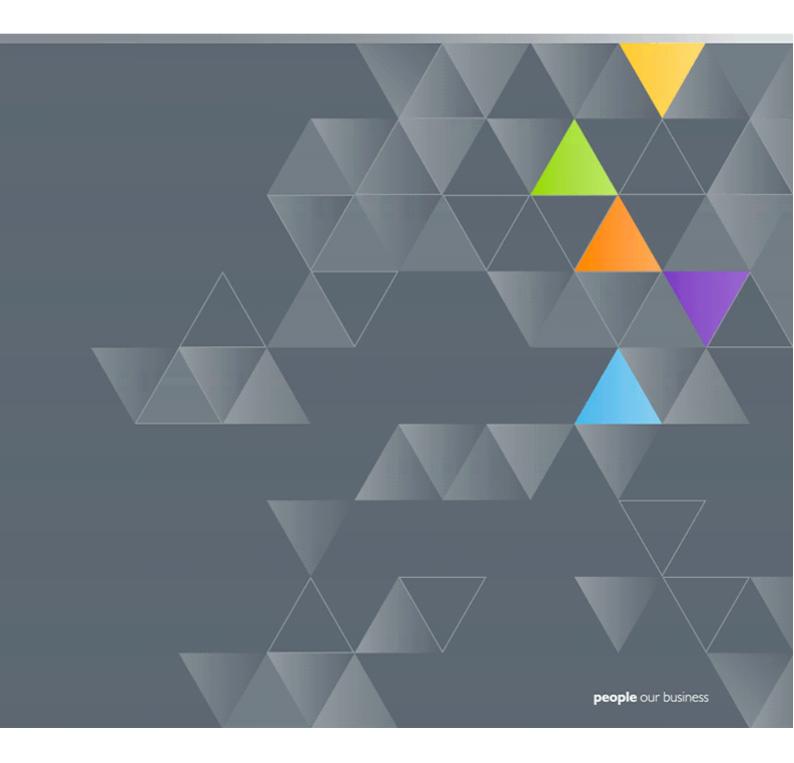


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Student visa and Temporary Graduate visa programme quarterly report

Quarter ending at 31 March 2015



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About this report

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

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

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

For privacy reasons < 5 has been used where a number in a table is between 1 and 4. Further data about the student visa programme, including yearly student visa trends and comprehensive data on student visa grants by sector and country from 2002-03 to the 2013-14 programme year is available on the department's website at: http://www.border.gov.au/about/reports-publications/research-statistics/statistics/study-in-australia

Further information about the student visa programme is available at: http://www.border.gov.au/Trav/Stud

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Definition of terms

Applicant type:	Under the Migration Regulations 1994 (the Regulations), there are two types of applicants. These are primary applicants and secondary applicants. These terms are defined below.
	If the table or graph heading includes the word 'primary', such as 'primary applications' or 'primary visa holders', dependants (secondary applicants) are not included.
Citizenship country:	The country of citizenship of the visa applicant or visa holder. Where a visa applicant or visa holder has more than one citizenship country, either the citizenship of the travel document or the citizenship nominated by the visa applicant is used.
Destination:	Where a visa holder has moved from one type of visa to another. This most commonly occurs where a temporary visa holder applies for a permanent visa. However, many temporary visa holders go on to apply for a further temporary visa. The original visa is determined by the last visa held prior to the destination visa being granted. Destination visas include visas granted in Australia and outside Australia.
Granted:	Unless otherwise specified, the number of visas granted includes primary and review grants.
Last visa held:	This refers to the last substantive visa held by a visa holder (that is, the last visa other than a bridging visa) prior to a point in time. The last visa held may have expired or still be in effect.
Lodged:	Lodged is the count of paper applications receipted in a departmental office or submitted electronically.
Outside Australia:	In this report, refers to the location of the client at the time the application was lodged. Generally, student visa applicants subject to Assessment Levels 2-3 are required to lodge their first student visa application while outside Australia.
In Australia:	In this report, refers to the location of the client at the time the application was lodged. An applicant in Australia may already hold a visa of the same kind or may be applying for another type of visa. Student visa applicants subject to Assessment Level 1 can lodge their first student visa application while in Australia.
Primary applicant:	The primary applicant is the person who must satisfy the primary criteria for the grant of a visa under the Regulations. In this case, it would be the person proposing to study in Australia.
Primary application:	An application lodged by a primary applicant.
Primary grant:	An outcome where a decision maker (which may include system generated decision making) makes an assessment based on the initial visa application which results in a visa being granted to an applicant.
Primary visa holder:	A person who has had a primary application for a visa granted.
Secondary applicant:	Secondary applicants must satisfy the secondary criteria for the grant of a visa under the Regulations. In this case, a secondary applicant is generally a dependant of the primary applicant.
Secondary application:	A visa application lodged by a secondary applicant.
Secondary visa holder:	A person who has had a secondary application for a visa granted.
Skilled Occupation List:	The Skilled Occupation List (SOL) is a list of skilled occupations that deliver high value skills needed by the Australian economy and aligns with the national workforce development strategy. It applies to international students who wish to apply for the Graduate Work stream under the Temporary Graduate (subclass 485) visa. To apply for this stream, students must nominate an occupation on the SOL and graduate with skills and qualifications that closely relate to this occupation.
Snapshot date:	The snapshot date is a point in time at which a count is undertaken. In this report, the number of visa holders in Australia at a point in time is used.
Visa applicant:	Used to refer to clients applying for a visa. Unless otherwise specified, the term covers both primary and secondary applicants.
Visa holders in Australia:	The number of visa holders lawfully in Australia. This is not a count of all valid visas, as a number of visa holders may be outside Australia on the snapshot date.

Background to the student visa programme

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

There are seven types of student visa:

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

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

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

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

Family members

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

Background to the student visa programme - continued

Ability to work

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

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

Assessment Levels

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

Further information is available at: http://www.border.gov.au/Trav/Stud/Stud

Streamlined visa processing

The department assesses student visa applicants who lodge their applications with a Confirmation of Enrolment (CoE) from a participating education provider in Australia at Advanced Diploma, Bachelor, Masters or Doctoral degree level as though they were a lower migration risk (similar to the current Assessment Level 1), regardless of their country of origin.

Financial requirements

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

Genuine temporary entrant (GTE) requirement

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

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

Factors that the department may consider as part of the GTE requirement are set out in a Ministerial Direction available at <u>www.border.gov.au/StudyinginAustralia/Documents/direction-53-assessing-gte.pd</u>f and include:

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

Overseas Student Health Cover (OSHC)

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

Visa refusals

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

Reasons for refusal of student visa applications may include:

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

Processing time service standards

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

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

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

Visa application		applicants stralia		ged by applic utside Austral	
Assessment Level	Level 1 or 2	Level 3	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
Students (subclass 570, 571, 572, 573, 574, 575, 576)	14 days	1 month	14 days	21 days	3 months

Further information can be found at: <u>http://www.border.gov.au/about/access-accountability/service-standards/</u>student-training-and-research-visa-processing-times

Background to the subclass 485 visa

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

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

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

This visa provides eligible graduates with the opportunity to gain practical work experience in Australia following their studies. More information on the Temporary Graduate visa can be found on the department's website at: http://www.border.gov.au/Trav/Visa-1/485-

Eligible visas

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

Australian study requirement

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

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: <u>http://www.border.gov.au/Trav/Visa</u>

Ability to work and study

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

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

Processing time service standards

The processing time service standard for the Temporary Graduate visa is 75% of applications should be finalised within 12 months, however, actual processing times may vary depending on a range of factors. Further information can be found at: http://www.border.gov.au/about/access-accountability/service-standards/student-training-and-research-visa-processing-times

Executive Summary

Key Points

- In the March 2015 quarter, total student visa grants increased by 0.8 per cent compared with the same period in 2014. This was driven by an increase in grants of Schools Sector (subclass 571) and Vocational Education and Training (VET) Sector (subclass 572) visas.
- Student visa grants to applicants outside Australia increased by 6.5 per cent with increases to visa grants for the nationals of China, India and Brazil.
- Student visa grant rates remain high but decreased from 94.3 per cent in the 2014 March quarter to 92.1 per cent this quarter.
- As at 31 March 2015, there were 413,123 student visa holders in Australia which is the highest recorded number of student visa holders in Australia. Over one third of students in Australia at 31 March 2015 were from China or India.
- As expected, lodgements for the Temporary Graduate (subclass 485) visa increased when compared to the 2014 March quarter as a greater number of students in Australia become eligible to meet the requirements for the Post-Study Work stream.

1 Applications lodged

In the March 2015 quarter, there were 92,398 student visas lodged – a decrease of 1.2 per cent compared to the same period in the previous year. However, the lodgements in this March quarter are higher than the March quarters of 2013 (85,084 lodgements), 2012 (82,738 lodgements) and 2011 (84,371 lodgements).

Visa lodgements by applicants outside Australia increased in this quarter by 4.4 per cent to 51,450 lodgements compared with the same quarter in the previous year. Visa lodgements by applicants outside Australia for Vocational Education and Training (VET) Sector (subclass 572) visas have increased by 23.6 per cent to 6,114 lodgements. Lodgements by applicants outside Australia for Higher Education Sector (subclass 573) visas decreased slightly by 0.6 per cent in this quarter when compared to the 2014 March quarter.

Most subclasses experienced a decrease in lodgements by applicants in Australia in this quarter with overall lodgements in Australia decreasing by 7.5 per cent to 40,948 lodgements in the March 2015 quarter. Visa lodgements by applicants in Australia for Higher Education Sector (subclass 573) decreased by 11.5 per cent compared to the same period in the previous year.

In the 2014-15 financial year to 31 March 2015, there were 53,216 and 29,629 student visa applications lodged by the nationals of China and India respectively. Nationals of China and India remain the largest cohorts of student visa applicants. Applications from the nationals of China increased by 8.0 per cent. Applications from the nationals of India increased by 5.3 per cent. The growth is led by lodgements from applicants outside Australia. Lodgements by applicants in Australia for the nationals of China and India decreased when compared to the 2014 March quarter.

The top five citizenship countries experienced growth in 2014-15 until 31 March 2015. The number of visa applications from applicants outside Australia from

Vietnam, Nepal and the Philippines decreased by 28.4 per cent, 17.4 per cent and 14.4 per cent respectively.

2 Visas granted

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

There were 84,007 student visas granted in the March 2015 quarter – an increase of 0.8 per cent compared with the March 2014 quarter. Total visa grants increased for most student visa subclasses. Grants for Schools Sector (subclass 571) visas, VET sector (subclass 572) visas and Independent ELICOS (subclass 570) visas increased by 14.4 per cent, 7.3 per cent and 7.7 per cent respectively when compared with the same period in the previous year.

Visa grants to applicants outside Australia in the March 2015 quarter decreased by 1.1 per cent when compared to the March 2014 quarter. However, in the 2014-15 programme year to 31 March 2015, visa grants to applicants outside Australia increased by 6.5 per cent (140,418) compared with same period in 2013-14 (131,793). This was a result of an increase in visa grants to applicants outside Australia for nationals of China (23.1 per cent), India (10.1 per cent) and Brazil (7.5 per cent).

In the March quarter, visa grants to applicants outside Australia for Higher Education Sector (subclass 573) visas decreased by 7.3 per cent to 28,860 compared with the same period in 2013-14. Visa grants to applicants outside Australia in VET Sector (subclass 572) increased by 13.7 per cent to 4,971 in the March quarter.

Of the total student visas granted in 2014-15 until 31 March 2015, 22.3 per cent were granted to the nationals of China followed by 10.4 per cent to the nationals of India.

Executive Summary - continued

3 Grant rates

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

Grant rates for student visas decreased to 92.1 per cent in the March 2015 quarter. This compares with a grant rate of 94.3 per cent in the March 2014 quarter.

The grant rates for applicants in Australia are generally higher than applicants outside Australia.

In the March 2015 quarter, the grant rate for applicants in Australia was 95.9 per cent, the grant rate for applicants outside Australia in the March 2015 quarter was 89.8 per cent which was lower than the same period in the previous year.

Grant rates for both China and India, the top citizenship countries, fell when compared to the March 2014 quarter.

4 Processing times

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

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

In the March 2015 quarter, 75 per cent of all student visas were processed within 23 calendar days. This indicates the fastest processing time for the 75th percentile in the last four quarters.

During the March 2015 quarter, 75 per cent of student visas granted to applicants in Australia were processed within 23 calendar days, compared with 32 calendar days for the same period in the previous year.

5 Applications on hand

The number of primary student visa applications on hand at 31 March 2015 was 22,509. Of the total primary applications on hand, 12,843 applications were made by applicants outside of Australia and 9,666 applications were made by applicants in Australia.

6 Visa holders in Australia

On 31 March 2015, there were 413,123 international student visa holders in Australia. This is an increase of 12.6 per cent when compared to the number of student visa holders in Australia at 31 March 2014. This is the highest recorded number of student visa holders in Australia.

Of the total student visa holders in Australia on 31 March 2015, 49.9 per cent were from China, India, Vietnam, Malaysia or South Korea.

7 Destinations

In 2014-15 to March 2015, there were 95,468 former student visa holders granted another substantive visa. This is an increase of 3.7 per cent from the same period in the previous year (92,097 visa grants).

In 2014-15 to March 2015, of the former student visa holders granted another substantive visa, most moved on to a Tourist visa (26.7 per cent), followed by a Student visa (23.6 per cent) and a Temporary Graduate (subclass 485) visa (15.1 per cent).

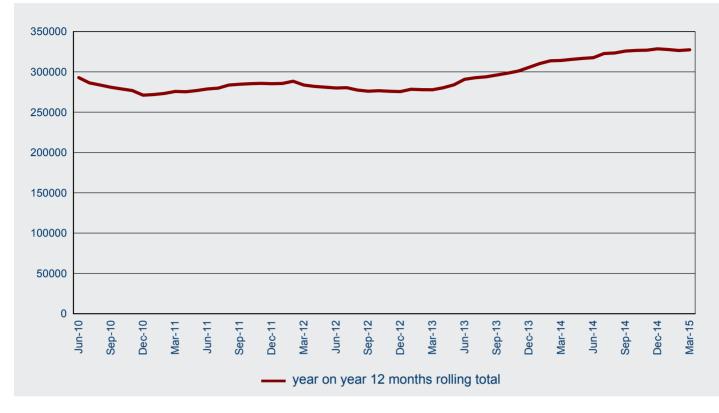
8 Temporary Graduate (subclass 485)

As expected, lodgements for the Temporary Graduate (subclass 485) visa increased when compared to the 2014 March quarter as a greater number of students in Australia become eligible to meet the requirements for the Post-Study Work stream. There were 20,508 Temporary Graduate (subclass 485) visas lodged in 2014-15 to 31 March 2015. This is an increase of 25.7 per cent when compared with the same period in the previous year. In the March quarter, lodgements in the Post-Study Work stream increased by 374 per cent when compared to the March 2014 quarter. Conversely, applications lodged in the Graduate Work stream decreased by 21.4 per cent.

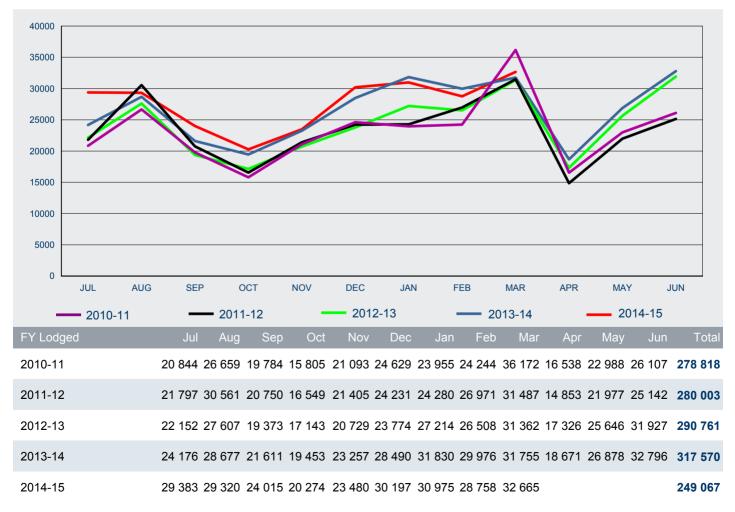
Visa grants increased in March 2015 quarter by 21.2 per cent to 6,820 compared to the same period in the previous year.

On 31 March 2015, there were 23,021 Temporary Graduate (subclass 485) visa holders in Australia which was lower than 31 March 2014 when there were 25,106 visa holders in Australia.

1.01 Number of student visa applications lodged by month - year on year 12 months rolling total



1.02 Number of student visa applications lodged in 2014-15 to 31 March 2015 by month - comparison with previous four financial years

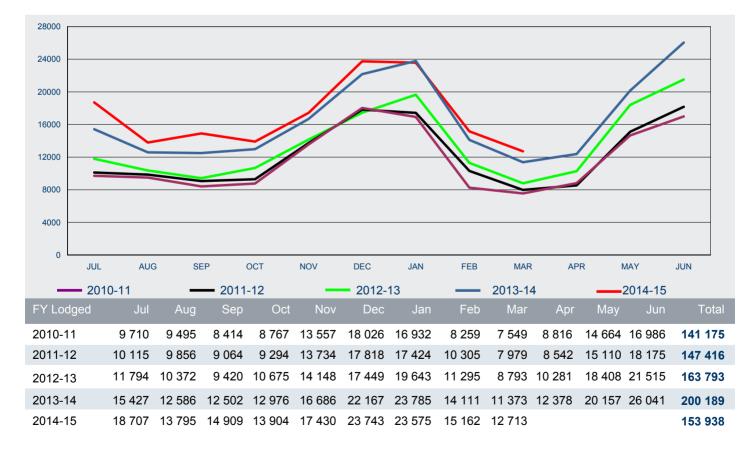


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1.03 Number of student visa applications lodged by month where the client was outside Australia - year on year 12 months rolling total



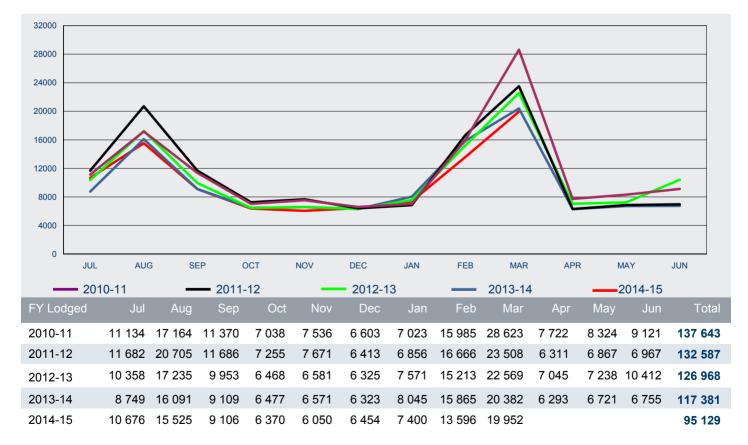
1.04 Number of student visa applications lodged in 2014-15 to 31 March 2015 by month where the client was outside Australia - comparison with previous four financial years



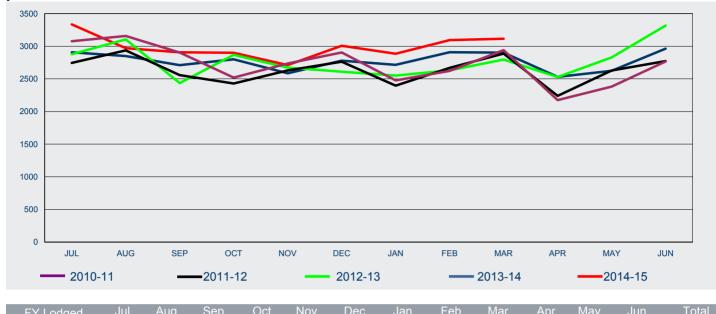
1.05 Number of student visa applications lodged by month where the client was in Australia - year on year 12 months rolling total



1.06 Number of student visa applications lodged in 2014-15 to 31 March 2015 by month where the client was in Australia - comparison with previous four financial years



1.07 Number of student visa applications lodged for subclass 570 Independent ELICOS Sector in 2014-15 to 31 March 2015 by client location and month - comparison with previous four financial years



Outside Australia

2010-11	2 170	2 245	2 045	1 812	2 060	2 180	1 868	1 891	1 923	1 451	1 697	2 125	23 467
2011-12	1 979	2 078	1 773	1 744	1 926	2 071	1 811	1 936	1 807	1 423	1 788	1 943	22 279
2012-13	1 995	1 991	1 532	1 961	1 796	1 771	1 791	1 690	1 663	1 580	1 903	2 022	21 695
2013-14	2 212	1 955	1 806	1 963	1 806	2 024	1 994	2 020	1 893	1 771	1 840	2 199	23 483
2014-15	2 525	2 107	2 046	2 079	1 966	2 318	2 262	2 284	2 050				19 637

In Australia

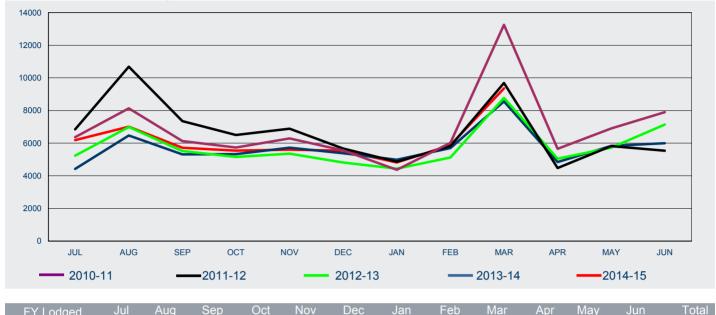
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2011-12	766	858	784	685	704	692	585	733	1 080	817	840	830	9 374
2012-13	883	1 114	903	907	876	839	759	941	1 133	948	926	1 294	11 523
2013-14	695	894	904	836	780	755	721	888	1 009	760	784	764	9 790
2014-15	810	863	861	821	745	689	623	810	1 065				7 287

All 2010-11	3 077	3 157	2 903	2 520	2 736	2 904	2 477	2 622	2 940	2 175	2 382	2 767	32 660
2011-12	2 745	2 936	2 557	2 429	2 630	2 763	2 396	2 669	2 887	2 240	2 628	2 773	31 653
2012-13	2 878	3 105	2 435	2 868	2 672	2 610	2 550	2 631	2 796	2 528	2 829	3 316	33 218
2013-14	2 907	2 849	2 710	2 799	2 586	2 779	2 715	2 908	2 902	2 531	2 624	2 963	33 273
2014-15	3 335	2 970	2 907	2 900	2 711	3 007	2 885	3 094	3 115				26 924

1.08 Number of student visa applications lodged for subclass 571 Schools Sector in 2014-15 to 31 March 2015 by client location and month - comparison with previous four financial years



1.09 Number of student visa applications lodged for subclass 572 Vocational Education and Training Sector in 2014-15 to 31 March 2015 by client location and month - comparison with previous four financial years



Outside Australia

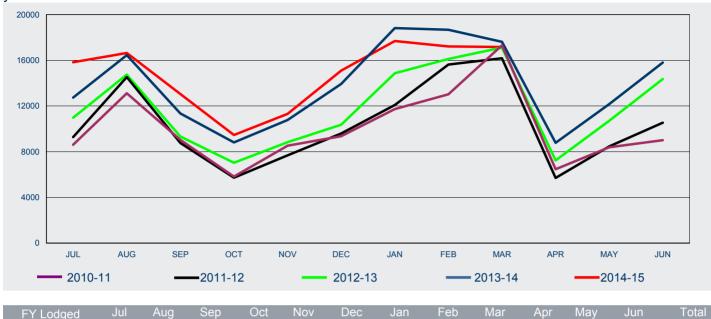
2010-11	1 605	1 503	1 611	1 753	1 944	2 254	1 822	1 310	1 682	1 640	2 153	2 375	21 652
2011-12	1 710	1 992	1 938	2 016	2 156	2 555	2 382	1 643	1 672	1 463	2 021	1 776	23 324
2012-13	1 557	1 373	1 388	1 722	1 725	1 813	1 634	1 215	1 391	1 552	1 869	1 822	19 061
2013-14	1 600	1 625	1 560	1 752	2 007	2 365	1 775	1 371	1 801	1 603	2 033	2 246	21 738
2014-15	1 821	1 852	1 881	1 946	2 234	2 517	2 004	1 749	2 361				18 365

In Australia

2010-11	4 763	6 630	4 516	3 978	4 348	3 303	2 546	4 704	11 570	4 015	4 748	5 521	60 642
2011-12	5 136	8 695	5 414	4 486	4 732	3 114	2 481	4 170	8 013	3 013	3 800	3 763	56 817
2012-13	3 677	5 615	4 130	3 433	3 632	3 001	2 800	3 907	7 380	3 497	3 855	5 317	50 244
2013-14	2 824	4 847	3 754	3 575	3 716	3 017	3 211	4 326	6 758	3 239	3 799	3 750	46 816
2014-15	4 365	5 154	3 838	3 596	3 367	3 019	2 816	4 131	6 994				37 280

All 2010-11	6 368	8 133	6 127	5 731	6 292	5 557	4 368	6 014	13 252	5 655	6 901	7 896	82 294
2011-12	6 846	10 687	7 352	6 502	6 888	5 669	4 863	5 813	9 685	4 476	5 821	5 539	80 141
2012-13	5 234	6 988	5 518	5 155	5 357	4 814	4 434	5 122	8 771	5 049	5 724	7 139	69 305
2013-14	4 424	6 472	5 314	5 327	5 723	5 382	4 986	5 697	8 559	4 842	5 832	5 996	68 554
2014-15	6 186	7 006	5 719	5 542	5 601	5 536	4 820	5 880	9 355				55 645

1.10 Number of student visa applications lodged for subclass 573 Higher Education Sector in 2014-15 to 31 March 2015 by client location and month - comparison with previous four financial years



Outside Australia

2010-11	3 750	4 195	3 649	3 929	6 400	7 186	8 461	3 475	2 560	3 977	6 073	6 532	60 187
2011-12	4 133	4 200	3 889	4 089	5 872	7 417	8 851	5 046	3 015	3 790	6 729	8 564	65 595
2012-13	5 773	4 978	4 978	5 354	7 161	8 264	11 456	6 655	4 183	5 189	8 747	11 111	83 849
2013-14	8 090	6 874	7 448	7 188	9 161	11 810	15 260	8 906	5 989	6 998	10 424	13 962	112 110
2014-15	10 885	7 803	9 158	7 951	9 766	12 756	14 260	9 476	6 253				88 308

In Australia

2010-11	4 861 8 9	919 5 385	1 894	2 125	2 170	3 269	9 544	14 749	2 488	2 308	2 477	60 189
2011-12	5 147 10 3	332 4 872	1 634	1 809	2 175	3 235	10 581	13 163	1 911	1 729	1 973	58 561
2012-13	5 202 9 7	71 4 346	1 677	1 671	2 095	3 411	9 464	12 929	2 052	1 958	3 242	57 818
2013-14	4 647 9 5	580 3 894	1 623	1 613	2 122	3 560	9 767	11 626	1 777	1 737	1 840	53 786
2014-15	4 945 8 8	338 3 895	1 508	1 545	2 341	3 427	7 735	10 910				45 144

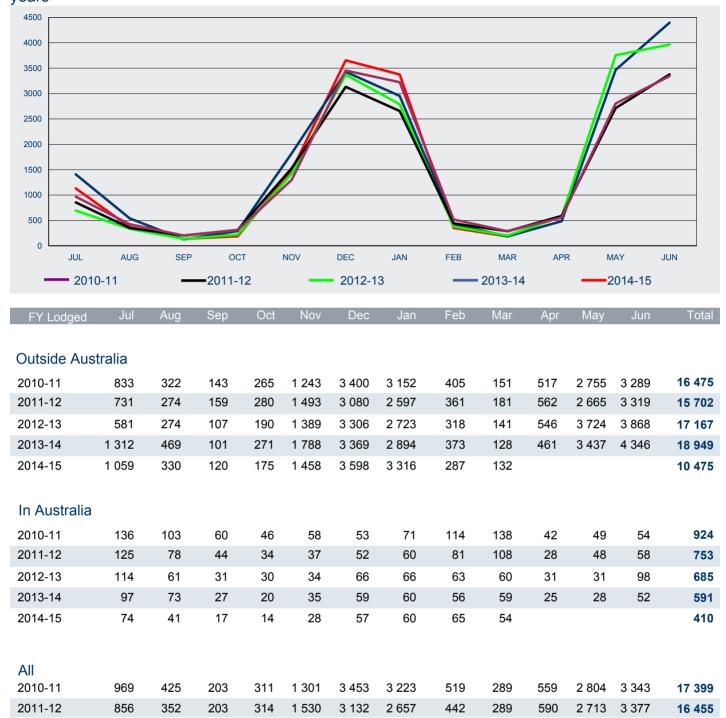
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2010-11	8 611 13	3 114	9 034	5 823	8 525	9 356	11 730	13 019	17 309	6 465	8 381	9 009	120 376
2011-12	9 280 14	4 532	8 761	5 723	7 681	9 592	12 086	15 627	16 178	5 701	8 458	10 537	124 156
2012-13	10 975 14	4 749	9 324	7 031	8 832	10 359	14 867	16 119	17 112	7 241	10 705	14 353	141 667
2013-14	12 737 16	6 454	11 342	8 811	10 774	13 932	18 820	18 673	17 615	8 775	12 161	15 802	165 896
2014-15	15 830 16	6 641	13 053	9 459	11 311	15 097	17 687	17 211	17 163				133 452

1.11 Number of student visa applications lodged for subclass 574 Postgraduate Research Sector in 2014-15 to 31 March 2015 by client location and month - comparison with previous four financial years



1.12 Number of student visa applications lodged for subclass 575 Non-Award Sector in 2014-15 to 31 March 2015 by client location and month - comparison with previous four financial years



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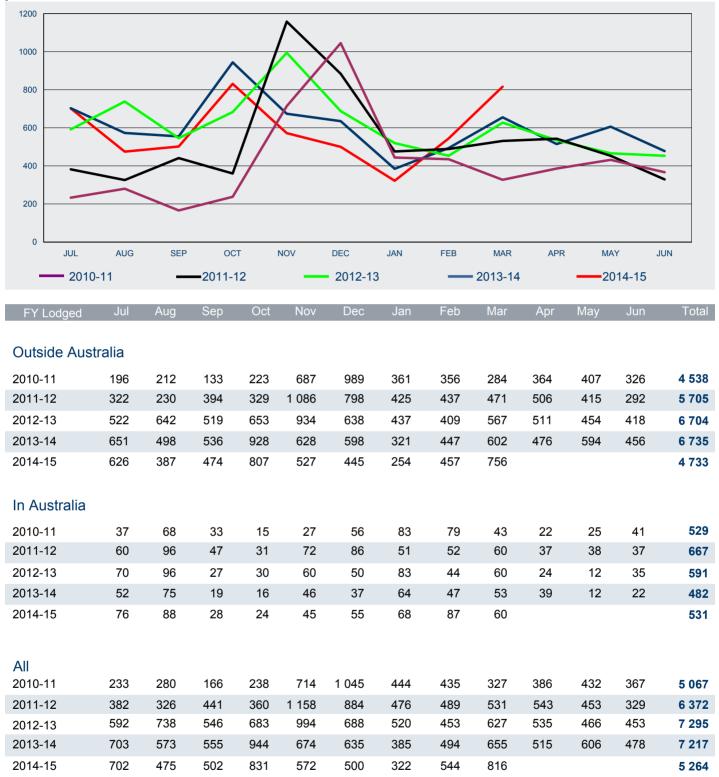
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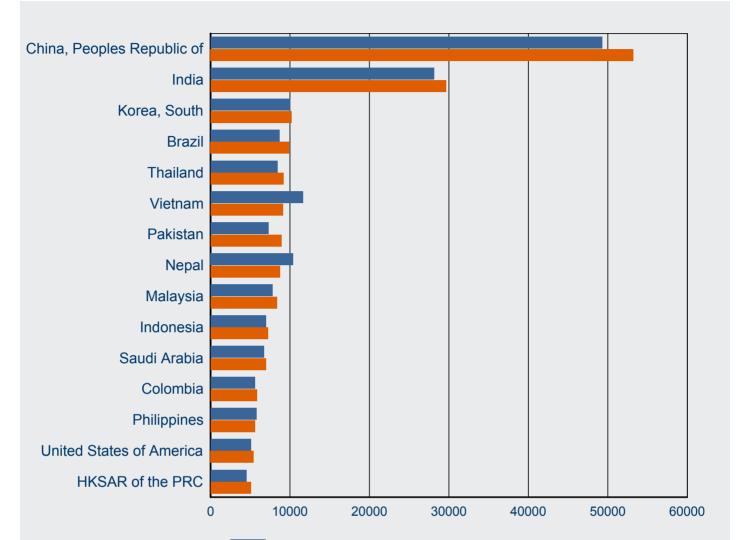
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1.13 Number of student visa applications lodged for subclass 576 Foreign Affairs or Defence Sector in 2014-15 to 31 March 2015 by client location and month - comparison with previous four financial years

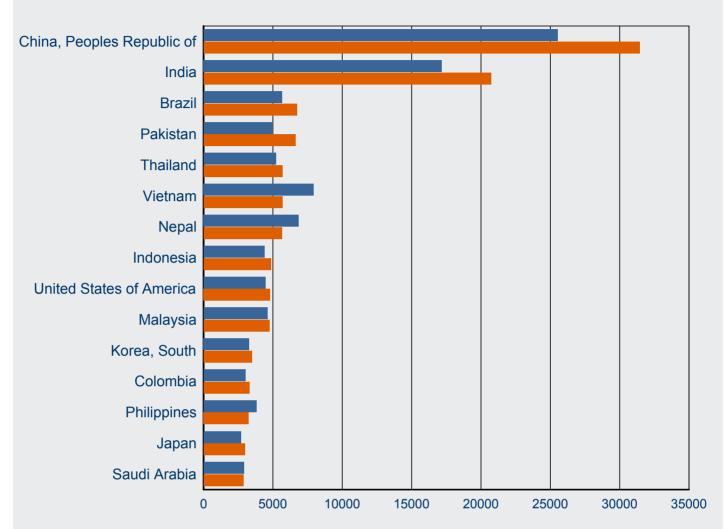


1.14 Number of student visa applications lodged in 2014-15 to 31 March 2015 by Citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year



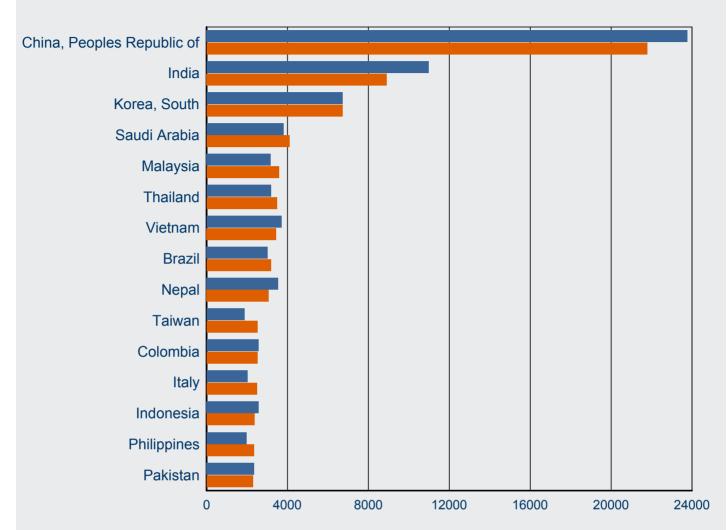
	2013-14 to 31/03/14	2014-15 to	31/03/15	
Citizenship country	2013-14 to 31/03/14	2014-15 to 31/03/15	% Change from 2013-14	2014-15 as % of Total
China, Peoples Republic of	49 291	53 216	8.0%	21.4%
India	28 145	29 629	5.3%	11.9%
Korea, South	10 010	10 196	1.9%	4.1%
Brazil	8 678	9 904	14.1%	4.0%
Thailand	8 421	9 175	9.0%	3.7%
Vietnam	11 642	9 129	-21.6%	3.7%
Pakistan	7 291	8 923	22.4%	3.6%
Nepal	10 397	8 739	-15.9%	3.5%
Malaysia	7 778	8 341	7.2%	3.3%
Indonesia	6 972	7 231	3.7%	2.9%
Saudi Arabia	6 727	6 985	3.8%	2.8%
Colombia	5 589	5 834	4.4%	2.3%
Philippines	5 770	5 595	-3.0%	2.2%
United States of America	5 083	5 430	6.8%	2.2%
HKSAR of the PRC	4 530	5 085	12.3%	2.0%
Other countries	62 901	65 655	4.4%	26.4%
Total	239 225	249 067	4.1%	100.0%

1.15 Number of student visa applications lodged outside Australia in 2014-15 to 31 March 2015 by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year



	2013-14 to 31/03/14	2014-15 to	31/03/15	
Citizenship country	2013-14 to	2014-15 to	% Change from	2014-15 as %
	31/03/14	31/03/15	2013-14	of Total
China, Peoples Republic of	25 517	31 439	23.2%	20.4%
India	17 172	20 721	20.7%	13.5%
Brazil	5 658	6 727	18.9%	4.4%
Pakistan	4 932	6 634	34.5%	4.3%
Thailand	5 234	5 692	8.8%	3.7%
Vietnam	7 942	5 684	-28.4%	3.7%
Nepal	6 857	5 662	-17.4%	3.7%
Indonesia	4 392	4 861	10.7%	3.2%
United States of America	4 475	4 799	7.2%	3.1%
Malaysia	4 604	4 758	3.3%	3.1%
Korea, South	3 290	3 476	5.7%	2.3%
Colombia	3 019	3 319	9.9%	2.2%
Philippines	3 804	3 256	-14.4%	2.1%
Japan	2 694	2 990	11.0%	1.9%
Saudi Arabia	2 921	2 887	-1.2%	1.9%
Other countries	39 102	41 033	4.9%	26.7%
Outside Australia Total	141 613	153 938	8.7%	100.0%

1.16 Number of student visa applications lodged in Australia in 2014-15 to 31 March 2015 by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year

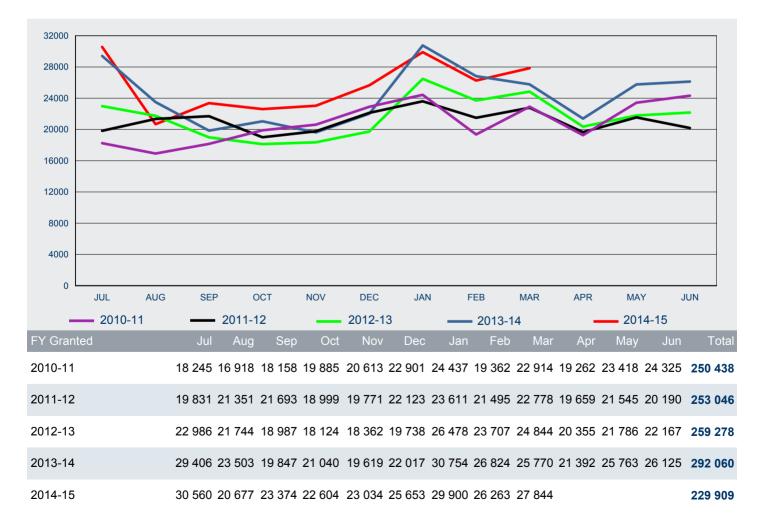


-	2013-14 to 31/03/14	2014-15 to 3	31/03/15	
Citizenship country	2013-14 to	2014-15 to	% Change from	2014-15 as %
	31/03/14	31/03/15	2013-14	of Total
China, Peoples Republic of	23 774	21 777	-8.4%	22.9%
India	10 973	8 908	-18.8%	9.4%
Korea, South	6 720	6 720	0.0%	7.1%
Saudi Arabia	3 806	4 098	7.7%	4.3%
Malaysia	3 174	3 583	12.9%	3.8%
Thailand	3 187	3 483	9.3%	3.7%
Vietnam	3 700	3 445	-6.9%	3.6%
Brazil	3 020	3 177	5.2%	3.3%
Nepal	3 540	3 077	-13.1%	3.2%
Taiwan	1 874	2 520	34.5%	2.6%
Colombia	2 570	2 515	-2.1%	2.6%
Italy	2 017	2 497	23.8%	2.6%
Indonesia	2 580	2 370	-8.1%	2.5%
Philippines	1 966	2 339	19.0%	2.5%
Pakistan	2 359	2 289	-3.0%	2.4%
Other countries	22 352	22 331	-0.1%	23.5%
In Australia Total	97 612	95 129	-2.5%	100.0%

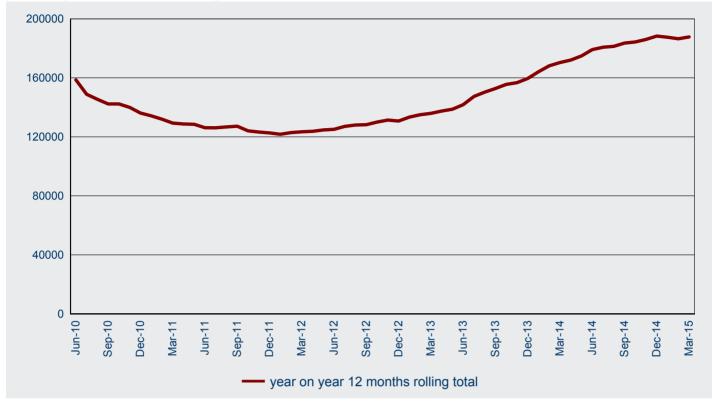
2.01 Number of student visa applications granted by month - year on year 12 months rolling total



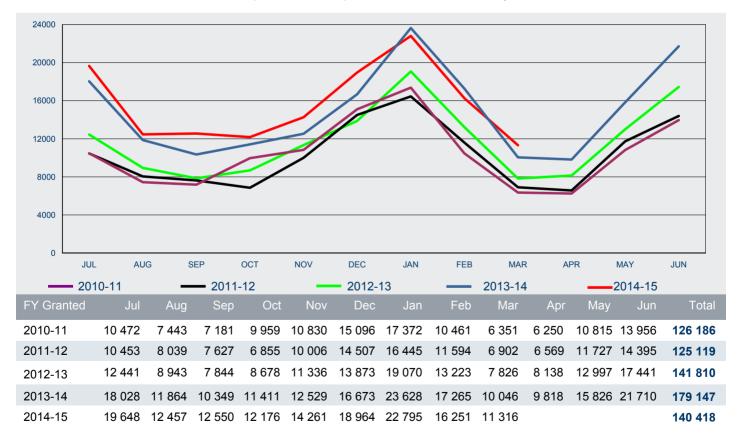
2.02 Number of student visa applications granted in 2014-15 to 31 March 2015 by month - comparison with previous four financial years



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



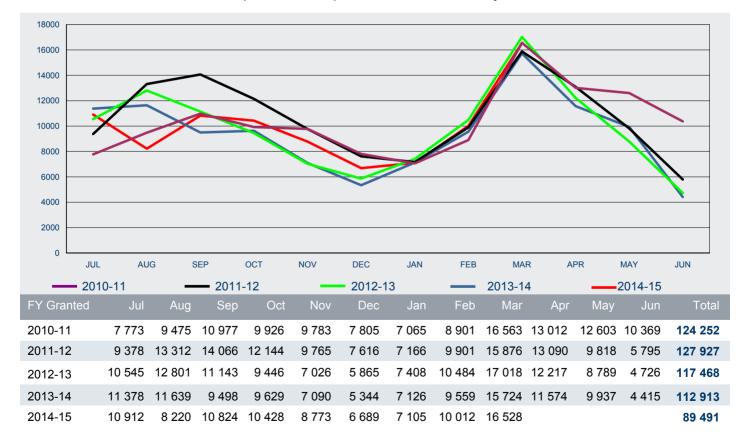
2.04 Number of student visa applications granted in 2014-15 to 31 March 2015 by month where the client was outside Australia - comparison with previous four financial years



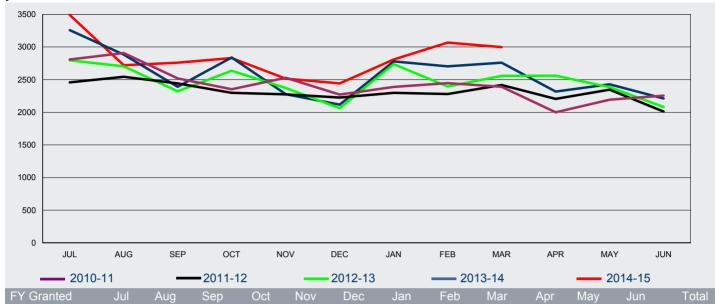
2.05 Number of student visa applications granted by month where the client was in Australia - year on year 12 months rolling total



2.06 Number of student visa applications granted in 2014-15 to 31 March 2015 by month where the client was in Australia - comparison with previous four financial years



2.07 Number of visa applications granted for subclass 570 Independent ELICOS Sector in 2014-15 to 31 March 2015 by client location and month - comparison with previous four financial years



Outside Australia

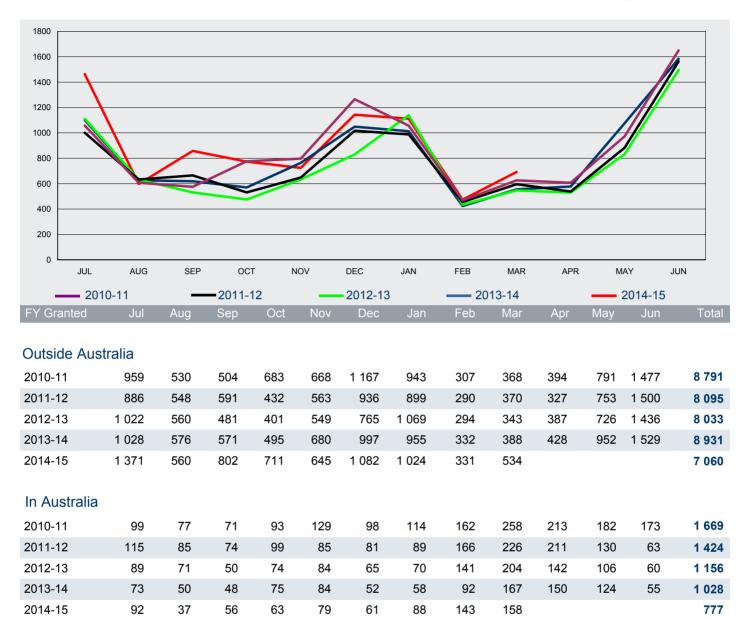
2010-11	1 951	2 133	1 681	1 639	1 767	1 562	1 790	1 831	1 710	1 330	1 409	1 529	20 332
2011-12	1 729	1 811	1 659	1 573	1 497	1 558	1 685	1 719	1 703	1 331	1 429	1 405	19 099
2012-13	1 814	1 815	1 452	1 672	1 517	1 316	1 916	1 575	1 758	1 476	1 451	1 496	19 258
2013-14	1 989	2 071	1 653	1 934	1 501	1 510	2 000	2 001	1 973	1 556	1 590	1 690	21 468
2014-15	2 421	2 109	1 937	1 958	1 647	1 754	2 114	2 395	2 135				18 470

In Australia

2010-11	858	775	838	714	762	709	598	616	681	669	784	726	8 730
2011-12	729	732	783	725	778	667	613	560	714	874	918	606	8 699
2012-13	982	889	869	964	855	746	821	820	799	1 085	934	585	10 349
2013-14	1 269	812	738	905	776	607	779	703	787	761	838	521	9 496
2014-15	1 069	612	822	873	868	688	695	673	863				7 163

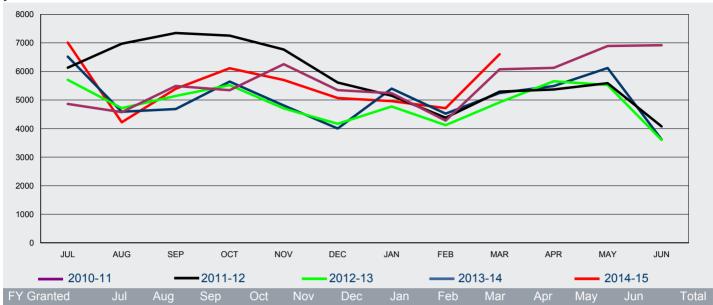
All 2010-11	2 809	2 908	2 519	2 353	2 529	2 271	2 388	2 447	2 391	1 999	2 193	2 255	29 062
2011-12	2 458	2 543	2 442	2 298	2 275	2 225	2 298	2 279	2 417	2 205	2 347	2 011	27 798
2012-13	2 796	2 704	2 321	2 636	2 372	2 062	2 737	2 395	2 557	2 561	2 385	2 081	29 607
2013-14	3 258	2 883	2 391	2 839	2 277	2 117	2 779	2 704	2 760	2 317	2 428	2 211	30 964
2014-15	3 490	2 721	2 759	2 831	2 515	2 442	2 809	3 068	2 998				25 633

2.08 Number of visa applications granted for subclass 571 Schools Sector in 2014-15 to 31 March 2015 by client location and month - comparison with previous four financial years



All 2010-11	1 058	607	575	776	797	1 265	1 057	469	626	607	973	1 650	10 460
2011-12	1 001	633	665	531	648	1 017	988	456	596	538	883	1 563	9 519
2012-13	1 111	631	531	475	633	830	1 139	435	547	529	832	1 496	9 189
2013-14	1 101	626	619	570	764	1 049	1 013	424	555	578	1 076	1 584	9 959
2014-15	1 463	597	858	774	724	1 143	1 112	474	692				7 837

2.09 Number of visa applications granted for subclass 572 Vocational Education and Training Sector in 2014-15 to 31 March 2015 by client location and month - comparison with previous four financial years



Outside Australia

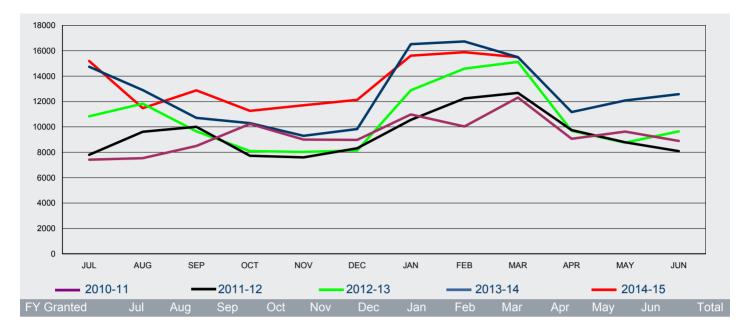
2010-11	1 330	1 026	1 310	1 314	1 385	1 434	1 721	1 186	1 161	1 043	1 240	1 406	15 556
2011-12	1 228	1 162	1 271	1 395	1 365	1 414	1 723	1 393	1 166	1 016	1 240	1 187	15 560
2012-13	1 229	951	943	1 252	1 095	1 144	1 511	1 067	932	1 057	1 203	1 254	13 638
2013-14	1 457	1 233	1 236	1 536	1 183	1 296	2 026	1 171	1 175	1 276	1 418	1 559	16 566
2014-15	1 580	1 380	1 479	1 685	1 571	1 725	1 890	1 475	1 606				14 391

In Australia

2010-11	3 535	3 550	4 181	4 030	4 869	3 913	3 517	3 093	4 916	5 082	5 651	5 513	51 850
2011-12	4 903	5 810	6 075	5 859	5 404	4 198	3 428	2 987	4 127	4 354	4 351	2 888	54 384
2012-13	4 479	3 765	4 199	4 271	3 611	3 023	3 264	3 053	3 988	4 601	4 322	2 349	44 925
2013-14	5 062	3 358	3 449	4 109	3 627	2 708	3 374	3 352	4 071	4 212	4 702	2 058	44 082
2014-15	5 432	2 842	3 916	4 426	4 132	3 344	3 072	3 241	4 998				35 403

All 2010-11	4 865	4 576	5 491	5 344	6 254	5 347	5 238	4 279	6 077	6 125	6 891	6 919	67 406
2011-12	6 131	6 972	7 346	7 254	6 769	5 612	5 151	4 380	5 293	5 370	5 591	4 075	69 944
2012-13	5 708	4 716	5 142	5 523	4 706	4 167	4 775	4 120	4 920	5 658	5 525	3 603	58 563
2013-14	6 519	4 591	4 685	5 645	4 810	4 004	5 400	4 523	5 246	5 488	6 120	3 617	60 648
2014-15	7 012	4 222	5 395	6 111	5 703	5 069	4 962	4 716	6 604				49 794

2.10 Number of visa applications granted for subclass 573 Higher Education Sector in 2014-15 to 31 March 2015 by client location and month - comparison with previous four financial years



Outside Australia

2010-11	4 503	2 879	3 104	5 576	5 355	6 243	8 475	5 444	2 246	2 452	4 242	5 403	55 922
2011-12	4 634	3 513	3 400	2 782	4 508	6 056	7 866	6 567	2 630	2 719	4 984	6 226	55 885
2012-13	6 401	4 304	4 155	4 465	5 917	6 414	10 004	8 642	3 742	3 893	5 907	8 207	72 051
2013-14	10 309	6 041	5 906	6 271	7 119	8 165	13 972	11 784	5 378	5 206	8 344	11 117	99 612
2014-15	11 414	7 140	7 360	6 662	8 480	9 906	12 730	10 458	5 672				79 822

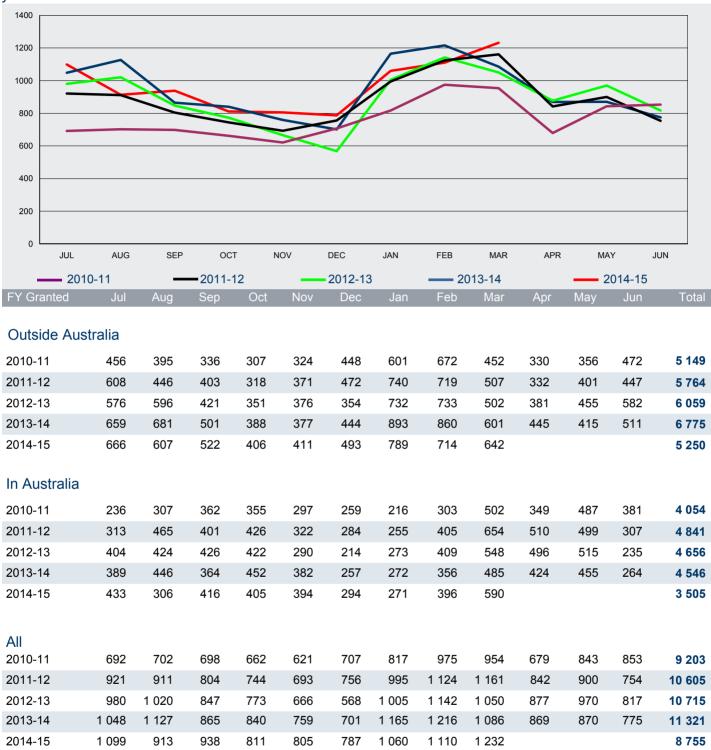
In Australia

2010-11	2 911	4 655	5 397	4 656	3 644	2 734	2 507	4 585	10 064	6 611	5 387	3 494	56 645
2011-12	3 168	6 101	6 605	4 943	3 092	2 261	2 686	5 674	10 050	7 027	3 804	1 864	57 275
2012-13	4 438	7 526	5 491	3 630	2 110	1 727	2 880	5 944	11 380	5 798	2 852	1 442	55 218
2013-14	4 433	6 858	4 807	4 022	2 180	1 668	2 548	4 945	10 113	5 963	3 736	1 459	52 732
2014-15	3 778	4 340	5 521	4 601	3 226	2 227	2 881	5 426	9 820				41 820

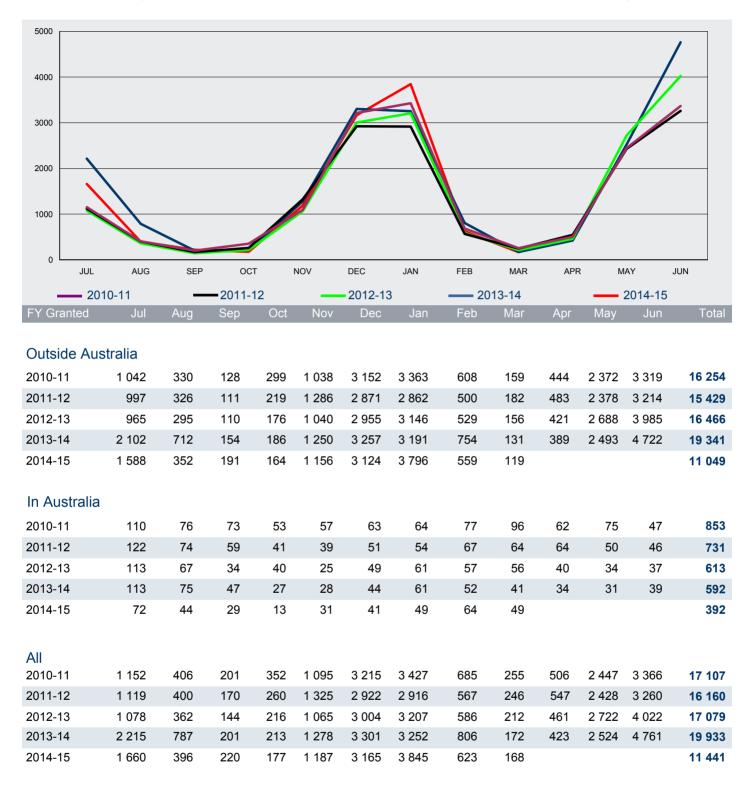
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2010-11	7 414	7 534	8 501	10 232	8 999	8 977	10 982	10 029	12 310	9 063	9 629	8 897	112 567
2011-12	7 802	9 614	10 005	7 725	7 600	8 317	10 552	12 241	12 680	9 746	8 788	8 090	113 160
2012-13	10 839	11 830	9 646	8 095	8 027	8 141	12 884	14 586	15 122	9 691	8 759	9 649	127 269
2013-14	14 742	12 899	10 713	10 293	9 299	9 833	16 520	16 729	15 491	11 169	12 080	12 576	152 344
2014-15	15 192	11 480	12 881	11 263	11 706	12 133	15 611	15 884	15 492				121 642

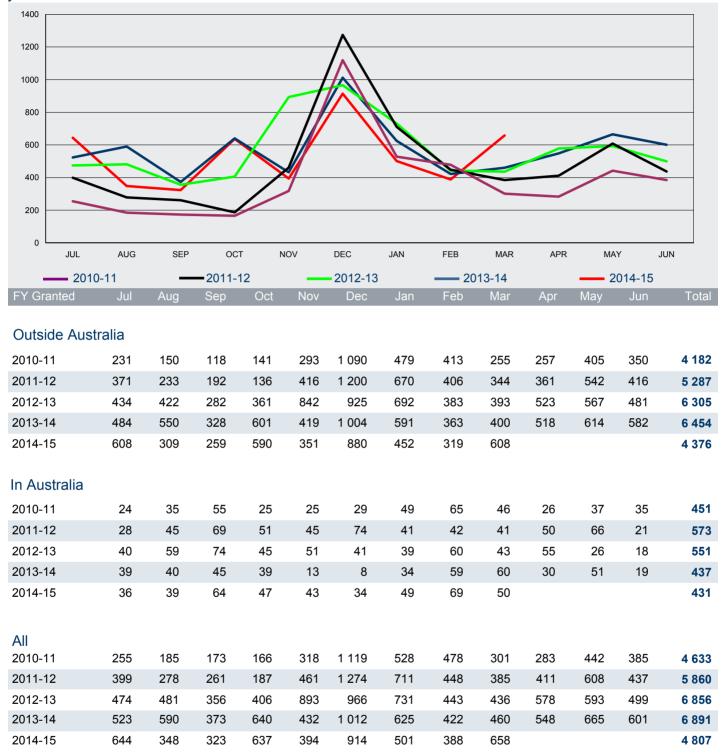
2.11 Number of visa applications granted for subclass 574 Postgraduate Research Sector in 2014-15 to 31 March 2015 by client location and month - comparison with previous four financial years



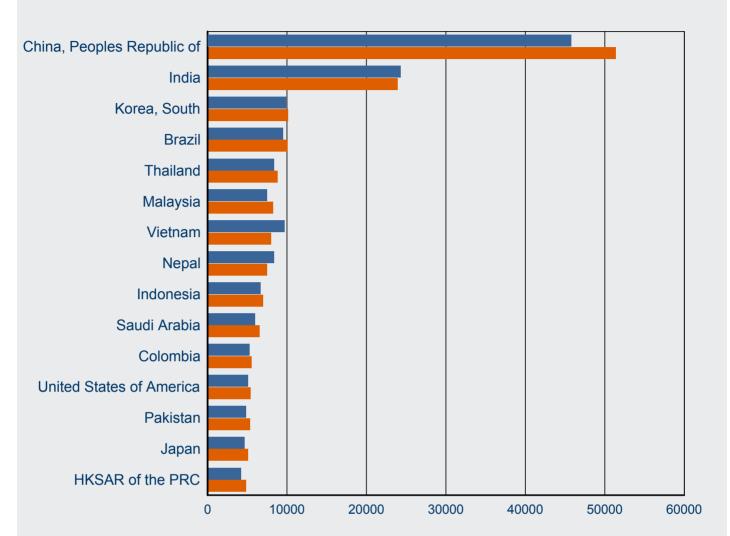
2.12 Number of visa applications granted for subclass 575 Non-Award Sector in 2014-15 to 31 March 2015 by client location and month - comparison with previous four financial years



2.13 Number of visa applications granted for subclass 576 Foreign Affairs or Defence Sector in 2014-15 to 31 March 2015 by client location and month - comparison with previous four financial years

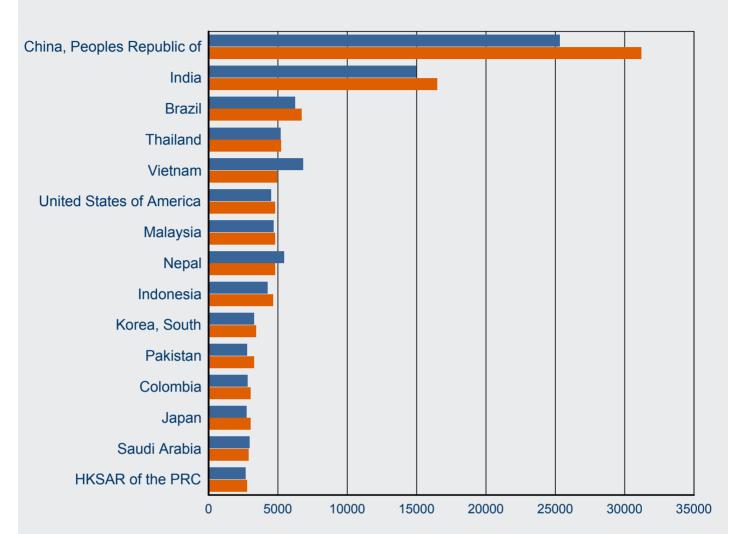


2.14 Number of student visa applications granted in 2014-15 to 31 March 2015 by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year



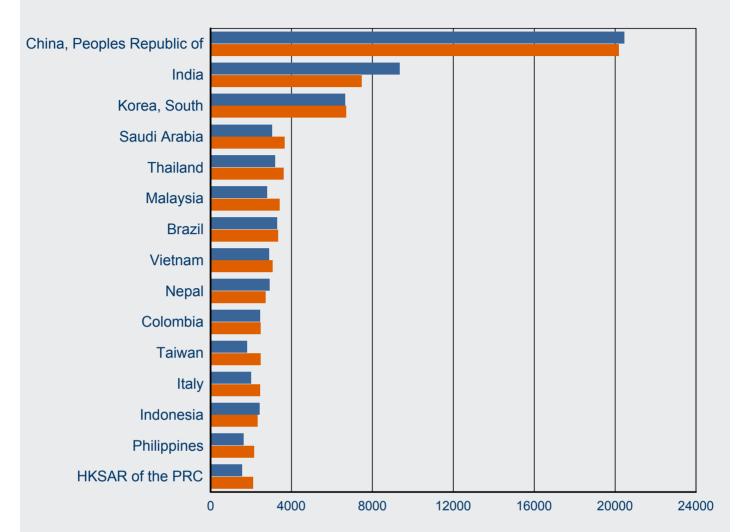
	2013-14 to 31/03/14	2014-15 to 3	31/03/15	
Citizenship country	2013-14 to 31/03/14	2014-15 to 31/03/15	% Change from 2013-14	2014-15 as % of Total
China, Peoples Republic of	45 769	51 346	12.2%	22.3%
India	24 326	23 943	-1.6%	10.4%
Korea, South	9 904	10 118	2.2%	4.4%
Brazil	9 527	10 050	5.5%	4.4%
Thailand	8 374	8 833	5.5%	3.8%
Malaysia	7 485	8 207	9.6%	3.6%
Vietnam	9 717	7 996	-17.7%	3.5%
Nepal	8 355	7 498	-10.3%	3.3%
Indonesia	6 660	6 991	5.0%	3.0%
Saudi Arabia	5 983	6 539	9.3%	2.8%
Colombia	5 253	5 516	5.0%	2.4%
United States of America	5 082	5 408	6.4%	2.4%
Pakistan	4 826	5 322	10.3%	2.3%
Japan	4 660	5 065	8.7%	2.2%
HKSAR of the PRC	4 207	4 874	15.9%	2.1%
Other countries	58 652	62 203	6.1%	27.1%
Total	218 780	229 909	5.1%	100.0%

2.15 Number of student visa applications granted outside Australia in 2014-15 to 31 March 2015 by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year



	2013-14 to 31/03/14	2014-15 to	31/03/15	
Citizenship country	2013-14 to	2014-15 to	% Change from	2014-15 as %
	31/03/14	31/03/15	2013-14	of Total
China, Peoples Republic of	25 322	31 180	23.1%	22.2%
India	14 971	16 486	10.1%	11.7%
Brazil	6 241	6 709	7.5%	4.8%
Thailand	5 182	5 219	0.7%	3.7%
Vietnam	6 822	4 928	-27.8%	3.5%
United States of America	4 504	4 795	6.5%	3.4%
Malaysia	4 686	4 790	2.2%	3.4%
Nepal	5 451	4 778	-12.3%	3.4%
Indonesia	4 240	4 664	10.0%	3.3%
Korea, South	3 268	3 422	4.7%	2.4%
Pakistan	2 782	3 278	17.8%	2.3%
Colombia	2 801	3 039	8.5%	2.2%
Japan	2 724	3 029	11.2%	2.2%
Saudi Arabia	2 937	2 882	-1.9%	2.1%
HKSAR of the PRC Other	2 658	2 770	4.2%	2.0%
countries	37 204	38 449	3.3%	27.4%
Outside Australia Total	131 793	140 418	6.5%	100.0%

2.16 Number of student visa applications granted in Australia in 2014-15 to 31 March 2015 by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year



	2013-14 to 31/03/14	2014-15 to 3	31/03/15	
Citizenship country	2013-14 to	2014-15 to	% Change from	2014-15 as %
	31/03/14	31/03/15	2013-14	of Total
China, Peoples Republic of	20 447	20 166	-1.4%	22.5%
India	9 355	7 457	-20.3%	8.3%
Korea, South	6 636	6 696	0.9%	7.5%
Saudi Arabia	3 046	3 657	20.1%	4.1%
Thailand	3 192	3 614	13.2%	4.0%
Malaysia	2 799	3 417	22.1%	3.8%
Brazil	3 286	3 341	1.7%	3.7%
Vietnam	2 895	3 068	6.0%	3.4%
Nepal	2 904	2 720	-6.3%	3.0%
Colombia	2 452	2 477	1.0%	2.8%
Taiwan	1 791	2 468	37.8%	2.8%
Italy	2 006	2 450	22.1%	2.7%
Indonesia	2 420	2 327	-3.8%	2.6%
Philippines	1 630	2 149	31.8%	2.4%
HKSAR of the PRC	1 549	2 104	35.8%	2.4%
Other countries	20 579	21 380	3.9%	23.9%
In Australia Total	86 987	89 491	2.9%	100.0%

2.17 Number of subclass 570 Independent ELICOS Sector visa applications granted in 2014-15 to 31 March 2015 where the client location was outside Australia by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year

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Citizenship Country	2013-14 to 31/03/14	2014-15 to 31/03/15	% Change from 2013-14	2014-15 as % of Total
Brazil	3 211	4 404	37.2%	23.8%
Colombia	2 474	2 663	7.6%	14.4%
Thailand	1 899	1 650	-13.1%	8.9%
Japan	1 417	1 623	14.5%	8.8%
Saudi Arabia	1 085	1 345	24.0%	7.3%
Spain	885	887	0.2%	4.8%
Korea, South	772	734	-4.9%	4.0%
Italy	587	639	8.9%	3.5%
Taiwan	402	600	49.3%	3.2%
Czech Republic	515	475	-7.8%	2.6%
Chile	413	458	10.9%	2.5%
Switzerland	369	442	19.8%	2.4%
France	236	290	22.9%	1.6%
Mexico	189	220	16.4%	1.2%
Poland	253	205	-19.0%	1.1%
Other countries	1 925	1 835	-4.7%	9.9%
Sub-total Outside Australia	16 632	18 470	11.1%	100.0%

2.18 Number of subclass 570 Independent ELICOS Sector visa applications granted in 2014-15 to 31 March 2015 where the client location was in Australia by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year

Citizenship country	2013-14 to	2014-15 to	% Change from	2014-15 as %
	31/03/14	31/03/15	2013-14	of Total
Colombia	1 262	1 182	-6.3%	16.5%
Saudi Arabia	643	898	39.7%	12.5%
Korea, South	1 124	832	-26.0%	11.6%
Italy	641	714	11.4%	10.0%
Taiwan	374	599	60.2%	8.4%
Brazil	845	590	-30.2%	8.2%
Japan	545	560	2.8%	7.8%
HKSAR of the PRC	97	205	111.3%	2.9%
Thailand	202	195	-3.5%	2.7%
Spain	280	183	-34.6%	2.6%
Malaysia	126	181	43.7%	2.5%
Chile	119	153	28.6%	2.1%
France	120	110	-8.3%	1.5%
Poland	87	109	25.3%	1.5%
Czech Republic	115	85	-26.1%	1.2%
Other countries	796	567	-28.8%	7.9%
Sub-total in Australia	7 376	7 163	-2.9%	100.0%
Total	24 008	25 633	6.8%	

2.19 Number of subclass 571 Schools Sector visa applications granted in 2014-15 to 31 March 2015 where the client location was outside Australia by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year

Citizenship Country	2013-14 to 31/03/14	2014-15 to 31/03/15	% Change from 2013-14	2014-15 as % of Total
China, Peoples Republic of	2 519	3 450	37.0%	48.9%
Germany, Fed Republic of	519	485	-6.6%	6.9%
Vietnam	476	436	-8.4%	6.2%
Japan	384	405	5.5%	5.7%
Brazil	170	246	44.7%	3.5%
HKSAR of the PRC	234	210	-10.3%	3.0%
Italy	130	201	54.6%	2.8%
Korea, South	225	172	-23.6%	2.4%
Papua New Guinea	127	142	11.8%	2.0%
Malaysia	116	107	-7.8%	1.5%
Thailand	107	97	-9.3%	1.4%
India	90	97	7.8%	1.4%
France	85	90	5.9%	1.3%
Taiwan	61	66	8.2%	0.9%
Indonesia	67	57	-14.9%	0.8%
Other countries	712	799	12.2%	11.3%
Sub-total outside Australia	6 022	7 060	17.2%	100.0%

2.20 Number of subclass 571 Schools Sector visa applications granted in 2014-15 to 31 March 2015 where the client location was in Australia by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year

Citizenship country	2013-14 to 31/03/14	2014-15 to 31/03/15	% Change from 2013-14	2014-15 as % of Total
Korea, South	213	196	-8.0%	25.2%
China, Peoples Republic of	119	155	30.3%	19.9%
Japan	62	62	0.0%	8.0%
Vietnam	36	55	52.8%	7.1%
Germany, Fed Republic of	36	45	25.0%	5.8%
Malaysia	24	30	25.0%	3.9%
Italy	13	27	107.7%	3.5%
Brazil	13	23	76.9%	3.0%
Taiwan	29	17	-41.4%	2.2%
Papua New Guinea	14	17	21.4%	2.2%
HKSAR of the PRC	16	16	0.0%	2.1%
Thailand	15	15	0.0%	1.9%
United Kingdom	<5	14	250.0%	1.8%
Indonesia	8	11	37.5%	1.4%
Singapore	14	10	-28.6%	1.3%
Other countries	83	84	1.2%	10.8%
Sub-total in Australia	699	777	11.2%	100.0%
Total	6 721	7 837	16.6%	

2.21 Number of subclass 572 Vocational Education and Training Sector visa applications granted in 2014-15 to 31 March 2015 where the client location was outside Australia by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year

Citizenship country	2013-14 to 31/03/14	2014-15 to 31/03/15	% Change from 2013-14	2014-15 as % of Total
Korea, South	977	1 287	31.7%	8.9%
Indonesia	800	1 237	54.6%	8.6%
Thailand	555	984	77.3%	6.8%
Philippines	1 512	907	-40.0%	6.3%
Taiwan	370	707	91.1%	4.9%
India	658	691	5.0%	4.8%
Brazil	377	645	71.1%	4.5%
United States of America	501	594	18.6%	4.1%
Italy	299	501	67.6%	3.5%
Spain	305	497	63.0%	3.5%
Malaysia	317	455	43.5%	3.2%
Japan	345	363	5.2%	2.5%
United Kingdom	289	337	16.6%	2.3%
Papua New Guinea	160	300	87.5%	2.1%
HKSAR of the PRC	228	276	21.1%	1.9%
Other countries	4 620	4 610	-0.2%	32.0%
Sub-total Outside Australia	12 313	14 391	16.9%	100.0%

2.22 Number of subclass 572 Vocational Education and Training Sector visa applications granted in 2014-15 to 31 March 2015 where the client location was in Australia by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year

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Citizenship country	2013-14 to 31/03/14	2014-15 to 31/03/15	% Change from 2013-14	2014-15 as % of Total
Korea, South	3 657	4 206	15.0%	11.9%
India	6 315	3 988	-36.8%	11.3%
China, Peoples Republic of	2 284	3 017	32.1%	8.5%
Thailand	2 327	2 773	19.2%	7.8%
Brazil	2 078	2 452	18.0%	6.9%
Malaysia	1 205	1 785	48.1%	5.0%
Italy	1 160	1 500	29.3%	4.2%
Taiwan	874	1 330	52.2%	3.8%
Philippines	976	1 177	20.6%	3.3%
Indonesia	1 018	1 050	3.1%	3.0%
United Kingdom	959	1 012	5.5%	2.9%
Japan	894	1 008	12.8%	2.8%
HKSAR of the PRC	476	834	75.2%	2.4%
Colombia	687	804	17.0%	2.3%
Pakistan	766	628	-18.0%	1.8%
Other countries	7 434	7 839	5.4%	22.1%
Sub-total in Australia	33 110	35 403	6.9%	100.0%
Total	45 423	49 794	9.6%	

2.23 Number of subclass 573 Higher Education Sector visa applications granted in 2014-15 to 31 March 2015 where the client location was outside Australia by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year

Citizenship country	2013-14 to 31/03/14	2014-15 to 31/03/15	% Change from 2013-14	2014-15 as % of Total
China, Peoples Republic of	21 175	25 830	22.0%	32.4%
India	13 835	15 331	10.8%	19.2%
Nepal	5 139	4 490	-12.6%	5.6%
Malaysia	3 673	3 710	1.0%	4.6%
Vietnam	5 357	3 631	-32.2%	4.5%
Pakistan	2 160	2 692	24.6%	3.4%
Thailand	2 466	2 324	-5.8%	2.9%
HKSAR of the PRC	1 992	2 034	2.1%	2.5%
Indonesia	2 113	1 969	-6.8%	2.5%
Singapore	1 776	1 728	-2.7%	2.2%
Sri Lanka	1 173	1 548	32.0%	1.9%
Philippines	1 277	1 251	-2.0%	1.6%
Saudi Arabia	1 306	1 224	-6.3%	1.5%
Korea, South	1 116	1 076	-3.6%	1.3%
Bangladesh	753	966	28.3%	1.2%
Other countries	9 634	10 018	4.0%	12.6%
Sub-total outside Australia	74 945	79 822	6.5%	100.0%

2.24 Number of subclass 573 Higher Education Sector visa applications granted in 2014-15 to 31 March 2015 where the client location was in Australia by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year

Citizenship country	2013-14 to 31/03/14	2014-15 to 31/03/15	% Change from 2013-14	2014-15 as % of Total
China, Peoples Republic of	17 410	16 417	-5.7%	39.3%
India	2 876	3 302	14.8%	7.9%
Vietnam	2 110	2 173	3.0%	5.2%
Nepal	2 197	2 138	-2.7%	5.1%
Saudi Arabia	1 762	2 024	14.9%	4.8%
Korea, South	1 554	1 405	-9.6%	3.4%
Pakistan	1 182	1 309	10.7%	3.1%
Malaysia	1 252	1 261	0.7%	3.0%
HKSAR of the PRC	951	1 029	8.2%	2.5%
Philippines	616	927	50.5%	2.2%
Indonesia	1 040	882	-15.2%	2.1%
Bangladesh	689	762	10.6%	1.8%
Sri Lanka	577	626	8.5%	1.5%
Thailand	595	595	0.0%	1.4%
Singapore	564	520	-7.8%	1.2%
Other countries	6 199	6 450	4.0%	15.4%
Sub-total in Australia	41 574	41 820	0.6%	100.0%
Total	116 519	121 642	4.4%	

2.25 Number of subclass 574 Postgraduate Research Sector visa applications granted in 2014-15 to 31 March 2015 where the client location was outside Australia by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year

Citizenship country	2013-14 to 31/03/14	2014-15 to 31/03/15	% Change from 2013-14	2014-15 as % of Total
China, Peoples Republic of	764	862	12.8%	16.4%
Iraq	554	475	-14.3%	9.0%
Bangladesh	421	342	-18.8%	6.5%
Iran	326	321	-1.5%	6.1%
Vietnam	250	305	22.0%	5.8%
India	286	267	-6.6%	5.1%
Saudi Arabia	308	254	-17.5%	4.8%
Indonesia	257	236	-8.2%	4.5%
Malaysia	284	207	-27.1%	3.9%
Pakistan	169	184	8.9%	3.5%
Sri Lanka	169	167	-1.2%	3.2%
United States of America	107	135	26.2%	2.6%
Singapore	53	70	32.1%	1.3%
Germany, Fed Republic of	70	66	-5.7%	1.3%
Nepal	92	65	-29.3%	1.2%
Other countries	1 294	1 294	0.0%	24.6%
Sub-total Outside Australia	5 404	5 250	-2.8%	100.0%

2.26 Number of subclass 574 Postgraduate Research Sector visa applications granted in 2014-15 to 31 March 2015 where the client location was in Australia by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year

Citizenship country	2013-14 to 31/03/14	2014-15 to 31/03/15	% Change from 2013-14	2014-15 as % of Total
Saudi Arabia	479	637	33.0%	18.2%
China, Peoples Republic of	532	514	-3.4%	14.7%
Indonesia	274	235	-14.2%	6.7%
Iran	154	189	22.7%	5.4%
Bangladesh	161	176	9.3%	5.0%
Vietnam	186	162	-12.9%	4.6%
Malaysia	176	144	-18.2%	4.1%
India	125	142	13.6%	4.1%
Pakistan	77	98	27.3%	2.8%
Sri Lanka	67	80	19.4%	2.3%
United States of America	60	72	20.0%	2.1%
Germany, Fed Republic of	56	70	25.0%	2.0%
United Kingdom	41	59	43.9%	1.7%
Libya	131	56	-57.3%	1.6%
Iraq	32	52	62.5%	1.5%
Other countries	852	819	-3.9%	23.4%
Sub-total in Australia	3 403	3 505	3.0%	100.0%
Total	8 807	8 755	-0.6%	

2.27 Number of subclass 575 Non-Award Sector visa applications granted in 2014-15 to

31 March 2015 where the client location was outside Australia by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year

Citizenship country	2013-14 to 31/03/14	2014-15 to 31/03/15	% Change from 2013-14	2014-15 as % of Total
United States of America	3 257	3 452	6.0%	31.2%
Brazil	2 291	1 148	-49.9%	10.4%
Germany, Fed Republic of	883	1 025	16.1%	9.3%
China, Peoples Republic of	477	623	30.6%	5.6%
Canada	546	597	9.3%	5.4%
Norway	402	416	3.5%	3.8%
Japan	307	375	22.1%	3.4%
United Kingdom	279	348	24.7%	3.1%
France	326	326	0.0%	3.0%
Sweden	313	295	-5.8%	2.7%
Mexico	212	263	24.1%	2.4%
Denmark	208	206	-1.0%	1.9%
Netherlands, Kingdom of The	154	171	11.0%	1.5%
Italy	176	163	-7.4%	1.5%
HKSAR of the PRC	133	143	7.5%	1.3%
Other countries	1 773	1 498	-15.5%	13.6%
Sub-total outside Australia	11 737	11 049	-5.9%	100.0%

2.28 Number of subclass 575 Non-Award Sector visa applications granted in 2014-15 to 31 March 2015 where the client location was in Australia by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year

Citizenship country	2013-14 to 31/03/14	2014-15 to 31/03/15	% Change from 2013-14	2014-15 as % of Total
Saudi Arabia	30	45	50.0%	11.5%
United States of America	52	40	-23.1%	10.2%
Japan	28	32	14.3%	8.2%
Germany, Fed Republic of	23	24	4.3%	6.1%
China, Peoples Republic of	25	21	-16.0%	5.4%
France	25	21	-16.0%	5.4%
Malaysia	15	16	6.7%	4.1%
United Kingdom	<5	16	433.3%	4.1%
Brazil	60	12	-80.0%	3.1%
Sweden	17	12	-29.4%	3.1%
Norway	10	12	20.0%	3.1%
Mexico	8	12	50.0%	3.1%
Korea, South	45	11	-75.6%	2.8%
Italy	11	11	0.0%	2.8%
Singapore	10	11	10.0%	2.8%
Other countries	126	96	-23.8%	24.5%
Sub-total in Australia	488	392	-19.7%	100.0%
Total	12 225	11 441	-6.4%	

2.29 Number of subclass 576 Foreign Affairs or Defence Sector visa applications granted in 2014-15 to 31 March 2015 where the client location was outside Australia by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year

Citizenship country	2013-14 to 31/03/14	2014-15 to 31/03/15	% Change from 2013-14	2014-15 as % of Total
Indonesia	857	1 037	21.0%	23.7%
Vietnam	462	385	-16.7%	8.8%
Papua New Guinea	415	306	-26.3%	7.0%
Pakistan	284	289	1.8%	6.6%
Philippines	173	145	-16.2%	3.3%
Sri Lanka	103	124	20.4%	2.8%
Bangladesh	152	116	-23.7%	2.7%
Mongolia	117	115	-1.7%	2.6%
Bhutan	128	114	-10.9%	2.6%
Cambodia	148	111	-25.0%	2.5%
Timor-Leste	117	103	-12.0%	2.4%
Myanmar	64	97	51.6%	2.2%
Thailand	60	88	46.7%	2.0%
Nepal	109	87	-20.2%	2.0%
Fiji	61	80	31.1%	1.8%
Other countries	1 490	1 179	-20.9%	26.9%
Sub-total outside Australia	4 740	4 376	-7.7%	100.0%

2.30 Number of subclass 576 Foreign Affairs or Defence Sector visa applications granted in 2014-15 to 31 March 2015 where the client location was in Australia by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year

Citizenship country	2013-14 to 31/03/14	2014-15 to 31/03/15	% Change from 2013-14	2014-15 as % of Total
Indonesia	57	135	136.8%	31.3%
Vietnam	37	66	78.4%	15.3%
Papua New Guinea	52	52	0.0%	12.1%
Bangladesh	15	18	20.0%	4.2%
Cambodia	14	15	7.1%	3.5%
Kenya	0	12	0.0%	2.8%
Kiribati	0	11	0.0%	2.6%
Nepal	<5	10	400.0%	2.3%
Afghanistan	15	9	-40.0%	2.1%
Tonga	5	8	60.0%	1.9%
Tuvalu	0	8	0.0%	1.9%
Philippines	10	7	-30.0%	1.6%
Tanzania	<5	6	500.0%	1.4%
Mongolia	11	5	-54.5%	1.2%
Fiji	8	5	-37.5%	1.2%
Other countries	110	64	-41.8%	14.8%
Sub-total in Australia	337	431	27.9%	100.0%
Total	5 077	4 807	-5.3%	

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For this section, grant rates have been shown.

A grant rate is defined as:

Number of grants

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Number of decisions

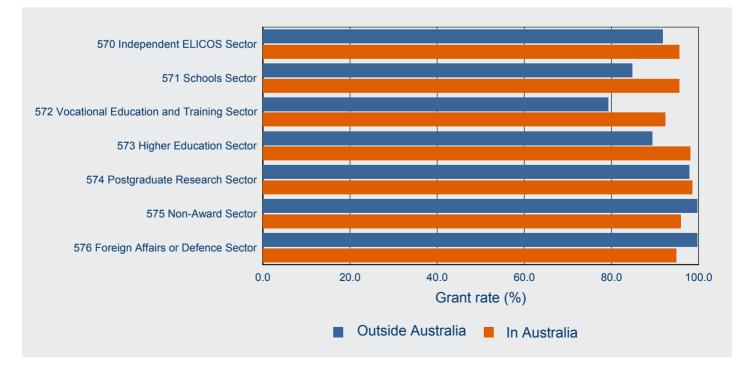
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3.01 Grant rate of student visa applications decided in the three month period between 1 January 2015 and 31 March 2015 by client location and visa subclass - comparison with previous

four periods

Visa Subclass	01/01/14 to 31/03/14	01/04/14 to 30/06/14	01/07/14 to 30/09/14	01/10/14 to 31/12/14	01/01/15 to 31/03/15
Outside Australia					
570 Independent ELICOS Sector	93.3%	91.3%	93.5%	92.4%	91.8%
571 Schools Sector	90.3%	93.8%	92.2%	89.0%	84.7%
572 Vocational Education and Training Sector	76.8%	76.6%	77.9%	82.1%	79.3%
573 Higher Education Sector	93.6%	90.5%	90.4%	88.7%	89.4%
574 Postgraduate Research Sector	98.7%	98.0%	98.8%	98.0%	97.8%
575 Non-Award Sector	99.7%	99.9%	99.3%	99.8%	99.7%
576 Foreign Affairs or Defence Sector	99.5%	98.4%	99.1%	99.9%	99.7%
All outside Australia	92.6%	91.1%	90.4%	90.0%	89.8%
In Australia					
570 Independent ELICOS Sector	96.2%	92.6%	95.8%	95.7%	95.5%
571 Schools Sector	97.2%	94.8%	92.0%	96.7%	95.6%
572 Vocational Education and Training Sector	94.7%	90.7%	93.0%	90.3%	92.4%
573 Higher Education Sector	98.6%	95.3%	98.1%	96.2%	98.0%
574 Postgraduate Research Sector	98.4%	98.6%	98.5%	98.9%	98.5%
575 Non-Award Sector	96.9%	98.1%	95.4%	92.4%	95.9%
576 Foreign Affairs or Defence Sector	92.2%	93.5%	95.2%	92.5%	94.9%
All in Australia	97.0%	93.2%	95.7%	93.4%	95.9%
All	94.3%	91.9%	92.5%	91.2%	92.1%

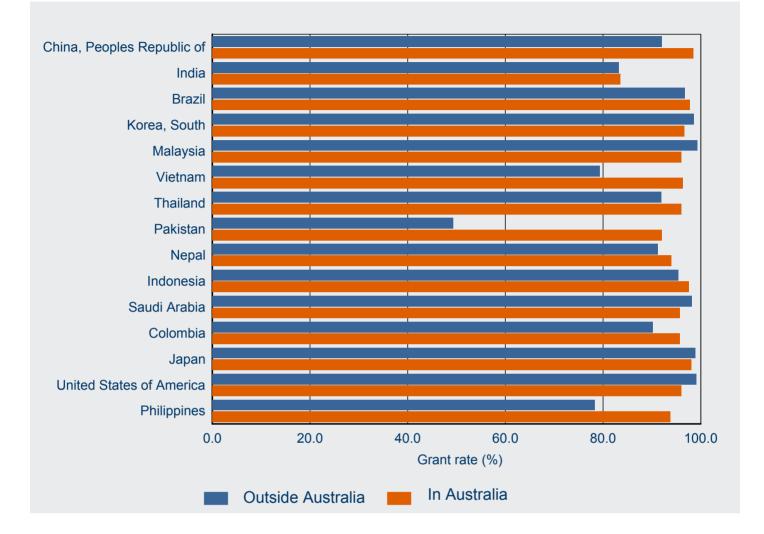
3.02 Grant rate of student visa applications decided in the three month period between 1 January 2015 and 31 March 2015 by client location and visa subclass



3.03 Grant rate of student visa applications decided in the three month period between 1 January 2015 and 31 March 2015 by client location and citizenship country - comparison with previous four periods

Drevious four periods Citizenship country	01/01/14 to	01/04/14 to	01/07/14 to	01/10/14 to	01/01/15 to
	31/03/14	30/06/14	30/09/14	31/12/14	31/03/15
Outside Australia					
China, Peoples Republic of	95.3%	94.9%	96.5%	92.2%	92.0%
India	93.5%	85.6%	82.6%	79.9%	83.3%
Brazil	97.2%	97.3%	97.5%	93.7%	96.7%
Malaysia	99.3%	98.8%	99.3%	98.5%	99.3%
Thailand	96.7%	94.7%	88.9%	88.1%	92.0%
Indonesia	95.6%	98.1%	95.8%	97.0%	95.4%
United States of America	99.8%	99.8%	99.6%	99.7%	99.1%
Nepal	97.3%	90.0%	91.8%	88.9%	91.2%
Vietnam	80.7%	78.7%	76.6%	85.6%	79.4%
Korea, South	98.9%	98.2%	98.0%	99.3%	98.6%
Japan	99.9%	99.3%	99.6%	99.8%	98.9%
Pakistan	70.0%	62.9%	58.4%	48.7%	49.3%
Colombia	93.3%	89.9%	89.1%	93.0%	90.2%
Saudi Arabia	99.3%	98.5%	99.6%	98.2%	98.2%
HKSAR of the PRC Other	98.9%	97.5%	99.4%	99.6%	98.8%
countries	89.2%	91.3%	89.6%	93.8%	91.1%
All Outside Australia	92.6%	91.1%	90.4%	90.0%	89.8%
In Australia					
China, Peoples Republic of	98.9%	94.9%	98.2%	95.6%	98.5%
Korea, South	98.1%	95.2%	97.6%	96.8%	96.6%
India	91.4%	88.6%	83.7%	78.6%	83.5%
Vietnam	97.2%	92.7%	96.3%	92.0%	96.4%
Malaysia	97.7%	94.5%	96.0%	96.2%	96.0%
Saudi Arabia	96.0%	96.3%	96.6%	98.4%	95.7%
Thailand	95.2%	92.0%	97.7%	96.8%	96.0%
Brazil	98.9%	97.1%	99.0%	99.1%	97.8%
Italy	98.1%	96.0%	97.5%	98.7%	97.2%
Indonesia	97.5%	94.5%	97.7%	95.4%	97.5%
Philippines	96.2%	90.4%	94.7%	93.7%	93.8%
Taiwan	95.5%	96.0%	98.0%	98.6%	97.0%
Nepal	95.5%	93.3%	94.0%	94.3%	93.9%
HKSAR of the PRC	96.5%	89.7%	97.1%	96.1%	96.0%
Colombia	96.8%	95.2%	96.4%	95.8%	95.7%
Other countries	97.0%	92.4%	96.3%	94.0%	95.8%
All in Australia	97.0%	93.2%	95.7%	93.4%	95.9%
All	94.3%	91.9%	92.5%	91.2%	92.1%

3.04 Grant rate of student visa applications decided in the three month period between 1 January 2015 and 31 March 2015 by citizenship country and client location - top 15 nationals



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

4.01 Processing time (in calendar days) for student PRIMARY visa applications granted in the three month period between 1 January 2015 and 31 March 2015 by client location and visa subclass - comparison with previous four periods

Visa Subclass		01/01/14 to 31/03/14 (days)	01/04/14 to 30/06/14 (days)	01/07/14 to 30/09/14 (days)	01/10/14 to 31/12/14 (days)	01/01/15 to 31/03/15 (days)
Outside Australia						
570 Independent ELICOS Sector		7	7	5	6	8
	50th percentile (Median)	16	14	14	14	17
	75th percentile	25	20	23	22	26
571 Schools Sector	25th percentile	8	4	15	7	8
	50th percentile (Median)	18	9	23	15	19
	75th percentile	34	18	38	31	35
572 Vocational Education and Training Sector		6	4	4	2	4
	50th percentile (Median)	14	11	10	8	12
	75th percentile	32	23	22	20	26
573 Higher Education Sector	25th percentile	6	6	6	6	6
00000	50th percentile (Median)	13	10	9	11	11
	75th percentile	28	19	19	20	22
574 Postgraduate Research Sector	25th percentile	6	7	7	7	6
Research Sector	50th percentile (Median)	16	17	18	16	15
	75th percentile	30	33	32	35	35
575 Non-Award Sector	25th percentile	0	0	0	0	0
	50th percentile (Median)	2	0	9	0	3
	75th percentile	17	7	20	1	14
576 Foreign Affairs or	25th percentile	6	2	2	5	4
Defence Sector	50th percentile (Median)	18	8	6	13	12
	75th percentile	70	27	14	43	48
All outside Australia	25th percentile	6	4	6	4	5
	50th percentile (Median)	13	9	11	10	12
	75th percentile	27	18	22	20	23

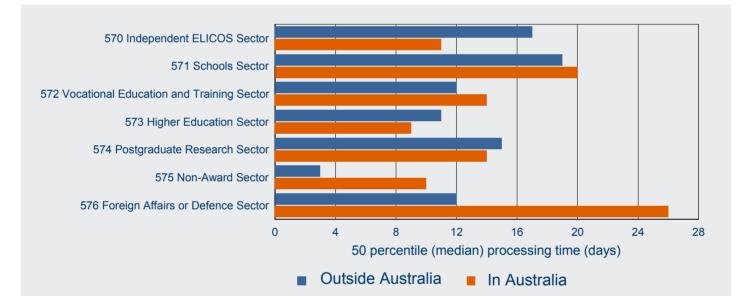
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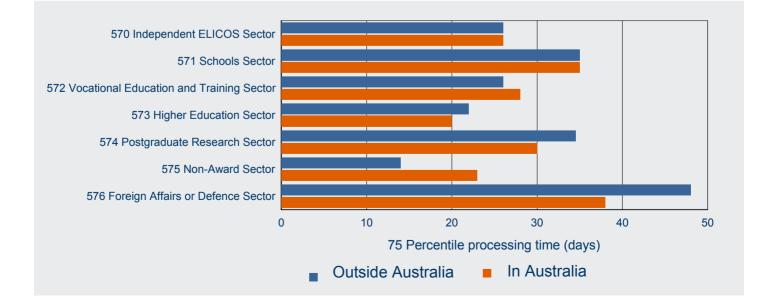
Visa Subclass		01/01/14 to 31/03/14 (days)	01/04/14 to 30/06/14 (days)	01/07/14 to 30/09/14 (days)	01/10/14 to 31/12/14 (days)	01/01/15 to 31/03/15 (days)
In Australia 570 Independent ELICOS		5	7	6	4	3
Sector	50th percentile (Median) 75th percentile	18 34	21 40	20 37	15 32	11 26
571 Schools Sector	25th percentile 50th percentile (Median) 75th percentile	16 29 45	28 45 72	15 31 60	14 33 60	9 20 35
572 Vocational Education and Training Sector	•	7 23 42	16 33 54	11 27 44	8 24 46	4 14 28
573 Higher Education Sector	25th percentile 50th percentile (Median) 75th percentile	7 15 26	26 39 57	10 24 38	18 41 64	4 9 20
574 Postgraduate Research Sector	25th percentile 50th percentile (Median) 75th percentile	9 20 35	20 35 60	15 31 55	16 32 56	7 14 30
575 Non-Award Sector	25th percentile 50th percentile (Median) 75th percentile	2 6 24	5 18 42	3 14 32	2 6 17	2 10 23
576 Foreign Affairs or Defence Sector	25th percentile 50th percentile (Median) 75th percentile	27 45 66	27 53 66	20 37 51	20 37 63	16 26 38
All in Australia	25th percentile 50th percentile (Median) 75th percentile	7 17 32	20 35 55	10 25 41	10 29 54	4 11 23
All	25th percentile 50th percentile (Median) 75th percentile	6 15 29	6 14 33	6 15 30	5 14 30	5 12 23

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 January 2015 and 31 March 2015 by visa subclass and client location









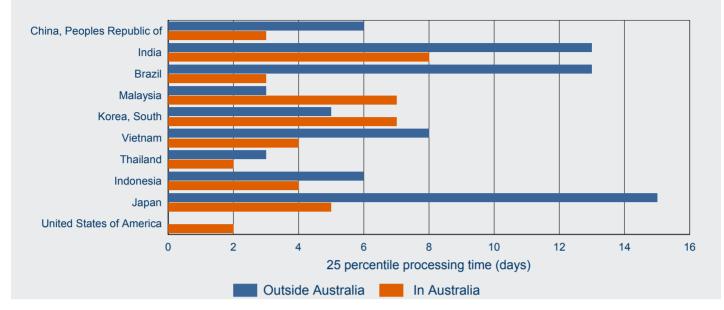
4.03 Processing time (in calendar days) for student PRIMARY visa applications granted in the three month period between 1 January 2015 and 31 March 2015 by client location and citizenship country - comparison with previous four periods

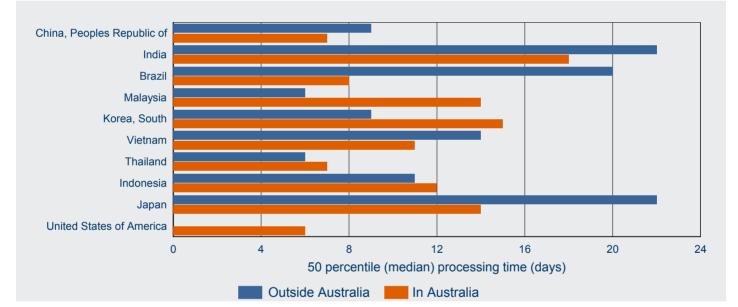
Citizenship country		01/01/14 to 31/03/14 (days)	01/04/14 to 30/06/14 (days)	01/07/14 to 30/09/14 (days)	01/10/14 to 31/12/14 (days)	01/01/15 to 31/03/15 (days)
Outside Australia	25th percentile	6	7	6	6	6
China, Peoples Republic	50th percentile (Median)	8	10	10	9	9
of	75th percentile	15	16	21	18	15
India	25th percentile	11	7	6	11	13
	50th percentile (Median)	24	13	11	18	22
	75th percentile	42	28	26	27	32
Brazil	25th percentile	16	13	16	14	13
	50th percentile (Median)	22	17	22	20	20
	75th percentile	28	22	29	25	27
United States of America	25th percentile	0	0	0	0	0
	50th percentile (Median)	0	0	0	0	0
	75th percentile	5	0	3	0	1
Thailand	25th percentile	4	6	4	3	3
	50th percentile (Median)	7	11	7	6	6
	75th percentile	12	15	14	11	10
Malaysia	25th percentile	2	3	3	3	3
	50th percentile (Median)	6	7	6	7	6
	75th percentile	13	13	13	13	12
Vietnam	25th percentile	13	5	14	7	8
	50th percentile (Median)	22	9	18	12	14
	75th percentile	31	14	25	21	22
Indonesia	25th percentile	8	7	5	7	6
	50th percentile (Median)	14	13	10	14	11
	75th percentile	23	28	18	30	22
Nepal	25th percentile	20	7	4	13	16
	50th percentile (Median)	32	11	7	19	23
	75th percentile	47	27	14	29	33
Korea, South	25th percentile	5	5	5	5	5
	50th percentile (Median)	9	9	8	8	9
	75th percentile	15	15	14	14	15
Other countries	25th percentile	5	1	3	1	4
	50th percentile (Median)	14	7	10	8	13
	75th percentile	28	19	22	20	26
All Outside Australia	25th percentile	6	4	6	4	5
	50th percentile (Median)	13	9	11	10	12
	75th percentile	27	18	22	20	23

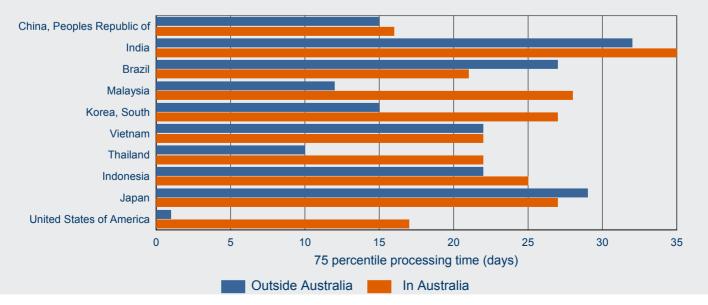
4.03 Processing time (in calendar days) for student PRIMARY visa applications granted in the three month period between 1 January 2015 and 31 March 2015 by client location and citizenship country - comparison with previous four periods - continued

Citizenship country		01/01/14 to 31/03/14 (days)	01/04/14 to 30/06/14 (days)	01/07/14 to 30/09/14 (days)	01/10/14 to 31/12/14 (days)	01/01/15 to 31/03/15 (days)
In Australia	25th percentile	5	26	7	17	3
China, Peoples Republic	50th percentile (Median)	13	37	21	41	7
of	75th percentile	22	55	35	64	16
India	25th percentile	19	28	21	25	8
	50th percentile (Median)	34	42	34	44	18
	75th percentile	67	69	55	75	35
Korea, South	25th percentile	12	17	16	10	7
	50th percentile (Median)	21	31	28	22	15
	75th percentile	34	49	44	41	27
Malaysia	25th percentile	12	21	17	13	7
	50th percentile (Median)	20	35	29	28	14
	75th percentile	32	54	43	48	28
Vietnam	25th percentile	9	27	15	16	4
	50th percentile (Median)	18	42	28	38	11
	75th percentile	31	62	43	63	22
Brazil	25th percentile	4	4	3	3	3
	50th percentile (Median)	17	19	16	12	8
	75th percentile	33	35	35	33	21
Thailand	25th percentile	4	6	6	4	2
	50th percentile (Median)	16	27	24	14	7
	75th percentile	32	49	39	37	22
Colombia	25th percentile	9	13	7	6	4
	50th percentile (Median)	25	30	23	22	14
	75th percentile	48	51	41	43	30
Saudi Arabia	25th percentile	7	15	9	15	6
	50th percentile (Median)	17	33	24	34	13
	75th percentile	30	56	42	61	27
Taiwan	25th percentile	9	13	14	9	6
	50th percentile (Median)	20	27	23	20	13
	75th percentile	33	45	38	36	26
Other countries	25th percentile	7	17	10	9	5
	50th percentile (Median)	19	34	26	27	13
	75th percentile	35	55	43	50	27
All in Australia	25th percentile	7	20	10	10	4
	50th percentile (Median)	17	35	25	29	11
	75th percentile	32	55	41	54	23
All	25th percentile	6	6	6	5	5
	50th percentile (Median)	15	14	15	14	12
	75th percentile	29	33	30	30	23

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 January 2015 and 31 March 2015 by citizenship country and client location - top 10 citizenship countries







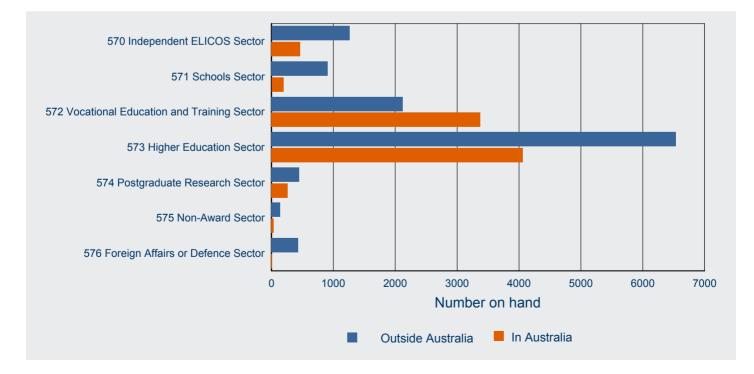
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5.01 Number of student PRIMARY visa applications on hand at 31 March 2015 by client location and visa subclass - comparison with previous four periods

Visa Subclass	On hand at 31/03/14	On hand at 30/06/14	On hand at 30/09/14	On hand at 31/12/14	On hand at 31/03/15
Outside Australia					
570 Independent ELICOS Sector	1 486	1 916	1 622	2 067	1 428
571 Schools Sector	817	1 889	1 431	1 612	991
572 Vocational Education and Training Sector	1 558	1 875	1 774	2 295	2 307
573 Higher Education Sector	6 699	8 819	7 656	9 432	7 008
574 Postgraduate Research Sector	460	547	516	640	494
575 Non-Award Sector	168	798	148	915	151
576 Foreign Affairs or Defence Sector	487	285	557	444	464
Sub-total outside Australia	11 675	16 129	13 704	17 405	12 843
In Australia					
570 Independent ELICOS Sector	882	894	740	481	546
571 Schools Sector	307	132	130	129	216
572 Vocational Education and Training Sector	6 591	5 608	5 367	2 635	3 821
573 Higher Education Sector	8 508	3 008	6 062	1 801	4 728
574 Postgraduate Research Sector	478	346	355	171	304
575 Non-Award Sector	47	46	25	30	38
576 Foreign Affairs or Defence Sector	44	25	44	36	13
Sub-total in Australia	16 857	10 059	12 723	5 283	9 666
Total	28 532	26 188	26 427	22 688	22 509

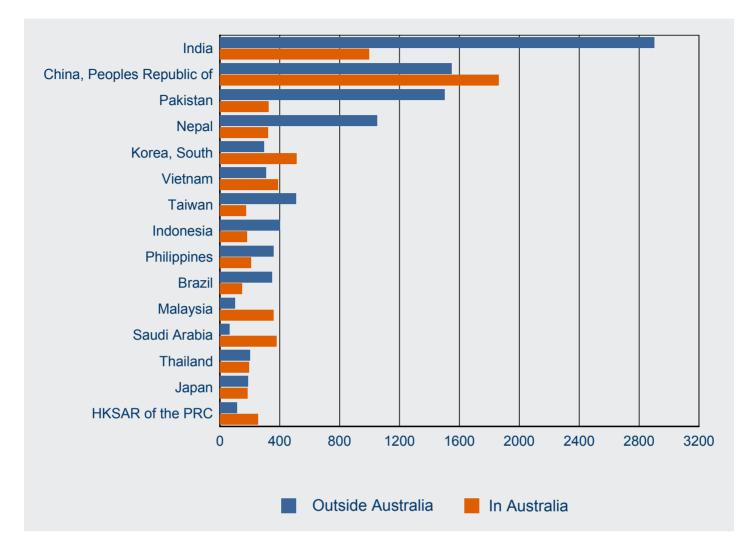
5.02 Number of student PRIMARY visa applications on hand at 31 March 2015 by client location and visa subclass



5.03 Number of student PRIMARY visa applications on hand at 31 March 2015 by client location and citizenship country - comparison with previous four periods

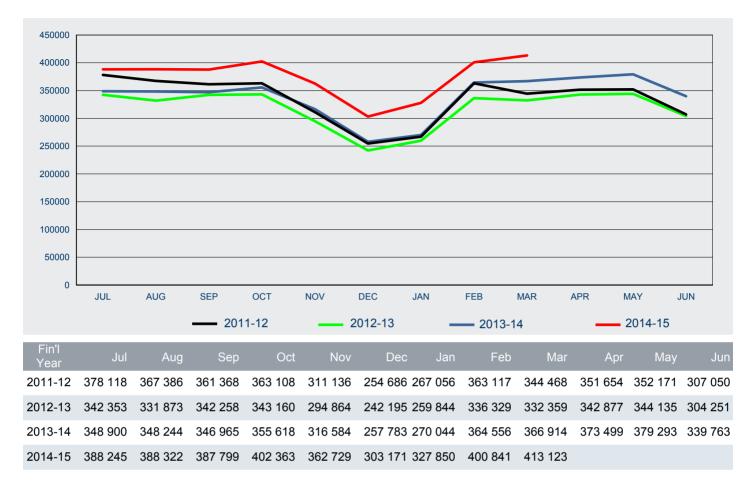
Citizenship country	On hand at 31/03/14	On hand at 30/06/14	On hand at 30/09/14	On hand at 31/12/14	On hand at 31/03/15
Outside Australia					
India	1 961	2 540	2 181	2 708	3 017
China, Peoples Republic of	1 506	3 763	3 314	3 249	1 767
Pakistan	937	1 607	1 756	1 527	1 596
Nepal	1 857	545	613	817	1 072
Taiwan	536	580	514	559	544
Indonesia	510	450	672	561	432
Brazil	252	648	420	853	368
Philippines	246	270	265	383	361
Vietnam	565	851	786	772	350
Korea, South	340	353	327	448	338
Thailand	281	448	285	270	265
Japan	198	327	129	398	248
Papua New Guinea	137	144	129	293	226
Colombia	226	253	235	463	194
Malaysia	116	211	95	397	128
Other countries	2 007	3 139	1 983	3 707	1 937
Sub-total outside Australia	11 675	16 129	13 704	17 405	12 843
In Australia					
China, Peoples Republic of	4 325	1 207	2 719	679	2 175
India	2 344	1 658	2 117	720	1 091
Korea, South	994	868	724	458	619
Saudi Arabia	538	307	418	127	444
Vietnam	848	286	434	171	436
Malaysia	589	435	433	237	414
Nepal	688	310	539	153	362
Pakistan	618	333	531	183	361
HKSAR of the PRC	394	241	318	148	287
Thailand	442	434	366	168	236
Philippines	383	232	330	134	235
Colombia	415	309	317	193	219
Japan	289	297	229	126	213
Indonesia	378	283	305	133	208
Taiwan	283	250	309	190	204
Other countries					
	3 329	2 609	2 634	1 463	2 162
Sub-total in Australia	3 329 16 857	2 609 10 059	2 634 12 723	5 283	9 666

5.04 Number of student PRIMARY visa applications on hand at 31 March 2015 by citizenship country and client location - top 15 citizenship country

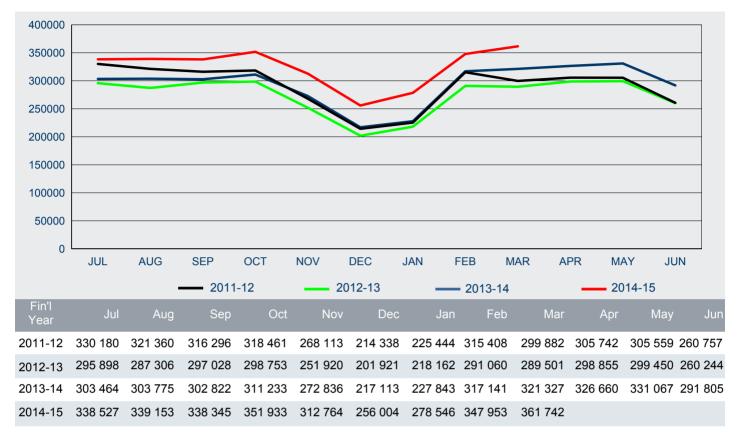


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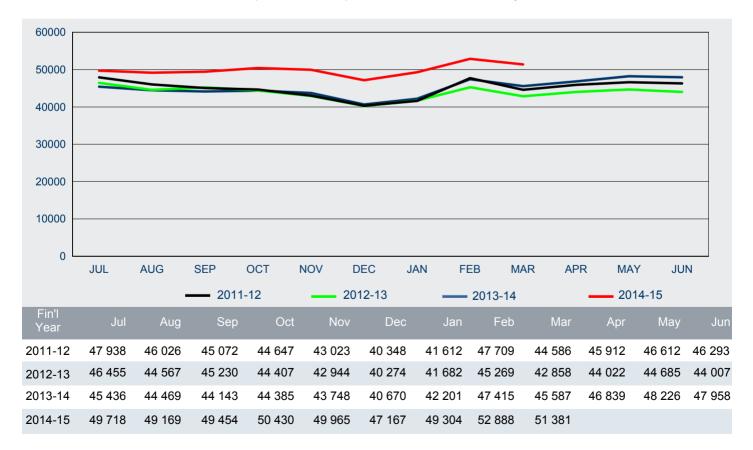
6.01 Number of student visa holders at the end of each month in 2014-15 to 31 March 2015 by month - comparison with previous three financial years



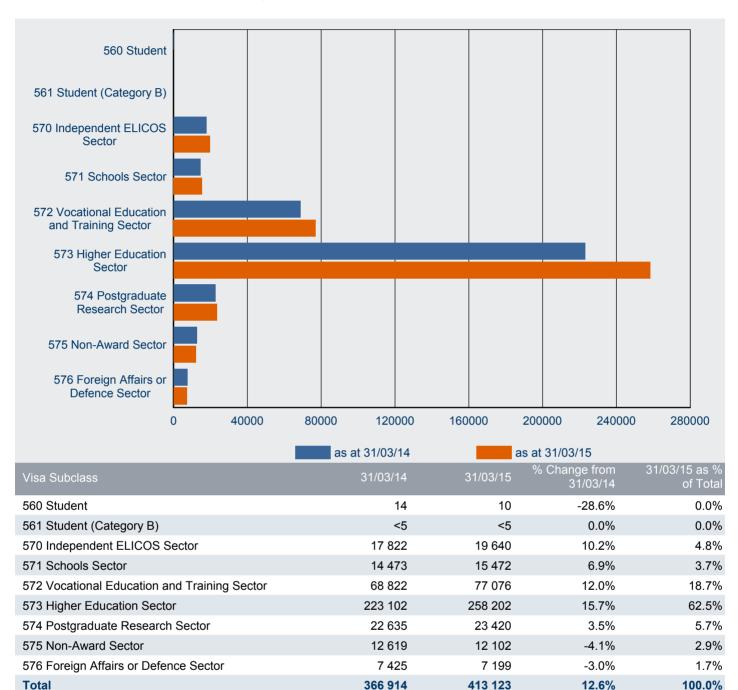
6.02 Number of student PRIMARY visa holders in Australia at the end of each month in 2014-15 to 31 March 2015 - comparison with previous three financial years



6.03 Number of student SECONDARY visa holders in Australia at the end of each month in 2014-15 to 31 March 2015 - comparison with previous three financial years



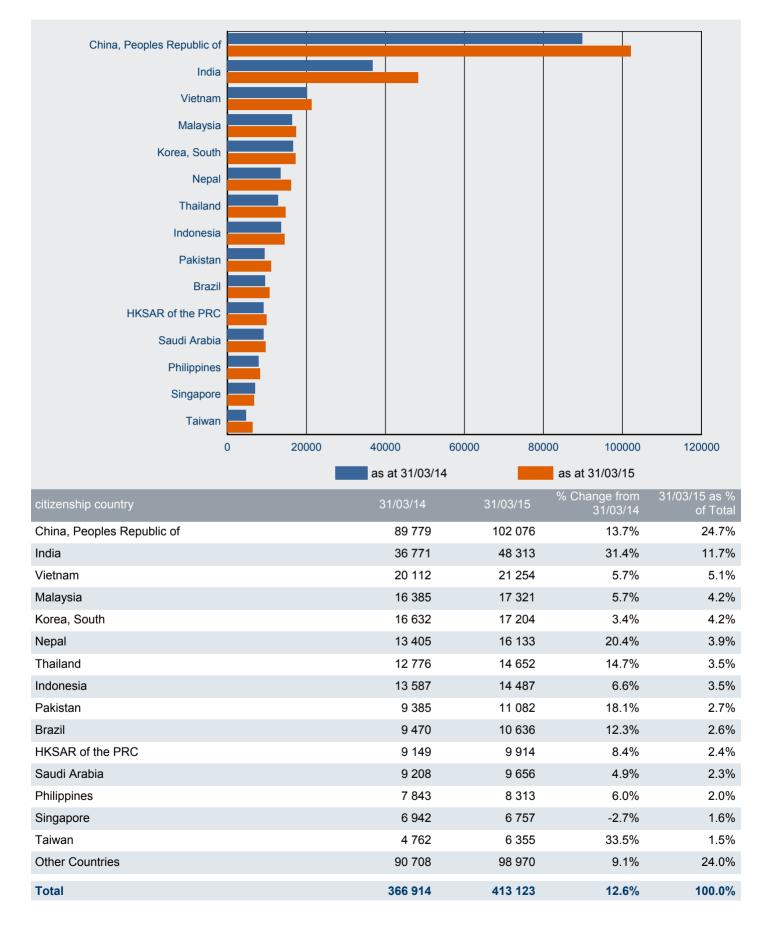
6.04 Number of student visa holders in Australia as at 31 March 2015 by visa subclass - comparison with the same date in the previous year



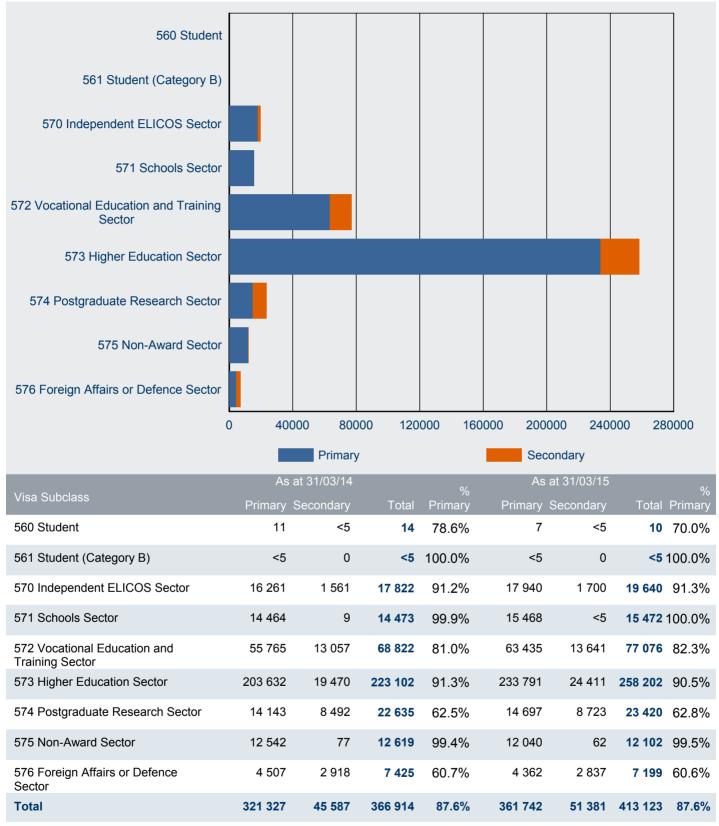
Note: Subclass 560 - was omitted from the Migration Regulations 1994 with effect from 1 July 2001.

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

6.05 Number of student visa holders in Australia as at 31 March 2015 by citizenship country - comparison with the same date in the previous year



6.06 Number of student visa holders in Australia as at 31 March 2015 by visa subclass and applicant type



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

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

7 Destinations

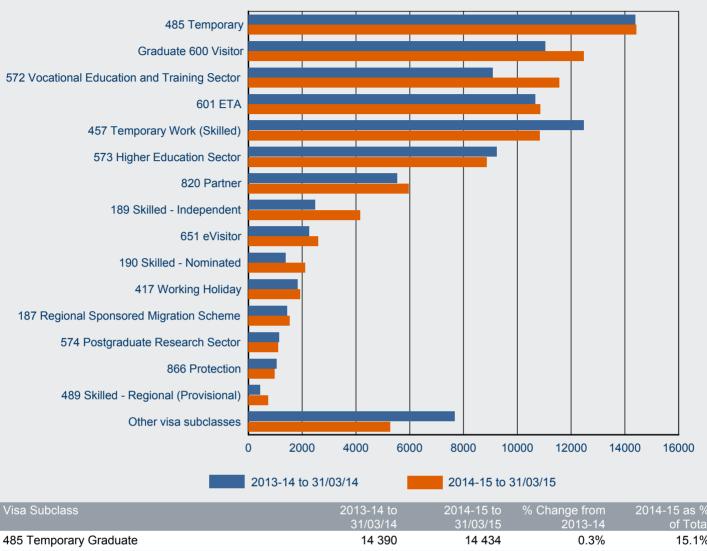
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7.01 Number of visas granted in 2014-15 to 31 March 2015 by visa category where the last visa held was a student visa - comparison with same period in previous year



7 Destinations

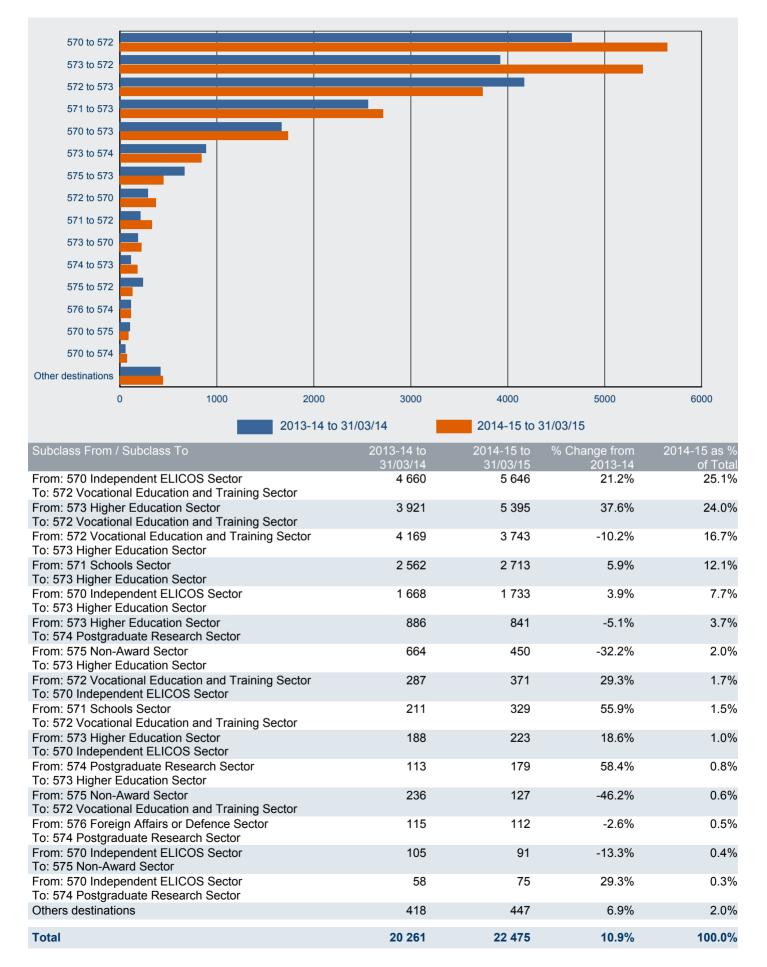
7.02 Number of visas granted in 2014-15 to 31 March 2015 by visa subclass where the last visa held was a student visa - comparison with same period in previous year



485 Temporary Graduate	14 390	14 434	0.3%	15.1%
			0.070	10.170
600 Visitor	11 038	12 474	13.0%	13.1%
572 Vocational Education and Training Sector	9 083	11 569	27.4%	12.1%
601 ETA	10 667	10 858	1.8%	11.4%
457 Temporary Work (Skilled)	12 475	10 844	-13.1%	11.4%
573 Higher Education Sector	9 235	8 875	-3.9%	9.3%
820 Partner	5 526	5 972	8.1%	6.3%
189 Skilled - Independent	2 476	4 166	68.3%	4.4%
651 eVisitor	2 255	2 603	15.4%	2.7%
190 Skilled - Nominated	1 382	2 113	52.9%	2.2%
417 Working Holiday	1 835	1 930	5.2%	2.0%
187 Regional Sponsored Migration Scheme	1 439	1 539	6.9%	1.6%
574 Postgraduate Research Sector	1 139	1 107	-2.8%	1.2%
866 Protection	1 057	978	-7.5%	1.0%
489 Skilled - Regional (Provisional)	430	733	70.5%	0.8%
Other visa subclasses	7 670	5 273	-31.3%	5.5%
Total	92 097	95 468	3.7%	100.0%

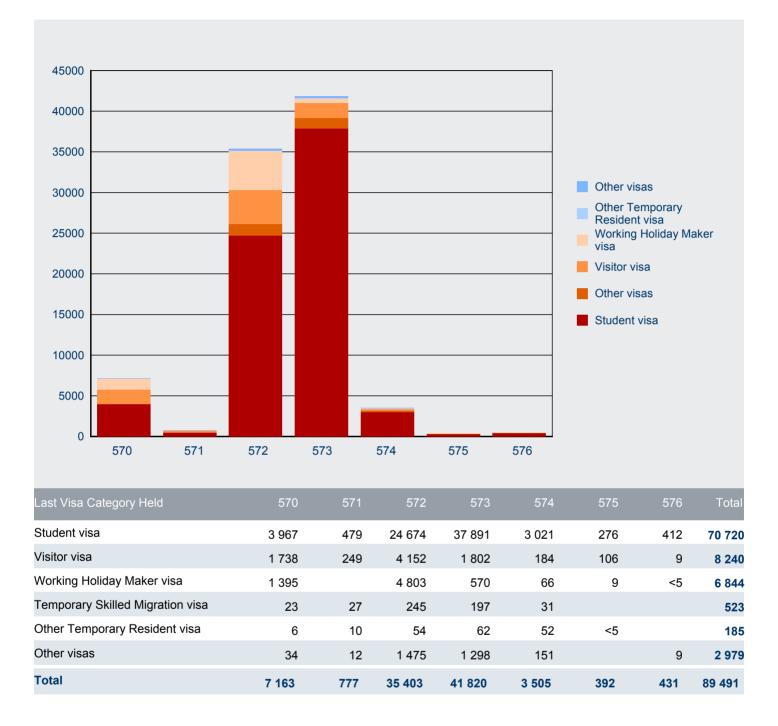
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7.03 Number of student visas granted in 2014-15 to 31 March 2015 by visa subclass where the last visa held was a different student visa - comparison with same period in previous year



7 Destinations

7.04 Number of student visa granted in 2014-15 to 31 March 2015 where the client was in Australia by last visa category held

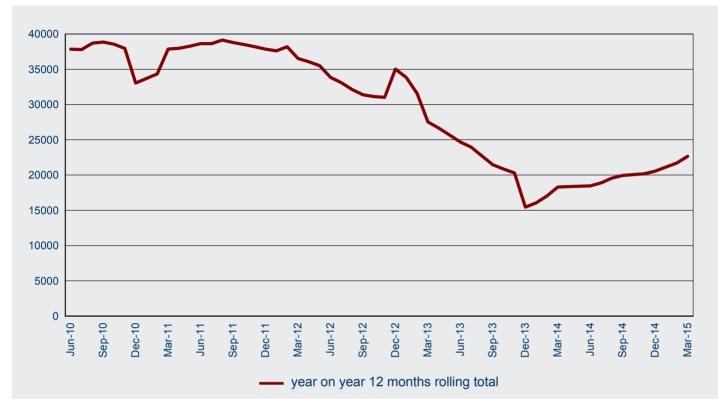


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8 Subclass 485 visa

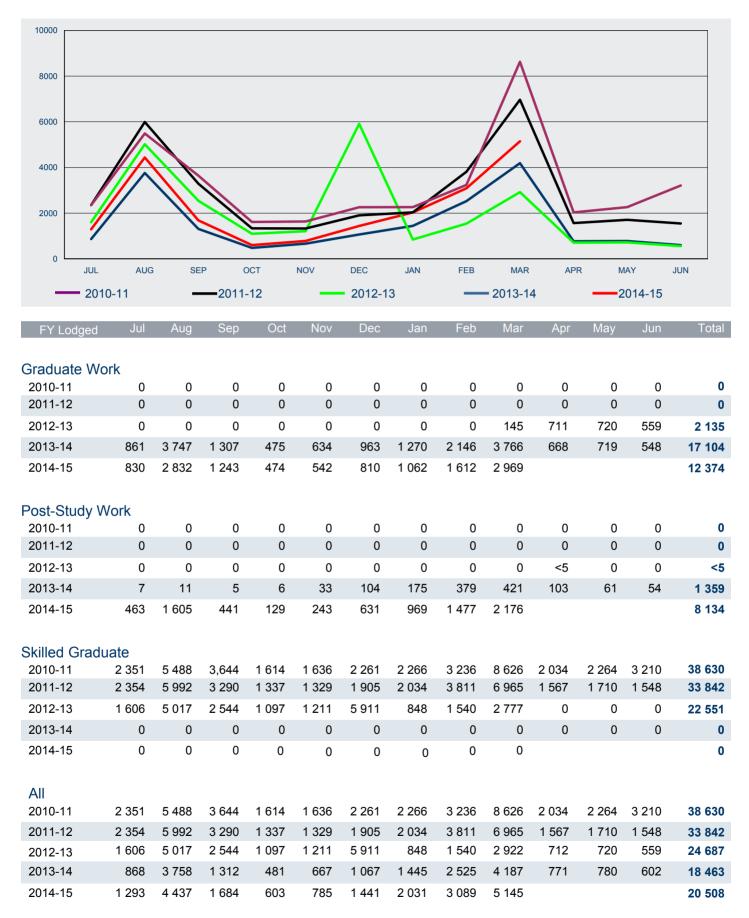
8 Subclass 485 visa - Lodged

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



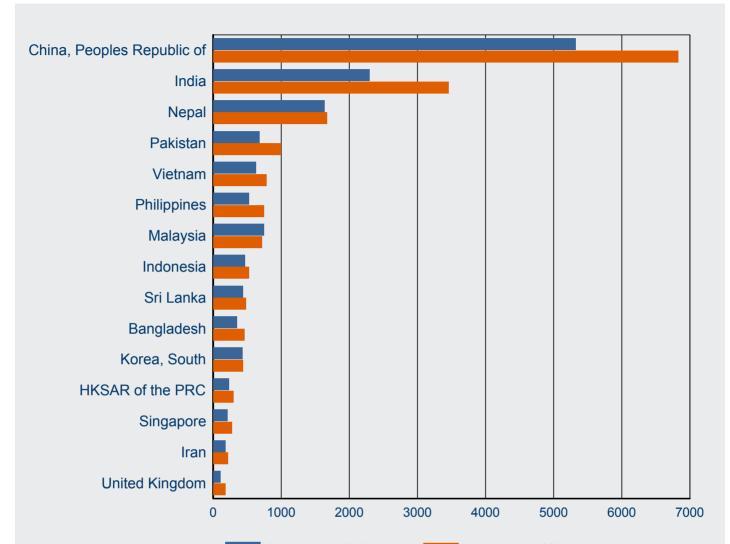
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8.02 Number of subclass 485 visa applications lodged in 2014-15 to 31 March 2015 by visa stream and month - comparison with previous four financial years



8 Subclass 485 visa - Lodged

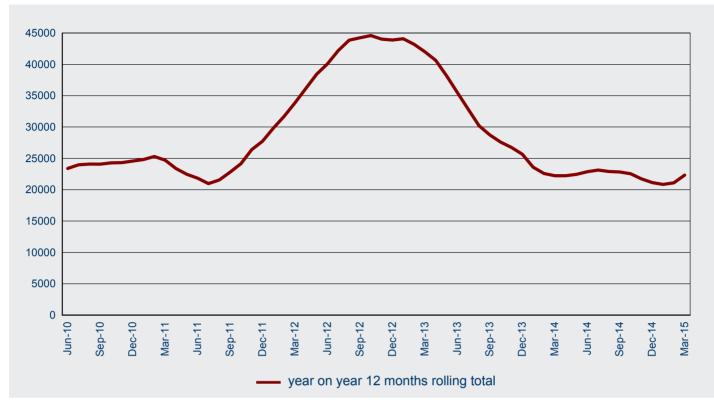
8.03 Number of subclass 485 visa applications lodged in 2014-15 to 31 March 2015 by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year



	2013-14 to 31/03/14	2014-15 to 31/03/15		
Citizenship country	2013-14 to 31/03/14	2014-15 to 31/03/15	% Change from 2013-14	2014-15 as % of Total
China, Peoples Republic of	5 324	6 828	28.2%	33.3%
India	2 294	3 455	50.6%	16.8%
Nepal	1 633	1 672	2.4%	8.2%
Pakistan	679	998	47.0%	4.9%
Vietnam	630	783	24.3%	3.8%
Philippines	526	742	41.1%	3.6%
Malaysia	750	716	-4.5%	3.5%
Indonesia	468	526	12.4%	2.6%
Sri Lanka	435	481	10.6%	2.3%
Bangladesh	348	457	31.3%	2.2%
Korea, South	433	437	0.9%	2.1%
HKSAR of the PRC	233	295	26.6%	1.4%
Singapore	207	279	34.8%	1.4%
Iran	179	218	21.8%	1.1%
United Kingdom	111	177	59.5%	0.9%
Other countries	2 060	2 444	18.6%	11.9%
Total	16 310	20 508	25.7%	100.0%

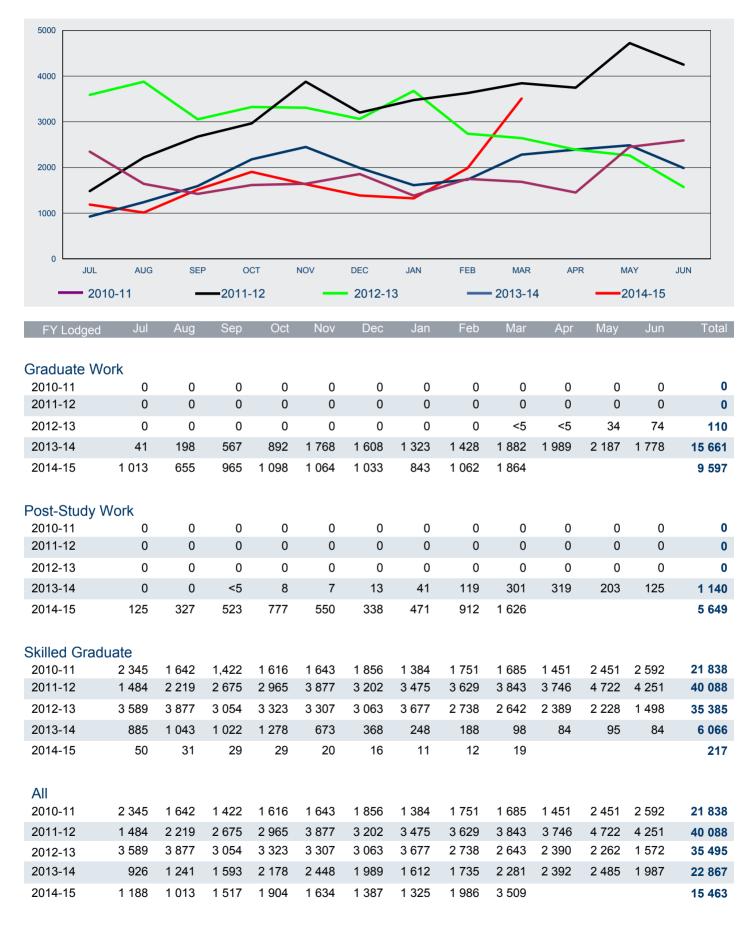
8 Subclass 485 visa - Granted

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



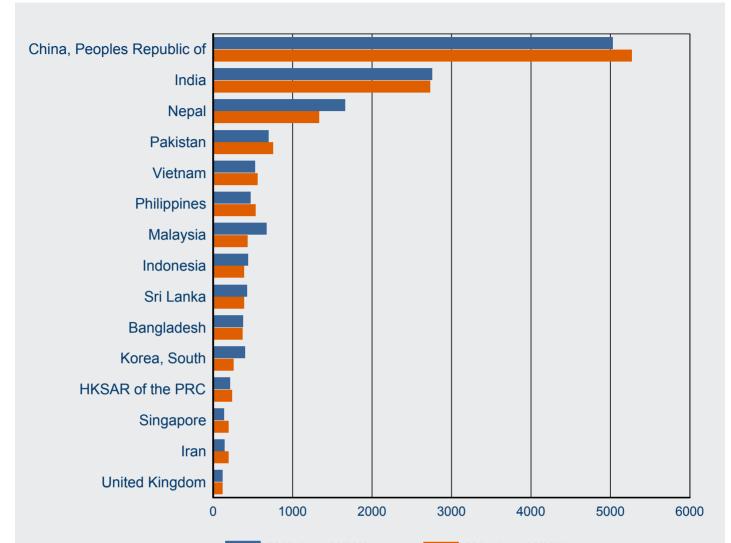
8 Subclass 485 visa - Granted

8.05 Number of subclass 485 visa applications granted in 2014-15 to 31 March 2015 by visa stream and month - comparison with previous four financial years



8 Subclass 485 visa - Granted

8.06 Number of subclass 485 visa applications granted in 2014-15 to 31 March 2015 by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year



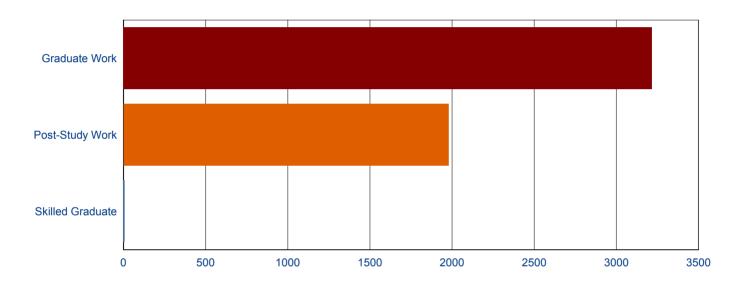
	2013-14 to 31/03/14	2014-15 to 31/03/15		
Citizenship country	2013-14 to 31/03/14	2014-15 to 31/03/15	% Change from 2013-14	2014-15 as % of Total
China, Peoples Republic of	5 028	5 267	4.8%	34.1%
India	2 757	2 731	-0.9%	17.7%
Nepal	1 659	1 334	-19.6%	8.6%
Pakistan	694	756	8.9%	4.9%
Vietnam	529	556	5.1%	3.6%
Philippines	470	534	13.6%	3.5%
Malaysia	674	430	-36.2%	2.8%
Indonesia	436	387	-11.2%	2.5%
Sri Lanka	424	385	-9.2%	2.5%
Bangladesh	376	368	-2.1%	2.4%
Korea, South	398	257	-35.4%	1.7%
HKSAR of the PRC	210	239	13.8%	1.5%
Singapore	134	193	44.0%	1.2%
Iran	140	192	37.1%	1.2%
United Kingdom	114	118	3.5%	0.8%
Other countries	1 960	1 716	-12.4%	11.1%
Total	16 003	15 463	-3.4%	100.0%

8 Subclass 485 visa - On hand

8.07 Number of subclass 485 PRIMARY visa applications on hand at 31 March 2015 by visa stream - comparison with previous four periods

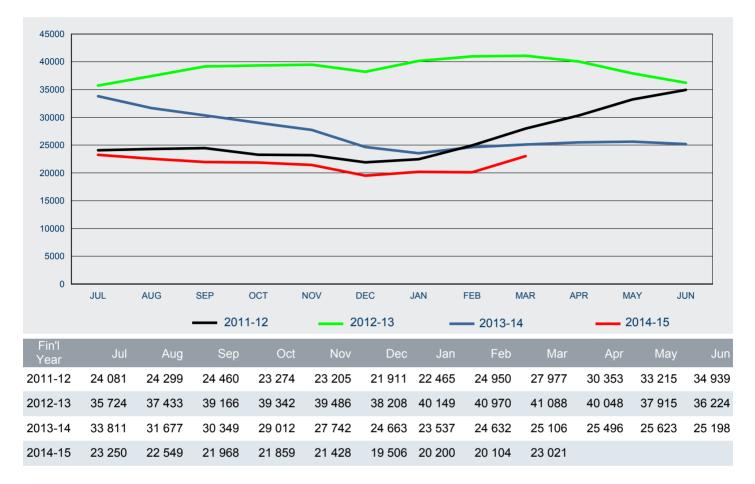
Visa Stream	On hand at 31/03/14	On hand at 30/06/14	On hand at 30/09/14	On hand at 31/12/14	On hand at 31/03/15
Graduate Work	5 001	1 451	3 145	1 869	3 216
Post-Study Work	529	132	1 377	749	1 978
Skilled Graduate	353	154	68	32	7
Total	5 883	1 737	4 590	2 650	5 201

8.08 Number of subclass 485 PRIMARY visa applications on hand at 31 March 2015 by visa stream



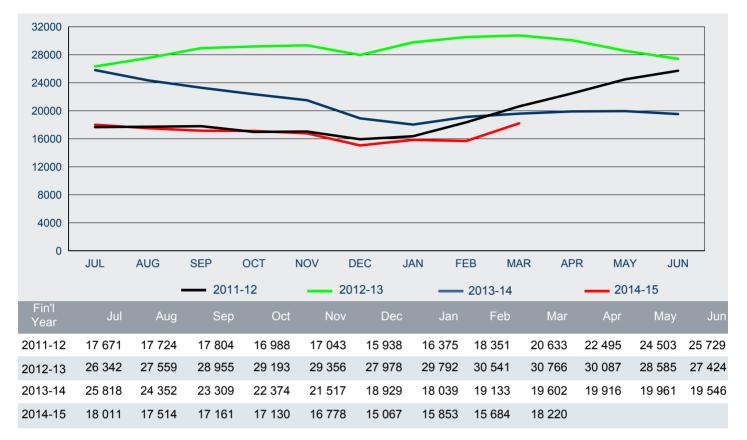
8 Subclass 485 visa - Visa holders in Australia

8.09 Number of subclass 485 visa holders at the end of each month in 2014-15 to 31 March 2015 by month - comparison with previous three financial years

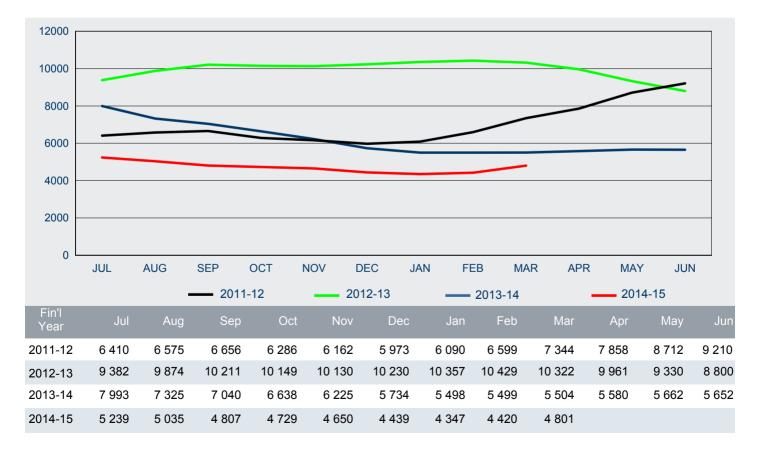


8 Subclass 485 visa - Visa holders in Australia

8.10 Number of subclass 485 PRIMARY visa holders in Australia at the end of each month in 2014-15 to 31 March 2015 - comparison with previous three financial years



8.11 Number of subclass 485 SECONDARY visa holders in Australia at the end of each month in 2014-15 to 31 March 2015 - comparison with previous three financial years



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