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About this report

This report provides data about the Visitor visa program administered by the Department of Home Affairs (the Department). The report has been produced to assist tourism industry stakeholders and policymakers.

This report is published every six months. Current and previous versions of the report are available on the department's website at: <https://www.homeaffairs.gov.au/research-and-statistics/statistics/visa-statistics/visit>

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 reports can occur. Due to these issues, figures for the current financial year should always be considered provisional.

Note: For privacy reasons < 5 has been used where a number in a table is between 1 and 4. Data in years prior to 2017-18 was revised on 1 October 2019, due to better source data becoming available. This may result in minor discrepancies with previously published statistics.

Further information about the Visitor visa program is available at: <https://immi.homeaffairs.gov.au/visas/getting-a-visa/visa-listing>

Enquiries

Any comments or enquiries concerning this report should be sent to statistical.coordination@homeaffairs.gov.au quoting Report Id BR0112.

Definition of terms

Approved Destination Status (ADS):	This scheme facilitates the travel of organised tour groups from the People's Republic of China (PRC) to Australia by approved travel agents.
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.
Decided:	The term used for counts of decisions. See below for definition of 'decisions'.
Decisions:	An outcome where a decision-maker (including system-generated decision-making) grants or refuses a visa or sponsorship application.
ETA:	Electronic Travel Authority. An electronic visa available to citizens from low risk countries. The term 'low risk' applies to countries which issue ETA eligible passports. A list of these can be found on the Department's website.
Granted:	Unless otherwise specified, the number of visas granted includes primary and review grants.
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.
Lodged:	Lodged is the count of paper applications receipted in a departmental office or submitted electronically.
On hand:	A visa application, nomination or sponsorship that has not been finalised.
Outside Australia:	In this report, the term refers to the location of the client at the time of lodging the application.
Visa applicant:	Used to refer to clients applying for a visa.
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 Visitor visa program

Visa travel purpose and activities

The Visitor visa program allows travellers to enter or remain in Australia for short-term visits. The program can be divided into two main groups by travel purpose: Tourism and Business.

Tourism activities may include a holiday or recreation, taking a cruise, or visiting family and friends. **Business activities** may include:

- making general business or employment enquiries
- investigating, negotiating, entering into or reviewing a business contract
- conducting activities as part of an official government visit
- taking part in a conference, trade fair or seminar (but not being paid by the organisers to take part)
- undertaking tourist activities.

Visitor visa holders cannot engage in work in Australia (that is, perform an activity in Australia a person would normally be remunerated for).

Visa subclasses and streams

The Visitor visa program is currently made up of three subclasses, the Electronic Travel Authority (ETA) (subclass 601), the eVisitor visa (subclass 651) and the Visitor visa (subclass 600). The Visitor visa (subclass 600) has five streams, the Tourist stream, the Sponsored Family stream, the Business Visitor stream, the Approved Destination Status (ADS) stream and the Frequent Traveller stream.

1. **Electronic Travel Authority (subclass 601).** This visa allows ETA eligible passport holders to visit Australia for tourism or business visitor purposes. Applications can be made through the Australian ETAapp. An ETA holder can visit Australia as often as they wish in a 12 month period, and stay up to 3 months each time they enter Australia. More information is available at: <https://immi.homeaffairs.gov.au/visas/getting-a-visa/visa-listing/electronic-travel-authority-601>
2. **eVisitor visa (subclass 651).** This visa allows eligible European passport holders to visit Australia for tourism or business visitor purposes. Applications can only be made online. An eVisitor holder can visit Australia as often as they wish in a 12 month period, and stay up to 3 months each time they enter Australia. More information is available at: <https://immi.homeaffairs.gov.au/visas/getting-a-visa/visa-listing/evisitor-651>
3. **Visitor visa (subclass 600).** This visa allows any passport holder to visit Australia for tourism or business visitor purposes, depending on the stream. Visitor visas can be granted with different stay and validity periods, and may allow single or multiple entries to Australia. More information is available at: <https://immi.homeaffairs.gov.au/visas/getting-a-visa/visa-listing/visitor-600>
 - o **Tourist stream.** This stream of the Visitor visa allows people to enter or remain in Australia for tourism purposes. Applications can be made online.
 - o **Business Visitor stream.** This stream allows people to enter Australia for business visitor purposes. Applications can be made online.
 - o **Sponsored Family stream.** This stream allows people who are sponsored, usually by a family member, to enter Australia to visit family. This visa has additional sponsorship requirements which are designed to provide assurance that the visa holder will comply with their visa conditions and depart Australia before their visa expires. Applications can be made online.
 - o **Approved Destination Status (ADS) stream.** This stream allows People's Republic of China (PRC) (excluding SARs) passport holders to visit Australia for tourism as part of an organised tour group. Applications can only be made through an approved Chinese travel agent participating in the ADS scheme.
 - o **Frequent Traveller stream.** This stream allows eligible passport holders who travel often to Australia to enter Australia for tourism or business visitor purposes. This visa might be granted with a validity period of up to 10 years. Applications can only be made online.

On 23 March 2013, changes were made to Visitor visas as part of the Australian Government's Visa Simplification and Deregulation project. A number of historic Visitor visa subclasses were repealed and replaced with the current subclasses as outlined in the table below. Where relevant, historic data in this report may refer to both current and previous visa subclasses.

Note: A small percentage of clients who lodged these visa subclasses may now be lodging Temporary Work (Short Stay Activity) (subclass 400) visa applications, which is not covered in this report.

Background to the Visitor visa program - continued

The below table outlines the current and previous Visitor visa subclasses/streams, travel purpose of each subclass/stream (including how they are referenced in this report) and the location of the client at time of lodgement.

Note: Where a visa subclass/stream allows both tourism and business visitor activities, data in this report will be based on the applicant's declared travel activity for their initial entry to Australia for the purposes of determining Tourism or Business visitor activity.

Current subclass	Previous subclass	Tourism	Business	Client Location
601 - Electronic Travel Authority	976 - Electronic Travel Authority (Visitor) 977 - Electronic Travel Authority (Business – Short Validity) 956 - Electronic Travel Authority (Business – Long Validity)	✓ (ETA Tourist)	✓ (ETA Business)	Outside Australia
651 - eVisitor	N/A	✓ (eVisitor Tourist)	✓ (eVisitor Business)	Outside Australia
600 - Tourist stream	676 - Tourist visa	✓ (Tourist Visitor)		In or outside Australia
600 - Business Visitor stream	456 - Business (Short Stay) visa 459 - Sponsored Business visitor (Short Stay) visa 488 - Superyacht	✓ (Business Visitor)	✓ (Business Visitor)	Outside Australia
600 - Sponsored Family stream	679 - Sponsored Family Visitor visa	✓ (Sponsored Tourist)		Outside Australia
600 - Approved Destination Status stream	676 - Tourist visa (ADS subcategory)	✓ (Tourist Visitor)		Outside Australia (must be within PRC)
600 - Frequent Traveller stream	N/A	✓ (Tourist Visitor)	✓ (Business Visitor)	Outside Australia (must be within eligible country)

Family members

All applicants, including dependent family members, must lodge their own separate Visitor visa application.

Visa Requirements

To be eligible for a Visitor visa, the applicant must genuinely intend to stay temporarily in Australia for the purpose for which the visa is granted (for tourism or business visitor purposes). Applicants must be able to demonstrate that they have access to adequate means to support themselves (and their family where relevant) during their stay in Australia, including health insurance where required. Applicants must also meet certain health and character requirements.

Work is not permitted on any Visitor visas. Where a person is found to be working in breach of their visa conditions, they could face visa cancellation and an exclusion period.

Study or training, of up to three months, may be permitted on a Visitor visa. However, if the visa holder's main reason for travelling to Australia is study, a Student visa might be more appropriate.

Background to the Visitor visa program - continued

Extending stay

Visitor visas cannot be 'extended'. However, Visitor visa holders may extend their stay in Australia by applying for another visa, which may include a Visitor visa (subclass 600) - Tourist stream before their current visa ceases. This is the only Visitor visa stream that is available to applicants already in Australia seeking to extend their stay.

Visa refusals

A decision to refuse a Visitor visa application is made when a 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 a written decision record that sets out the reason for the decision and any review rights.

Processing times

Global Visitor visa application processing times are published on the Department's website at:

<http://www.homeaffairs.gov.au/about/access-accountability/service-standards/global-visa-citizenship-processing-times>

The published processing times are updated on a monthly basis to reflect current caseloads and processing pressures. Processing times are impacted each month by changes in application volumes, seasonal peaks, complex cases and incomplete applications.

Executive Summary

Key Points

- This executive summary covers the Tourism group and Business group¹ visa statistics for the Visitor visa program for the 2021-22 program year (1 July 2021 to 30 June 2022). The terminology used in this executive summary to describe visas and subclasses in the Tourism and Business groups are referenced on pages 3-4 of this report. Figures referred to in this report include both applications made in Australia and outside Australia. It should be noted that subclass 600 (Tourist stream) is the only Visitor visa option for applicants already in Australia.
- A general downturn in international travel, due to the COVID-19 outbreak and associated border measures to protect the health of the Australian community, continued to impact the Visitor visa program in the 2021-22 program year.
- While Australia's COVID-19 travel restrictions were in effect, the Department's focus in relation to Visitor visas was to assist visitors in Australia to remain lawful until they were able to depart and to prioritise visa applications for travellers who were exempt from travel restrictions.
- Due to COVID-19 travel restrictions, all Visitor visa arrivals from 1 July 2021 to 21 February 2022 were in an exempt category (such as an immediate family member of an Australian citizen or permanent resident), received an individual travel exemption, or travelled under International Safe Travel Zone arrangements.
- Following Government announcements on changes to travel restrictions and Safe Travel Zone arrangements in October, November and December 2021, demand for Visitor visas began to increase. There was a further surge in demand following the announcement that all fully vaccinated Visitor visa holders could travel to Australia from 21 February 2022 without a travel exemption. Since 21 February 2022, the Department has been prioritising the processing of Visitor visa applications lodged outside Australia.
- In April 2022 the Department expanded access to the Australian ETA app to all ETA-eligible passport holders, allowing applicants to submit their ETA application simply and securely from their own mobile device at a time of their choosing and convenience.
- This report should be read in conjunction with [The Administration of the Immigration and Citizenship Programs](#).

1 Applications lodged

In the 2021-22 program year, 1,365,851 Visitor visa (Tourism group and Business group) applications were lodged; up 639.7 per cent compared to the 2020-21 program year.

India was the largest source country for Visitor visa lodgements during the 2021-22 program year with 263,213 lodgements (up 623.3 per cent compared to 2020-21), ahead of the United Kingdom (up 1036.5 per cent to 158,601) and United States of America (up 1346.0 per cent to 99,864).

Tourism group

The Tourism group accounted for the majority of Visitor visa applications lodged during the 2021-22 program year, with 1,235,137 applications. This was an increase of 759.1 per cent compared to the 2020-21 program year.

The top three source countries for Visitor visa applications in the Tourism group were:

1. India (up 635.9 per cent to 251,602)
2. UK (up 1078.9 per cent to 148,869)
3. USA (up 1297.8 per cent to 86,135).

Business group

During the 2021-22 program year, a total of 130,714 Visitor visa applications in the Business group were lodged; up 219.8 per cent compared to the 2020-21 program year.

The top three source countries for Visitor visa applications in the Business group were:

1. USA (up 1745.3 per cent to 13,729)
2. India (up 428.3 per cent to 11,611)
3. Singapore (up 194.7 per cent to 11,417).

¹ Tourism group and Business group refers to statistical reporting terminology only and is not reflective of visa terminology in the *Migration Regulations 1994*.

Executive Summary - continued

2 Visas granted

Tourism group

In the 2021-22 program year, 1,011,787 Visitor visas in the Tourism group were granted; an increase of 776.1 per cent compared to the 2020-21 program year (115,494).

The top three source countries for Visitor visa grants in the Tourism group were:

1. India (up 595.5 per cent to 190,605)
2. UK (up 1802.0 per cent to 150,996)
3. Singapore (up 12727.8 per cent to 84,792).

Business group

In the 2021-22 program year, 120,103 Visitor visas in the Business group were granted; an increase by 130.6 per cent compared to the 2020-21 program year (52,082).

The top three source countries for Visitor visa grants in the Business group were:

1. USA (up 1729.1 per cent to 13,444)
2. Singapore (up 122.8 per cent to 11,037)
3. UK (up 803.2 per cent to 9,845).

3 Grant rates

Grant rates are provided on a quarterly basis and since the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic, Visitor visa grant rates have fluctuated due to lower visa finalisation rates, higher withdrawal rates and reprioritisation of visa caseloads.

With lodgement rates and overall finalisations remaining lower for the 2021-22 program year, when compared to pre-COVID-19 pandemic reporting periods, minimal weight should be given to the grant rate as a reflection of the caseload risk.

4 Processing times

Processing times are provided on a quarterly basis and are based on the age of applications finalised in a given period.

Processing times in this report are calculated from the date that visa applications were lodged. Processing times published on the Department's website reflect the fact that many applications finalised in the second half of the 2021-22 program year had been on-hand for some months while COVID-19 border restrictions were in effect.

Following the lifting of COVID-19 border restrictions, the Department has been prioritising the finalisation of Visitor visa applications to reduce processing times.

Outside of the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic, processing times can also vary due to individual circumstances, the quality and completeness of applications and whether further information is required.

During the 1 April 2022 to 30 June 2022 quarter:

- 75 per cent of Visitor visa applications in the Tourism group were processed within 59 calendar days, compared to 160 days for the corresponding quarter in 2021;
- 75 per cent of Visitor visa applications in the Business group were processed within 15 calendar days, compared to 342 days for the corresponding quarter in 2021.

5 Applications on hand

As at 30 June 2022, Tourism group and Business group on hand visa application figures were higher compared to the same time in 2021.

While COVID-19 travel restrictions were in effect, the Department's focus was to prioritise Visitor visa applications for travellers who were exempt and to assist visitors in Australia to remain lawful until they were able to depart.

With the re-opening of the borders, demand for Visitor visas has continued to increase and the Department has been prioritising the processing of on hand Visitor visa applications.

6 Visa holders in Australia

On 30 June 2022, there were 219,607 Visitor visa (Tourism group and Business group) holders in Australia. This was a 438.1 per cent increase compared to 40,810 Visitor visa holders in Australia on 30 June 2021.

The Visitor (subclass 600) visa comprised the largest cohort with 164,059 visa holders in Australia, followed by the Electronic Travel Authority (ETA) (subclass 601) with 32,202 visa holders, and the eVisitor (subclass 651) visa with 23,345 visa holders. The subclass 600 visa is the only Visitor visa option for applicants already in Australia wanting to extend their stay.

7 Approved Destination Status (ADS)

Due to COVID-19 travel restrictions, there were no Visitor visas lodged under the ADS scheme in the reporting period.

8 Arrivals

During the 2021-22 program year, there were 699,725 arrivals on Visitor visas (Tourism group and Business group); a 1,990.7 per cent increase compared to the 2020-21 program year (33,468). Due to COVID-19 travel restrictions, all Visitor visa arrivals until 21 February 2022 were in an exempt category, received an individual travel exemption, or travelled under International Safe Travel Zone arrangements.

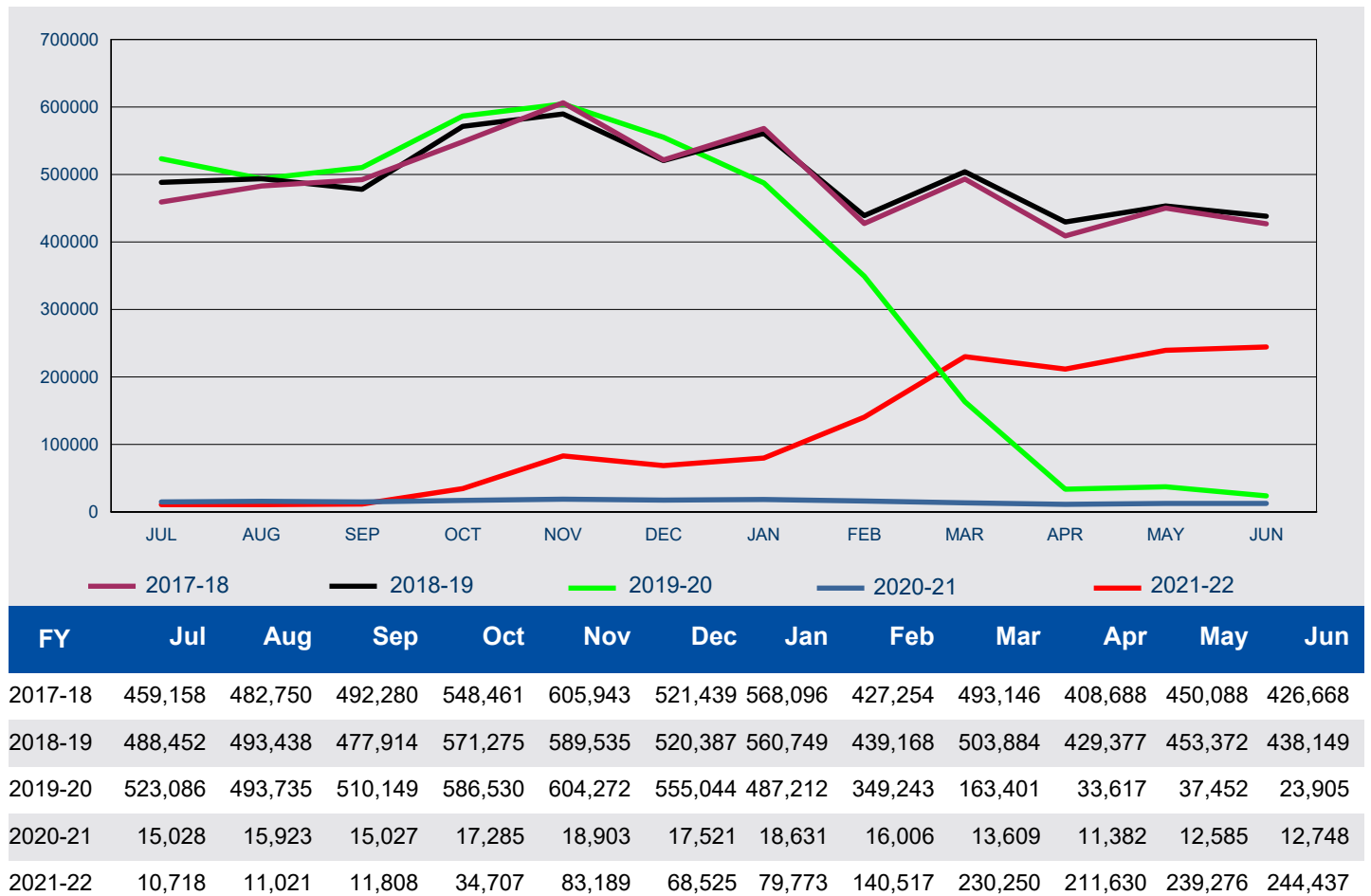
The top three countries for arrivals on Visitor visas were:

1. India (up 3245.7 per cent to 118,070)
2. UK (up 2284.6 per cent to 101,609)
3. Singapore (up 12962.4 per cent to 83,077).

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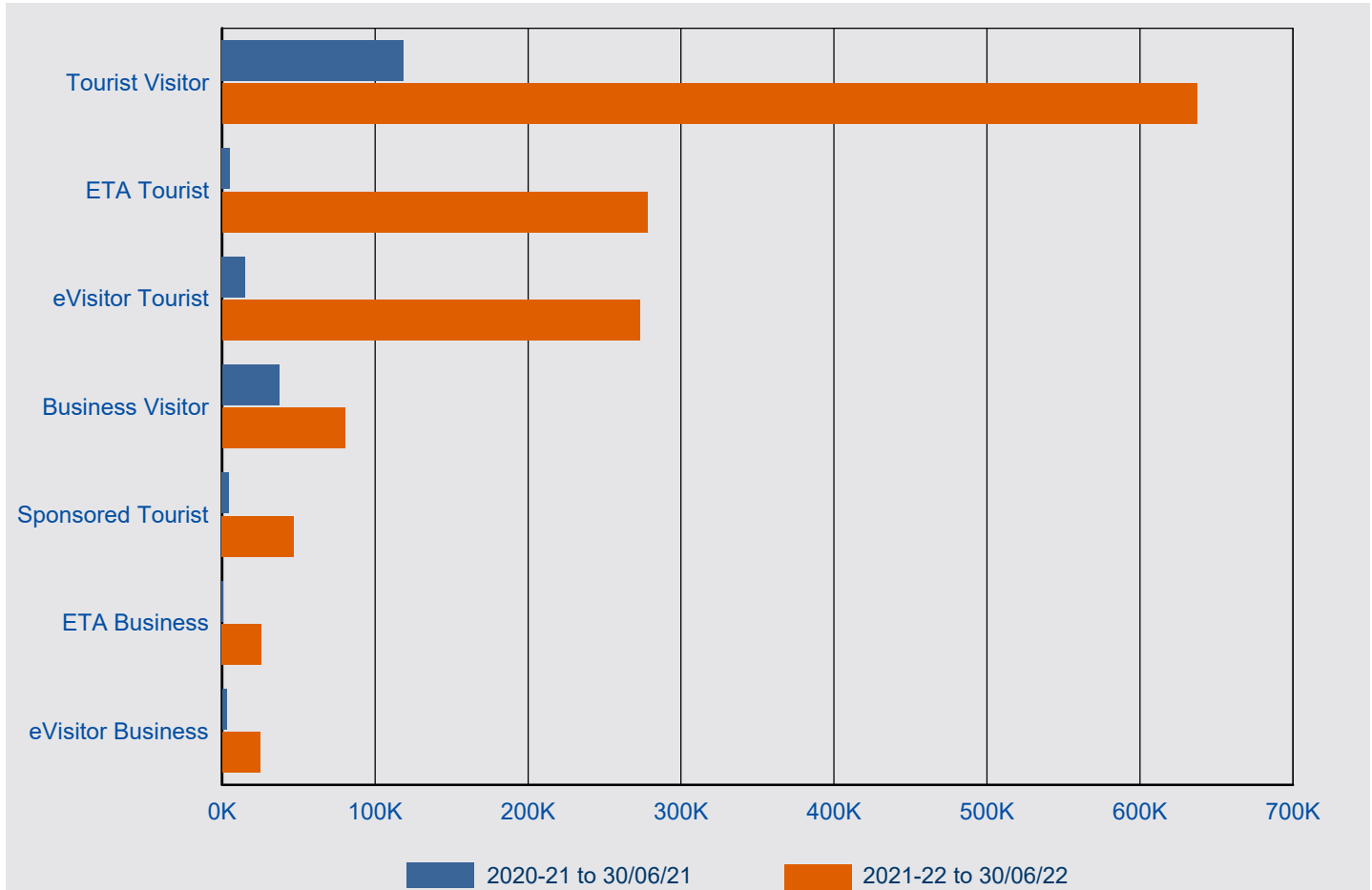
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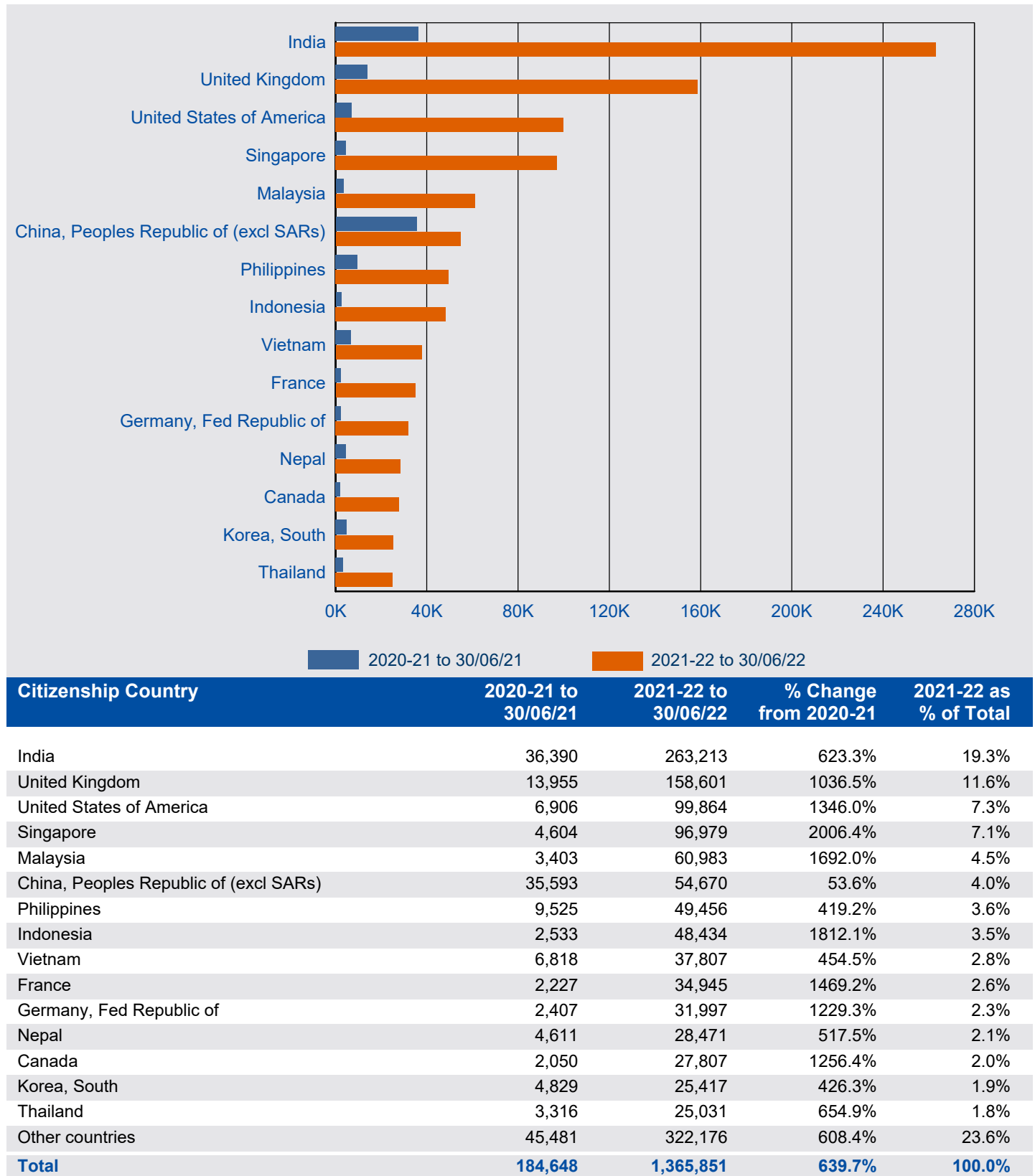
1.02 Number of Visitor visa applications lodged in 2021-22 to 30 June 2022 by visa group - comparison with same period in previous year



Visa Group	2020-21 to 30/06/21	2021-22 to 30/06/22	% Change from 2020-21	2021-22 as % of Total
Tourist Visitor	118,842	637,264	436.2%	46.7%
ETA Tourist	5,281	278,015	5164.4%	20.4%
eVisitor Tourist	15,272	272,828	1686.5%	20.0%
Business Visitor	37,181	80,364	116.1%	5.9%
Sponsored Tourist	4,382	47,030	973.3%	3.4%
ETA Business	933	25,693	2653.8%	1.9%
eVisitor Business	2,757	24,657	794.3%	1.8%
Total	184,648	1,365,851	639.7%	100.0%

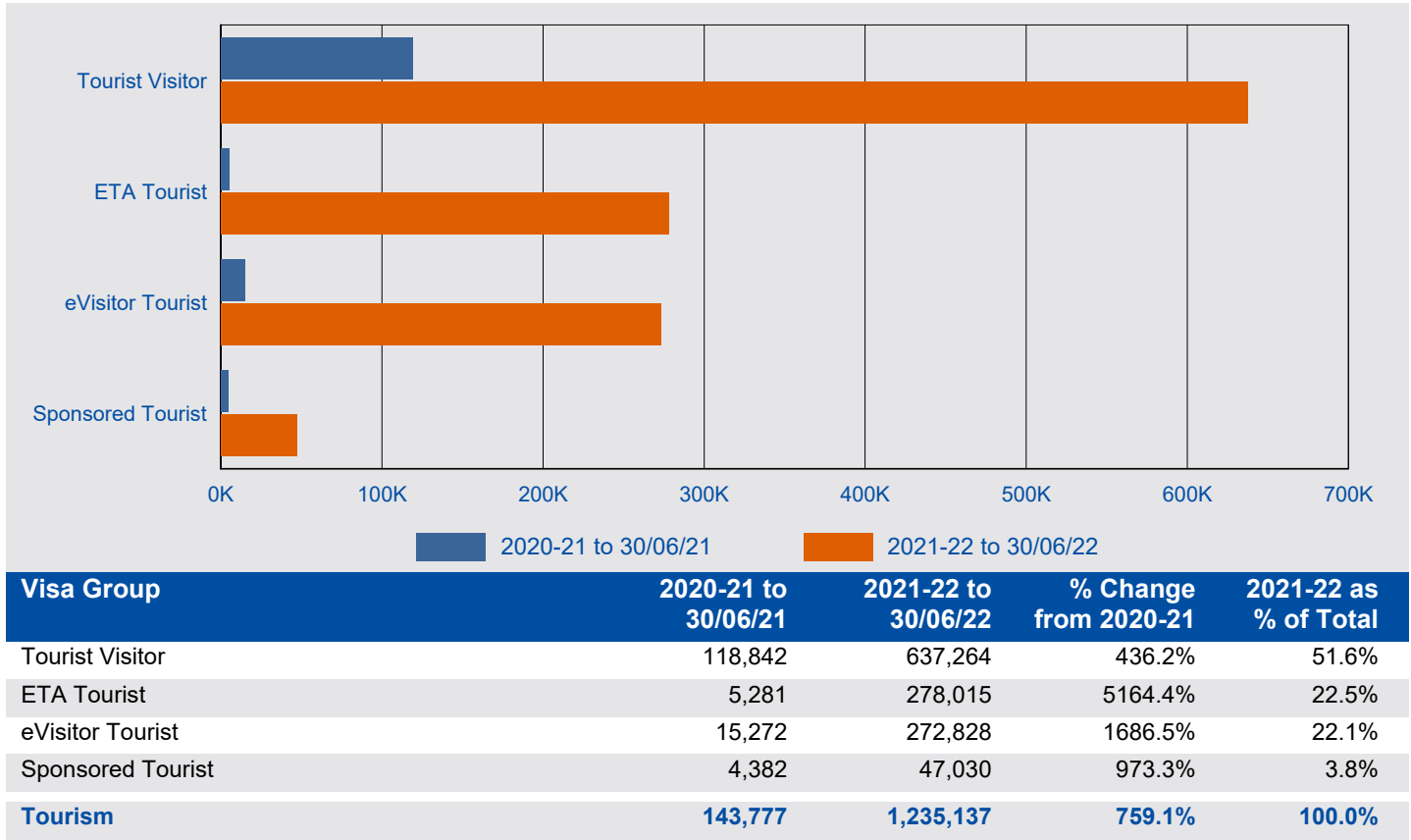
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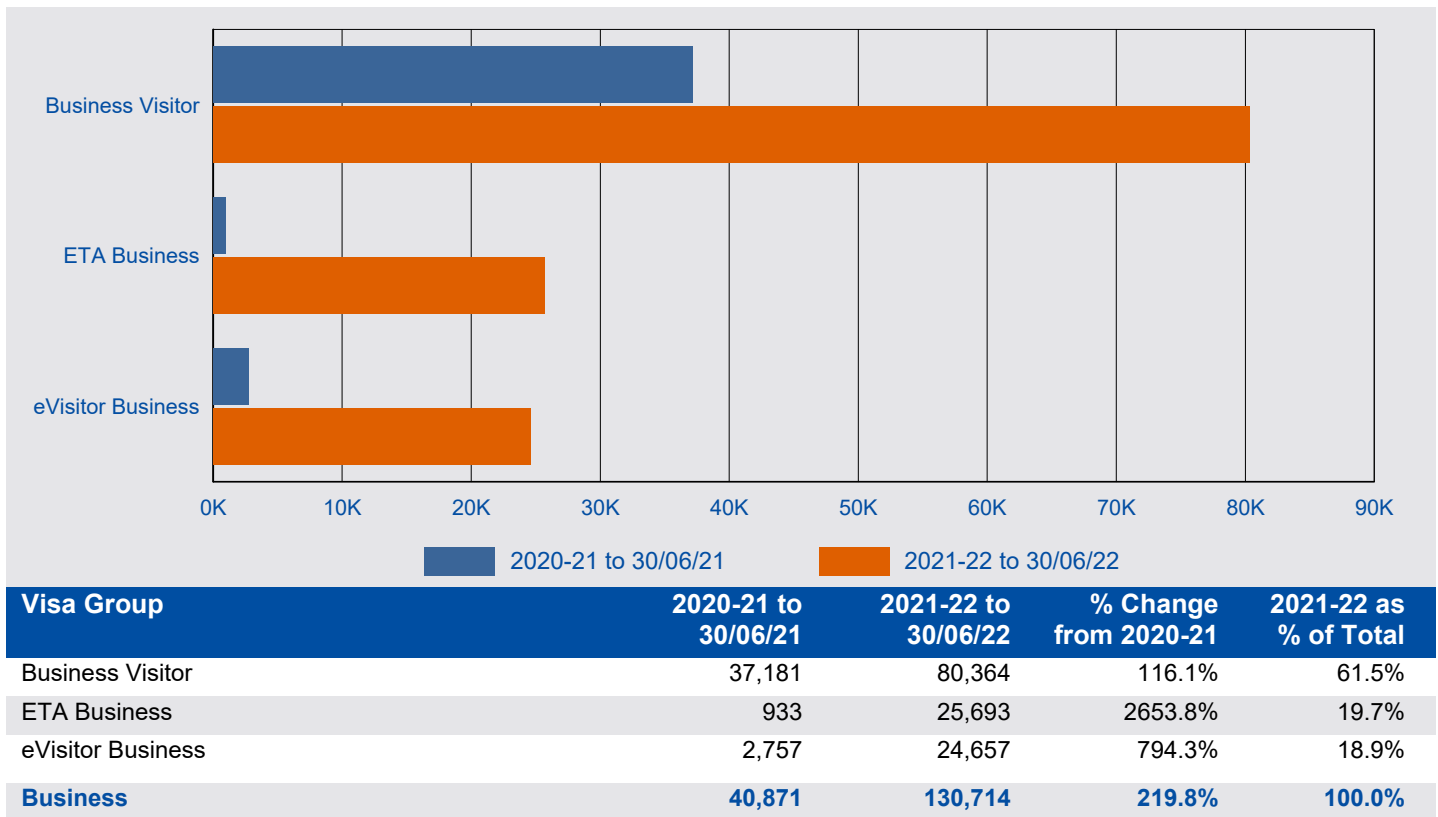


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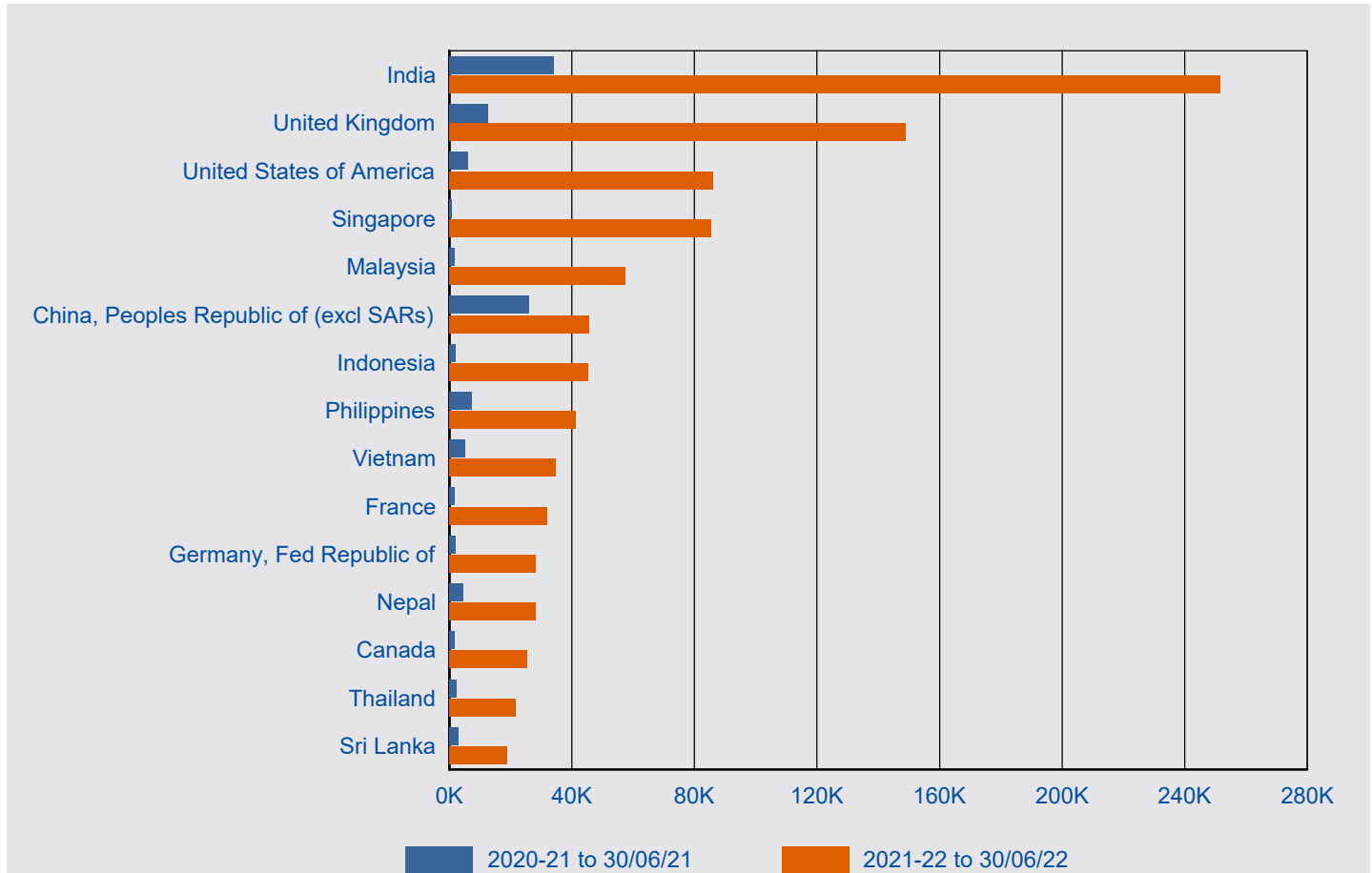


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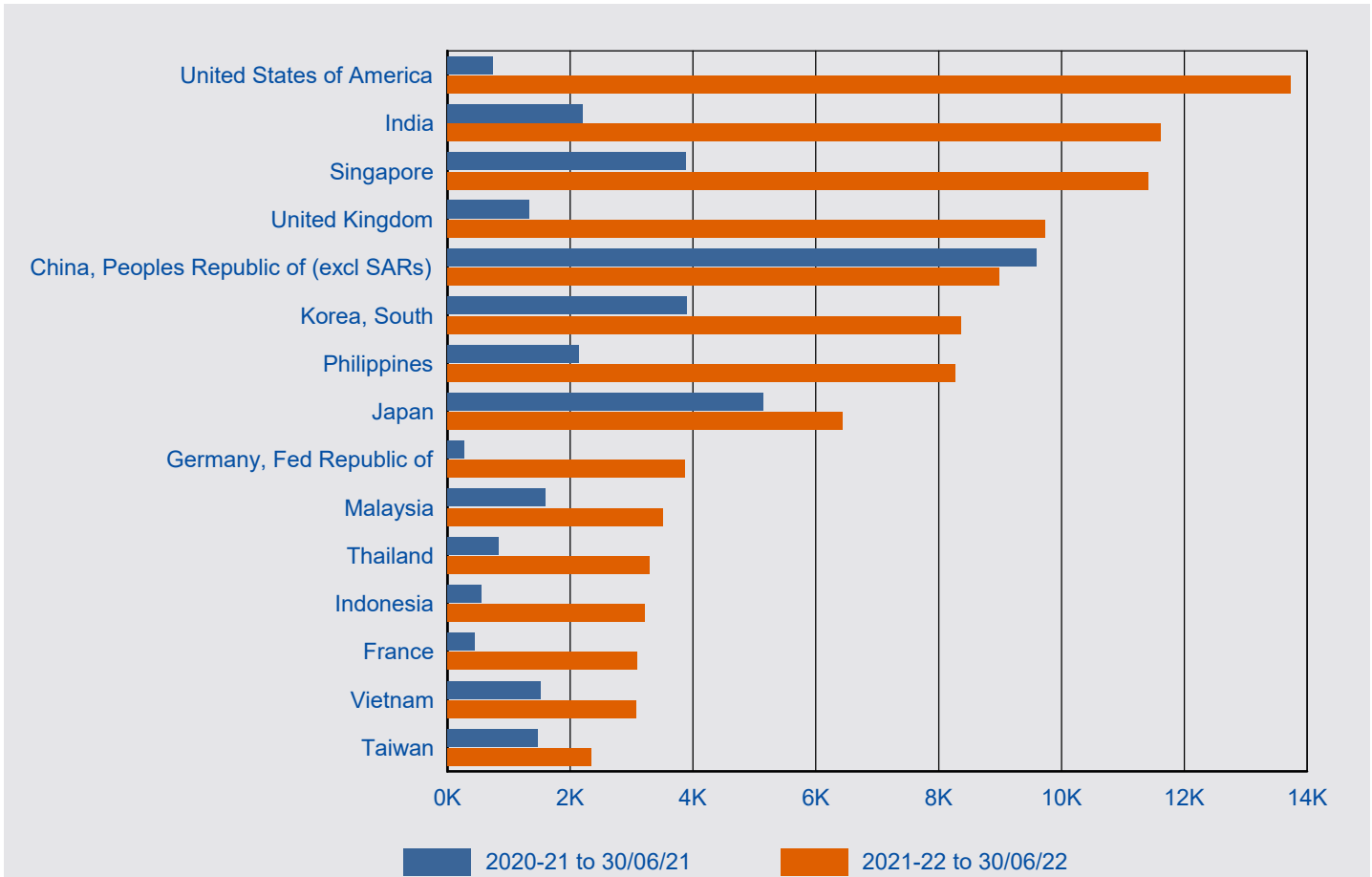
1.06 Number of Tourism Visitor visa applications lodged in 2021-22 to 30 June 2022 by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year



Citizenship Country	2020-21 to 30/06/21	2021-22 to 30/06/22	% Change from 2020-21	2021-22 as % of Total
Tourism				
India	34,192	251,602	635.9%	20.4%
United Kingdom	12,628	148,869	1078.9%	12.1%
United States of America	6,162	86,135	1297.8%	7.0%
Singapore	730	85,562	11620.8%	6.9%
Malaysia	1,797	57,477	3098.5%	4.7%
China, Peoples Republic of (excl SARs)	26,000	45,692	75.7%	3.7%
Indonesia	1,985	45,211	2177.6%	3.7%
Philippines	7,390	41,180	457.2%	3.3%
Vietnam	5,303	34,734	555.0%	2.8%
France	1,791	31,864	1679.1%	2.6%
Germany, Fed Republic of	2,126	28,131	1223.2%	2.3%
Nepal	4,579	28,078	513.2%	2.3%
Canada	1,779	25,512	1334.1%	2.1%
Thailand	2,486	21,735	774.3%	1.8%
Sri Lanka	3,080	18,970	515.9%	1.5%
Other countries	31,749	284,385	795.7%	23.0%
Tourism	143,777	1,235,137	759.1%	100.0%

1 Lodged

1.07 Number of All Business Visitor visa applications lodged in 2021-22 to 30 June 2022 by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year



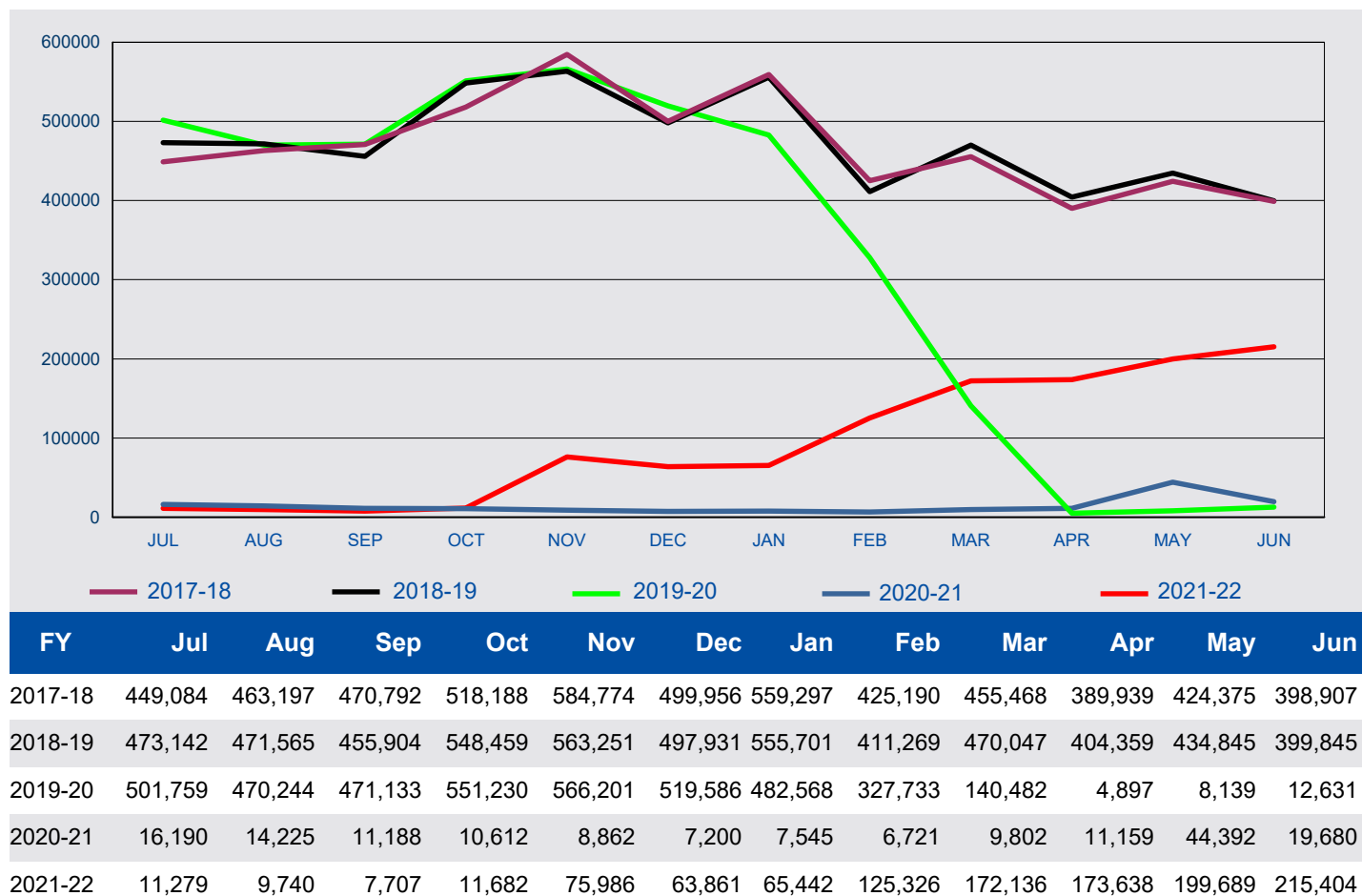
Citizenship Country	2020-21 to 30/06/21	2021-22 to 30/06/22	% Change from 2020-21	2021-22 as % of Total
All Business				
United States of America	744	13,729	1745.3%	10.5%
India	2,198	11,611	428.3%	8.9%
Singapore	3,874	11,417	194.7%	8.7%
United Kingdom	1,327	9,732	633.4%	7.4%
China, Peoples Republic of (excl SARs)	9,593	8,978	-6.4%	6.9%
Korea, South	3,900	8,364	114.5%	6.4%
Philippines	2,135	8,276	287.6%	6.3%
Japan	5,140	6,440	25.3%	4.9%
Germany, Fed Republic of	281	3,866	1275.8%	3.0%
Malaysia	1,606	3,506	118.3%	2.7%
Thailand	830	3,296	297.1%	2.5%
Indonesia	548	3,223	488.1%	2.5%
France	436	3,081	606.7%	2.4%
Vietnam	1,515	3,073	102.8%	2.4%
Taiwan	1,474	2,336	58.5%	1.8%
Other countries	5,270	29,786	465.2%	22.8%
All Business	40,871	130,714	219.8%	100.0%

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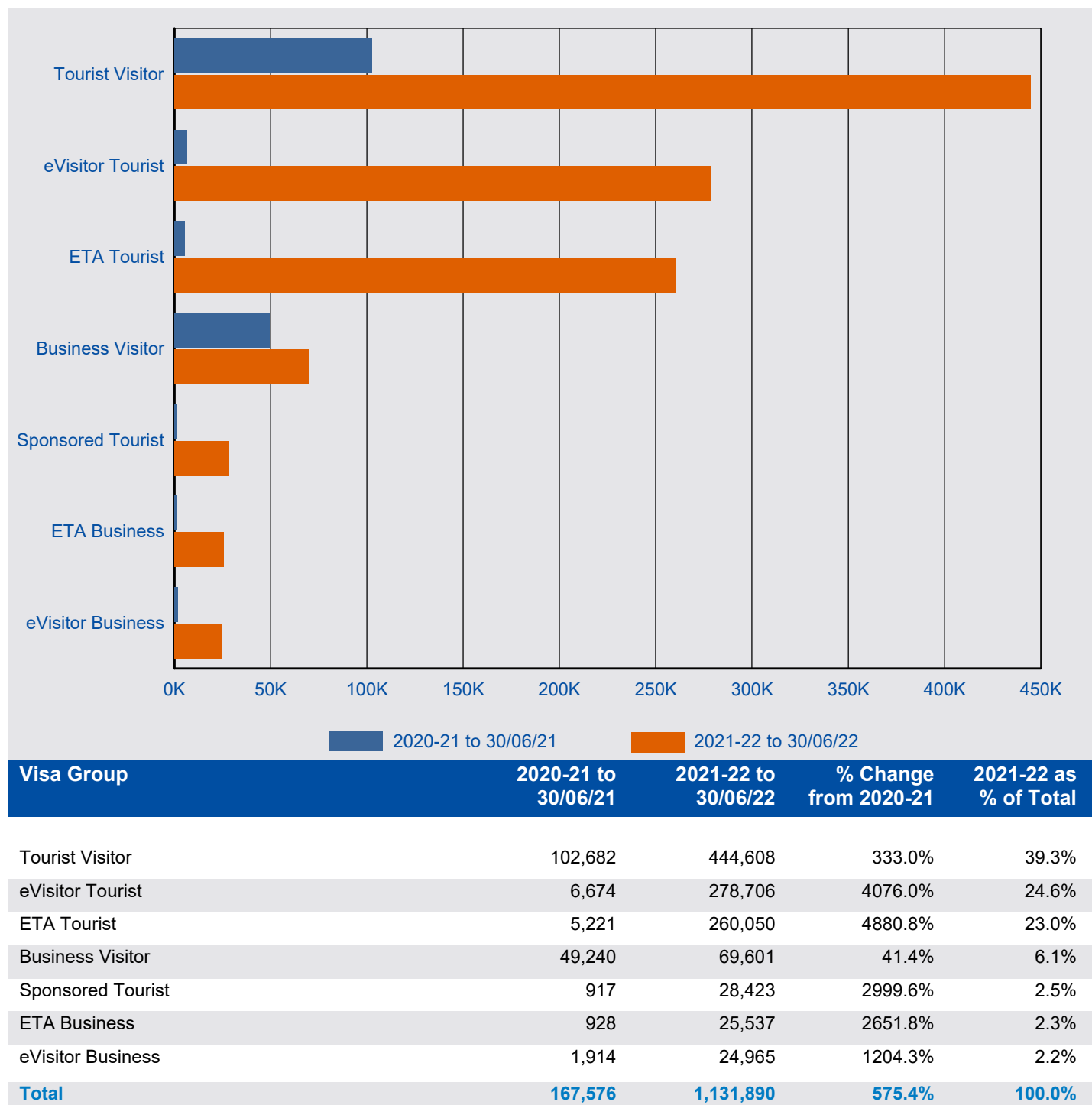
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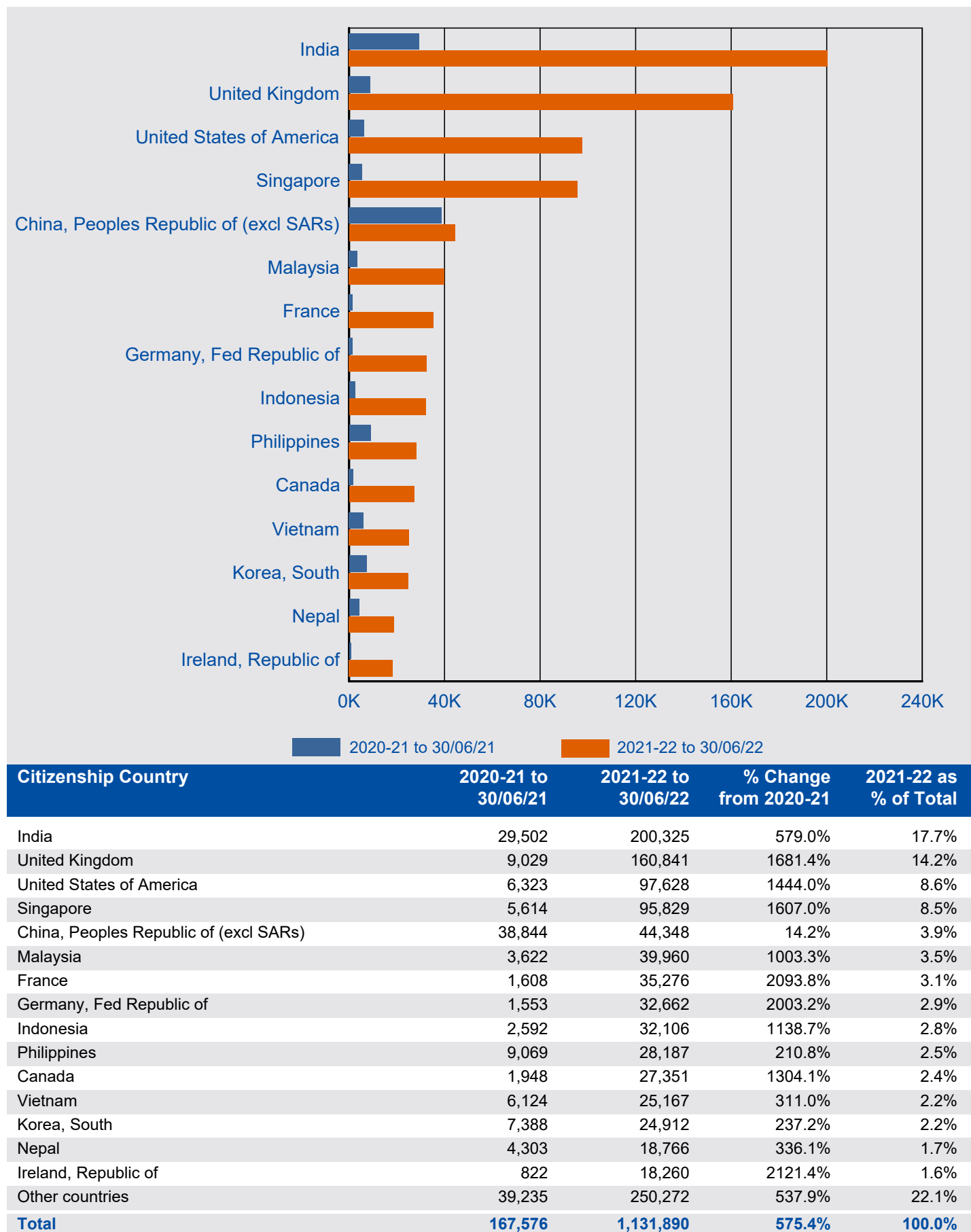
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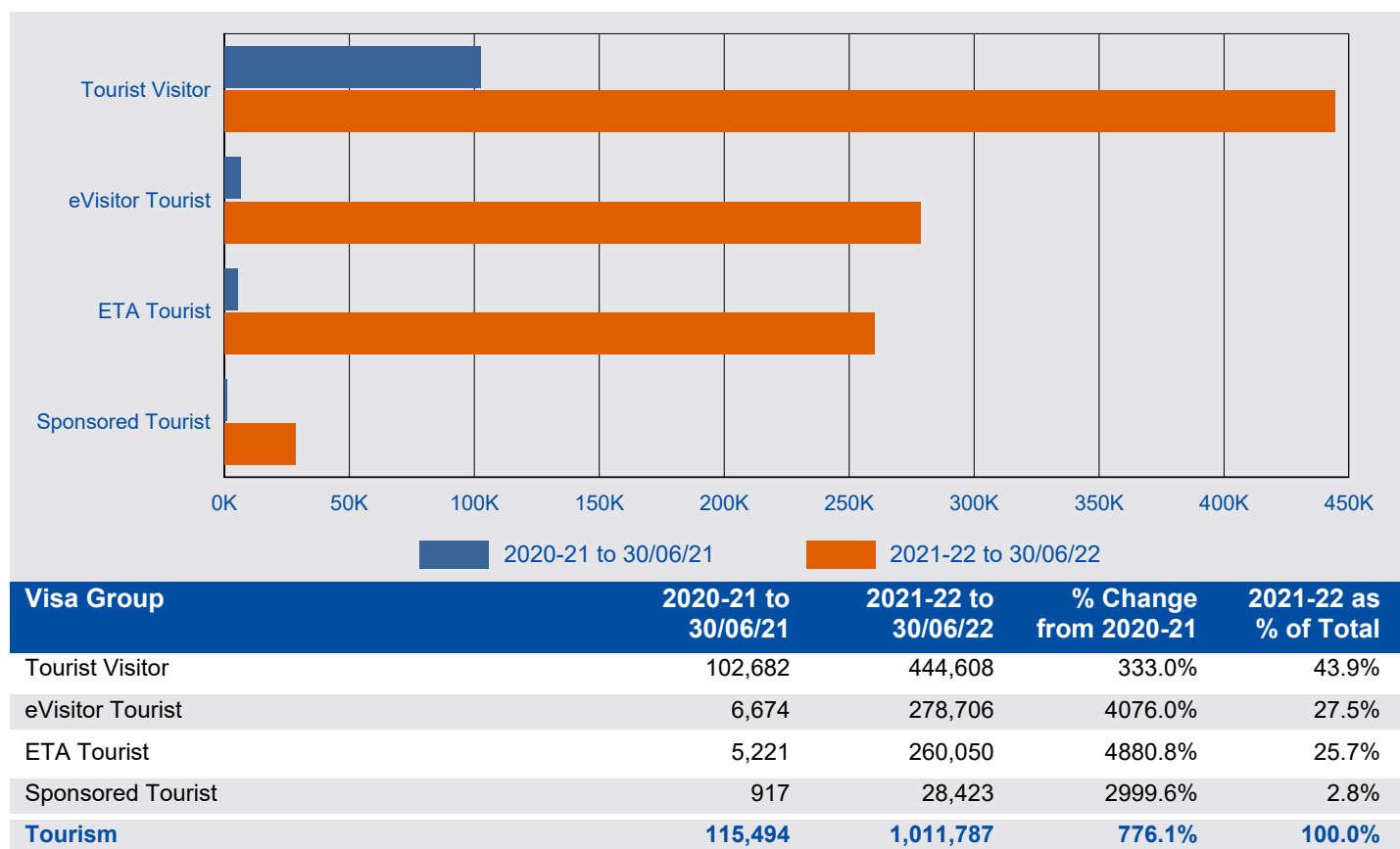
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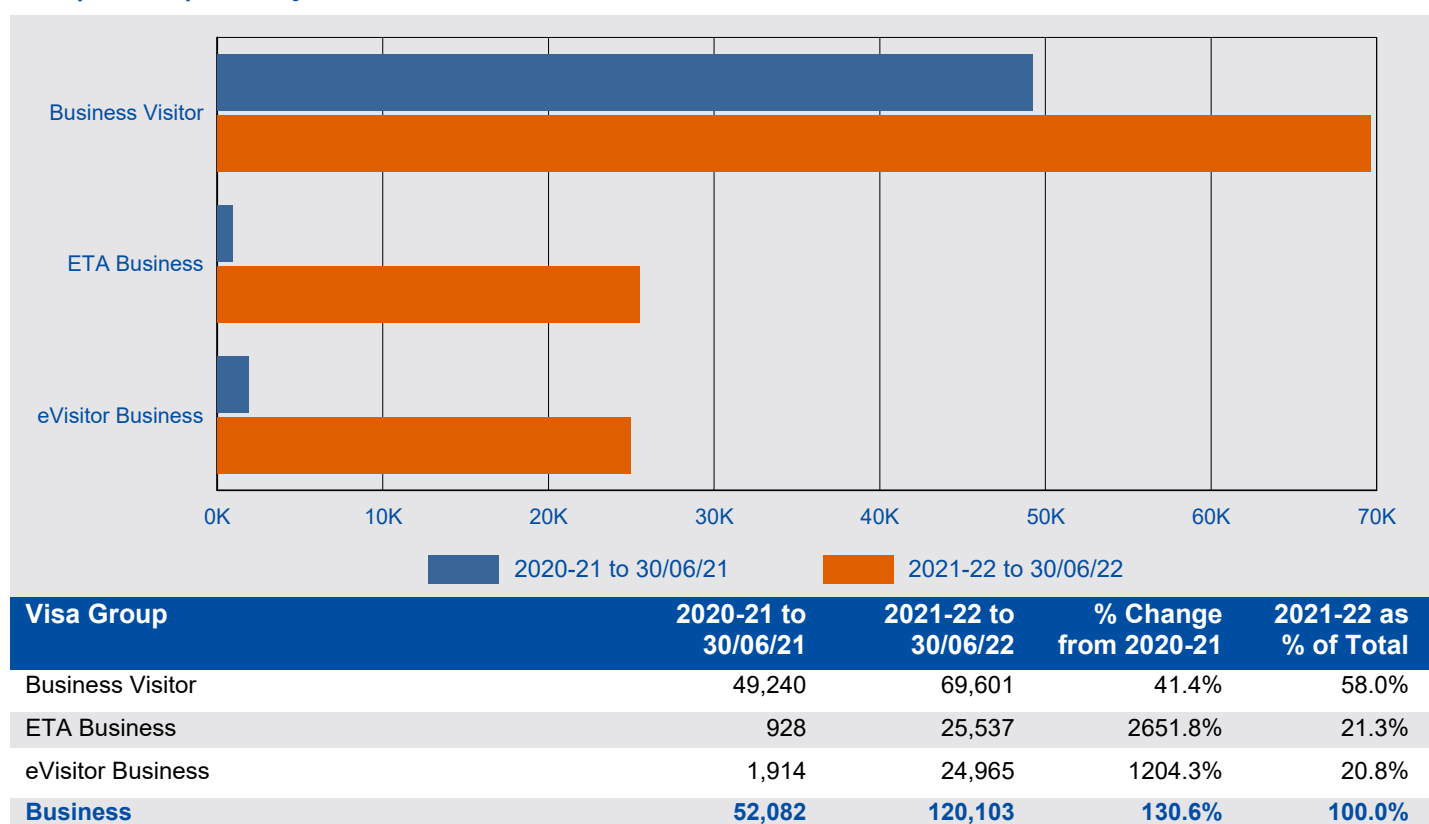


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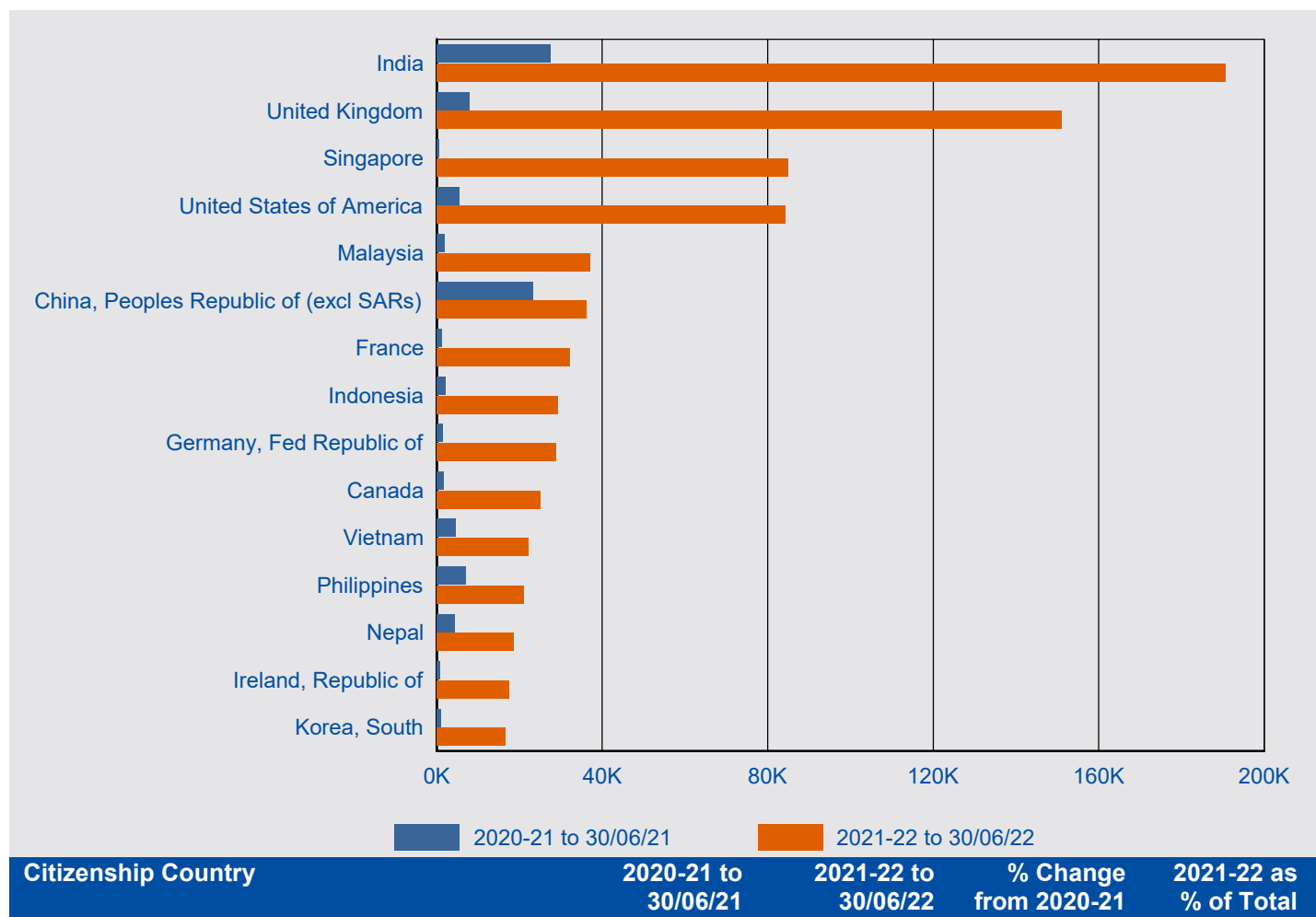


2.05 Number of Business Visitor visa applications granted in 2021-22 to 30 June 2022 by visa group - comparison with same period in previous year



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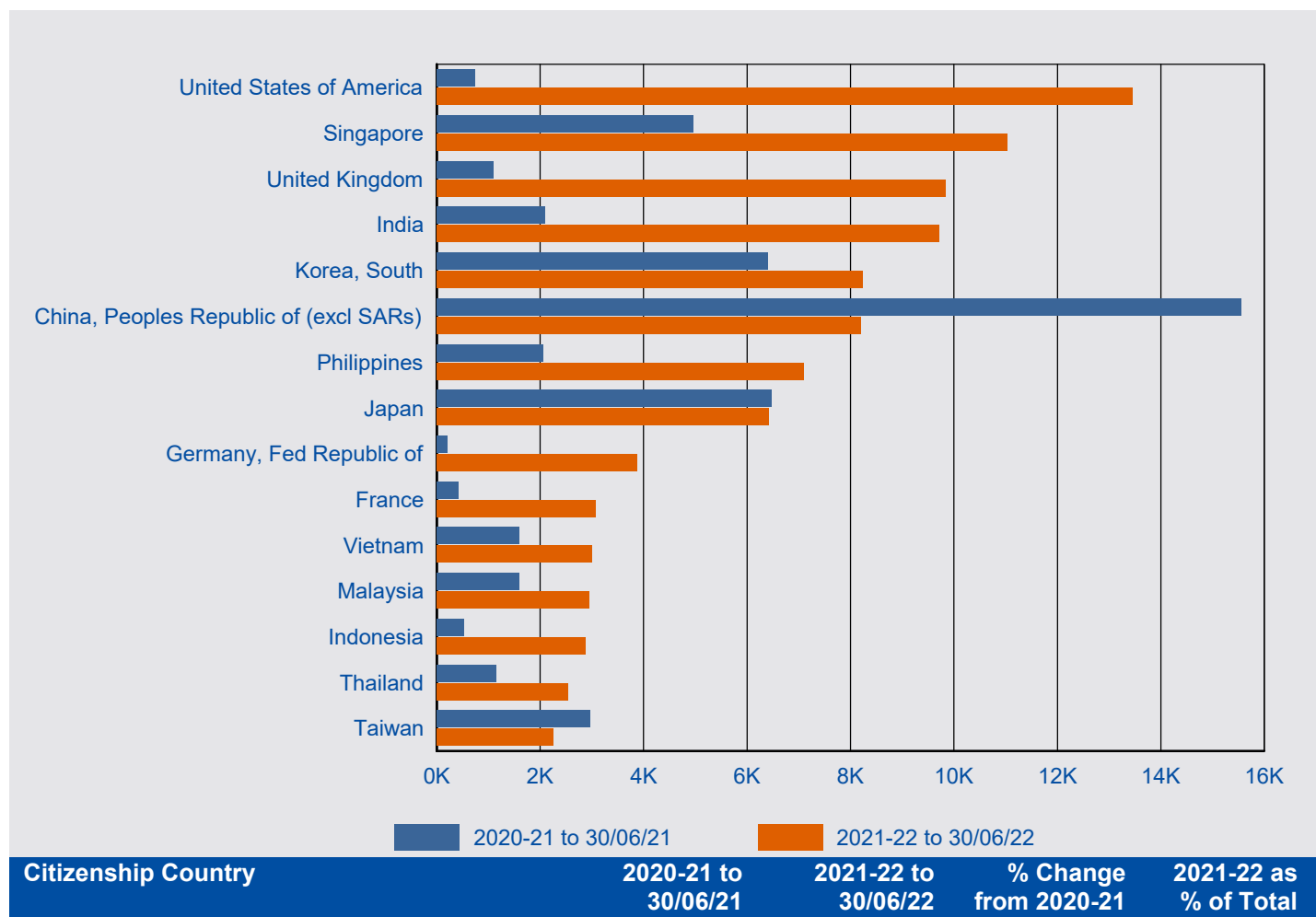


Tourism

India	27,406	190,605	595.5%	18.8%
United Kingdom	7,939	150,996	1802.0%	14.9%
Singapore	661	84,792	12727.8%	8.4%
United States of America	5,588	84,184	1406.5%	8.3%
Malaysia	2,029	37,013	1724.2%	3.7%
China, Peoples Republic of (excl SARs)	23,297	36,150	55.2%	3.6%
France	1,193	32,209	2599.8%	3.2%
Indonesia	2,060	29,228	1318.8%	2.9%
Germany, Fed Republic of	1,341	28,783	2046.4%	2.8%
Canada	1,640	25,111	1431.2%	2.5%
Vietnam	4,519	22,161	390.4%	2.2%
Philippines	7,004	21,090	201.1%	2.1%
Nepal	4,290	18,548	332.4%	1.8%
Ireland, Republic of	729	17,449	2293.6%	1.7%
Korea, South	984	16,675	1594.6%	1.6%
Other countries	24,814	216,793	773.7%	21.4%
Tourism	115,494	1,011,787	776.1%	100.0%

2 Granted

2.07 Number of All Business Visitor visa applications granted in 2021-22 to 30 June 2022 by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year



All Business

United States of America	735	13,444	1729.1%	11.2%
Singapore	4,953	11,037	122.8%	9.2%
United Kingdom	1,090	9,845	803.2%	8.2%
India	2,096	9,720	363.7%	8.1%
Korea, South	6,404	8,237	28.6%	6.9%
China, Peoples Republic of (excl SARs)	15,547	8,198	-47.3%	6.8%
Philippines	2,065	7,097	243.7%	5.9%
Japan	6,478	6,416	-1.0%	5.3%
Germany, Fed Republic of	212	3,879	1729.7%	3.2%
France	415	3,067	639.0%	2.6%
Vietnam	1,605	3,006	87.3%	2.5%
Malaysia	1,593	2,947	85.0%	2.5%
Indonesia	532	2,878	441.0%	2.4%
Thailand	1,151	2,538	120.5%	2.1%
Taiwan	2,964	2,247	-24.2%	1.9%
Other countries	4,242	25,547	502.2%	21.3%
All Business	52,082	120,103	130.6%	100.0%

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3 Grant rate

For this section:

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.

A grant rate of 0.00% indicates that no applications were decided during the reporting period.

3 Grant rate

3.01 Grant rate of Visitor visa applications decided in the 3 month period between 1 April 2022 and 30 June 2022 by visa group - comparison with previous four periods

Visa Group	01/04/21 to 30/06/21	01/07/21 to 30/09/21	01/10/21 to 31/12/21	01/01/22 to 31/03/22	01/04/22 to 30/06/22
Business					
Business Visitor	99.7%	95.0%	95.2%	93.7%	91.2%
ETA Business	99.3%	100.0%	99.5%	99.8%	99.3%
eVisitor Business	95.3%	87.1%	97.7%	99.3%	98.7%
All Business	99.6%	94.9%	95.8%	96.6%	94.8%
Tourism					
ETA Tourist	99.3%	97.1%	99.9%	99.4%	97.0%
eVisitor Tourist	96.8%	97.6%	99.4%	99.5%	98.5%
Sponsored Tourist	82.3%	82.3%	98.2%	95.7%	88.1%
Tourist Visitor	92.8%	87.5%	95.3%	91.3%	85.3%
All Tourism	93.7%	88.5%	97.6%	95.8%	91.6%
All	97.2%	90.5%	97.4%	95.9%	91.9%

3 Grant rate

3.02 Grant rate for Tourist Visitor (600, 676) visa applications decided in the 3 month period between 1 April 2022 and 30 June 2022 by citizenship country - comparison with previous four periods

Citizenship Country	01/04/21 to 30/06/21	01/07/21 to 30/09/21	01/10/21 to 31/12/21	01/01/22 to 31/03/22	01/04/22 to 30/06/22
India	94.9%	90.0%	97.8%	95.0%	86.5%
Indonesia	94.0%	66.8%	93.4%	94.9%	93.4%
Vietnam	96.0%	93.7%	95.2%	94.3%	89.8%
China, Peoples Republic of (excl SARs)	94.1%	82.0%	95.2%	83.3%	81.1%
Philippines	96.6%	95.8%	95.2%	93.6%	87.2%
South Africa	92.8%	89.9%	97.9%	94.7%	92.0%
Nepal	93.1%	91.1%	96.2%	91.0%	83.3%
Thailand	93.2%	89.9%	37.1%	52.7%	65.7%
Sri Lanka	77.4%	74.9%	96.3%	91.5%	77.3%
United States of America	85.1%	85.7%	95.6%	94.8%	95.3%
Brazil	91.9%	92.9%	99.1%	97.2%	94.1%
Fiji	89.9%	86.0%	85.4%	63.7%	83.1%
Ukraine	98.2%	97.3%	100.0%	97.5%	75.2%
Bangladesh	92.2%	86.5%	95.6%	93.1%	88.5%
United Kingdom	88.3%	86.1%	96.8%	95.8%	89.1%
Other countries	89.1%	88.8%	93.1%	88.5%	80.9%
All Tourist Visitor (600, 676)	92.8%	87.5%	95.3%	91.3%	85.3%

3.03 Grant rate for Sponsored Tourist (600) visa applications decided in the 3 month period between 1 April 2022 and 30 June 2022 by citizenship country - comparison with previous four periods

Citizenship Country	01/04/21 to 30/06/21	01/07/21 to 30/09/21	01/10/21 to 31/12/21	01/01/22 to 31/03/22	01/04/22 to 30/06/22
India	94.6%	95.3%	98.8%	97.6%	90.8%
Bangladesh	100.0%	100.0%	98.1%	97.5%	93.4%
Vietnam	100.0%	88.9%	99.0%	96.3%	90.9%
Nepal	100.0%	50.0%	99.6%	98.4%	92.1%
Philippines	100.0%	100.0%	99.3%	96.0%	85.2%
Sri Lanka	93.8%	100.0%	98.9%	97.9%	87.3%
China, Peoples Republic of (excl SARs)	90.9%	100.0%	97.4%	94.4%	86.3%
Pakistan	55.6%	73.3%	96.1%	94.7%	76.4%
Iran	100.0%	87.5%	98.6%	94.1%	81.4%
Cambodia	0.0%	100.0%	100.0%	98.6%	92.2%
Lebanon	100.0%	87.5%	91.3%	84.8%	70.5%
Fiji	100.0%	100.0%	87.5%	94.5%	90.2%
Indonesia	87.5%	100.0%	98.2%	98.7%	94.4%
South Africa	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%	97.5%	89.5%
Russian Federation	100.0%	0.0%	91.7%	100.0%	93.5%
Other countries	66.9%	62.3%	96.0%	90.8%	71.8%
All Sponsored Tourist (600)	82.3%	82.3%	98.2%	95.7%	88.1%

3.04 Grant rate for Business Visitor (600) visa applications decided in the 3 month period between 1 April 2022 and 30 June 2022 by citizenship country - comparison with previous four periods

Citizenship Country	01/04/21 to 30/06/21	01/07/21 to 30/09/21	01/10/21 to 31/12/21	01/01/22 to 31/03/22	01/04/22 to 30/06/22
India	99.3%	94.9%	97.7%	88.1%	91.0%
Singapore	99.9%	96.6%	98.4%	99.7%	99.9%
Philippines	100.0%	99.6%	98.3%	98.9%	97.6%
China, Peoples Republic of (excl SARs)	99.9%	96.2%	90.5%	87.5%	82.9%
Korea, South	100.0%	99.8%	99.4%	99.7%	99.7%
Indonesia	99.4%	87.3%	69.1%	96.5%	96.5%
Vietnam	100.0%	99.6%	94.1%	95.0%	88.0%
Thailand	100.0%	99.0%	97.8%	98.9%	95.5%
Japan	100.0%	98.5%	99.8%	99.6%	99.7%
United States of America	95.9%	100.0%	95.5%	93.9%	97.1%
Taiwan	100.0%	100.0%	98.2%	99.6%	99.7%
Malaysia	99.8%	97.2%	96.8%	94.9%	96.2%
South Africa	96.0%	92.6%	77.8%	89.2%	97.2%
Fiji	100.0%	91.7%	100.0%	96.9%	92.9%
Papua New Guinea	100.0%	100.0%	94.1%	89.1%	95.6%
Other countries	96.2%	83.6%	88.6%	87.5%	79.1%
All Business Visitor (600)	99.7%	95.0%	95.2%	93.7%	91.2%

3 Grant rate

3.05 Grant rate for subclass 651 eVisitor visa applications decided in the 3 month period between 1 April 2022 and 30 June 2022 by citizenship country - comparison with previous four periods

Citizenship Country	01/04/21 to 30/06/21	01/07/21 to 30/09/21	01/10/21 to 31/12/21	01/01/22 to 31/03/22	01/04/22 to 30/06/22
Andorra	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Austria	100.0%	90.9%	98.9%	99.3%	98.3%
Belgium	100.0%	100.0%	99.1%	99.4%	99.0%
Bulgaria	87.5%	97.1%	99.2%	95.5%	82.0%
Croatia	92.5%	88.5%	98.3%	98.1%	86.4%
Cyprus	100.0%	100.0%	96.2%	98.5%	96.3%
Czechia	98.3%	78.6%	99.7%	99.6%	98.8%
Denmark	96.4%	100.0%	99.1%	99.7%	98.9%
Estonia	90.9%	100.0%	100.0%	99.4%	97.5%
Finland	100.0%	93.8%	99.6%	99.4%	99.1%
France	97.5%	96.4%	99.4%	99.7%	99.5%
Germany, Fed Republic of	97.9%	93.1%	99.3%	99.6%	99.5%
Greece	97.9%	80.0%	98.4%	99.3%	98.2%
Hungary	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	99.2%	98.0%
Iceland	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Ireland, Republic of	97.0%	98.4%	99.2%	99.5%	99.2%
Italy	97.0%	95.2%	99.6%	99.7%	98.8%
Latvia	88.9%	100.0%	96.4%	99.2%	90.0%
Liechtenstein	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Lithuania	94.1%	100.0%	100.0%	99.0%	86.5%
Luxembourg	100.0%	0.0%	100.0%	94.8%	99.1%
Malta	100.0%	0.0%	97.9%	99.0%	98.2%
Monaco	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%	80.0%
Netherlands, Kingdom of The	99.2%	94.8%	99.7%	99.6%	99.4%
Norway	95.8%	100.0%	98.6%	99.4%	97.2%
Poland	92.2%	75.6%	99.1%	99.7%	98.5%
Portugal	100.0%	100.0%	99.4%	99.7%	99.2%
Romania	95.7%	96.3%	96.6%	95.1%	75.2%
Slovakia	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	98.3%
Slovenia	80.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	99.3%
Spain	94.8%	100.0%	99.3%	99.3%	99.5%
Sweden	100.0%	100.0%	99.6%	99.3%	98.0%
Switzerland	97.4%	93.3%	99.5%	99.9%	99.4%
United Kingdom	96.4%	97.6%	99.5%	99.5%	98.9%
Vatican City State Holy See	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
All	96.7%	95.6%	99.4%	99.5%	98.7%

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4 Processing times

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

Note: The calculation of days between lodged and grant date has been adjusted to ensure compatibility with the new database.

4 Processing times

4.01 Processing time (in calendar days) for Tourist Visitor (600, 676) visa applications granted in the 3 month period between 1 April 2022 and 30 June 2022 by citizenship country - comparison with previous four periods

Citizenship country	Percentile	1/04/21 to 30/06/21	1/07/21 to 30/09/21	1/10/21 to 31/12/21	1/01/22 to 31/03/22	1/04/22 to 30/06/22
India	25th percentile	89	8	15	16	11
	50th percentile	120	114	25	29	27
	75th percentile	175	195	43	47	41
Indonesia	25th percentile	64	13	3	19	44
	50th percentile	92	59	7	29	59
	75th percentile	114	164	40	495	61
Vietnam	25th percentile	89	18	24	28	24
	50th percentile	100	134	35	66	35
	75th percentile	146	206	239	241	57
China, Peoples Republic of (excl SARs)	25th percentile	87	8	12	14	21
	50th percentile	108	62	19	50	49
	75th percentile	161	201	41	240	120
Philippines	25th percentile	19	7	9	11	18
	50th percentile	98	69	24	38	48
	75th percentile	162	203	63	135	87
South Africa	25th percentile	15	19	17	36	28
	50th percentile	21	43	30	202	38
	75th percentile	106	195	162	736	58
Nepal	25th percentile	88	9	21	27	32
	50th percentile	98	60	28	38	44
	75th percentile	129	195	65	62	64
Thailand	25th percentile	82	19	19	24	32
	50th percentile	98	126	36	45	36
	75th percentile	140	213	195	102	40
Sri Lanka	25th percentile	93	48	23	39	44
	50th percentile	145	198	40	76	56
	75th percentile	211	268	263	148	70
United States of America	25th percentile	13	15	0	0	0
	50th percentile	93	86	16	16	0
	75th percentile	141	213	189	60	40
Other countries	25th percentile	29	13	8	1	2
	50th percentile	98	100	22	19	34
	75th percentile	145	205	99	63	70
All	25th percentile	80	9	13	12	17
	50th percentile	104	89	24	30	35
	75th percentile	160	201	57	70	59

4 Processing times

4.02 Processing time (in calendar days) for Business Visitor (456, 600) visa applications granted in the 3 month period between 1 April 2022 and 30 June 2022 by citizenship country - comparison with previous four periods

Citizenship country	Percentile	1/04/21 to 30/06/21	1/07/21 to 30/09/21	1/10/21 to 31/12/21	1/01/22 to 31/03/22	1/04/22 to 30/06/22
India	25th percentile	1	1	1	2	4
	50th percentile	4	2	1	6	11
	75th percentile	106	5	3	14	19
Singapore	25th percentile	91	0	0	0	0
	50th percentile	208	0	0	0	0
	75th percentile	313	0	0	0	0
Philippines	25th percentile	1	1	1	2	4
	50th percentile	1	2	1	4	8
	75th percentile	4	4	3	9	18
China, Peoples Republic of (excl SARs)	25th percentile	117	0	0	0	0
	50th percentile	263	0	0	1	1
	75th percentile	363	0	0	6	16
Korea, South	25th percentile	70	0	0	0	0
	50th percentile	231	0	0	0	0
	75th percentile	373	0	0	0	0
Indonesia	25th percentile	5	2	1	2	3
	50th percentile	124	3	5	5	5
	75th percentile	291	6	11	11	9
Vietnam	25th percentile	111	0	0	0	0
	50th percentile	244	0	0	0	9
	75th percentile	325	0	274	7	22
Thailand	25th percentile	50	0	0	0	0
	50th percentile	193	0	0	0	0
	75th percentile	329	0	0	11	13
Japan	25th percentile	154	0	0	0	0
	50th percentile	255	0	0	0	0
	75th percentile	309	0	0	0	0
United States of America	25th percentile	3	0	0	0	3
	50th percentile	100	0	0	2	28
	75th percentile	267	5	7	13	52
Other countries	25th percentile	63	0	0	1	1
	50th percentile	211	1	1	5	5
	75th percentile	340	6	3	19	18
All	25th percentile	85	0	0	0	0
	50th percentile	230	0	0	1	4
	75th percentile	342	3	1	9	15

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5 Applications on hand

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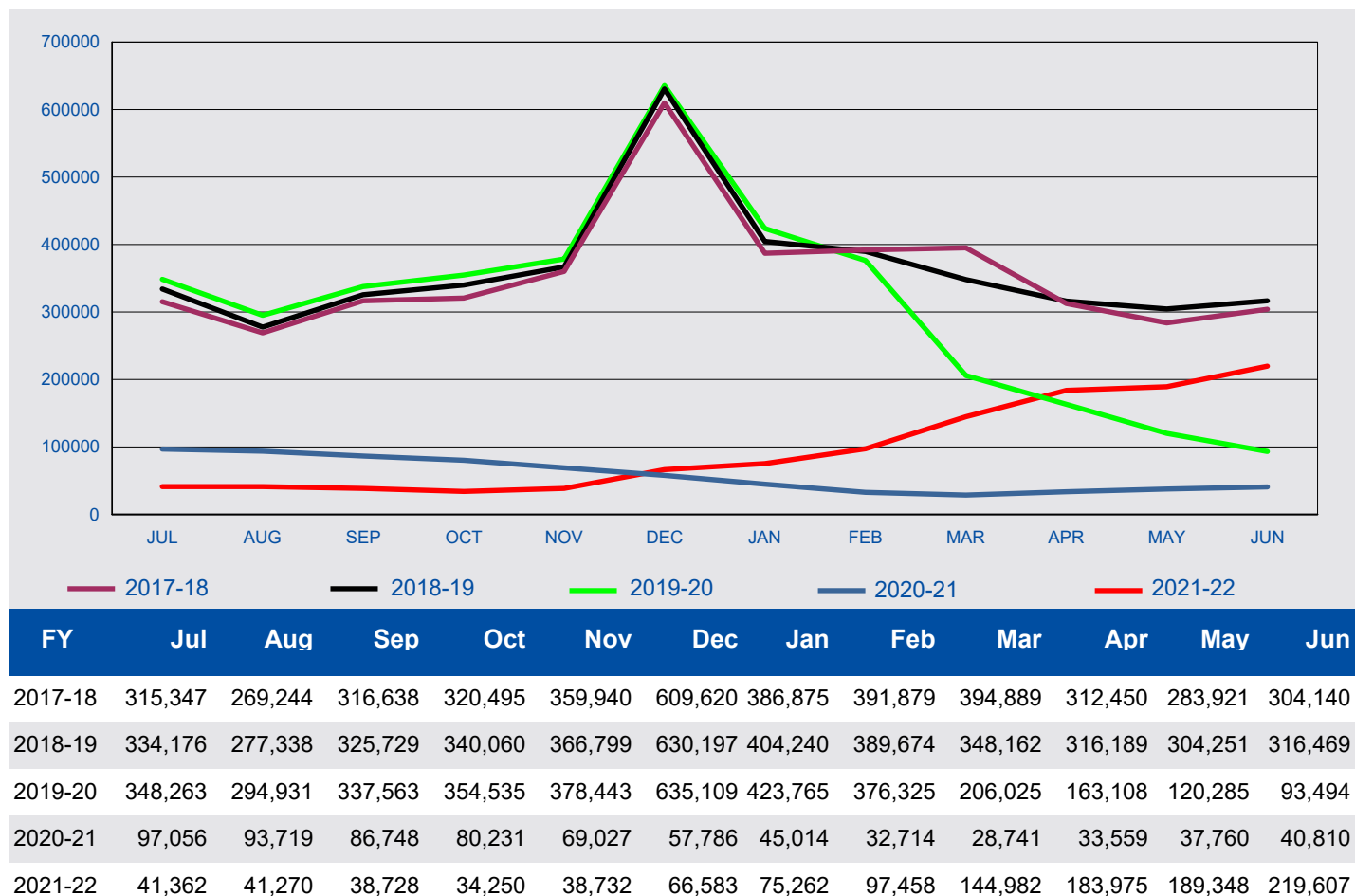
5.01 Number of Visitor visa applications on hand at 30 June 2022 by visa group - comparison with previous four periods

Visa Group	On hand at 30/06/21	On hand at 30/09/21	On hand at 31/12/21	On hand at 31/03/22	On hand at 30/06/22
Tourism					
Tourist Visitor	84 335	80 269	109 543	160 029	198 165
ETA Tourist	378	355	395	6 667	10 585
eVisitor Tourist	12 287	13 969	5 935	5 294	2 853
Sponsored Tourist	8 477	9 715	15 455	20 801	21 356
Tourism	105 477	104 308	131 328	192 791	232 959
Business					
Business Visitor	4 601	4 631	4 971	6 749	8 509
ETA Business	19	19	24	376	29
eVisitor Business	1 142	1 308	401	512	355
Sponsored Business	0	0	0	0	0
Business	5 762	5 958	5 396	7 637	8 893
Total	111 239	110 266	136 724	200 428	241 852

6 Visa holders in Australia

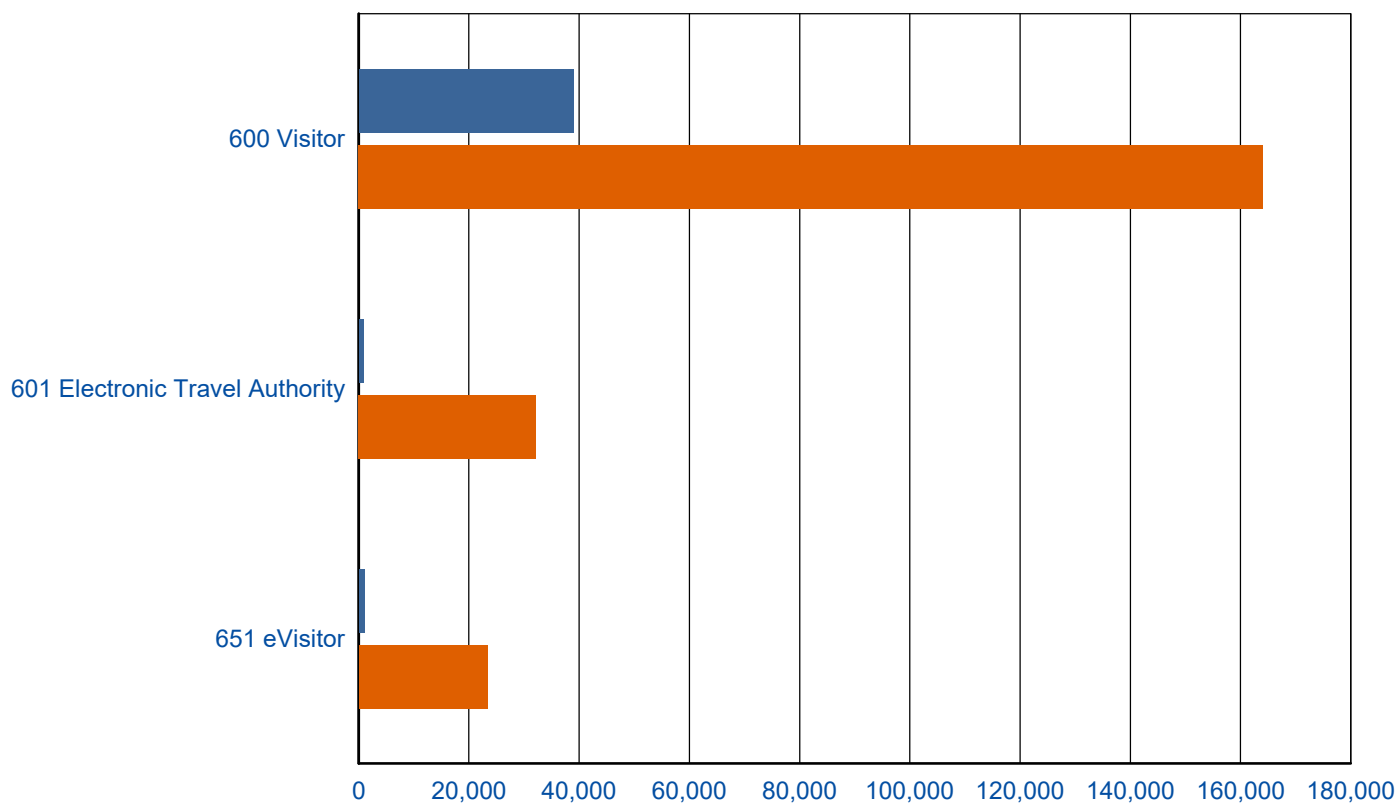
6 Visa holders in Australia

6.01 Number of Visitor visa holders in Australia at the end of each month in 2021-22 to 30 June 2022 by month - comparison with previous four financial years



6 Visa holders in Australia

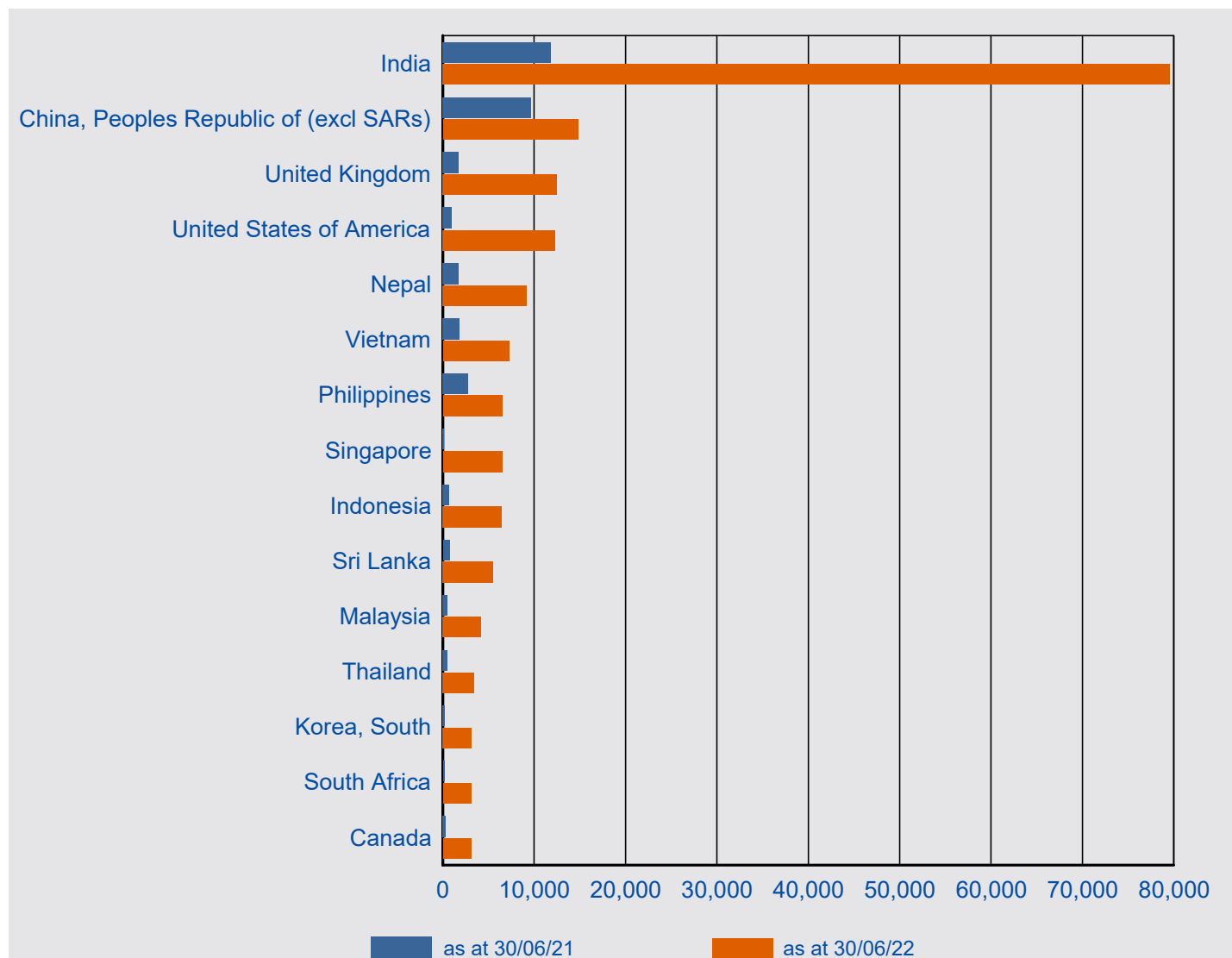
6.02 Number of Visitor visa holders in Australia as at 30 June 2022 by visa subclass - comparison with same date in previous year



Visa Subclass	as at 30/06/21		as at 30/06/22	
	as at 30/06/21	as at 30/06/22	% Change from 30/06/21	30/06/22 as % of Total
600 Visitor	38,965.00	164,059.00	321.0%	74.7%
601 Electronic Travel Authority	817.00	32,202.00	3841.5%	14.7%
651 eVisitor	1,027.00	23,345.00	2173.1%	10.6%
Total	40,809	219,606	438.1%	100.0%

6 Visa holders in Australia

6.03 Number of Visitor visa holders in Australia as at 30 June 2022 by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year

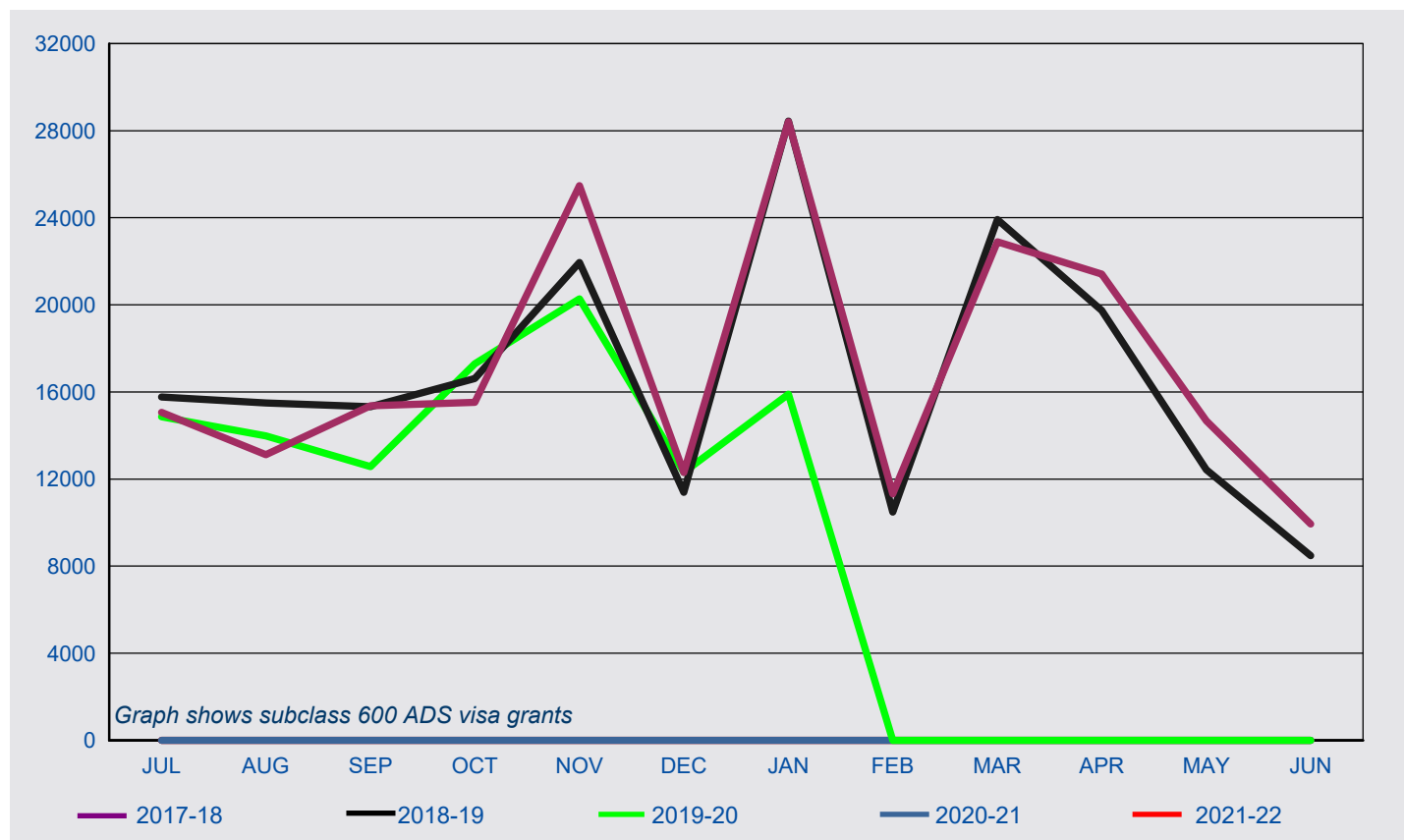


Citizenship Country	as at 30/06/21	as at 30/06/22	% Change from 30/06/21	30/06/22 as % of Total
India	11,851	79,533	571.1%	36.2%
China, Peoples Republic of (excl SARs)	9,696	14,794	52.6%	6.7%
United Kingdom	1,715	12,453	626.1%	5.7%
United States of America	1,012	12,350	1120.4%	5.6%
Nepal	1,775	9,199	418.3%	4.2%
Vietnam	1,810	7,272	301.8%	3.3%
Philippines	2,757	6,519	136.5%	3.0%
Singapore	162	6,504	3914.8%	3.0%
Indonesia	704	6,461	817.8%	2.9%
Sri Lanka	776	5,488	607.2%	2.5%
Malaysia	543	4,197	672.9%	1.9%
Thailand	515	3,466	573.0%	1.6%
Korea, South	225	3,163	1305.8%	1.4%
South Africa	197	3,101	1474.1%	1.4%
Canada	321	3,092	863.2%	1.4%
Other countries	6,751	42,015	522.4%	19.1%
Total	40,810	219,607	438.1%	100.0%

7 Approved Destination Status (ADS)

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7.01 Number of subclass 600 visa applications granted in 2021-22 to 30 June 2022 under the tourism ADS stream where the citizenship country is Peoples Republic of China (PRC) by visa type - comparison with previous four financial years



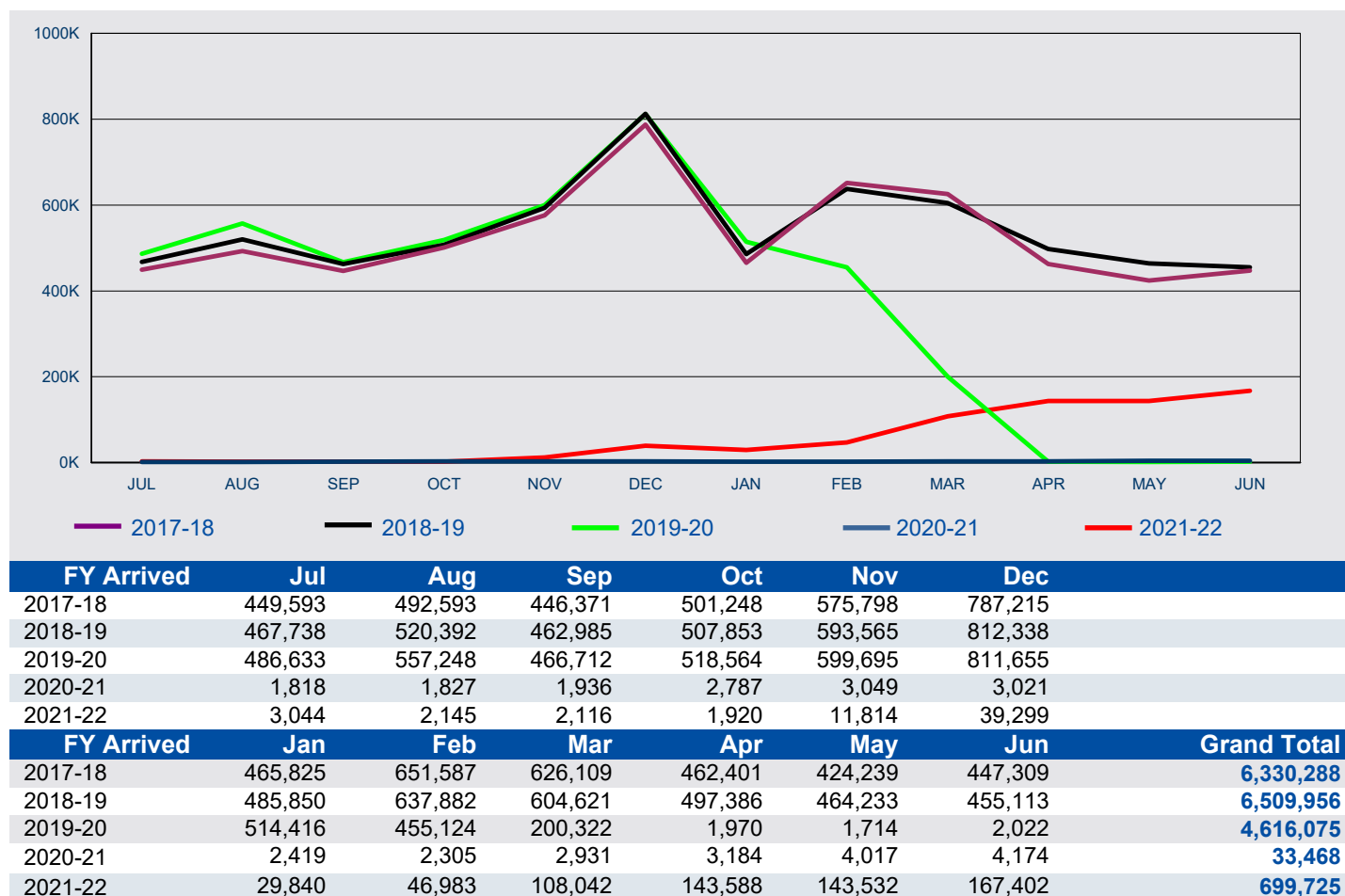
subclass 600 ADS for PRC

FY Granted	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Total
2017-18	15,066	13,124	15,368	15,521	25,480	12,301	28,409	11,323	22,891	21,412	14,679	9,931	205,505
2018-19	15,774	15,489	15,323	16,615	21,940	11,390	28,438	10,480	23,925	19,748	12,432	8,484	200,038
2019-20	14,862	13,988	12,577	17,299	20,276	12,315	15,902	0	0	0	0	0	107,219
2020-21	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2021-22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

8 Arrivals

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8.01 Number of Visitor visa arrivals ('000) in 2021-22 to 30 June 2022 - comparison with previous four financial years



8 Arrivals

8.02 Number of Visitor visa arrivals in 2021-22 to 30 June 2022 by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year

