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About this report

This report provides bi-annual data about the student visa and temporary graduate visa program administered by the Department of Home Affairs (the department). The report has been produced to assist education providers, representative bodies and policymakers.

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 program, including yearly student visa trends and comprehensive data on student visa grants by sector and country from 2002-03 to the 2018-19 program year is available on the department's website at:

<https://www.homeaffairs.gov.au/research-and-statistics/statistics/visa-statistics/study>
<https://data.gov.au/dataset/ds-dga-324aa4f7-46bb-4d56-bc2d-772333a2317e/details>

Further information about the student visa program is available at:

<https://immi.homeaffairs.gov.au/visas/getting-a-visa/visa-listing/student-500>

Enquiries

Any comment or enquiries concerning this report should be sent to statistical.coordination@homeaffairs.gov.au quoting Report Id BR0097.

Definition of terms

Applicant type:	<p>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.</p> <p>If the table or graph heading includes the word 'primary', such as 'primary applications' or 'primary visa holders', dependants (secondary applicants) are not included.</p>
Citizenship country:	<p>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.</p>
Destination:	<p>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.</p>
Granted:	<p>Unless otherwise specified, the number of visas granted includes primary and review grants.</p>
In Australia:	<p>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.</p>
Last visa held:	<p>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.</p>
Lodged:	<p>Lodged is the count of paper applications receipted in a departmental office or submitted electronically.</p>
Outside Australia:	<p>In this report, refers to the location of the client at the time the application was lodged.</p>
Primary applicant:	<p>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.</p>
Primary application:	<p>An application lodged by a primary applicant.</p>
Primary grant:	<p>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.</p>
Primary visa holder:	<p>A person who has had a primary application for a visa granted.</p>
Secondary applicant:	<p>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.</p>
Secondary application:	<p>A visa application lodged by a secondary applicant.</p>
Secondary visa holder:	<p>A person who has had a secondary application for a visa granted.</p>
Skilled Occupation List:	<p>The Medium and Longterm Strategic Skills List (MLTSSL) 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 MLTSSL and graduate with skills and qualifications that closely relate to this occupation.</p>
Snapshot date:	<p>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.</p>
Visa applicant:	<p>Used to refer to clients applying for a visa. Unless otherwise specified, the term covers both primary and secondary applicants.</p>
Visa holders in Australia:	<p>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.</p>

Background to the student visa program

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:

<https://immi.homeaffairs.gov.au/visas/getting-a-visa/visa-finder>

There are seven sectors in which a student visa holder may study:

- 1) English Language Intensive Course for Overseas Students (ELICOS) sector 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 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 program.
- 3) Vocational Education and Training sector 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 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 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 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 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 program, the Student Guardian 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 visa.

Background to the student visa program - 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 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.

Further information is available at: <https://immi.homeaffairs.gov.au/visas/getting-a-visa/visa-listing/student-500#When>

Simplified student visa framework (SSVF)

On 1 July 2016 the SSVF was implemented replacing both Streamlined Visa Processing arrangements and the Assessment Level Framework. Key changes under the SSVF include:

- international students apply for a single Student visa (subclass 500) regardless of their chosen course of study
- student guardians apply for the new Student Guardian visa (subclass 590)
- a single immigration risk framework apply to all international students
- all students and student guardians are required to lodge their visa application online through ImmiAccount

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 program.

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 <http://www.homeaffairs.gov.au/StudyinginAustralia/Documents/direction-no-69.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.

Background to the student visa program - continued

Overseas Student Health Cover (OSHC)

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

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.

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 Program. Previously, the Subclass 485 visa was a component of the Skilled Migration Program.

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. Holders of a Hong Kong Special Administrative Region passports are granted a visa of five years duration.
- 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. Holders of a Hong Kong Special Administrative Region passports are granted a visa of five years duration.

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: <https://immi.homeaffairs.gov.au/visas/getting-a-visa/visa-listing/temporary-graduate-485>

Eligible visas

To be eligible for the Temporary Graduate visa, graduates must have completed their studies in Australia while on an eligible student visa.

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: <https://immi.homeaffairs.gov.au/visas/getting-a-visa/visa-listing/temporary-graduate-485/australian-study-requirement>

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: <https://immi.homeaffairs.gov.au/visas/getting-a-visa/visa-listing/temporary-graduate-485/graduate-work#About>

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.

Executive Summary

Key Points

- COVID-19 and in particular the resulting global travel restrictions, have had a significant impact on the student visa program for the majority of 2020. In viewing the data in this report, the entirety of the six month period from July 2020 to December 2020 year should be read through the lens of COVID-19 and the data should not be interpreted as being indicative of program growth or quality.
- On 1 February 2020, the first travel restriction was imposed on visa holders residing in mainland China entering Australia. This was then expanded to other countries with global restrictions on international travel taking effect from 20 March 2020. These travel restrictions continued through the reporting period. The effect of the travel restrictions on metrics such as lodgement and grant numbers can be observed and a strong deviation from trends prior to February 2020 is evident.
- COVID-19 impacts on resourcing priorities and third party services such as health, English language and biometrics checks can be seen in the increased on hand volumes and processing times for the majority of the 2020 year.
- Due to welfare, visa status and flight availability considerations, in early April 2020, the Department also sought to deprioritise the finalisation of applications that may adversely affect a student. The effect of this temporary intervention can be seen in Grant Rate numbers for the last 3 quarters of the 2020 year.

1 Applications lodged

In the 2020-21 program year to 31 December 2020, there were 133,139 student visa applications lodged – a decrease of 41.3 per cent compared with the same period in the previous program year.

Visa applications lodged by applicants outside Australia in the 2020-21 program year to 31 December 2020 decreased by 65.3 per cent to 43,292 lodgements compared with the same period in the previous program year.

In the 2020-21 program year to 31 December 2020, visa applications lodged outside Australia for the Higher Education Sector and Vocational Education and Training (VET) Sector decreased by 36.0 per cent to 70,719 and 25.4 per cent to 51,091 respectively when compared with the same period in the previous program year. Applications lodged outside Australia for the English Language Intensive Courses for Overseas Students (ELICOS) Sector decreased by 83.3 per cent when compared with the same period in the previous program year.

Lodgements from applicants in Australia decreased by 11.9 per cent to 89,847 in the 2020-21 program year to 31 December 2020 compared with the same period in the previous program year.

There was a decrease in overall applications lodged by the nationals of China (40.2 per cent) India (26.2 per cent), Nepal (29.6 per cent), Colombia (47.0 per cent), and Brazil (54.4 per cent) when compared with the same period in the previous program year.

There was an increase in applications lodged in Australia by the nationals of Sri Lanka (5.0 per cent), Nepal (4.7 per cent) and Pakistan (1.3 per cent) when compared with the same period in the previous program year.

2 Visas granted

There is no cap on the number of student visas granted.

There were 120,962 student visas granted in the 2020-21 program year to 31 December 2020 – a decrease of 39.8 per cent compared with the same period in the previous program year.

All sectors experienced a decrease in visa grants in the 2020-21 program year to 31 December 2020 with a decrease of 24.6 per cent in the VET Sector, 32.5 per cent in the Higher Education Sector, 82.2 per cent in the ELICOS sector and 27.9 per cent in the Postgraduate Research Sector when compared with the previous program year.

Visas granted to applicants inside Australia in the 2020-21 program year to 31 December 2020 decreased by 14.4 per cent when compared with the previous program year. Visas granted to applicants outside of Australia decreased by 62.0 per cent compared with the previous program year.

Visas granted to applicants inside Australia increased for nationals from Nepal (21.3 per cent), Colombia (4.9 per cent) and Pakistan (4.2 per cent).

Executive Summary - continued

In the 2020-21 program year to 31 December 2020, visa grants to applicants inside Australia for the VET Sector and Higher Education Sector decreased by 12.0 per cent to 39,742 and 13.0 per cent to 34,449 visa grants respectively when compared with the same period in the previous program year.

Of the total student visas granted in the 2020-21 program year to 31 December 2020, 25.8 per cent were granted to the nationals of China followed by 19.6 per cent to the nationals of India.

3 Grant rates

The grant rates have been provided on a quarterly basis. This breakdown allows readers to identify and monitor changes in grant rates by sector and nationality across the reporting period.

A grant rate is the percentage of grants compared to the number of decisions made.

The grant rate for student visas in the 1 October 2020 to 31 December 2020 quarter was 95.5 per cent. This figure is reflective of departmental measures taken to consider COVID-19 impacts on temporary visa holders.

The grant rate for applicants outside Australia in the 1 October 2020 to 1 December 2020 quarter was 87.3 per cent.

Grant rates for applicants in Australia are generally higher than for applicants outside Australia. The grant rate for applicants in Australia was 99.9 per cent in the 1 October 2020 to 31 December 2020 quarter. As a result of COVID-19 when travel restrictions became widely in force and flight availability was restricted, adverse decisions relating to Student visa applicants lodging from within Australia were deprioritised. This is reflected in the high grant rate for this period for applications lodged within Australia.

The grant rate for applicants in Australia fluctuated between 93.3 per cent and 93.5 per cent for the period 1 October 2019 and 31 March 2020.

4 Processing times

The time required to process student visa applications depends on many factors including the supporting evidence provided by the applicant.

In the quarter 1 October 2020 to 31 December 2020, 75 per cent of all student visa applications were processed within 92 calendar days. For the quarter preceding COVID-19 impacts, from 1 January 2020 to 31 March 2020, 75 per cent of applications were finalised within 40 days.

5 Applications on hand

The number of primary student visa applications on hand at 31 December 2020 was 54,344. Of the total primary applications on hand, 13,938 applications were made by applicants outside Australia and 40,406 applications were made by applicants in Australia.

6 Visa holders in Australia

On 31 December 2020, there were 449,932 student visa holders in Australia. This is a decrease of 6.4 per cent when compared with the number of student visa holders in Australia at 31 December 2019.

Of the total student visa holders in Australia on 30 June 2020, 91,474 were from India, 73,688 from China and 50,344 were from Nepal, accounting for 47.9 per cent of all student visa holders in Australia.

7 Destinations

In the first half of the 2020-2021 program year, there were 60,562 former student visa holders granted another substantive visa other than a student visa in the same sector— a decrease of 27.6 per cent compared with the previous program year.

In the first half of the 2020-2021 program year, most of the former student visa holders granted another substantive visa moved on to a Temporary Graduate (subclass 485) visa (47.9 per cent), a Student visa in a new sector (30.4 per cent), a Visitor (600) visa (4.6 per cent) or a Partner (820) visa (5.3 per cent)

8 Temporary Graduate (subclass 485)

Lodgements for the Temporary Graduate (subclass 485) visa increased by 4.0 per cent in the 2020-21 program year to 31 December 2020, when compared with the same period in the previous program year.

In the 2020-21 program year to 31 December 2020, lodgements in the Post-Study Work stream increased by 3.1 per cent when compared with the same period in the previous program year. Applications lodged in the Graduate Work stream increased by 10.0 per cent in the same time period.

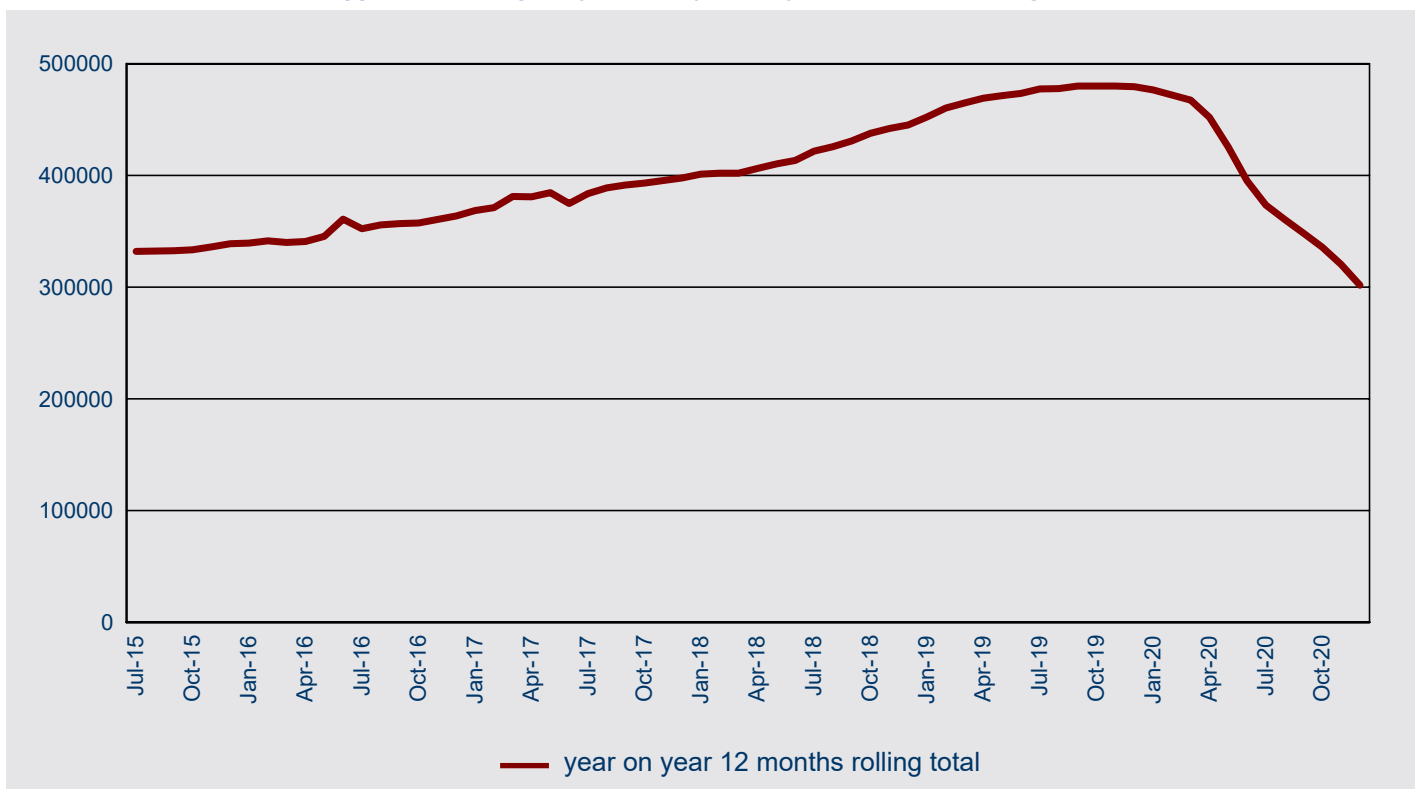
Visa grants in the 2020-21 program year to 31 December 2020 stayed steady at 31,646 when compared with the same period in the previous program year.

On 31 December 2020, there were 104,629 Temporary Graduate visa holders in Australia, which was higher than at 31 December 2019, when there were 89,324 Temporary Graduate visa holders in Australia.

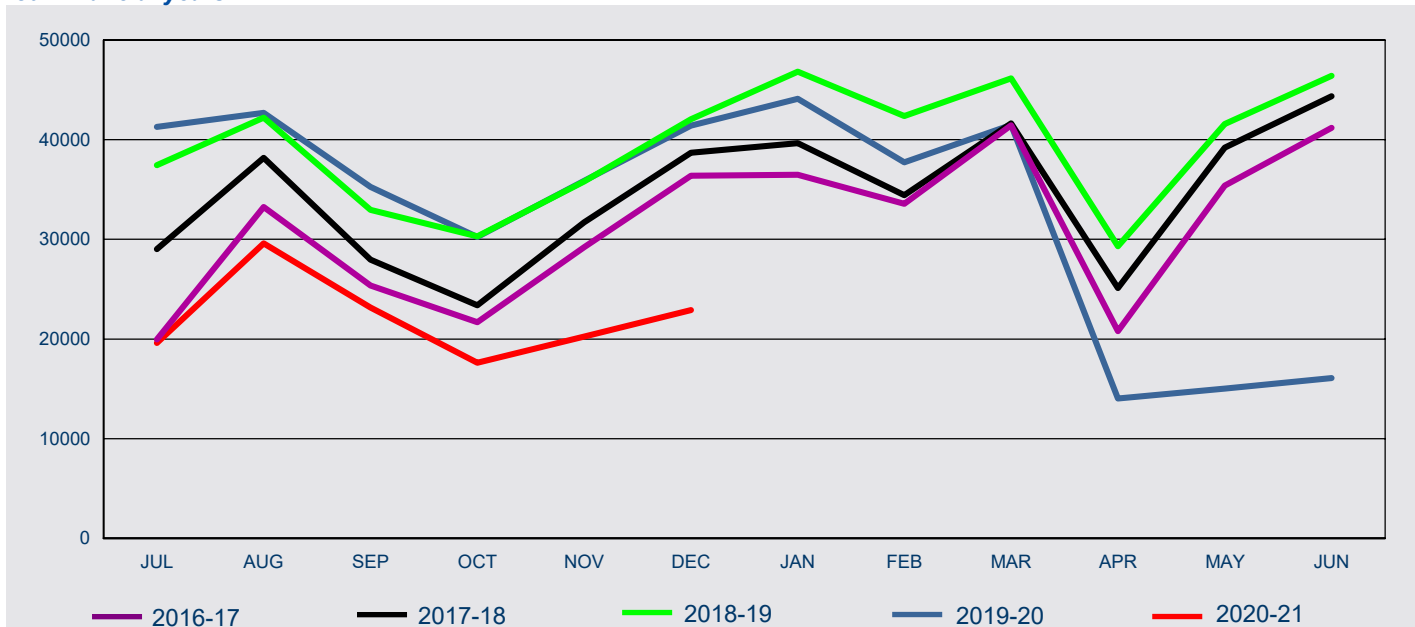
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1.02 Number of student visa applications lodged in 2020-21 to 31 December 2020 by month - comparison with previous four financial years



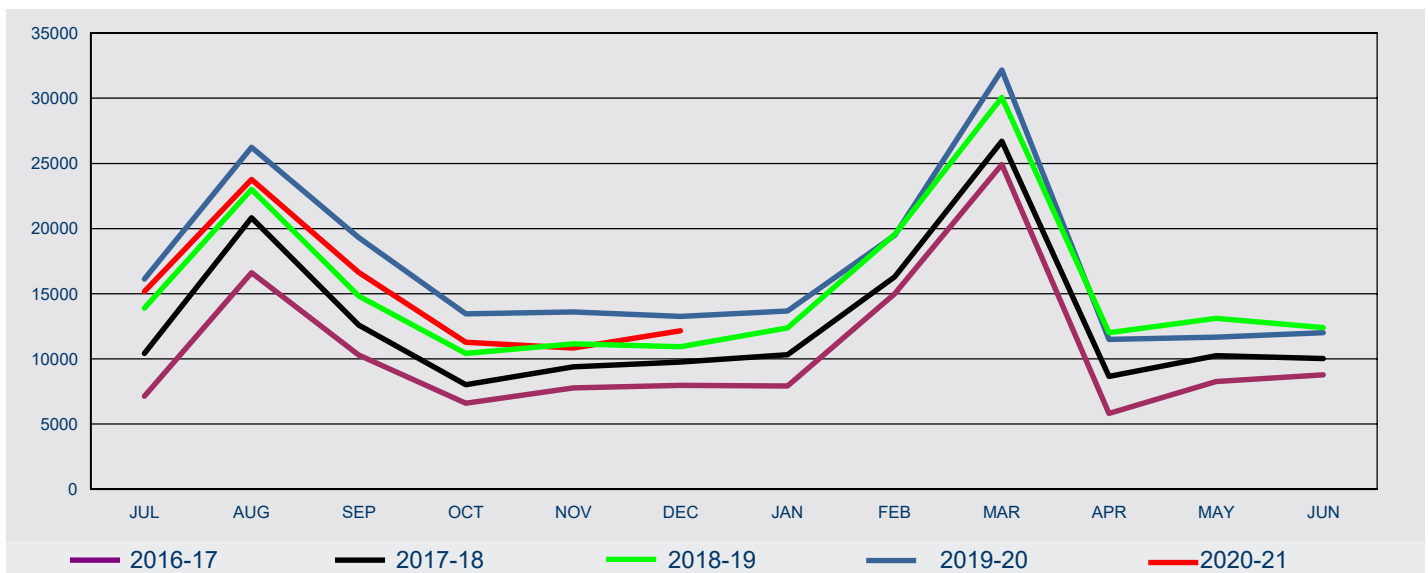
FY Lodged	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Total
2016-17	19,963	33,247	25,354	21,694	29,200	36,393	36,468	33,570	41,431	20,787	35,391	41,168	374,666
2017-18	29,028	38,161	27,964	23,396	31,705	38,678	39,658	34,427	41,644	25,109	39,204	44,359	413,333
2018-19	37,439	42,202	32,964	30,306	35,821	42,048	46,823	42,371	46,138	29,319	41,570	46,414	473,415
2019-20	41,266	42,683	35,259	30,220	35,870	41,405	44,082	37,735	41,471	14,045	15,028	16,082	395,146
2020-21	19,605	29,598	23,167	17,622	20,236	22,911							133,139

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



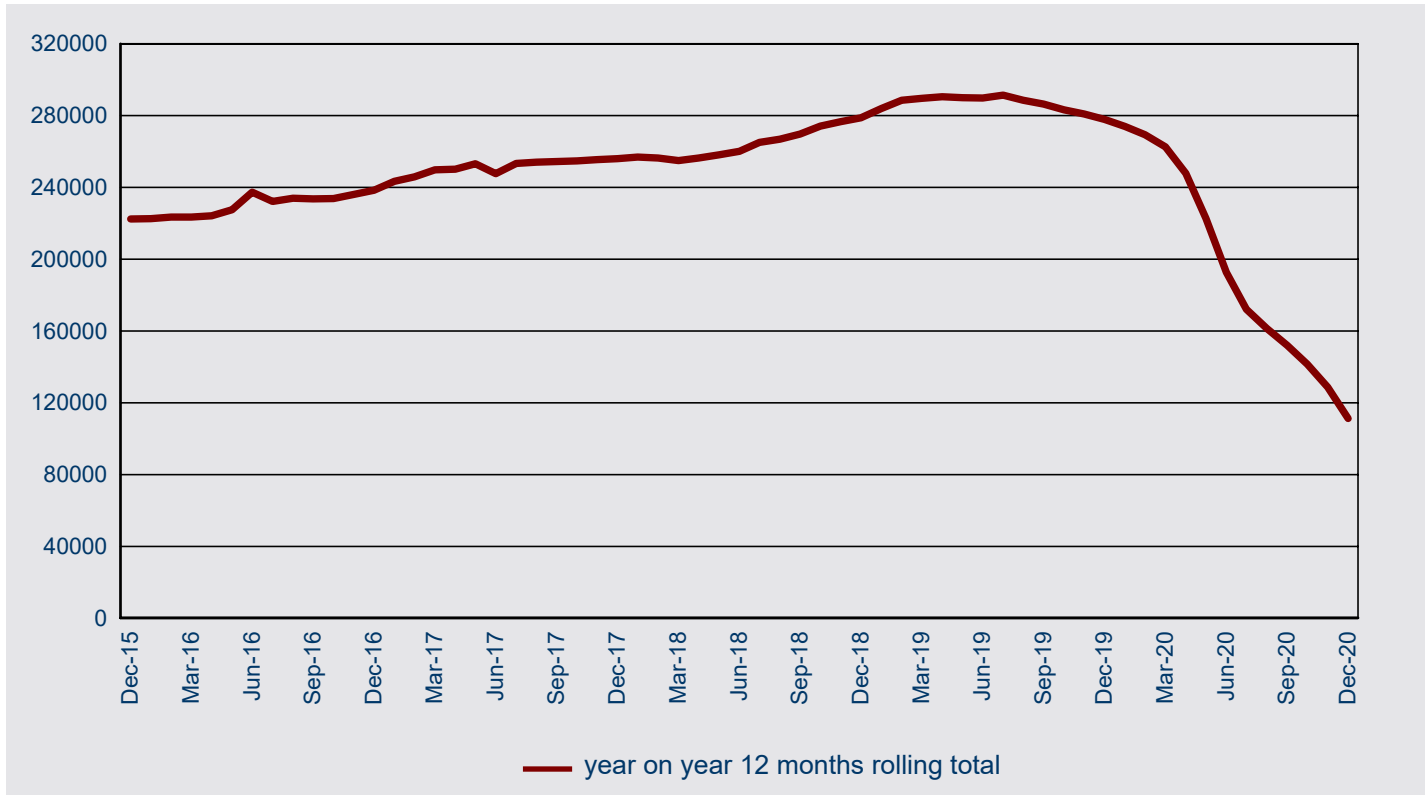
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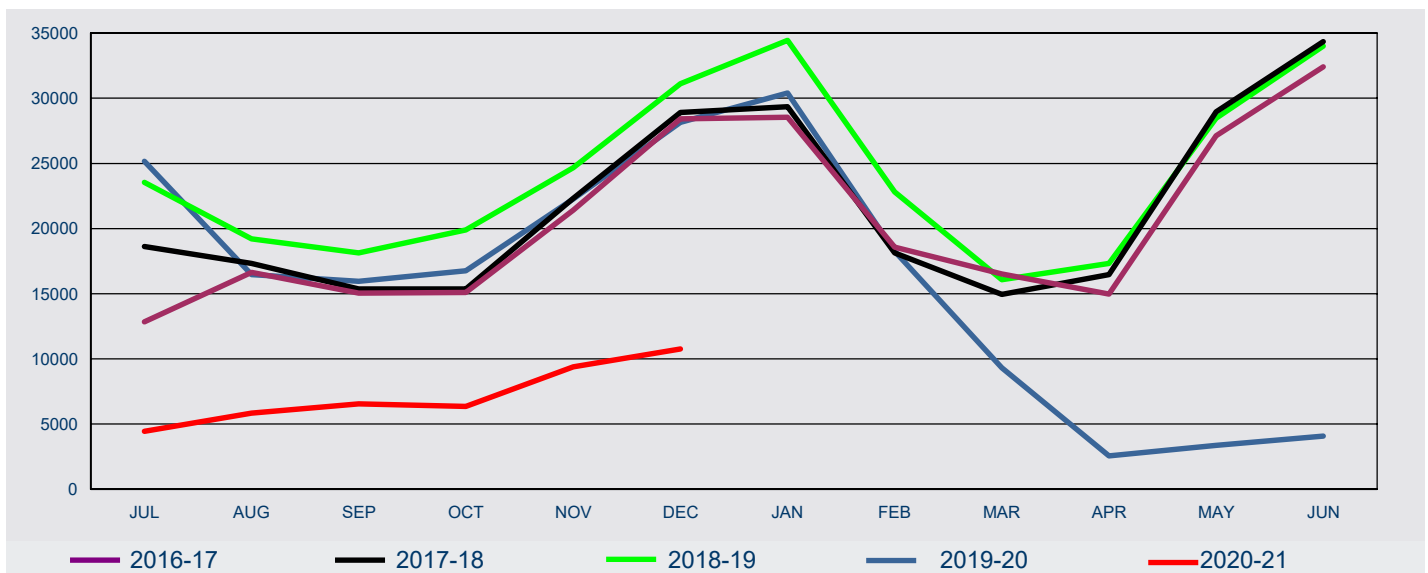
FY Lodged	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Total
2016-17	7,123	16,614	10,305	6,592	7,781	7,975	7,916	15,008	24,922	5,822	8,262	8,767	127,087
2017-18	10,406	20,829	12,605	8,023	9,396	9,766	10,317	16,292	26,701	8,649	10,252	10,016	153,252
2018-19	13,884	23,001	14,822	10,416	11,162	10,926	12,373	19,562	30,061	12,008	13,110	12,399	183,724
2019-20	16,114	26,227	19,298	13,448	13,590	13,254	13,670	19,471	32,164	11,493	11,674	12,020	202,423
2020-21	15,172	23,769	16,633	11,269	10,844	12,160							89,847

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



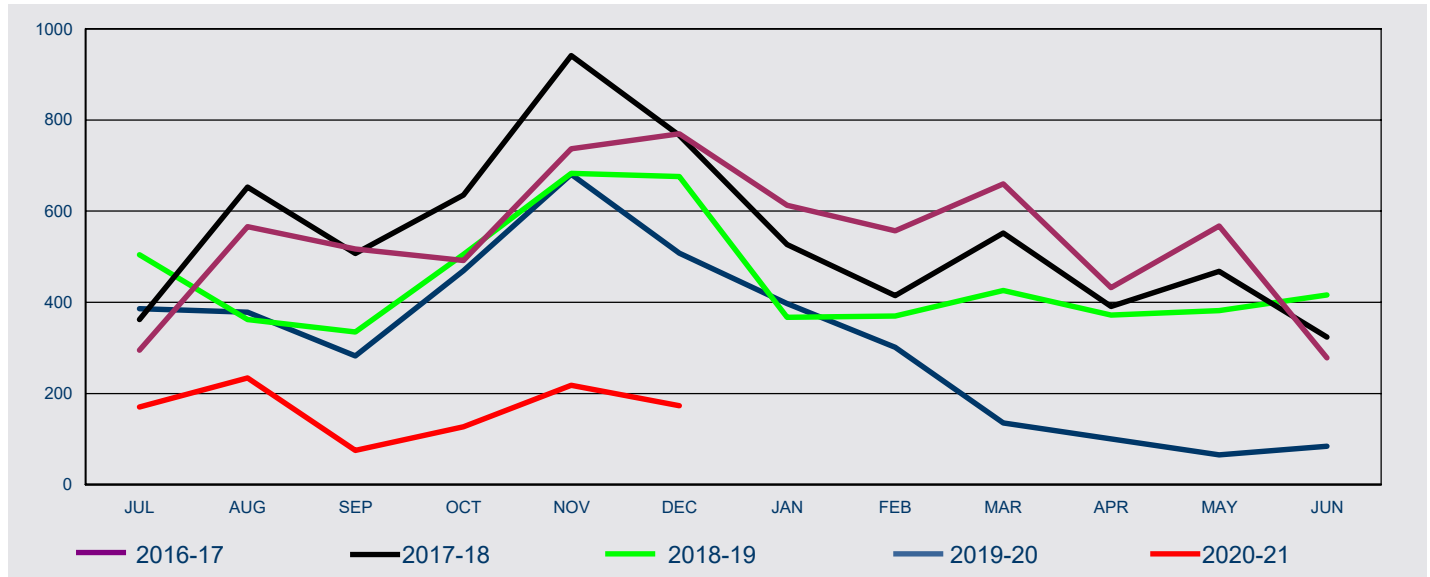
1.06 Number of student visa applications lodged in 2020-21 to 31 December 2020 by month where the client was Outside Australia - comparison with previous four financial years



FY Lodged	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Total
2016-17	12,840	16,633	15,049	15,102	21,419	28,418	28,552	18,562	16,509	14,965	27,129	32,401	247,579
2017-18	18,622	17,332	15,359	15,373	22,309	28,912	29,341	18,135	14,943	16,460	28,952	34,343	260,081
2018-19	23,555	19,201	18,142	19,890	24,659	31,122	34,450	22,809	16,077	17,311	28,460	34,015	289,691
2019-20	25,152	16,456	15,961	16,772	22,280	28,151	30,412	18,264	9,307	2,552	3,354	4,062	192,723
2020-21	4,433	5,829	6,534	6,353	9,392	10,751							43,292

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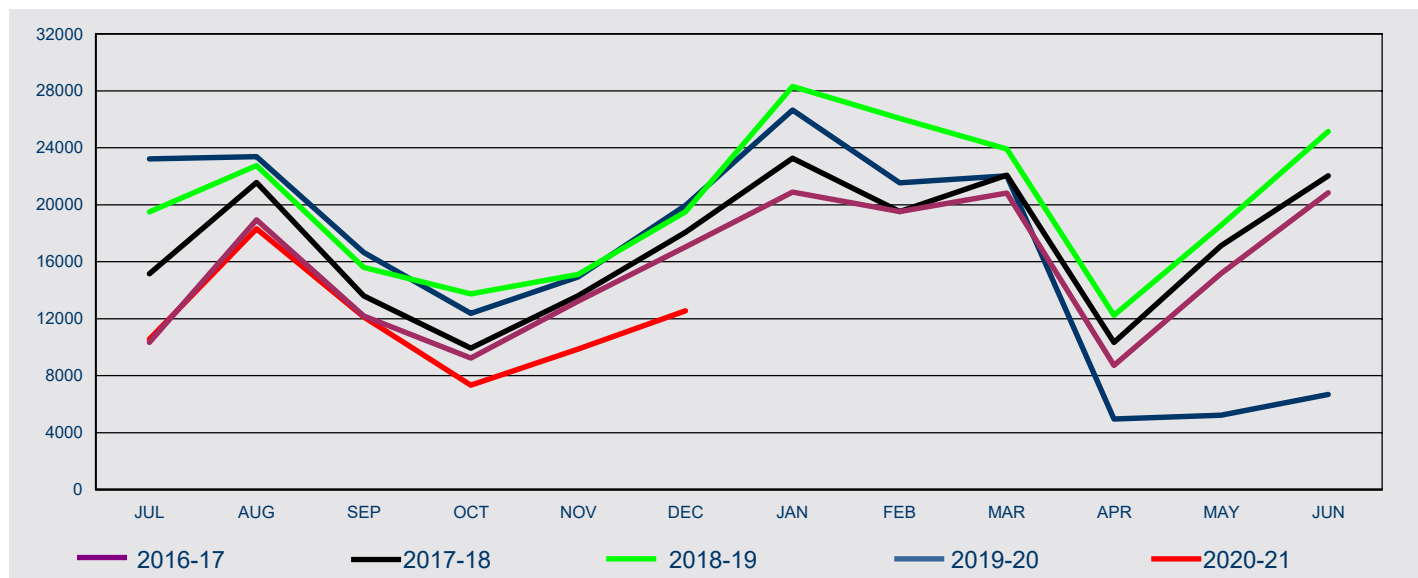
1.07 Number of student visa applications lodged for Foreign Affairs or Defence Sector in 2020-21 to 31 December 2020 by client location and month - comparison with previous four financial years



FY Lodged	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Total
In Australia													
2016-17	43	63	19	29	42	51	56	31	36	14	13	24	421
2017-18	34	55	10	9	29	43	53	35	36	34	20	12	370
2018-19	57	49	11	19	31	48	58	50	36	18	11	36	424
2019-20	46	37	20	18	36	31	52	31	14	85	47	41	458
2020-21	147	197	41	39	46	113							583
Outside Australia													
2016-17	252	503	498	463	695	719	557	526	624	418	554	254	6,063
2017-18	328	598	497	626	912	723	474	380	516	357	448	312	6,171
2018-19	447	313	324	486	652	628	309	320	390	354	371	380	4,974
2019-20	340	341	262	451	645	477	345	270	121	15	18	43	3,328
2020-21	23	37	34	88	172	60							414
All													
2016-17	295	566	517	492	737	770	613	557	660	432	567	278	6,484
2017-18	362	653	507	635	941	766	527	415	552	391	468	324	6,541
2018-19	504	362	335	505	683	676	367	370	426	372	382	416	5,398
2019-20	386	378	282	469	681	508	397	301	135	100	65	84	3,786
2020-21	170	234	75	127	218	173							997

1 Lodged

1.08 Number of student visa applications lodged for Higher Education Sector in 2020-21 to 31 December 2020 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
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In Australia

2016-17	3,554	10,214	4,258	1,385	2,058	2,806	3,191	8,466	13,659	1,510	1,989	2,262	55,352
2017-18	4,911	12,591	5,430	1,707	2,457	3,479	4,705	9,044	15,340	2,331	2,648	2,691	67,334
2018-19	6,754	13,670	6,083	2,486	2,755	3,936	5,364	11,034	16,494	3,609	3,505	3,788	79,478
2019-20	7,566	14,888	8,100	3,190	3,462	4,482	5,697	9,919	17,146	3,141	2,724	3,540	83,855
2020-21	7,083	13,678	7,105	2,712	2,857	4,367							37,802

Outside Australia

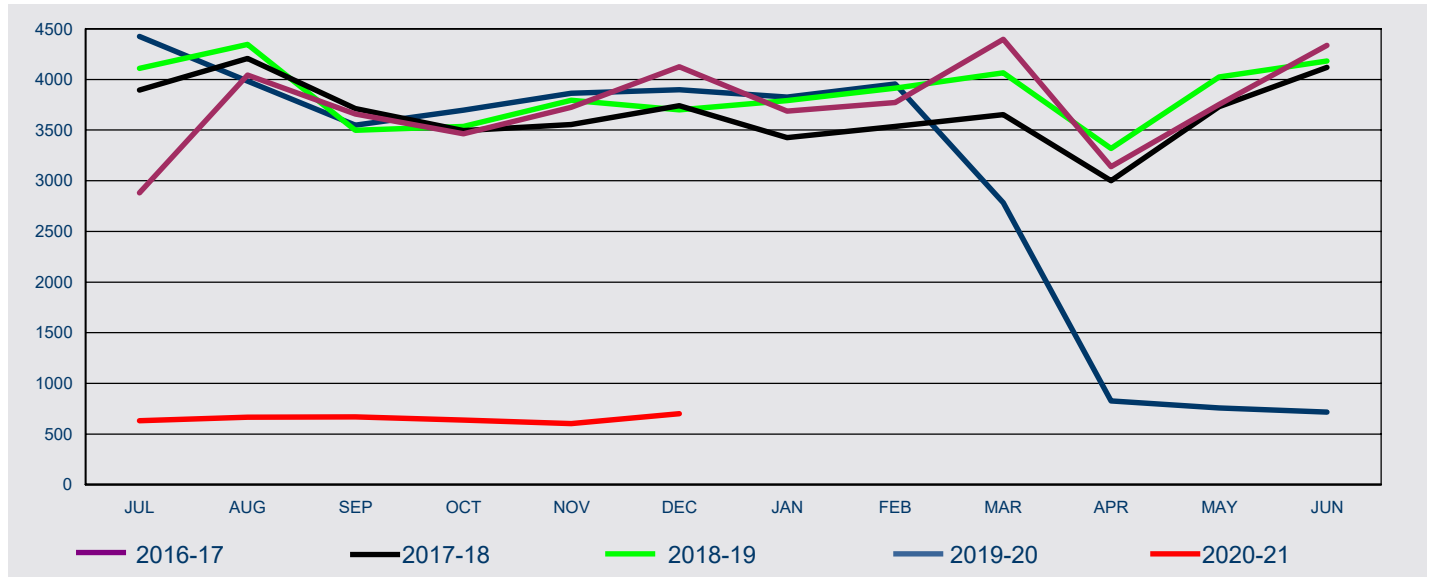
2016-17	6,776	8,725	7,936	7,841	11,165	14,225	17,701	11,046	7,160	7,222	13,184	18,590	131,571
2017-18	10,235	8,971	8,172	8,227	11,157	14,588	18,560	10,473	6,736	7,994	14,483	19,345	138,941
2018-19	12,738	9,079	9,527	11,264	12,341	15,572	22,951	15,034	7,409	8,638	15,041	21,347	160,941
2019-20	15,663	8,476	8,544	9,177	11,468	15,461	20,942	11,615	4,877	1,806	2,508	3,137	113,674
2020-21	3,467	4,637	5,014	4,624	6,999	8,176							32,917

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2016-17	10,330	18,939	12,194	9,226	13,223	17,031	20,892	19,512	20,819	8,732	15,173	20,852	186,923
2017-18	15,146	21,562	13,602	9,934	13,614	18,067	23,265	19,517	22,076	10,325	17,131	22,036	206,275
2018-19	19,492	22,749	15,610	13,750	15,096	19,508	28,315	26,068	23,903	12,247	18,546	25,135	240,419
2019-20	23,229	23,364	16,644	12,367	14,930	19,943	26,639	21,534	22,023	4,947	5,232	6,677	197,529
2020-21	10,550	18,315	12,119	7,336	9,856	12,543							70,719

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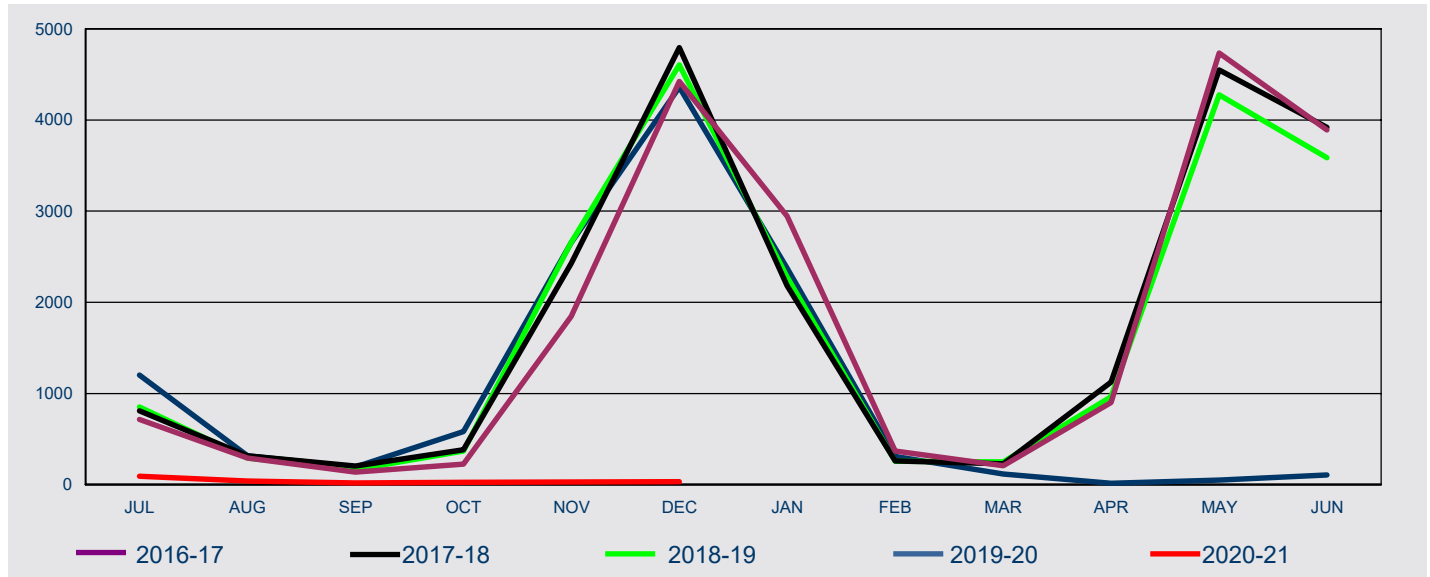
1.09 Number of student visa applications lodged for Independent ELICOS Sector in 2020-21 to 31 December 2020 by client location and month - comparison with previous four financial years



FY Lodged	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Total
In Australia													
2016-17	532	790	763	709	781	678	622	740	996	654	774	803	8,842
2017-18	675	935	900	773	756	735	651	736	943	738	835	835	9,512
2018-19	811	1,012	839	911	952	833	804	901	1,102	836	950	897	10,848
2019-20	854	981	995	976	997	872	784	891	1,126	748	714	652	10,590
2020-21	553	583	551	450	342	345							2,824
Outside Australia													
2016-17	2,350	3,253	2,896	2,755	2,944	3,448	3,066	3,032	3,401	2,486	2,979	3,533	36,143
2017-18	3,220	3,271	2,813	2,721	2,800	3,005	2,775	2,801	2,709	2,263	2,895	3,284	34,557
2018-19	3,297	3,333	2,658	2,626	2,841	2,866	2,988	3,014	2,963	2,484	3,074	3,285	35,429
2019-20	3,572	3,002	2,555	2,722	2,868	3,027	3,042	3,063	1,656	79	44	65	25,695
2020-21	78	82	119	186	260	354							1,079
All													
2016-17	2,882	4,043	3,659	3,464	3,725	4,126	3,688	3,772	4,397	3,140	3,753	4,336	44,985
2017-18	3,895	4,206	3,713	3,494	3,556	3,740	3,426	3,537	3,652	3,001	3,730	4,119	44,069
2018-19	4,108	4,345	3,497	3,537	3,793	3,699	3,792	3,915	4,065	3,320	4,024	4,182	46,277
2019-20	4,426	3,983	3,550	3,698	3,865	3,899	3,826	3,954	2,782	827	758	717	36,285
2020-21	631	665	670	636	602	699							3,903

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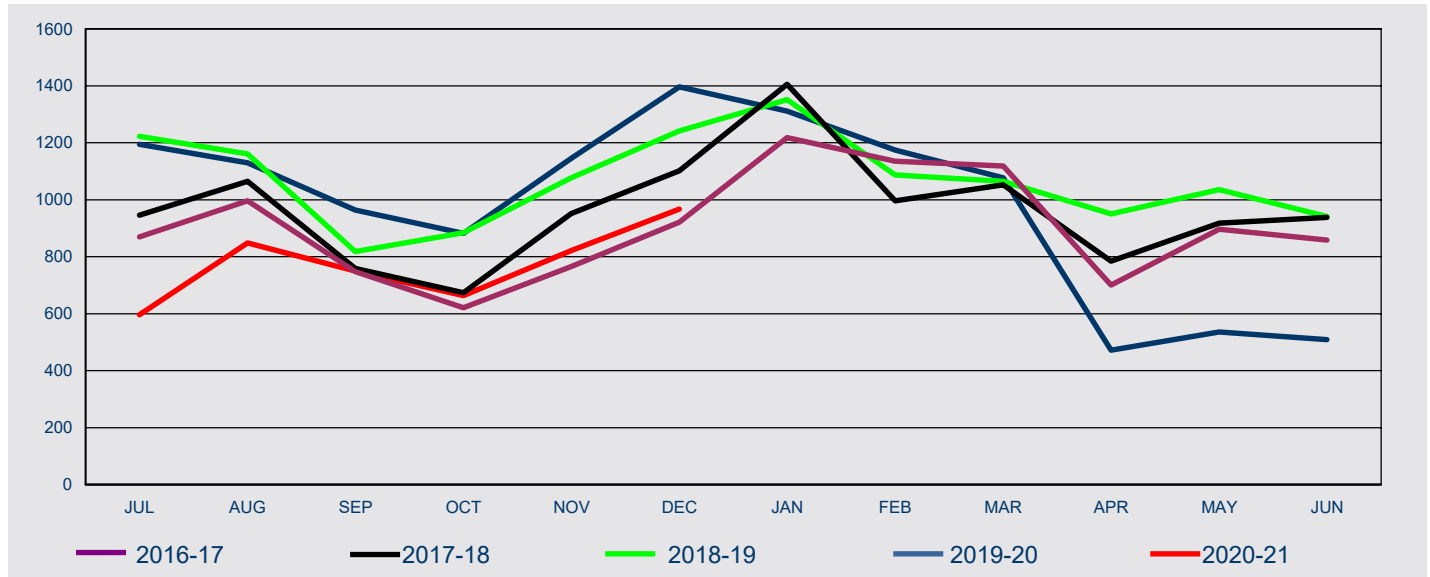
1.10 Number of student visa applications lodged for Non-Award Sector in 2020-21 to 31 December 2020 by client location and month - comparison with previous four financial years



FY Lodged	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Total
In Australia													
2016-17	68	40	23	12	40	44	67	57	45	21	37	47	501
2017-18	60	30	21	19	38	42	50	52	33	19	26	54	444
2018-19	68	31	22	15	42	41	46	43	61	31	13	29	442
2019-20	64	24	21	16	20	34	41	29	34	6	34	48	371
2020-21	62	21	9	7	8	11							118
Outside Australia													
2016-17	648	250	116	214	1,806	4,377	2,877	312	164	879	4,698	3,845	20,186
2017-18	748	287	184	363	2,390	4,752	2,133	207	195	1,107	4,521	3,866	20,753
2018-19	782	261	143	352	2,616	4,563	2,230	213	189	933	4,264	3,557	20,103
2019-20	1,139	293	173	567	2,636	4,325	2,333	281	81	10	15	57	11,910
2020-21	30	17	11	17	22	21							118
All													
2016-17	716	290	139	226	1,846	4,421	2,944	369	209	900	4,735	3,892	20,687
2017-18	808	317	205	382	2,428	4,794	2,183	259	228	1,126	4,547	3,920	21,197
2018-19	850	292	165	367	2,658	4,604	2,276	256	250	964	4,277	3,586	20,545
2019-20	1,203	317	194	583	2,656	4,359	2,374	310	115	16	49	105	12,281
2020-21	92	38	20	24	30	32							236

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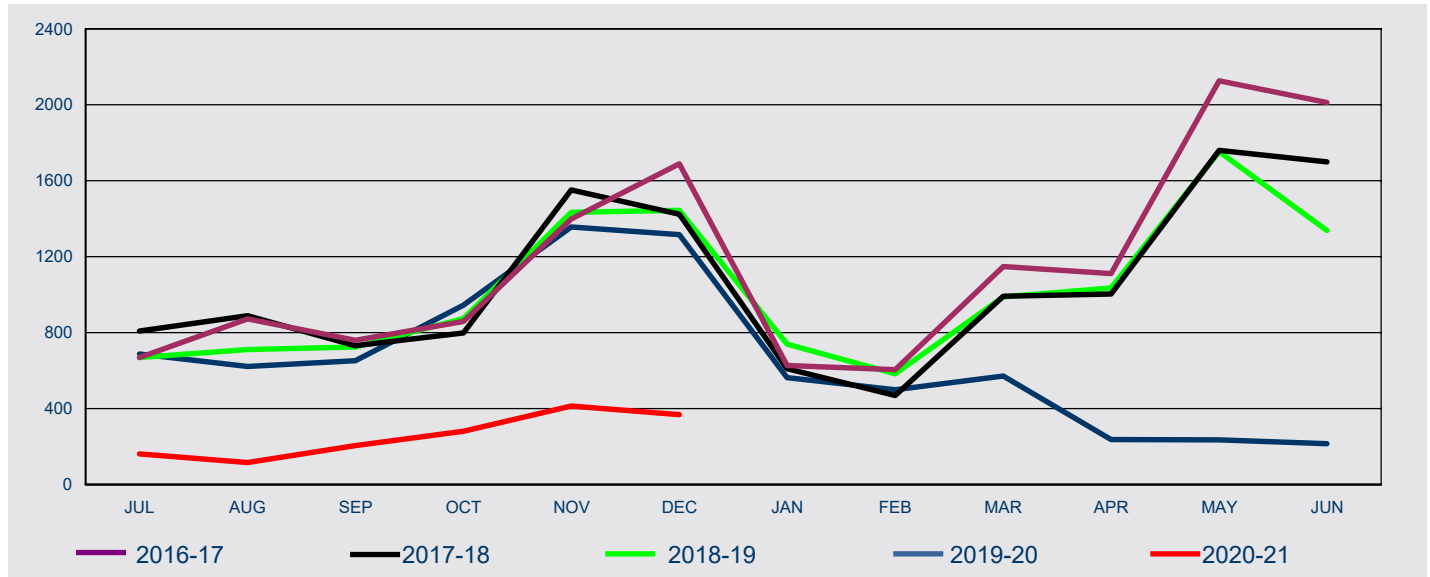
1.11 Number of student visa applications lodged for Postgraduate Research Sector in 2020-21 to 31 December 2020 by client location and month - comparison with previous four financial years



FY Lodged	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Total
In Australia													
2016-17	241	420	328	228	217	173	268	442	447	213	235	201	3,413
2017-18	232	385	329	257	238	267	346	366	509	272	256	259	3,716
2018-19	327	424	374	363	321	271	426	500	532	316	353	279	4,486
2019-20	375	512	452	405	372	413	443	510	652	302	305	287	5,028
2020-21	329	497	412	356	317	390							2,301
Outside Australia													
2016-17	629	576	420	393	548	748	950	693	671	487	662	657	7,434
2017-18	714	679	430	416	713	834	1,059	630	543	513	662	679	7,872
2018-19	896	737	444	521	756	970	925	587	533	634	682	662	8,347
2019-20	819	618	512	477	773	983	868	664	425	170	231	222	6,762
2020-21	267	351	338	308	505	577							2,346
All													
2016-17	870	996	748	621	765	921	1,218	1,135	1,118	700	897	858	10,847
2017-18	946	1,064	759	673	951	1,101	1,405	996	1,052	785	918	938	11,588
2018-19	1,223	1,161	818	884	1,077	1,241	1,351	1,087	1,065	950	1,035	941	12,833
2019-20	1,194	1,130	964	882	1,145	1,396	1,311	1,174	1,077	472	536	509	11,790
2020-21	596	848	750	664	822	967							4,647

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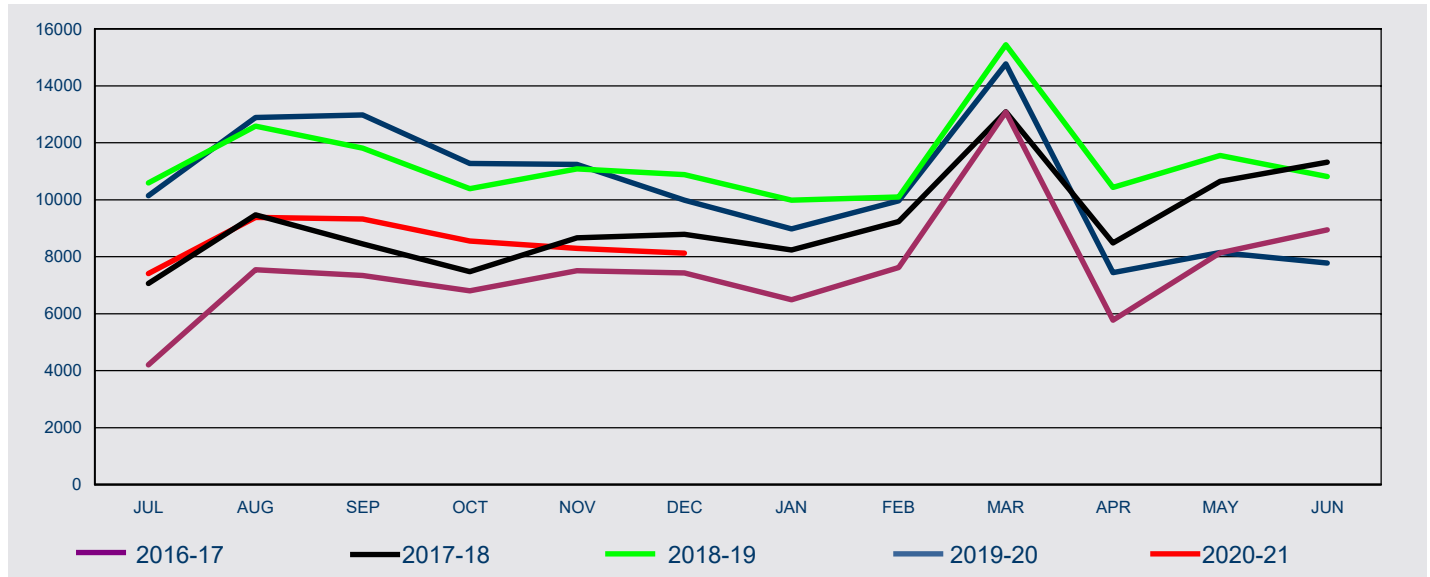
1.12 Number of student visa applications lodged for Schools Sector in 2020-21 to 31 December 2020 by client location and month - comparison with previous four financial years



FY Lodged	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Total
In Australia													
2016-17	61	77	88	96	101	103	98	224	207	63	53	93	1,264
2017-18	97	129	82	109	136	133	134	198	214	78	74	87	1,471
2018-19	97	131	129	150	190	126	135	257	258	91	112	97	1,773
2019-20	125	126	141	191	212	174	128	230	228	73	52	86	1,766
2020-21	69	40	64	92	140	222							627
Outside Australia													
2016-17	609	796	672	763	1,298	1,586	529	382	941	1,049	2,074	1,919	12,618
2017-18	711	761	649	689	1,415	1,291	477	271	778	925	1,686	1,613	11,266
2018-19	573	580	595	725	1,243	1,318	604	327	730	944	1,641	1,241	10,521
2019-20	562	497	511	753	1,145	1,142	435	270	343	165	184	130	6,137
2020-21	93	76	141	189	273	147							919
All													
2016-17	670	873	760	859	1,399	1,689	627	606	1,148	1,112	2,127	2,012	13,882
2017-18	808	890	731	798	1,551	1,424	611	469	992	1,003	1,760	1,700	12,737
2018-19	670	711	724	875	1,433	1,444	739	584	988	1,035	1,753	1,338	12,294
2019-20	687	623	652	944	1,357	1,316	563	500	571	238	236	216	7,903
2020-21	162	116	205	281	413	369							1,546

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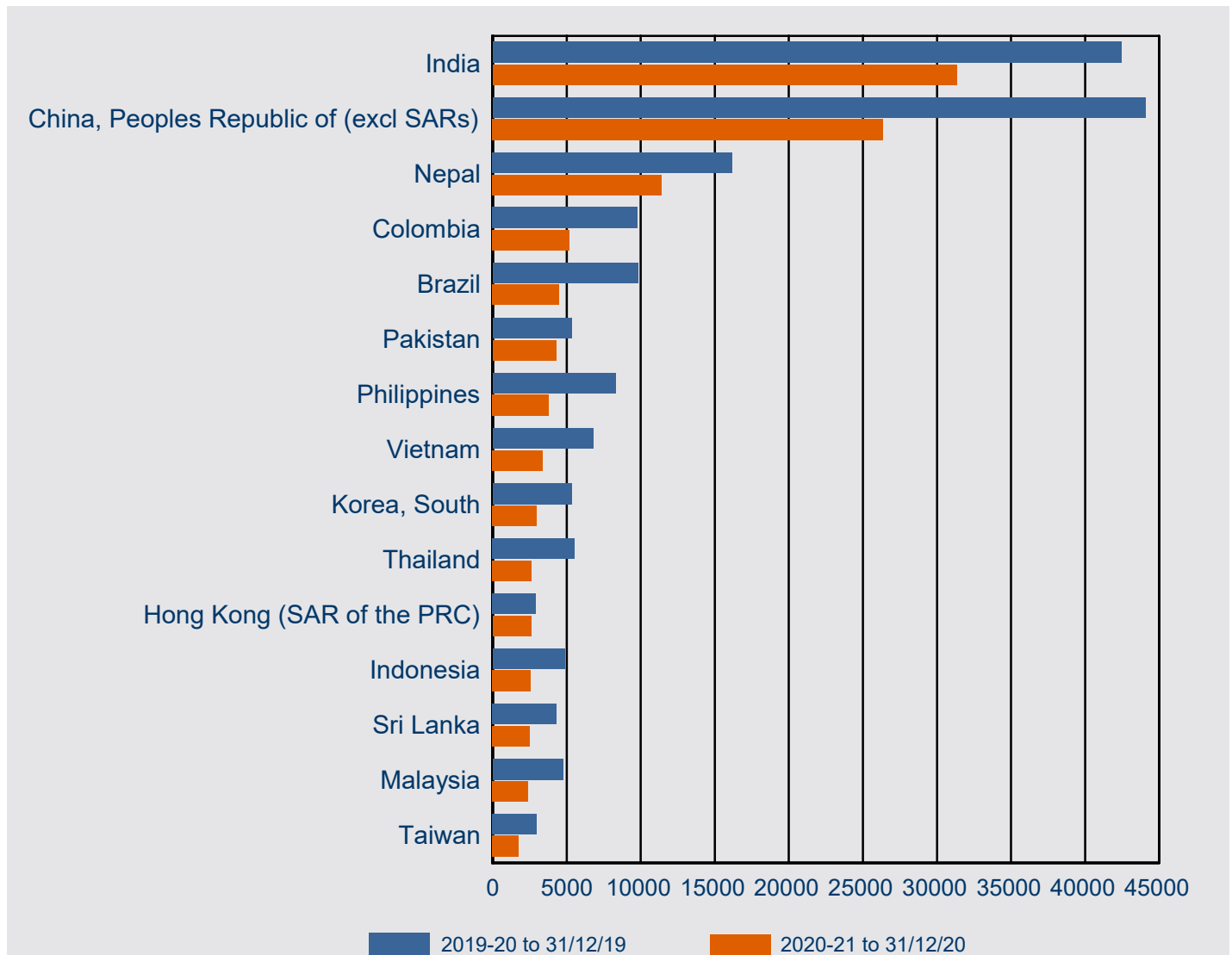
1.13 Number of student visa applications lodged for Vocational Education and Training Sector in 2020-21 to 31 December 2020 by client location and month - comparison with previous four financial years



FY Lodged	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Total
In Australia													
2016-17	2,624	5,010	4,826	4,133	4,542	4,120	3,614	5,048	9,532	3,347	5,161	5,337	57,294
2017-18	4,397	6,704	5,833	5,149	5,742	5,067	4,378	5,861	9,626	5,177	6,393	6,078	70,405
2018-19	5,770	7,684	7,364	6,472	6,871	5,671	5,540	6,777	11,578	7,107	8,166	7,273	86,273
2019-20	7,084	9,659	9,569	8,652	8,491	7,248	6,525	7,861	12,964	7,138	7,798	7,366	100,355
2020-21	6,929	8,753	8,451	7,613	7,134	6,712							45,592
Outside Australia													
2016-17	1,576	2,530	2,511	2,673	2,963	3,315	2,872	2,571	3,548	2,424	2,978	3,603	33,564
2017-18	2,666	2,765	2,614	2,331	2,922	3,719	3,863	3,373	3,466	3,301	4,257	5,244	40,521
2018-19	4,822	4,898	4,451	3,916	4,210	5,205	4,443	3,314	3,863	3,324	3,387	3,543	49,376
2019-20	3,057	3,229	3,404	2,625	2,745	2,736	2,447	2,101	1,804	307	354	408	25,217
2020-21	475	629	877	941	1,161	1,416							5,499
All													
2016-17	4,200	7,540	7,337	6,806	7,505	7,435	6,486	7,619	13,080	5,771	8,139	8,940	90,858
2017-18	7,063	9,469	8,447	7,480	8,664	8,786	8,241	9,234	13,092	8,478	10,650	11,322	110,926
2018-19	10,592	12,582	11,815	10,388	11,081	10,876	9,983	10,091	15,441	10,431	11,553	10,816	135,649
2019-20	10,141	12,888	12,973	11,277	11,236	9,984	8,972	9,962	14,768	7,445	8,152	7,774	125,572
2020-21	7,404	9,382	9,328	8,554	8,295	8,128							51,091

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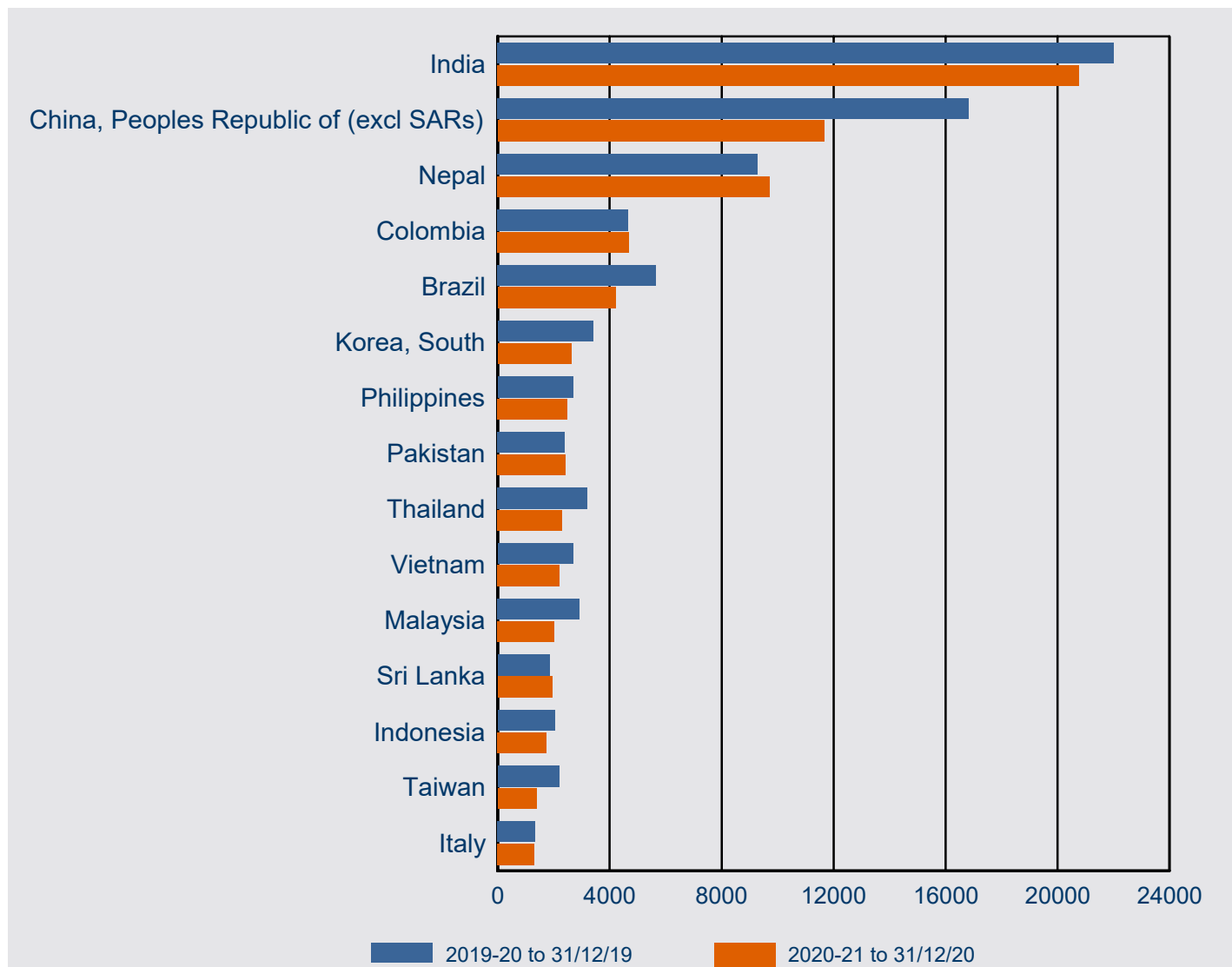
1.14 Number of student visa applications lodged in 2020-21 to 31 December 2020 by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year



Citizenship Country	2019-20 to 31/12/19	2020-21 to 31/12/20	% Change from 2019-20	2020-21 as % of Total
India	42,443	31,319	-26.2%	23.5%
China, Peoples Republic of (excl SARs)	44,060	26,368	-40.2%	19.8%
Nepal	16,193	11,393	-29.6%	8.6%
Colombia	9,786	5,188	-47.0%	3.9%
Brazil	9,817	4,473	-54.4%	3.4%
Pakistan	5,345	4,301	-19.5%	3.2%
Philippines	8,301	3,800	-54.2%	2.9%
Vietnam	6,775	3,382	-50.1%	2.5%
Korea, South	5,341	2,978	-44.2%	2.2%
Thailand	5,525	2,629	-52.4%	2.0%
Hong Kong (SAR of the PRC)	2,899	2,599	-10.3%	2.0%
Indonesia	4,855	2,554	-47.4%	1.9%
Sri Lanka	4,319	2,505	-42.0%	1.9%
Malaysia	4,741	2,408	-49.2%	1.8%
Taiwan	2,981	1,756	-41.1%	1.3%
Other countries	53,322	25,486	-52.2%	19.1%
Total	226,703	133,139	-41.3%	100.0%

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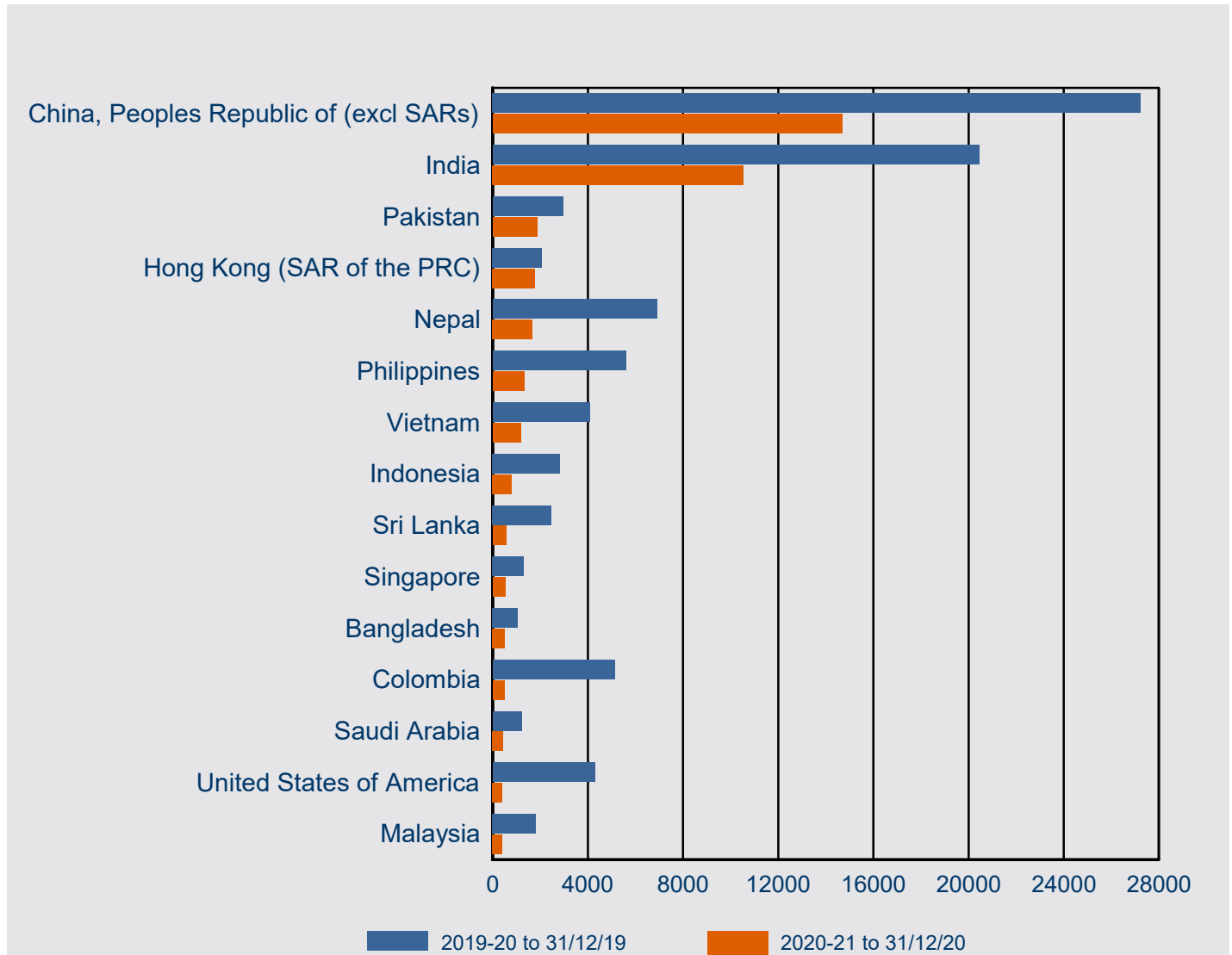
1.15 Number of student visa applications lodged in 2020-21 to 31 December 2020 where the client was In Australia by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year



Citizenship Country	2019-20 to 31/12/19	2020-21 to 31/12/20	% Change from 2019-20	2020-21 as % of Total
India	22,002	20,770	-5.6%	23.1%
China, Peoples Republic of (excl SARs)	16,828	11,669	-30.7%	13.0%
Nepal	9,290	9,726	4.7%	10.8%
Colombia	4,656	4,692	0.8%	5.2%
Brazil	5,643	4,217	-25.3%	4.7%
Korea, South	3,399	2,614	-23.1%	2.9%
Philippines	2,689	2,482	-7.7%	2.8%
Pakistan	2,393	2,423	1.3%	2.7%
Thailand	3,201	2,298	-28.2%	2.6%
Vietnam	2,687	2,207	-17.9%	2.5%
Malaysia	2,928	2,011	-31.3%	2.2%
Sri Lanka	1,852	1,944	5.0%	2.2%
Indonesia	2,036	1,749	-14.1%	1.9%
Taiwan	2,183	1,385	-36.6%	1.5%
Italy	1,334	1,307	-2.0%	1.5%
Other countries	18,810	18,353	-2.4%	20.4%
In Australia Total	101,931	89,847	-11.9%	100.0%

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1.16 Number of student visa applications lodged in 2020-21 to 31 December 2020 where the client was Outside Australia by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year

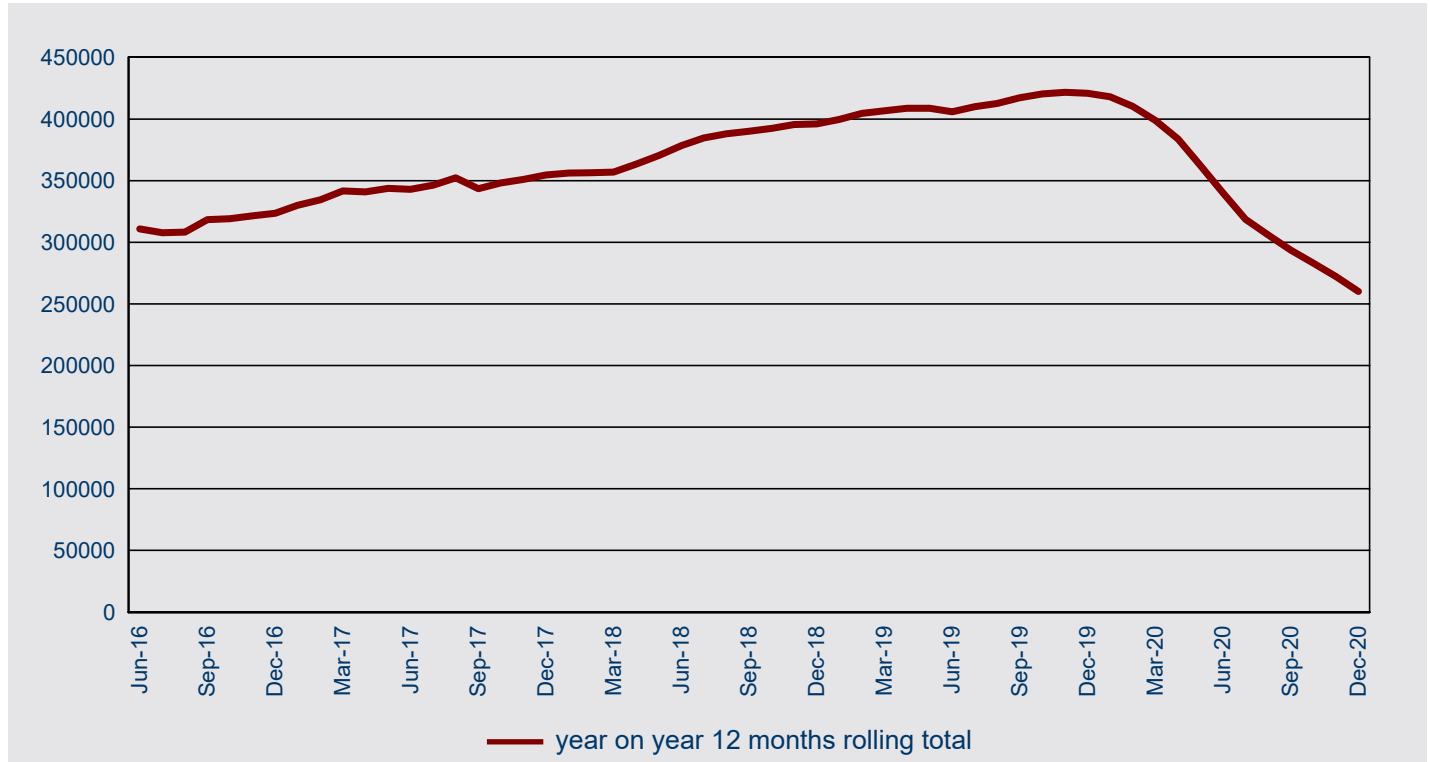


Citizenship Country	2019-20 to 31/12/19	2020-21 to 31/12/20	% Change from 2019-20	2020-21 as % of Total
China, Peoples Republic of (excl SARs)	27,232	14,699	-46.0%	34.0%
India	20,441	10,549	-48.4%	24.4%
Pakistan	2,952	1,878	-36.4%	4.3%
Hong Kong (SAR of the PRC)	2,064	1,776	-14.0%	4.1%
Nepal	6,903	1,667	-75.9%	3.9%
Philippines	5,612	1,318	-76.5%	3.0%
Vietnam	4,088	1,175	-71.3%	2.7%
Indonesia	2,819	805	-71.4%	1.9%
Sri Lanka	2,467	561	-77.3%	1.3%
Singapore	1,315	530	-59.7%	1.2%
Bangladesh	1,063	514	-51.6%	1.2%
Colombia	5,130	496	-90.3%	1.1%
Saudi Arabia	1,210	438	-63.8%	1.0%
United States of America	4,304	400	-90.7%	0.9%
Malaysia	1,813	397	-78.1%	0.9%
Other countries	35,359	6,089	-82.8%	14.1%
Outside Australia Total	124,772	43,292	-65.3%	100.0%

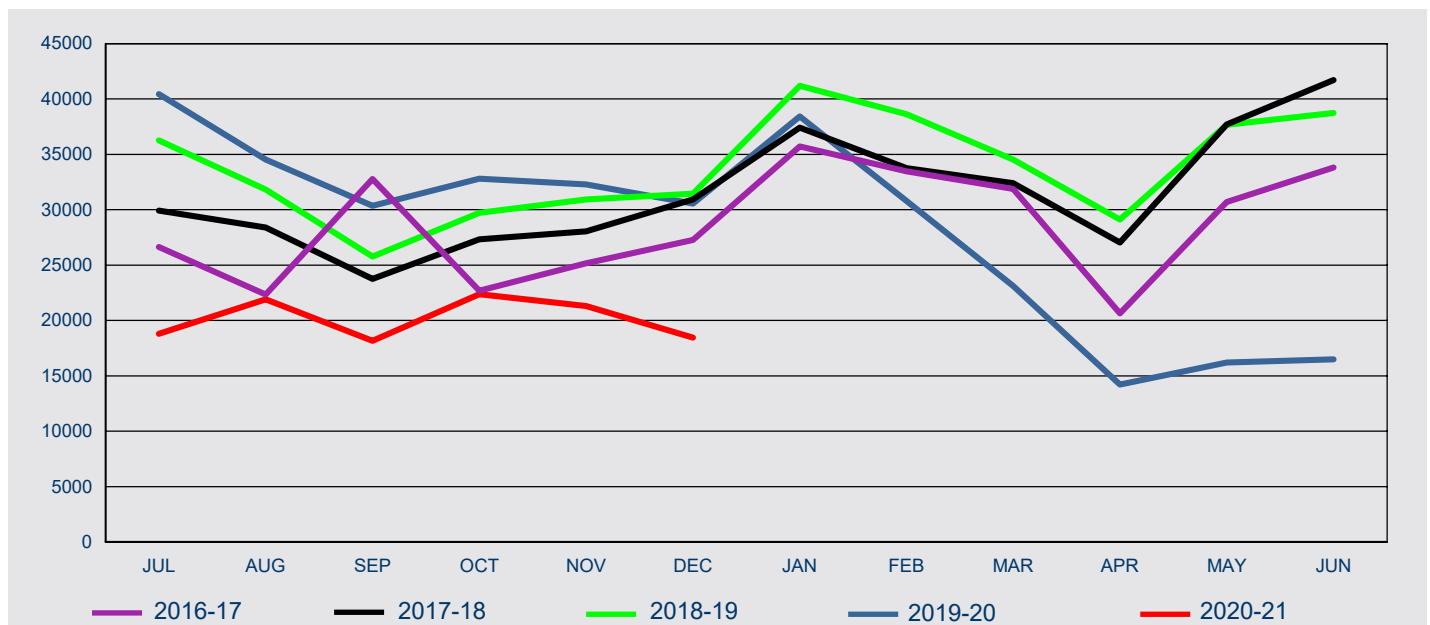
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2.01 Number of student visa applications granted by month - year on year 12 months rolling total



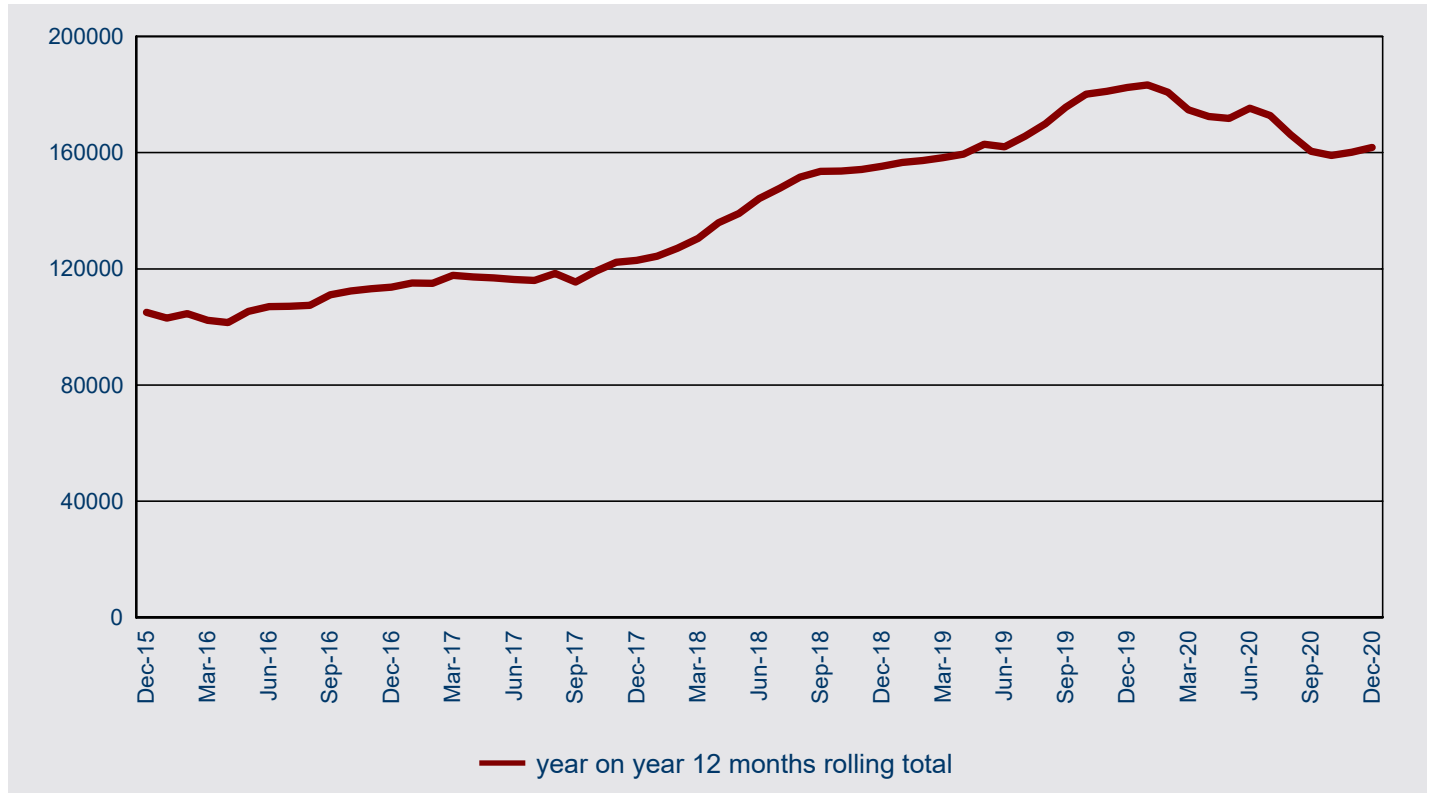
2.02 Number of student visa applications granted in 2020-21 to 31 December 2020 by month - comparison with previous four financial years



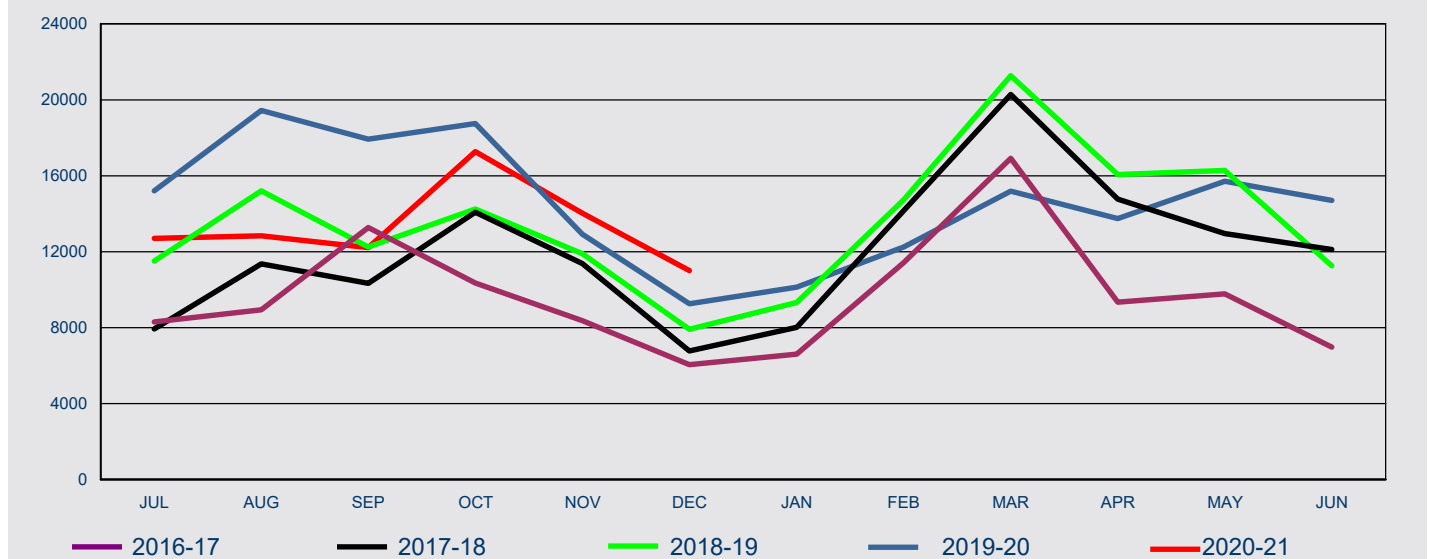
FY Granted	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Total
2016-17	26,627	22,336	32,756	22,675	25,157	27,273	35,707	33,475	31,885	20,652	30,687	33,805	343,035
2017-18	29,909	28,385	23,754	27,323	28,045	30,925	37,401	33,744	32,384	27,032	37,696	41,694	378,292
2018-19	36,252	31,832	25,772	29,726	30,919	31,446	41,171	38,604	34,514	29,116	37,659	38,731	405,742
2019-20	40,436	34,518	30,360	32,811	32,293	30,555	38,413	30,771	23,102	14,199	16,206	16,488	340,152
2020-21	18,789	21,895	18,170	22,368	21,298	18,442							120,962

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



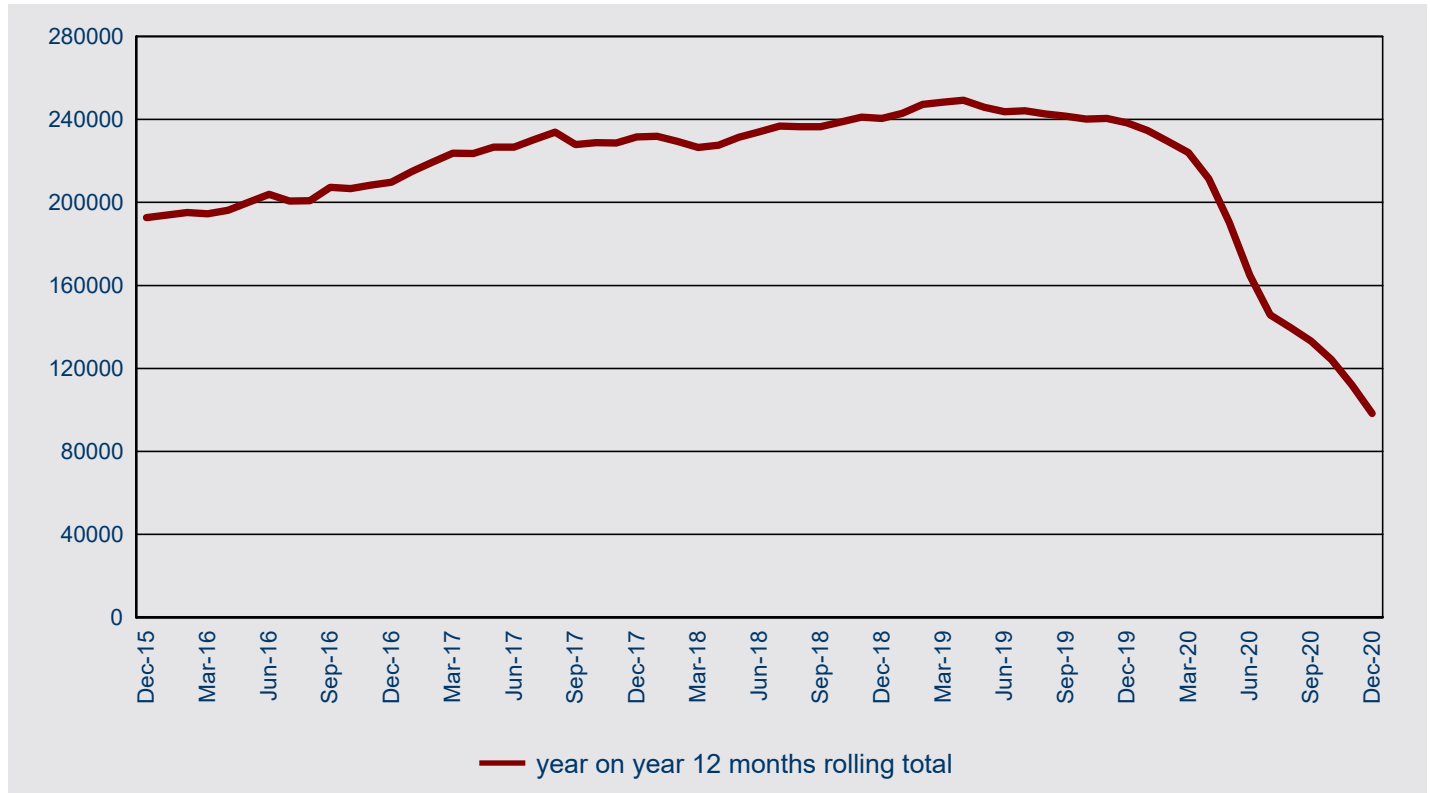
2.04 Number of student visa applications granted in 2020-21 to 31 December 2020 by month where the client was In Australia - comparison with previous four financial years



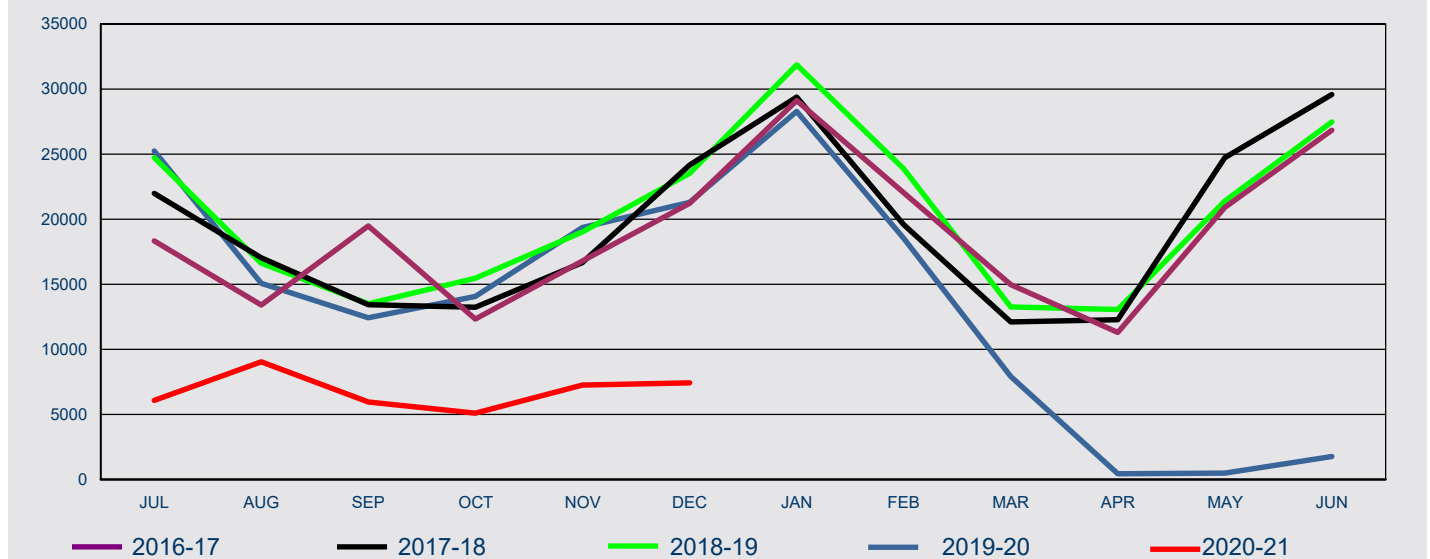
FY Granted	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Total
2016-17	8,308	8,936	13,269	10,349	8,371	6,047	6,605	11,436	16,923	9,350	9,785	6,979	116,358
2017-18	7,938	11,355	10,335	14,090	11,385	6,773	8,020	14,159	20,281	14,764	12,963	12,119	144,182
2018-19	11,519	15,208	12,259	14,257	11,902	7,915	9,322	14,743	21,266	16,064	16,279	11,268	162,002
2019-20	15,210	19,444	17,934	18,746	12,930	9,267	10,140	12,250	15,186	13,751	15,718	14,710	175,286
2020-21	12,704	12,846	12,224	17,278	14,032	11,006							80,090

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



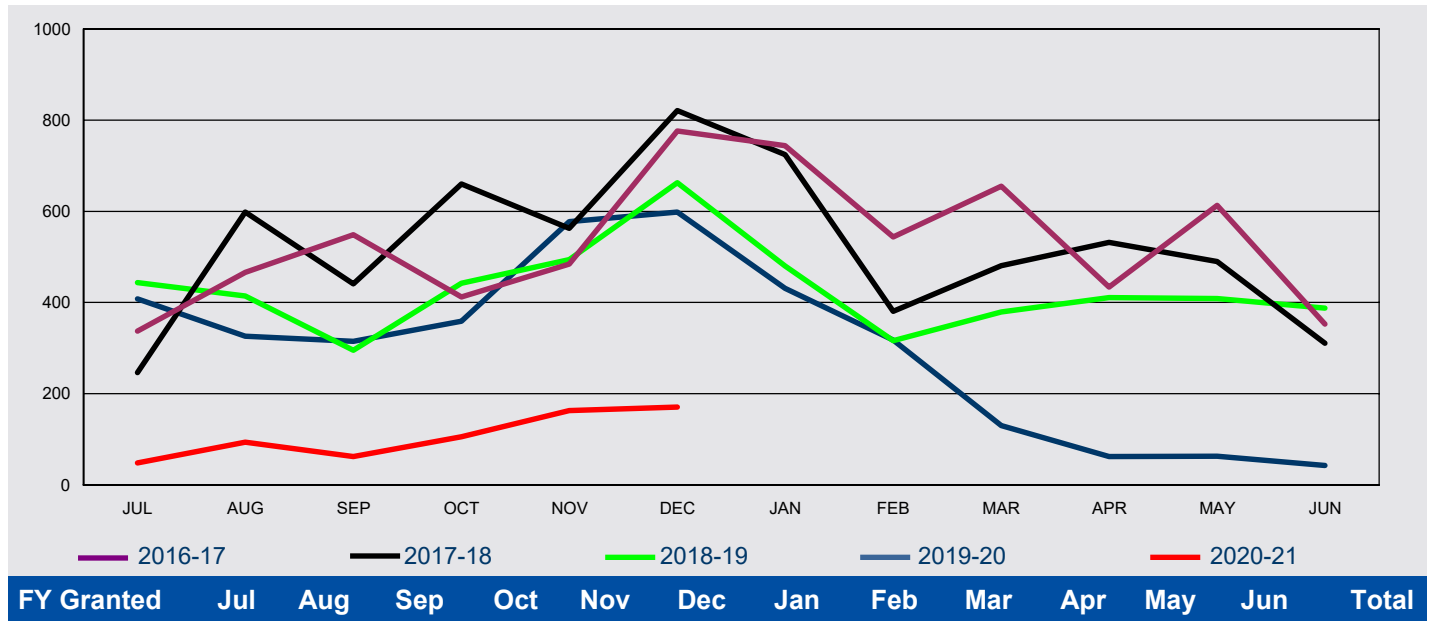
2.06 Number of student visa applications granted in 2020-21 to 31 December 2020 by month where the client was Outside Australia - comparison with previous four financial years



FY Granted	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Total
2016-17	18,319	13,400	19,487	12,326	16,786	21,226	29,102	22,039	14,962	11,302	20,902	26,826	226,677
2017-18	21,971	17,030	13,419	13,233	16,660	24,152	29,381	19,585	12,103	12,268	24,733	29,575	234,110
2018-19	24,733	16,624	13,513	15,469	19,017	23,531	31,849	23,861	13,248	13,052	21,380	27,463	243,740
2019-20	25,226	15,074	12,426	14,065	19,363	21,288	28,273	18,521	7,916	448	488	1,778	164,866
2020-21	6,085	9,049	5,946	5,090	7,266	7,436							40,872

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2.07 Number of visa applications granted for Foreign Affairs or Defence Sector in 2020-21 to 31 December 2020 by client location and month - comparison with previous four financial years



In Australia

2016-17	32	39	46	28	43	19	25	29	50	19	33	15	378
2017-18	22	36	29	22	27	11	20	41	45	47	23	29	352
2018-19	28	62	24	22	17	15	15	51	44	51	23	21	373
2019-20	24	32	47	27	17	10	20	20	18	60	59	40	374
2020-21	24	65	47	56	61	31							284

Outside Australia

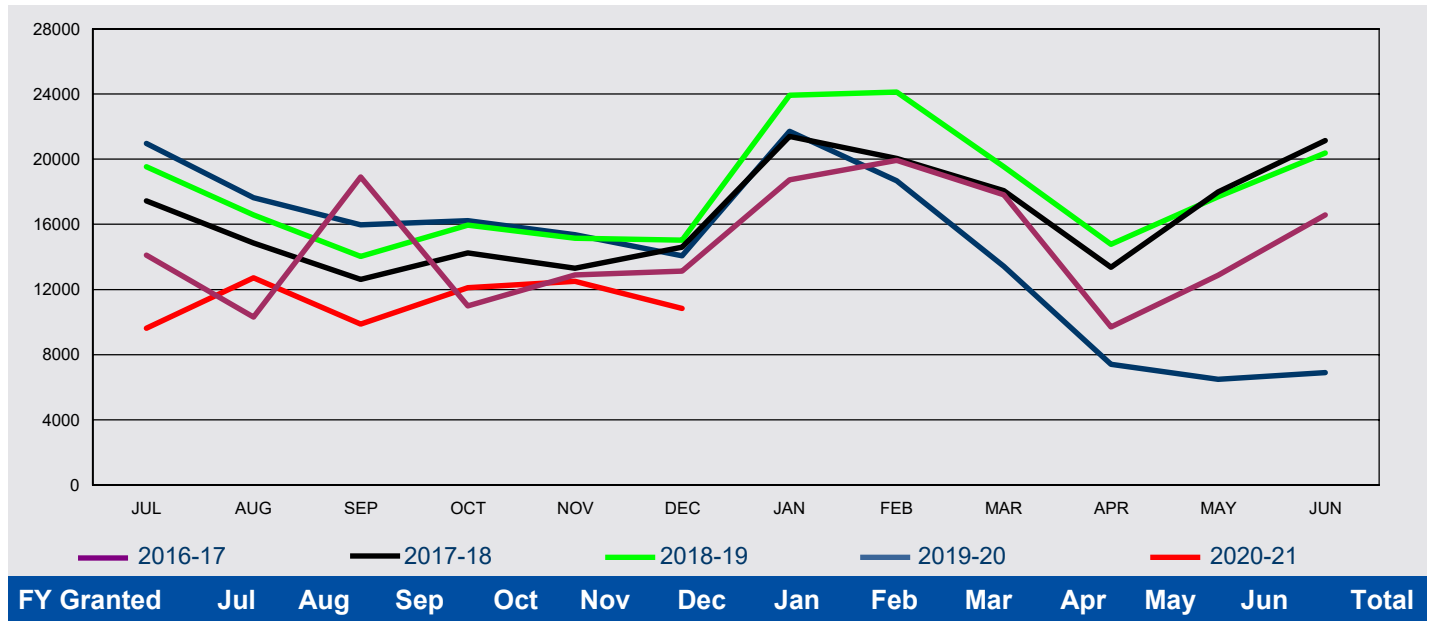
2016-17	305	427	503	384	441	757	719	515	605	415	580	338	5,989
2017-18	224	562	412	638	536	810	704	340	436	485	467	282	5,896
2018-19	416	352	271	420	477	648	465	265	335	360	386	367	4,762
2019-20	384	294	268	332	560	588	411	298	112	2	4	3	3,256
2020-21	24	29	15	50	102	140							360

All

2016-17	337	466	549	412	484	776	744	544	655	434	613	353	6,367
2017-18	246	598	441	660	563	821	724	381	481	532	490	311	6,248
2018-19	444	414	295	442	494	663	480	316	379	411	409	388	5,135
2019-20	408	326	315	359	577	598	431	318	130	62	63	43	3,630
2020-21	48	94	62	106	163	171							644

2 Granted

2.08 Number of visa applications granted for Higher Education Sector in 2020-21 to 31 December 2020 by client location and month - comparison with previous four financial years



In Australia

2016-17	2,640	4,128	6,650	4,438	2,927	2,069	2,385	5,479	10,365	4,651	3,432	2,502	51,666
2017-18	3,169	5,196	5,475	6,931	4,806	2,165	3,023	6,497	11,780	7,851	5,081	3,844	65,818
2018-19	4,360	7,937	6,696	7,111	4,617	2,468	3,267	6,612	12,588	8,174	6,904	3,892	74,626
2019-20	5,013	9,176	9,494	8,874	4,273	2,783	3,514	5,592	8,833	7,072	6,165	5,272	76,061
2020-21	4,448	5,228	5,294	8,214	6,619	4,646							34,449

Outside Australia

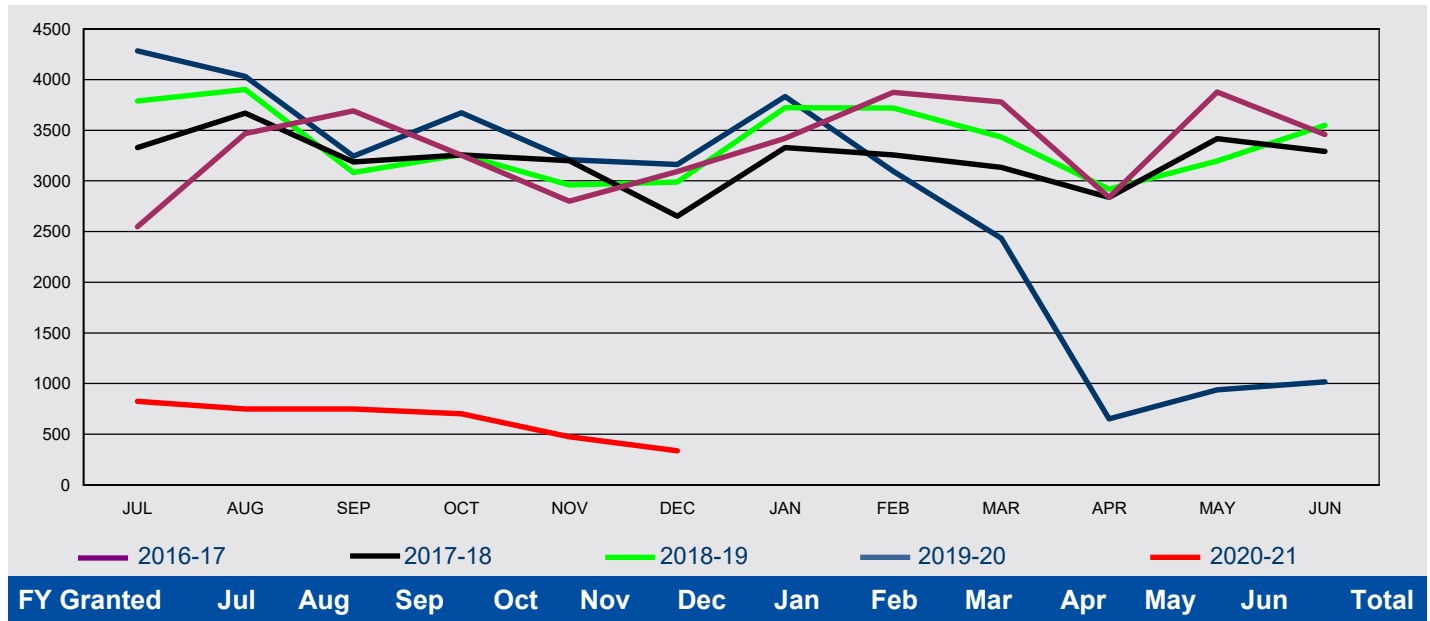
2016-17	11,462	6,170	12,266	6,555	9,968	11,055	16,338	14,453	7,454	5,046	9,448	14,074	124,289
2017-18	14,277	9,666	7,143	7,320	8,503	12,430	18,383	13,553	6,295	5,518	12,911	17,299	133,298
2018-19	15,175	8,638	7,343	8,844	10,536	12,567	20,662	17,510	6,949	6,594	10,790	16,490	142,098
2019-20	15,949	8,452	6,469	7,343	11,094	11,288	18,197	13,075	4,598	328	325	1,635	98,753
2020-21	5,180	7,487	4,591	3,894	5,888	6,181							33,221

All

2016-17	14,102	10,298	18,916	10,993	12,895	13,124	18,723	19,932	17,819	9,697	12,880	16,576	175,955
2017-18	17,446	14,862	12,618	14,251	13,309	14,595	21,406	20,050	18,075	13,369	17,992	21,143	199,116
2018-19	19,535	16,575	14,039	15,955	15,153	15,035	23,929	24,122	19,537	14,768	17,694	20,382	216,724
2019-20	20,962	17,628	15,963	16,217	15,367	14,071	21,711	18,667	13,431	7,400	6,490	6,907	174,814
2020-21	9,628	12,715	9,885	12,108	12,507	10,827							67,670

2 Granted

2.09 Number of visa applications granted for Independent ELICOS Sector in 2020-21 to 31 December 2020 by client location and month - comparison with previous four financial years



In Australia

2016-17	500	455	960	819	751	519	452	841	683	468	783	561	7,792
2017-18	618	744	630	902	706	440	552	1,005	979	676	783	953	8,988
2018-19	811	768	670	699	724	639	713	951	979	732	738	816	9,240
2019-20	937	1,052	718	883	901	768	630	664	570	646	936	1,012	9,717
2020-21	687	618	559	495	356	254							2,969

Outside Australia

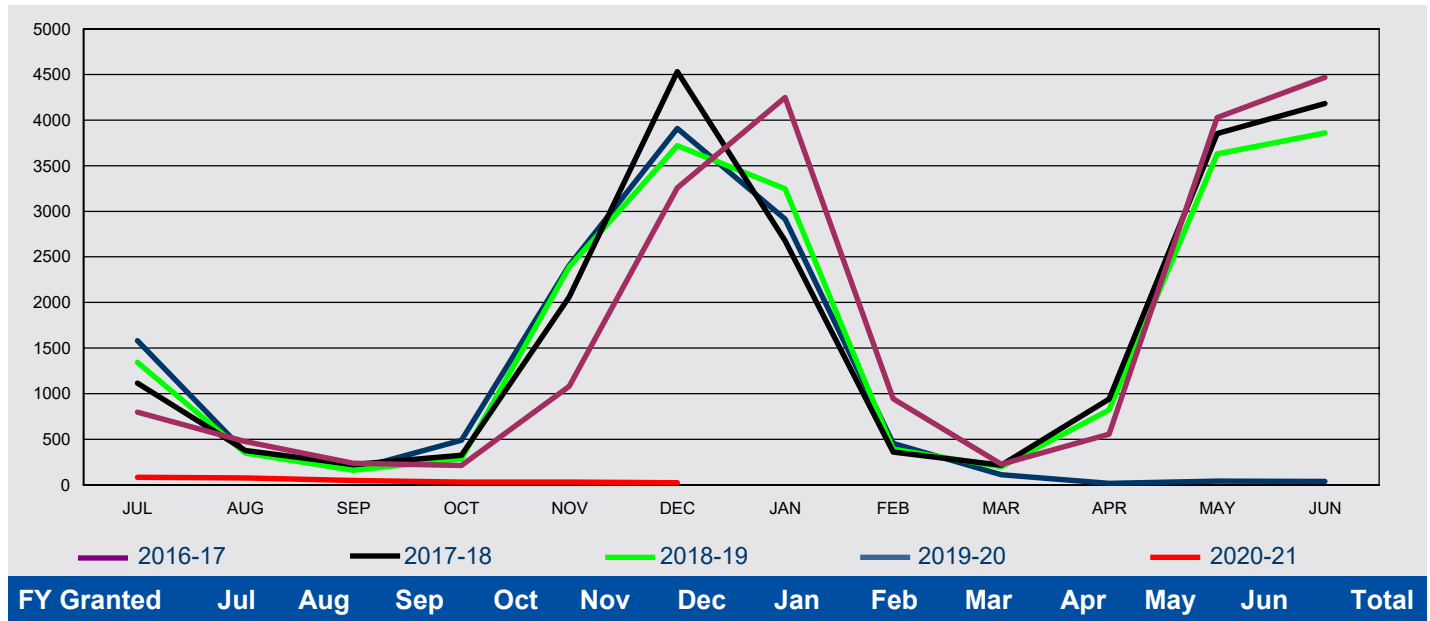
2016-17	2,048	3,012	2,730	2,434	2,049	2,575	2,969	3,033	3,095	2,368	3,094	2,897	32,304
2017-18	2,712	2,924	2,557	2,355	2,495	2,213	2,775	2,250	2,155	2,161	2,634	2,337	29,568
2018-19	2,976	3,135	2,412	2,561	2,236	2,350	3,009	2,767	2,454	2,186	2,458	2,732	31,276
2019-20	3,346	2,978	2,525	2,789	2,307	2,395	3,201	2,432	1,864	6	4	4	23,851
2020-21	139	130	190	206	119	82							866

All

2016-17	2,548	3,467	3,690	3,253	2,800	3,094	3,421	3,874	3,778	2,836	3,877	3,458	40,096
2017-18	3,330	3,668	3,187	3,257	3,201	2,653	3,327	3,255	3,134	2,837	3,417	3,290	38,568
2018-19	3,787	3,903	3,082	3,260	2,960	2,989	3,722	3,718	3,433	2,918	3,196	3,548	40,516
2019-20	4,283	4,030	3,243	3,672	3,208	3,163	3,831	3,096	2,434	652	940	1,016	33,568
2020-21	826	748	749	701	475	336							3,835

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2.10 Number of visa applications granted for Non-Award Sector in 2020-21 to 31 December 2020 by client location and month - comparison with previous four financial years



In Australia

2016-17	38	41	48	24	32	28	35	73	47	20	39	30	455
2017-18	38	52	26	32	24	27	31	63	43	27	29	45	437
2018-19	53	51	23	17	24	40	38	37	42	35	45	26	431
2019-20	31	53	17	26	14	20	31	25	25	16	34	33	325
2020-21	24	46	16	21	13	11							131

Outside Australia

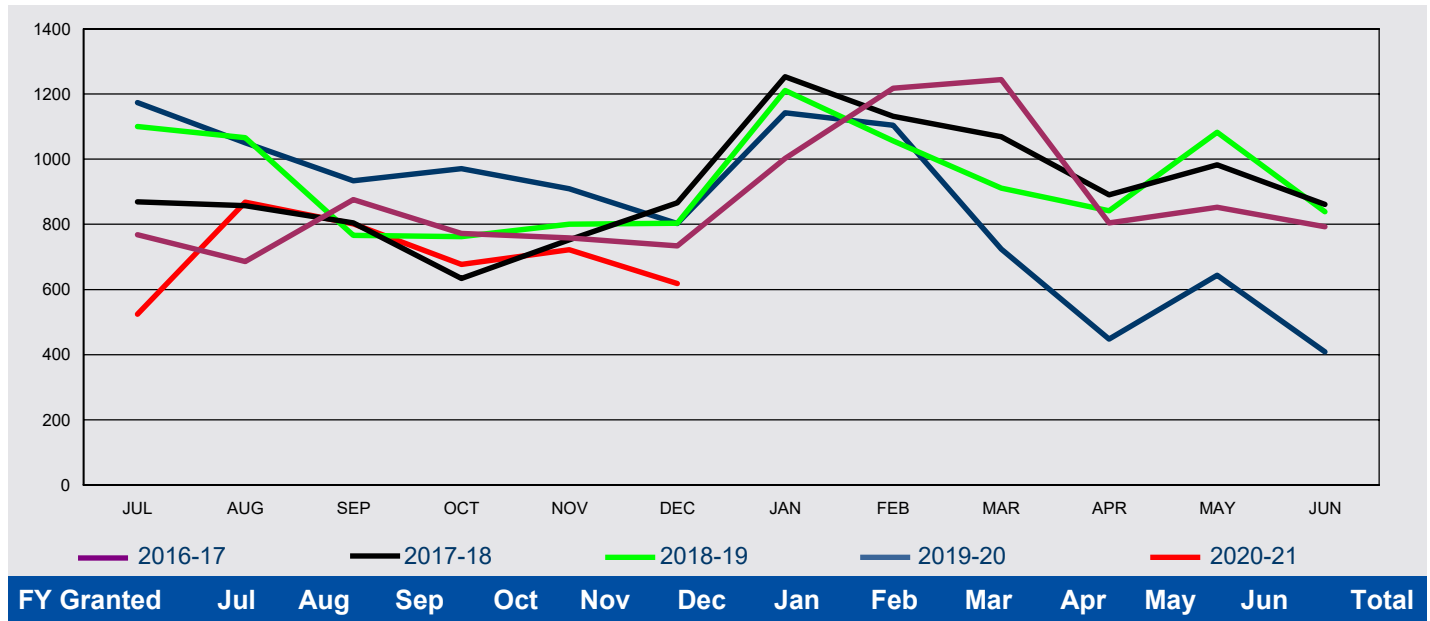
2016-17	761	436	190	189	1,050	3,229	4,212	872	180	538	3,989	4,438	20,084
2017-18	1,079	327	197	292	2,037	4,503	2,645	299	175	915	3,823	4,138	20,430
2018-19	1,289	300	139	271	2,365	3,678	3,210	356	159	787	3,582	3,832	19,968
2019-20	1,551	306	152	465	2,395	3,887	2,884	430	86	0	7	4	12,167
2020-21	59	31	32	11	18	13							164

All

2016-17	799	477	238	213	1,082	3,257	4,247	945	227	558	4,028	4,468	20,539
2017-18	1,117	379	223	324	2,061	4,530	2,676	362	218	942	3,852	4,183	20,867
2018-19	1,342	351	162	288	2,389	3,718	3,248	393	201	822	3,627	3,858	20,399
2019-20	1,582	359	169	491	2,409	3,907	2,915	455	111	16	41	37	12,492
2020-21	83	77	48	32	31	24							295

2 Granted

2.11 Number of visa applications granted for Postgraduate Research Sector in 2020-21 to 31 December 2020 by client location and month - comparison with previous four financial years



In Australia

2016-17	267	234	329	313	300	194	176	313	428	252	251	194	3,251
2017-18	273	238	273	266	321	197	248	376	489	345	380	310	3,716
2018-19	364	310	268	346	307	213	279	383	451	370	400	294	3,985
2019-20	422	473	421	494	343	272	234	352	366	427	579	376	4,759
2020-21	322	385	391	364	343	204							2,009

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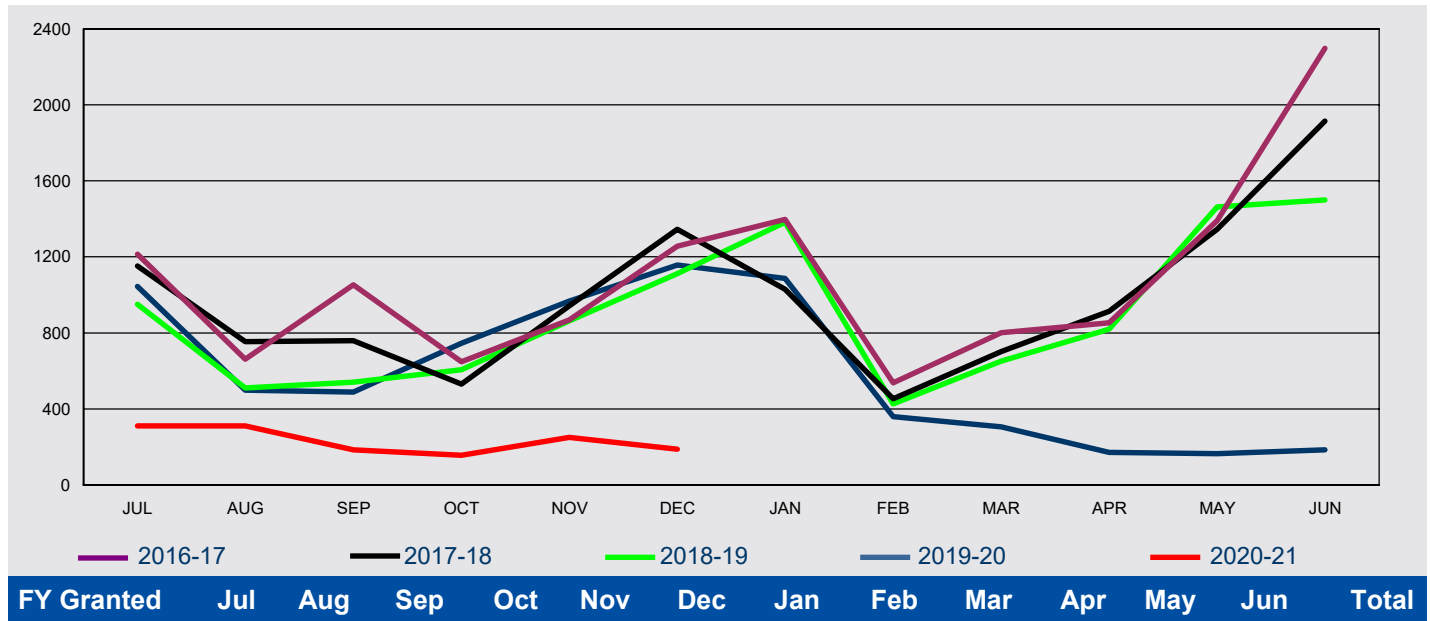
2016-17	501	452	547	459	458	540	826	905	816	552	601	599	7,256
2017-18	596	619	531	368	431	669	1,005	756	580	546	603	551	7,255
2018-19	736	756	498	416	493	590	932	673	460	472	683	545	7,254
2019-20	752	577	513	477	566	530	908	752	358	21	65	33	5,552
2020-21	202	483	410	313	379	414							2,201

All

2016-17	768	686	876	772	758	734	1,002	1,218	1,244	804	852	793	10,507
2017-18	869	857	804	634	752	866	1,253	1,132	1,069	891	983	861	10,971
2018-19	1,100	1,066	766	762	800	803	1,211	1,056	911	842	1,083	839	11,239
2019-20	1,174	1,050	934	971	909	802	1,142	1,104	724	448	644	409	10,311
2020-21	524	868	801	677	722	618							4,210

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2.12 Number of visa applications granted for Schools Sector in 2020-21 to 31 December 2020 by client location and month - comparison with previous four financial years



In Australia

2016-17	68	56	63	81	81	85	62	153	167	103	108	68	1,095
2017-18	92	101	85	55	84	54	124	140	221	185	117	140	1,398
2018-19	121	73	77	87	112	95	155	144	220	184	185	95	1,548
2019-20	133	124	115	150	125	117	159	146	135	133	135	130	1,602
2020-21	105	106	73	76	69	77							506

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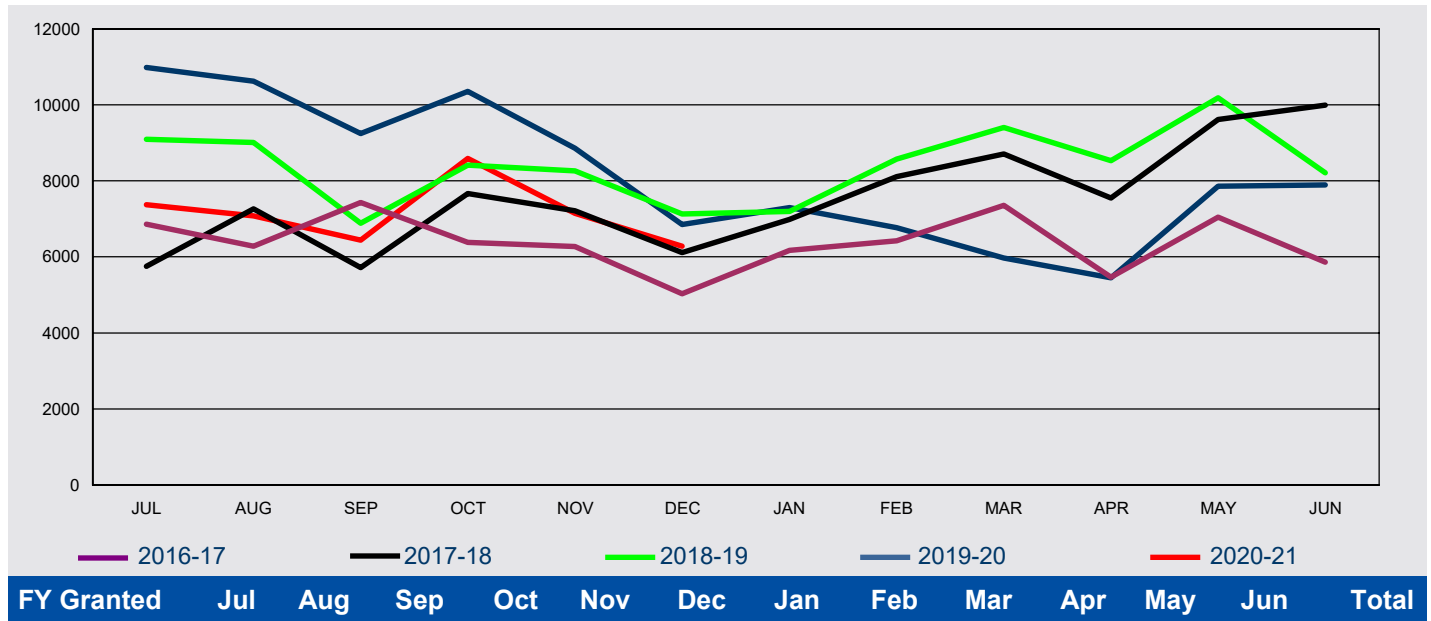
2016-17	1,146	605	990	567	788	1,172	1,336	384	635	751	1,283	2,229	11,886
2017-18	1,060	653	674	476	859	1,292	906	314	481	729	1,229	1,774	10,447
2018-19	830	438	464	519	751	1,017	1,227	282	431	635	1,277	1,405	9,276
2019-20	911	375	374	595	842	1,041	928	213	170	38	29	54	5,570
2020-21	205	204	112	80	182	111							894

All

2016-17	1,214	661	1,053	648	869	1,257	1,398	537	802	854	1,391	2,297	12,981
2017-18	1,152	754	759	531	943	1,346	1,030	454	702	914	1,346	1,914	11,845
2018-19	951	511	541	606	863	1,112	1,382	426	651	819	1,462	1,500	10,824
2019-20	1,044	499	489	745	967	1,158	1,087	359	305	171	164	184	7,172
2020-21	310	310	185	156	251	188							1,400

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2.13 Number of visa applications granted for Vocational Education and Training Sector in 2020-21 to 31 December 2020 by client location and month - comparison with previous four financial years



In Australia

2016-17	4,763	3,983	5,173	4,646	4,237	3,133	3,470	4,548	5,183	3,837	5,139	3,609	51,721
2017-18	3,726	4,988	3,817	5,882	5,417	3,879	4,022	6,037	6,724	5,633	6,550	6,798	63,473
2018-19	5,782	6,007	4,501	5,975	6,101	4,445	4,855	6,565	6,942	6,518	7,984	6,124	71,799
2019-20	8,650	8,534	7,122	8,292	7,257	5,297	5,552	5,451	5,239	5,397	7,810	7,847	82,448
2020-21	7,094	6,398	5,844	8,052	6,571	5,783							39,742

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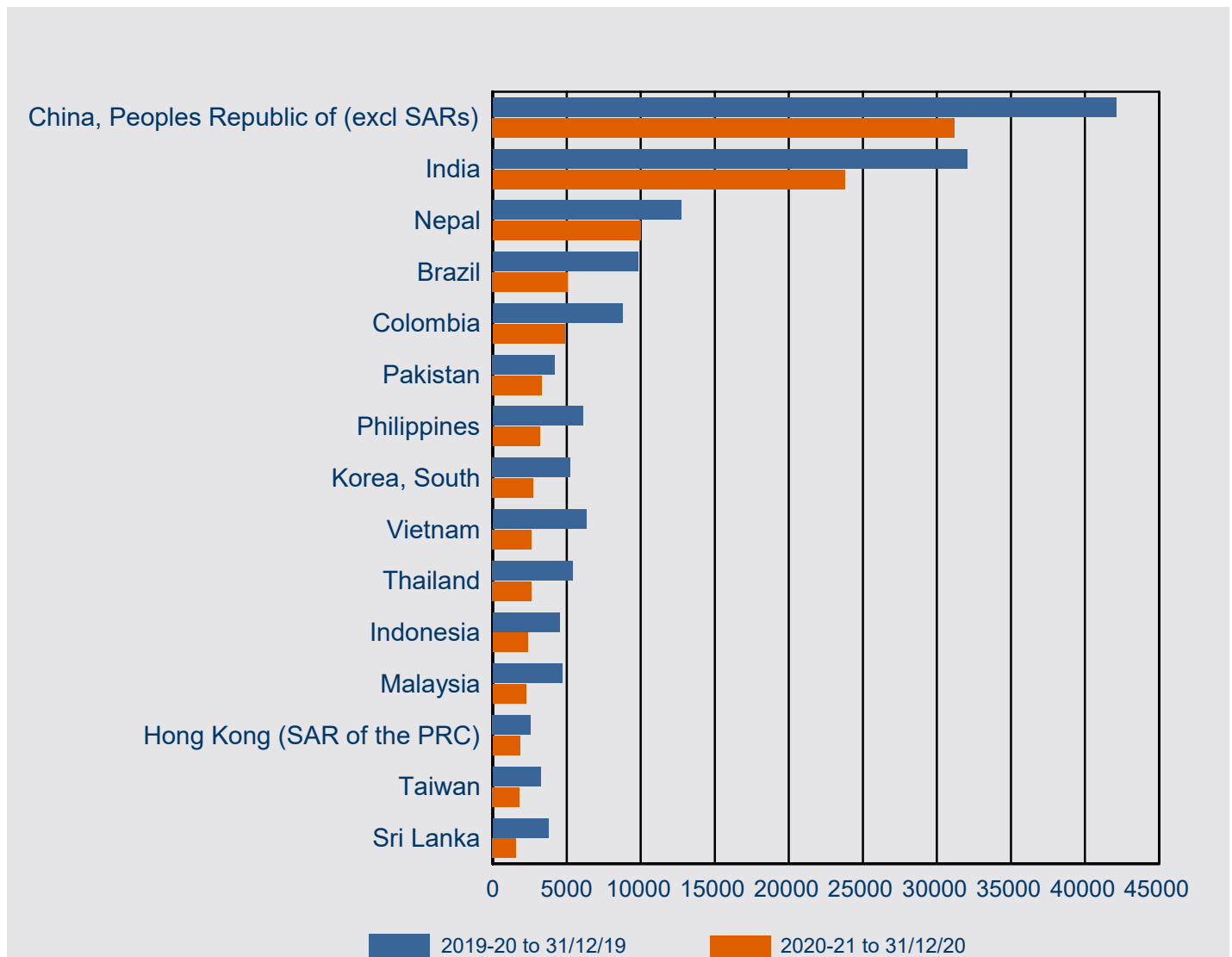
2016-17	2,096	2,298	2,261	1,738	2,032	1,898	2,702	1,877	2,177	1,632	1,907	2,251	24,869
2017-18	2,023	2,279	1,905	1,784	1,799	2,235	2,963	2,073	1,981	1,914	3,066	3,194	27,216
2018-19	3,311	3,005	2,386	2,438	2,159	2,681	2,344	2,008	2,460	2,018	2,204	2,092	29,106
2019-20	2,333	2,092	2,125	2,064	1,599	1,559	1,744	1,321	728	53	54	45	15,717
2020-21	276	685	596	536	578	495							3,166

All

2016-17	6,859	6,281	7,434	6,384	6,269	5,031	6,172	6,425	7,360	5,469	7,046	5,860	76,590
2017-18	5,749	7,267	5,722	7,666	7,216	6,114	6,985	8,110	8,705	7,547	9,616	9,992	90,689
2018-19	9,093	9,012	6,887	8,413	8,260	7,126	7,199	8,573	9,402	8,536	10,188	8,216	100,905
2019-20	10,983	10,626	9,247	10,356	8,856	6,856	7,296	6,772	5,967	5,450	7,864	7,892	98,165
2020-21	7,370	7,083	6,440	8,588	7,149	6,278							42,908

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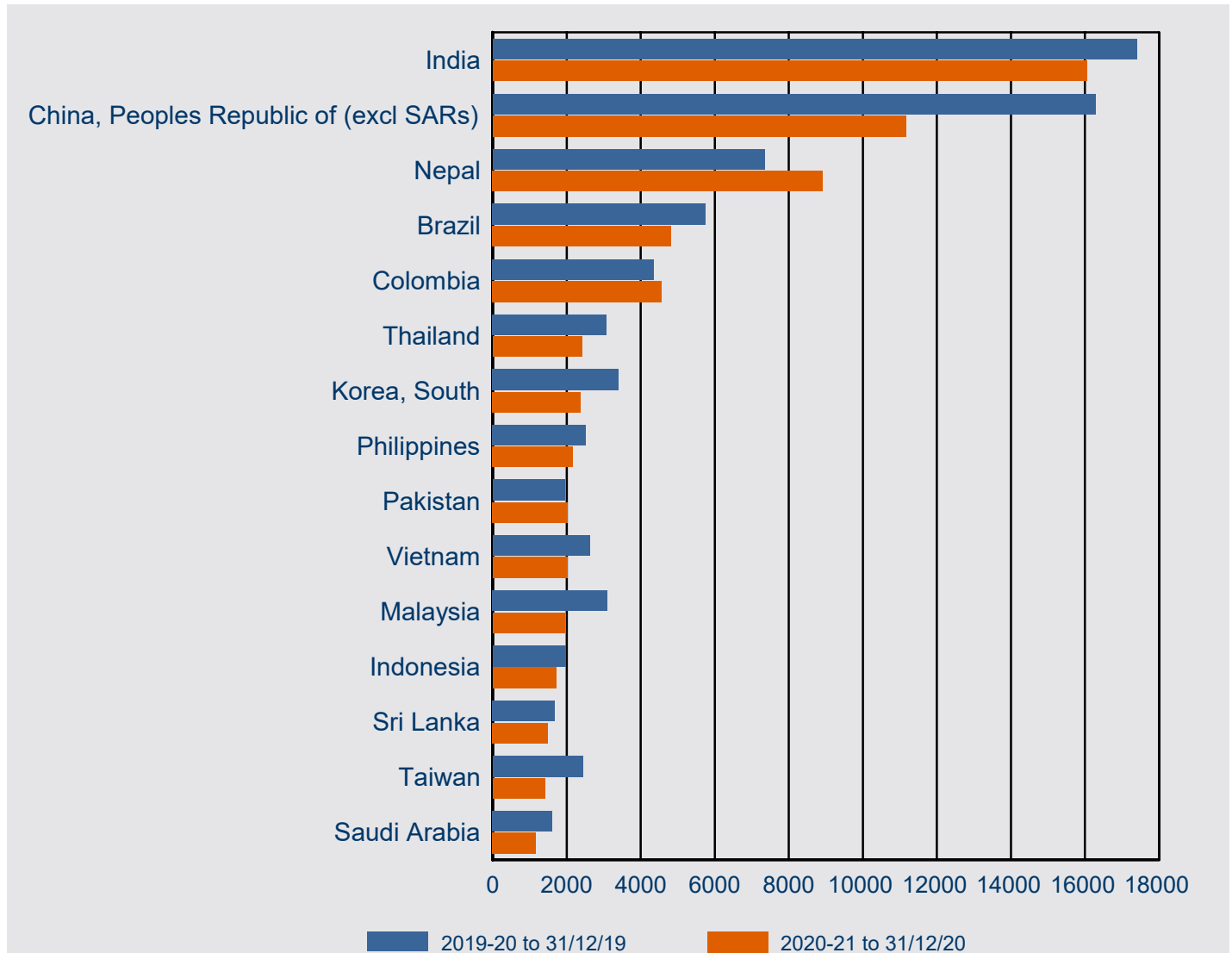
2.14 Number of student visa applications granted in 2020-21 to 31 December 2020 by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year



Citizenship Country	2019-20 to 31/12/19	2020-21 to 31/12/20	% Change from 2019-20	2020-21 as % of Total
China, Peoples Republic of (excl SARs)	42,088	31,181	-25.9%	25.8%
India	32,035	23,758	-25.8%	19.6%
Nepal	12,720	9,985	-21.5%	8.3%
Brazil	9,809	5,060	-48.4%	4.2%
Colombia	8,750	4,852	-44.5%	4.0%
Pakistan	4,191	3,315	-20.9%	2.7%
Philippines	6,080	3,170	-47.9%	2.6%
Korea, South	5,246	2,744	-47.7%	2.3%
Vietnam	6,311	2,629	-58.3%	2.2%
Thailand	5,403	2,626	-51.4%	2.2%
Indonesia	4,517	2,353	-47.9%	1.9%
Malaysia	4,698	2,244	-52.2%	1.9%
Hong Kong (SAR of the PRC)	2,573	1,853	-28.0%	1.5%
Taiwan	3,246	1,802	-44.5%	1.5%
Sri Lanka	3,755	1,568	-58.2%	1.3%
Other countries	49,551	21,822	-56.0%	18.0%
Total	200,973	120,962	-39.8%	100.0%

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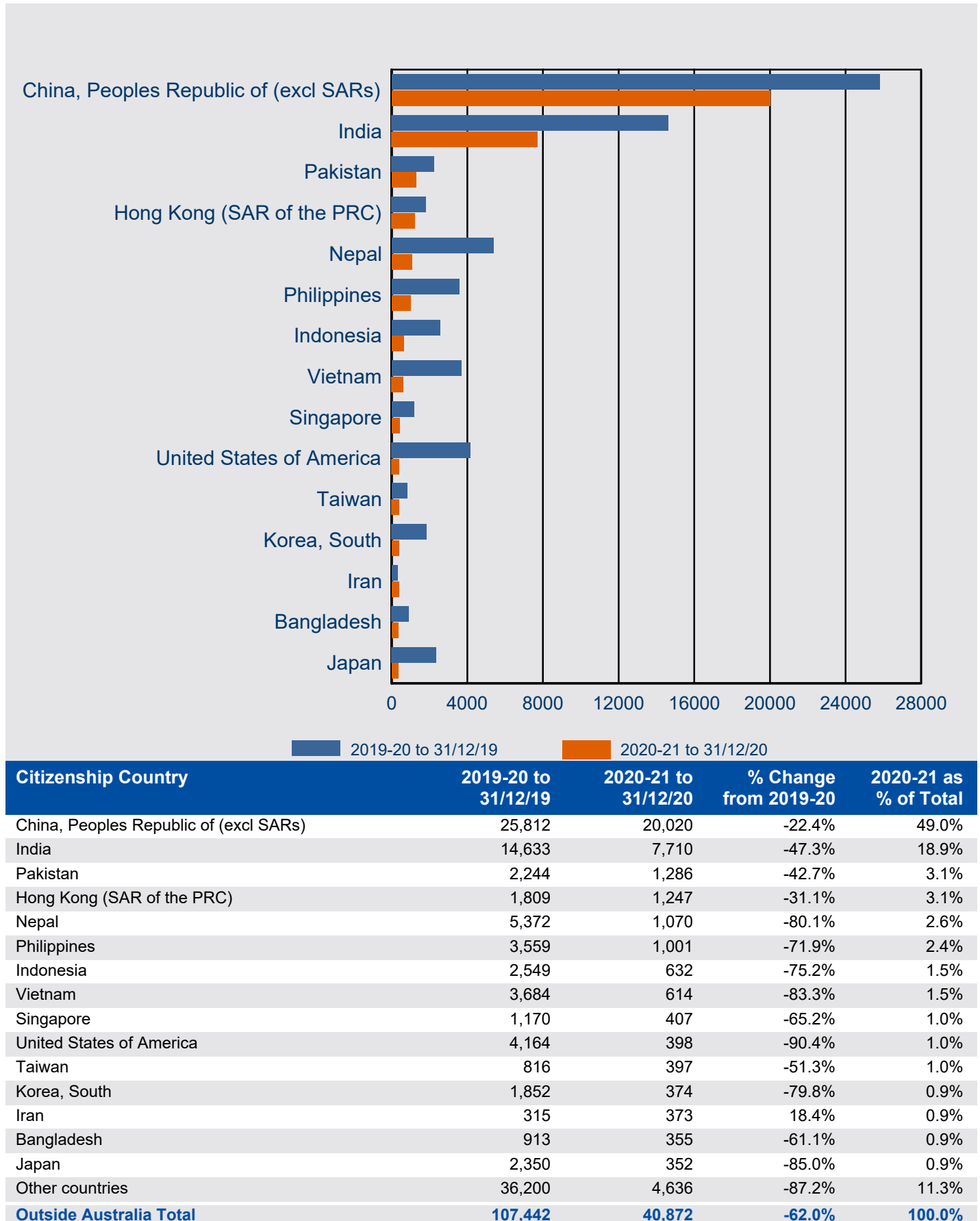
2.15 Number of student visa applications granted in 2020-21 to 31 December 2020 where the client was In Australia by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year



Citizenship Country	2019-20 to 31/12/19	2020-21 to 31/12/20	% Change from 2019-20	2020-21 as % of Total
India	17,402	16,048	-7.8%	20.0%
China, Peoples Republic of (excl SARs)	16,276	11,161	-31.4%	13.9%
Nepal	7,348	8,915	21.3%	11.1%
Brazil	5,758	4,821	-16.3%	6.0%
Colombia	4,357	4,571	4.9%	5.7%
Thailand	3,080	2,411	-21.7%	3.0%
Korea, South	3,394	2,370	-30.2%	3.0%
Philippines	2,521	2,169	-14.0%	2.7%
Pakistan	1,947	2,029	4.2%	2.5%
Vietnam	2,627	2,015	-23.3%	2.5%
Malaysia	3,100	1,952	-37.0%	2.4%
Indonesia	1,968	1,721	-12.6%	2.1%
Sri Lanka	1,684	1,489	-11.6%	1.9%
Taiwan	2,430	1,405	-42.2%	1.8%
Saudi Arabia	1,610	1,171	-27.3%	1.5%
Other countries	18,029	15,842	-12.1%	19.8%
In Australia Total	93,531	80,090	-14.4%	100.0%

2 Granted

2.16 Number of student visa applications granted in 2020-21 to 31 December 2020 where the client was Outside Australia by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year



2 Granted

2.17 Number of Foreign Affairs or Defence Sector visa applications granted in 2020-21 to 31 December 2020 where the client was In Australia by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year

Citizenship Country	2019-20 to 31/12/19	2020-21 to 31/12/20	% Change from 2019-20	2020-21 as % of Total
Vietnam	22	44	100.0%	15.5%
Indonesia	47	40	-14.9%	14.1%
Tonga	1	27	2600.0%	9.5%
Tuvalu	3	17	466.7%	6.0%
Kiribati	0	15	0.0%	5.3%
Papua New Guinea	12	12	0.0%	4.2%
Samoa	6	12	100.0%	4.2%
Ghana	1	12	1100.0%	4.2%
Mozambique	0	12	0.0%	4.2%
Solomon Islands	4	11	175.0%	3.9%
Bangladesh	11	8	-27.3%	2.8%
Pakistan	6	8	33.3%	2.8%
Myanmar	8	6	-25.0%	2.1%
Nepal	4	6	50.0%	2.1%
Sri Lanka	1	6	500.0%	2.1%
Other countries	31	48	54.8%	16.9%
Sub-total In Australia	157	284	80.9%	100.0%

2.18 Number of Foreign Affairs or Defence Sector visa applications granted in 2020-21 to 31 December 2020 where the client was Outside Australia by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year

Citizenship Country	2019-20 to 31/12/19	2020-21 to 31/12/20	% Change from 2019-20	2020-21 as % of Total
Papua New Guinea	204	74	-63.7%	20.6%
Tonga	43	33	-23.3%	9.2%
Malaysia	108	29	-73.1%	8.1%
Indonesia	542	28	-94.8%	7.8%
Philippines	112	24	-78.6%	6.7%
Pakistan	76	23	-69.7%	6.4%
Mongolia	60	22	-63.3%	6.1%
Palau	21	17	-19.0%	4.7%
Vanuatu	31	11	-64.5%	3.1%
Jordan	27	11	-59.3%	3.1%
Thailand	50	10	-80.0%	2.8%
Singapore	10	9	-10.0%	2.5%
India	19	8	-57.9%	2.2%
France	1	8	700.0%	2.2%
United Arab Emirates	0	8	0.0%	2.2%
Other countries	1,122	45	-96.0%	12.5%
Sub-total Outside Australia	2,426	360	-85.2%	100.0%
Total	2,583	644	-75.1%	

2 Granted

2.19 Number of Higher Education Sector visa applications granted in 2020-21 to 31 December 2020 where the client was In Australia by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year

Citizenship Country	2019-20 to 31/12/19	2020-21 to 31/12/20	% Change from 2019-20	2020-21 as % of Total
India	9,009	8,882	-1.4%	25.8%
China, Peoples Republic of (excl SARs)	11,661	7,862	-32.6%	22.8%
Nepal	5,308	5,817	9.6%	16.9%
Pakistan	1,202	1,111	-7.6%	3.2%
Vietnam	1,510	1,089	-27.9%	3.2%
Sri Lanka	1,131	909	-19.6%	2.6%
Saudi Arabia	798	765	-4.1%	2.2%
Malaysia	644	603	-6.4%	1.8%
Bangladesh	730	602	-17.5%	1.7%
Indonesia	562	525	-6.6%	1.5%
Philippines	550	458	-16.7%	1.3%
Bhutan	322	426	32.3%	1.2%
Korea, South	522	414	-20.7%	1.2%
Brazil	469	401	-14.5%	1.2%
Kenya	336	377	12.2%	1.1%
Other countries	4,859	4,208	-13.4%	12.2%
Sub-total In Australia	39,613	34,449	-13.0%	100.0%

2.20 Number of Higher Education Sector visa applications granted in 2020-21 to 31 December 2020 where the client was Outside Australia by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year

Citizenship Country	2019-20 to 31/12/19	2020-21 to 31/12/20	% Change from 2019-20	2020-21 as % of Total
China, Peoples Republic of (excl SARs)	23,064	18,360	-20.4%	55.3%
India	13,631	6,992	-48.7%	21.0%
Hong Kong (SAR of the PRC)	1,281	1,147	-10.5%	3.5%
Pakistan	1,655	826	-50.1%	2.5%
Nepal	4,578	735	-83.9%	2.2%
Philippines	713	461	-35.3%	1.4%
Vietnam	2,243	451	-79.9%	1.4%
Indonesia	1,318	429	-67.5%	1.3%
Singapore	923	368	-60.1%	1.1%
Taiwan	472	308	-34.7%	0.9%
Canada	555	291	-47.6%	0.9%
United States of America	379	283	-25.3%	0.9%
Korea, South	614	224	-63.5%	0.7%
Bangladesh	589	224	-62.0%	0.7%
Malaysia	1,029	194	-81.1%	0.6%
Other countries	7,551	1,928	-74.5%	5.8%
Sub-total Outside Australia	60,595	33,221	-45.2%	100.0%
Total	100,208	67,670	-32.5%	

2 Granted

2.21 Number of Independent ELICOS Sector visa applications granted in 2020-21 to 31 December 2020 where the client was In Australia by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year

Citizenship Country	2019-20 to 31/12/19	2020-21 to 31/12/20	% Change from 2019-20	2020-21 as % of Total
Colombia	630	474	-24.8%	16.0%
Brazil	816	454	-44.4%	15.3%
Japan	329	226	-31.3%	7.6%
Thailand	723	186	-74.3%	6.3%
Saudi Arabia	446	180	-59.6%	6.1%
Korea, South	266	164	-38.3%	5.5%
Chile	209	143	-31.6%	4.8%
Nepal	90	111	23.3%	3.7%
India	65	108	66.2%	3.6%
China, Peoples Republic of (excl SARs)	209	97	-53.6%	3.3%
Spain	97	95	-2.1%	3.2%
Italy	168	94	-44.0%	3.2%
Taiwan	286	85	-70.3%	2.9%
Mongolia	141	85	-39.7%	2.9%
Turkey	65	51	-21.5%	1.7%
Other countries	719	416	-42.1%	14.0%
Sub-total In Australia	5,259	2,969	-43.5%	100.0%

2.22 Number of Independent ELICOS Sector visa applications granted in 2020-21 to 31 December 2020 where the client was Outside Australia by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year

Citizenship Country	2019-20 to 31/12/19	2020-21 to 31/12/20	% Change from 2019-20	2020-21 as % of Total
Colombia	3,955	230	-94.2%	26.6%
Thailand	1,748	133	-92.4%	15.4%
Brazil	3,200	101	-96.8%	11.7%
Japan	1,242	80	-93.6%	9.2%
Chile	610	54	-91.1%	6.2%
Spain	1,410	38	-97.3%	4.4%
Saudi Arabia	334	36	-89.2%	4.2%
Mexico	329	30	-90.9%	3.5%
Korea, South	416	29	-93.0%	3.3%
China, Peoples Republic of (excl SARs)	225	13	-94.2%	1.5%
Germany, Fed Republic of	73	13	-82.2%	1.5%
Mongolia	256	12	-95.3%	1.4%
Switzerland	284	11	-96.1%	1.3%
Lao Peoples Dem Republic	70	9	-87.1%	1.0%
Argentina	165	7	-95.8%	0.8%
Other countries	2,023	70	-96.5%	8.1%
Sub-total Outside Australia	16,340	866	-94.7%	100.0%
Total	21,599	3,835	-82.2%	

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2.23 Number of Non-Award Sector visa applications granted in 2020-21 to 31 December 2020 where the client was In Australia by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year

Citizenship Country	2019-20 to 31/12/19	2020-21 to 31/12/20	% Change from 2019-20	2020-21 as % of Total
United States of America	16	17	6.3%	13.0%
Brazil	10	13	30.0%	9.9%
China, Peoples Republic of (excl SARs)	9	9	0.0%	6.9%
Colombia	0	9	0.0%	6.9%
Saudi Arabia	14	8	-42.9%	6.1%
Canada	5	8	60.0%	6.1%
Mexico	6	7	16.7%	5.3%
Germany, Fed Republic of	14	6	-57.1%	4.6%
Japan	13	4	-69.2%	3.1%
Sweden	6	4	-33.3%	3.1%
India	2	4	100.0%	3.1%
France	5	3	-40.0%	2.3%
Malaysia	3	3	0.0%	2.3%
Singapore	1	3	200.0%	2.3%
Italy	0	3	0.0%	2.3%
Other countries	57	30	-47.4%	22.9%
Sub-total In Australia	161	131	-18.6%	100.0%

2.24 Number of Non-Award Sector visa applications granted in 2020-21 to 31 December 2020 where the client was Outside Australia by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year

Citizenship Country	2019-20 to 31/12/19	2020-21 to 31/12/20	% Change from 2019-20	2020-21 as % of Total
China, Peoples Republic of (excl SARs)	486	74	-84.8%	45.1%
Japan	362	17	-95.3%	10.4%
Germany, Fed Republic of	564	12	-97.9%	7.3%
United States of America	3,252	11	-99.7%	6.7%
Switzerland	82	7	-91.5%	4.3%
Iran	3	7	133.3%	4.3%
Hong Kong (SAR of the PRC)	106	6	-94.3%	3.7%
Spain	147	4	-97.3%	2.4%
India	76	4	-94.7%	2.4%
Canada	502	3	-99.4%	1.8%
Singapore	139	3	-97.8%	1.8%
United Kingdom	329	2	-99.4%	1.2%
France	276	2	-99.3%	1.2%
Malaysia	209	2	-99.0%	1.2%
Taiwan	41	2	-95.1%	1.2%
Other countries	2,182	8	-99.6%	4.9%
Sub-total Outside Australia	8,756	164	-98.1%	100.0%
Total	8,917	295	-96.7%	

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2.25 Number of Postgraduate Research Sector visa applications granted in 2020-21 to 31 December 2020 where the client was In Australia by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year

Citizenship Country	2019-20 to 31/12/19	2020-21 to 31/12/20	% Change from 2019-20	2020-21 as % of Total
China, Peoples Republic of (excl SARs)	440	422	-4.1%	21.0%
India	249	258	3.6%	12.8%
Saudi Arabia	296	192	-35.1%	9.6%
Nepal	144	120	-16.7%	6.0%
Vietnam	115	105	-8.7%	5.2%
Bangladesh	147	78	-46.9%	3.9%
Iran	96	72	-25.0%	3.6%
Indonesia	63	66	4.8%	3.3%
Sri Lanka	78	62	-20.5%	3.1%
Pakistan	80	52	-35.0%	2.6%
Iraq	43	40	-7.0%	2.0%
Brazil	41	36	-12.2%	1.8%
Malaysia	44	35	-20.5%	1.7%
United States of America	34	30	-11.8%	1.5%
Nigeria	29	30	3.4%	1.5%
Other countries	526	411	-21.9%	20.5%
Sub-total In Australia	2,425	2,009	-17.2%	100.0%

2.26 Number of Postgraduate Research Sector visa applications granted in 2020-21 to 31 December 2020 where the client was Outside Australia by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year

Citizenship Country	2019-20 to 31/12/19	2020-21 to 31/12/20	% Change from 2019-20	2020-21 as % of Total
China, Peoples Republic of (excl SARs)	502	688	37.1%	31.3%
Iran	214	333	55.6%	15.1%
India	278	138	-50.4%	6.3%
Saudi Arabia	305	132	-56.7%	6.0%
Bangladesh	212	110	-48.1%	5.0%
Pakistan	144	107	-25.7%	4.9%
Indonesia	187	75	-59.9%	3.4%
United States of America	64	49	-23.4%	2.2%
Brazil	56	34	-39.3%	1.5%
Nigeria	71	33	-53.5%	1.5%
Sri Lanka	155	29	-81.3%	1.3%
Germany, Fed Republic of	68	29	-57.4%	1.3%
Ghana	56	28	-50.0%	1.3%
Vietnam	170	27	-84.1%	1.2%
Nepal	53	27	-49.1%	1.2%
Other countries	880	362	-58.9%	16.4%
Sub-total Outside Australia	3,415	2,201	-35.5%	100.0%
Total	5,840	4,210	-27.9%	

2 Granted

2.27 Number of Schools Sector visa applications granted in 2020-21 to 31 December 2020 where the client was In Australia by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year

Citizenship Country	2019-20 to 31/12/19	2020-21 to 31/12/20	% Change from 2019-20	2020-21 as % of Total
China, Peoples Republic of (excl SARs)	262	164	-37.4%	32.4%
Vietnam	110	52	-52.7%	10.3%
Korea, South	85	50	-41.2%	9.9%
Japan	27	31	14.8%	6.1%
Hong Kong (SAR of the PRC)	27	29	7.4%	5.7%
Germany, Fed Republic of	22	22	0.0%	4.3%
Papua New Guinea	32	20	-37.5%	4.0%
India	51	18	-64.7%	3.6%
Taiwan	7	15	114.3%	3.0%
United States of America	8	10	25.0%	2.0%
Brazil	16	9	-43.8%	1.8%
Thailand	10	9	-10.0%	1.8%
Malaysia	12	8	-33.3%	1.6%
France	4	5	25.0%	1.0%
Chile	2	4	100.0%	0.8%
Other countries	89	60	-32.6%	11.9%
Sub-total In Australia	764	506	-33.8%	100.0%

2.28 Number of Schools Sector visa applications granted in 2020-21 to 31 December 2020 where the client was Outside Australia by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year

Citizenship Country	2019-20 to 31/12/19	2020-21 to 31/12/20	% Change from 2019-20	2020-21 as % of Total
China, Peoples Republic of (excl SARs)	1,122	553	-50.7%	61.9%
Vietnam	917	111	-87.9%	12.4%
Hong Kong (SAR of the PRC)	241	35	-85.5%	3.9%
Korea, South	251	34	-86.5%	3.8%
Japan	256	31	-87.9%	3.5%
Germany, Fed Republic of	397	27	-93.2%	3.0%
Cambodia	89	18	-79.8%	2.0%
Taiwan	43	14	-67.4%	1.6%
Indonesia	27	9	-66.7%	1.0%
Papua New Guinea	28	8	-71.4%	0.9%
United Kingdom	7	6	-14.3%	0.7%
Bangladesh	4	6	50.0%	0.7%
Malaysia	16	5	-68.8%	0.6%
India	10	5	-50.0%	0.6%
Italy	121	4	-96.7%	0.4%
Other countries	609	28	-95.4%	3.1%
Sub-total Outside Australia	4,138	894	-78.4%	100.0%
Total	4,902	1,400	-71.4%	

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2.29 Number of Vocational Education and Training Sector visa applications granted in 2020-21 to 31 December 2020 where the client was In Australia by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year

Citizenship Country	2019-20 to 31/12/19	2020-21 to 31/12/20	% Change from 2019-20	2020-21 as % of Total
India	8,026	6,778	-15.5%	17.1%
Brazil	4,406	3,908	-11.3%	9.8%
Colombia	3,221	3,701	14.9%	9.3%
Nepal	1,796	2,857	59.1%	7.2%
China, Peoples Republic of (excl SARs)	3,695	2,607	-29.4%	6.6%
Thailand	2,096	2,025	-3.4%	5.1%
Korea, South	2,502	1,722	-31.2%	4.3%
Philippines	1,928	1,689	-12.4%	4.2%
Malaysia	2,342	1,292	-44.8%	3.3%
Taiwan	1,714	1,065	-37.9%	2.7%
Indonesia	1,260	1,059	-16.0%	2.7%
Italy	1,044	884	-15.3%	2.2%
Pakistan	653	857	31.2%	2.2%
United Kingdom	1,068	784	-26.6%	2.0%
Vietnam	773	691	-10.6%	1.7%
Other countries	8,628	7,823	-9.3%	19.7%
Sub-total In Australia	45,152	39,742	-12.0%	100.0%

2.30 Number of Vocational Education and Training Sector visa applications granted in 2020-21 to 31 December 2020 where the client was Outside Australia by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year

Citizenship Country	2019-20 to 31/12/19	2020-21 to 31/12/20	% Change from 2019-20	2020-21 as % of Total
India	617	563	-8.8%	17.8%
Philippines	2,665	492	-81.5%	15.5%
China, Peoples Republic of (excl SARs)	408	332	-18.6%	10.5%
Pakistan	350	329	-6.0%	10.4%
Nepal	658	306	-53.5%	9.7%
Indonesia	395	85	-78.5%	2.7%
Korea, South	458	79	-82.8%	2.5%
United Kingdom	265	78	-70.6%	2.5%
Bhutan	83	69	-16.9%	2.2%
Hong Kong (SAR of the PRC)	159	54	-66.0%	1.7%
United States of America	427	52	-87.8%	1.6%
Taiwan	131	51	-61.1%	1.6%
Mexico	399	50	-87.5%	1.6%
Japan	274	50	-81.8%	1.6%
Mongolia	137	47	-65.7%	1.5%
Other countries	4,346	529	-87.8%	16.7%
Sub-total Outside Australia	11,772	3,166	-73.1%	100.0%
Total	56,924	42,908	-24.6%	

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3 Grant rates

For this section, grant rates have been shown.

A grant rate is defined as:

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

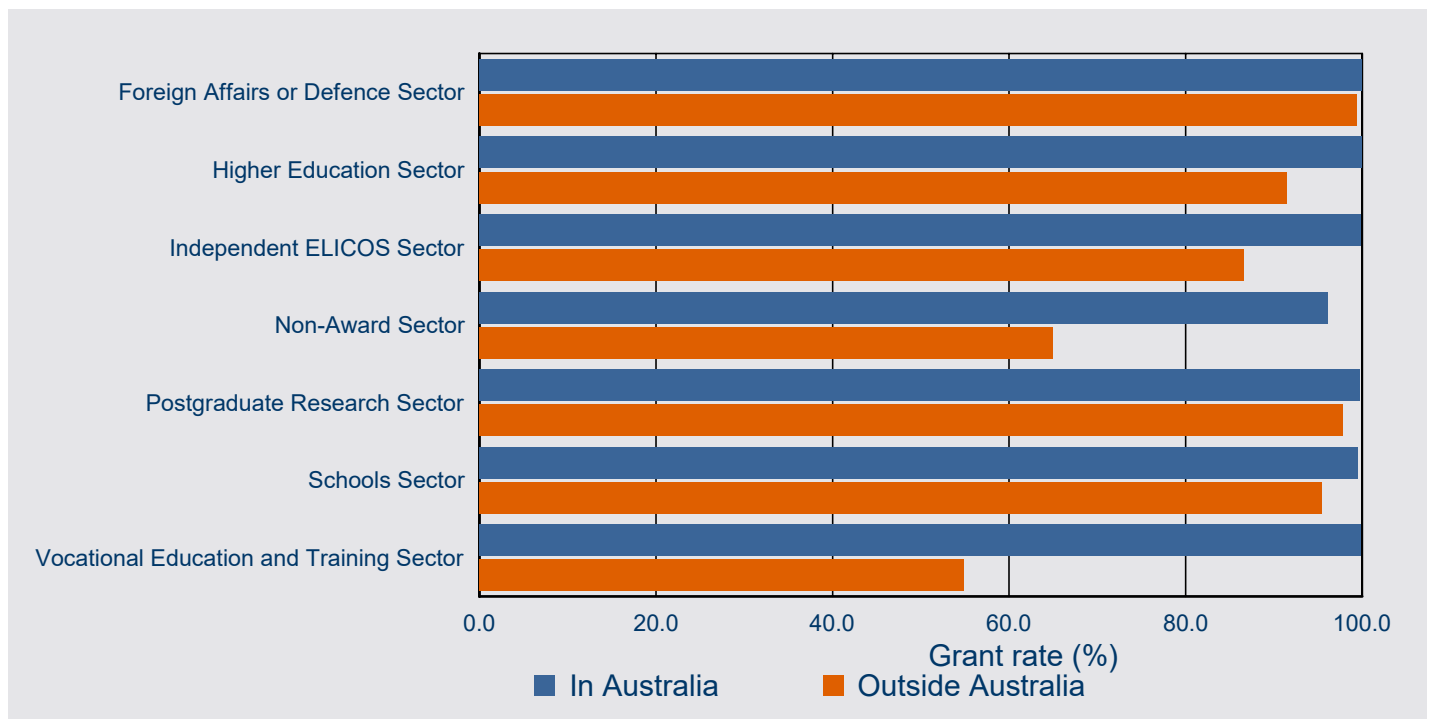
where the number of decisions equals the number of grants plus the number of refusals.

3 Grant rates

3.01 Grant rate of student visa applications decided in the three month period between 1 October 2020 and 31 December 2020 by client location and sector - comparison with previous four periods

Sector	01/10/19 to 31/12/19	01/01/20 to 31/03/20	01/04/20 to 30/06/20	01/07/20 to 30/09/20	01/10/20 to 31/12/20
In Australia					
Foreign Affairs or Defence Sector	100.0%	93.5%	98.8%	100.0%	100.0%
Higher Education Sector	97.8%	98.4%	100.0%	100.0%	99.9%
Independent ELICOS Sector	93.8%	90.8%	100.0%	100.0%	99.7%
Non-Award Sector	98.4%	98.8%	100.0%	98.9%	97.8%
Postgraduate Research Sector	99.6%	97.7%	100.0%	100.0%	99.6%
Schools Sector	95.8%	97.3%	100.0%	99.6%	100.0%
Vocational Education and Training Sector	89.6%	88.6%	99.9%	99.9%	99.9%
All In Australia	93.3%	93.5%	100.0%	99.9%	99.9%
Outside Australia					
Foreign Affairs or Defence Sector	99.5%	99.4%	100.0%	98.6%	99.7%
Higher Education Sector	91.7%	91.9%	99.0%	95.1%	91.8%
Independent ELICOS Sector	91.6%	92.4%	37.8%	82.1%	88.3%
Non-Award Sector	99.8%	99.4%	100.0%	87.8%	68.9%
Postgraduate Research Sector	97.2%	97.5%	100.0%	98.2%	98.1%
Schools Sector	94.0%	89.9%	91.0%	96.5%	96.1%
Vocational Education and Training Sector	65.4%	57.7%	75.6%	62.4%	54.3%
All Outside Australia	89.6%	89.0%	96.2%	91.4%	87.3%
All	91.1%	90.8%	99.7%	96.7%	95.5%

3.02 Grant rate of student visa applications decided in the three month period between 1 September 2020 and 30 November 2020 by sector and client location



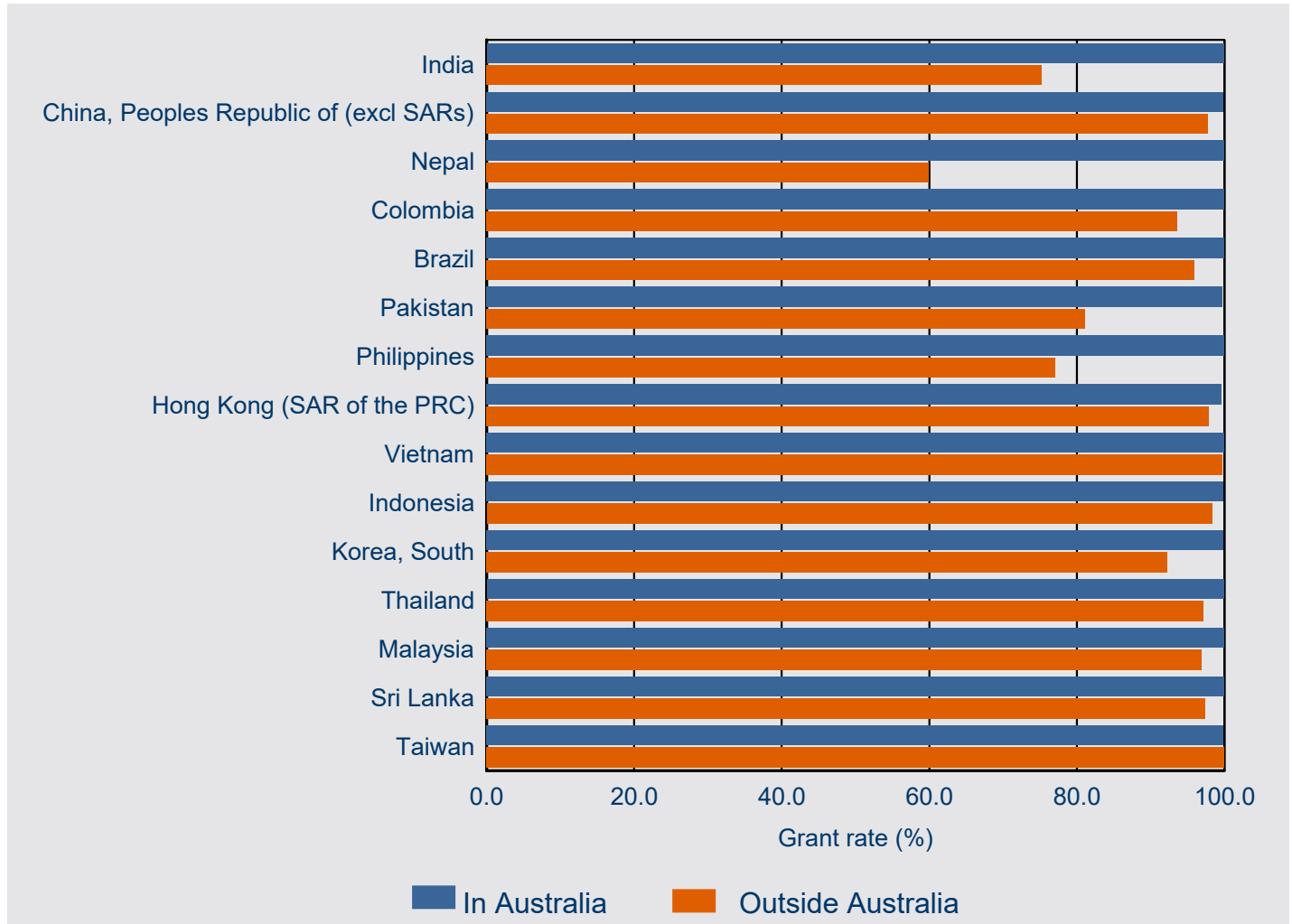
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3.03 Grant rate of student visa applications decided in the three month period between 1 October 2020 and 31 December 2020 by client location and citizenship country - comparison with previous four periods

Citizenship Country	01/10/19 to 31/12/19	01/01/20 to 31/03/20	01/04/20 to 30/06/20	01/07/20 to 30/09/20	01/10/20 to 31/12/20
<i>In Australia</i>					
India	88.0%	86.8%	99.9%	99.9%	99.9%
China, Peoples Republic of (excl SARs)	95.4%	96.5%	99.9%	100.0%	99.9%
Nepal	95.8%	91.8%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Colombia	97.8%	97.1%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Brazil	96.4%	96.7%	100.0%	99.9%	100.0%
Philippines	90.9%	91.1%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Thailand	93.3%	93.3%	100.0%	100.0%	99.9%
Pakistan	86.5%	85.8%	99.8%	99.8%	99.7%
Korea, South	93.3%	95.1%	100.0%	99.8%	99.8%
Vietnam	95.6%	96.5%	99.9%	99.9%	100.0%
Malaysia	88.1%	90.8%	100.0%	99.9%	100.0%
Sri Lanka	92.3%	95.4%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Indonesia	92.9%	93.2%	99.9%	99.8%	99.9%
Taiwan	94.5%	93.7%	99.9%	100.0%	99.9%
Bangladesh	92.8%	92.4%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Other countries	95.7%	96.1%	100.0%	100.0%	99.9%
All In Australia	93.3%	93.5%	100.0%	99.9%	99.9%
<i>Outside Australia</i>					
China, Peoples Republic of (excl SARs)	98.1%	98.8%	97.7%	99.2%	97.8%
India	78.3%	81.3%	97.0%	78.5%	75.3%
Hong Kong (SAR of the PRC)	99.8%	99.1%	100.0%	96.7%	97.9%
Pakistan	78.6%	83.9%	100.0%	64.8%	81.1%
Philippines	62.4%	58.7%	100.0%	61.7%	77.1%
Indonesia	91.9%	92.8%	100.0%	96.0%	98.3%
Nepal	66.4%	81.5%	100.0%	63.3%	59.9%
Vietnam	89.0%	85.5%	34.3%	94.0%	99.8%
Singapore	98.6%	99.5%	100.0%	100.0%	98.7%
Bangladesh	86.7%	93.6%	100.0%	90.0%	89.8%
Malaysia	98.1%	98.5%	100.0%	86.8%	96.9%
United States of America	99.8%	99.4%	100.0%	97.0%	97.6%
Saudi Arabia	97.9%	98.1%	100.0%	83.5%	96.7%
Canada	99.8%	98.9%	100.0%	97.9%	99.1%
Japan	99.9%	99.9%	75.0%	96.1%	98.6%
Other countries	92.7%	90.0%	77.4%	91.0%	88.5%
All Outside Australia	89.6%	89.0%	96.2%	91.4%	87.3%
All	91.1%	90.8%	99.7%	96.7%	95.5%

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3.04 Grant rate of student visa applications decided in the three month period between 1 October 2020 and 31 December 2020 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 2020 and 31 December 2020 by client location and sector - comparison with previous four periods

Sector		01/10/19 to 31/12/19 (days)	01/01/20 to 31/03/20 (days)	01/04/20 to 30/06/20 (days)	01/07/20 to 30/09/20 (days)	01/10/20 to 31/12/20 (days)
<i>In Australia</i>						
Foreign Affairs or Defence Sector	25th percentile	45	68	9	32	22
	50th percentile (Median)	49	76	29	39	36
	75th percentile	84	84	77	57	59
Higher Education Sector	25th percentile	26	10	40	28	55
	50th percentile (Median)	39	33	58	48	71
	75th percentile	49	51	78	107	98
Independent ELICOS Sector	25th percentile	29	13	31	18	40
	50th percentile (Median)	36	55	63	41	56
	75th percentile	47	72	75	77	90
Non-Award Sector	25th percentile	0	0	0	28	44
	50th percentile (Median)	22	50	7	41	60
	75th percentile	47	65	39	50	93
Postgraduate Research Sector	25th percentile	36	53	55	40	55
	50th percentile (Median)	47	69	71	68	69
	75th percentile	64	88	99	118	106
Schools Sector	25th percentile	48	50	75	57	57
	50th percentile (Median)	55	76	82	124	90
	75th percentile	84	99	121	171	174
Vocational Education and Training Sector	25th percentile	32	32	41	40	53
	50th percentile (Median)	37	54	69	62	67
	75th percentile	48	78	78	111	108
All In Australia	25th percentile	31	17	40	34	54
	50th percentile (Median)	38	41	65	56	69
	75th percentile	49	71	78	110	103

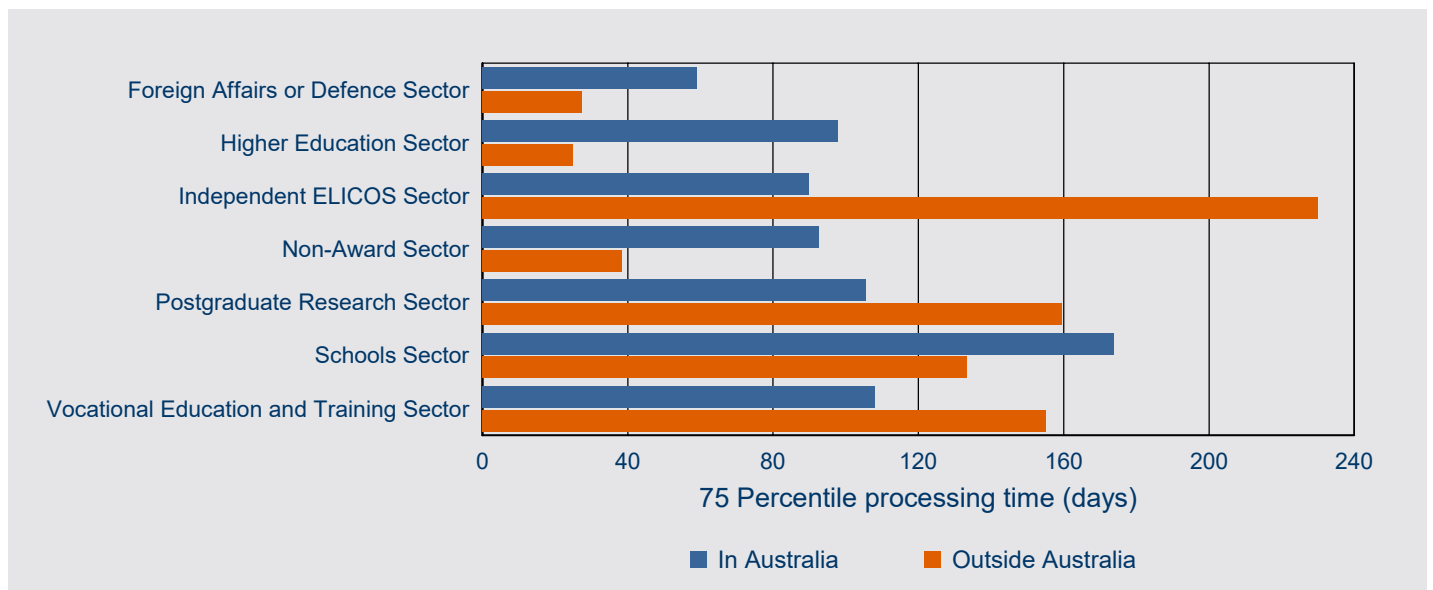
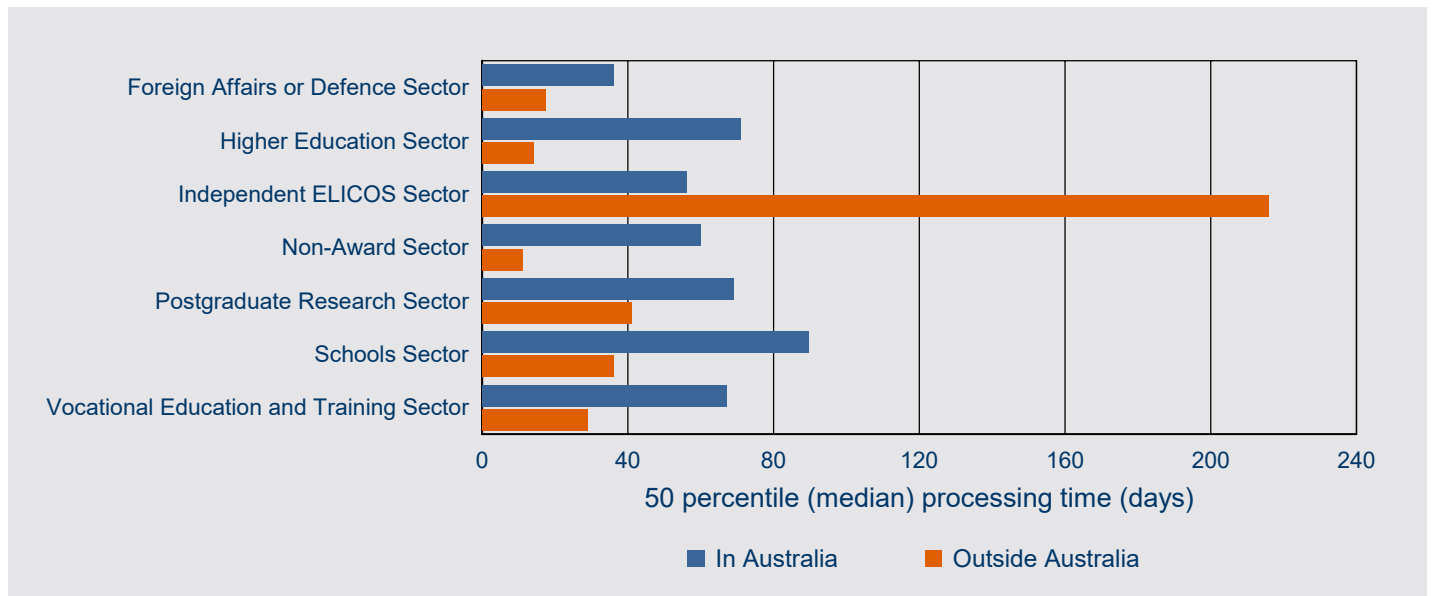
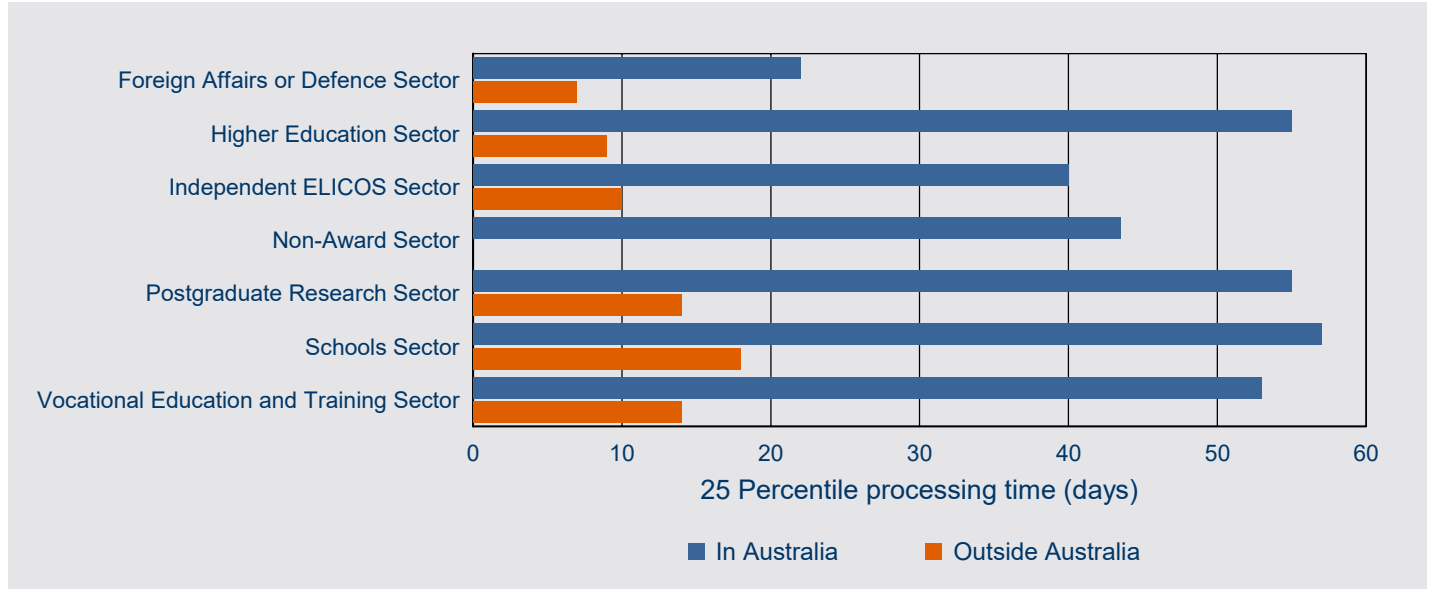
4 Processing times

4.01 Processing time (in calendar days) for student PRIMARY visa applications granted in the three month period between 1 October 2020 and 31 December 2020 by client location and sector - comparison with previous four periods - continued

Sector		01/10/19 to 31/12/19 (days)	01/01/20 to 31/03/20 (days)	01/04/20 to 30/06/20 (days)	01/07/20 to 30/09/20 (days)	01/10/20 to 31/12/20 (days)
Outside Australia						
Foreign Affairs or Defence Sector	25th percentile	3	2	23	13	7
	50th percentile (Median)	7	5	30	14	18
	75th percentile	13	11	59	16	28
Higher Education Sector	25th percentile	4	5	105	13	9
	50th percentile (Median)	10	15	107	38	14
	75th percentile	18	25	111	80	25
Independent ELICOS Sector	25th percentile	5	4	93	110	10
	50th percentile (Median)	14	19	109	148	216
	75th percentile	20	27	132	197	230
Non-Award Sector	25th percentile	0	0	259	26	0
	50th percentile (Median)	0	3	281	45	11
	75th percentile	2	11	295	119	39
Postgraduate Research Sector	25th percentile	6	9	55	27	14
	50th percentile (Median)	15	20	244	94	41
	75th percentile	29	43	275	229	160
Schools Sector	25th percentile	12	13	100	56	18
	50th percentile (Median)	17	25	105	89	36
	75th percentile	25	39	110	128	134
Vocational Education and Training Sector	25th percentile	3	7	92	60	14
	50th percentile (Median)	13	18	104	146	29
	75th percentile	21	33	111	173	155
All Outside Australia	25th percentile	2	5	104	14	9
	50th percentile (Median)	10	15	107	46	15
	75th percentile	18	26	111	89	30
All	25th percentile	6	7	42	26	20
	50th percentile (Median)	18	21	68	52	57
	75th percentile	37	40	82	100	92

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 2020 and 31 December 2020 by sector and client location



4 Processing times

4.03 Processing time (in calendar days) for student PRIMARY visa applications granted in the three month period between 1 October 2020 and 31 December 2020 by client location and citizenship country - comparison with previous four periods

Citizenship country		01/10/19 to 31/12/19 (days)	01/01/20 to 31/03/20 (days)	01/04/20 to 30/06/20 (days)	01/07/20 to 30/09/20 (days)	01/10/20 to 31/12/20 (days)
<i>In Australia</i>						
India	25th percentile	37	48	57	43	59
	50th percentile (Median)	44	71	74	81	83
	75th percentile	54	85	91	135	118
China, Peoples Republic of (excl SARs)	25th percentile	21	7	35	24	54
	50th percentile (Median)	35	21	54	48	70
	75th percentile	44	43	76	99	101
Nepal	25th percentile	39	48	54	43	56
	50th percentile (Median)	48	76	74	75	73
	75th percentile	76	118	82	125	99
Brazil	25th percentile	32	34	45	40	54
	50th percentile (Median)	36	53	68	55	65
	75th percentile	45	73	76	95	99
Colombia	25th percentile	30	33	35	36	52
	50th percentile (Median)	35	52	56	46	60
	75th percentile	39	67	74	74	90
Korea, South	25th percentile	28	13	37	36	48
	50th percentile (Median)	36	33	53	61	64
	75th percentile	41	50	73	91	89
Thailand	25th percentile	24	28	42	42	56
	50th percentile (Median)	36	59	72	63	71
	75th percentile	48	78	78	102	108
Vietnam	25th percentile	31	11	49	39	56
	50th percentile (Median)	39	33	67	65	74
	75th percentile	50	54	78	119	106
Malaysia	25th percentile	24	11	46	37	59
	50th percentile (Median)	35	31	70	68	88
	75th percentile	47	49	80	111	130
Philippines	25th percentile	35	44	55	44	56
	50th percentile (Median)	39	64	74	68	69
	75th percentile	48	79	81	115	98
Other countries	25th percentile	28	13	28	25	43
	50th percentile (Median)	37	37	52	44	59
	75th percentile	48	61	76	92	91
All In Australia	25th percentile	31	17	40	34	54
	50th percentile (Median)	38	41	65	56	69
	75th percentile	49	71	78	110	103

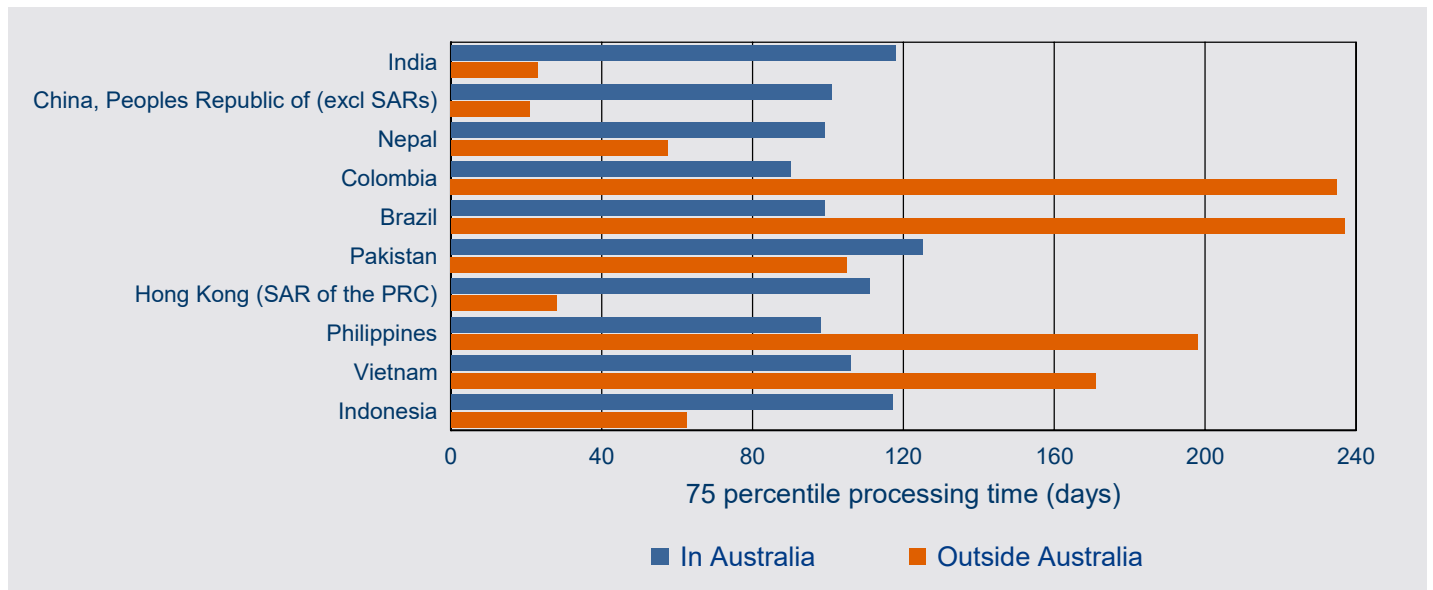
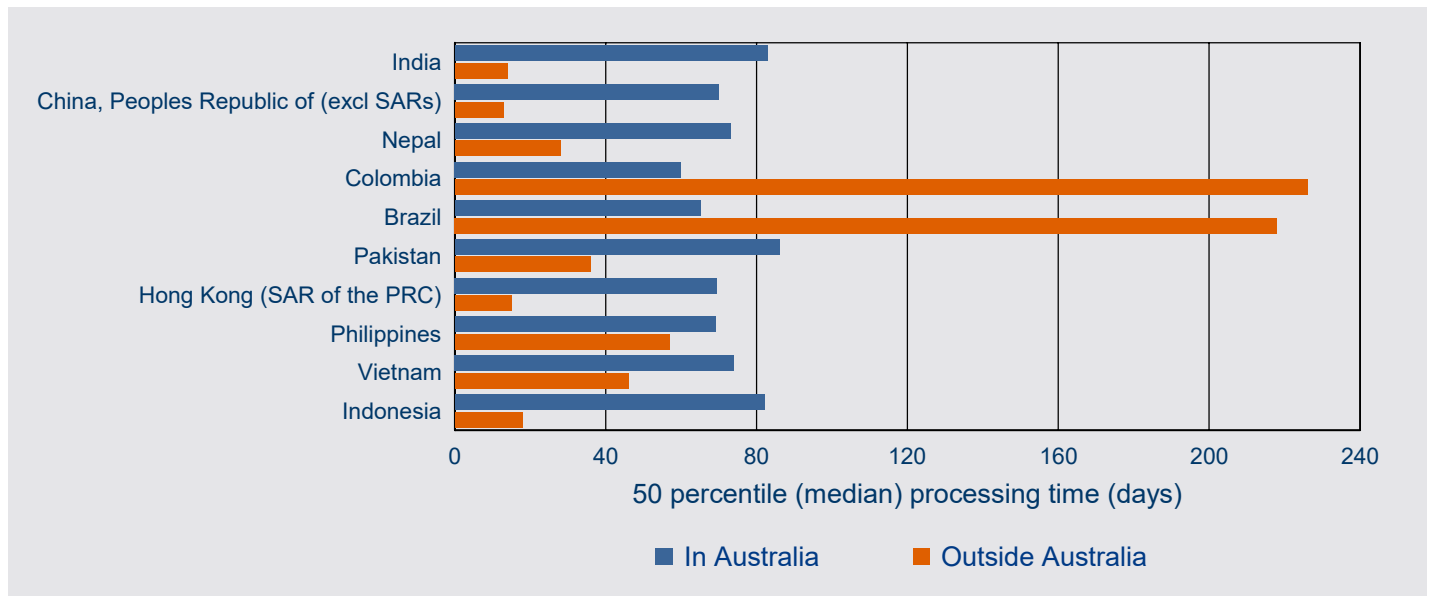
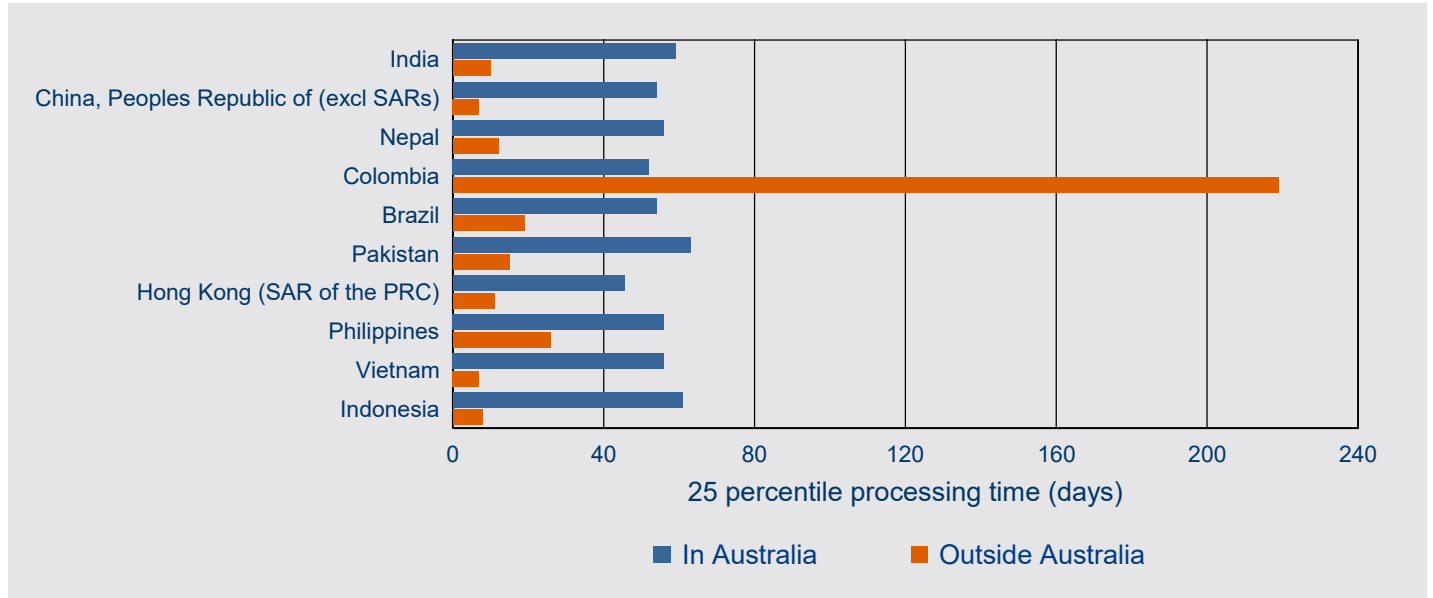
4 Processing times

4.03 Processing time (in calendar days) for student PRIMARY visa applications granted in the three month period between 1 October 2020 and 31 December 2020 by client location and citizenship country - comparison with previous four periods - continued

Citizenship country		01/10/19 to 31/12/19 (days)	01/01/20 to 31/03/20 (days)	01/04/20 to 30/06/20 (days)	01/07/20 to 30/09/20 (days)	01/10/20 to 31/12/20 (days)
Outside Australia						
China, Peoples Republic of (excl SARs)	25th percentile	1	1	105	14	7
	50th percentile (Median)	7	9	108	41	13
	75th percentile	12	21	111	77	21
India	25th percentile	7	7	92	9	10
	50th percentile (Median)	17	21	121	19	14
	75th percentile	27	30	501	71	23
Nepal	25th percentile	14	9	75	142	12
	50th percentile (Median)	22	21	293	161	28
	75th percentile	34	27	511	176	58
United States of America	25th percentile	0	0	28	19	2
	50th percentile (Median)	0	1	61	38	11
	75th percentile	1	8	93	56	31
Colombia	25th percentile	17	25		196	219
	50th percentile (Median)	19	29		205	226
	75th percentile	25	34		209	235
Brazil	25th percentile	11	12	8	77	19
	50th percentile (Median)	14	18	59	172	218
	75th percentile	19	20	109	199	237
Vietnam	25th percentile	7	7	39	131	7
	50th percentile (Median)	13	14	110	141	46
	75th percentile	24	25	180	156	171
Pakistan	25th percentile	14	14	73	143	15
	50th percentile (Median)	17	20	96	172	36
	75th percentile	23	29	183	196	105
Hong Kong (SAR of the PRC)	25th percentile	8	7	58	82	11
	50th percentile (Median)	12	12	74	136	15
	75th percentile	17	22	101	164	28
Japan	25th percentile	0	0	26	0	0
	50th percentile (Median)	1	0	50	52	5
	75th percentile	11	7	251	117	12
Other countries	25th percentile	1	5	53	23	11
	50th percentile (Median)	8	13	76	131	23
	75th percentile	17	25	88	176	96
All Outside Australia	25th percentile	2	5	104	14	9
	50th percentile (Median)	10	15	107	46	15
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4.04 25, 50 and 75 percentile processing time (in calendar days) for student PRIMARY visa applications granted in the three month period between 1 October 2020 and 31 December 2020 by citizenship country and client location - top 10 citizenship countries



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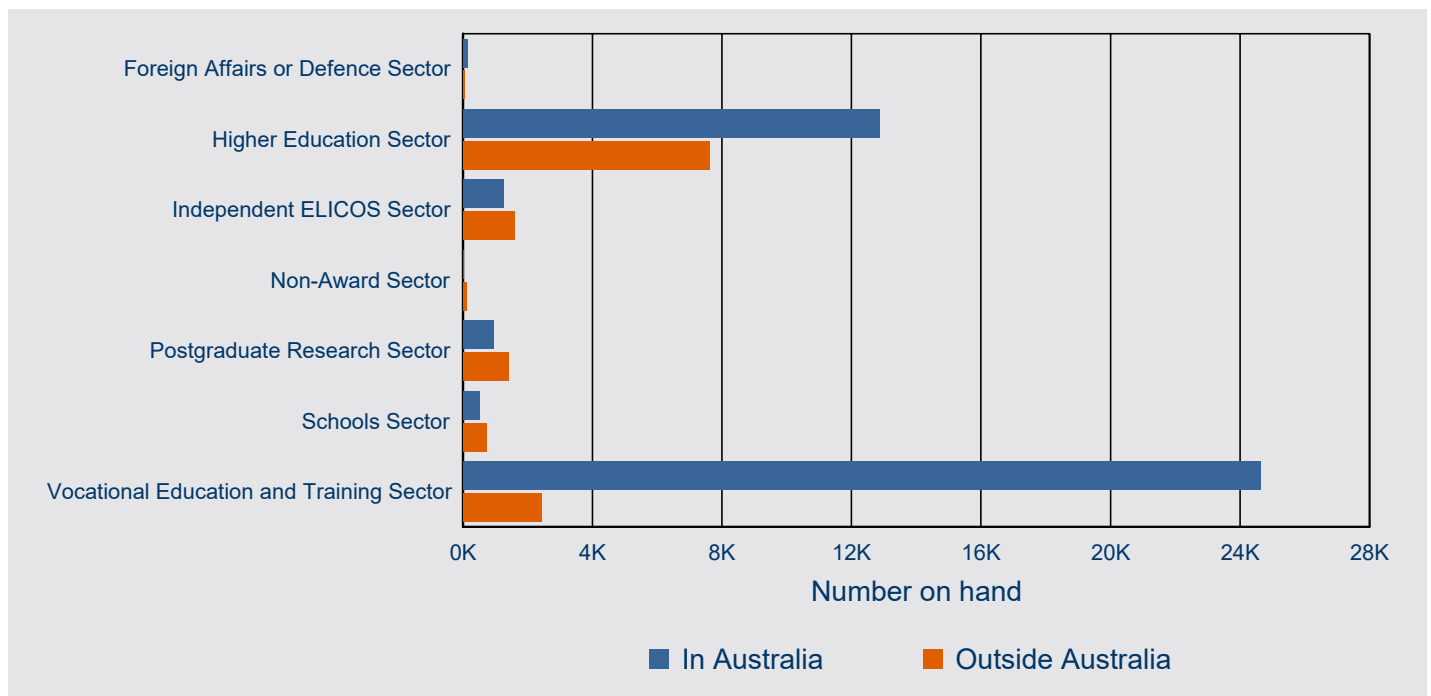
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5.01 Number of student PRIMARY visa applications on hand at 31 December 2020 by client location and sector- comparison with previous four periods

Sector	On hand at 31/12/19	On hand at 31/03/20	On hand at 30/06/20	On hand at 30/09/20	On hand at 31/12/20
In Australia					
Foreign Affairs or Defence Sector	49	53	81	185	155
Higher Education Sector	6,890	18,465	10,865	21,136	12,868
Independent ELICOS Sector	1,344	1,947	1,491	1,250	1,257
Non-Award Sector	39	55	57	56	31
Postgraduate Research Sector	690	1,091	737	852	942
Schools Sector	491	612	417	296	508
Vocational Education and Training Sector	13,299	20,251	20,431	24,165	24,645
Sub-total In Australia	22,802	42,474	34,079	47,940	40,406
Outside Australia					
Foreign Affairs or Defence Sector	114	35	70	60	54
Higher Education Sector	8,257	6,323	10,758	5,562	7,623
Independent ELICOS Sector	1,866	1,514	1,634	1,329	1,596
Non-Award Sector	923	185	239	125	116
Postgraduate Research Sector	1,466	1,290	1,610	1,364	1,398
Schools Sector	939	502	824	532	722
Vocational Education and Training Sector	2,375	2,003	2,477	2,069	2,429
Sub-total Outside Australia	15,940	11,852	17,612	11,041	13,938
Total	38,742	54,326	51,691	58,981	54,344

5.02 Number of student PRIMARY visa applications on hand at 31 December 2020 by client location and visa subclass



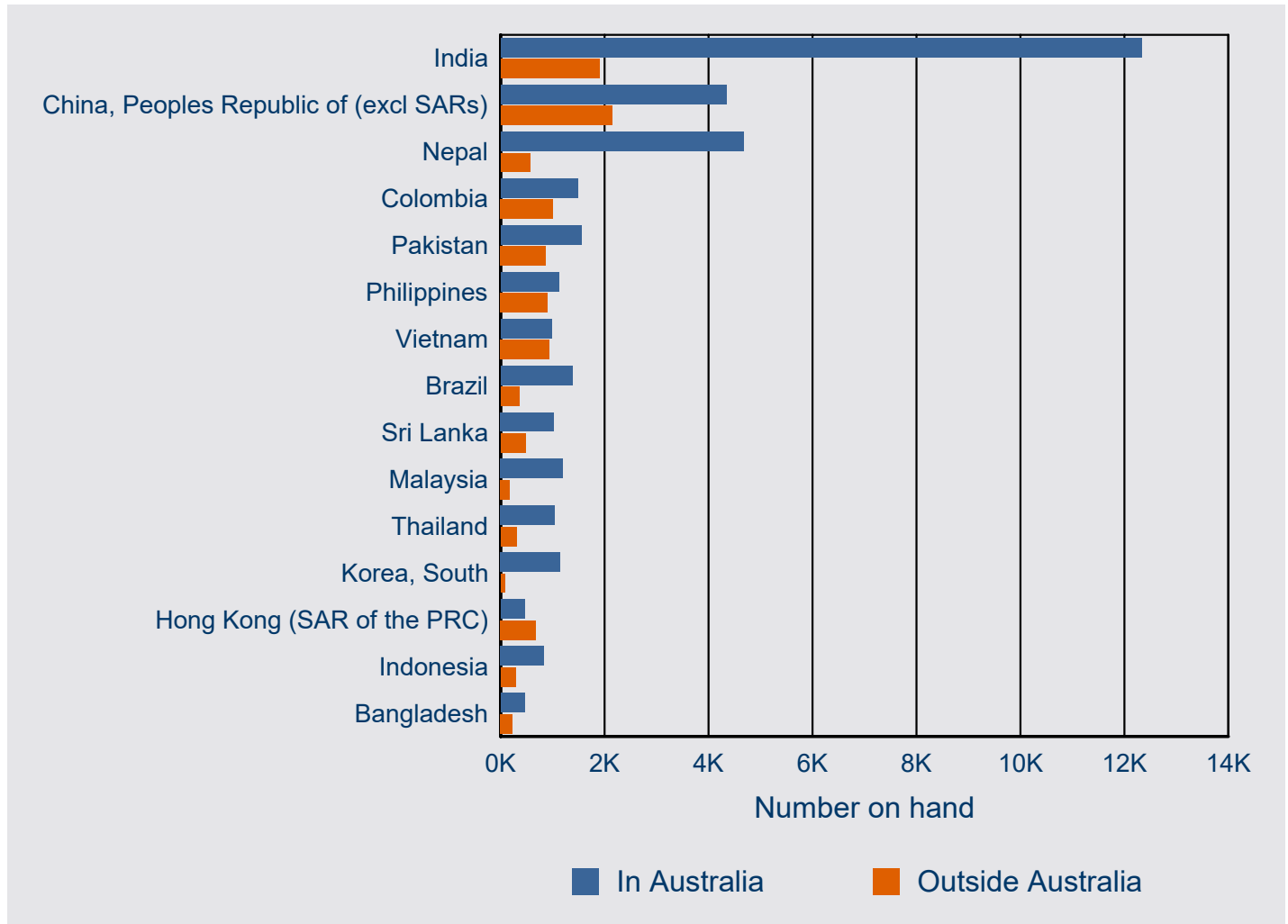
5 On hand

5.03 Number of student PRIMARY visa applications on hand at 31 December 2020 by client location and citizenship country - comparison with previous four periods

Citizenship Country	On hand at 31/12/19	On hand at 31/03/20	On hand at 30/06/20	On hand at 30/09/20	On hand at 31/12/20
<i>In Australia</i>					
India	6,377	10,270	8,971	14,480	12,329
Nepal	3,131	4,941	4,306	5,798	4,669
China, Peoples Republic of (excl SARs)	2,471	6,290	4,137	6,277	4,346
Pakistan	830	1,653	1,324	1,898	1,561
Colombia	944	1,478	1,443	2,038	1,484
Brazil	1,107	1,908	1,921	1,827	1,379
Malaysia	561	1,092	1,172	1,298	1,200
Korea, South	642	1,203	982	994	1,149
Philippines	606	1,139	933	1,193	1,123
Thailand	742	1,320	1,165	1,321	1,047
Sri Lanka	363	999	745	1,325	1,031
Vietnam	568	1,545	888	1,169	980
Indonesia	494	902	826	1,016	839
Taiwan	371	702	670	698	635
Hong Kong (SAR of the PRC)	151	400	306	398	467
Other countries	3,444	6,632	4,290	6,210	6,167
Sub-total In Australia	22,802	42,474	34,079	47,940	40,406
<i>Outside Australia</i>					
China, Peoples Republic of (excl SARs)	2,820	4,532	8,105	1,833	2,146
India	2,746	1,115	1,548	1,803	1,903
Colombia	1,034	843	896	833	1,007
Vietnam	441	210	444	598	939
Philippines	917	861	1,030	868	906
Pakistan	655	712	823	708	873
Hong Kong (SAR of the PRC)	329	118	257	384	679
Nepal	776	380	406	221	568
Sri Lanka	388	174	173	246	480
Iran	417	447	502	416	394
Brazil	461	333	375	337	360
Thailand	161	186	225	201	305
Indonesia	292	103	151	276	296
Kenya	288	257	301	269	292
Nigeria	291	197	219	203	262
Other countries	3,924	1,384	2,157	1,845	2,528
Sub-total Outside Australia	15,940	11,852	17,612	11,041	13,938
Total	38,742	54,326	51,691	58,981	54,344

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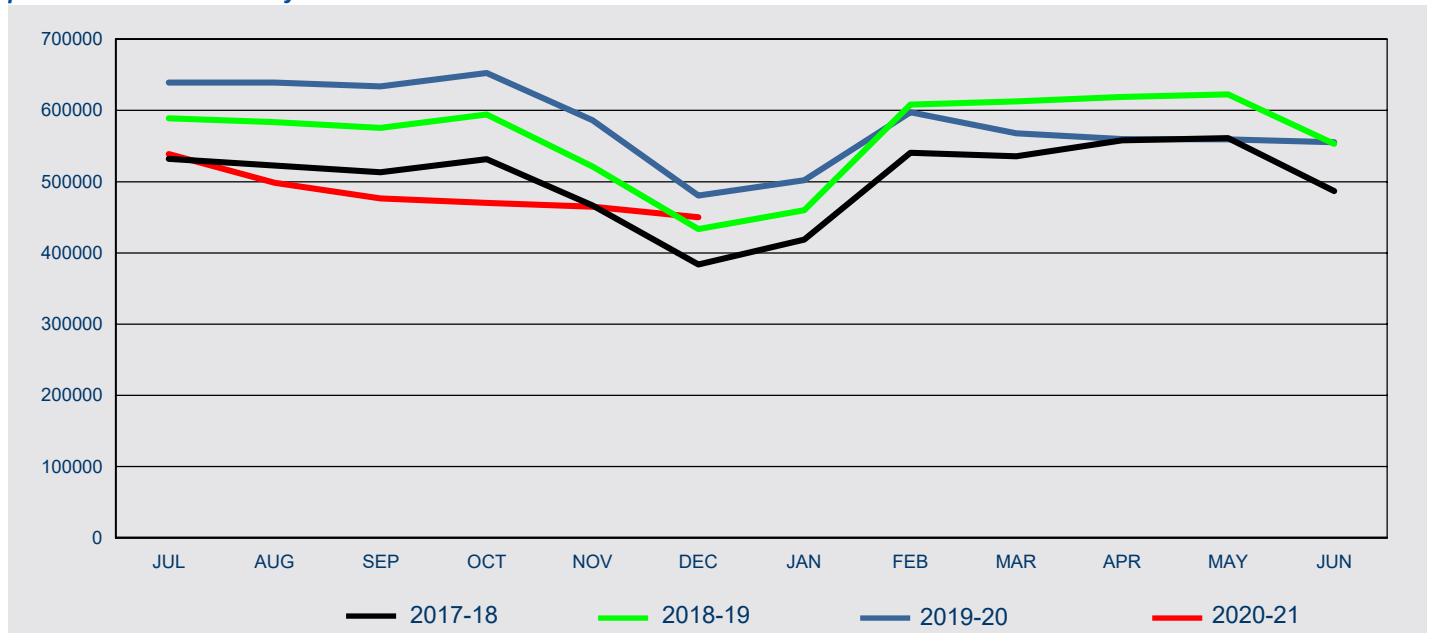
5.04 Number of student PRIMARY visa applications on hand at 31 December 2020 by citizenship country and client location - top 15 citizenship countries



6 Visa holders in Australia

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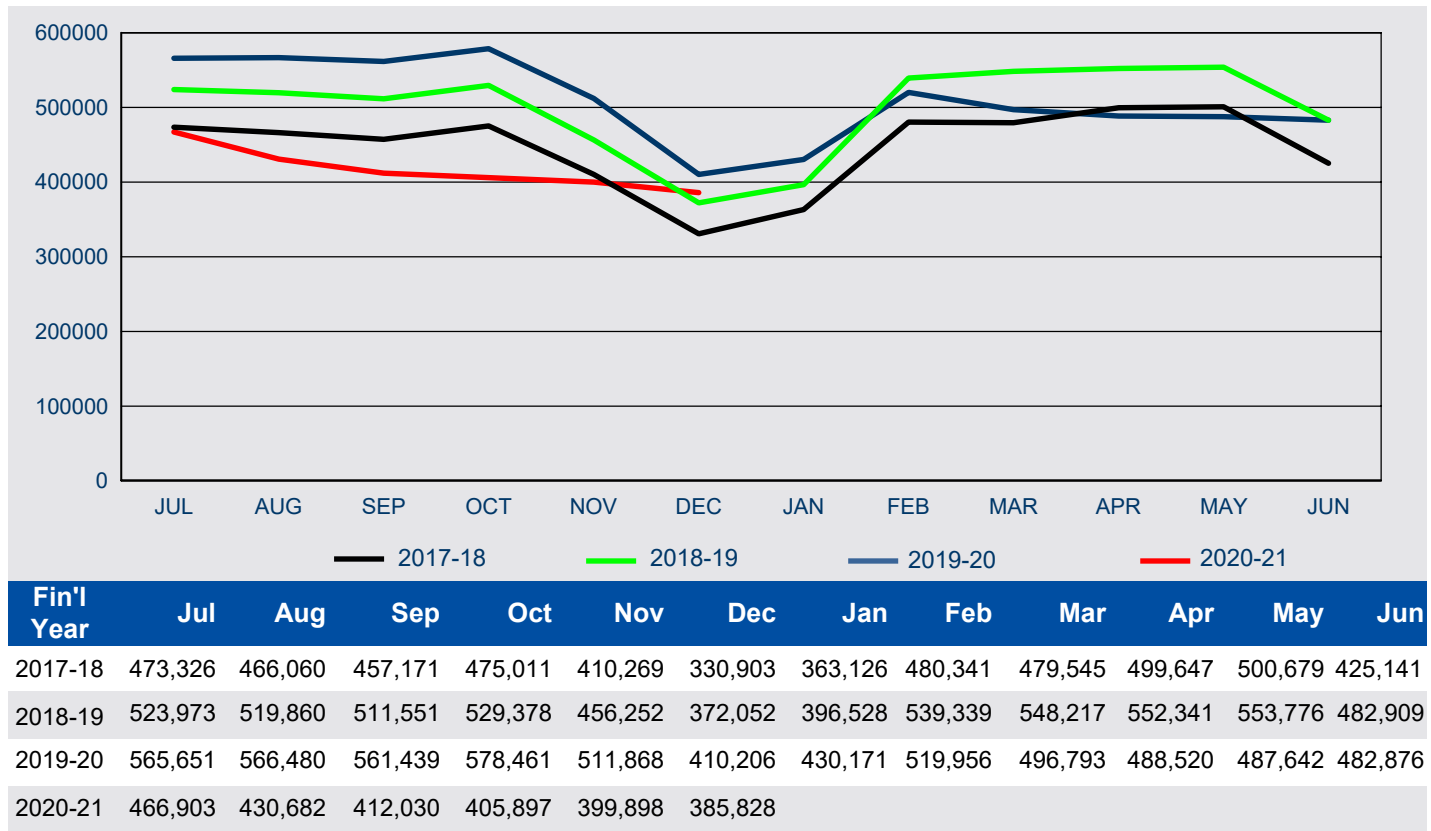
6.01 Number of student visa holders at the end of each month in 2020-21 to 31 December 2020 by month - comparison with previous three financial years



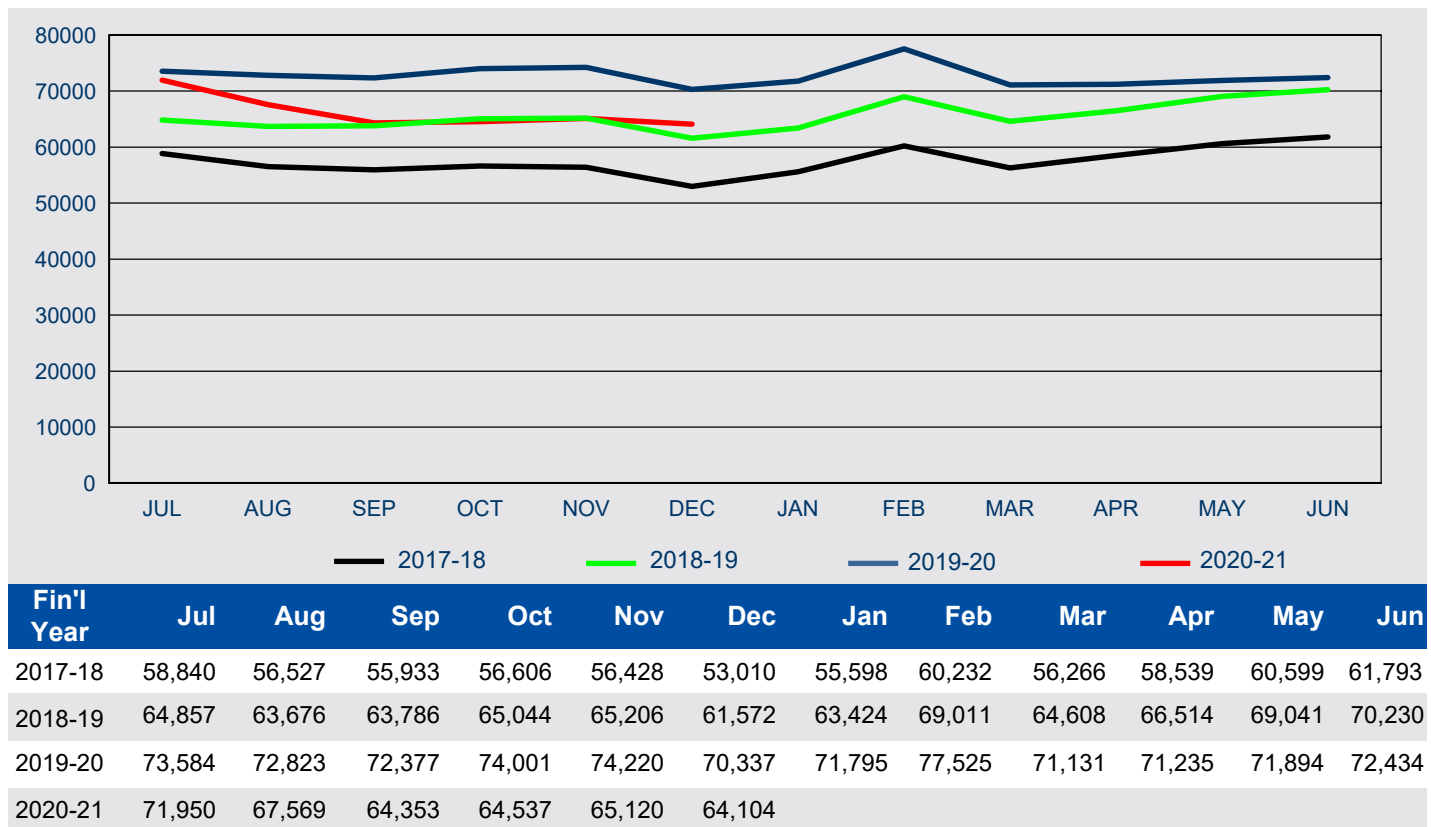
Fin'l Year	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
2017-18	532,166	522,587	513,104	531,617	466,697	383,913	418,724	540,573	535,811	558,186	561,278	486,934
2018-19	588,830	583,536	575,337	594,422	521,458	433,624	459,952	608,350	612,825	618,855	622,817	553,139
2019-20	639,235	639,303	633,816	652,462	586,088	480,543	501,966	597,481	567,924	559,755	559,536	555,310
2020-21	538,853	498,251	476,383	470,434	465,018	449,932						

6 Visa holders in Australia

6.02 Number of student PRIMARY visa holders in Australia at the end of each month in 2020-21 to 31 December 2020 - comparison with previous three financial years

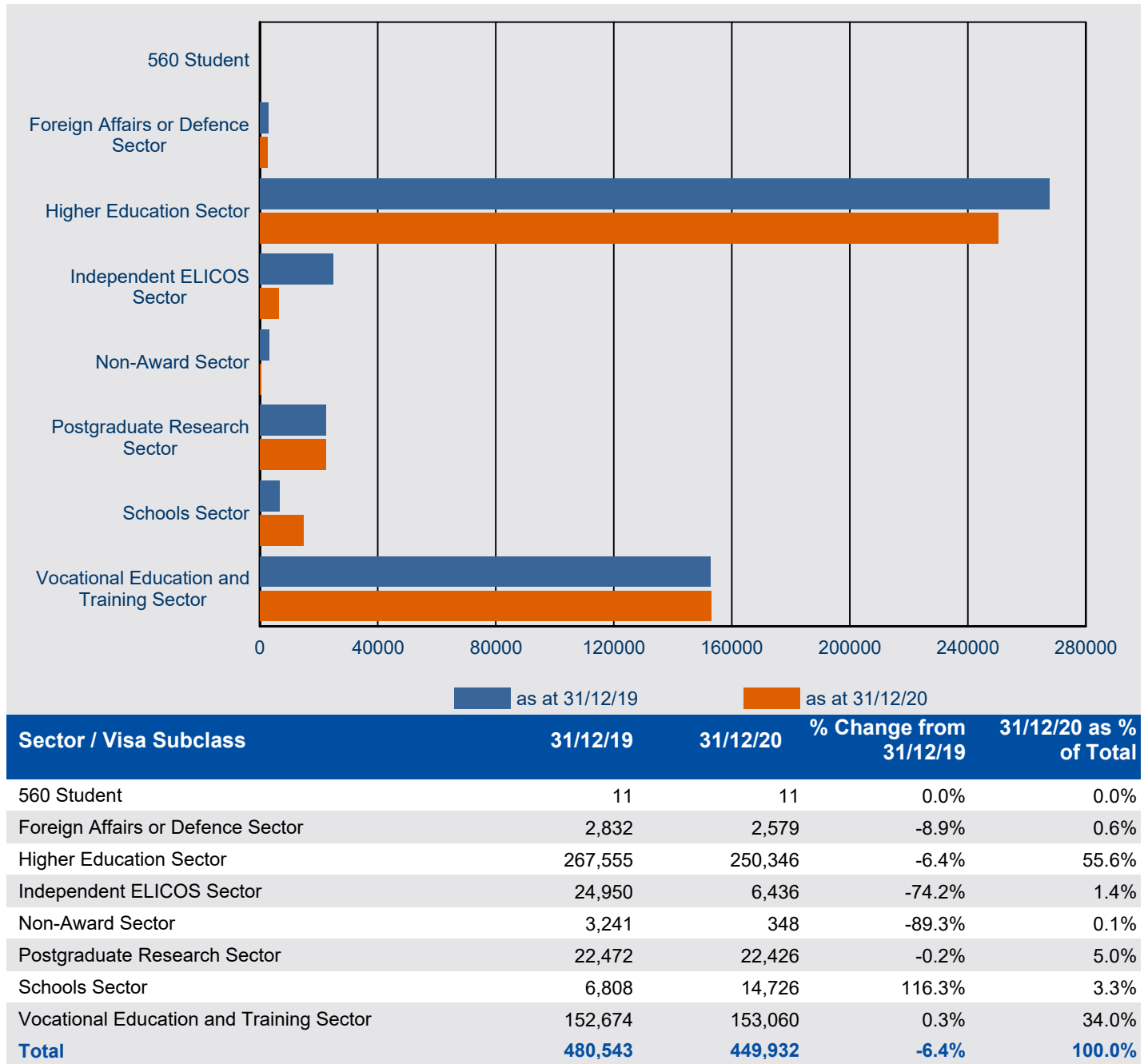


6.03 Number of student SECONDARY visa holders in Australia at the end of each month in 2020-21 to 31 December 2020 - comparison with previous three financial years



6 Visa holders in Australia

6.04 Number of student visa holders in Australia as at 31 December 2020 by sector / visa subclass - comparison with the same date in the previous year

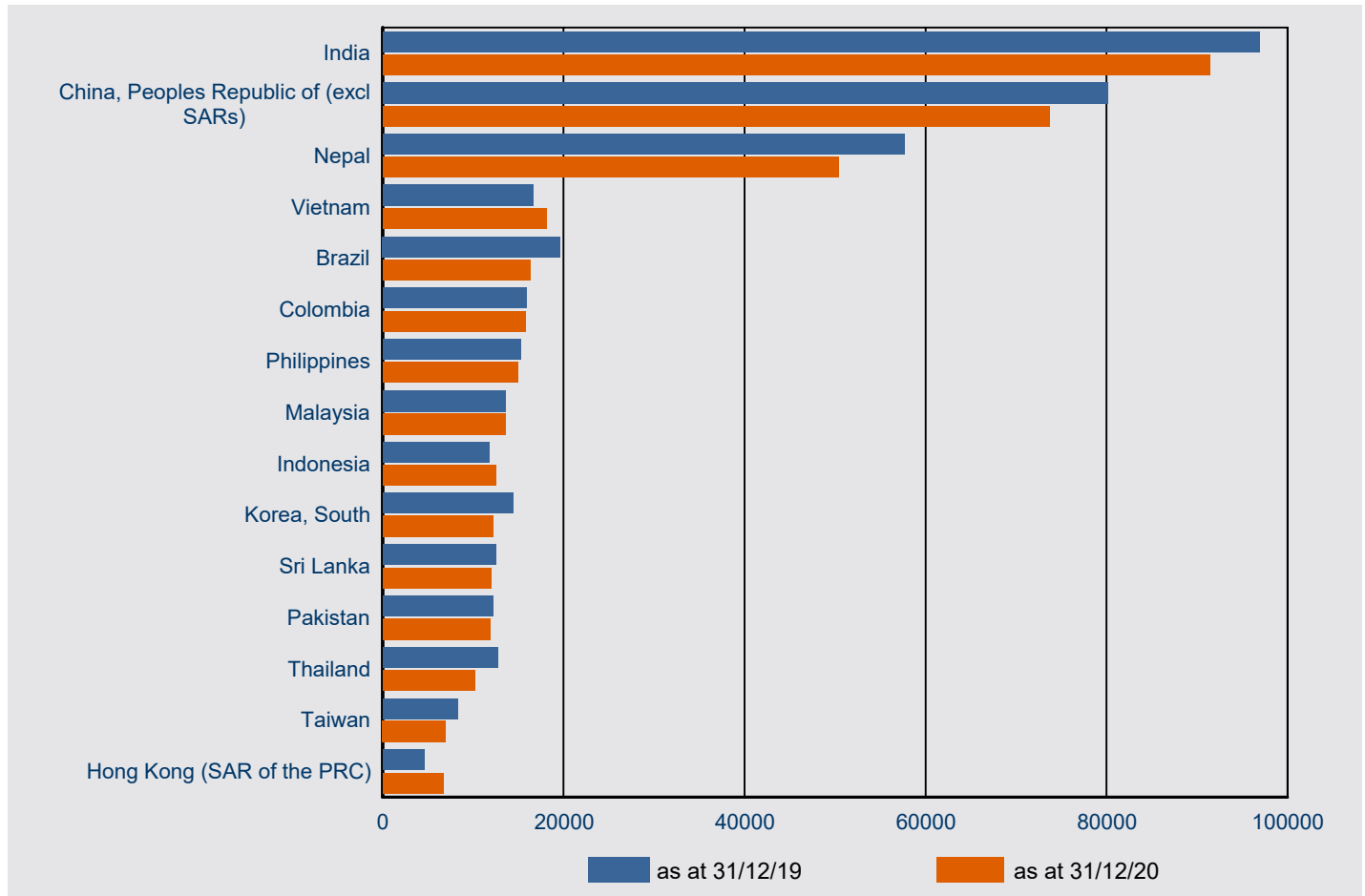


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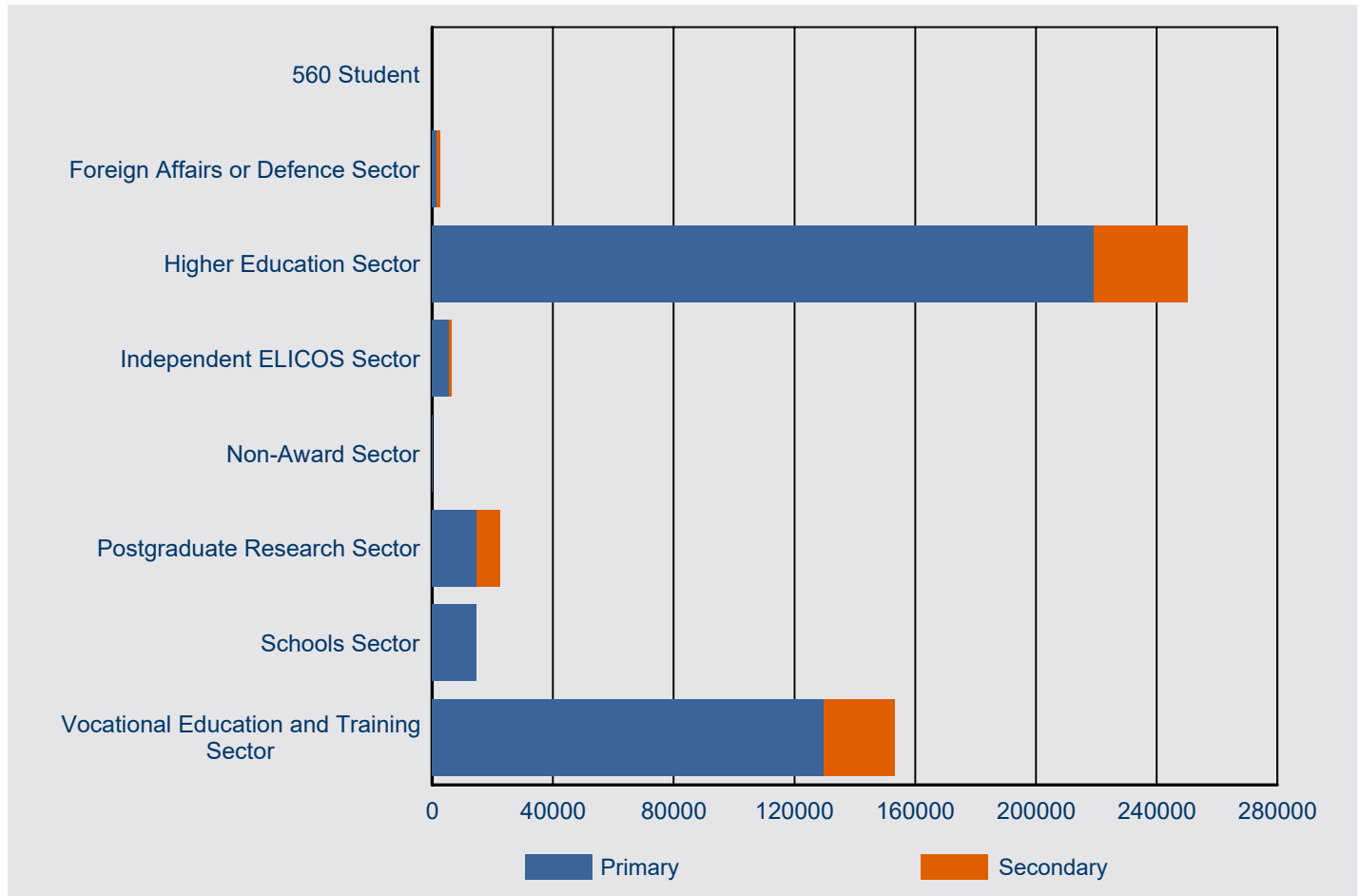
6.05 Number of student visa holders in Australia as at 31 December 2020 by citizenship country - comparison with the same date in the previous year



Citizenship Country	31/12/19	31/12/20	% Change from 31/12/19	31/12/20 as % of Total
India	96,938	91,474	-5.6%	20.3%
China, Peoples Republic of (excl SARs)	80,175	73,688	-8.1%	16.4%
Nepal	57,663	50,344	-12.7%	11.2%
Vietnam	16,672	18,102	8.6%	4.0%
Brazil	19,642	16,321	-16.9%	3.6%
Colombia	15,907	15,758	-0.9%	3.5%
Philippines	15,264	14,966	-2.0%	3.3%
Malaysia	13,548	13,561	0.1%	3.0%
Indonesia	11,787	12,504	6.1%	2.8%
Korea, South	14,394	12,186	-15.3%	2.7%
Sri Lanka	12,487	11,998	-3.9%	2.7%
Pakistan	12,167	11,926	-2.0%	2.7%
Thailand	12,712	10,232	-19.5%	2.3%
Taiwan	8,295	6,958	-16.1%	1.5%
Hong Kong (SAR of the PRC)	4,632	6,704	44.7%	1.5%
Other Countries	88,260	83,210	-5.7%	18.5%
Total	480,543	449,932	-6.4%	100.0%

6 Visa holders in Australia

6.06 Number of student visa holders in Australia as at 31 December 2020 by sector / visa subclass and applicant type



Sector / Visa Subclass	As at 31/12/19				As at 31/12/20			
	Primary	Secondary	Total	% Primary	Primary	Secondary	Total	% Primary
560 Student	8	<5	11	72.7%	8	<5	11	72.7%
Foreign Affairs or Defence Sector	1,300	1,532	2,832	45.9%	1,581	998	2,579	61.3%
Higher Education Sector	230,885	36,670	267,555	86.3%	219,300	31,046	250,346	87.6%
Independent ELICOS Sector	22,779	2,171	24,950	91.3%	5,572	864	6,436	86.6%
Non-Award Sector	3,215	26	3,241	99.2%	341	7	348	98.0%
Postgraduate Research Sector	14,357	8,115	22,472	63.9%	14,626	7,800	22,426	65.2%
Schools Sector	6,807	<5	6,808	100.0%	14,724	<5	14,726	100.0%
Vocational Education and Training Sector	130,855	21,819	152,674	85.7%	129,676	23,384	153,060	84.7%
Total	410,206	70,337	480,543	85.4%	385,828	64,104	449,932	85.8%

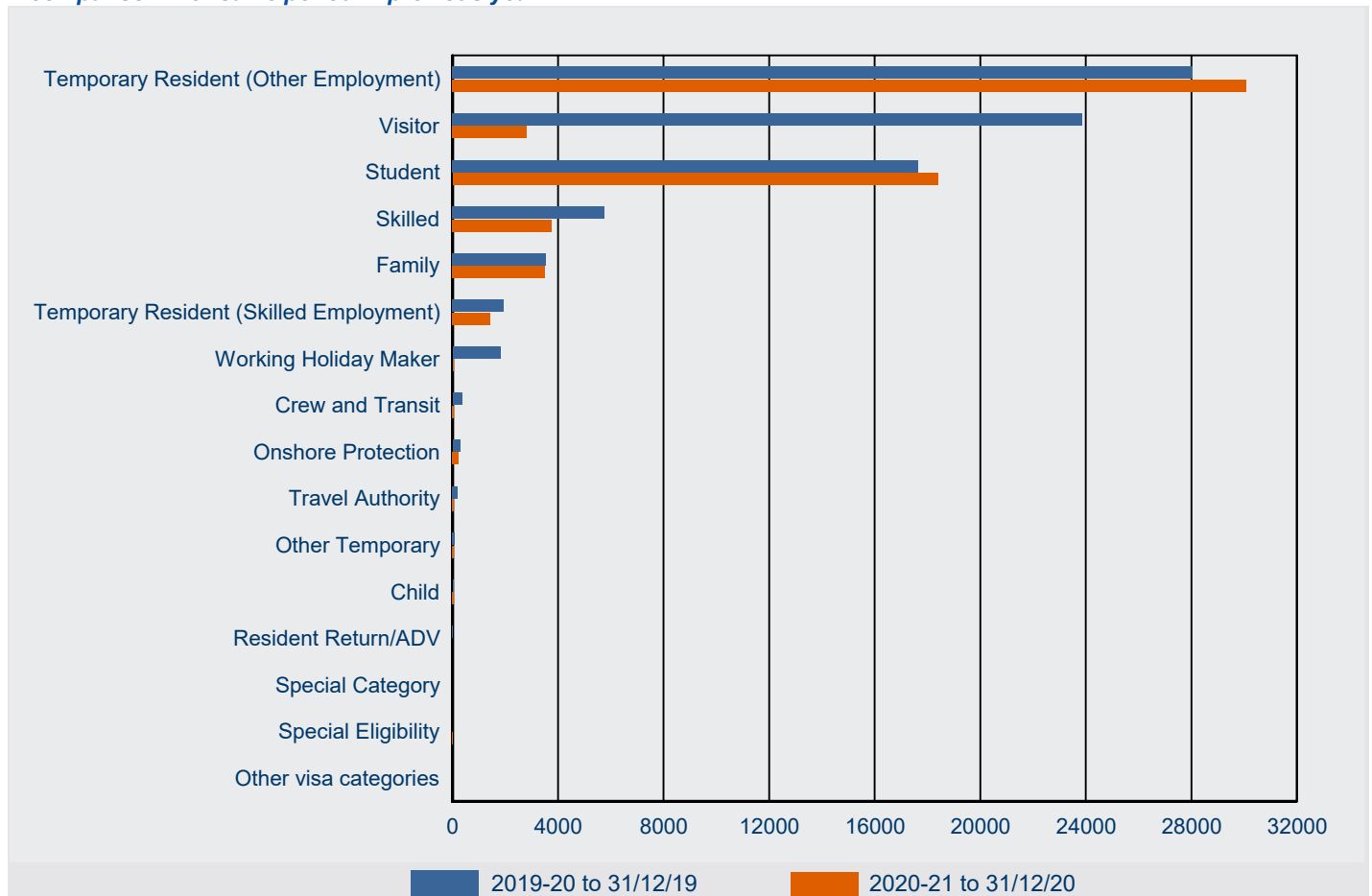
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7.01 Number of visas granted in 2020-21 to 31 December 2020 by visa category where the last visa held was a student visa - comparison with same period in previous year

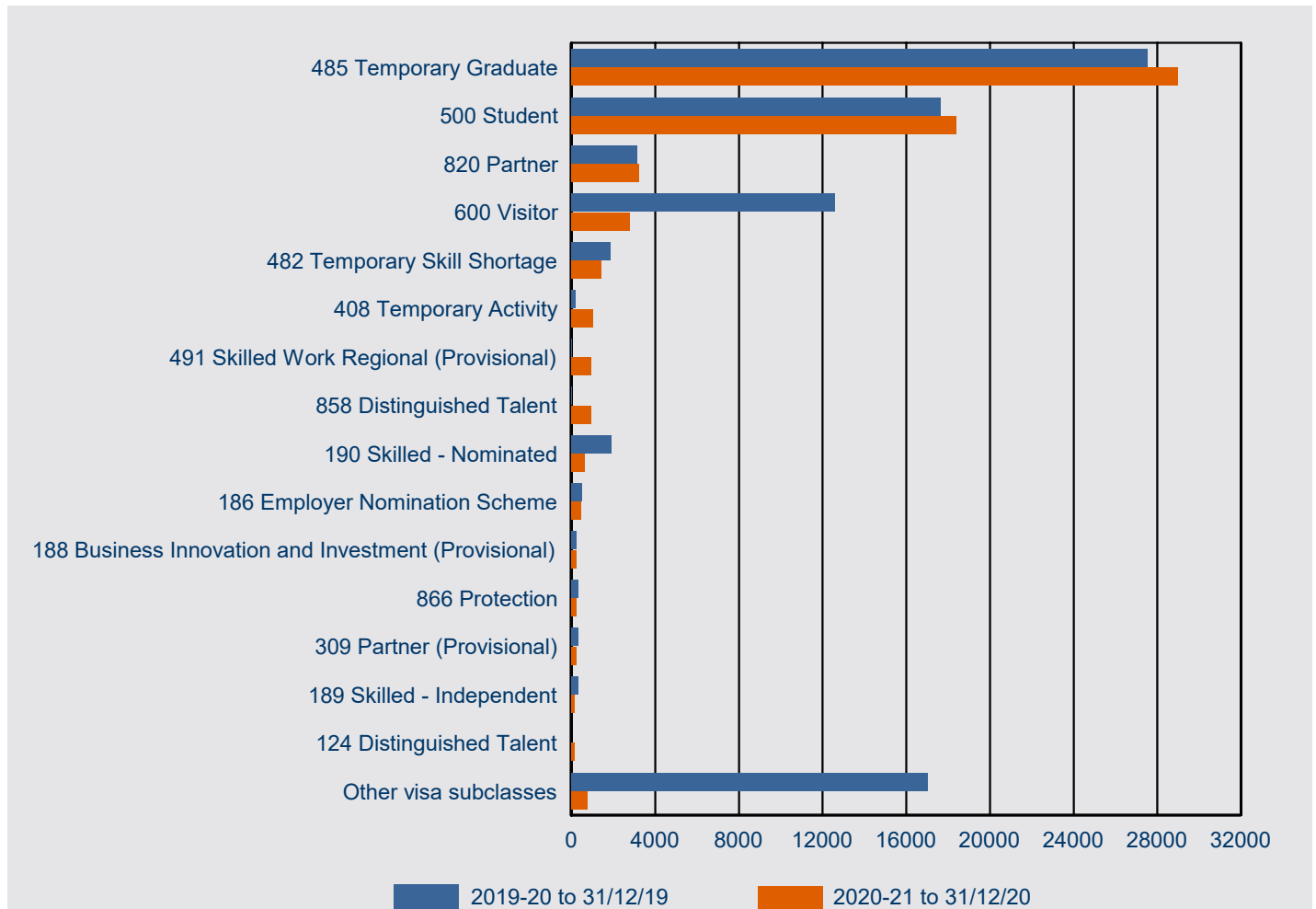


Visa Category	2019-20 to 31/12/19	2020-21 to 31/12/20	% Change from 2019-20	2020-21 as % of Total
Temporary Resident (Other Employment)	28,061	30,093	7.2%	49.7%
Student	17,648	18,405	4.3%	30.4%
Skilled	5,759	3,766	-34.6%	6.2%
Family	3,559	3,511	-1.3%	5.8%
Visitor	23,862	2,827	-88.2%	4.7%
Temporary Resident (Skilled Employment)	1,955	1,446	-26.0%	2.4%
Onshore Protection	296	225	-24.0%	0.4%
Child	38	59	55.3%	0.1%
Travel Authority	206	59	-71.4%	0.1%
Crew and Transit	362	57	-84.3%	0.1%
Other Temporary	89	46	-48.3%	0.1%
Working Holiday Maker	1,826	45	-97.5%	0.1%
Special Eligibility	0	13	0.0%	0.0%
Resident Return/ADV	22	9	-59.1%	0.0%
Special Category	7	<5	-85.7%	0.0%
Other visa categories	<5	0	-100.0%	0.0%
Total	83,691	60,562	-27.6%	100.0%

Note1: Only includes destinations data where the student has moved to a different subclass, or for students who have moved to another student visa and the education sector is different.

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7.02 Number of visas granted in 2020-21 to 31 December 2020 by visa subclass where the last visa held was a student visa - comparison with same period in previous year

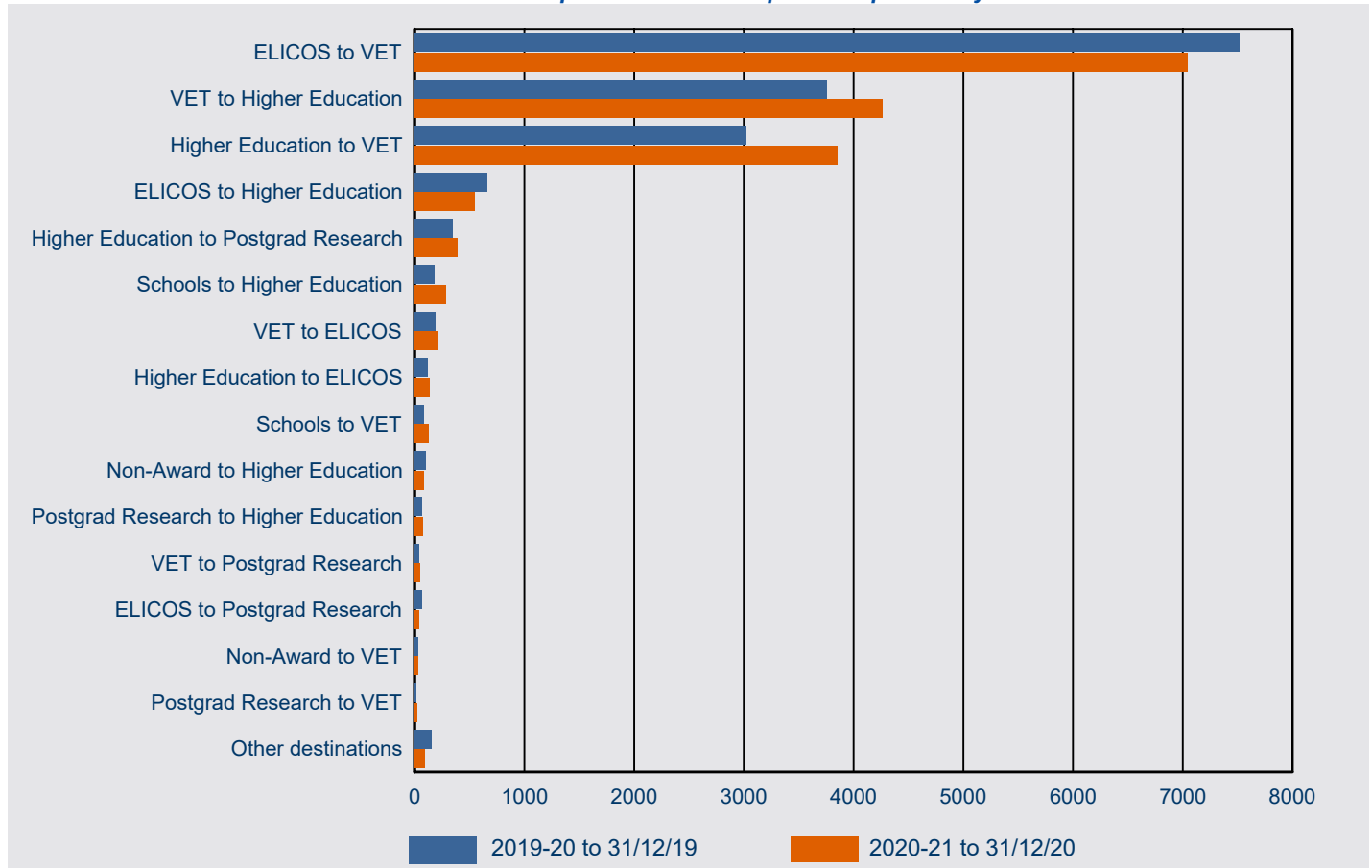


Visa Subclass	2019-20 to 31/12/19	2020-21 to 31/12/20	% Change from 2019-20	2020-21 as % of Total
485 Temporary Graduate	27,534	28,996	5.3%	47.9%
500 Student	17,646	18,403	4.3%	30.4%
820 Partner	3,161	3,229	2.2%	5.3%
600 Visitor	12,599	2,784	-77.9%	4.6%
482 Temporary Skill Shortage	1,888	1,429	-24.3%	2.4%
408 Temporary Activity	212	1,031	386.3%	1.7%
491 Skilled Work Regional (Provisional)	8	959	11887.5%	1.6%
858 Distinguished Talent	21	941	4381.0%	1.6%
190 Skilled - Nominated	1,920	604	-68.5%	1.0%
186 Employer Nomination Scheme	494	442	-10.5%	0.7%
188 Business Innovation and Investment (Provisional)	239	226	-5.4%	0.4%
866 Protection	296	225	-24.0%	0.4%
309 Partner (Provisional)	311	222	-28.6%	0.4%
189 Skilled - Independent	330	166	-49.7%	0.3%
124 Distinguished Talent		142		0.2%
Other visa subclasses	17,032	763	-95.5%	1.3%
Total	83,691	60,562	-27.6%	100.0%

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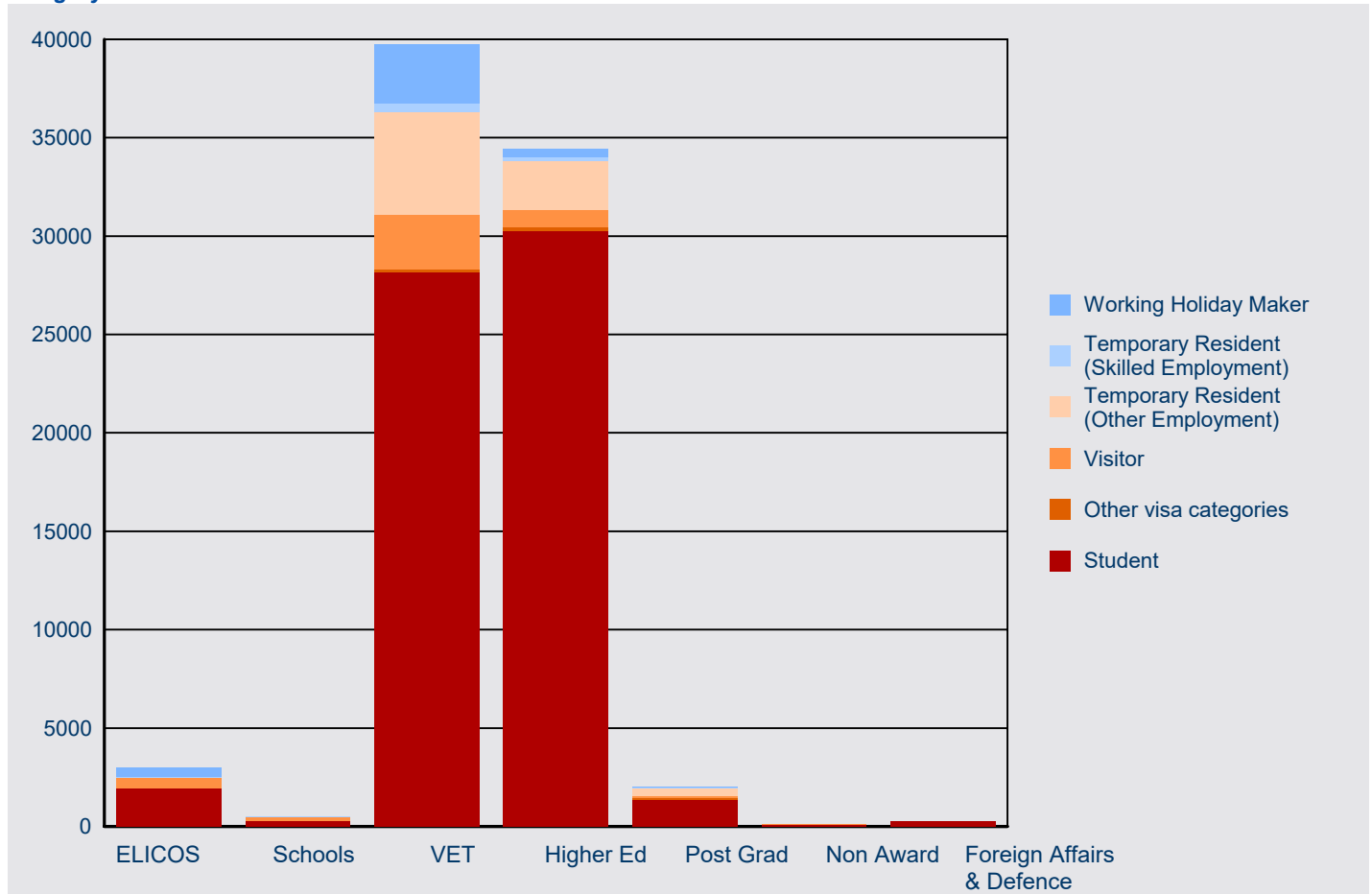
7.03 Number of student visas granted in 2020-21 to 31 December 2020 where the client was in Australia and the last visa held was a student visa in a different sector - comparison with same period in previous year



Sector From / Sector To	2019-20 to 31/12/19	2020-21 to 31/12/20	% Change from 2019-20	2020-21 as % of Total
ELICOS to VET	7,514	7,039	-6.3%	40.9%
VET to Higher Education	3,751	4,263	13.6%	24.8%
Higher Education to VET	3,020	3,851	27.5%	22.4%
ELICOS to Higher Education	660	547	-17.1%	3.2%
Higher Education to Postgrad Research	343	390	13.7%	2.3%
Schools to Higher Education	176	283	60.8%	1.6%
VET to ELICOS	185	206	11.4%	1.2%
Higher Education to ELICOS	115	138	20.0%	0.8%
Schools to VET	83	121	45.8%	0.7%
Non-Award to Higher Education	102	86	-15.7%	0.5%
Postgrad Research to Higher Education	64	74	15.6%	0.4%
VET to Postgrad Research	37	45	21.6%	0.3%
ELICOS to Postgrad Research	60	36	-40.0%	0.2%
Non-Award to VET	33	26	-21.2%	0.2%
Postgrad Research to VET	15	25	66.7%	0.1%
Other destinations	155	93	-40.0%	0.5%
Total	16,313	17,223	5.6%	100.0%

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7.04 Number of student visa granted in 2020-21 to 31 December 2020 where the client was in Australia by last visa category held



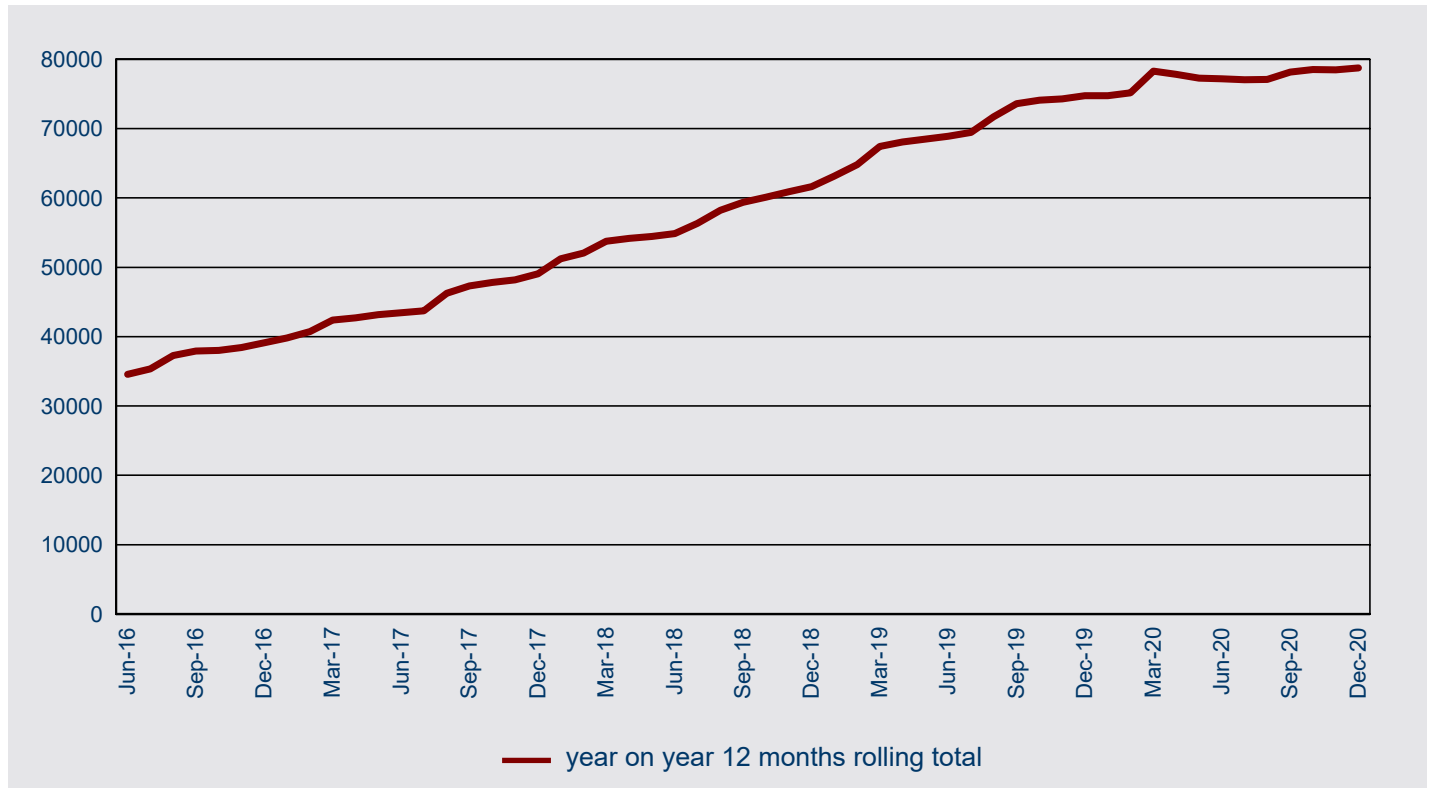
Last Visa Category Held	ELICOS	Schools	VET	Higher Ed	Post Grad.	Non Award	Foreign Affairs & Defence	Total
Student	1,922	296	28,159	30,269	1,368	114	277	62,405
Temporary Resident (Other Employment)	56	11	5,239	2,451	413	<5	0	8,171
Visitor	505	159	2,756	882	107	9	<5	4,421
Working Holiday Maker	468	0	2,986	417	39	6	0	3,916
Temporary Resident (Skilled Employment)	9	25	451	225	11	0	0	721
Other visa categories	9	15	151	205	71	<5	<5	456
Total	2,969	506	39,742	34,449	2,009	131	284	80,090

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8 Subclass 485 visa

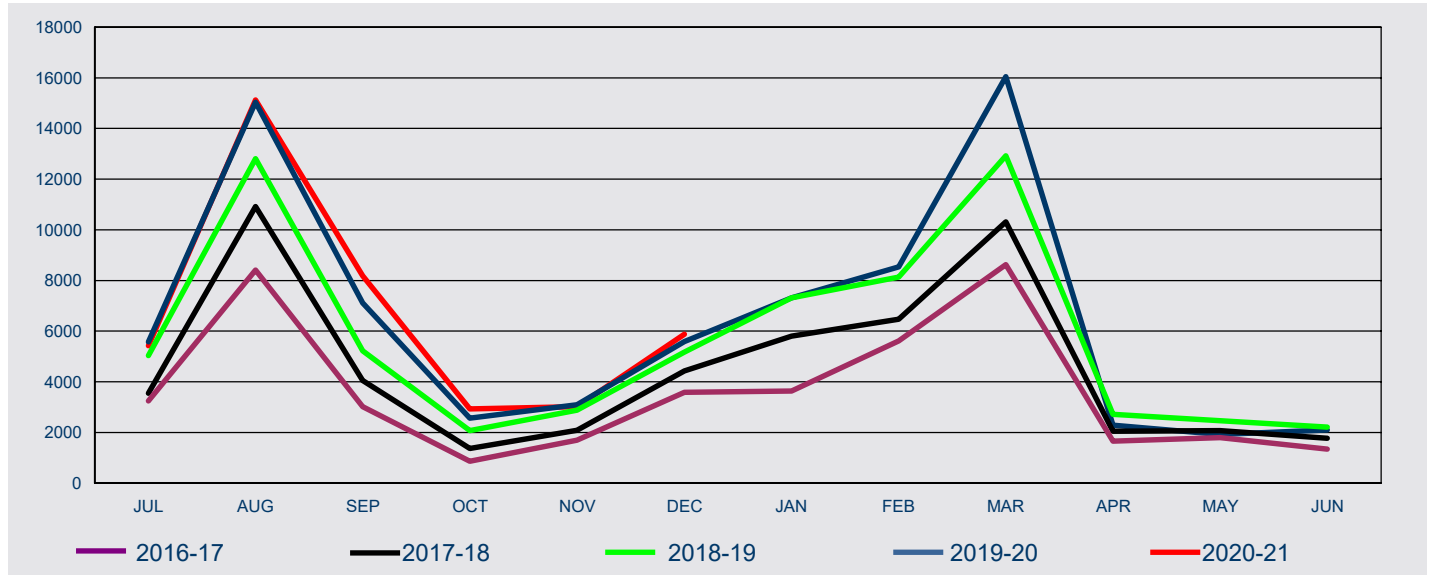
8 Subclass 485 visa - Lodged

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



8 Subclass 485 visa - Lodged

8.02 Number of subclass 485 visa applications lodged in 2020-21 to 31 December 2020 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
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Graduate Work

2016-17	644	1,739	866	371	480	670	675	1,074	2,163	434	583	516	10,215
2017-18	549	1,532	691	408	535	558	723	902	1,882	444	688	622	9,534
2018-19	737	1,563	783	574	761	656	678	932	2,099	602	860	697	10,942
2019-20	754	1,542	811	617	739	664	642	904	2,000	437	626	716	10,452
2020-21	743	1,509	964	683	864	876							5,639

Post-Study Work

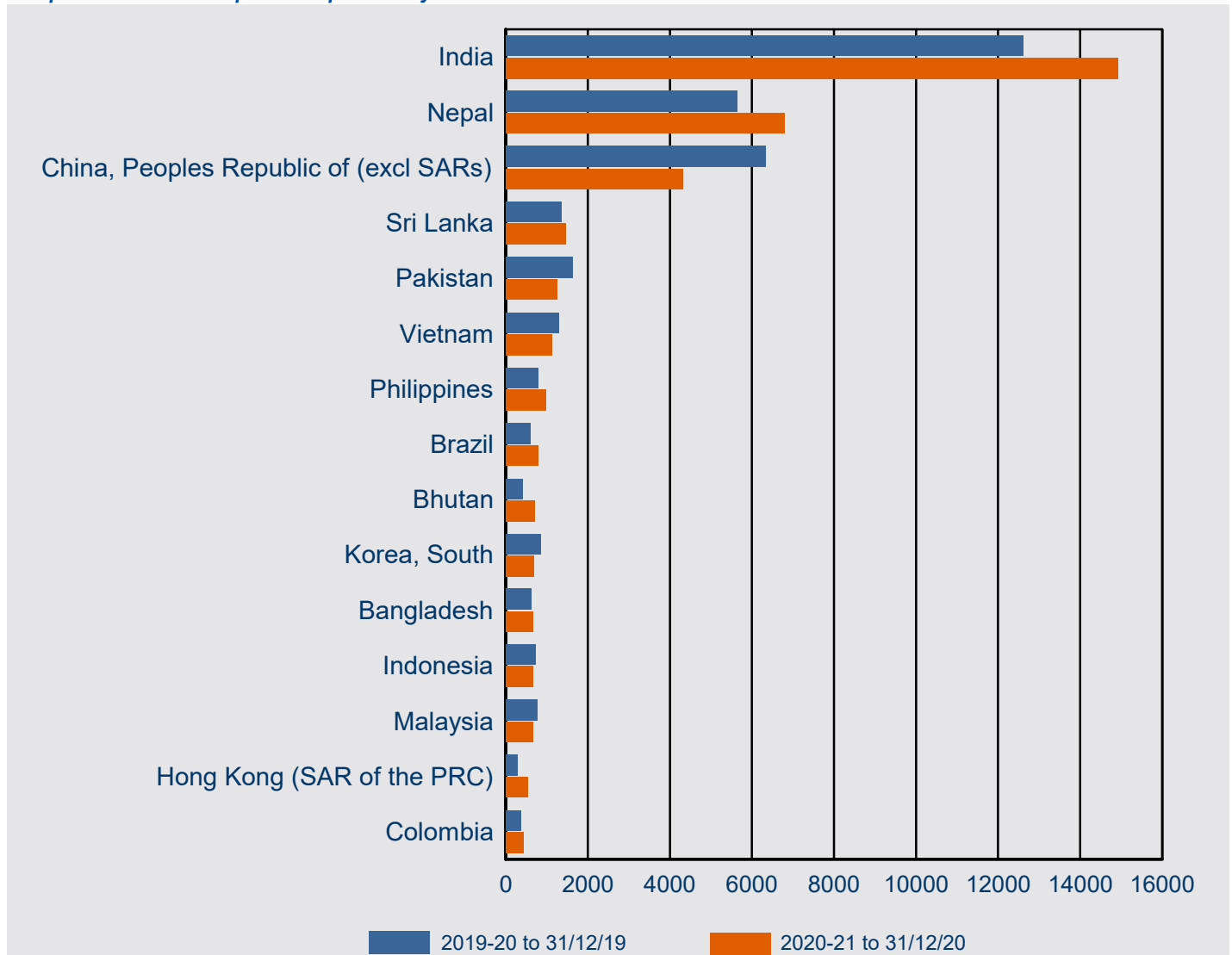
2016-17	2,599	6,669	2,146	487	1,210	2,911	2,954	4,539	6,460	1,215	1,211	821	33,222
2017-18	2,995	9,389	3,363	956	1,553	3,863	5,077	5,570	8,427	1,597	1,381	1,144	45,315
2018-19	4,300	11,241	4,434	1,490	2,117	4,512	6,637	7,197	10,819	2,116	1,606	1,506	57,975
2019-20	4,818	13,498	6,303	1,946	2,357	4,924	6,674	7,638	14,048	1,843	1,288	1,385	66,722
2020-21	4,675	13,616	7,213	2,248	2,150	4,999							34,901

All

2016-17	3,243	8,408	3,012	858	1,690	3,581	3,629	5,613	8,623	1,649	1,794	1,337	43,437
2017-18	3,544	10,921	4,054	1,364	2,088	4,421	5,800	6,472	10,309	2,041	2,069	1,766	54,849
2018-19	5,037	12,804	5,217	2,064	2,878	5,168	7,315	8,129	12,918	2,718	2,466	2,203	68,917
2019-20	5,572	15,040	7,114	2,563	3,096	5,588	7,316	8,542	16,048	2,280	1,914	2,101	77,174
2020-21	5,418	15,125	8,177	2,931	3,014	5,875							40,540

8 Subclass 485 visa - Lodged

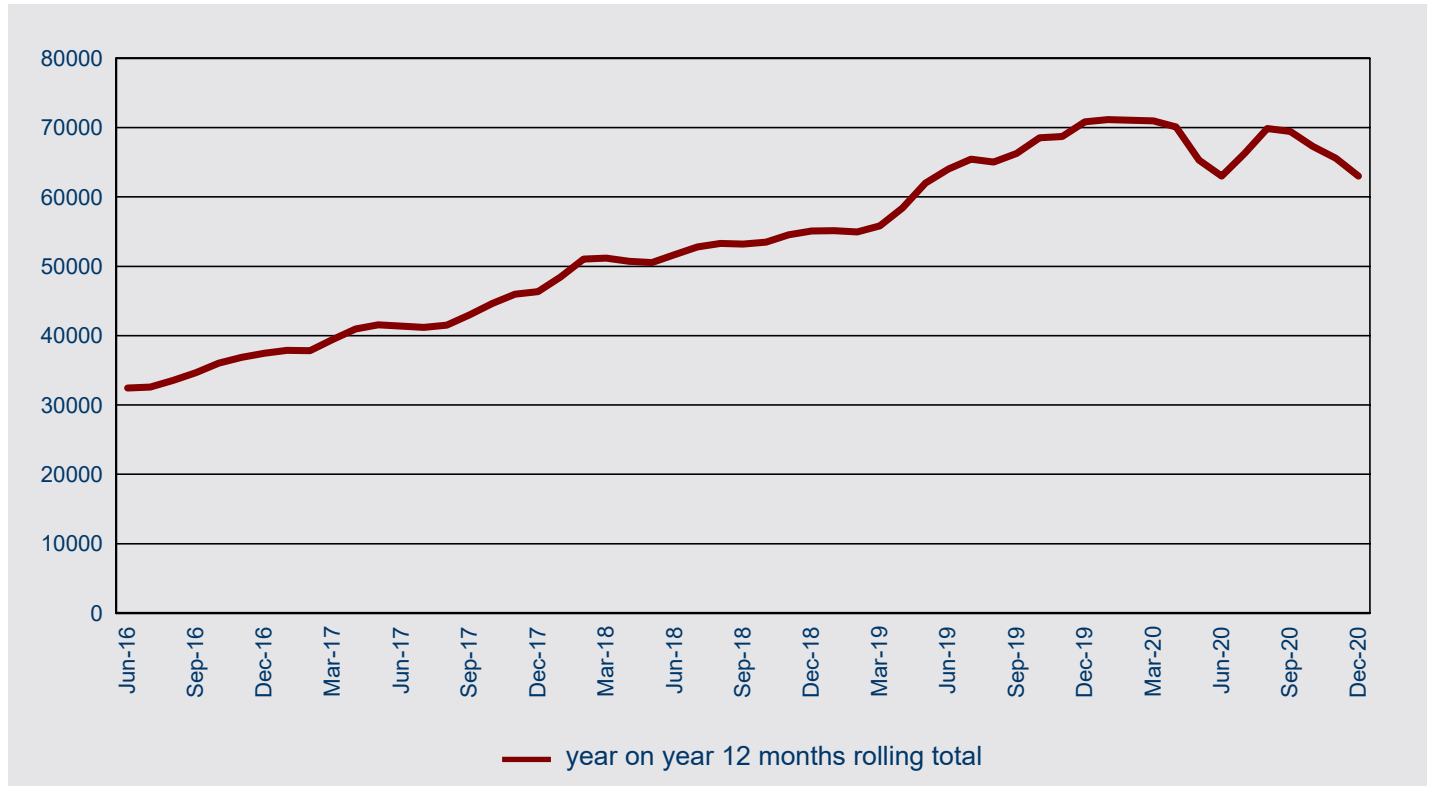
8.03 Number of subclass 485 visa applications lodged in 2020-21 to 31 December 2020 by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year



Citizenship Country	2019-20 to 31/12/19	2020-21 to 31/12/20	% Change from 2019-20	2020-21 as % of Total
India	12,601	14,913	18.3%	36.8%
Nepal	5,631	6,795	20.7%	16.8%
China, Peoples Republic of (excl SARs)	6,338	4,314	-31.9%	10.6%
Sri Lanka	1,348	1,460	8.3%	3.6%
Pakistan	1,625	1,248	-23.2%	3.1%
Vietnam	1,294	1,127	-12.9%	2.8%
Philippines	788	969	23.0%	2.4%
Brazil	602	780	29.6%	1.9%
Bhutan	416	705	69.5%	1.7%
Korea, South	848	680	-19.8%	1.7%
Bangladesh	626	666	6.4%	1.6%
Indonesia	723	662	-8.4%	1.6%
Malaysia	759	654	-13.8%	1.6%
Hong Kong (SAR of the PRC)	275	543	97.5%	1.3%
Colombia	364	420	15.4%	1.0%
Other countries	4,735	4,604	-2.8%	11.4%
Total	38,973	40,540	4.0%	100.0%

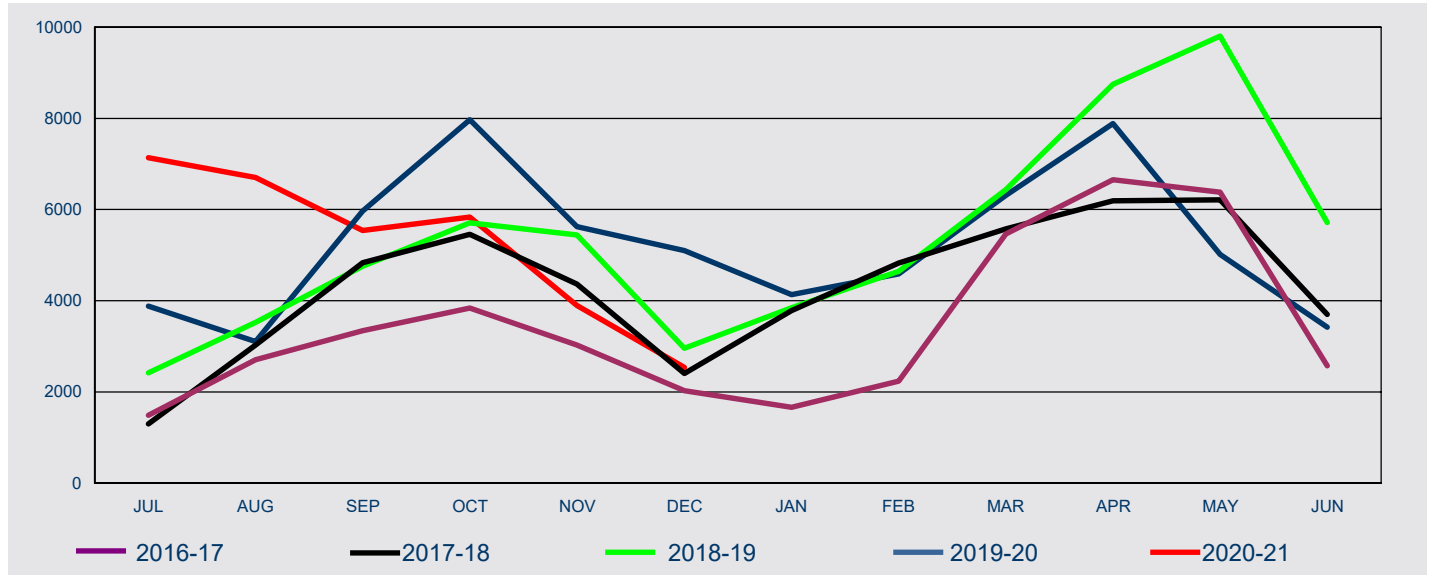
8 Subclass 485 visa - Granted

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



8 Subclass 485 visa - Granted

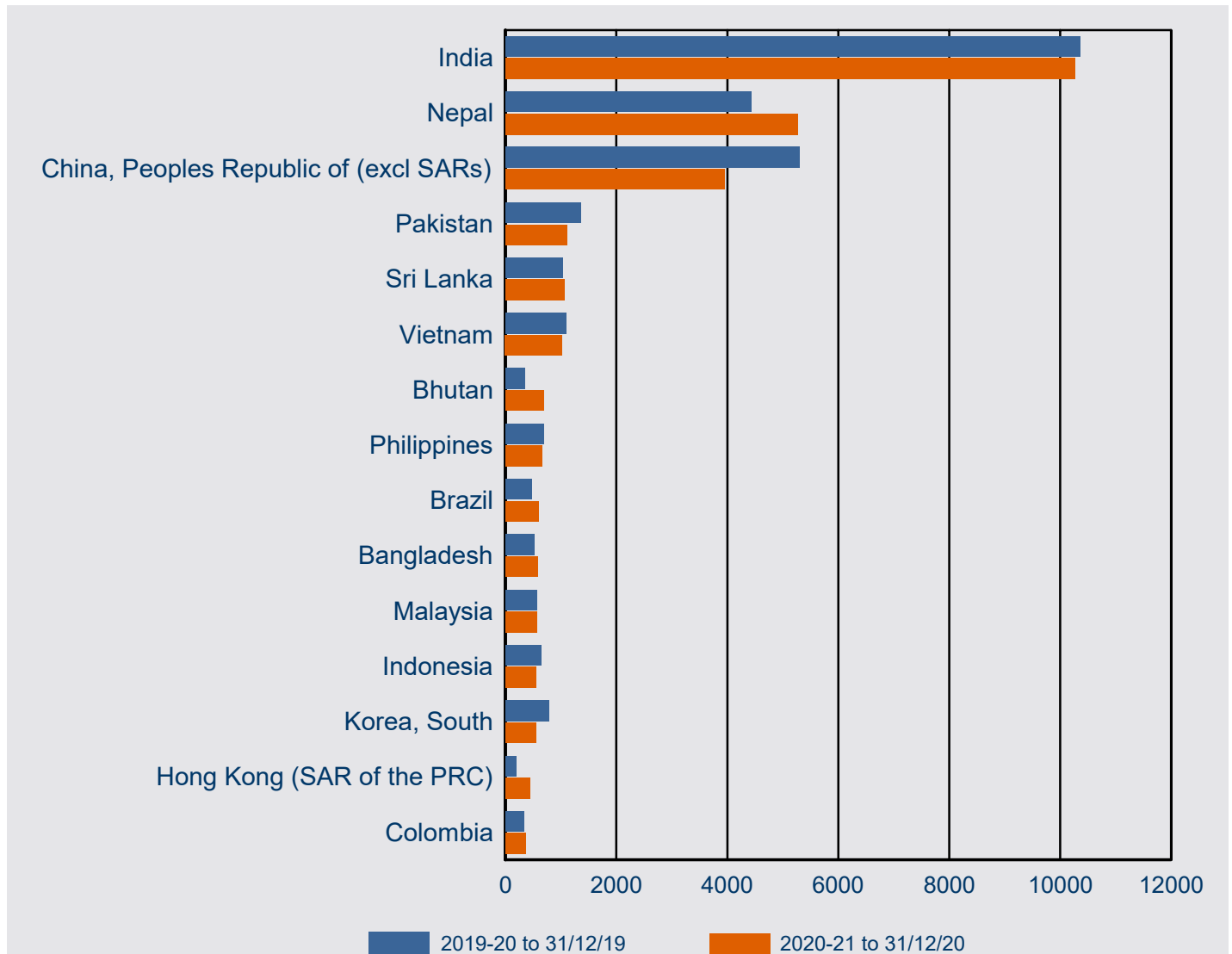
8.05 Number of subclass 485 visa applications granted in 2020-21 to 31 December 2020 by visa stream and month - comparison with previous four financial years



FY Granted	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Total
Graduate Work													
2016-17	627	749	484	671	760	853	540	483	839	959	1,572	882	9,419
2017-18	507	466	539	749	774	448	512	642	664	711	1,150	987	8,149
2018-19	697	583	581	645	916	394	880	936	478	799	1,327	977	9,213
2019-20	1,028	930	572	1,078	993	560	637	652	583	677	712	560	8,982
2020-21	627	913	814	631	564	423							3,972
Post-Study Work													
2016-17	858	1,952	2,857	3,168	2,266	1,169	1,119	1,752	4,625	5,695	4,807	1,692	31,960
2017-18	787	2,558	4,292	4,704	3,590	1,959	3,271	4,184	4,908	5,478	5,063	2,713	43,507
2018-19	1,721	2,944	4,175	5,065	4,525	2,564	2,963	3,706	5,958	7,947	8,477	4,736	54,781
2019-20	2,856	2,170	5,397	6,894	4,628	4,536	3,498	3,937	5,729	7,209	4,305	2,862	54,021
2020-21	6,507	5,790	4,729	5,205	3,328	2,115							27,674
Skilled Graduate													
2016-17	n/a	<5	<5	<5	<5	n/a	<5	n/a	n/a	<5	n/a	n/a	8
2017-18	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
2018-19	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
2019-20	0	<5	0	0	<5	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	13
2020-21	0												0
All													
2016-17	1,485	2,702	3,344	3,840	3,027	2,022	1,660	2,235	5,464	6,655	6,379	2,574	41,387
2017-18	1,294	3,024	4,831	5,453	4,364	2,407	3,783	4,826	5,572	6,189	6,213	3,700	51,656
2018-19	2,418	3,527	4,756	5,710	5,441	2,958	3,843	4,642	6,436	8,746	9,804	5,713	63,994
2019-20	3,884	3,104	5,969	7,972	5,625	5,101	4,135	4,589	6,312	7,886	5,017	3,422	63,016
2020-21	7,134	6,703	5,543	5,836	3,892	2,538							31,646

8 Subclass 485 visa - Granted

8.06 Number of subclass 485 visa applications granted in 2020-21 to 31 December 2020 by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year



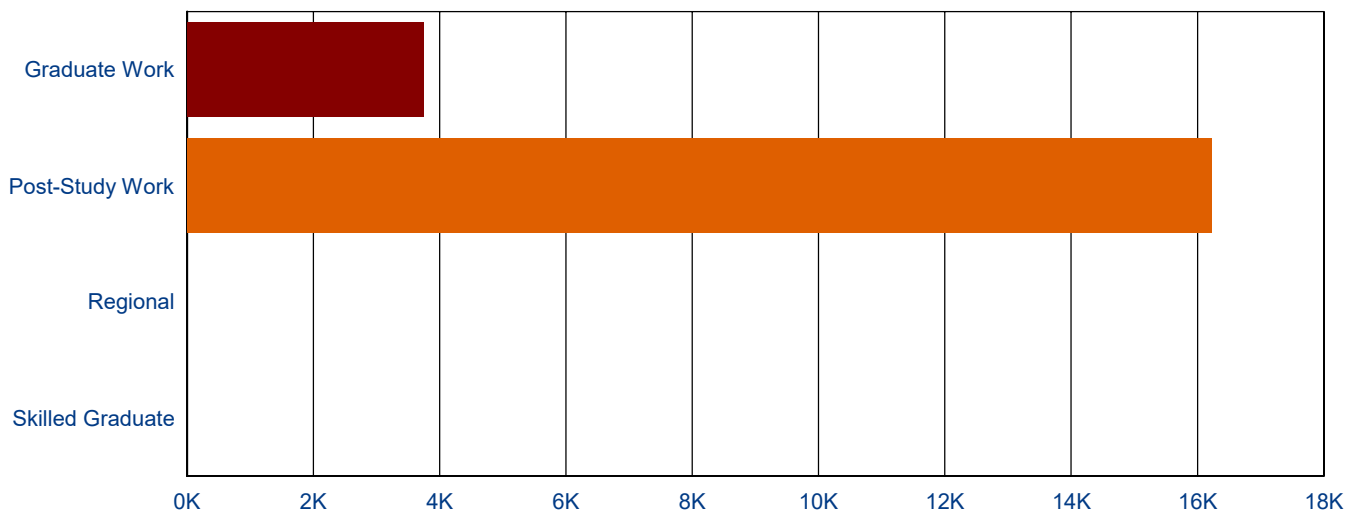
Citizenship Country	2019-20 to 31/12/19	2020-21 to 31/12/20	% Change from 2019-20	2020-21 as % of Total
India	10,360	10,262	-0.9%	32.4%
Nepal	4,422	5,272	19.2%	16.7%
China, Peoples Republic of (excl SARs)	5,291	3,946	-25.4%	12.5%
Pakistan	1,357	1,101	-18.9%	3.5%
Sri Lanka	1,030	1,056	2.5%	3.3%
Vietnam	1,090	1,023	-6.1%	3.2%
Bhutan	351	688	96.0%	2.2%
Philippines	688	653	-5.1%	2.1%
Brazil	476	601	26.3%	1.9%
Bangladesh	511	583	14.1%	1.8%
Malaysia	561	561	0.0%	1.8%
Indonesia	636	549	-13.7%	1.7%
Korea, South	786	546	-30.5%	1.7%
Hong Kong (SAR of the PRC)	184	441	139.7%	1.4%
Colombia	335	369	10.1%	1.2%
Other countries	3,577	3,995	11.7%	12.6%
Total	31,655	31,646	0.0%	100.0%

8 Subclass 485 visa - On hand

8.07 Number of subclass 485 PRIMARY visa applications on hand at 31 December 2020 by visa stream - comparison with previous four periods

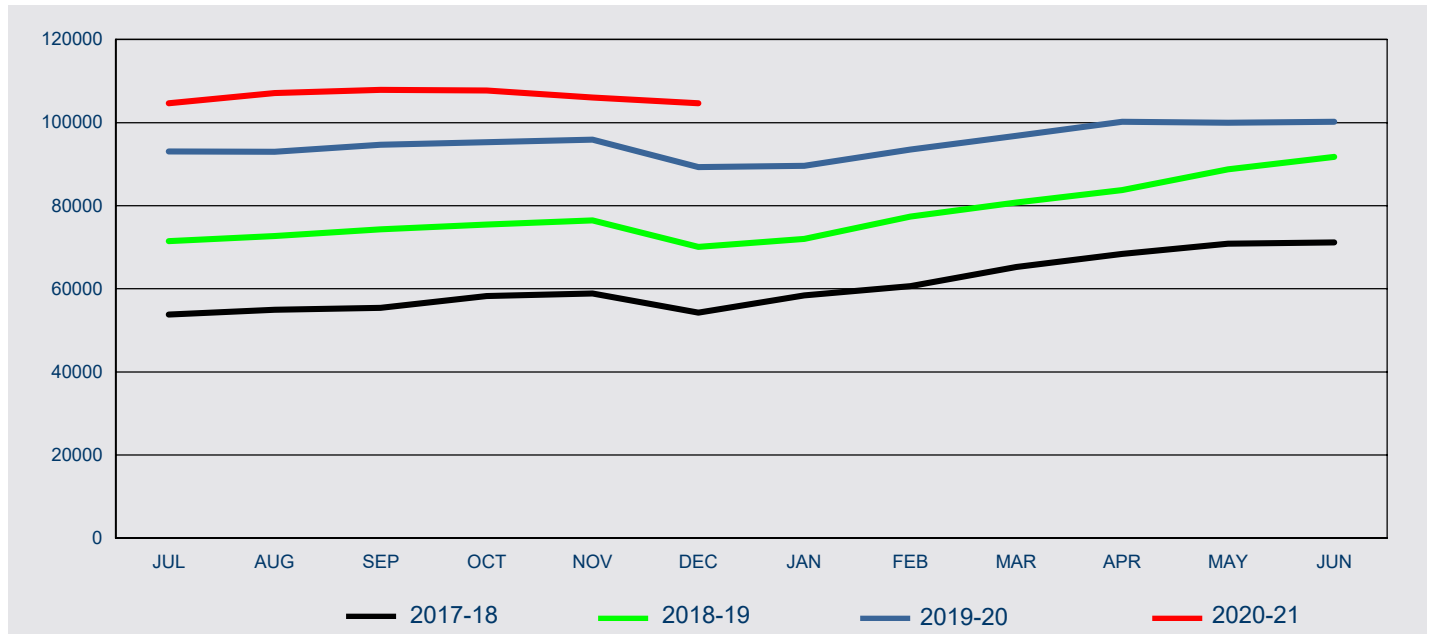
Visa Stream	On hand at 31/12/19	On hand at 31/03/20	On hand at 30/06/20	On hand at 30/09/20	On hand at 31/12/20
Graduate Work	1,642	2,783	2,520	3,118	3,748
Post-Study Work	7,699	19,422	10,726	17,491	16,231
Regional	0	0	0	0	0
Skilled Graduate	0	0	0	0	0
Total	9,341	22,205	13,246	20,609	19,979

8.08 Number of subclass 485 PRIMARY visa applications on hand at 31 December 2020 by visa stream



8 Subclass 485 visa - Visa holders in Australia

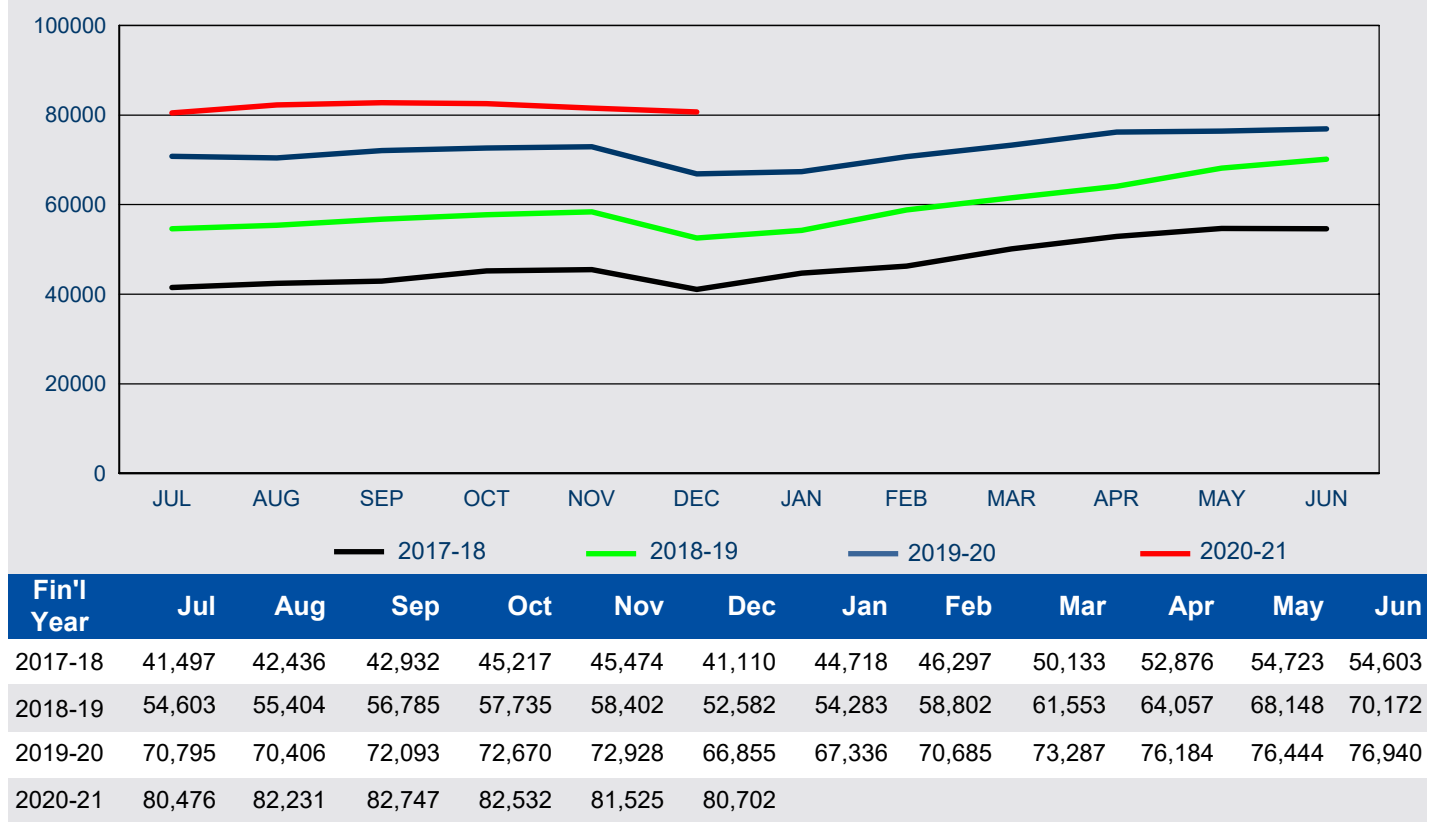
8.09 Number of subclass 485 visa holders at the end of each month in 2020-21 to 31 December 2020 by month - comparison with previous three financial years



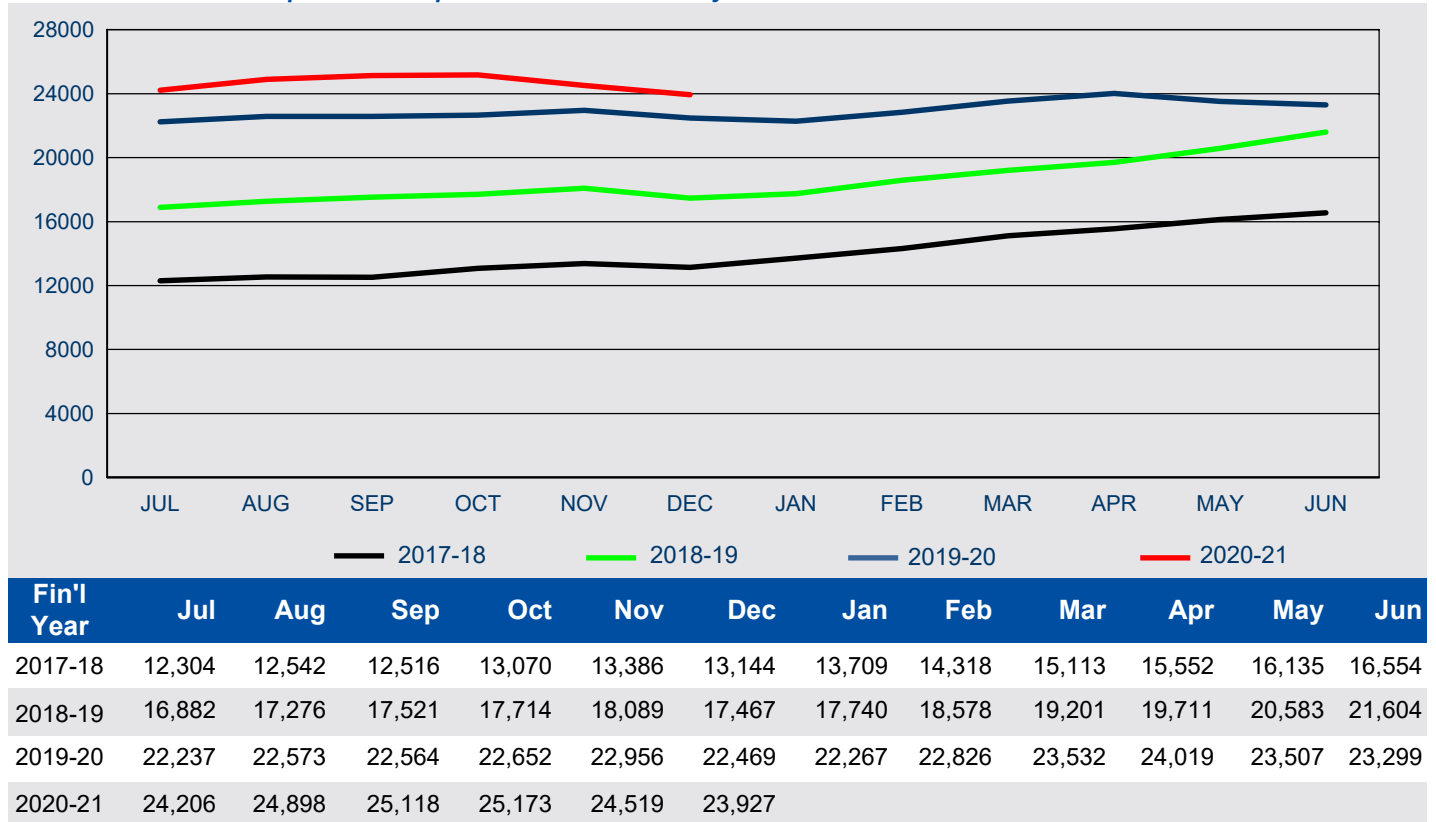
Fin'l Year	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
2017-18	53,801	54,978	55,448	58,287	58,860	54,254	58,427	60,615	65,246	68,428	70,858	71,157
2018-19	71,485	72,680	74,306	75,449	76,491	70,049	72,023	77,380	80,754	83,768	88,731	91,776
2019-20	93,032	92,979	94,657	95,322	95,884	89,324	89,603	93,511	96,819	100,203	99,951	100,239
2020-21	104,682	107,129	107,865	107,705	106,044	104,629						

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 2020-21 to 31 December 2020 - comparison with previous three financial years

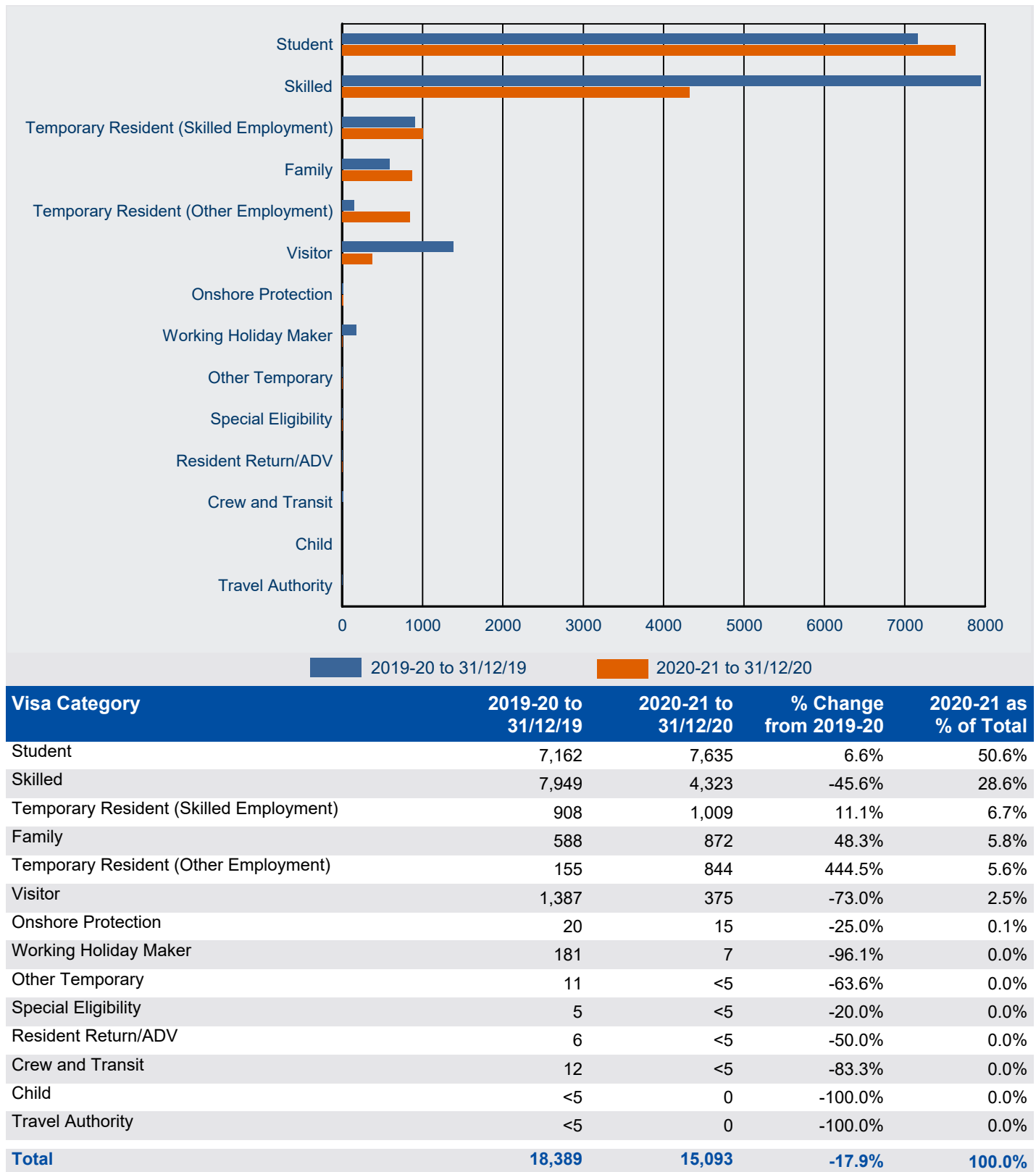


8.11 Number of subclass 485 SECONDARY visa holders in Australia at the end of each month in 2020-21 to 31 December 2020 - comparison with previous three financial years



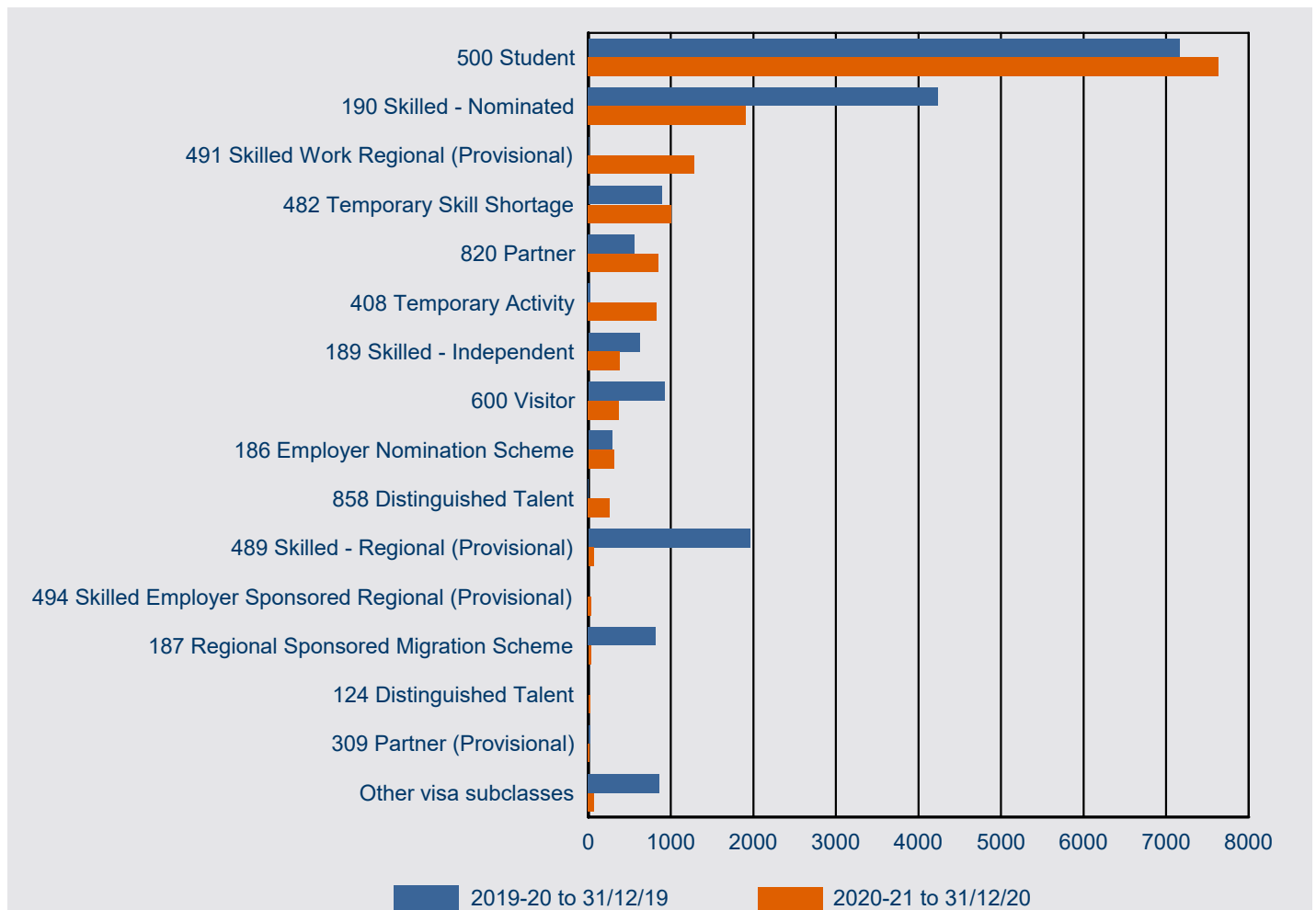
8 Subclass 485 visa - Destinations

8.12 Number of visas granted in 2020-21 to 31 December 2020 by visa category where the last visa held was a subclass 485 visa - comparison with same period in previous year



8 Subclass 485 visa - Destinations

8.13 Number of visas granted in 2020-21 to 31 December 2020 by visa subclass where the last visa held was a subclass 485 visa - comparison with same period in previous year



Visa Subclass	2019-20 to 31/12/19	2020-21 to 31/12/20	% Change from 2019-20	2020-21 as % of Total
500 Student	7,161	7,634	6.6%	50.6%
190 Skilled - Nominated	4,239	1,910	-54.9%	12.7%
491 Skilled Work Regional (Provisional)	14	1,289	9107.1%	8.5%
482 Temporary Skill Shortage	891	1,006	12.9%	6.7%
820 Partner	564	852	51.1%	5.6%
408 Temporary Activity	25	829	3216.0%	5.5%
189 Skilled - Independent	625	384	-38.6%	2.5%
600 Visitor	924	371	-59.8%	2.5%
186 Employer Nomination Scheme	288	311	8.0%	2.1%
858 Distinguished Talent	<5	263	6475.0%	1.7%
489 Skilled - Regional (Provisional)	1,958	65	-96.7%	0.4%
494 Skilled Employer Sponsored Regional (Provisional)	0	39	0.0%	0.3%
187 Regional Sponsored Migration Scheme	817	31	-96.2%	0.2%
124 Distinguished Talent	0	23	0.0%	0.2%
309 Partner (Provisional)	19	17	-10.5%	0.1%
Other visa subclasses	860	69	-92.0%	0.5%
Total	18,389	15,093	-17.9%	100.0%

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