa holders in Australia which was lower than 31 December 2013 when there were 24,663 visa holders in Australia.

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1.01 Number of student visa applications lodged by month - year on year 12 months rolling total
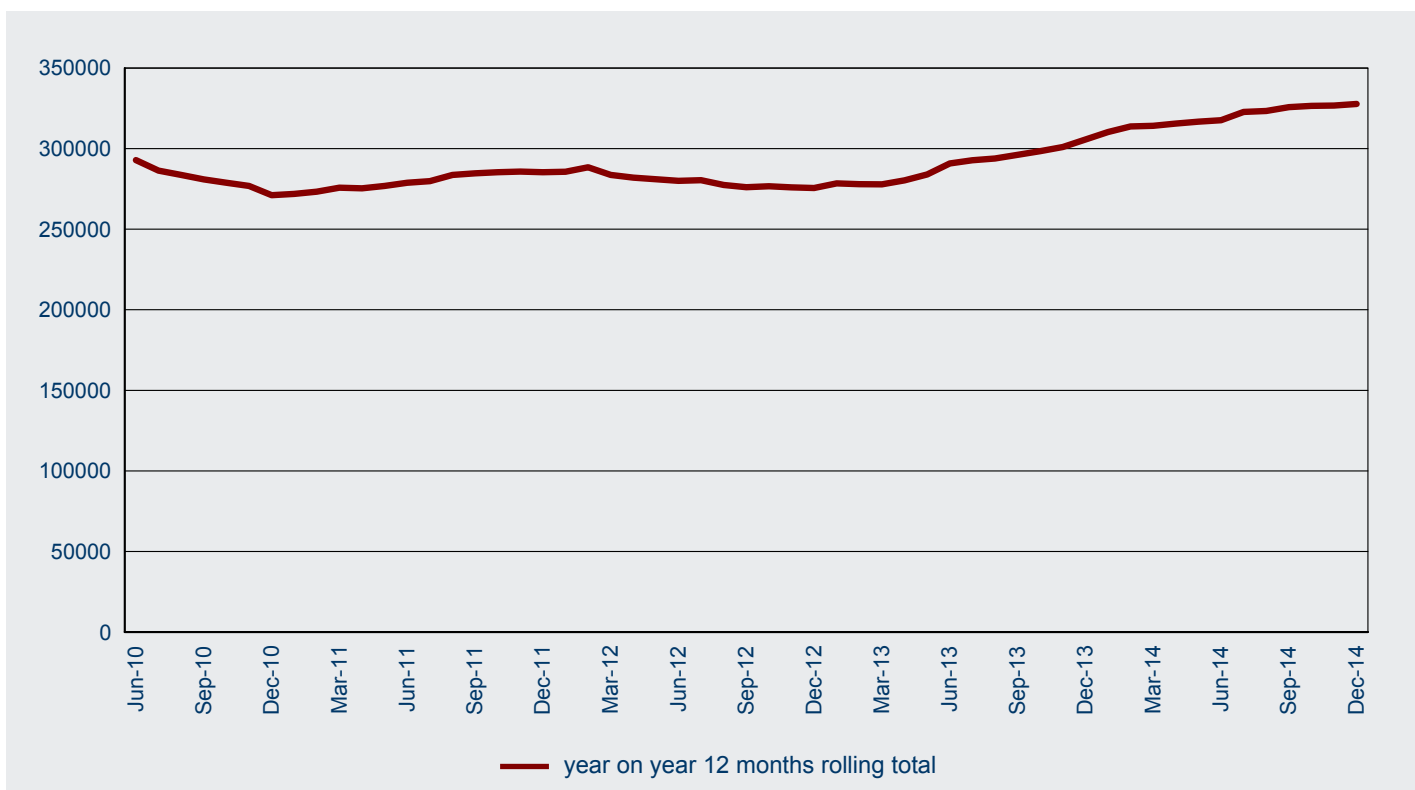
1.02 Number of student visa applications lodged in 2014-15 to 31 December 2014 by month - comparison with previous four financial years
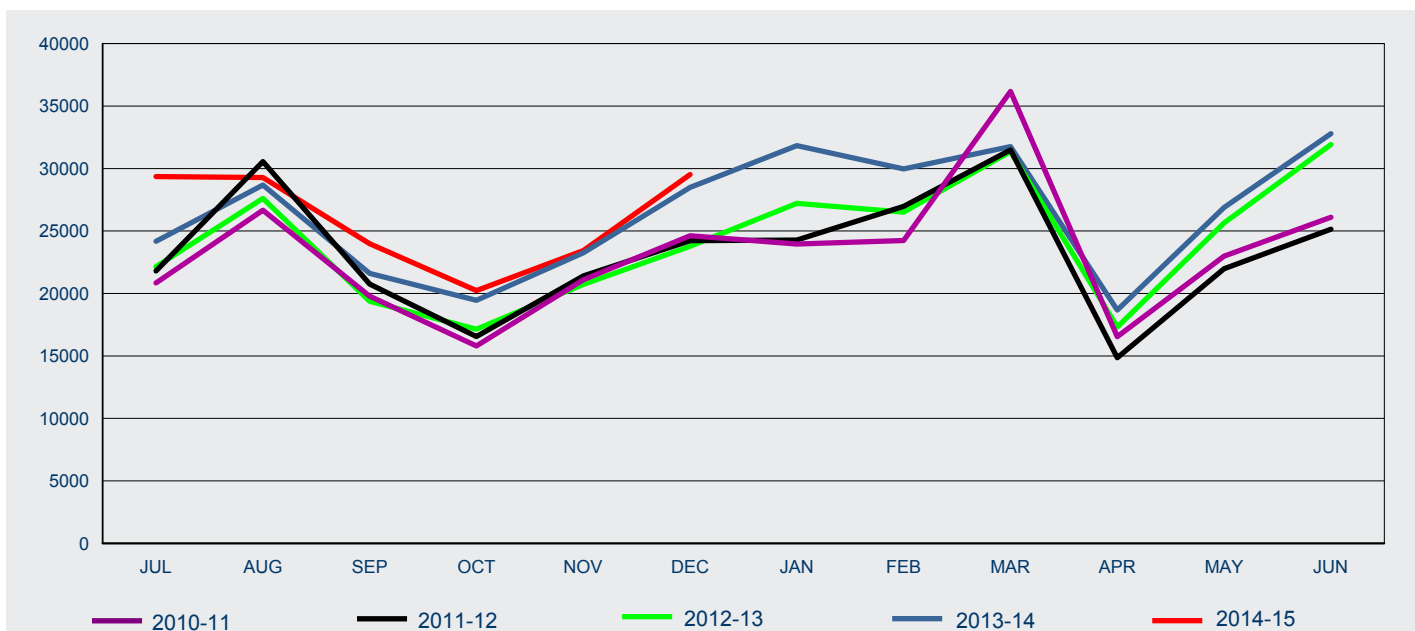
FY Lodged	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Total
2010-11	20 844	26 659	19 784	15 805	21 093	24 629	23 955	24 244	36 172	16 538	22 988	26 107	**278 818**
2011-12	21 797	30 561	20 750	16 549	21 405	24 231	24 280	26 971	31 487	14 853	21 977	25 142	**280 003**
2012-13	22 152	27 607	19 373	17 143	20 729	23 774	27 214	26 508	31 362	17 326	25 646	31 927	**290 761**
2013-14	24 176	28 677	21 611	19 453	23 257	28 490	31 830	29 976	31 755	18 671	26 878	32 796	**317 570**
2014-15	29 357	29 276	23 980	20 233	23 434	29 519							**155 799**

1 Lodged

1.03 Number of student visa applications lodged by month where the client was OFFSHORE - year on year 12 months rolling total

year on year 12 months rolling total

1.04 Number of student visa applications lodged in 2014-15 to 31 December 2014 by month where the client was OFFSHORE - comparison with previous four financial years

2010-11   2011-12   2012-13   2013-14   2014-15
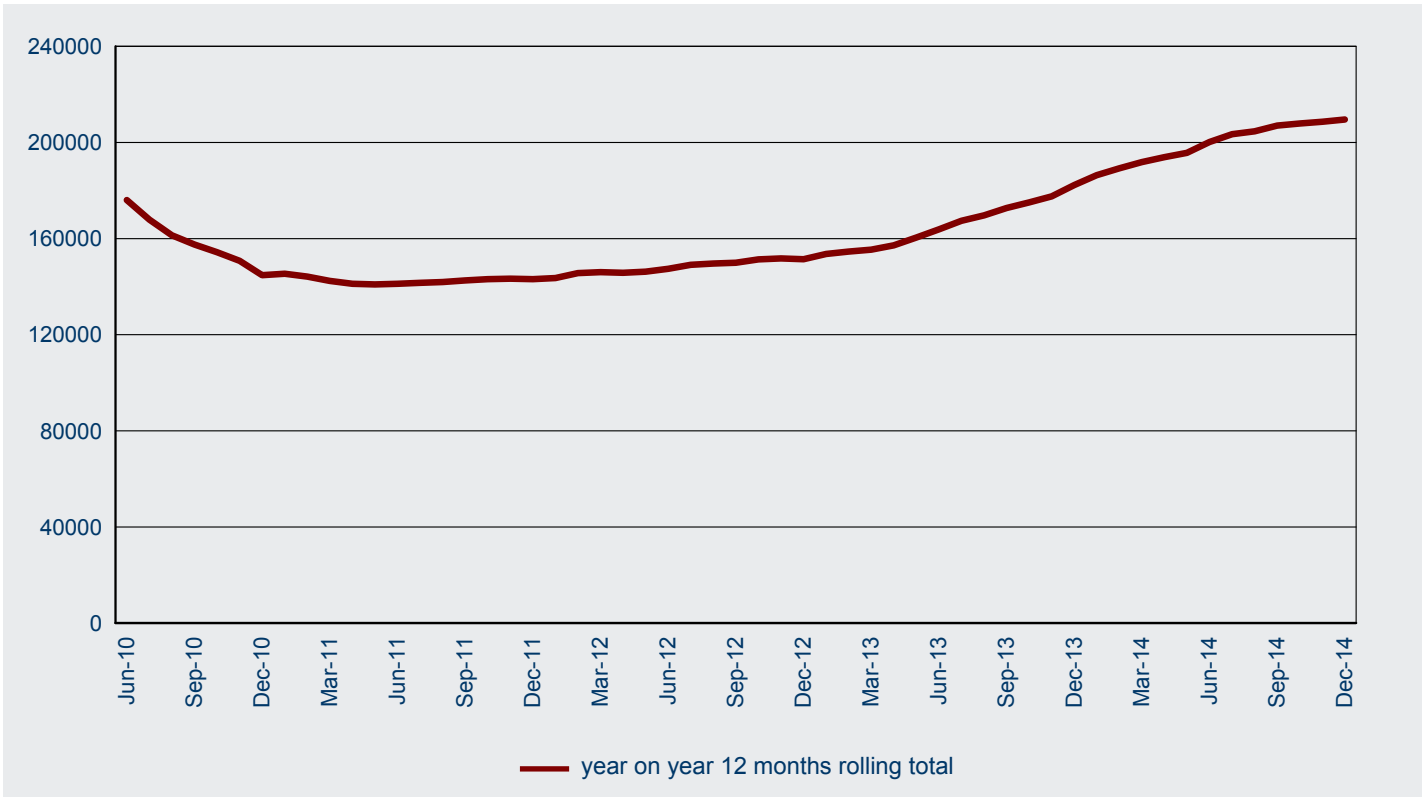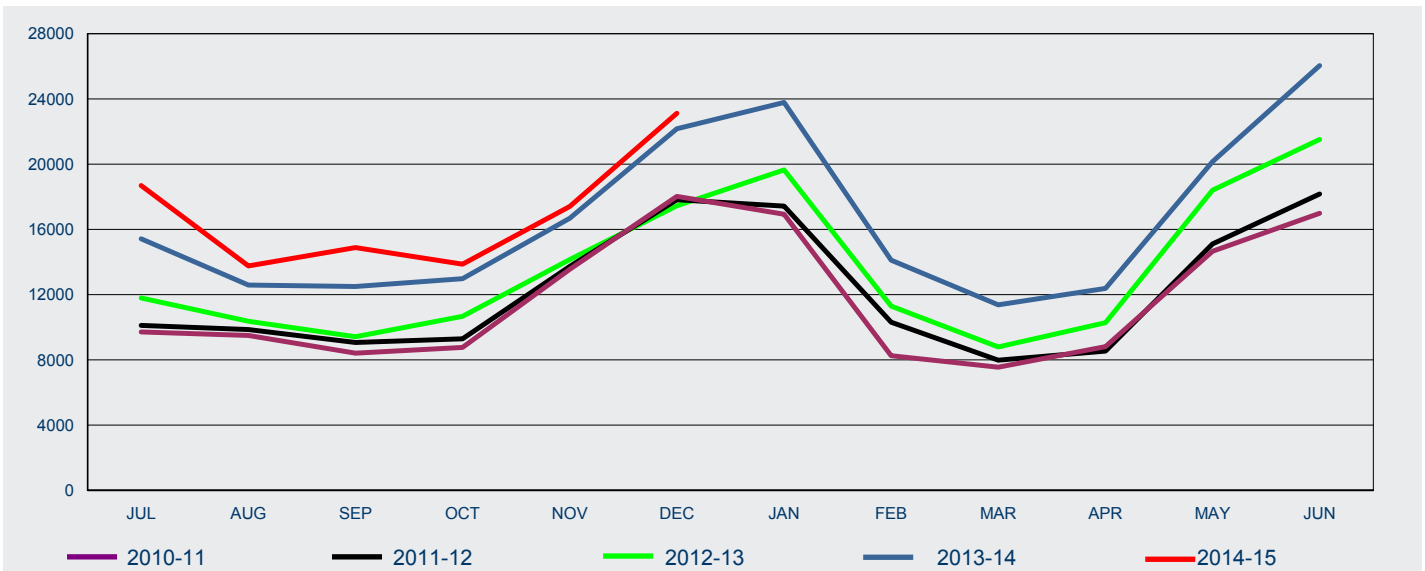
FY Lodged	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Total
2010-11	9 710	9 495	8 414	8 767	13 557	18 026	16 932	8 259	7 549	8 816	14 664	16 986	**141 175**
2011-12	10 115	9 856	9 064	9 294	13 734	17 818	17 424	10 305	7 979	8 542	15 110	18 175	**147 416**
2012-13	11 794	10 372	9 420	10 675	14 148	17 449	19 643	11 295	8 793	10 281	18 408	21 515	**163 793**
2013-14	15 427	12 586	12 502	12 976	16 686	22 167	23 785	14 111	11 373	12 378	20 157	26 041	**200 189**
2014-15	18 689	13 764	14 883	13 873	17 405	23 116							**101 730**

1 Lodged

1.05 Number of student visa applications lodged by month where the client was ONSHORE - year on year 12 months rolling total

— year on year 12 months rolling total

1.06 Number of student visa applications lodged in 2014-15 to 31 December 2014 by month where the client was ONSHORE - comparison with previous four financial years

— 2010-11   — 2011-12   — 2012-13   — 2013-14   — 2014-15
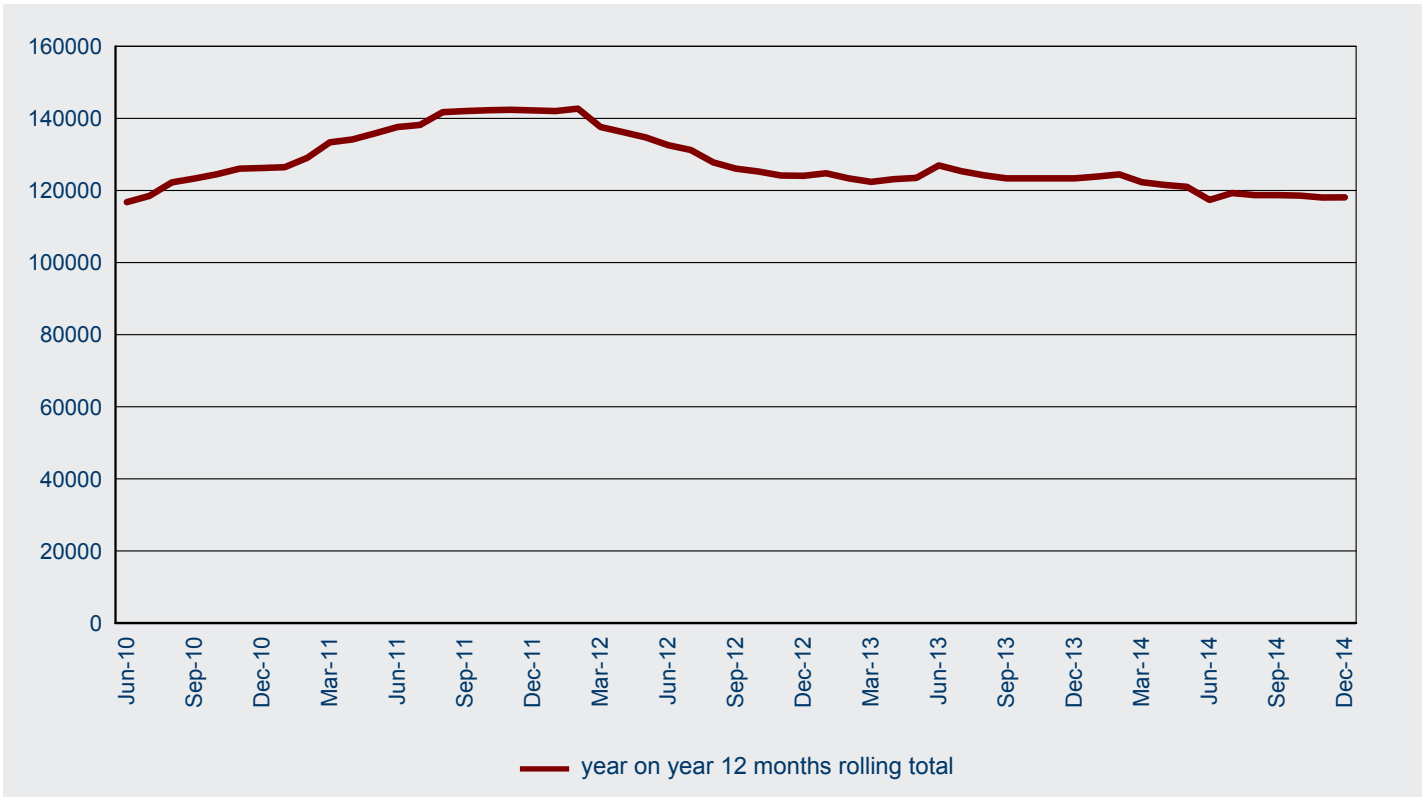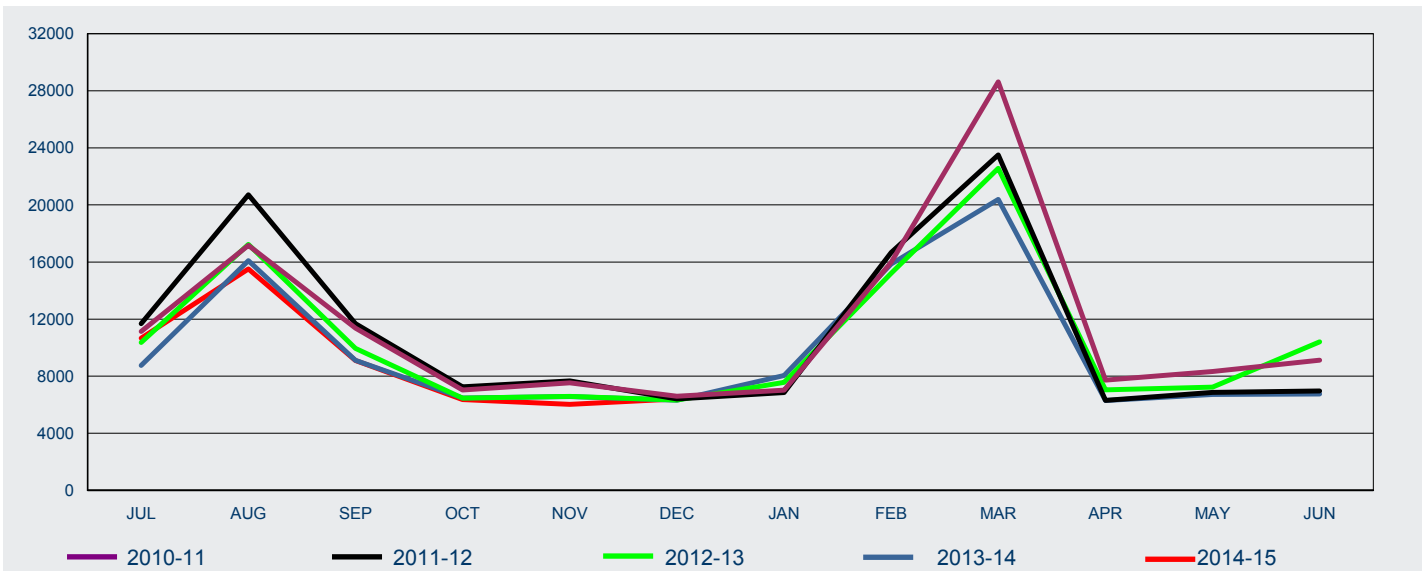
FY Lodged	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Total
2010-11	11 134	17 164	11 370	7 038	7 536	6 603	7 023	15 985	28 623	7 722	8 324	9 121	**137 643**
2011-12	11 682	20 705	11 686	7 255	7 671	6 413	6 856	16 666	23 508	6 311	6 867	6 967	**132 587**
2012-13	10 358	17 235	9 953	6 468	6 581	6 325	7 571	15 213	22 569	7 045	7 238	10 412	**126 968**
2013-14	8 749	16 091	9 109	6 477	6 571	6 323	8 045	15 865	20 382	6 293	6 721	6 755	**117 381**
2014-15	10 668	15 512	9 097	6 360	6 029	6 403							**54 069**

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1.07 Number of student visa applications lodged for subclass 570 Independent ELICOS Sector in 2014-15 to 31 December 2014 by client location and month - comparison with previous four financial years
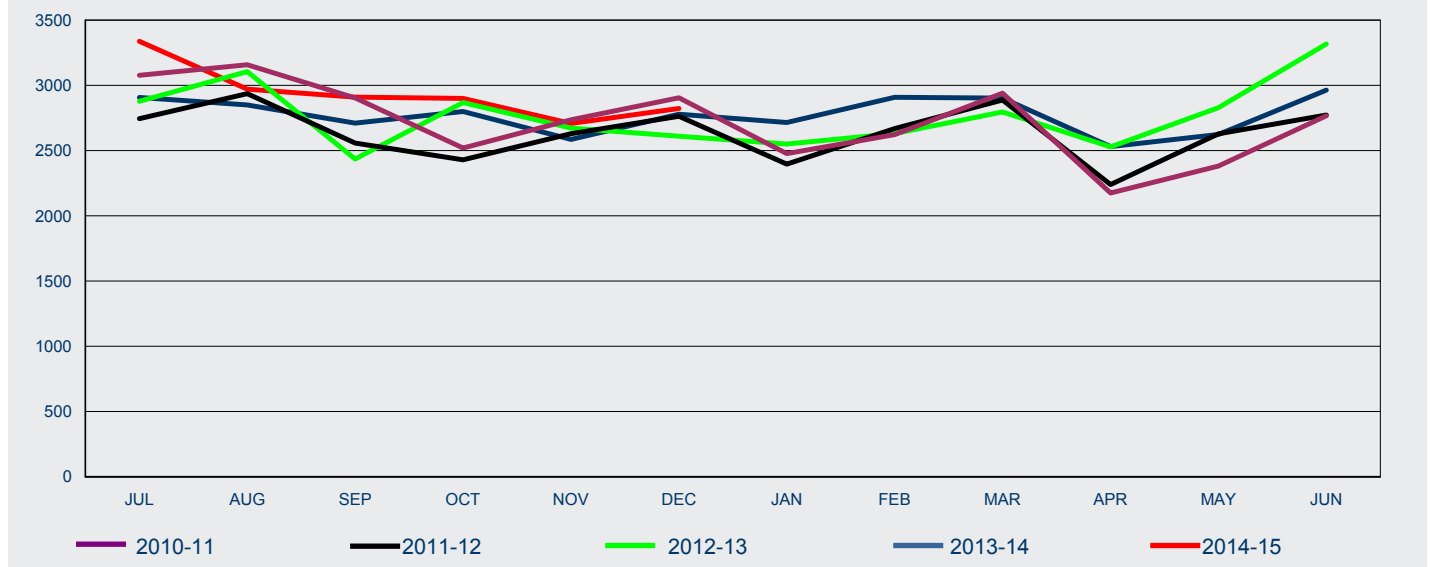
FY Lodged	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Total
Offshore													
2010-11	2 170	2 245	2 045	1 812	2 060	2 180	1 868	1 891	1 923	1 451	1 697	2 125	**23 467**
2011-12	1 979	2 078	1 773	1 744	1 926	2 071	1 811	1 936	1 807	1 423	1 788	1 943	**22 279**
2012-13	1 995	1 991	1 532	1 961	1 796	1 771	1 791	1 690	1 663	1 580	1 903	2 022	**21 695**
2013-14	2 212	1 955	1 806	1 963	1 806	2 024	1 994	2 020	1 893	1 771	1 840	2 199	**23 483**
2014-15	2 525	2 106	2 047	2 079	1 962	2 133							**12 852**
Onshore													
2010-11	907	912	858	708	676	724	609	731	1 017	724	685	642	**9 193**
2011-12	766	858	784	685	704	692	585	733	1 080	817	840	830	**9 374**
2012-13	883	1 114	903	907	876	839	759	941	1 133	948	926	1 294	**11 523**
2013-14	695	894	904	836	780	755	721	888	1 009	760	784	764	**9 790**
2014-15	812	864	862	820	746	690							**4 794**
All													
2010-11	3 077	3 157	2 903	2 520	2 736	2 904	2 477	2 622	2 940	2 175	2 382	2 767	**32 660**
2011-12	2 745	2 936	2 557	2 429	2 630	2 763	2 396	2 669	2 887	2 240	2 628	2 773	**31 653**
2012-13	2 878	3 105	2 435	2 868	2 672	2 610	2 550	2 631	2 796	2 528	2 829	3 316	**33 218**
2013-14	2 907	2 849	2 710	2 799	2 586	2 779	2 715	2 908	2 902	2 531	2 624	2 963	**33 273**
2014-15	3 337	2 970	2 909	2 899	2 708	2 823							**17 646**

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1.08 Number of student visa applications lodged for subclass 571 Schools Sector in 2014-15 to 31 December 2014 by client location and month - comparison with previous four financial years
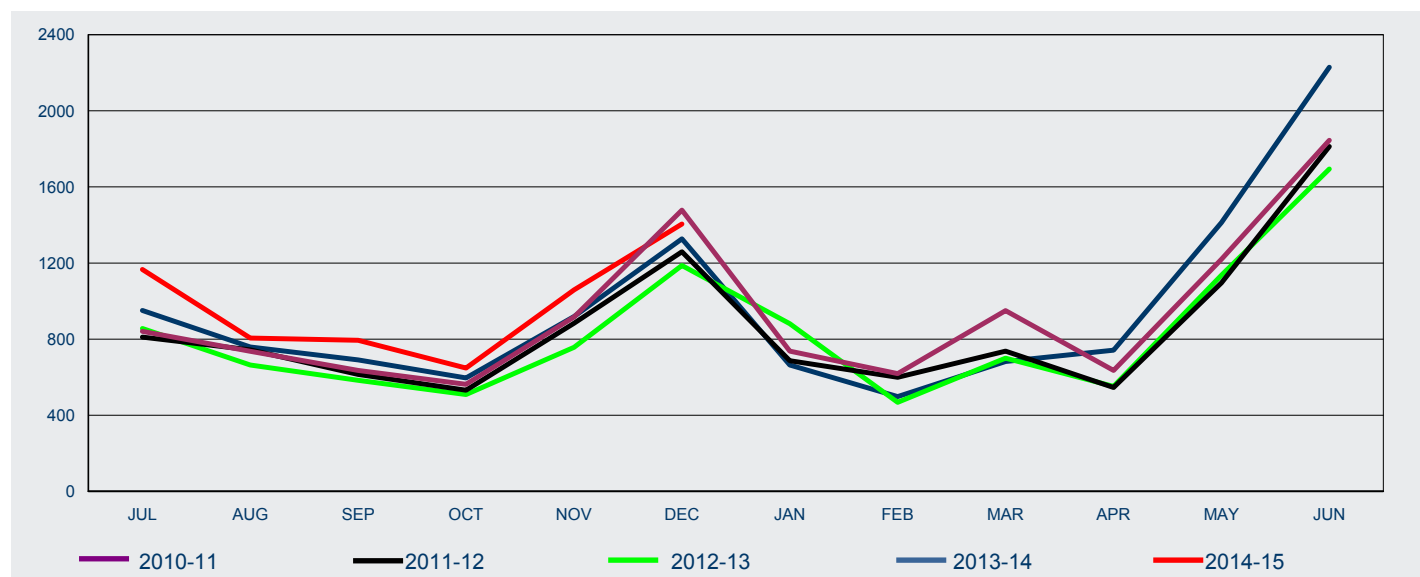
FY Lodged	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Total
Offshore													
2010-11	741	661	528	443	796	1 378	588	297	508	526	1 148	1 754	**9 368**
2011-12	717	666	532	455	779	1 160	565	293	423	445	1 037	1 759	**8 831**
2012-13	787	611	507	430	668	1 109	771	258	422	470	1 087	1 614	**8 734**
2013-14	896	697	629	536	835	1 248	550	284	480	665	1 366	2 173	**10 359**
2014-15	1 089	760	706	598	975	1 329							**5 457**
Onshore													
2010-11	100	75	108	120	120	100	149	322	442	110	72	91	**1 809**
2011-12	94	78	83	77	105	99	122	307	314	101	59	53	**1 492**
2012-13	69	53	77	79	89	78	110	210	278	82	49	80	**1 254**
2013-14	55	62	62	60	84	79	114	214	203	77	47	56	**1 113**
2014-15	77	46	88	50	84	76							**421**
All													
2010-11	841	736	636	563	916	1 478	737	619	950	636	1 220	1 845	**11 177**
2011-12	811	744	615	532	884	1 259	687	600	737	546	1 096	1 812	**10 323**
2012-13	856	664	584	509	757	1 187	881	468	700	552	1 136	1 694	**9 988**
2013-14	951	759	691	596	919	1 327	664	498	683	742	1 413	2 229	**11 472**
2014-15	1 166	806	794	648	1 059	1 405							**5 878**

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1.09 Number of student visa applications lodged for subclass 572 Vocational Education and Training Sector in 2014-15 to 31 December 2014 by client location and month - comparison with previous four financial years
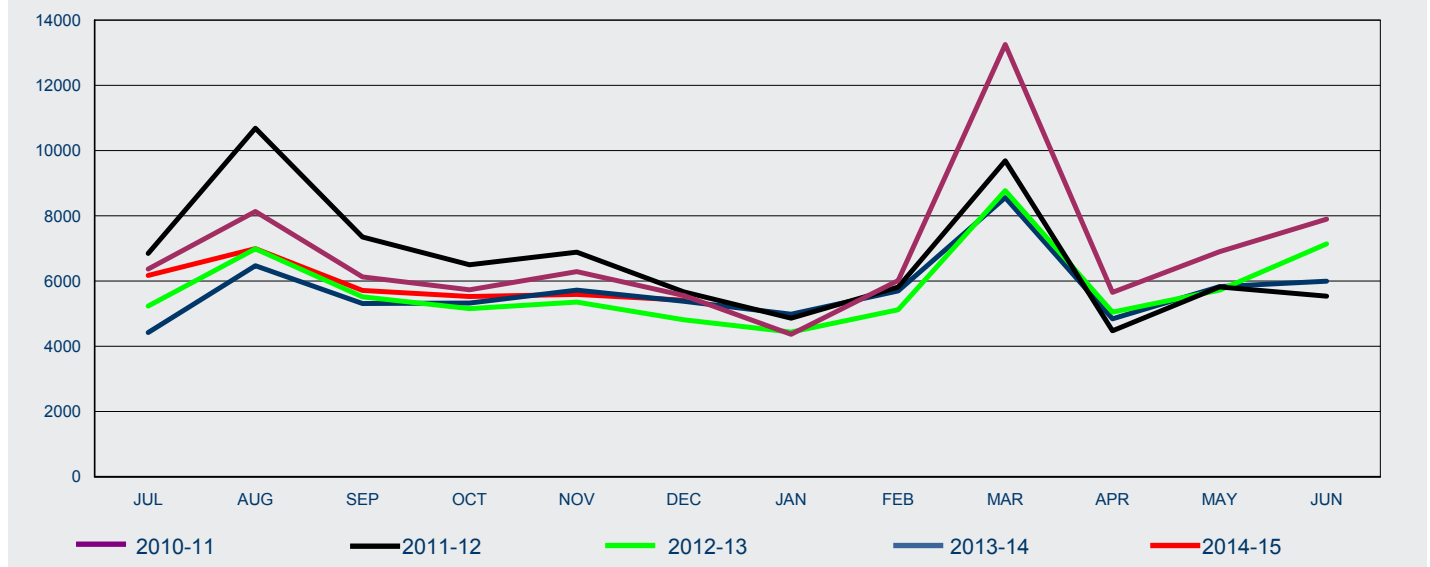
FY Lodged	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Total
Offshore													
2010-11	1 605	1 503	1 611	1 753	1 944	2 254	1 822	1 310	1 682	1 640	2 153	2 375	**21 652**
2011-12	1 710	1 992	1 938	2 016	2 156	2 555	2 382	1 643	1 672	1 463	2 021	1 776	**23 324**
2012-13	1 557	1 373	1 388	1 722	1 725	1 813	1 634	1 215	1 391	1 552	1 869	1 822	**19 061**
2013-14	1 600	1 625	1 560	1 752	2 007	2 365	1 775	1 371	1 801	1 603	2 033	2 246	**21 738**
2014-15	1 812	1 841	1 877	1 936	2 226	2 395							**12 087**
Onshore													
2010-11	4 763	6 630	4 516	3 978	4 348	3 303	2 546	4 704	11 570	4 015	4 748	5 521	**60 642**
2011-12	5 136	8 695	5 414	4 486	4 732	3 114	2 481	4 170	8 013	3 013	3 800	3 763	**56 817**
2012-13	3 677	5 615	4 130	3 433	3 632	3 001	2 800	3 907	7 380	3 497	3 855	5 317	**50 244**
2013-14	2 824	4 847	3 754	3 575	3 716	3 017	3 211	4 326	6 758	3 239	3 799	3 750	**46 816**
2014-15	4 361	5 154	3 834	3 592	3 365	3 017							**23 323**
All													
2010-11	6 368	8 133	6 127	5 731	6 292	5 557	4 368	6 014	13 252	5 655	6 901	7 896	**82 294**
2011-12	6 846	10 687	7 352	6 502	6 888	5 669	4 863	5 813	9 685	4 476	5 821	5 539	**80 141**
2012-13	5 234	6 988	5 518	5 155	5 357	4 814	4 434	5 122	8 771	5 049	5 724	7 139	**69 305**
2013-14	4 424	6 472	5 314	5 327	5 723	5 382	4 986	5 697	8 559	4 842	5 832	5 996	**68 554**
2014-15	6 173	6 995	5 711	5 528	5 591	5 412							**35 410**

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1.10 Number of student visa applications lodged for subclass 573 Higher Education Sector in 2014-15 to 31 December 2014 by client location and month - comparison with previous four financial years
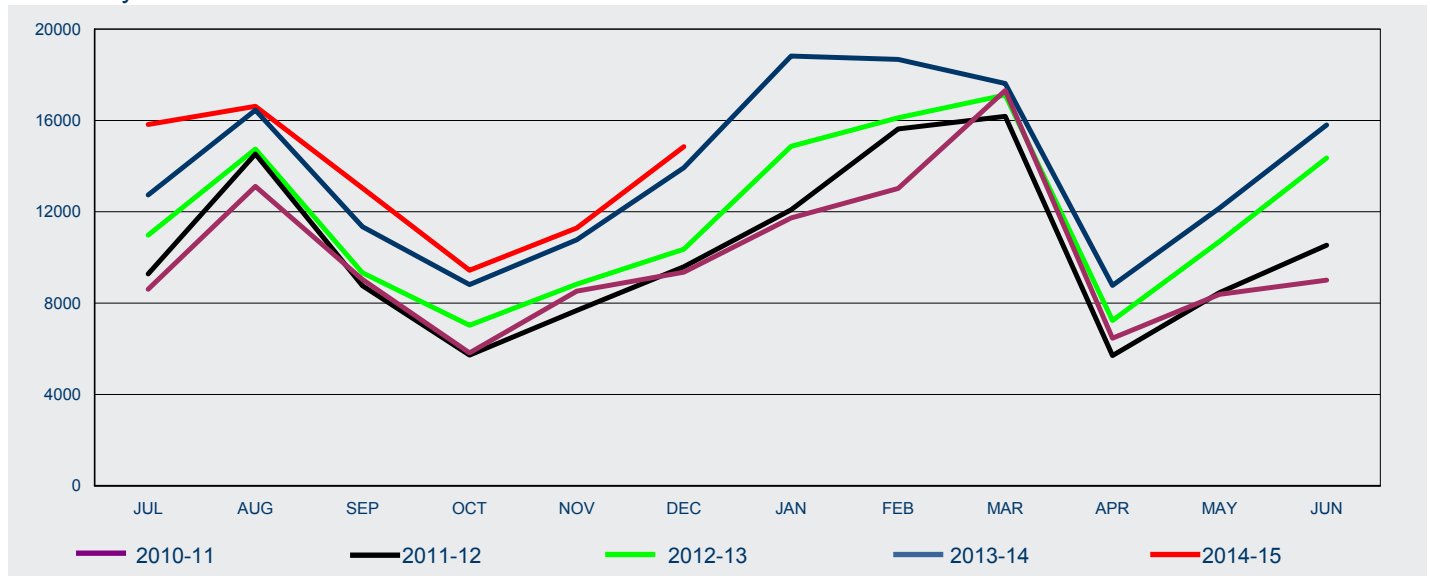
FY Lodged	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Total
Offshore													
2010-11	3 750	4 195	3 649	3 929	6 400	7 186	8 461	3 475	2 560	3 977	6 073	6 532	**60 187**
2011-12	4 133	4 200	3 889	4 089	5 872	7 417	8 851	5 046	3 015	3 790	6 729	8 564	**65 595**
2012-13	5 773	4 978	4 978	5 354	7 161	8 264	11 456	6 655	4 183	5 189	8 747	11 111	**83 849**
2013-14	8 090	6 874	7 448	7 188	9 161	11 810	15 260	8 906	5 989	6 998	10 424	13 962	**112 110**
2014-15	10 882	7 790	9 142	7 939	9 752	12 539							**58 044**
Onshore													
2010-11	4 861	8 919	5 385	1 894	2 125	2 170	3 269	9 544	14 749	2 488	2 308	2 477	**60 189**
2011-12	5 147	10 332	4 872	1 634	1 809	2 175	3 235	10 581	13 163	1 911	1 729	1 973	**58 561**
2012-13	5 202	9 771	4 346	1 677	1 671	2 095	3 411	9 464	12 929	2 052	1 958	3 242	**57 818**
2013-14	4 647	9 580	3 894	1 623	1 613	2 122	3 560	9 767	11 626	1 777	1 737	1 840	**53 786**
2014-15	4 942	8 831	3 892	1 502	1 535	2 312							**23 014**
All													
2010-11	8 611	13 114	9 034	5 823	8 525	9 356	11 730	13 019	17 309	6 465	8 381	9 009	**120 376**
2011-12	9 280	14 532	8 761	5 723	7 681	9 592	12 086	15 627	16 178	5 701	8 458	10 537	**124 156**
2012-13	10 975	14 749	9 324	7 031	8 832	10 359	14 867	16 119	17 112	7 241	10 705	14 353	**141 667**
2013-14	12 737	16 454	11 342	8 811	10 774	13 932	18 820	18 673	17 615	8 775	12 161	15 802	**165 896**
2014-15	15 824	16 621	13 034	9 441	11 287	14 851							**81 058**

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1.11 Number of student visa applications lodged for subclass 574 Postgraduate Research Sector in 2014-15 to 31 December 2014 by client location and month - comparison with previous four financial years
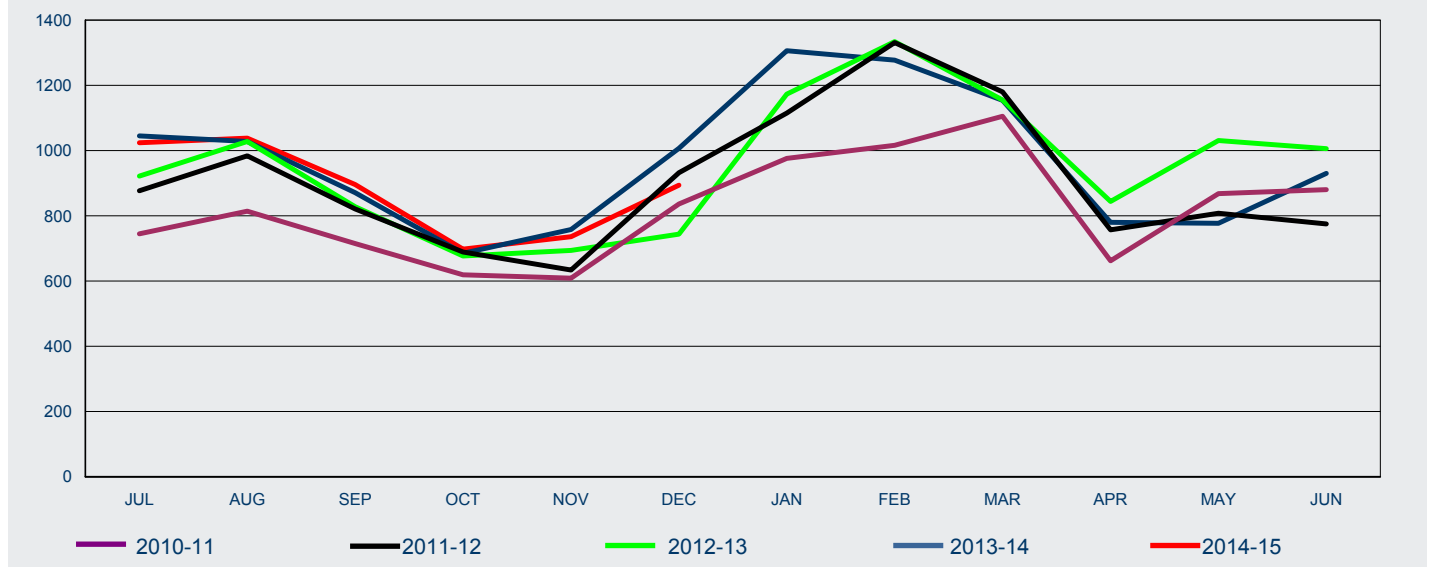
FY Lodged	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Total
Offshore													
2010-11	415	357	305	342	427	639	680	525	441	341	431	585	**5 488**
2011-12	523	416	379	381	422	737	793	589	410	353	455	522	**5 980**
2012-13	579	503	389	365	475	548	831	750	426	433	624	660	**6 583**
2013-14	666	468	422	338	461	753	991	710	480	404	463	659	**6 815**
2014-15	698	550	519	340	505	689							**3 301**
Onshore													
2010-11	330	457	410	277	182	197	296	491	664	321	437	295	**4 357**
2011-12	354	568	442	308	212	195	322	742	770	404	353	253	**4 923**
2012-13	343	525	439	312	219	196	342	584	729	411	407	346	**4 853**
2013-14	379	560	449	347	297	254	315	567	674	376	314	271	**4 803**
2014-15	326	488	377	358	231	205							**1 985**
All													
2010-11	745	814	715	619	609	836	976	1 016	1 105	662	868	880	**9 845**
2011-12	877	984	821	689	634	932	1 115	1 331	1 180	757	808	775	**10 903**
2012-13	922	1 028	828	677	694	744	1 173	1 334	1 155	844	1 031	1 006	**11 436**
2013-14	1 045	1 028	871	685	758	1 007	1 306	1 277	1 154	780	777	930	**11 618**
2014-15	1 024	1 038	896	698	736	894							**5 286**

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1.12 Number of student visa applications lodged for subclass 575 Non-Award Sector in 2014-15 to 31 December 2014 by client location and month - comparison with previous four financial years
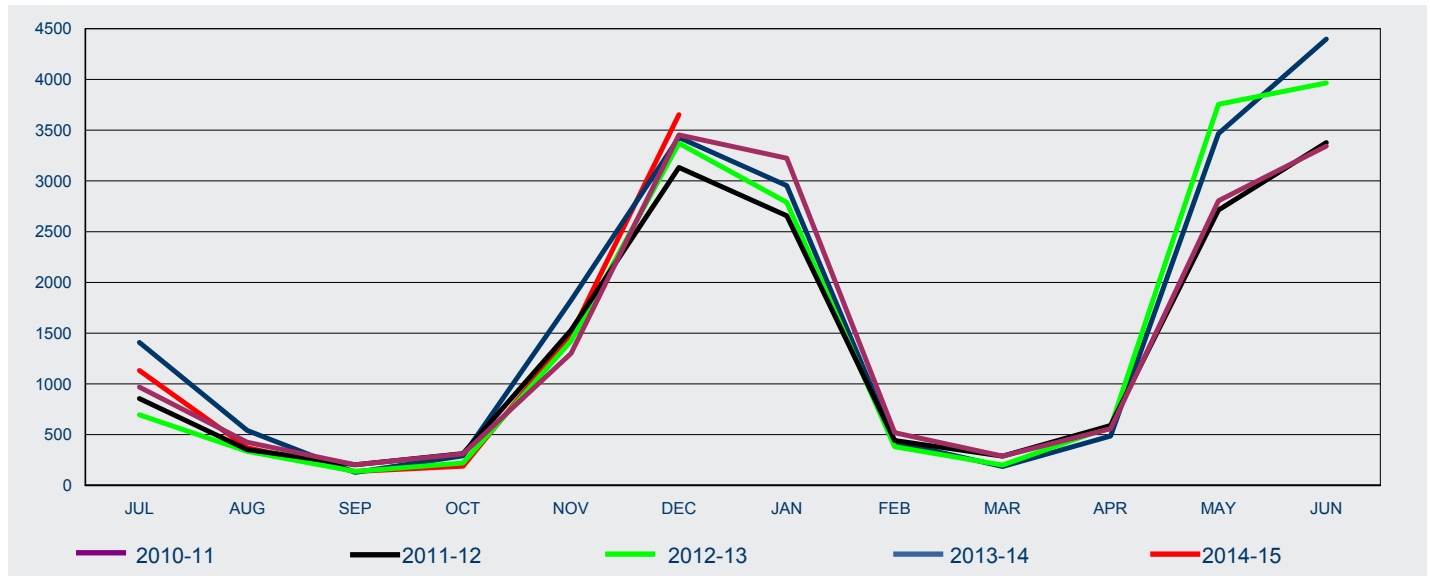
FY Lodged	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Total
Offshore													
2010-11	833	322	143	265	1 243	3 400	3 152	405	151	517	2 755	3 289	**16 475**
2011-12	731	274	159	280	1 493	3 080	2 597	361	181	562	2 665	3 319	**15 702**
2012-13	581	274	107	190	1 389	3 306	2 723	318	141	546	3 724	3 868	**17 167**
2013-14	1 312	469	101	271	1 788	3 369	2 894	373	128	461	3 437	4 346	**18 949**
2014-15	1 058	330	120	175	1 459	3 590							**6 732**
Onshore													
2010-11	136	103	60	46	58	53	71	114	138	42	49	54	**924**
2011-12	125	78	44	34	37	52	60	81	108	28	48	58	**753**
2012-13	114	61	31	30	34	66	66	63	60	31	31	98	**685**
2013-14	97	73	27	20	35	59	60	56	59	25	28	52	**591**
2014-15	74	41	17	14	28	62							**236**
All													
2010-11	969	425	203	311	1 301	3 453	3 223	519	289	559	2 804	3 343	**17 399**
2011-12	856	352	203	314	1 530	3 132	2 657	442	289	590	2 713	3 377	**16 455**
2012-13	695	335	138	220	1 423	3 372	2 789	381	201	577	3 755	3 966	**17 852**
2013-14	1 409	542	128	291	1 823	3 428	2 954	429	187	486	3 465	4 398	**19 540**
2014-15	1 132	371	137	189	1 487	3 652							**6 968**

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1.13 Number of student visa applications lodged for subclass 576 Foreign Affairs or Defence Sector in 2014-15 to 31 December 2014 by client location and month - comparison with previous four financial years
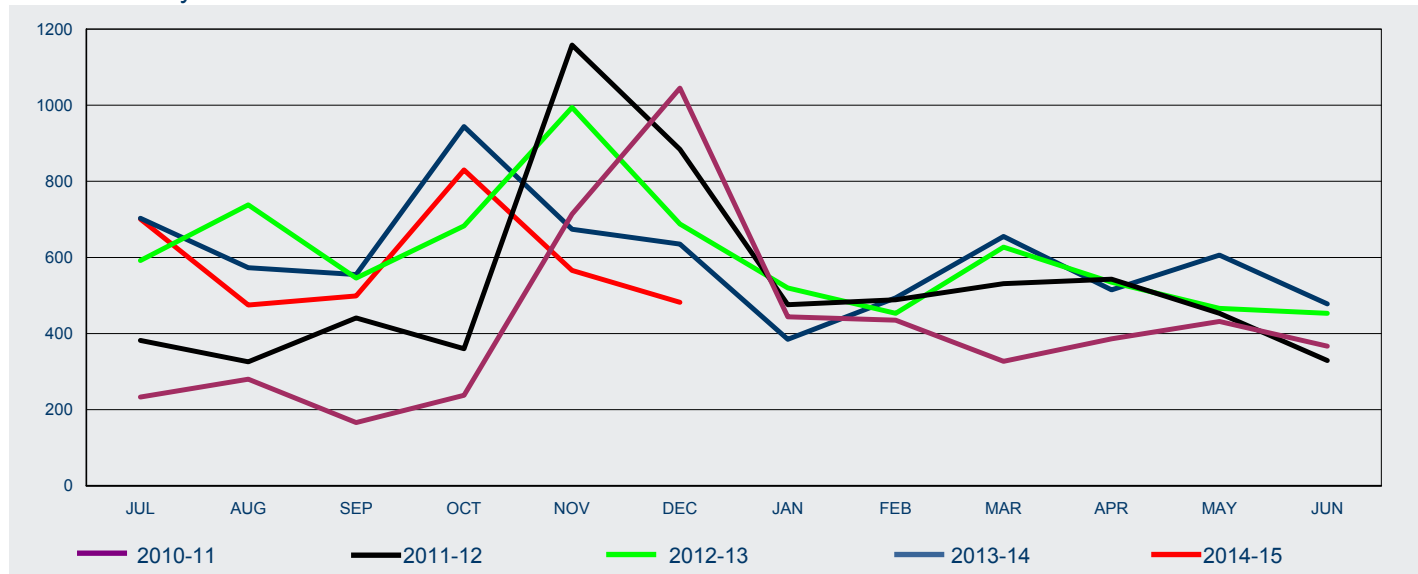
FY Lodged	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Total
Offshore													
2010-11	196	212	133	223	687	989	361	356	284	364	407	326	**4 538**
2011-12	322	230	394	329	1 086	798	425	437	471	506	415	292	**5 705**
2012-13	522	642	519	653	934	638	437	409	567	511	454	418	**6 704**
2013-14	651	498	536	928	628	598	321	447	602	476	594	456	**6 735**
2014-15	625	387	472	806	526	441							**3 257**
Onshore													
2010-11	37	68	33	15	27	56	83	79	43	22	25	41	**529**
2011-12	60	96	47	31	72	86	51	52	60	37	38	37	**667**
2012-13	70	96	27	30	60	50	83	44	60	24	12	35	**591**
2013-14	52	75	19	16	46	37	64	47	53	39	12	22	**482**
2014-15	76	88	27	24	40	41							**296**
All													
2010-11	233	280	166	238	714	1 045	444	435	327	386	432	367	**5 067**
2011-12	382	326	441	360	1 158	884	476	489	531	543	453	329	**6 372**
2012-13	592	738	546	683	994	688	520	453	627	535	466	453	**7 295**
2013-14	703	573	555	944	674	635	385	494	655	515	606	478	**7 217**
2014-15	701	475	499	830	566	482							**3 553**

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1.14 Number of student visa applications lodged in 2014-15 to 31 December 2014 by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year

Citizenship Country	2013-14 to 31/12/13	2014-15 to 31/12/14	% Change from 2013-14	2014-15 as % of Total
China, Peoples Republic of	28 502	33 262	16.7%	21.3%
India	17 391	19 415	11.6%	12.5%
Brazil	6 180	6 072	-1.7%	3.9%
Korea, South	5 637	5 925	5.1%	3.8%
Thailand	4 852	5 717	17.8%	3.7%
Vietnam	7 589	5 687	-25.1%	3.7%
Pakistan	4 449	5 456	22.6%	3.5%
Nepal	5 793	5 380	-7.1%	3.5%
Indonesia	4 191	4 463	6.5%	2.9%
Malaysia	3 824	4 366	14.2%	2.8%
Saudi Arabia	3 925	3 951	0.7%	2.5%
Colombia	3 712	3 714	0.1%	2.4%
United States of America	3 149	3 534	12.2%	2.3%
Philippines	3 670	3 462	-5.7%	2.2%
HKSAR of the PRC	2 834	3 287	16.0%	2.1%
Other countries	39 966	42 108	5.4%	27.0%
Total	**145 664**	**155 799**	**7.0%**	**100.0%**

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1.15 Number of student visa applications lodged OFFSHORE in 2014-15 to 31 December 2014 by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year

Citizenship Country	2013-14 to 31/12/13	2014-15 to 31/12/14	% Change from 2013-14	2014-15 as % of Total
China, Peoples Republic of	17 867	22 605	26.5%	22.2%
India	10 336	13 479	30.4%	13.2%
Pakistan	3 052	4 025	31.9%	4.0%
Brazil	4 224	4 021	-4.8%	4.0%
Vietnam	5 839	4 009	-31.3%	3.9%
Nepal	3 669	3 576	-2.5%	3.5%
Thailand	2 969	3 532	19.0%	3.5%
United States of America	2 814	3 200	13.7%	3.1%
Indonesia	2 692	3 133	16.4%	3.1%
Malaysia	2 155	2 330	8.1%	2.3%
Philippines	2 586	2 201	-14.9%	2.2%
Colombia	2 106	2 094	-0.6%	2.1%
Korea, South	1 952	2 041	4.6%	2.0%
HKSAR of the PRC	1 879	2 026	7.8%	2.0%
Japan	1 572	1 811	15.2%	1.8%
Other countries	26 632	27 647	3.8%	27.2%
Offshore Total	**92 344**	**101 730**	**10.2%**	**100.0%**

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1.16 Number of student visa applications lodged ONSHORE in 2014-15 to 31 December 2014 by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year

Citizenship Country	2013-14 to 31/12/13	2014-15 to 31/12/14	% Change from 2013-14	2014-15 as % of Total
China, Peoples Republic of	10 635	10 657	0.2%	19.7%
India	7 055	5 936	-15.9%	11.0%
Korea, South	3 685	3 884	5.4%	7.2%
Saudi Arabia	2 103	2 193	4.3%	4.1%
Thailand	1 883	2 185	16.0%	4.0%
Brazil	1 956	2 051	4.9%	3.8%
Malaysia	1 669	2 036	22.0%	3.8%
Nepal	2 124	1 804	-15.1%	3.3%
Vietnam	1 750	1 678	-4.1%	3.1%
Colombia	1 606	1 620	0.9%	3.0%
Taiwan	1 125	1 590	41.3%	2.9%
Italy	1 225	1 564	27.7%	2.9%
Pakistan	1 397	1 431	2.4%	2.6%
Indonesia	1 499	1 330	-11.3%	2.5%
HKSAR of the PRC	955	1 261	32.0%	2.3%
Other countries	12 653	12 849	1.5%	23.8%
Onshore Total	**53 320**	**54 069**	**1.4%**	**100.0%**

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2.01 Number of student visa applications granted by month - year on year 12 months rolling total
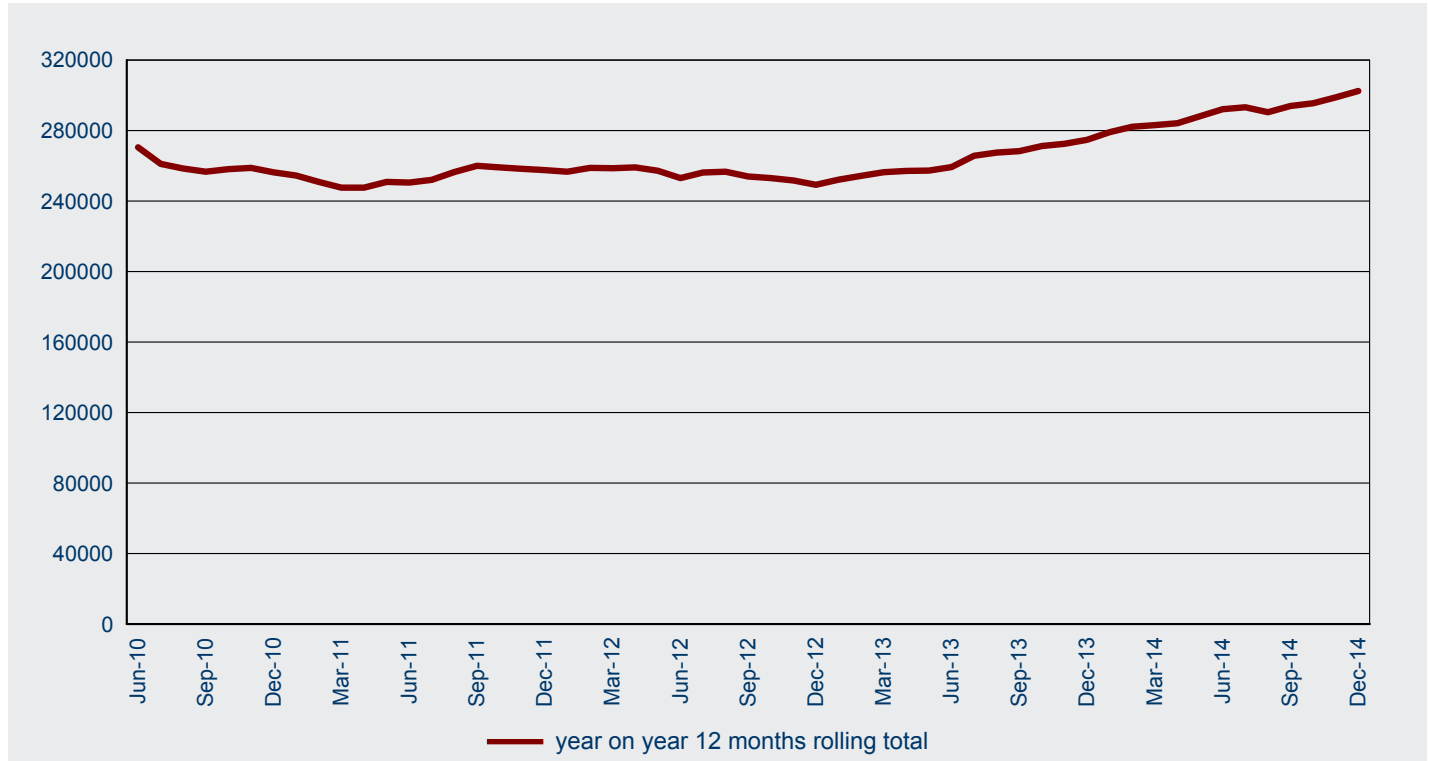
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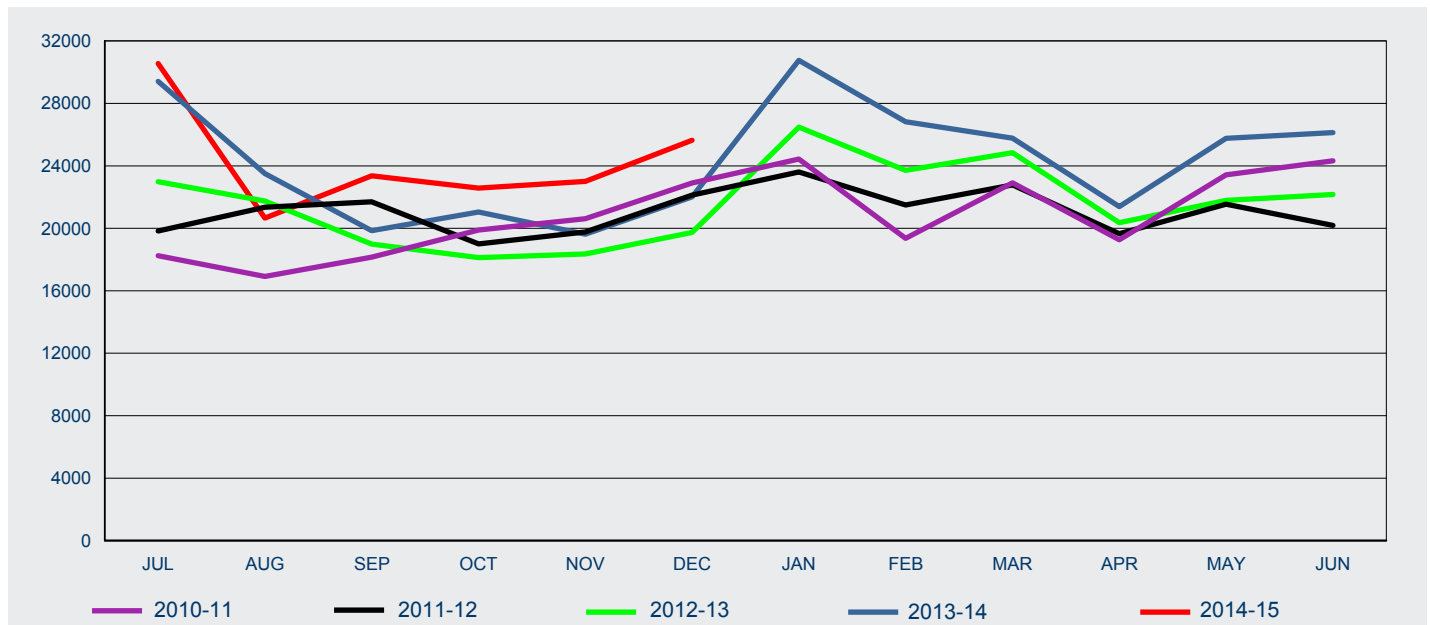
FY Granted	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Total
2010-11	18 245	16 918	18 158	19 885	20 613	22 901	24 437	19 362	22 914	19 262	23 418	24 325	**250 438**
2011-12	19 831	21 351	21 693	18 999	19 771	22 123	23 611	21 495	22 778	19 659	21 545	20 190	**253 046**
2012-13	22 986	21 744	18 987	18 124	18 362	19 738	26 478	23 707	24 844	20 355	21 786	22 167	**259 278**
2013-14	29 406	23 503	19 847	21 040	19 619	22 017	30 754	26 824	25 770	21 392	25 763	26 125	**292 060**
2014-15	30 554	20 656	23 358	22 579	23 003	25 639							**145 789**

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2.03 Number of student visa applications granted by month where the client was OFFSHORE
- year on year 12 months rolling total

year on year 12 months rolling total

2.04 Number of student visa applications granted in 2014-15 to 31 December 2014 by month where the client was OFFSHORE - comparison with previous four financial years

2010-11   2011-12   2012-13   2013-14   2014-15
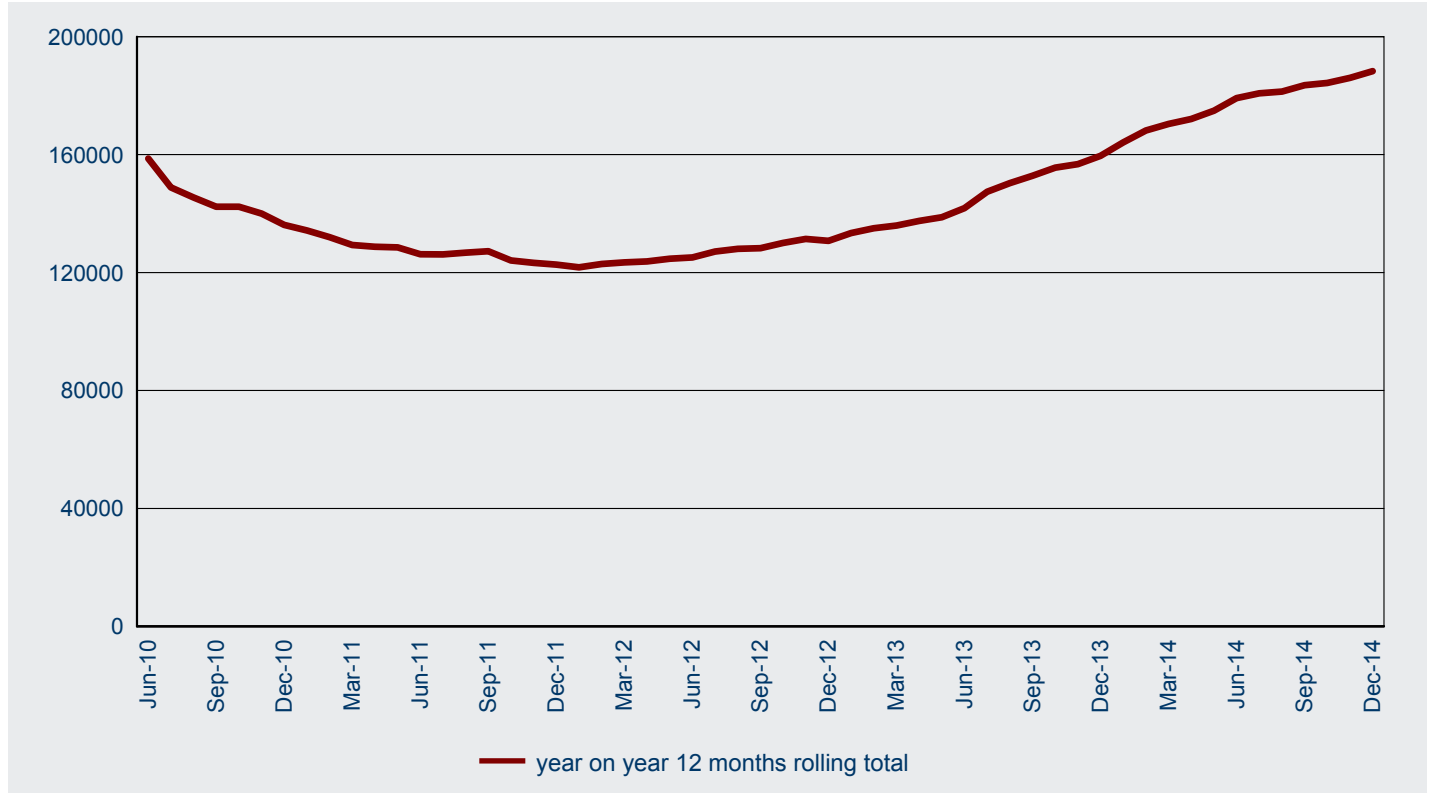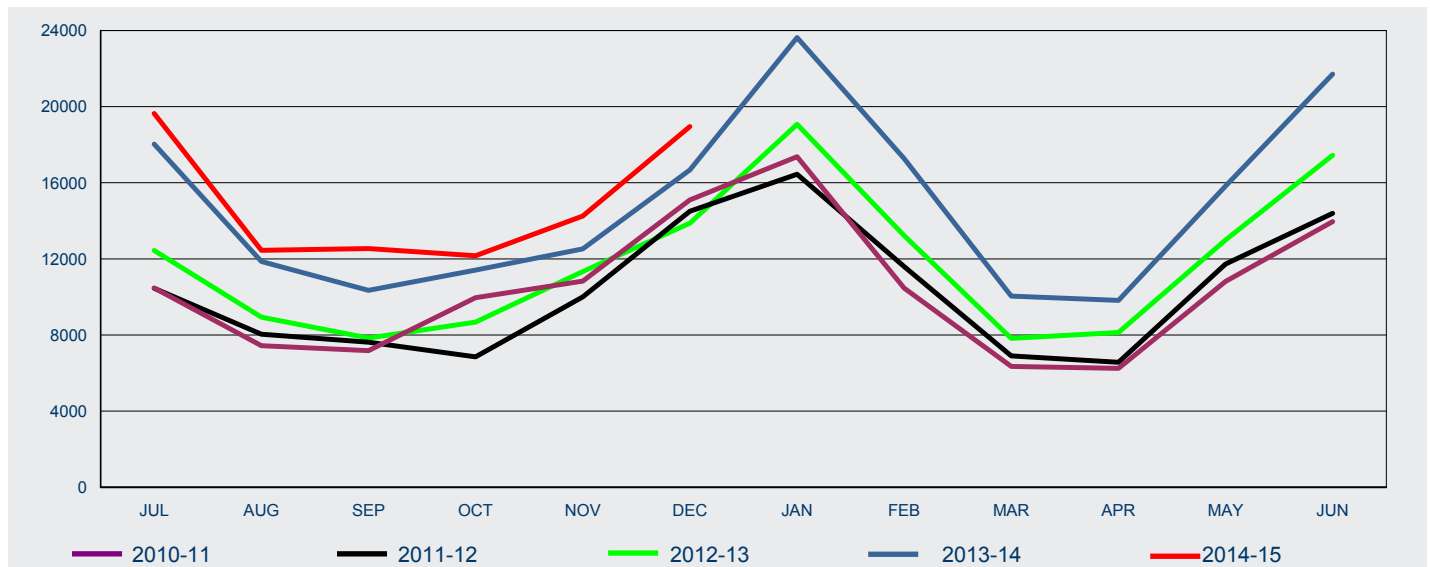
FY Granted	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Total
2010-11	10 472	7 443	7 181	9 959	10 830	15 096	17 372	10 461	6 351	6 250	10 815	13 956	**126 186**
2011-12	10 453	8 039	7 627	6 855	10 006	14 507	16 445	11 594	6 902	6 569	11 727	14 395	**125 119**
2012-13	12 441	8 943	7 844	8 678	11 336	13 873	19 070	13 223	7 826	8 138	12 997	17 441	**141 810**
2013-14	18 028	11 864	10 349	11 411	12 529	16 673	23 628	17 265	10 046	9 818	15 826	21 710	**179 147**
2014-15	19 643	12 449	12 541	12 167	14 250	18 954							**90 004**

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2.05 Number of student visa applications granted by month where the client was ONSHORE - year on year 12 months rolling total

Legend: year on year 12 months rolling total

2.06 Number of student visa applications granted in 2014-15 to 31 December 2014 by month where the client was ONSHORE - comparison with previous four financial years

Legend: 2010-11, 2011-12, 2012-13, 2013-14, 2014-15
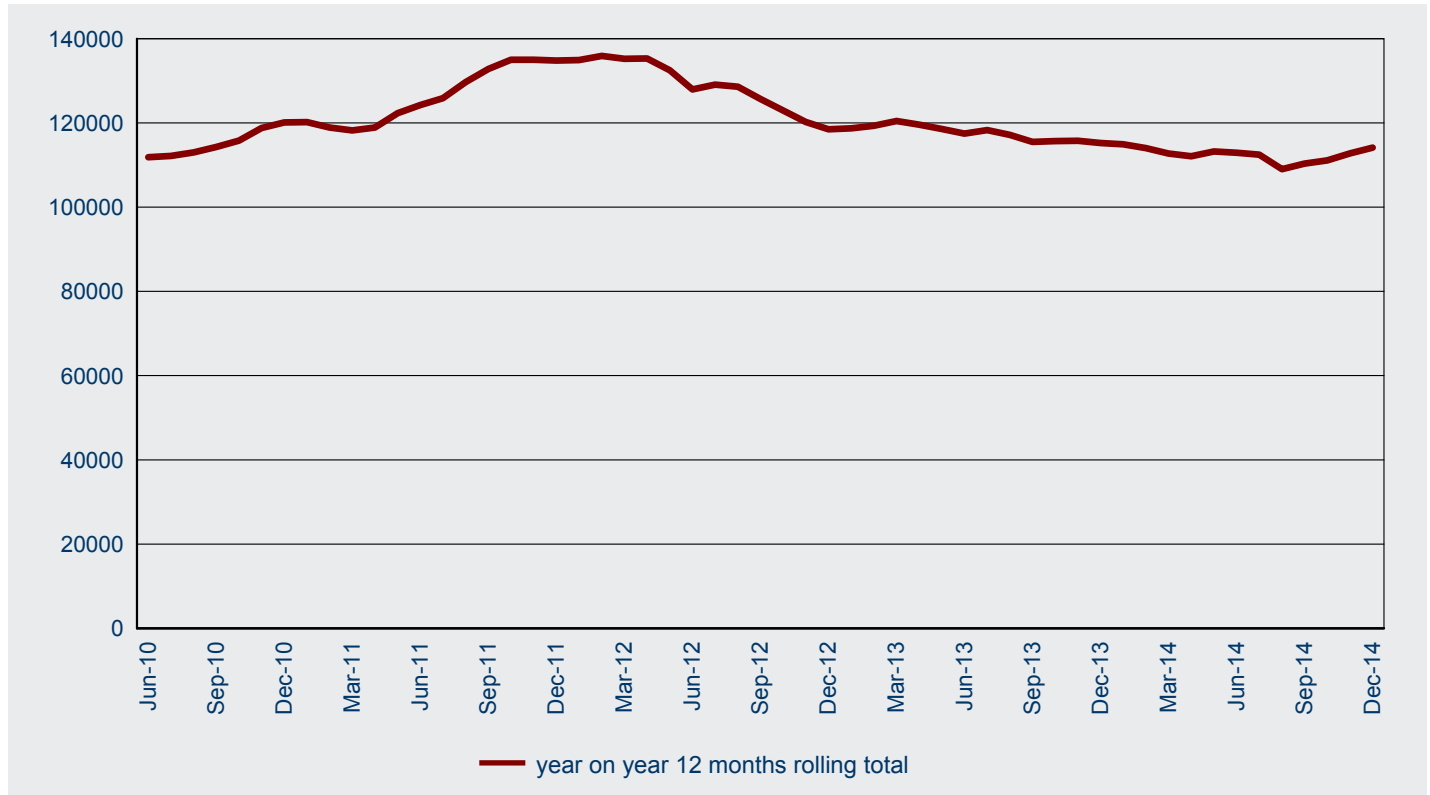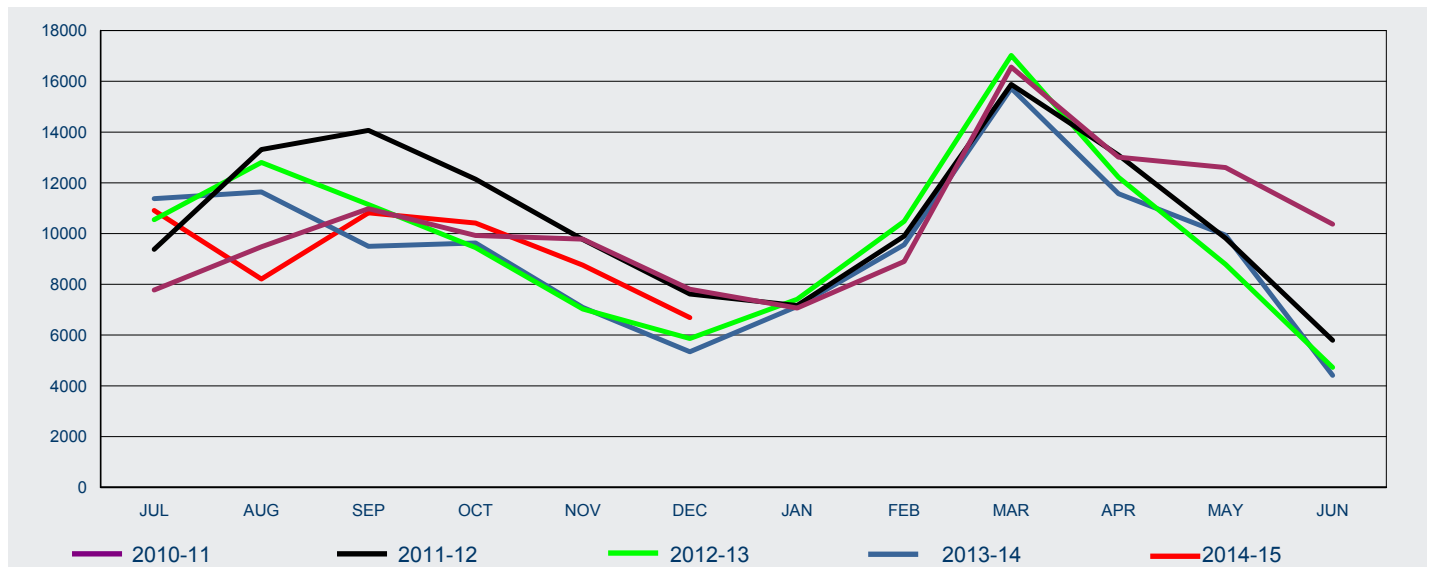
FY Granted	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Total
2010-11	7 773	9 475	10 977	9 926	9 783	7 805	7 065	8 901	16 563	13 012	12 603	10 369	**124 252**
2011-12	9 378	13 312	14 066	12 144	9 765	7 616	7 166	9 901	15 876	13 090	9 818	5 795	**127 927**
2012-13	10 545	12 801	11 143	9 446	7 026	5 865	7 408	10 484	17 018	12 217	8 789	4 726	**117 468**
2013-14	11 378	11 639	9 498	9 629	7 090	5 344	7 126	9 559	15 724	11 574	9 937	4 415	**112 913**
2014-15	10 911	8 207	10 817	10 412	8 753	6 685							**55 785**

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2.07 Number of visa applications granted for subclass 570 Independent ELICOS Sector in 2014-15
to 31 December 2014 by client location and month - comparison with previous four financial years
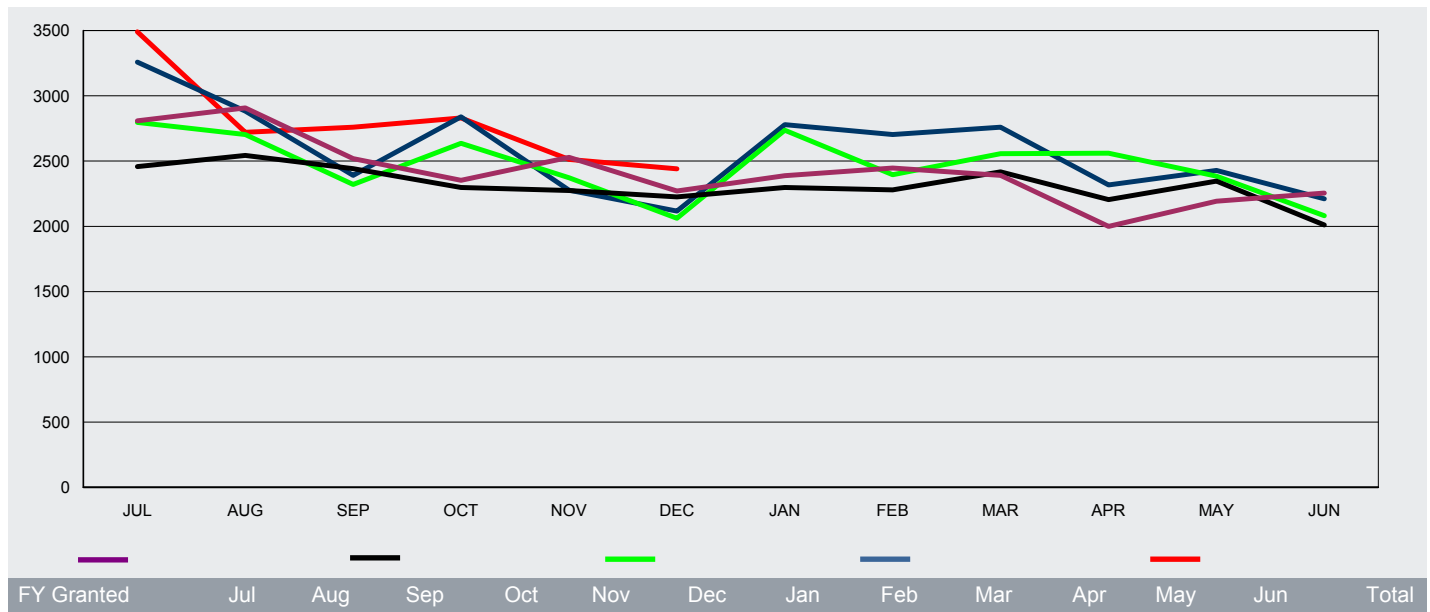
FY Granted	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Total
Offshore													
2010-11	1 951	2 133	1 681	1 639	1 767	1 562	1 790	1 831	1 710	1 330	1 409	1 529	**20 332**
2011-12	1 729	1 811	1 659	1 573	1 497	1 558	1 685	1 719	1 703	1 331	1 429	1 405	**19 099**
2012-13	1 814	1 815	1 452	1 672	1 517	1 316	1 916	1 575	1 758	1 476	1 451	1 496	**19 258**
2013-14	1 989	2 071	1 653	1 934	1 501	1 510	2 000	2 001	1 973	1 556	1 590	1 690	**21 468**
2014-15	2 421	2 109	1 937	1 958	1 647	1 752							**11 824**
Onshore													
2010-11	858	775	838	714	762	709	598	616	681	669	784	726	**8 730**
2011-12	729	732	783	725	778	667	613	560	714	874	918	606	**8 699**
2012-13	982	889	869	964	855	746	821	820	799	1 085	934	585	**10 349**
2013-14	1 269	812	738	905	776	607	779	703	787	761	838	521	**9 496**
2014-15	1 069	612	822	872	866	689							**4 930**
All													
2010-11	2 809	2 908	2 519	2 353	2 529	2 271	2 388	2 447	2 391	1 999	2 193	2 255	**29 062**
2011-12	2 458	2 543	2 442	2 298	2 275	2 225	2 298	2 279	2 417	2 205	2 347	2 011	**27 798**
2012-13	2 796	2 704	2 321	2 636	2 372	2 062	2 737	2 395	2 557	2 561	2 385	2 081	**29 607**
2013-14	3 258	2 883	2 391	2 839	2 277	2 117	2 779	2 704	2 760	2 317	2 428	2 211	**30 964**
2014-15	3 490	2 721	2 759	2 830	2 513	2 441							**16 754**

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2.08 Number of visa applications granted for subclass 571 Schools Sector in 2014-15 to
31 December 2014 by client location and month - comparison with previous four financial years
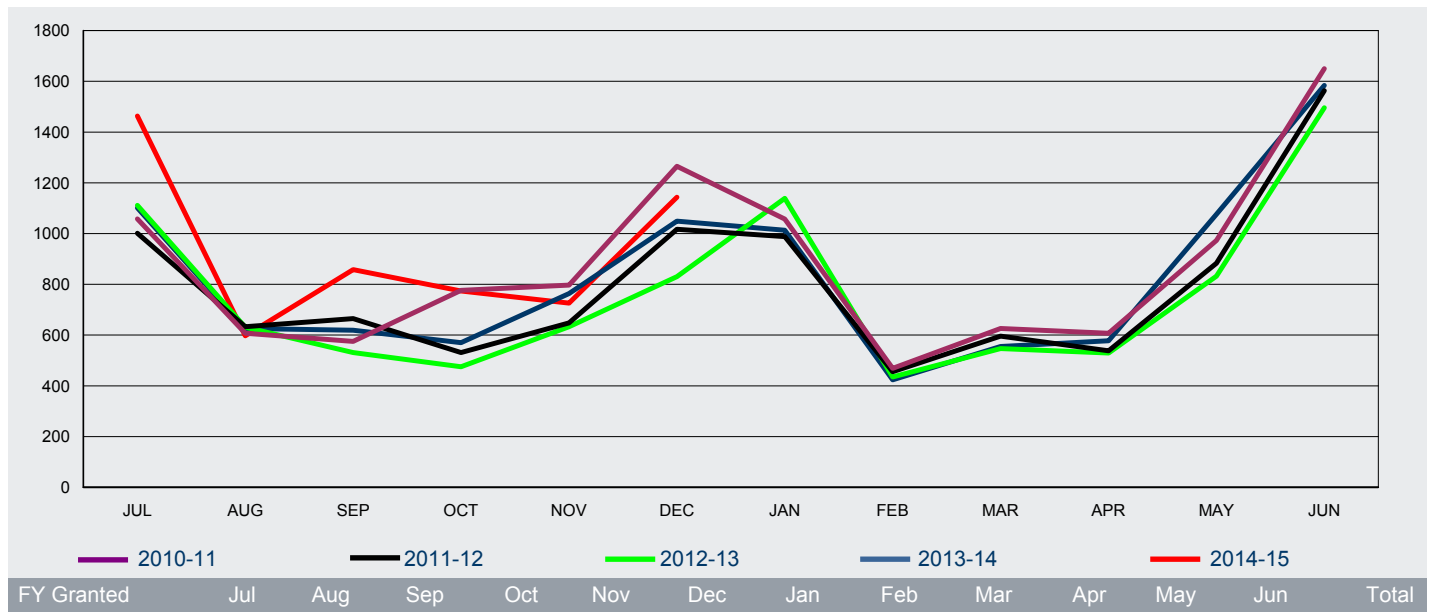
FY Granted	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Total
Offshore													
2010-11	959	530	504	683	668	1 167	943	307	368	394	791	1 477	**8 791**
2011-12	886	548	591	432	563	936	899	290	370	327	753	1 500	**8 095**
2012-13	1 022	560	481	401	549	765	1 069	294	343	387	726	1 436	**8 033**
2013-14	1 028	576	571	495	680	997	955	332	388	428	952	1 529	**8 931**
2014-15	1 371	560	802	711	646	1 082							**5 172**
Onshore													
2010-11	99	77	71	93	129	98	114	162	258	213	182	173	**1 669**
2011-12	115	85	74	99	85	81	89	166	226	211	130	63	**1 424**
2012-13	89	71	50	74	84	65	70	141	204	142	106	60	**1 156**
2013-14	73	50	48	75	84	52	58	92	167	150	124	55	**1 028**
2014-15	92	37	56	63	80	61							**389**
All													
2010-11	1 058	607	575	776	797	1 265	1 057	469	626	607	973	1 650	**10 460**
2011-12	1 001	633	665	531	648	1 017	988	456	596	538	883	1 563	**9 519**
2012-13	1 111	631	531	475	633	830	1 139	435	547	529	832	1 496	**9 189**
2013-14	1 101	626	619	570	764	1 049	1 013	424	555	578	1 076	1 584	**9 959**
2014-15	1 463	597	858	774	726	1 143							**5 561**

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2.09 Number of visa applications granted for subclass 572 Vocational Education and Training Sector in 2014-15 to 31 December 2014 by client location and month - comparison with previous four financial years
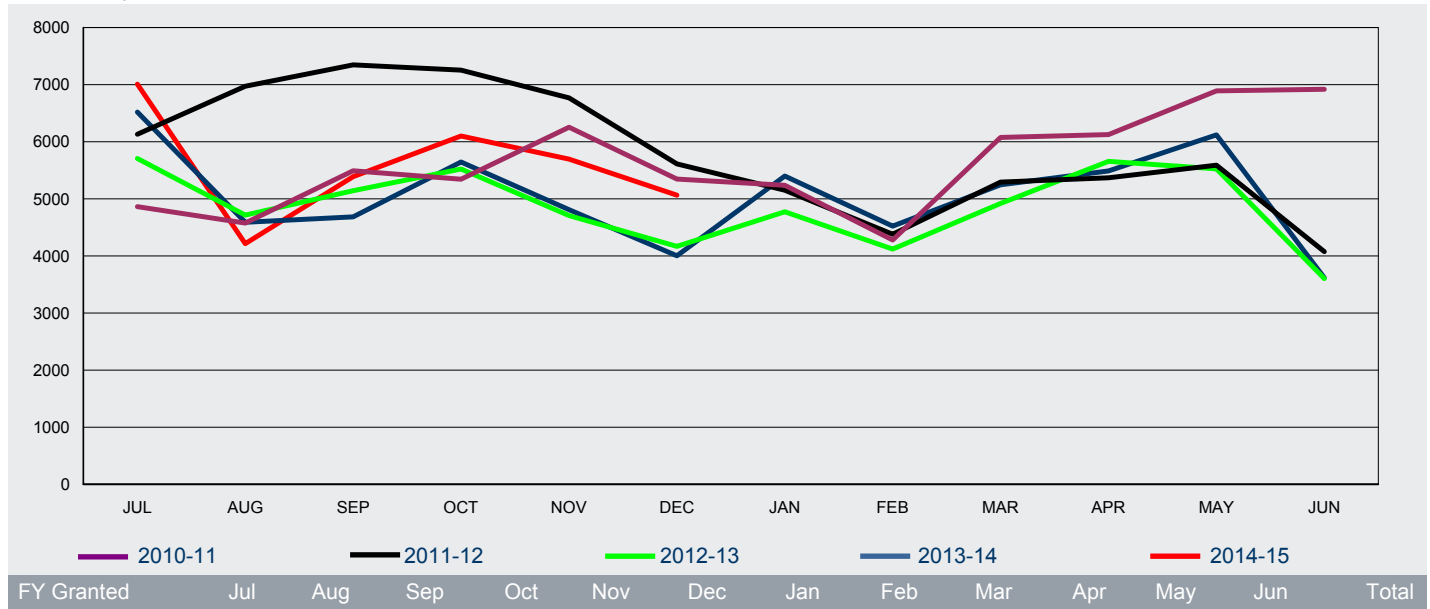
FY Granted	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Total
Offshore													
2010-11	1 330	1 026	1 310	1 314	1 385	1 434	1 721	1 186	1 161	1 043	1 240	1 406	**15 556**
2011-12	1 228	1 162	1 271	1 395	1 365	1 414	1 723	1 393	1 166	1 016	1 240	1 187	**15 560**
2012-13	1 229	951	943	1 252	1 095	1 144	1 511	1 067	932	1 057	1 203	1 254	**13 638**
2013-14	1 457	1 233	1 236	1 536	1 183	1 296	2 026	1 171	1 175	1 276	1 418	1 559	**16 566**
2014-15	1 579	1 377	1 475	1 683	1 568	1 724							**9 406**
Onshore													
2010-11	3 535	3 550	4 181	4 030	4 869	3 913	3 517	3 093	4 916	5 082	5 651	5 513	**51 850**
2011-12	4 903	5 810	6 075	5 859	5 404	4 198	3 428	2 987	4 127	4 354	4 351	2 888	**54 384**
2012-13	4 479	3 765	4 199	4 271	3 611	3 023	3 264	3 053	3 988	4 601	4 322	2 349	**44 925**
2013-14	5 062	3 358	3 449	4 109	3 627	2 708	3 374	3 352	4 071	4 212	4 702	2 058	**44 082**
2014-15	5 431	2 838	3 913	4 418	4 127	3 341							**24 068**
All													
2010-11	4 865	4 576	5 491	5 344	6 254	5 347	5 238	4 279	6 077	6 125	6 891	6 919	**67 406**
2011-12	6 131	6 972	7 346	7 254	6 769	5 612	5 151	4 380	5 293	5 370	5 591	4 075	**69 944**
2012-13	5 708	4 716	5 142	5 523	4 706	4 167	4 775	4 120	4 920	5 658	5 525	3 603	**58 563**
2013-14	6 519	4 591	4 685	5 645	4 810	4 004	5 400	4 523	5 246	5 488	6 120	3 617	**60 648**
2014-15	7 010	4 215	5 388	6 101	5 695	5 065							**33 474**

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2.10 Number of visa applications granted for subclass 573 Higher Education Sector in 2014-15 to 31 December 2014 by client location and month - comparison with previous four financial years
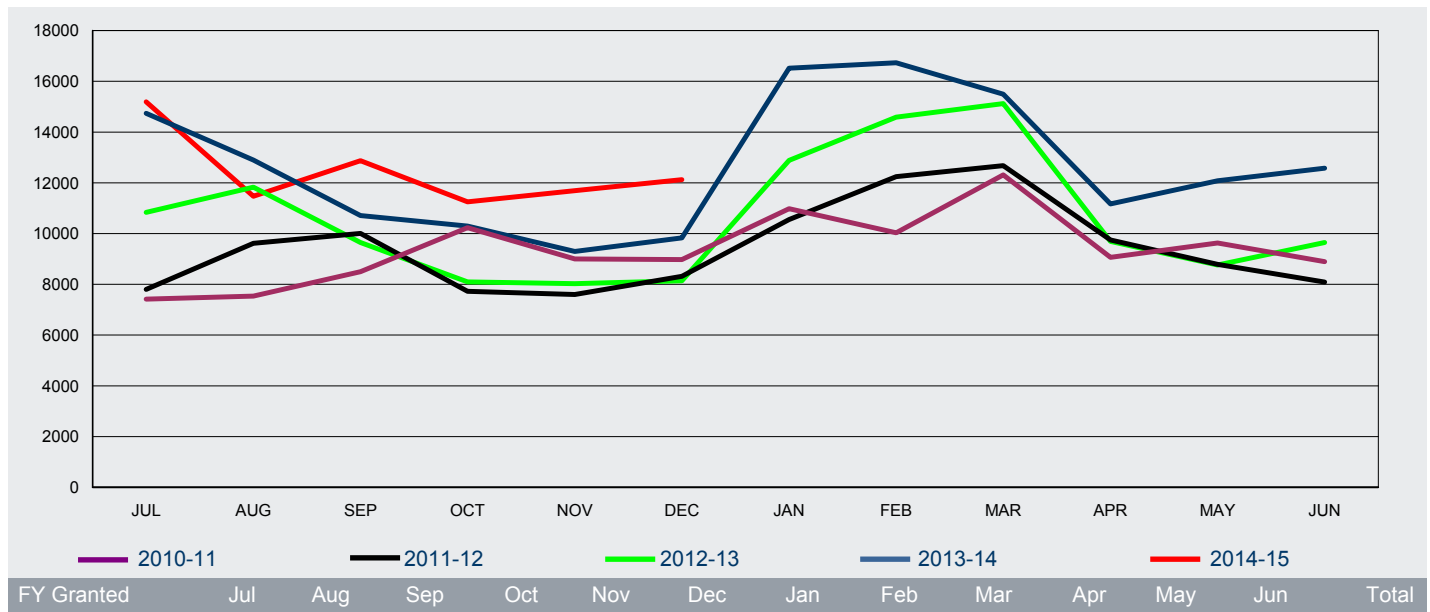
FY Granted	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Total
Offshore													
2010-11	4 503	2 879	3 104	5 576	5 355	6 243	8 475	5 444	2 246	2 452	4 242	5 403	**55 922**
2011-12	4 634	3 513	3 400	2 782	4 508	6 056	7 866	6 567	2 630	2 719	4 984	6 226	**55 885**
2012-13	6 401	4 304	4 155	4 465	5 917	6 414	10 004	8 642	3 742	3 893	5 907	8 207	**72 051**
2013-14	10 309	6 041	5 906	6 271	7 119	8 165	13 972	11 784	5 378	5 206	8 344	11 117	**99 612**
2014-15	11 411	7 136	7 356	6 655	8 472	9 898							**50 928**
Onshore													
2010-11	2 911	4 655	5 397	4 656	3 644	2 734	2 507	4 585	10 064	6 611	5 387	3 494	**56 645**
2011-12	3 168	6 101	6 605	4 943	3 092	2 261	2 686	5 674	10 050	7 027	3 804	1 864	**57 275**
2012-13	4 438	7 526	5 491	3 630	2 110	1 727	2 880	5 944	11 380	5 798	2 852	1 442	**55 218**
2013-14	4 433	6 858	4 807	4 022	2 180	1 668	2 548	4 945	10 113	5 963	3 736	1 459	**52 732**
2014-15	3 778	4 334	5 518	4 596	3 216	2 226							**23 668**
All													
2010-11	7 414	7 534	8 501	10 232	8 999	8 977	10 982	10 029	12 310	9 063	9 629	8 897	**112 567**
2011-12	7 802	9 614	10 005	7 725	7 600	8 317	10 552	12 241	12 680	9 746	8 788	8 090	**113 160**
2012-13	10 839	11 830	9 646	8 095	8 027	8 141	12 884	14 586	15 122	9 691	8 759	9 649	**127 269**
2013-14	14 742	12 899	10 713	10 293	9 299	9 833	16 520	16 729	15 491	11 169	12 080	12 576	**152 344**
2014-15	15 189	11 470	12 874	11 251	11 688	12 124							**74 596**

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2.11 Number of visa applications granted for subclass 574 Postgraduate Research Sector in 2014-15 to 31 December 2014 by client location and month - comparison with previous four financial years
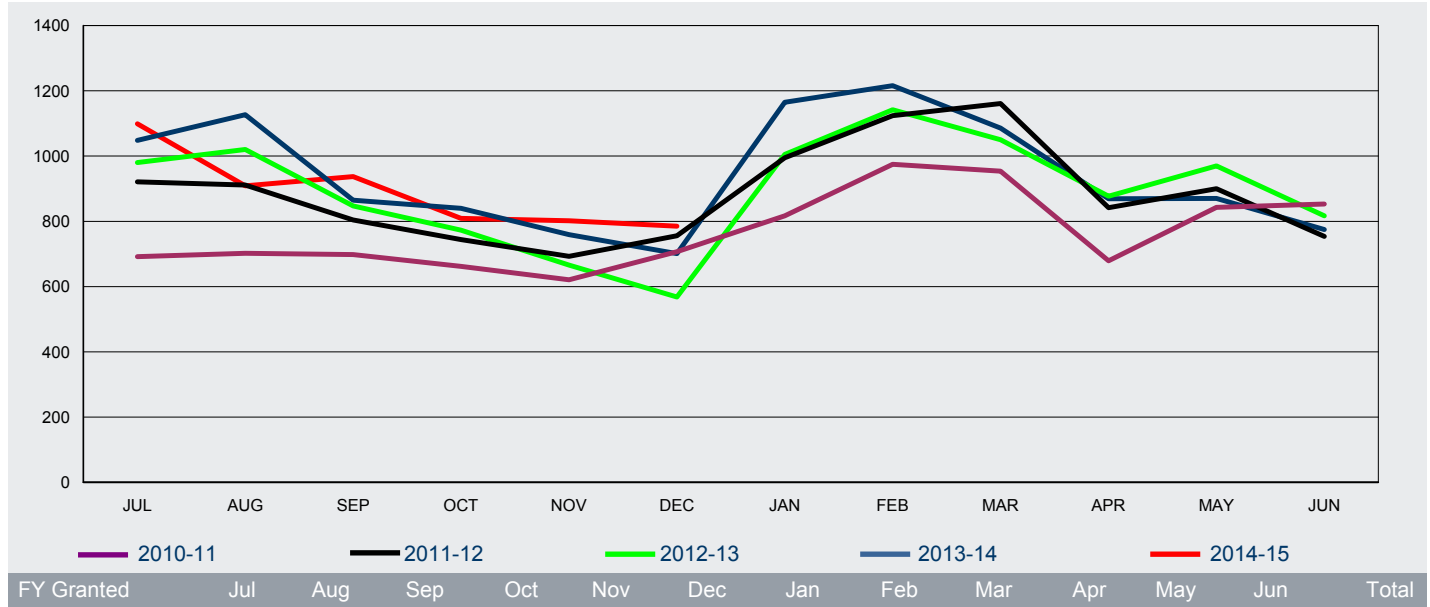
FY Granted	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Total
Offshore													
2010-11	456	395	336	307	324	448	601	672	452	330	356	472	**5 149**
2011-12	608	446	403	318	371	472	740	719	507	332	401	447	**5 764**
2012-13	576	596	421	351	376	354	732	733	502	381	455	582	**6 059**
2013-14	659	681	501	388	377	444	893	860	601	445	415	511	**6 775**
2014-15	666	606	521	406	411	492							**3 102**
Onshore													
2010-11	236	307	362	355	297	259	216	303	502	349	487	381	**4 054**
2011-12	313	465	401	426	322	284	255	405	654	510	499	307	**4 841**
2012-13	404	424	426	422	290	214	273	409	548	496	515	235	**4 656**
2013-14	389	446	364	452	382	257	272	356	485	424	455	264	**4 546**
2014-15	433	303	416	403	391	293							**2 239**
All													
2010-11	692	702	698	662	621	707	817	975	954	679	843	853	**9 203**
2011-12	921	911	804	744	693	756	995	1 124	1 161	842	900	754	**10 605**
2012-13	980	1 020	847	773	666	568	1 005	1 142	1 050	877	970	817	**10 715**
2013-14	1 048	1 127	865	840	759	701	1 165	1 216	1 086	869	870	775	**11 321**
2014-15	1 099	909	937	809	802	785							**5 341**

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2.12 Number of visa applications granted for subclass 575 Non-Award Sector in 2014-15 to 31 December 2014 by client location and month - comparison with previous four financial years
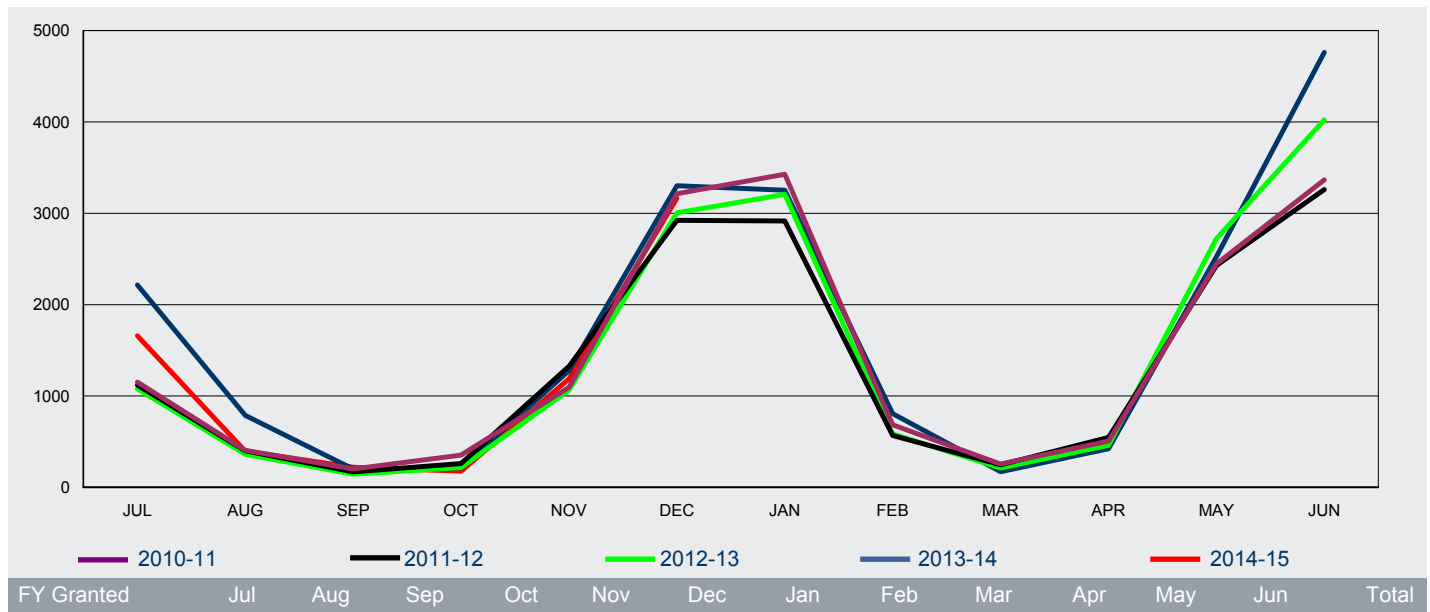
FY Granted	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Total
Offshore													
2010-11	1 042	330	128	299	1 038	3 152	3 363	608	159	444	2 372	3 319	**16 254**
2011-12	997	326	111	219	1 286	2 871	2 862	500	182	483	2 378	3 214	**15 429**
2012-13	965	295	110	176	1 040	2 955	3 146	529	156	421	2 688	3 985	**16 466**
2013-14	2 102	712	154	186	1 250	3 257	3 191	754	131	389	2 493	4 722	**19 341**
2014-15	1 587	352	191	164	1 156	3 124							**6 574**
Onshore													
2010-11	110	76	73	53	57	63	64	77	96	62	75	47	**853**
2011-12	122	74	59	41	39	51	54	67	64	64	50	46	**731**
2012-13	113	67	34	40	25	49	61	57	56	40	34	37	**613**
2013-14	113	75	47	27	28	44	61	52	41	34	31	39	**592**
2014-15	72	44	29	13	31	41							**230**
All													
2010-11	1 152	406	201	352	1 095	3 215	3 427	685	255	506	2 447	3 366	**17 107**
2011-12	1 119	400	170	260	1 325	2 922	2 916	567	246	547	2 428	3 260	**16 160**
2012-13	1 078	362	144	216	1 065	3 004	3 207	586	212	461	2 722	4 022	**17 079**
2013-14	2 215	787	201	213	1 278	3 301	3 252	806	172	423	2 524	4 761	**19 933**
2014-15	1 659	396	220	177	1 187	3 165							**6 804**

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2.13 Number of visa applications granted for subclass 576 Foreign Affairs or Defence Sector in 2014-15 to 31 December 2014 by client location and month - comparison with previous four financial years
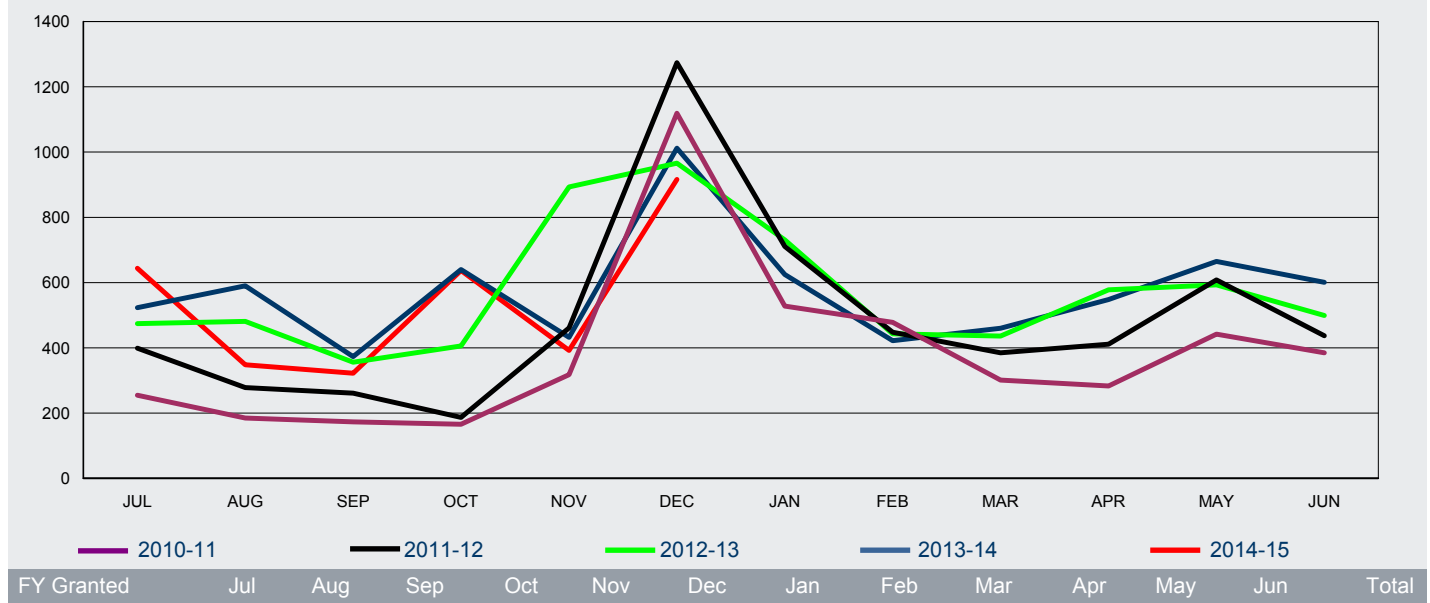
FY Granted	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Total
Offshore													
2010-11	231	150	118	141	293	1 090	479	413	255	257	405	350	**4 182**
2011-12	371	233	192	136	416	1 200	670	406	344	361	542	416	**5 287**
2012-13	434	422	282	361	842	925	692	383	393	523	567	481	**6 305**
2013-14	484	550	328	601	419	1 004	591	363	400	518	614	582	**6 454**
2014-15	608	309	259	590	350	882							**2 998**
Onshore													
2010-11	24	35	55	25	25	29	49	65	46	26	37	35	**451**
2011-12	28	45	69	51	45	74	41	42	41	50	66	21	**573**
2012-13	40	59	74	45	51	41	39	60	43	55	26	18	**551**
2013-14	39	40	45	39	13	8	34	59	60	30	51	19	**437**
2014-15	36	39	63	47	42	34							**261**
All													
2010-11	255	185	173	166	318	1 119	528	478	301	283	442	385	**4 633**
2011-12	399	278	261	187	461	1 274	711	448	385	411	608	437	**5 860**
2012-13	474	481	356	406	893	966	731	443	436	578	593	499	**6 856**
2013-14	523	590	373	640	432	1 012	625	422	460	548	665	601	**6 891**
2014-15	644	348	322	637	392	916							**3 259**

2 Granted

2.14 Number of student visa applications granted in 2014-15 to 31 December 2014 by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year

Citizenship Country	2013-14 to 31/12/13	2014-15 to 31/12/14	% Change from 2013-14	2014-15 as % of Total
China, Peoples Republic of	28 440	32 612	14.7%	22.4%
India	14 107	16 302	15.6%	11.2%
Korea, South	5 964	6 095	2.2%	4.2%
Brazil	6 784	5 964	-12.1%	4.1%
Thailand	5 161	5 728	11.0%	3.9%
Nepal	5 326	4 950	-7.1%	3.4%
Vietnam	6 365	4 940	-22.4%	3.4%
Indonesia	4 193	4 384	4.6%	3.0%
Malaysia	3 673	4 266	16.1%	2.9%
Saudi Arabia	3 702	4 103	10.8%	2.8%
Pakistan	2 802	3 502	25.0%	2.4%
Colombia	3 407	3 491	2.5%	2.4%
United States of America	3 022	3 447	14.1%	2.4%
HKSAR of the PRC	2 692	3 136	16.5%	2.2%
Japan	2 720	3 041	11.8%	2.1%
Other countries	37 074	39 828	7.4%	27.3%
Total	**135 432**	**145 789**	**7.6%**	**100.0%**

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2.15 Number of student visa applications granted OFFSHORE in 2014-15 to 31 December 2014 by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year

Legend: 2013-14 to 31/12/13 | 2014-15 to 31/12/14

Citizenship Country	2013-14 to 31/12/13	2014-15 to 31/12/14	% Change from 2013-14	2014-15 as % of Total
China, Peoples Republic of	17 346	21 766	25.5%	24.2%
India	7 555	10 861	43.8%	12.1%
Brazil	4 486	3 666	-18.3%	4.1%
Thailand	2 986	3 281	9.9%	3.6%
Vietnam	4 692	3 257	-30.6%	3.6%
United States of America	2 696	3 098	14.9%	3.4%
Nepal	3 249	3 085	-5.0%	3.4%
Indonesia	2 615	2 928	12.0%	3.3%
Malaysia	1 976	2 114	7.0%	2.3%
Pakistan	1 367	2 049	49.9%	2.3%
Korea, South	1 819	1 900	4.5%	2.1%
HKSAR of the PRC	1 776	1 846	3.9%	2.1%
Colombia	1 773	1 819	2.6%	2.0%
Japan	1 444	1 722	19.3%	1.9%
Saudi Arabia	1 609	1 702	5.8%	1.9%
Other countries	23 465	24 910	6.2%	27.7%
Offshore Total	**80 854**	**90 004**	**11.3%**	**100.0%**

2 Granted

2.16 Number of student visa applications granted ONSHORE in 2014-15 to 31 December 2014 by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year

Legend: ■ 2013-14 to 31/12/13   ■ 2014-15 to 31/12/14

Citizenship Country	2013-14 to 31/12/13	2014-15 to 31/12/14	% Change from 2013-14	2014-15 as % of Total
China, Peoples Republic of	11 094	10 846	-2.2%	19.4%
India	6 552	5 441	-17.0%	9.8%
Korea, South	4 145	4 195	1.2%	7.5%
Thailand	2 175	2 447	12.5%	4.4%
Saudi Arabia	2 093	2 401	14.7%	4.3%
Brazil	2 298	2 298	0.0%	4.1%
Malaysia	1 697	2 152	26.8%	3.9%
Nepal	2 077	1 865	-10.2%	3.3%
Vietnam	1 673	1 683	0.6%	3.0%
Colombia	1 634	1 672	2.3%	3.0%
Taiwan	1 212	1 608	32.7%	2.9%
Italy	1 238	1 569	26.7%	2.8%
Indonesia	1 578	1 456	-7.7%	2.6%
Pakistan	1 435	1 453	1.3%	2.6%
Japan	1 276	1 319	3.4%	2.4%
Other countries	12 401	13 380	7.9%	24.0%
Onshore Total	**54 578**	**55 785**	**2.2%**	**100.0%**

2 Granted

2.17 Number of subclass 570 Independent ELICOS Sector visa applications granted in 2014-15 to 31 December 2014 where the client location was OFFSHORE by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year

Citizenship Country	2013-14 to 31/12/13	2014-15 to 31/12/14	% Change from 2013-14	2014-15 as % of Total
Brazil	1963	2572	31.0%	21.8%
Colombia	1579	1603	1.5%	13.6%
Thailand	970	1057	9.0%	8.9%
Japan	752	910	21.0%	7.7%
Saudi Arabia	725	850	17.2%	7.2%
Spain	695	684	-1.6%	5.8%
Italy	401	466	16.2%	3.9%
Korea, South	505	431	-14.7%	3.6%
Czech Republic	443	396	-10.6%	3.3%
Switzerland	327	389	19.0%	3.3%
Taiwan	262	376	43.5%	3.2%
Chile	211	269	27.5%	2.3%
France	190	231	21.6%	2.0%
Mexico	141	151	7.1%	1.3%
Poland	197	143	-27.4%	1.2%
Other countries	1297	1296	-0.1%	11.0%
Sub-total Offshore	**10 658**	**11 824**	**10.9%**	**100.0%**

2.18 Number of subclass 570 Independent ELICOS Sector visa applications granted in 2014-15 to 31 December 2014 where the client location was ONSHORE by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year

Citizenship Country	2013-14 to 31/12/13	2014-15 to 31/12/14	% Change from 2013-14	2014-15 as % of Total
Colombia	865	847	-2.1%	17.2%
Saudi Arabia	430	599	39.3%	12.2%
Korea, South	801	546	-31.8%	11.1%
Italy	385	458	19.0%	9.3%
Taiwan	271	422	55.7%	8.6%
Japan	380	417	9.7%	8.5%
Brazil	643	406	-36.9%	8.2%
HKSAR of the PRC	55	147	167.3%	3.0%
Malaysia	88	128	45.5%	2.6%
Thailand	146	125	-14.4%	2.5%
Spain	182	118	-35.2%	2.4%
Chile	86	100	16.3%	2.0%
France	81	81	0.0%	1.6%
Poland	48	81	68.8%	1.6%
Czech Republic	82	63	-23.2%	1.3%
Other countries	564	392	-30.5%	8.0%
Sub-total Onshore	**5 107**	**4 930**	**-3.5%**	**100.0%**
Total	**15 765**	**16 754**	**6.3%**	

2 Granted

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

Citizenship Country	2013-14 to 31/12/13	2014-15 to 31/12/14	% Change from 2013-14	2014-15 as % of Total
China, Peoples Republic of	2038	2769	35.9%	53.5%
Vietnam	388	339	-12.6%	6.6%
Germany, Fed Republic of	389	338	-13.1%	6.5%
Japan	243	282	16.0%	5.5%
HKSAR of the PRC	181	165	-8.8%	3.2%
Brazil	93	150	61.3%	2.9%
Italy	95	135	42.1%	2.6%
Korea, South	141	106	-24.8%	2.0%
Malaysia	63	70	11.1%	1.4%
France	48	60	25.0%	1.2%
India	44	53	20.5%	1.0%
Thailand	56	50	-10.7%	1.0%
Taiwan	44	50	13.6%	1.0%
Switzerland	23	44	91.3%	0.9%
Belgium	14	43	207.1%	0.8%
Other countries	487	518	6.4%	10.0%
Sub-total Offshore	**4 347**	**5 172**	**19.0%**	**100.0%**

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

Citizenship Country	2013-14 to 31/12/13	2014-15 to 31/12/14	% Change from 2013-14	2014-15 as % of Total
Korea, South	118	115	-2.5%	29.6%
Japan	43	42	-2.3%	10.8%
China, Peoples Republic of	37	41	10.8%	10.5%
Germany, Fed Republic of	28	28	0.0%	7.2%
Italy	12	21	75.0%	5.4%
Brazil	13	20	53.8%	5.1%
Vietnam	14	13	-7.1%	3.3%
United Kingdom	<5	12	200.0%	3.1%
Taiwan	20	10	-50.0%	2.6%
Malaysia	10	10	0.0%	2.6%
Thailand	9	8	-11.1%	2.1%
Indonesia	5	7	40.0%	1.8%
Papua New Guinea	<5	7	75.0%	1.8%
HKSAR of the PRC	9	6	-33.3%	1.5%
United States of America	14	5	-64.3%	1.3%
Other countries	42	44	4.8%	11.3%
Sub-total Onshore	**382**	**389**	**1.8%**	**100.0%**
Total	**4 729**	**5 561**	**17.6%**	

2 Granted

2.21 Number of subclass 572 Vocational Education and Training Sector visa applications granted in 2014-15 to 31 December 2014 where the client location was OFFSHORE by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year

Citizenship Country	2013-14 to 31/12/13	2014-15 to 31/12/14	% Change from 2013-14	2014-15 as % of Total
Indonesia	508	831	63.6%	8.8%
Korea, South	589	759	28.9%	8.1%
Philippines	1025	613	-40.2%	6.5%
Thailand	343	608	77.3%	6.5%
India	454	440	-3.1%	4.7%
Taiwan	257	431	67.7%	4.6%
United States of America	367	422	15.0%	4.5%
Brazil	232	408	75.9%	4.3%
Spain	216	381	76.4%	4.1%
Italy	190	338	77.9%	3.6%
Malaysia	196	275	40.3%	2.9%
United Kingdom	190	238	25.3%	2.5%
Japan	159	198	24.5%	2.1%
China, Peoples Republic of	149	185	24.2%	2.0%
Canada	130	179	37.7%	1.9%
Other countries	2936	3100	5.6%	33.0%
Sub-total Offshore	**7 941**	**9 406**	**18.4%**	**100.0%**

2.22 Number of subclass 572 Vocational Education and Training Sector visa applications granted in 2014-15 to 31 December 2014 where the client location was ONSHORE by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year

Citizenship Country	2013-14 to 31/12/13	2014-15 to 31/12/14	% Change from 2013-14	2014-15 as % of Total
India	4562	3254	-28.7%	13.5%
Korea, South	2319	2746	18.4%	11.4%
Thailand	1603	1925	20.1%	8.0%
China, Peoples Republic of	1488	1812	21.8%	7.5%
Brazil	1412	1703	20.6%	7.1%
Malaysia	834	1292	54.9%	5.4%
Italy	745	973	30.6%	4.0%
Taiwan	612	885	44.6%	3.7%
Philippines	693	763	10.1%	3.2%
Indonesia	660	687	4.1%	2.9%
Japan	597	646	8.2%	2.7%
United Kingdom	583	627	7.5%	2.6%
HKSAR of the PRC	303	553	82.5%	2.3%
Colombia	460	504	9.6%	2.1%
Pakistan	561	484	-13.7%	2.0%
Other countries	4881	5214	6.8%	21.7%
Sub-total Onshore	**22 313**	**24 068**	**7.9%**	**100.0%**
Total	**30 254**	**33 474**	**10.6%**	

2 Granted

2.23 Number of subclass 573 Higher Education Sector visa applications granted in 2014-15 to 31 December 2014 where the client location was OFFSHORE by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year

Citizenship Country	2013-14 to 31/12/13	2014-15 to 31/12/14	% Change from 2013-14	2014-15 as % of Total
China, Peoples Republic of	14224	17717	24.6%	34.8%
India	6837	10174	48.8%	20.0%
Nepal	3052	2922	-4.3%	5.7%
Vietnam	3646	2383	-34.6%	4.7%
Pakistan	966	1609	66.6%	3.2%
Thailand	1522	1460	-4.1%	2.9%
Malaysia	1355	1442	6.4%	2.8%
HKSAR of the PRC	1334	1362	2.1%	2.7%
Indonesia	1194	1198	0.3%	2.4%
Singapore	932	997	7.0%	2.0%
Sri Lanka	587	872	48.6%	1.7%
Philippines	831	829	-0.2%	1.6%
Saudi Arabia	657	667	1.5%	1.3%
Canada	593	564	-4.9%	1.1%
Bangladesh	452	559	23.7%	1.1%
Other countries	5629	6173	9.7%	12.1%
Sub-total Offshore	**43 811**	**50 928**	**16.2%**	**100.0%**

2.24 Number of subclass 573 Higher Education Sector visa applications granted in 2014-15 to 31 December 2014 where the client location was ONSHORE by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year

Citizenship Country	2013-14 to 31/12/13	2014-15 to 31/12/14	% Change from 2013-14	2014-15 as % of Total
China, Peoples Republic of	9154	8612	-5.9%	36.4%
India	1870	2072	10.8%	8.8%
Nepal	1543	1418	-8.1%	6.0%
Saudi Arabia	1204	1340	11.3%	5.7%
Vietnam	1206	1151	-4.6%	4.9%
Pakistan	810	905	11.7%	3.8%
Korea, South	850	754	-11.3%	3.2%
Malaysia	638	617	-3.3%	2.6%
HKSAR of the PRC	543	572	5.3%	2.4%
Indonesia	660	526	-20.3%	2.2%
Bangladesh	442	508	14.9%	2.1%
Philippines	335	501	49.6%	2.1%
Sri Lanka	395	401	1.5%	1.7%
Thailand	381	370	-2.9%	1.6%
Colombia	279	303	8.6%	1.3%
Other countries	3658	3618	-1.1%	15.3%
Sub-total Onshore	**23 968**	**23 668**	**-1.3%**	**100.0%**
Total	**67 779**	**74 596**	**10.1%**	

2 Granted

2.25 Number of subclass 574 Postgraduate Research Sector visa applications granted in 2014-15 to 31 December 2014 where the client location was OFFSHORE by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year

Citizenship Country	2013-14 to 31/12/13	2014-15 to 31/12/14	% Change from 2013-14	2014-15 as % of Total
China, Peoples Republic of	539	603	11.9%	19.4%
Iraq	378	336	-11.1%	10.8%
Vietnam	101	181	79.2%	5.8%
Bangladesh	187	167	-10.7%	5.4%
Iran	181	164	-9.4%	5.3%
Saudi Arabia	175	159	-9.1%	5.1%
Indonesia	163	151	-7.4%	4.9%
India	152	143	-5.9%	4.6%
Malaysia	182	138	-24.2%	4.4%
Pakistan	72	106	47.2%	3.4%
United States of America	54	73	35.2%	2.4%
Sri Lanka	72	70	-2.8%	2.3%
Nigeria	28	46	64.3%	1.5%
Singapore	26	41	57.7%	1.3%
Brazil	44	40	-9.1%	1.3%
Other countries	696	684	-1.7%	22.1%
Sub-total Offshore	**3 050**	**3 102**	**1.7%**	**100.0%**

2.26 Number of subclass 574 Postgraduate Research Sector visa applications granted in 2014-15 to 31 December 2014 where the client location was ONSHORE by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year

Citizenship Country	2013-14 to 31/12/13	2014-15 to 31/12/14	% Change from 2013-14	2014-15 as % of Total
Saudi Arabia	330	403	22.1%	18.0%
China, Peoples Republic of	340	338	-0.6%	15.1%
Indonesia	198	152	-23.2%	6.8%
Iran	119	121	1.7%	5.4%
Vietnam	112	116	3.6%	5.2%
India	90	98	8.9%	4.4%
Malaysia	115	94	-18.3%	4.2%
Bangladesh	97	90	-7.2%	4.0%
Pakistan	50	56	12.0%	2.5%
Germany, Fed Republic of	40	52	30.0%	2.3%
United States of America	45	49	8.9%	2.2%
Iraq	27	45	66.7%	2.0%
Sri Lanka	44	44	0.0%	2.0%
Libya	110	40	-63.6%	1.8%
United Kingdom	26	31	19.2%	1.4%
Other countries	547	510	-6.8%	22.8%
Sub-total Onshore	**2 290**	**2 239**	**-2.2%**	**100.0%**
Total	**5 340**	**5 341**	**0.0%**	

2 Granted

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

Citizenship Country	2013-14 to 31/12/13	2014-15 to 31/12/14	% Change from 2013-14	2014-15 as % of Total
United States of America	1892	2199	16.2%	33.4%
Germany, Fed Republic of	535	654	22.2%	9.9%
Canada	343	420	22.4%	6.4%
Brazil	2075	395	-81.0%	6.0%
China, Peoples Republic of	279	387	38.7%	5.9%
Norway	240	252	5.0%	3.8%
United Kingdom	155	223	43.9%	3.4%
France	214	213	-0.5%	3.2%
Sweden	228	202	-11.4%	3.1%
Japan	153	178	16.3%	2.7%
Mexico	128	158	23.4%	2.4%
Denmark	124	148	19.4%	2.3%
Netherlands, Kingdom of The	96	124	29.2%	1.9%
Italy	100	94	-6.0%	1.4%
HKSAR of the PRC	75	81	8.0%	1.2%
Other countries	1024	846	-17.4%	12.9%
Sub-total Offshore	**7 661**	**6 574**	**-14.2%**	**100.0%**

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

Citizenship Country	2013-14 to 31/12/13	2014-15 to 31/12/14	% Change from 2013-14	2014-15 as % of Total
United States of America	28	25	-10.7%	10.9%
Saudi Arabia	17	23	35.3%	10.0%
Japan	25	16	-36.0%	7.0%
Germany, Fed Republic of	17	15	-11.8%	6.5%
France	16	13	-18.8%	5.7%
China, Peoples Republic of	20	11	-45.0%	4.8%
Malaysia	12	11	-8.3%	4.8%
Brazil	42	10	-76.2%	4.3%
Singapore	6	9	50.0%	3.9%
United Kingdom	<5	8	166.7%	3.5%
Sweden	12	7	-41.7%	3.0%
Canada	10	7	-30.0%	3.0%
Mexico	7	7	0.0%	3.0%
Korea, South	32	6	-81.3%	2.6%
Denmark	<5	6	100.0%	2.6%
Other countries	84	56	-33.3%	24.3%
Sub-total Onshore	**334**	**230**	**-31.1%**	**100.0%**
Total	**7 995**	**6 804**	**-14.9%**	

2 Granted

2.29 Number of subclass 576 Foreign Affairs or Defence Sector visa applications granted in 2014-15 to 31 December 2014 where the client location was OFFSHORE by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year

Citizenship Country	2013-14 to 31/12/13	2014-15 to 31/12/14	% Change from 2013-14	2014-15 as % of Total
Indonesia	625	636	1.8%	21.2%
Pakistan	241	254	5.4%	8.5%
Vietnam	368	250	-32.1%	8.3%
Papua New Guinea	216	179	-17.1%	6.0%
Sri Lanka	100	112	12.0%	3.7%
Philippines	116	102	-12.1%	3.4%
Mongolia	92	91	-1.1%	3.0%
Bangladesh	114	86	-24.6%	2.9%
Thailand	50	65	30.0%	2.2%
Cambodia	109	64	-41.3%	2.1%
Bhutan	58	64	10.3%	2.1%
Timor-Leste	66	63	-4.5%	2.1%
Maldives	48	62	29.2%	2.1%
Tanzania	43	62	44.2%	2.1%
Malaysia	73	58	-20.5%	1.9%
Other countries	1067	850	-20.3%	28.4%
Sub-total Offshore	**3 386**	**2 998**	**-11.5%**	**100.0%**

2.30 Number of subclass 576 Foreign Affairs or Defence Sector visa applications granted in 2014-15 to 31 December 2014 where the client location was ONSHORE by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year

Citizenship Country	2013-14 to 31/12/13	2014-15 to 31/12/14	% Change from 2013-14	2014-15 as % of Total
Indonesia	37	79	113.5%	30.3%
Vietnam	19	44	131.6%	16.9%
Papua New Guinea	22	31	40.9%	11.9%
Bangladesh	6	13	116.7%	5.0%
Afghanistan	12	9	-25.0%	3.4%
Tuvalu	0	8	0.0%	3.1%
Cambodia	9	6	-33.3%	2.3%
Tonga	<5	6	200.0%	2.3%
Kiribati	0	6	0.0%	2.3%
Philippines	<5	5	25.0%	1.9%
Bhutan	7	<5	-42.9%	1.5%
Fiji	6	<5	-33.3%	1.5%
Mongolia	<5	<5	0.0%	1.5%
France	<5	<5	300.0%	1.5%
Ghana	<5	<5	300.0%	1.5%
Other countries	54	34	-37.0%	13.0%
Sub-total Onshore	**184**	**261**	**41.8%**	**100.0%**
Total	**3 570**	**3 259**	**-8.7%**	

3 Grant rates

For this section, grant rates have been shown.

A grant rate is defined as:

$$\frac{\text{Number of grants}}{\text{Number of decisions}} \times 100$$

where the number of decisions equals the number of grants plus the number of refusals.

3 Grant rates

3.01 Grant rate of student visa applications decided in the three month period between 1 October 2014 and 31 December 2014 by client location and visa subclass - comparison with previous four periods

Visa Subclass	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	01/10/14 to 31/12/14
Offshore					
570 Independent ELICOS Sector	92.1%	93.3%	91.3%	93.5%	92.4%
571 Schools Sector	91.9%	90.3%	93.8%	92.2%	89.0%
572 Vocational Education and Training Sector	76.3%	76.8%	76.6%	77.8%	82.1%
573 Higher Education Sector	89.7%	93.6%	90.5%	90.4%	88.7%
574 Postgraduate Research Sector	98.0%	98.7%	98.0%	98.8%	98.0%
575 Non-Award Sector	99.8%	99.7%	99.9%	99.3%	99.8%
576 Foreign Affairs or Defence Sector	98.3%	99.5%	98.4%	99.1%	99.9%
All Offshore	**90.2%**	**92.6%**	**91.1%**	**90.4%**	**90.0%**
Onshore					
570 Independent ELICOS Sector	95.8%	96.2%	92.6%	95.6%	95.6%
571 Schools Sector	93.8%	97.2%	94.8%	91.1%	96.7%
572 Vocational Education and Training Sector	92.9%	94.7%	90.7%	92.7%	90.2%
573 Higher Education Sector	95.6%	98.6%	95.3%	98.0%	96.1%
574 Postgraduate Research Sector	98.9%	98.4%	98.6%	98.5%	98.9%
575 Non-Award Sector	92.5%	96.9%	98.1%	95.4%	92.4%
576 Foreign Affairs or Defence Sector	98.4%	92.2%	93.5%	95.2%	92.5%
All Onshore	**94.4%**	**97.0%**	**93.2%**	**95.5%**	**93.3%**
All	**91.7%**	**94.3%**	**91.9%**	**92.4%**	**91.2%**

3.02 Grant rate of student visa applications decided in the three month period between 1 October 2014 and 31 December 2014 by client location and visa subclass
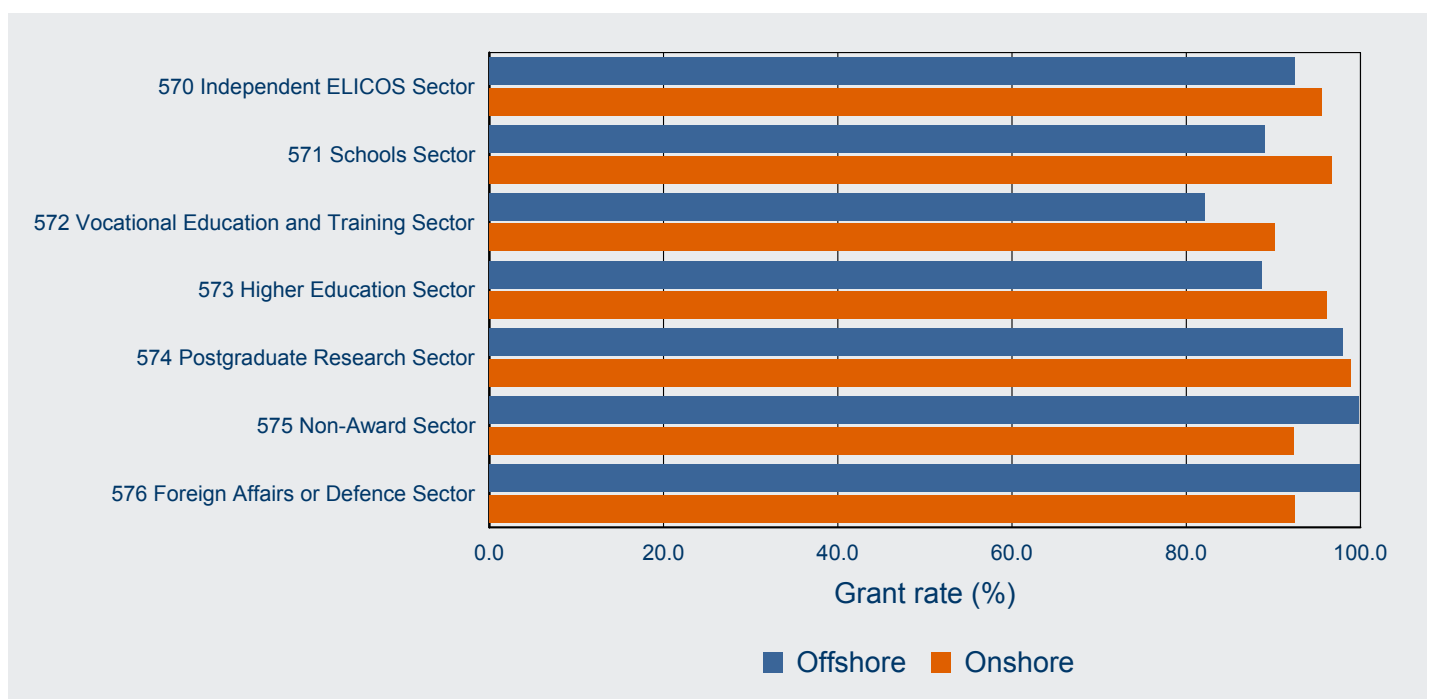
3 Grant rates

3.03 Grant rate of student visa applications decided in the three month period between 1 October 2014 and 31 December 2014 by client location and citizenship country - comparison with previous four periods

Citizenship Country	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	01/10/14 to 31/12/14
Offshore					
China, Peoples Republic of	92.9%	95.3%	94.9%	96.5%	92.2%
India	87.9%	93.5%	85.6%	82.6%	79.9%
United States of America	99.7%	99.8%	99.8%	99.6%	99.7%
Vietnam	84.4%	80.7%	78.7%	76.6%	85.6%
Brazil	97.8%	97.2%	97.3%	97.5%	93.7%
Thailand	96.2%	96.7%	94.7%	88.9%	88.1%
Nepal	95.0%	97.3%	90.0%	91.7%	88.9%
Indonesia	93.2%	95.6%	98.1%	95.8%	97.0%
Malaysia	99.4%	99.3%	98.8%	99.3%	98.5%
Pakistan	39.1%	70.0%	62.9%	58.3%	48.7%
Korea, South	97.2%	98.9%	98.2%	98.0%	99.3%
HKSAR of the PRC	99.7%	98.9%	97.5%	99.4%	99.6%
Colombia	92.0%	93.3%	89.9%	89.0%	92.9%
Canada	99.8%	99.8%	100.0%	99.5%	99.9%
Singapore	99.7%	99.0%	98.5%	98.2%	99.7%
Other countries	89.8%	89.9%	91.6%	90.6%	93.6%
All Offshore	**90.2%**	**92.6%**	**91.1%**	**90.4%**	**90.0%**
Onshore					
China, Peoples Republic of	95.1%	98.9%	94.9%	98.2%	95.4%
India	88.3%	91.4%	88.6%	83.2%	78.5%
Korea, South	97.5%	98.1%	95.2%	97.5%	96.6%
Saudi Arabia	95.2%	96.0%	96.3%	96.5%	98.4%
Thailand	98.2%	95.2%	92.0%	97.4%	96.7%
Nepal	94.8%	95.5%	93.3%	93.5%	94.3%
Brazil	98.0%	98.9%	97.1%	98.8%	98.8%
Italy	98.8%	98.1%	96.0%	97.4%	98.6%
Malaysia	95.2%	97.7%	94.5%	95.8%	96.0%
Taiwan	97.1%	95.5%	96.0%	98.0%	98.3%
Colombia	96.1%	96.8%	95.2%	96.2%	95.7%
Pakistan	93.4%	94.6%	90.0%	93.9%	89.9%
Vietnam	90.1%	97.2%	92.7%	96.1%	91.9%
Philippines	94.0%	96.2%	90.4%	94.5%	93.7%
Indonesia	95.9%	97.5%	94.5%	97.6%	95.2%
Other countries	94.9%	97.1%	92.5%	96.4%	94.6%
All Onshore	**94.4%**	**97.0%**	**93.2%**	**95.5%**	**93.3%**
All	**91.7%**	**94.3%**	**91.9%**	**92.4%**	**91.2%**

3 Grant rates

3.04 Grant rate of student visa applications decided in the three month period between
1 October 2014 and 31 December 2014 by citizenship country and client location - top 15 citizenship
countries
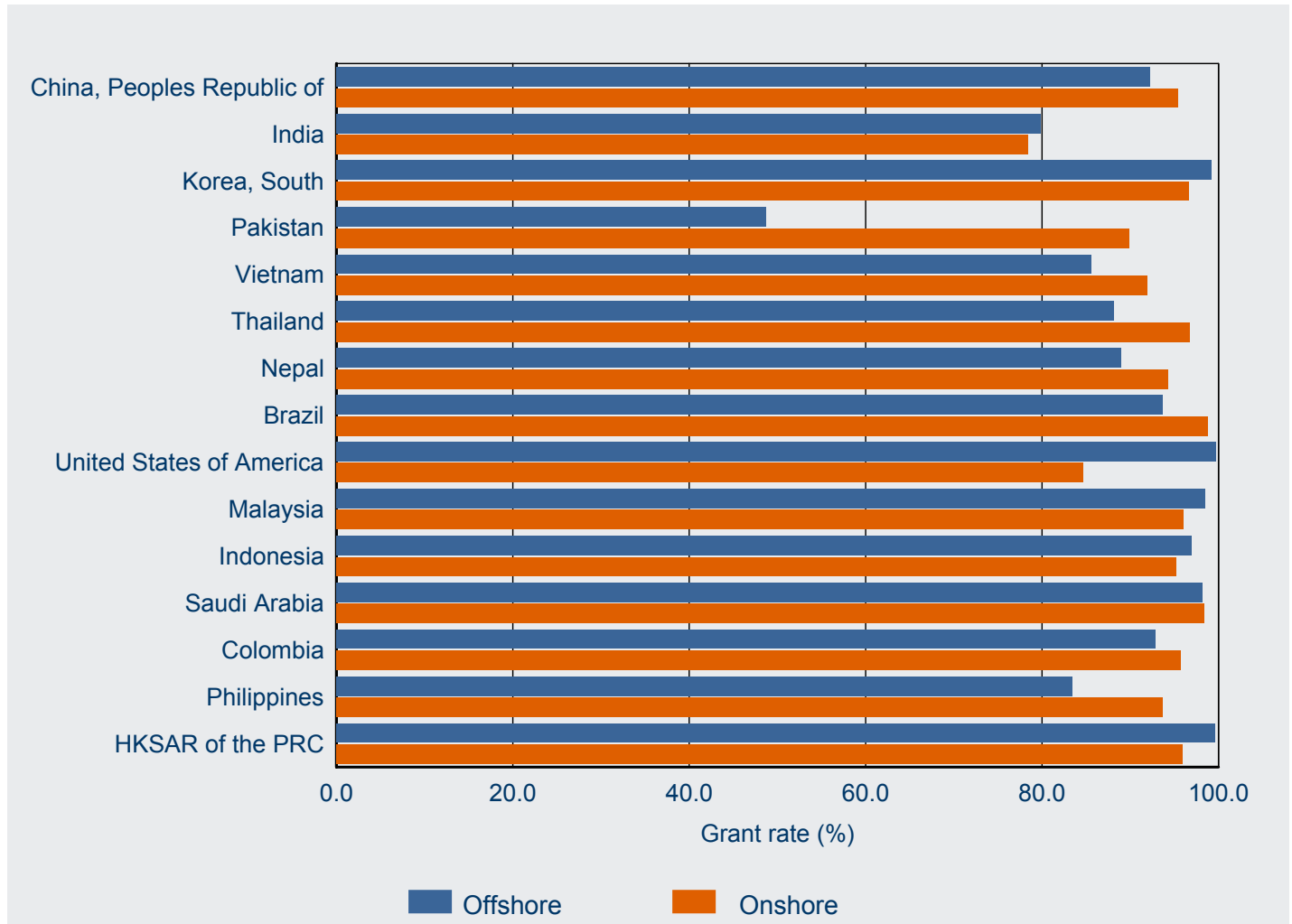
4 Processing times

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.

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4.01 Processing time (in calendar days) for student PRIMARY visa applications granted in the three month period between 1 October 2014 and 31 December 2014 by client location and visa subclass - comparison with previous four periods

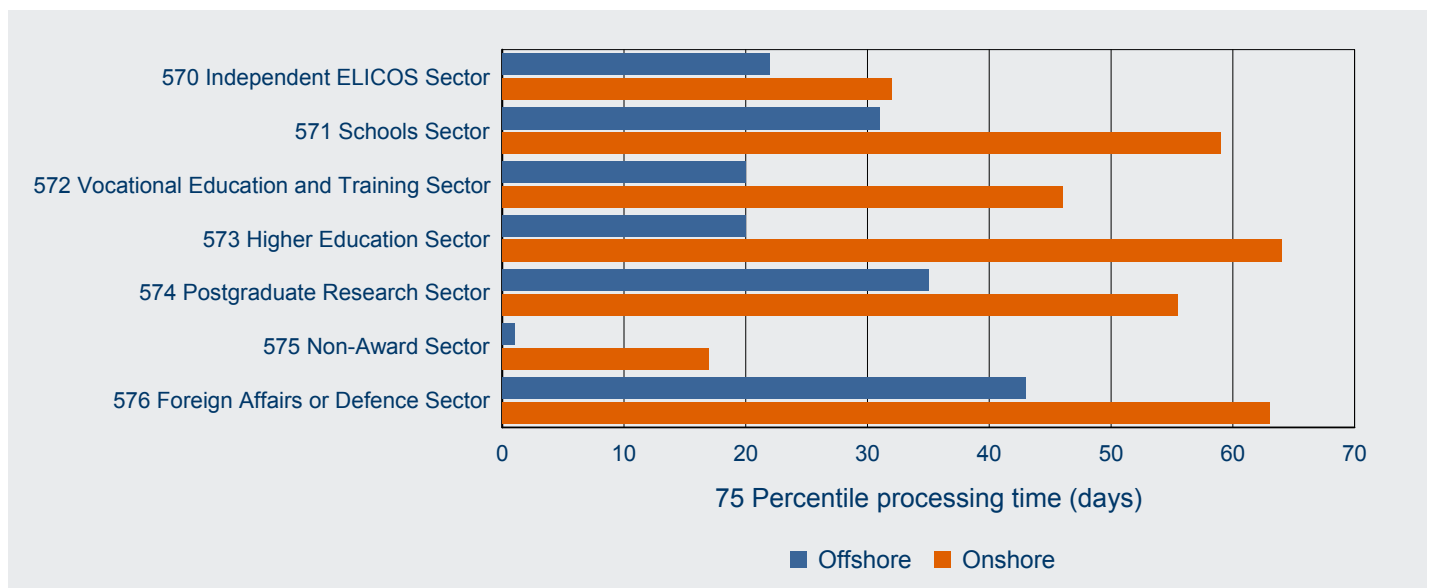| Visa Subclass		01/10/13 to 31/12/13 (days)	01/01/14 to 31/03/14 (days)	01/04/14 to 30/06/14 (days)	01/07/14 to 30/09/14 (days)	01/10/14 to 31/12/14 (days)
Offshore						
570 Independent ELICOS Sector	25th percentile	5	7	7	5	6
	50th percentile (Median)	14	16	14	14	14
	75th percentile	22	25	20	23	22
571 Schools Sector	25th percentile	7	8	4	15	7
	50th percentile (Median)	15	18	9	23	15
	75th percentile	35	34	18	38	31
572 Vocational Education and Training Sector	25th percentile	4	6	4	4	2
	50th percentile (Median)	13	14	11	10	8
	75th percentile	29	32	23	22	20
573 Higher Education Sector	25th percentile	6	6	6	6	6
	50th percentile (Median)	12	13	10	9	11
	75th percentile	23	28	19	19	20
574 Postgraduate Research Sector	25th percentile	7	6	7	7	7
	50th percentile (Median)	14	16	17	18	16
	75th percentile	28	30	33	32	35
575 Non-Award Sector	25th percentile	0	0	0	0	0
	50th percentile (Median)	0	2	0	9	0
	75th percentile	9	17	7	20	1
576 Foreign Affairs or Defence Sector	25th percentile	6	6	2	2	5
	50th percentile (Median)	19	18	8	6	13
	75th percentile	48	70	27	14	43
All Offshore	**25th percentile**	**5**	**6**	**4**	**6**	**4**
	50th percentile (Median)	**11**	**13**	**9**	**11**	**10**
	75th percentile	**23**	**27**	**18**	**22**	**20**

4 Processing times

4.01 Processing time (in calendar days) for student PRIMARY visa applications granted in the three month period between 1 October 2014 and 31 December 2014 by client location and visa subclass - comparison with previous four periods - continued

Visa Subclass		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)	01/10/14 to 31/12/14 (days)
Onshore						
570 Independent ELICOS Sector	25th percentile	4	5	7	6	4
	50th percentile (Median)	15	18	21	20	15
	75th percentile	32	34	40	37	32
571 Schools Sector	25th percentile	10	16	28	15	14
	50th percentile (Median)	25	29	45	31	33
	75th percentile	43	45	72	60	59
572 Vocational Education and Training Sector	25th percentile	10	7	16	11	8
	50th percentile (Median)	27	23	33	27	24
	75th percentile	45	42	54	44	46
573 Higher Education Sector	25th percentile	14	7	26	10	18
	50th percentile (Median)	32	15	39	24	41
	75th percentile	50	26	57	38	64
574 Postgraduate Research Sector	25th percentile	11	9	20	15	16
	50th percentile (Median)	27	20	35	31	32
	75th percentile	50	35	60	55	56
575 Non-Award Sector	25th percentile	2	2	5	3	2
	50th percentile (Median)	5	6	18	14	6
	75th percentile	18	24	42	32	17
576 Foreign Affairs or Defence Sector	25th percentile	14	27	27	20	20
	50th percentile (Median)	38	45	53	37	37
	75th percentile	76	66	66	51	63
All Onshore	**25th percentile**	**10**	**7**	**20**	**10**	**10**
	50th percentile (Median)	**27**	**17**	**35**	**25**	**29**
	75th percentile	**46**	**32**	**55**	**41**	**54**
All	**25th percentile**	**6**	**6**	**6**	**6**	**5**
	50th percentile (Median)	**14**	**15**	**14**	**15**	**14**
	75th percentile	**32**	**29**	**33**	**30**	**30**

4 Processing times

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 October 2014 and 31 December 2014 by visa subclass and client location

25 Percentile processing time (days)

■ Offshore ■ Onshore

50 percentile (median) processing time (days)

■ Offshore ■ Onshore

75 Percentile processing time (days)
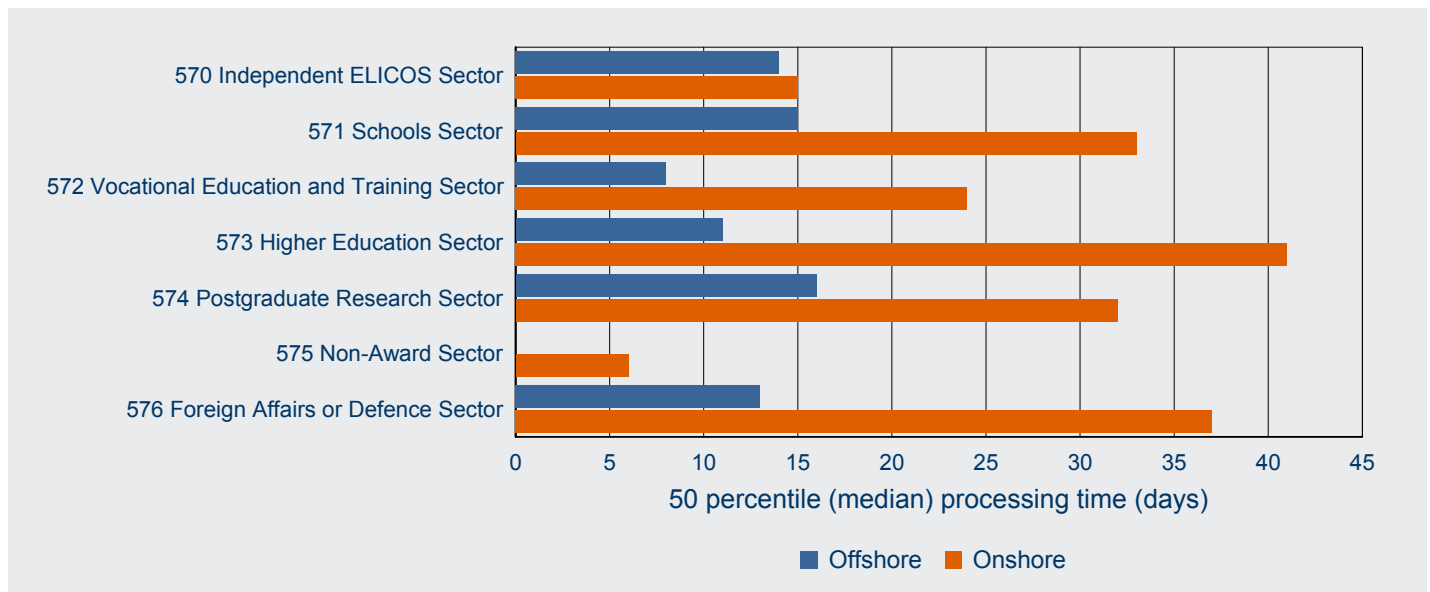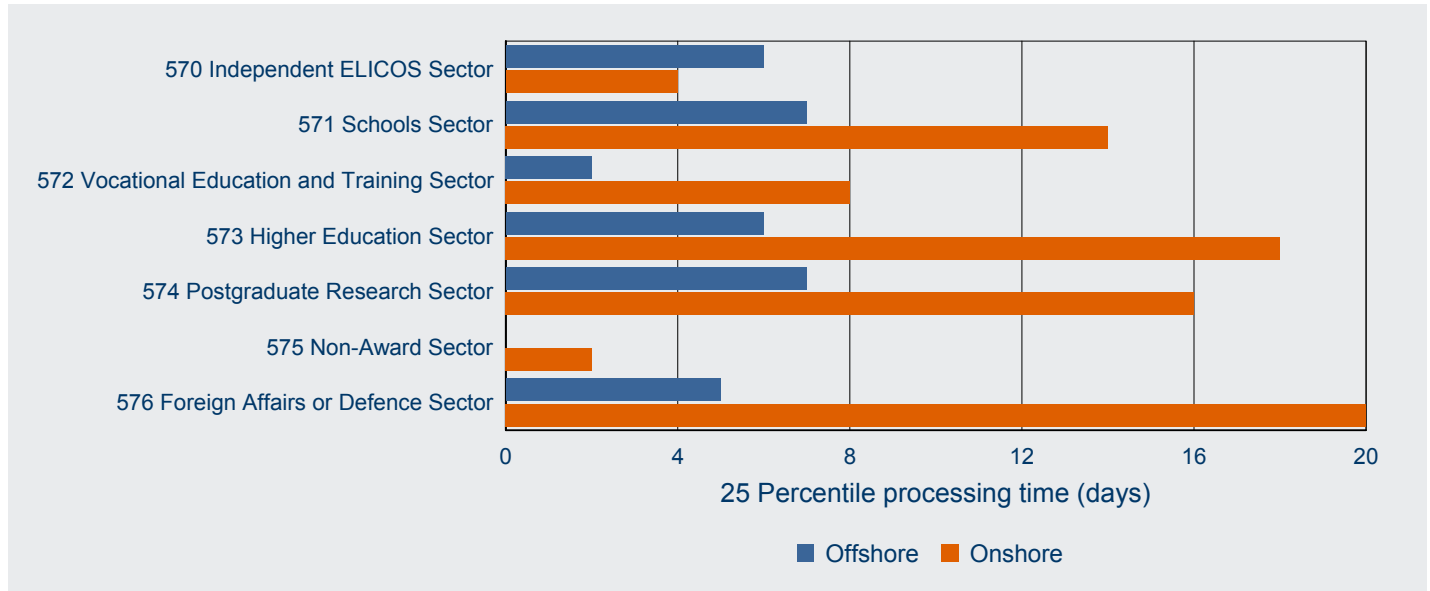
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4.03 Processing time (in calendar days) for student PRIMARY visa applications granted in the three month period between 1 October 2014 and 31 December 2014 by client location and citizenship country - comparison with previous four periods

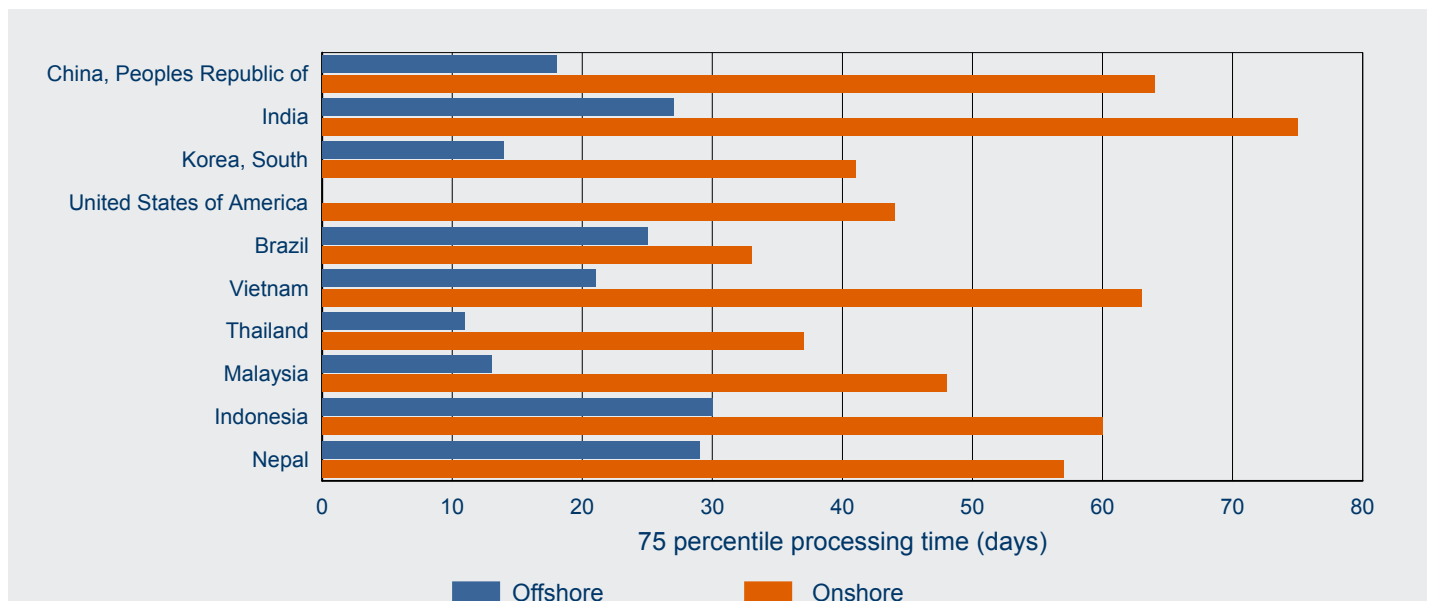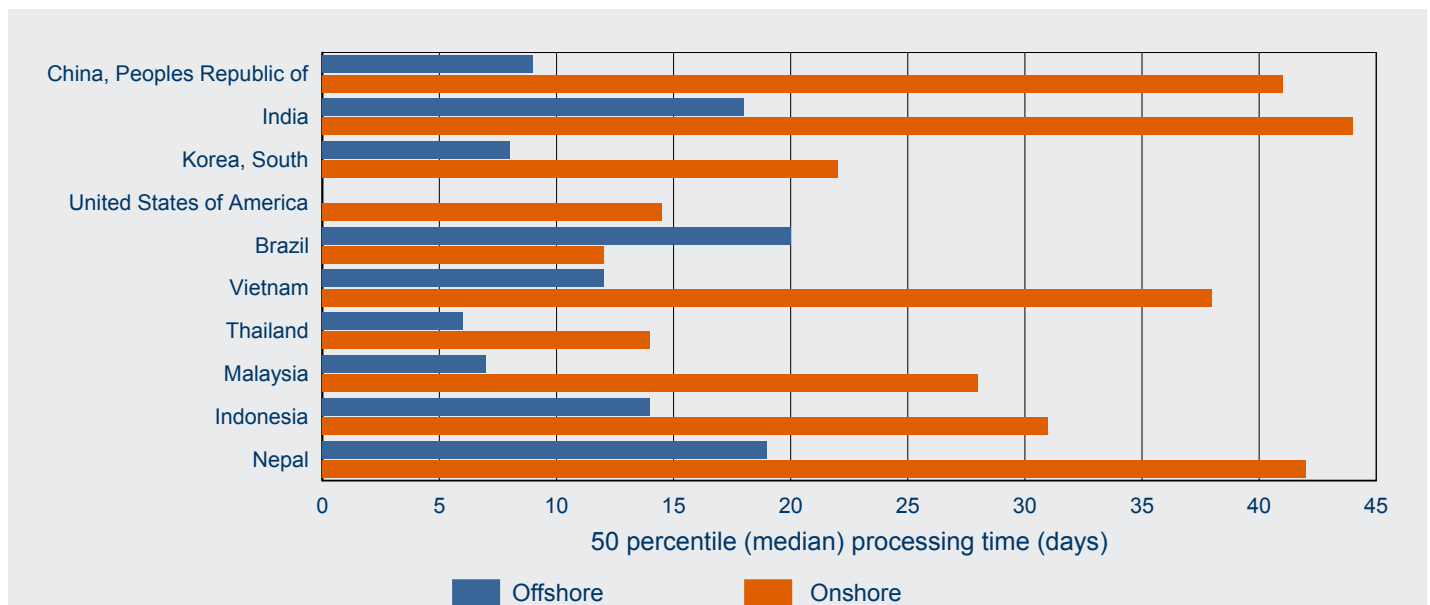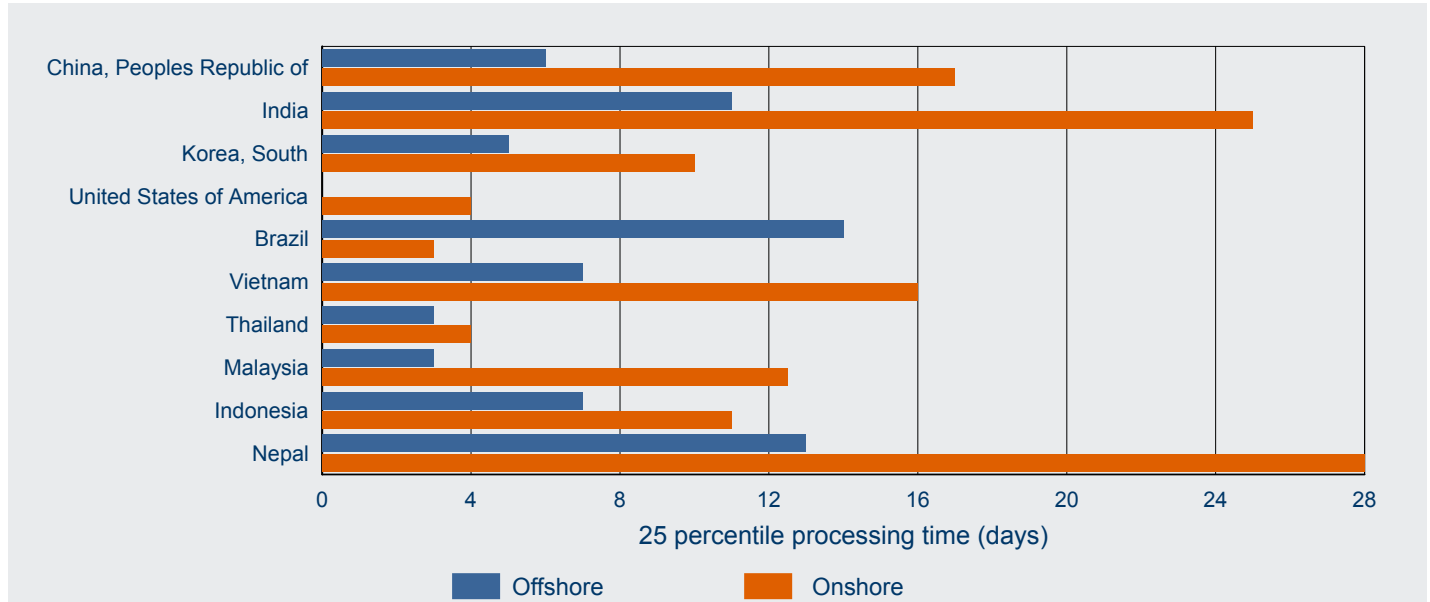| Citizenship country		01/10/13 to 31/12/13 (days)	01/01/14 to 31/03/14 (days)	01/04/14 to 30/06/14 (days)	01/07/14 to 30/09/14 (days)	01/10/14 to 31/12/14 (days)
Offshore						
China, Peoples Republic of	25th percentile	6	6	7	6	6
	50th percentile (Median)	9	8	10	10	9
	75th percentile	18	15	16	21	18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

4 Processing times

4.03 Processing time (in calendar days) for student PRIMARY visa applications granted in the three month period between 1 October 2014 and 31 December 2014 by client location and citizenship country - comparison with previous four periods - continued

Citizenship country		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)	01/10/14 to 31/12/14 (days)
Onshore						
China, Peoples Republic of	25th percentile	13	5	26	7	17
	50th percentile (Median)	31	13	37	21	41
	75th percentile	50	22	55	35	64
India	25th percentile	25	19	28	21	25
	50th percentile (Median)	39	34	42	34	44
	75th percentile	66	67	69	55	75
Korea, South	25th percentile	10	12	17	16	10
	50th percentile (Median)	23	21	31	28	22
	75th percentile	40	34	49	44	41
Brazil	25th percentile	4	4	4	3	3
	50th percentile (Median)	17	17	19	16	12
	75th percentile	32	33	35	35	33
Malaysia	25th percentile	13	12	21	17	13
	50th percentile (Median)	26	20	35	29	28
	75th percentile	43	32	54	43	48
Thailand	25th percentile	4	4	6	6	4
	50th percentile (Median)	15	16	27	24	14
	75th percentile	35	32	49	39	37
Vietnam	25th percentile	14	9	27	15	16
	50th percentile (Median)	30	18	42	28	38
	75th percentile	50	31	62	43	63
Colombia	25th percentile	6	9	13	7	6
	50th percentile (Median)	21	25	30	23	22
	75th percentile	39	48	51	41	43
Saudi Arabia	25th percentile	8	7	15	9	15
	50th percentile (Median)	25	17	33	24	34
	75th percentile	46	30	56	42	61
Nepal	25th percentile	22	14	26	20	28
	50th percentile (Median)	34	30	37	34	42
	75th percentile	53	50	56	48	57
Other countries	25th percentile	8	7	15	10	8
	50th percentile (Median)	24	19	33	25	25
	75th percentile	42	34	54	42	48
All Onshore	**25th percentile**	**10**	**7**	**20**	**10**	**10**
	50th percentile (Median)	**27**	**17**	**35**	**25**	**29**
	75th percentile	**46**	**32**	**55**	**41**	**54**
All	**25th percentile**	**6**	**6**	**6**	**6**	**5**
	50th percentile (Median)	**14**	**15**	**14**	**15**	**14**
	75th percentile	**32**	**29**	**33**	**30**	**30**

4 Processing times

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 October 2014 and 31 December 2014 by citizenship country and client location - top 10 citizenship countries

25 percentile processing time (days)

Offshore   Onshore

50 percentile (median) processing time (days)

Offshore   Onshore

75 percentile processing time (days)

Offshore   Onshore

5 On hand

5 On hand

5.01 Number of student PRIMARY visa applications on hand at 31 December 2014 by client location and visa subclass - comparison with previous four periods

Visa Subclass	On hand at 31/12/13	On hand at 31/03/14	On hand at 30/06/14	On hand at 30/09/14	On hand at 31/12/14
Offshore					
570 Independent ELICOS Sector	2 033	1 486	1 916	1 623	1 889
571 Schools Sector	1 390	817	1 889	1 432	1 512
572 Vocational Education and Training Sector	2 231	1 557	1 887	1 848	2 304
573 Higher Education Sector	9 986	6 699	8 849	7 877	9 542
574 Postgraduate Research Sector	585	460	547	522	655
575 Non-Award Sector	891	169	801	151	911
576 Foreign Affairs or Defence Sector	485	488	287	559	459
Sub-total Offshore	**17 601**	**11 676**	**16 176**	**14 012**	**17 272**
Onshore					
570 Independent ELICOS Sector	712	881	885	733	471
571 Schools Sector	107	307	132	128	122
572 Vocational Education and Training Sector	4 308	6 523	5 475	5 198	2 446
573 Higher Education Sector	2 505	8 498	2 948	5 992	1 710
574 Postgraduate Research Sector	220	477	343	352	165
575 Non-Award Sector	38	47	46	25	30
576 Foreign Affairs or Defence Sector	62	44	25	44	22
Sub-total Onshore	**7 952**	**16 777**	**9 854**	**12 472**	**4 966**
Total	**25 553**	**28 453**	**26 030**	**26 484**	**22 238**

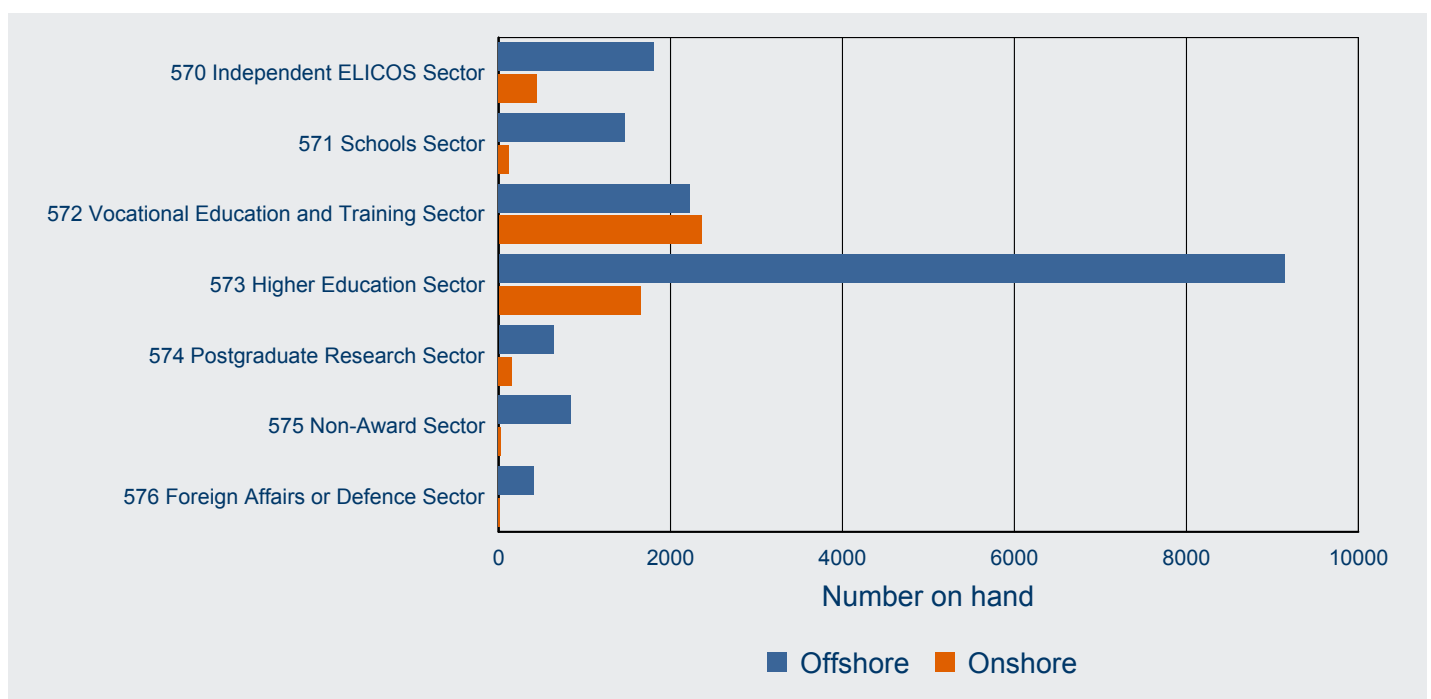5.02 Number of student PRIMARY visa applications on hand at 31 December 2014 by client location and visa subclass

5 On hand

5.03 Number of student PRIMARY visa applications on hand at 31 December 2014 by client location and citizenship country - comparison with previous four periods

Visa Subclass	On hand at 31/12/13	On hand at 31/03/14	On hand at 30/06/14	On hand at 30/09/14	On hand at 31/12/14
Offshore					
China, Peoples Republic of	2 272	1 507	3 764	3 315	3 223
India	3 142	1 962	2 570	2 357	2 825
Pakistan	1 085	938	1 607	1 755	1 532
Nepal	1 217	1 857	563	745	910
Brazil	649	252	648	420	794
Vietnam	1 102	565	851	786	784
Indonesia	539	510	449	671	566
Taiwan	544	536	580	514	559
Korea, South	470	340	353	327	447
Japan	357	198	327	129	398
Malaysia	399	116	211	95	398
Philippines	578	246	270	265	383
Colombia	409	226	253	235	317
HKSAR of the PRC	243	115	137	143	283
Singapore	324	88	160	58	280
Other countries	4 271	2 220	3 433	2 197	3 573
Sub-total Offshore	**17 601**	**11 676**	**16 176**	**14 012**	**17 272**
Onshore					
India	1 697	2 316	1 603	2 052	650
China, Peoples Republic of	880	4 318	1 182	2 690	639
Korea, South	599	989	855	709	433
Malaysia	246	588	434	431	233
Colombia	340	412	302	309	183
Taiwan	159	282	244	303	180
Pakistan	349	613	320	515	164
Vietnam	236	848	284	430	164
Thailand	238	439	428	356	158
HKSAR of the PRC	160	391	235	312	148
Nepal	341	683	294	521	134
Brazil	246	276	380	265	132
Philippines	186	381	228	324	127
Indonesia	195	377	280	301	124
Japan	184	289	294	226	124
Other countries	1 896	3 575	2 491	2 728	1 373
Sub-total Onshore	**7 952**	**16 777**	**9 854**	**12 472**	**4 966**
Total	**25 553**	**28 453**	**26 030**	**26 484**	**22 238**

5 On hand

5.04 Number of student PRIMARY visa applications on hand at 31 December 2014 by citizenship country and client location - top 15 citizenship countries
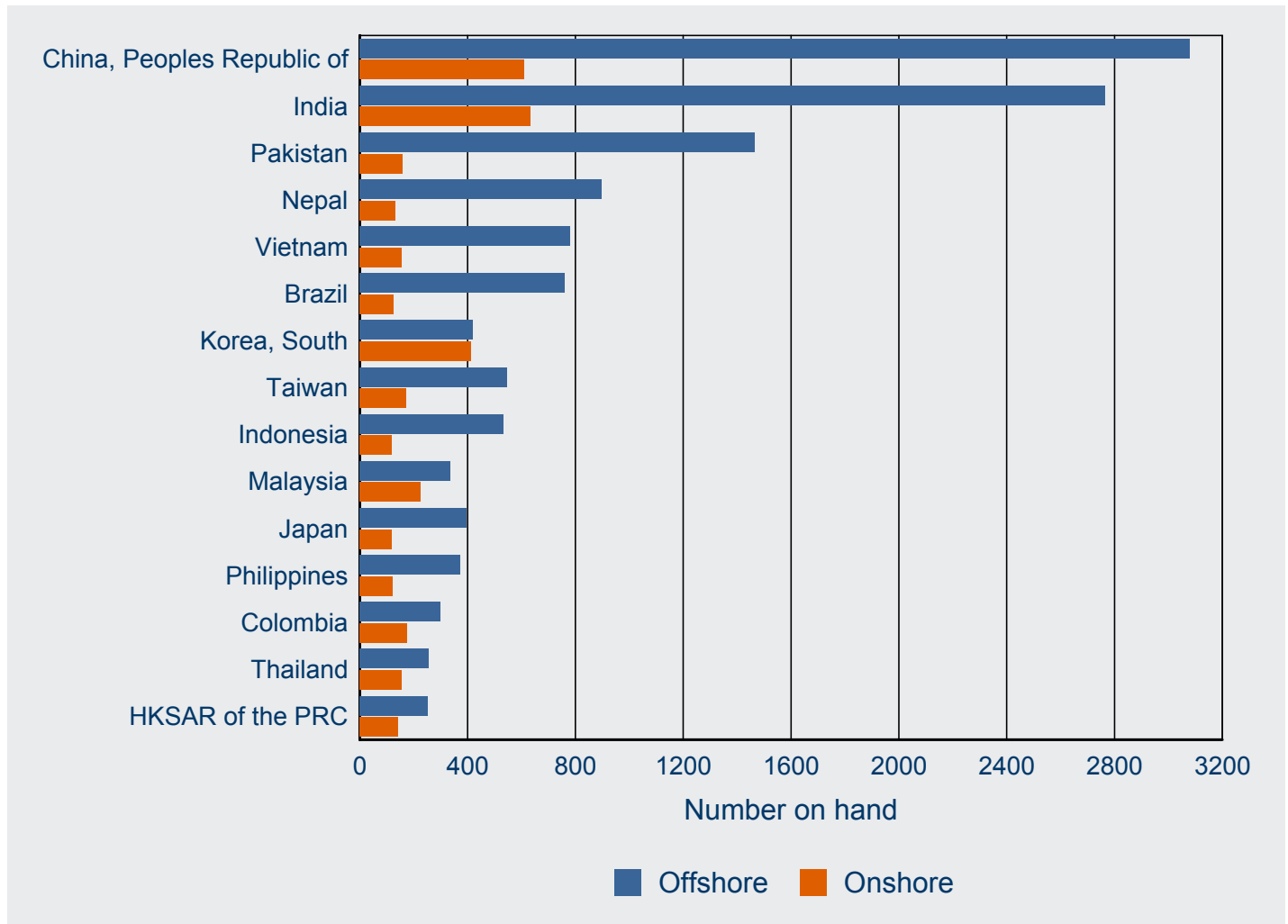
6 Visa holders in Australia

6 Visa holders in Australia

6.01 Number of student visa holders at the end of each month in 2014-15 to 31 December 2014 by month - comparison with previous three financial years
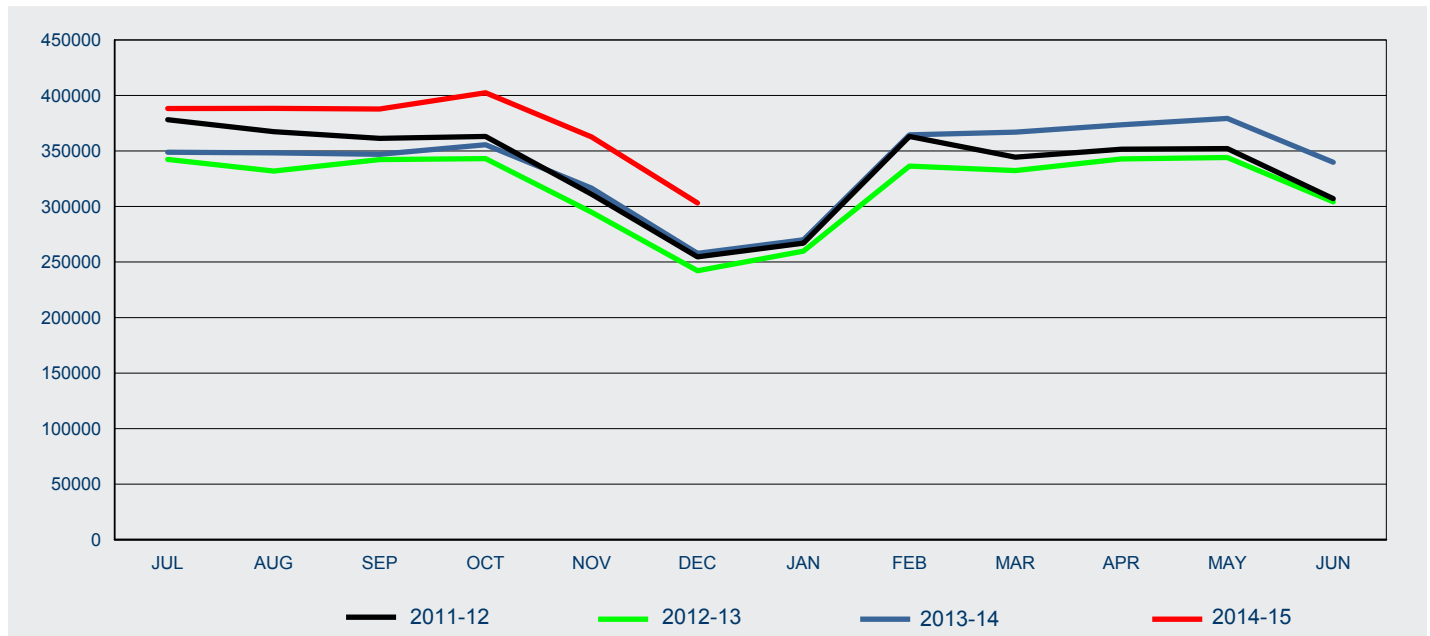
Fin'l Year	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
2011-12	378 118	367 386	361 368	363 108	311 136	254 686	267 056	363 117	344 468	351 654	352 171	307 050
2012-13	342 353	331 873	342 258	343 160	294 864	242 195	259 844	336 329	332 359	342 877	344 135	304 251
2013-14	348 900	348 244	346 965	355 618	316 584	257 783	270 044	364 556	366 914	373 499	379 293	339 763
2014-15	388 245	388 322	387 799	402 363	362 729	303 171						

6 Visa holders in Australia

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

Fin'l Year	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
2011-12	330 180	321 360	316 296	318 461	268 113	214 338	225 444	315 408	299 882	305 742	305 559	260 757
2012-13	295 898	287 306	297 028	298 753	251 920	201 921	218 162	291 060	289 501	298 855	299 450	260 244
2013-14	303 464	303 775	302 822	311 233	272 836	217 113	227 843	317 141	321 327	326 660	331 067	291 805
2014-15	338 527	339 153	338 345	351 933	312 764	256 004						
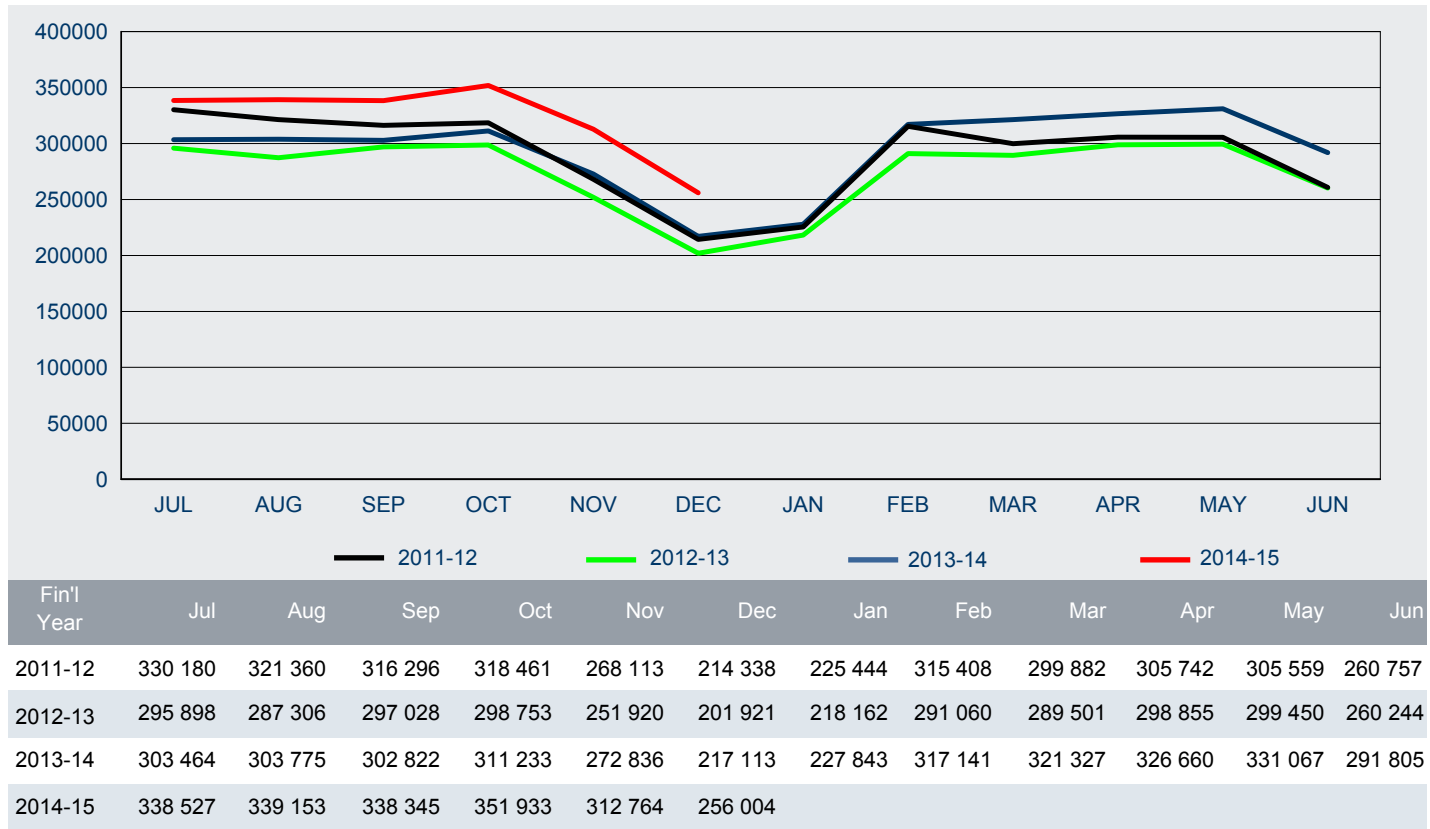
6.03 Number of student SECONDARY visa holders in Australia at the end of each month in 2014-15
to 31 December 2014 - comparison with previous three financial years

Fin'l Year	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
2011-12	47 938	46 026	45 072	44 647	43 023	40 348	41 612	47 709	44 586	45 912	46 612	46 293
2012-13	46 455	44 567	45 230	44 407	42 944	40 274	41 682	45 269	42 858	44 022	44 685	44 007
2013-14	45 436	44 469	44 143	44 385	43 748	40 670	42 201	47 415	45 587	46 839	48 226	47 958
2014-15	49 718	49 169	49 454	50 430	49 965	47 167						
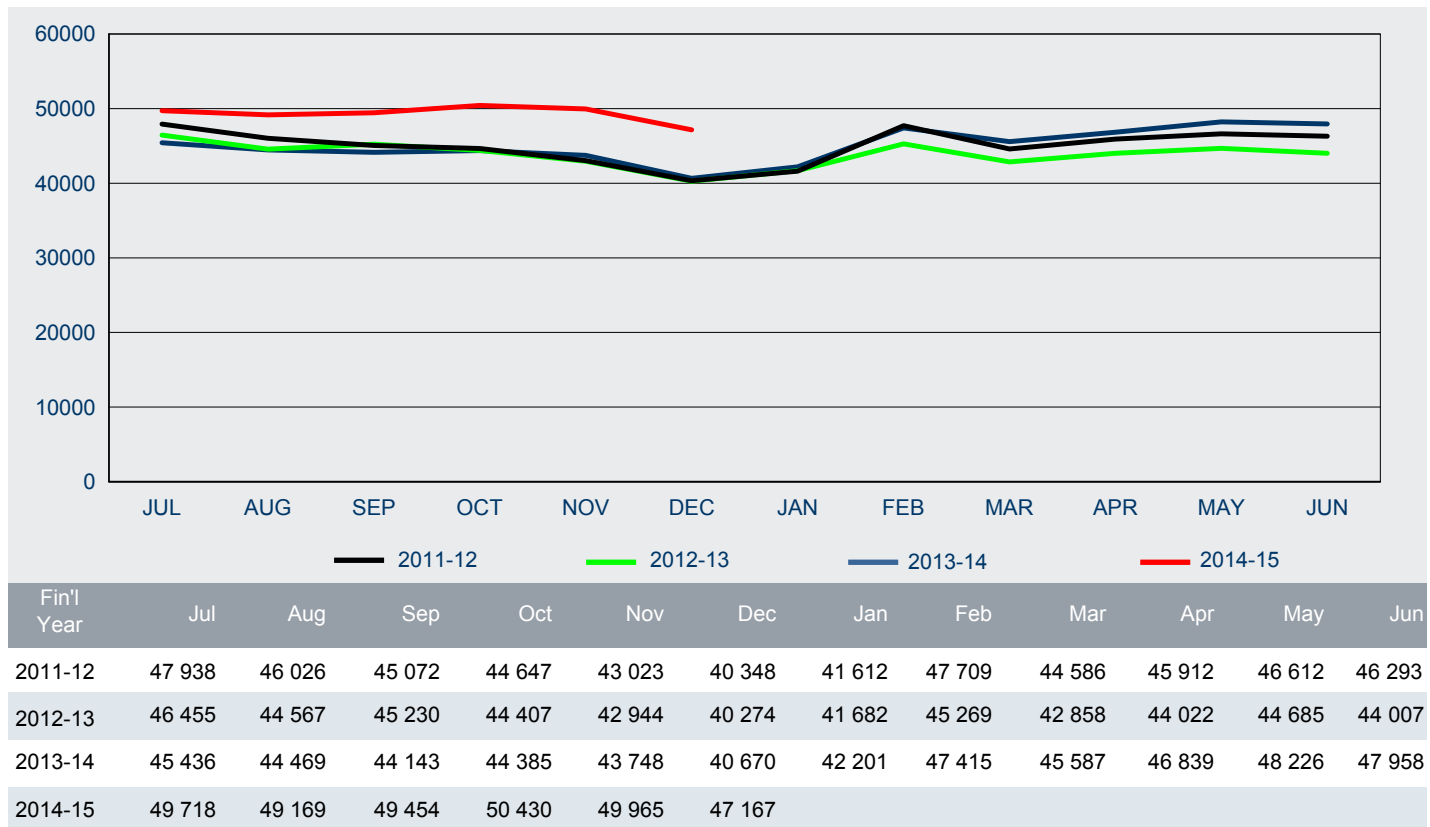
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6.04 Number of student visa holders in Australia as at 31 December 2014 by visa subclass -
comparison with the same date in the previous year
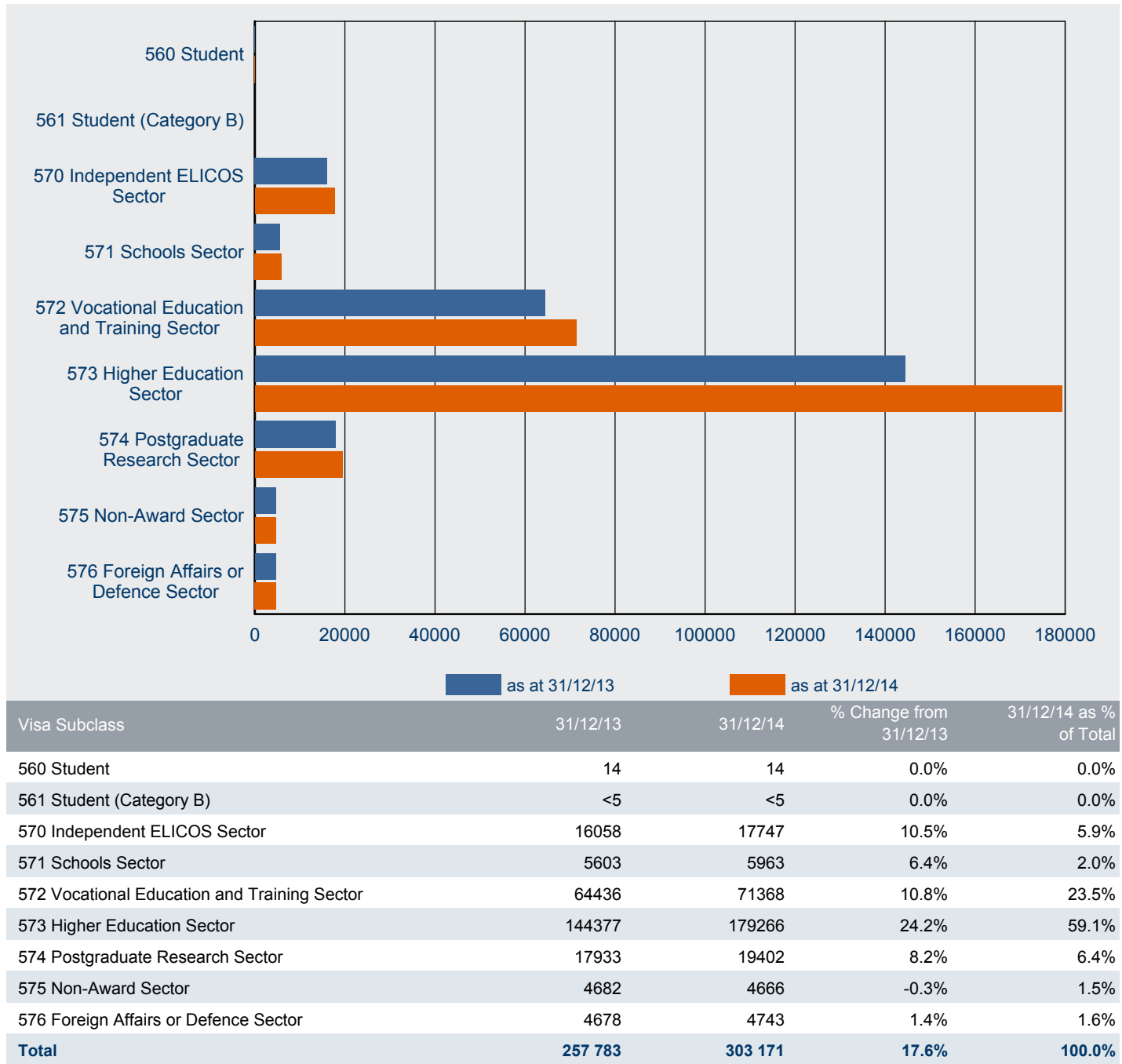
Visa Subclass	31/12/13	31/12/14	% Change from 31/12/13	31/12/14 as % of Total
560 Student	14	14	0.0%	0.0%
561 Student (Category B)	<5	<5	0.0%	0.0%
570 Independent ELICOS Sector	16058	17747	10.5%	5.9%
571 Schools Sector	5603	5963	6.4%	2.0%
572 Vocational Education and Training Sector	64436	71368	10.8%	23.5%
573 Higher Education Sector	144377	179266	24.2%	59.1%
574 Postgraduate Research Sector	17933	19402	8.2%	6.4%
575 Non-Award Sector	4682	4666	-0.3%	1.5%
576 Foreign Affairs or Defence Sector	4678	4743	1.4%	1.6%
Total	**257 783**	**303 171**	**17.6%**	**100.0%**

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*.

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6.05 Number of student visa holders in Australia as at 31 December 2014 by citizenship country - comparison with the same date in the previous year
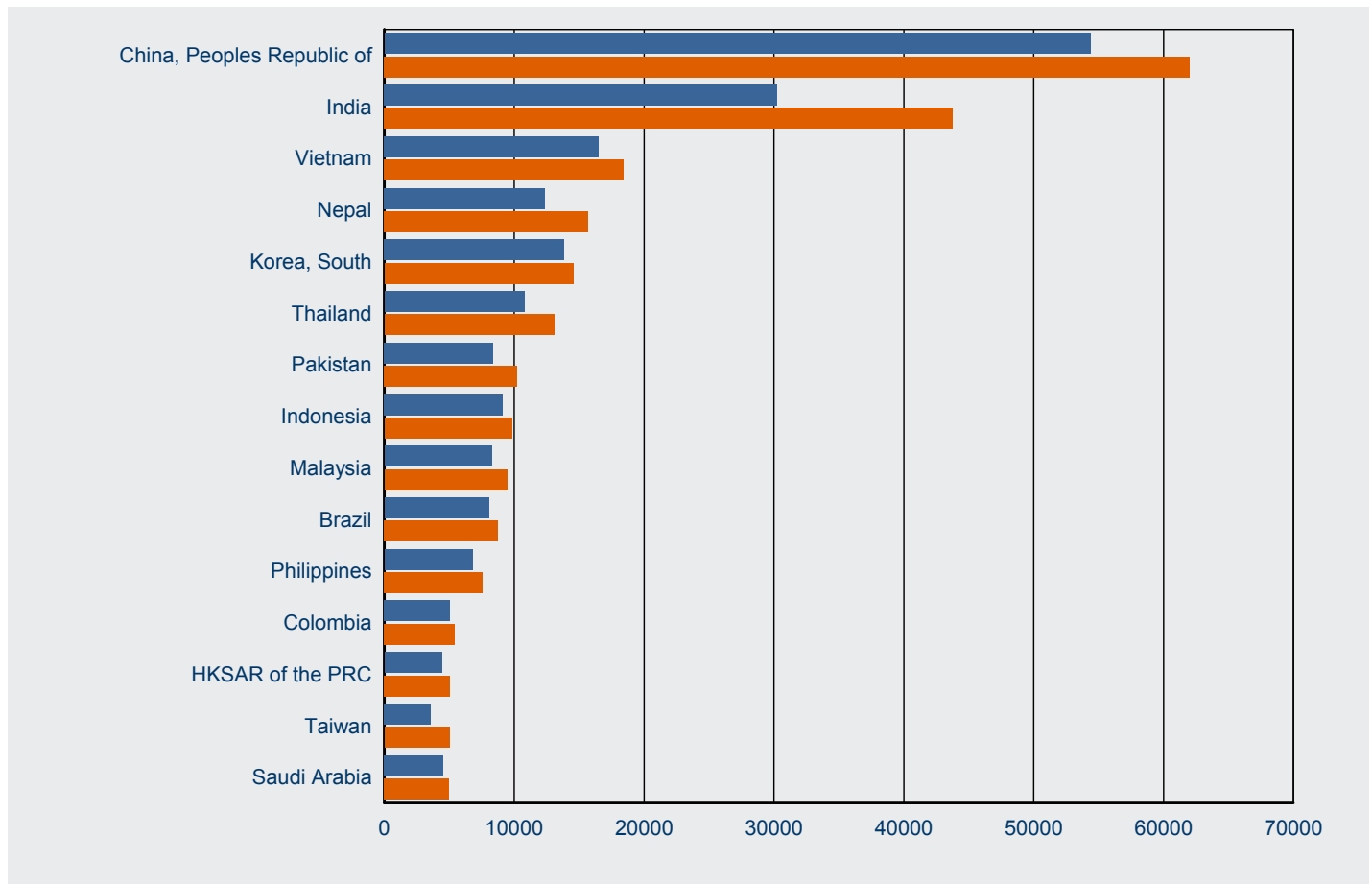
Citizenship Country	31/12/13	31/12/14	% Change from 31/12/13	31/12/14 as % of Total
China, Peoples Republic of	54370	62026	14.1%	20.5%
India	30232	43759	44.7%	14.4%
Vietnam	16506	18398	11.5%	6.1%
Nepal	12381	15712	26.9%	5.2%
Korea, South	13822	14550	5.3%	4.8%
Thailand	10786	13061	21.1%	4.3%
Pakistan	8359	10221	22.3%	3.4%
Indonesia	9118	9812	7.6%	3.2%
Malaysia	8273	9448	14.2%	3.1%
Brazil	8033	8734	8.7%	2.9%
Philippines	6799	7576	11.4%	2.5%
Colombia	5057	5425	7.3%	1.8%
HKSAR of the PRC	4420	5053	14.3%	1.7%
Taiwan	3582	5008	39.8%	1.7%
Saudi Arabia	4521	4988	10.3%	1.6%
Other Countries	61524	69400	12.8%	22.9%
Total	**257 783**	**303 171**	**17.6%**	**100.0%**

6 Visa holders in Australia

6.06 Number of student visa holders in Australia as at 31 December 2014 by visa subclass and applicant type
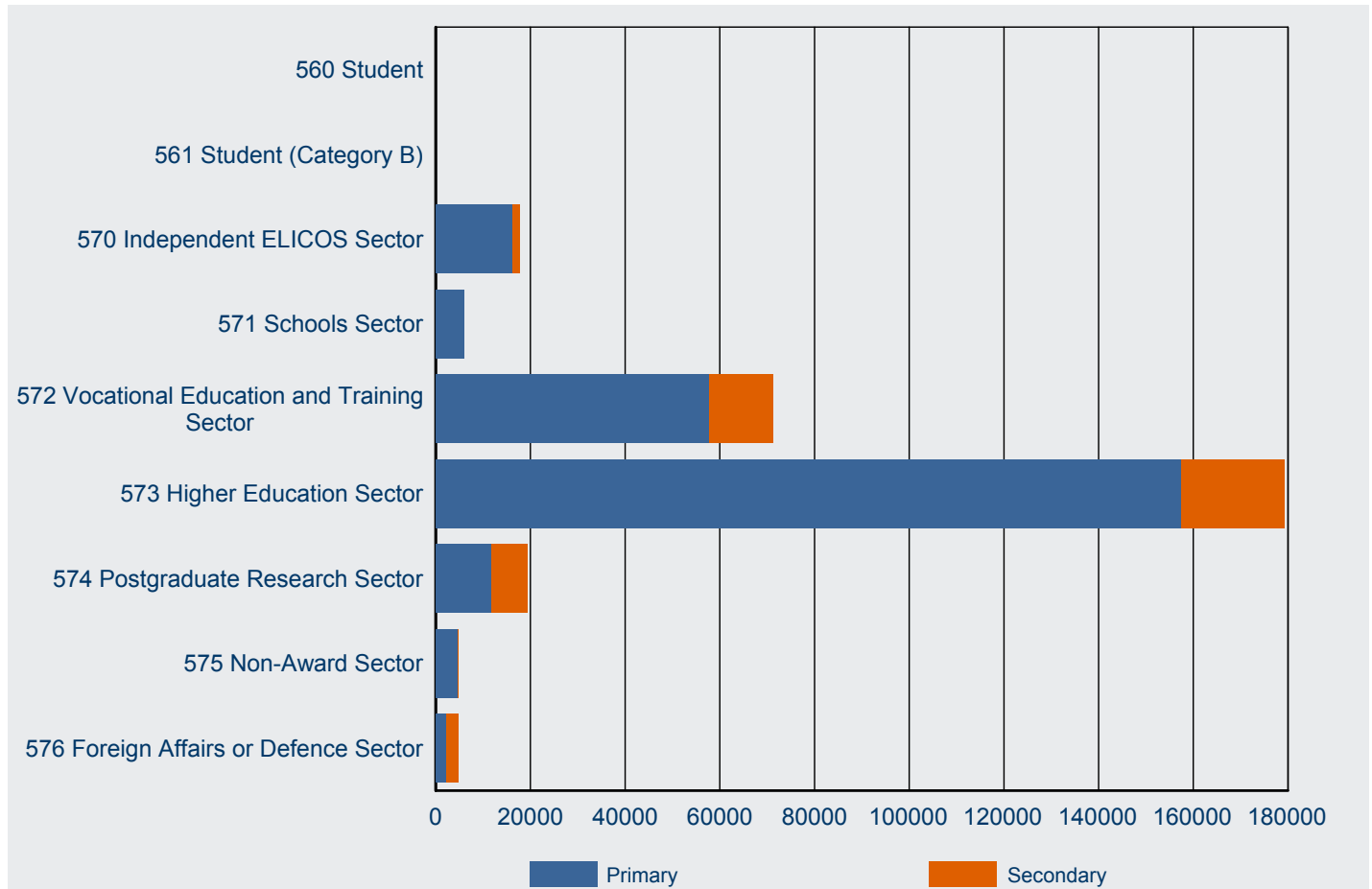
| Visa Subclass	As at 31/12/13			% Primary	As at 31/12/14			% Primary
	Primary	Secondary	Total		Primary	Secondary	Total	
560 Student	11	<5	14	78.6%	11	<5	14	78.6%
561 Student (Category B)	<5	0	<5	100.0%	<5	0	<5	100.0%
570 Independent ELICOS Sector	14587	1471	16058	90.8%	16179	1568	17747	91.2%
571 Schools Sector	5597	6	5603	99.9%	5959	<5	5963	99.9%
572 Vocational Education and Training Sector	51541	12895	64436	80.0%	57818	13550	71368	81.0%
573 Higher Education Sector	127784	16593	144377	88.5%	157400	21866	179266	87.8%
574 Postgraduate Research Sector	10795	7138	17933	60.2%	11746	7656	19402	60.5%
575 Non-Award Sector	4602	80	4682	98.3%	4612	54	4666	98.8%
576 Foreign Affairs or Defence Sector	2194	2484	4678	46.9%	2277	2466	4743	48.0%
Total	**217 113**	**40 670**	**257 783**	**84.2%**	**256 004**	**47 167**	**303 171**	**84.4%**

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*.

7 Destinations

7 Destinations

7.01 Number of visas granted in 2014-15 to 31 December 2014 by visa category where the last visa held was a student visa - comparison with same period in previous year

Legend: ■ 2013-14 to 31/12/13   ■ 2014-15 to 31/12/14

Visa Category	2013-14 to 31/12/13	2014-15 to 31/12/14	% Change from 2013-14	2014-15 as % of Total
Tourist	16 320	17 064	4.6%	28.8%
Student	11 502	12 684	10.3%	21.4%
Subclass 485	9 335	7 981	-14.5%	13.5%
Temporary Skilled Migration	8 818	7 099	-19.5%	12.0%
Partner	3 669	4 185	14.1%	7.1%
Other Skilled	2 954	2 541	-14.0%	4.3%
Skilled Independent	1 970	2 484	26.1%	4.2%
Working Holiday Maker	1 445	1 407	-2.6%	2.4%
Regional Sponsored Migration Scheme	1 562	1 112	-28.8%	1.9%
Onshore Protection	538	798	48.3%	1.3%
Other Temporary Resident	465	611	31.4%	1.0%
Business Visitor	288	296	2.8%	0.5%
Employer Nomination Scheme	321	287	-10.6%	0.5%
Other Visitor	229	257	12.2%	0.4%
Other Family	342	236	-31.0%	0.4%
Other visa categories	326	291	-10.7%	0.5%
Total	**60 084**	**59 333**	**-1.2%**	**100.0%**

7 Destinations

7.02 Number of visas granted in 2014-15 to 31 December 2014 by visa subclass where the last visa held was a student visa - comparison with same period in previous year

Legend:
- 2013-14 to 31/12/13
- 2014-15 to 31/12/14

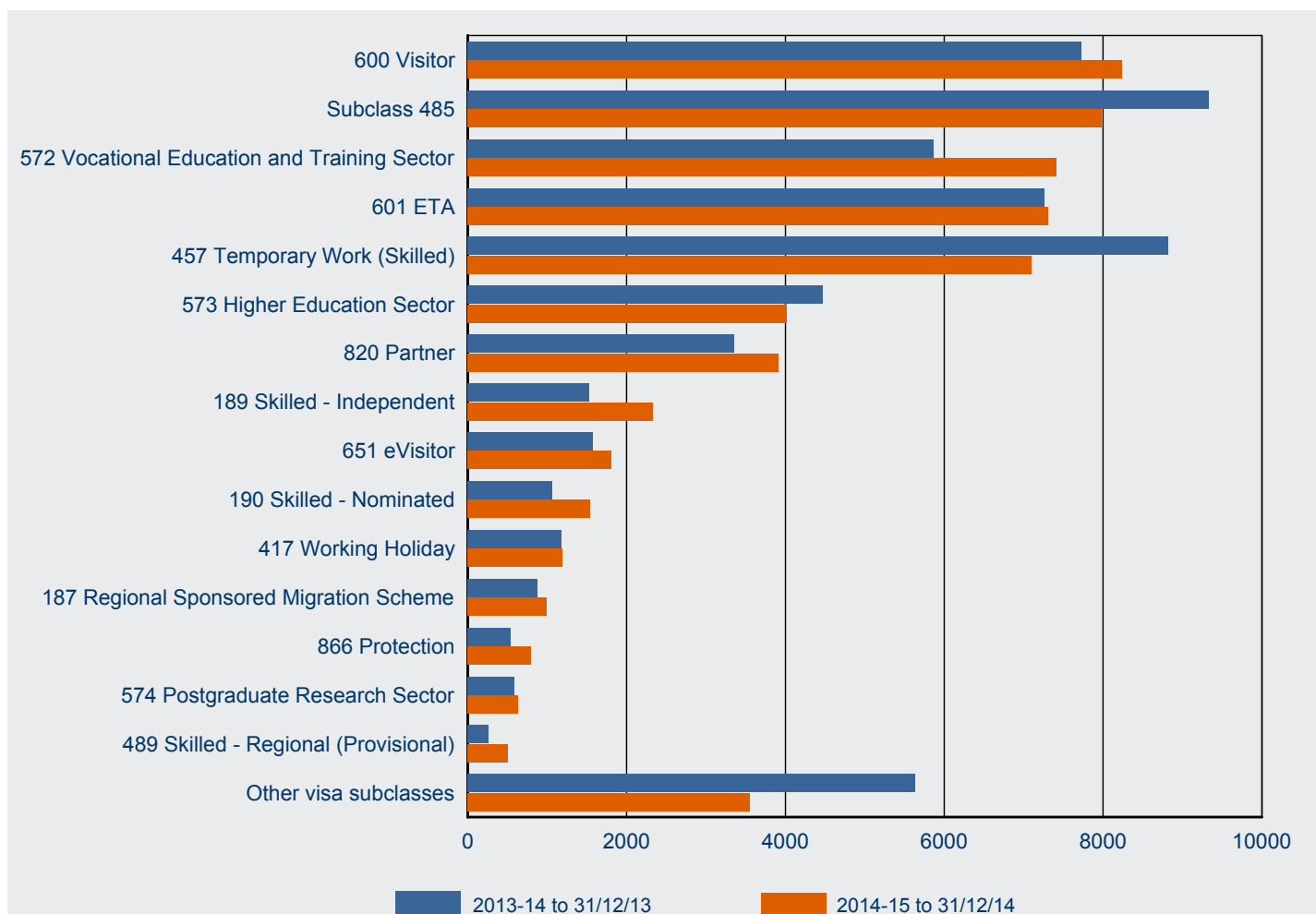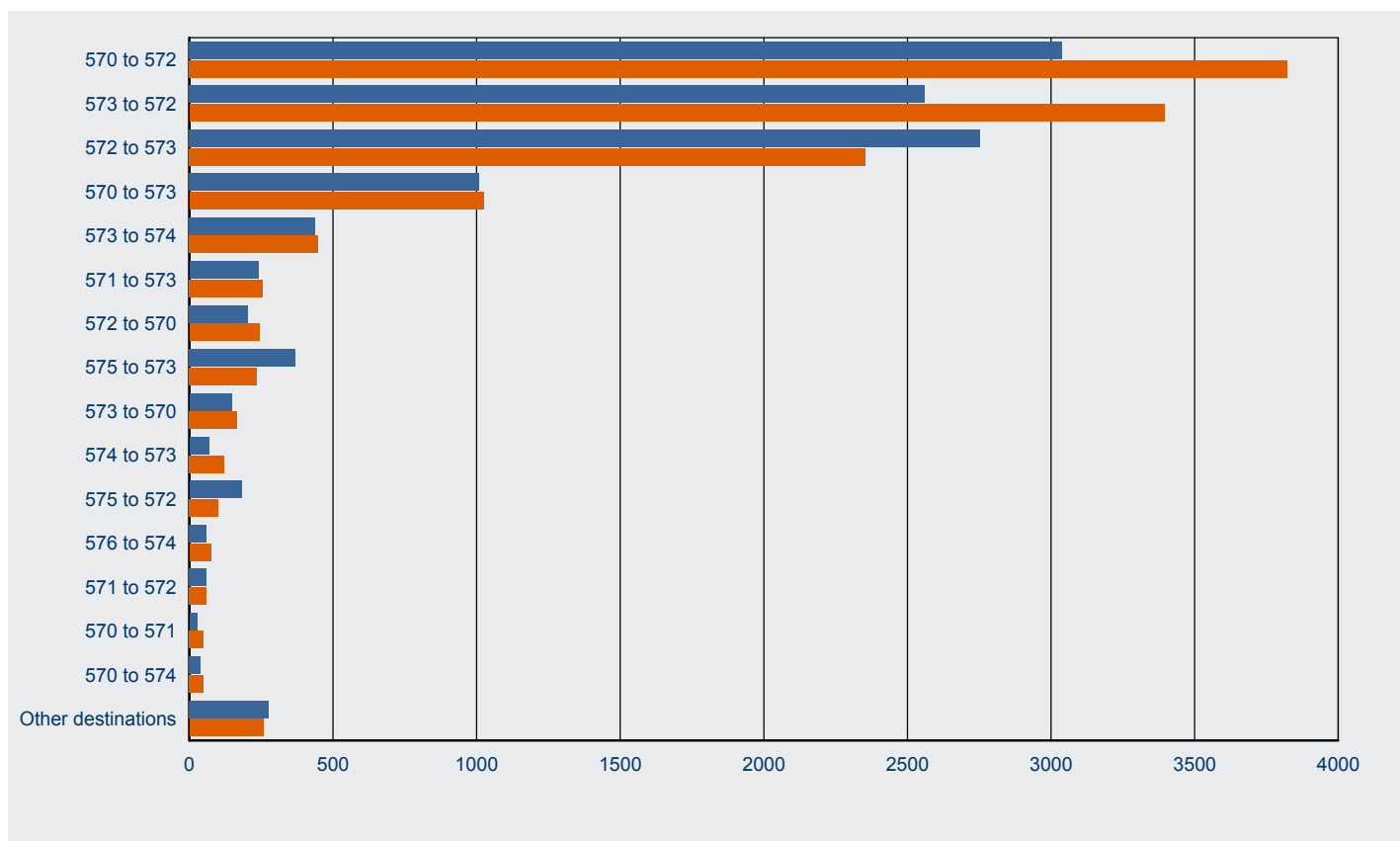| Visa Subclass	2013-14 to 31/12/13	2014-15 to 31/12/14	% Change from 2013-14	2014-15 as % of Total
600 Visitor	7 733	8 238	6.5%	13.9%
Subclass 485	9 335	7 981	-14.5%	13.5%
572 Vocational Education and Training Sector	5 865	7 415	26.4%	12.5%
601 ETA	7 262	7 311	0.7%	12.3%
457 Temporary Work (Skilled)	8 818	7 099	-19.5%	12.0%
573 Higher Education Sector	4 469	4 014	-10.2%	6.8%
820 Partner	3 357	3 917	16.7%	6.6%
189 Skilled - Independent	1 528	2 336	52.9%	3.9%
651 eVisitor	1 579	1 811	14.7%	3.1%
190 Skilled - Nominated	1 069	1 545	44.5%	2.6%
417 Working Holiday	1 180	1 188	0.7%	2.0%
187 Regional Sponsored Migration Scheme	874	993	13.6%	1.7%
866 Protection	538	798	48.3%	1.3%
574 Postgraduate Research Sector	583	630	8.1%	1.1%
489 Skilled - Regional (Provisional)	258	501	94.2%	0.8%
Other visa subclasses	5 636	3 556	-36.9%	6.0%
Total	**60 084**	**59 333**	**-1.2%**	**100.0%**

7 Destinations

7.03 Number of student visas granted in 2014-15 to 31 December 2014 by visa subclass where the last visa held was a different student visa - comparison with same period in previous year

Subclass From / Subclass To	2013-14 to 31/12/13	2014-15 to 31/12/14	% Change from 2013-14	2014-15 as % of Total
From: 570 Independent ELICOS Sector To: 572 Vocational Education and Training Sector	3 039	3 823	25.8%	30.2%
From: 573 Higher Education Sector To: 572 Vocational Education and Training Sector	2 561	3 395	32.6%	26.8%
From: 572 Vocational Education and Training Sector To: 573 Higher Education Sector	2 754	2 354	-14.5%	18.6%
From: 570 Independent ELICOS Sector To: 573 Higher Education Sector	1 009	1 025	1.6%	8.1%
From: 573 Higher Education Sector To: 574 Postgraduate Research Sector	439	449	2.3%	3.5%
From: 571 Schools Sector To: 573 Higher Education Sector	240	255	6.3%	2.0%
From: 572 Vocational Education and Training Sector To: 570 Independent ELICOS Sector	204	243	19.1%	1.9%
From: 575 Non-Award Sector To: 573 Higher Education Sector	369	235	-36.3%	1.9%
From: 573 Higher Education Sector To: 570 Independent ELICOS Sector	147	167	13.6%	1.3%
From: 574 Postgraduate Research Sector To: 573 Higher Education Sector	69	122	76.8%	1.0%
From: 575 Non-Award Sector To: 572 Vocational Education and Training Sector	182	101	-44.5%	0.8%
From: 576 Foreign Affairs or Defence Sector To: 574 Postgraduate Research Sector	59	75	27.1%	0.6%
From: 571 Schools Sector To: 572 Vocational Education and Training Sector	59	59	0.0%	0.5%
From: 570 Independent ELICOS Sector To: 571 Schools Sector	27	50	85.2%	0.4%
From: 570 Independent ELICOS Sector To: 574 Postgraduate Research Sector	40	50	25.0%	0.4%
Others destinations	277	258	-6.9%	2.0%
Total	**11 475**	**12 661**	**10.3%**	**100.0%**

7 Destinations

7.04 Number of student visa granted in 2014-15 to 31 December 2014 where the client was ONSHORE by last visa category held
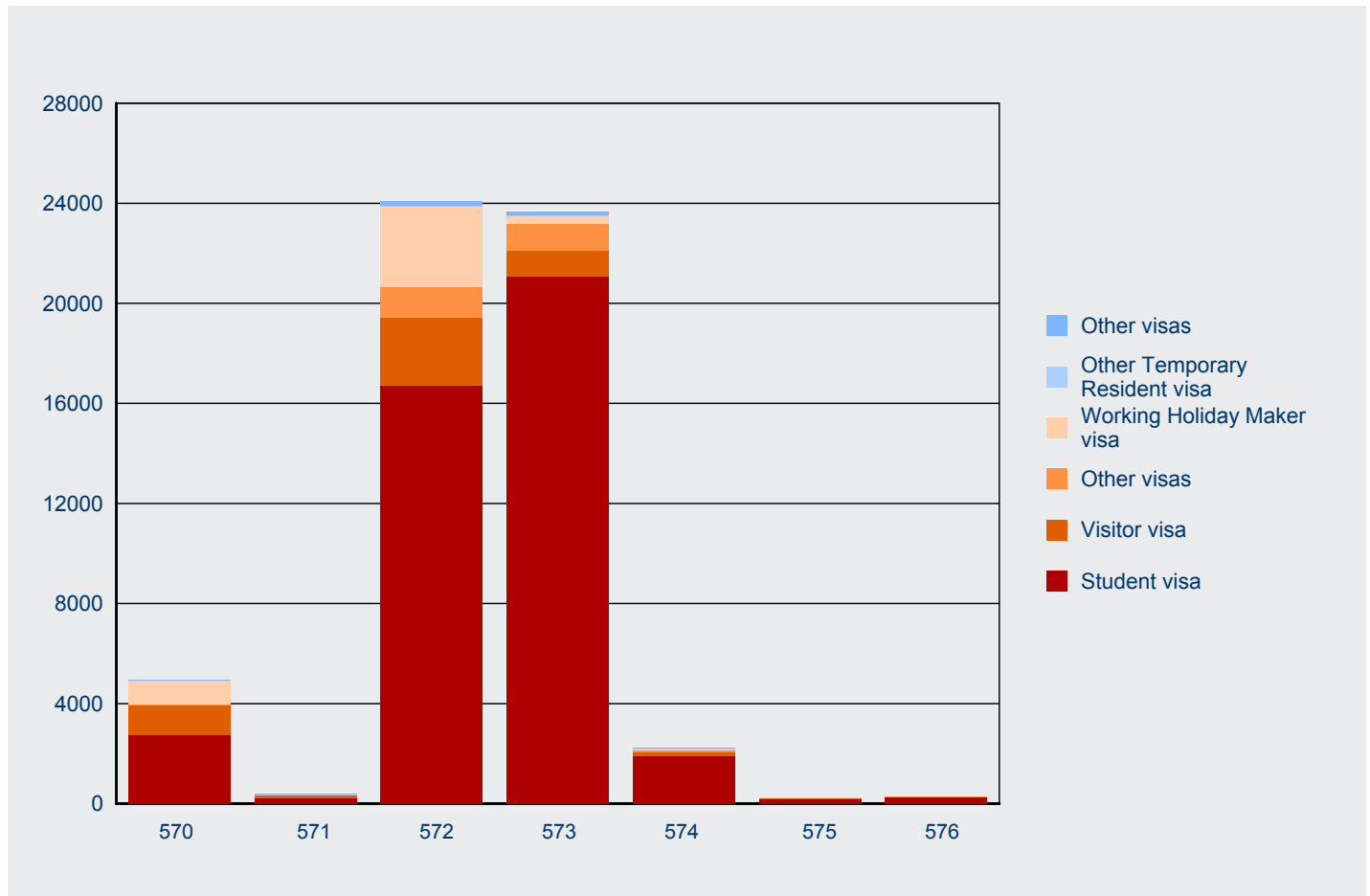
Last Visa Category Held	570	571	572	573	574	575	576	Total
Student visa	2 744	219	16 708	21 069	1 920	169	247	**43 076**
Visitor visa	1 196	130	2 733	1 057	117	57	8	**5 298**
Working Holiday Maker visa	943		3 209	325	43	<5	<5	**4 525**
Temporary Skilled Migration visa	14	25	173	130	22			**364**
Other Temporary Resident visa	5	5	31	39	32			**112**
Other visas	28	10	1 214	1 048	105		5	**2 410**
Total	**4 930**	**389**	**24 068**	**23 668**	**2 239**	**230**	**261**	**55 785**

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

Legend: year on year 12 months rolling total
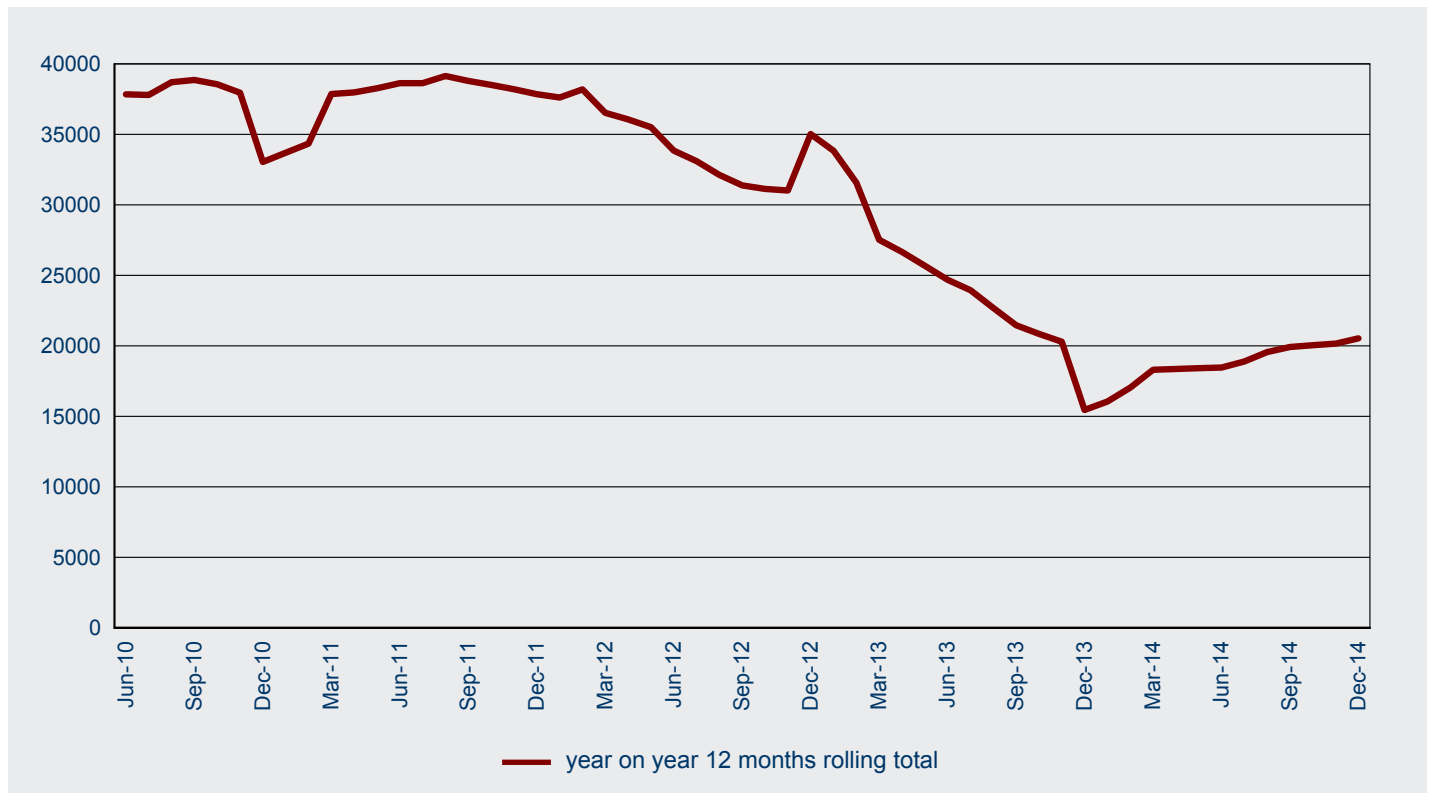
8 Subclass 485 visa - Lodged

8.02 Number of subclass 485 visa applications lodged in 2014-15 to 31 December 2014 by visa stream and month - comparison with previous four financial years

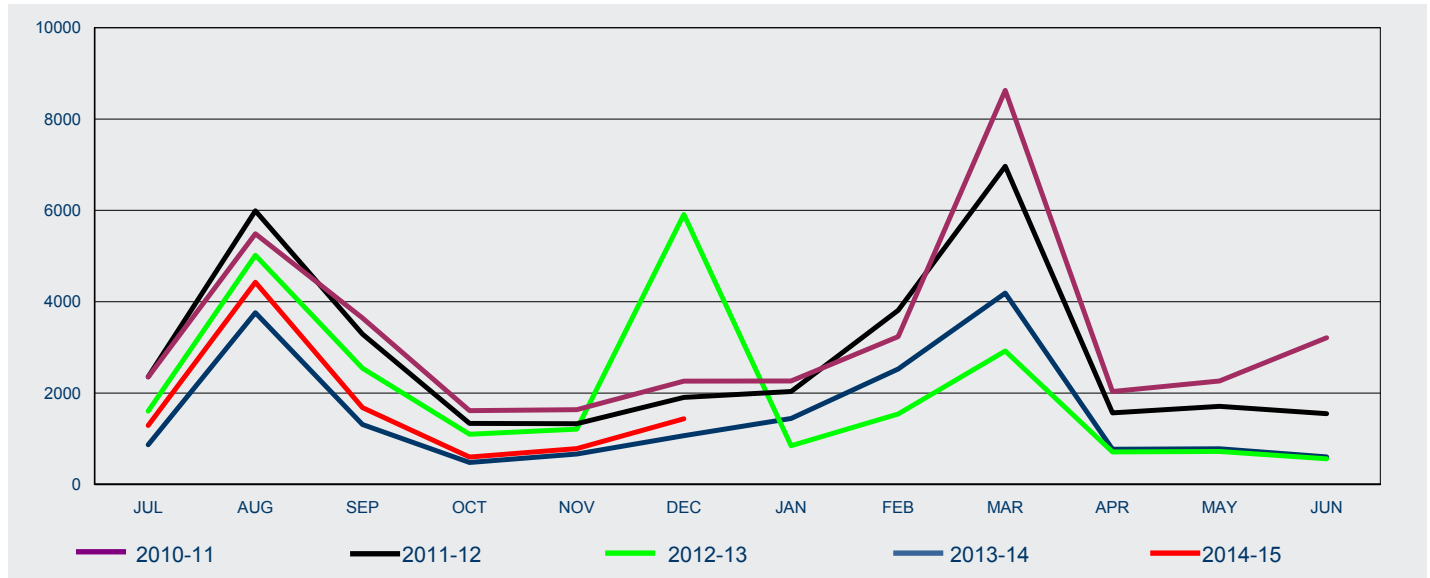| FY Lodged	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Total
Graduate Work													
2010-11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	**0**
2011-12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	**0**
2012-13	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	145	711	720	559	**2 135**
2013-14	861	3 747	1 307	475	634	963	1 270	2 146	3 766	668	719	548	**17 104**
2014-15	827	2 825	1 240	471	540	812							**6 715**
Post-Study Work													
2010-11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	**0**
2011-12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	**0**
2012-13	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<5	0	0	**<5**
2013-14	7	11	5	6	33	104	175	379	421	103	61	54	**1 359**
2014-15	463	1 602	442	129	243	625							**3 504**
Skilled Graduate													
2010-11	2 351	5 488	3,644	1 614	1 636	2 261	2 266	3 236	8 626	2 034	2 264	3 210	**38 630**
2011-12	2 354	5 992	3 290	1 337	1 329	1 905	2 034	3 811	6 965	1 567	1 710	1 548	**33 842**
2012-13	1 606	5 017	2 544	1 097	1 211	5 911	848	1 540	2 777	0	0	0	**22 551**
2013-14	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	**0**
2014-15	0	0	0										**0**
All													
2010-11	2 351	5 488	3 644	1 614	1 636	2 261	2 266	3 236	8 626	2 034	2 264	3 210	**38 630**
2011-12	2 354	5 992	3 290	1 337	1 329	1 905	2 034	3 811	6 965	1 567	1 710	1 548	**33 842**
2012-13	1 606	5 017	2 544	1 097	1 211	5 911	848	1 540	2 922	712	720	559	**24 687**
2013-14	868	3 758	1 312	481	667	1 067	1 445	2 525	4 187	771	780	602	**18 463**
2014-15	1 290	4 427	1 682	600	783	1 437							**10 219**

8 Subclass 485 visa - Lodged

8.03 Number of subclass 485 visa applications lodged in 2014-15 to 31 December 2014 by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year

Legend: 2013-14 to 31/12/13 | 2014-15 to 31/12/14

Citizenship Country	2013-14 to 31/12/13	2014-15 to 31/12/14	% Change from 2013-14	2014-15 as % of Total
China, Peoples Republic of	2 606	3 578	37.3%	35.0%
India	1 247	1 730	38.7%	16.9%
Nepal	1 000	961	-3.9%	9.4%
Pakistan	377	545	44.6%	5.3%
Vietnam	302	369	22.2%	3.6%
Philippines	228	294	28.9%	2.9%
Indonesia	217	269	24.0%	2.6%
Bangladesh	201	263	30.8%	2.6%
Malaysia	311	253	-18.6%	2.5%
Sri Lanka	232	244	5.2%	2.4%
Korea, South	168	186	10.7%	1.8%
HKSAR of the PRC	103	139	35.0%	1.4%
Singapore	85	119	40.0%	1.2%
Iran	84	107	27.4%	1.0%
Colombia	79	76	-3.8%	0.7%
Other countries	913	1 086	18.9%	10.6%
Total	**8 153**	**10 219**	**25.3%**	**100.0%**

8 Subclass 485 visa - Granted

8.04 Number of subclass 485 visa applications granted by month - year on year 12 months rolling total

8 Subclass 485 visa - Granted

8.05 Number of subclass 485 visa applications granted in 2014-15 to 31 December 2014 by visa stream and month - comparison with previous four financial years

Legend: 2010-11 | 2011-12 | 2012-13 | 2013-14 | 2014-15

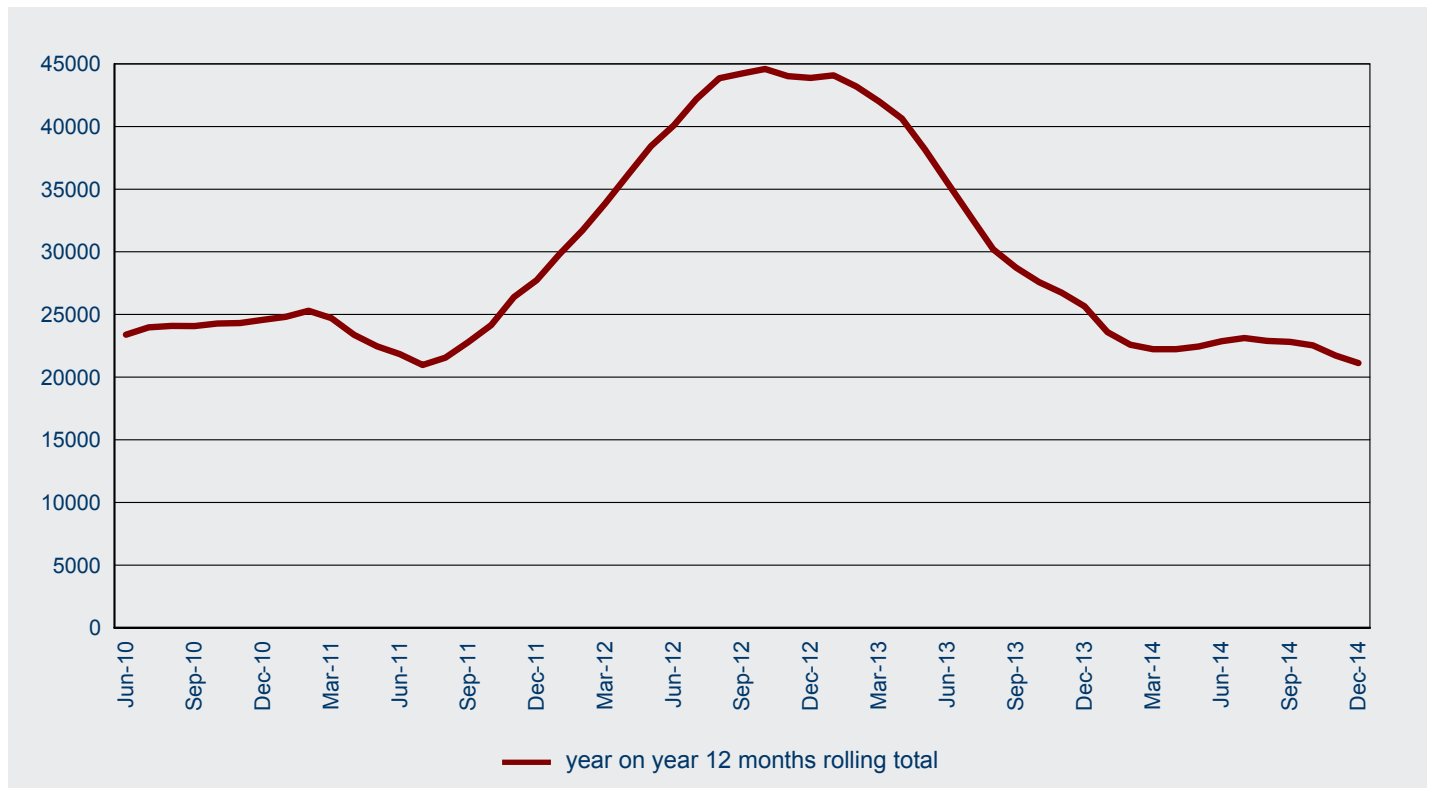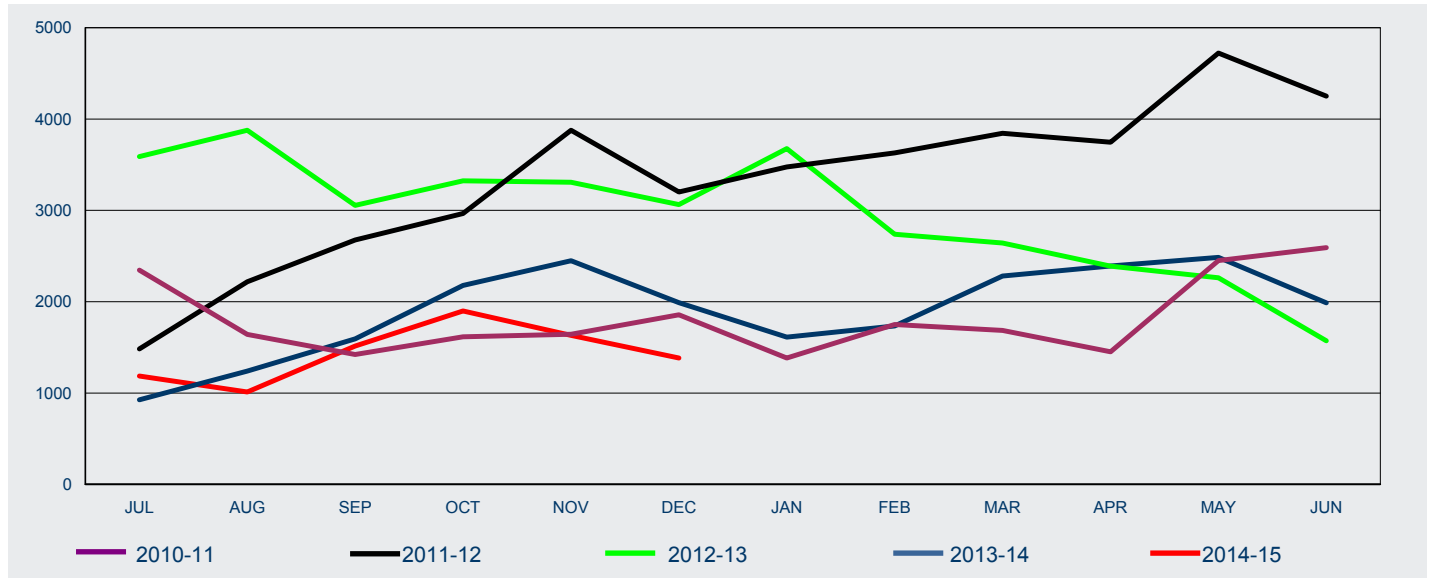| FY Lodged	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Total
Graduate Work													
2010-11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	**0**
2011-12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	**0**
2012-13	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<5	<5	34	74	**110**
2013-14	41	198	567	892	1 768	1 608	1 323	1 428	1 882	1 989	2 187	1 778	**15 661**
2014-15	1 012	654	964	1 094	1 062	1 031							**5 817**
Post-Study Work													
2010-11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	**0**
2011-12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	**0**
2012-13	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	**0**
2013-14	0	0	<5	8	7	13	41	119	301	319	203	125	**1 140**
2014-15	125	327	523	776	550	338							**2 639**
Skilled Graduate													
2010-11	2 345	1 642	1,422	1 616	1 643	1 856	1 384	1 751	1 685	1 451	2 451	2 592	**21 838**
2011-12	1 484	2 219	2 675	2 965	3 877	3 202	3 475	3 629	3 843	3 746	4 722	4 251	**40 088**
2012-13	3 589	3 877	3 054	3 323	3 307	3 063	3 677	2 738	2 642	2 389	2 228	1 498	**35 385**
2013-14	885	1 043	1 022	1 278	673	368	248	188	98	84	95	84	**6 066**
2014-15	49	31	28	28	19	15							**170**
All													
2010-11	2 345	1 642	1 422	1 616	1 643	1 856	1 384	1 751	1 685	1 451	2 451	2 592	**21 838**
2011-12	1 484	2 219	2 675	2 965	3 877	3 202	3 475	3 629	3 843	3 746	4 722	4 251	**40 088**
2012-13	3 589	3 877	3 054	3 323	3 307	3 063	3 677	2 738	2 643	2 390	2 262	1 572	**35 495**
2013-14	926	1 241	1 593	2 178	2 448	1 989	1 612	1 735	2 281	2 392	2 485	1 987	**22 867**
2014-15	1 186	1 012	1 515	1 898	1 631	1 384							**8 626**

8 Subclass 485 visa - Granted

8.06 Number of subclass 485 visa applications granted in 2014-15 to 31 December 2014 by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year

Legend: 2013-14 to 31/12/13 | 2014-15 to 31/12/14

| Citizenship Country	2013-14 to 31/12/13	2014-15 to 31/12/14	% Change from 2013-14	2014-15 as % of Total
China, Peoples Republic of	3 088	3 265	5.7%	37.9%
India	1 872	1 440	-23.1%	16.7%
Nepal	975	758	-22.3%	8.8%
Pakistan	337	443	31.5%	5.1%
Vietnam	352	288	-18.2%	3.3%
Philippines	320	249	-22.2%	2.9%
Indonesia	316	215	-32.0%	2.5%
Sri Lanka	289	214	-26.0%	2.5%
Bangladesh	244	190	-22.1%	2.2%
Malaysia	488	180	-63.1%	2.1%
Korea, South	307	135	-56.0%	1.6%
HKSAR of the PRC	162	121	-25.3%	1.4%
Iran	86	102	18.6%	1.2%
Singapore	97	81	-16.5%	0.9%
Russian Federation	56	63	12.5%	0.7%
Other countries	1 386	882	-36.4%	10.2%
Total	**10 375**	**8 626**	**-16.9%**	**100.0%**

8 Subclass 485 visa - On hand

8.07 Number of subclass 485 PRIMARY visa applications on hand at 31 December 2014 by visa stream - comparison with previous four periods

Visa Stream	On hand at 31/12/13	On hand at 31/03/14	On hand at 30/06/14	On hand at 30/09/14	On hand at 31/12/14
Graduate Work	3 131	5 000	1 445	3 138	1 853
Post-Study Work	109	529	132	1 377	748
Skilled Graduate	787	336	136	49	15
Total	**4 027**	**5 865**	**1 713**	**4 564**	**2 616**

8.08 Number of subclass 485 PRIMARY visa applications on hand at 31 December 2014 by visa stream
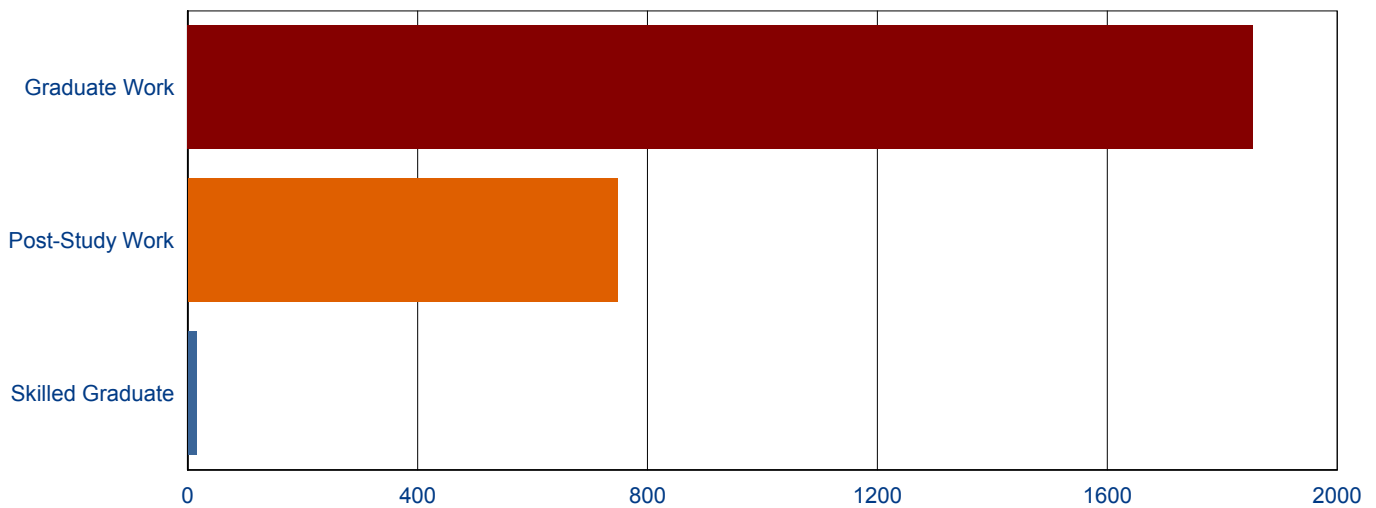
8 Subclass 485 visa - Visa holders in Australia

8.09 Number of subclass 485 visa holders at the end of each month in 2014-15 to
31 December 2014 by month - comparison with previous three financial years
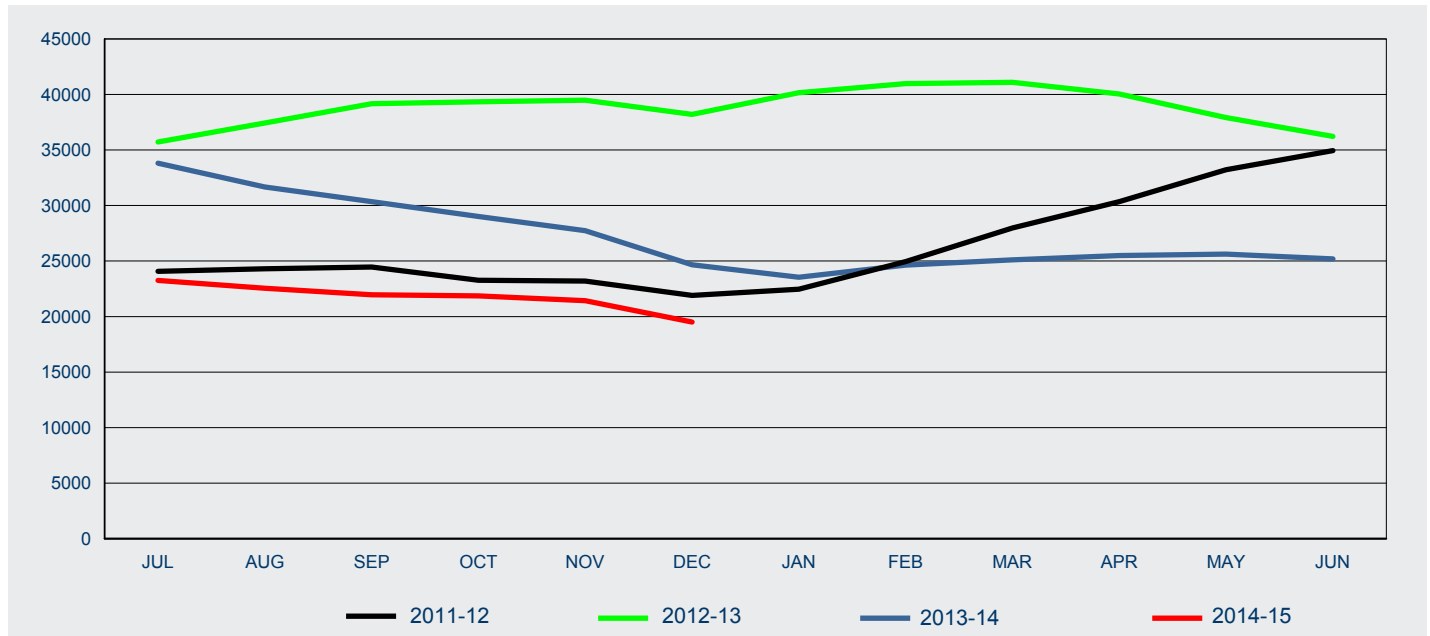
Fin'l Year	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
2011-12	24 081	24 299	24 460	23 274	23 205	21 911	22 465	24 950	27 977	30 353	33 215	34 939
2012-13	35 724	37 433	39 166	39 342	39 486	38 208	40 149	40 970	41 088	40 048	37 915	36 224
2013-14	33 811	31 677	30 349	29 012	27 742	24 663	23 537	24 632	25 106	25 496	25 623	25 198
2014-15	23 250	22 549	21 968	21 859	21 428	19 506						

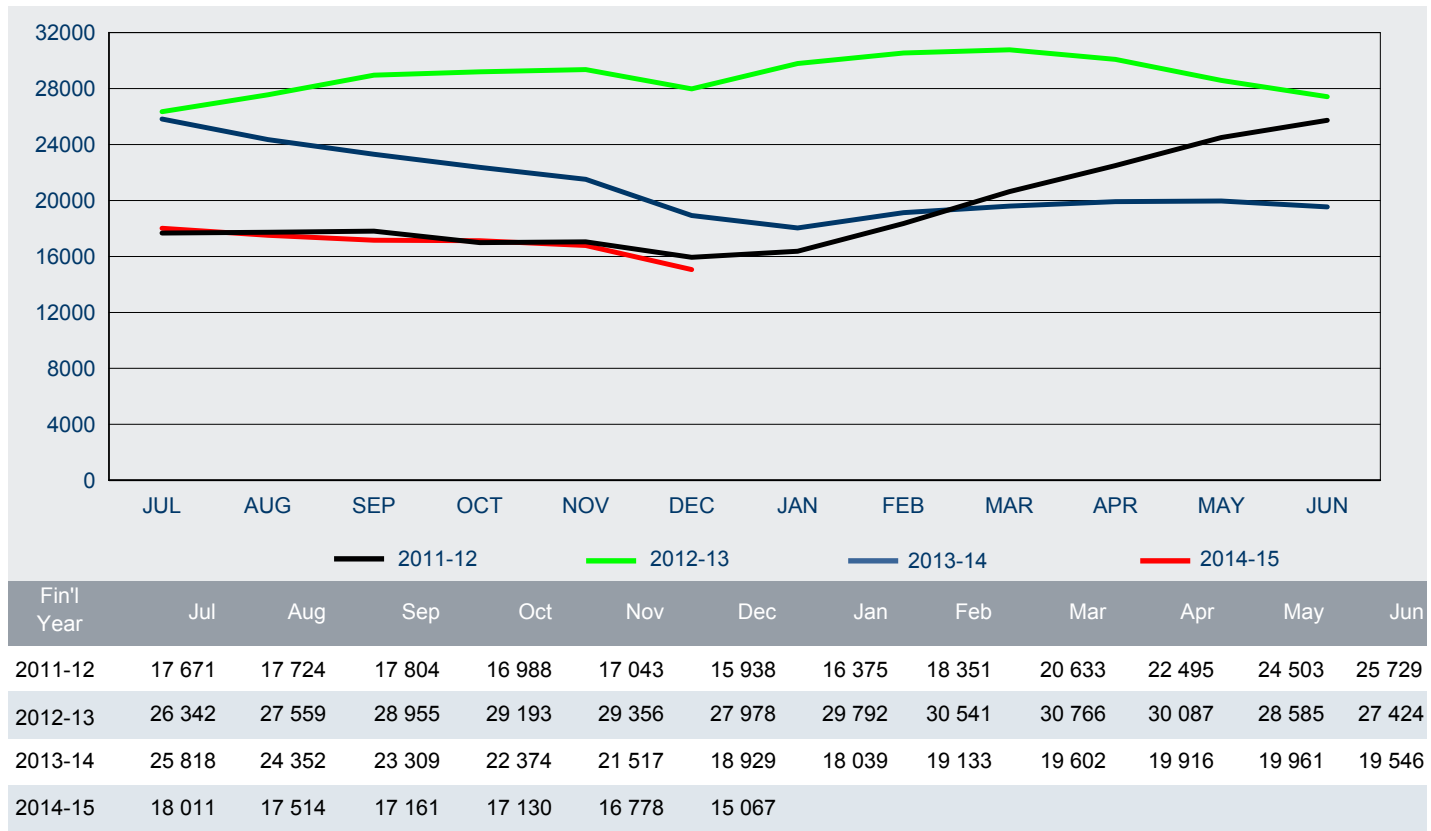# 8 Subclass 485 visa - Visa holders in Australia

8.10 Number of subclass 485 PRIMARY visa holders in Australia at the end of each month in 2014-15 to 31 December 2014 - comparison with previous three financial years

Fin'l Year	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
2011-12	17 671	17 724	17 804	16 988	17 043	15 938	16 375	18 351	20 633	22 495	24 503	25 729
2012-13	26 342	27 559	28 955	29 193	29 356	27 978	29 792	30 541	30 766	30 087	28 585	27 424
2013-14	25 818	24 352	23 309	22 374	21 517	18 929	18 039	19 133	19 602	19 916	19 961	19 546
2014-15	18 011	17 514	17 161	17 130	16 778	15 067						

8.11 Number of subclass 485 SECONDARY visa holders in Australia at the end of each month in 2014-15 to 31 December 2014 - comparison with previous three financial years

Fin'l Year	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
2011-12	6 410	6 575	6 656	6 286	6 162	5 973	6 090	6 599	7 344	7 858	8 712	9 210
2012-13	9 382	9 874	10 211	10 149	10 130	10 230	10 357	10 429	10 322	9 961	9 330	8 800
2013-14	7 993	7 325	7 040	6 638	6 225	5 734	5 498	5 499	5 504	5 580	5 662	5 652
2014-15	5 239	5 035	4 807	4 729	4 650	4 439						