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About this report

This report provides quarterly data about the Visitor visa programme administered by the Department of Immigration and Border Protection (the department). The report has been produced to assist tourism industry stakeholders and policymakers.

It is expected that this report will be further developed over time to increase and improve information sharing about the Visitor visa programme.

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.

For privacy reasons < 5 has been used where a number in a table is between 1 and 4.

Further data about the Visitor visa programme, including the report and Visitor visa grants by subclass and citizenship from the 2005-06 to the 2014-15 financial year is available at the department's website at www.immi.gov.au/media/statistics/visitor.htm

Further information about the Visitor visa programme is available at www.border.gov.au/Trav/Visi

Enquiries

Any comments or enquiries concerning this report should be sent to visa.reporting@border.gov.au quoting Report Id BR0112.

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.
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.
Auto grant:	An automated process by which an electronic visa application is checked against security and immigration risk business rules and, if the automated checks are satisfied, the visa is granted, often within minutes after lodgement. Electronic applications which do not satisfy automated checks are referred for manual assessment by a visa processing officer.
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.
eLodged:	Visa application lodged electronically, by eligible passport holders, via the departmental website. Visas that can be eLodged are the eVisitor (subclass 651) visa and the Tourist (subclass 676) visa (also known as the e676).
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. 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.

How to read this report

On 23 March 2013 significant changes were made to Visitor visas as part of the Australian Government's Visa Simplification and Deregulation project. These changes have been summarised in the tables below where relevant visas have been combined into Tourist and Business groups.

Visitor – Tourist visas	Tourist Group
ETA (Visitor) (subclass 976) and ETA (subclass 601 – Tourist)	ETA Tourist
Tourist (subclass 676), Visitor (subclass 600) Tourist stream and Visitor (subclass 600) ADS	Tourist Visitor
Sponsored Family Visitor visa (subclass 679) and Visitor (subclass 600) Sponsored Family stream visa	Sponsored Tourist
eVisitor (subclass 651 - Tourist Entrant)	eVisitor Tourist

Visitor - Business visas	Business Group
ETA (Business – Long Validity) (subclass 956), ETA (Business – Short Validity) (subclass 977) and ETA (subclass 601 - Business)	ETA Business
Business (Short Stay) (subclass 456) and Visitor (subclass 600) Business Visitor stream	Business Visitor
Superyacht crew (subclass 488) and Sponsored Business visitor (Short Stay) (subclass 459) visa	Sponsored Business
eVisitor (subclass 651 - Business Entrant)	eVisitor Business

Notes

- **ETA Business** - Clients who previously lodged ETA (Business - Long Validity) (subclass 956) visa applications and (Business - Short Validity) (subclass 977) visa applications are now lodging ETA (subclass 601 - Business) visa applications. A small percentage of these clients may now be lodging Temporary Work (Short Stay Activity) (subclass 400) visas, which is not covered in this report.
- **Business Visitor** - Clients who previously lodged Business (Short Stay) (subclass 456) visa applications are now lodging Visitor (subclass 600) Business Visitor stream visa applications. A small percentage of these clients may now be lodging Temporary Work (Short Stay Activity) (subclass 400) visas, which is not covered in this report.

Background to the Visitor visa programme

The Visitor visa programme can be divided into two categories, Tourism and Business. Tourism may include a holiday or recreation, or visiting family and friends. The Business category allows business people to undertake business visitor activities. This may include attending meetings, conferences, site visits and exploring business opportunities. The visa holder cannot engage in work in Australia.

The Visitor visa programme is made up of three subclasses the ETA (subclass 601), eVisitor (subclass 651) and Visitor (subclass 600) visa. The Visitor (subclass 600) visa has four streams, the Tourist stream, the Sponsored Family stream, the Business Visitor stream and the Approved Destination Status stream. The below table outlines the activities allowed by each subclass and stream, and the location of the client at time of lodgement.

Subclass	Tourism	Business Visitor	Client Location
601 - Electronic Travel Authority	✓	✓	Outside Australia
651 - eVisitor	✓	✓	Outside Australia
600 - Tourist stream	✓		Both
600 - Business Visitor stream		✓	Outside Australia
600 - Sponsored Family stream	✓		Outside Australia
600 - Approved Destination Status stream	✓		Outside Australia

On 23 March 2013 the following significant changes were made to Visitor visas as part of the Australian Government's Visa Simplification and Deregulation project:

- The Tourist (subclass 676) was replaced by the Visitor (Subclass 600) Tourist stream visa. The online Tourist (Subclass 676) visa has been temporarily retained pending implementation of an online Visitor (subclass 600) visa.
- The Sponsored Family Visitor visa (subclass 679) was repealed and replaced by the Visitor (subclass 600 Sponsored Family stream visa).
- The ETA (Visitor) (subclass 976) was repealed and replaced by the ETA (subclass 601).
- The Business (Short Stay) (subclass 456) visa was repealed and replaced by the Visitor (subclass 600) Business Visitor stream visa.
- The Sponsored Business visitor (Short Stay) visa (subclass 459) was repealed and replaced by the Visitor (subclass 600) Business Visitor stream visa.
- The Electronic Travel Authority (Business - Short Validity) (subclass 977) was repealed and replaced by the Electronic Travel Authority (subclass 601).
- The Electronic Travel Authority (Business - Long Validity) (subclass 956) was repealed and replaced by the Electronic Travel Authority (subclass 601).

As part of these changes work rights previously permitted in Business Visitor visa were moved to a new dedicated visa, the Temporary Work (Short Stay Activity) (subclass 400) visa. The new Business Visitor visas introduced on 23 March 2013 enable business visitors to undertake business visitor activities, including making general business and employment enquiries, attending conferences, negotiating and reviewing business contracts and making official government to government visits. A summary of the Visitor visa framework changes is provided in the table below. Visas granted before this date remain valid for use until they expire.

Background to the Visitor visa programme - continued

Visitor visa subclasses can be divided into Tourism and Business streams:

Tourism:

1. Electronic Travel Authority (ETA) (subclass 601). This visa is designed for ETA eligible passport holders* who are outside of Australia and who want to visit Australia for tourism or business visitor purposes. It allows an applicant to stay in Australia for up to 3 months on each visit within a 12 month period from the date of grant, or for the life of the passport if it is less than 12 months. It can be applied for online, through a travel agent, airline or specialist service provider or at an Australian visa office outside of Australia.
2. eVisitor (subclass 651 - Tourist Entrant). This visa is designed for people outside of Australia who want to visit Australia for tourism purposes. It can only be lodged online and is available to certain European nationals, as it was introduced in October 2008 to meet the Australian Government's undertaking to have reciprocal short stay travel arrangements with the European Union. It allows a stay of up to 3 months on each visit within a 12 month period from the date of grant.
3. Visitor (subclass 600) Tourist stream visa. This visa allows people to visit Australia for tourism purposes. This may include a holiday or recreation, or to visit family and friends. This visa can be applied for either onshore or offshore and may also be used for other short-term non-work purposes including study for up to three months. This visa can also be applied for online (known as the 'e600') by eligible passport holders.
4. Visitor (subclass 600) Sponsored Family stream visa. This visa allows people who are outside of Australia and have an eligible sponsor in Australia (an eligible relative or Australian Government official willing to sponsor them), to travel to Australia for a holiday and to visit family. This visa is intended for higher risk visitors and contains additional requirements which are designed to provide assurance that the visa holder will comply with their visa conditions and depart Australia before their visa expires. A formal sponsorship is to be completed by an Australian citizen/permanent resident and in some cases a security bond is requested where the decision maker has residual concerns about the visa applicant's intention to abide by the visa conditions.

Business:

5. Electronic Travel Authority (ETA) (subclass 601). This visa is designed for ETA eligible passport holders who are outside of Australia and who want to visit Australia for tourism or business visitor purposes. It allows an applicant to stay in Australia for up to 3 months on each visit within a 12 month period from the date of grant, or for the life of the passport if it is less than 12 months. It can be applied for online, through a travel agent, airline or specialist service provider or at an Australian visa office outside of Australia.
6. eVisitor (subclass 651 - Business Entrant). This visa is designed for people outside of Australia who want to visit Australia for short term business purposes. It can only be lodged online and is available to certain European nationals, as it was introduced in October 2008 to meet the Australian Government's undertaking to have reciprocal short stay travel arrangements with the European Union. It allows a stay of up to 3 months on each visit within a 12 month period from the date of grant.
7. Visitor (subclass 600) Business Visitor stream visa. This visa allows people to visit Australia for business visitor activities purposes. Business visitor activities may include making general business or employment enquiries, investigating, negotiating, signing or reviewing a business contract, activities carried out as part of an official government-to-government visit and participating in conferences, trade fairs or seminars as long as the visa holder is not being paid by the organisers for their participation. This visa can also be applied for online (known as the 'e600') by eligible passport holders.

Eligible Passports for Electronic Lodgement of Visitor Visa Applications

The Department continues to implement changes to support the progressive expansion of online lodgement of Visitor visa applications to all countries in 2014-15. Online lodgement of Visitor (subclass 600) visas was made available to additional countries from 1 August 2014, including all countries previously eligible for the online Tourist (subclass 676). There are currently over 200 countries with access to online lodgement, with additional countries to be provided access in 2015-16.

For a list of eligible passports for Visitor e600, ETA 601 and eVisitor 651 online applications please refer to the department's website.

For e600: www.border.gov.au/Trav/Visa-1/600-/Visitor-e600-visa-online-applications

For ETA 601: www.border.gov.au/Trav/Visa-1/601-

For eVisitor 651: www.border.gov.au/Trav/Visa-1/651-

Background to the Visitor visa programme - continued

Family members

Since 23 March 2013, all accompanying family members must lodge separate Visitor visa applications including children younger than 18 years of age who are included on their parents passport. Sponsors of Visitor (subclass 600) Sponsored Family stream visa applicants must include all visiting family members on the sponsorship form.

Family members who are accompanying Business Visitors and are not themselves intending to engage in business visitor activities while in Australia could consider applying for the Visitor (subclass 600) Tourist stream visa.

Visa Requirements

To be eligible for a Visitor visa, the applicant genuinely intends to stay temporarily in Australia for the purpose for which the visa is granted (for tourism or business visitor purposes).

Applicants must also meet certain health and character requirements, and could be asked to undergo a health examination, and/or provide police certificates for each country they have lived in for 12 months or more over the last 10 years since turning 16.

In order to meet the financial requirements for the grant of a Visitor visa, 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. They could be asked to provide evidence of their adequate means of support.

Ability to work

Work on a Tourist (Subclass 676), Sponsored Family Visitor (Subclass 679) and Visitor (Subclass 600) Tourist, Sponsored Family and Business Visitor stream visas is not permitted. This is enforced by a mandatory 'no work' condition imposed on all Tourist and Sponsored Family stream visas. Work on a Business Visitor visa applied for before 23 March 2013 is permitted in very limited circumstances where the work is non-ongoing (no more than 6 weeks for the validity of the visa) and highly skilled in nature. Business Visitor visas applied for since 23 March 2013 can undertake business visitor activities but not otherwise work. Business visitor activities include making general business enquiries, attending conferences and contractual negotiations and making government to government visits.

Where a person is found to be working in breach of their visa conditions, they could face visa cancellation and an exclusion period.

Ability to study

Tourist (subclass 676), Sponsored Family Visitor (subclass 679) and Visitor (subclass 600) Tourist, Sponsored Family and Business Visitor stream visa holders could study for up to three months. This could be an award or non-award course, however, the entire course must not be longer than 3 months in duration.

Volunteering

Tourist and Visitor visa holders could be able to work as a volunteer where the work is genuinely voluntary and no remuneration is received in return for the activities.

Background to the Visitor visa programme - continued

Extending stay

Visitor visas cannot be 'extended'. However, Visitor visa holders could extend their stay in Australia by applying for another visa, such as a Visitor (subclass 600) Tourist stream visa, at least two weeks before their current visa expires. It is not possible to apply for other Visitor visas in Australia.

An additional visa could be granted if the applicant has complied with the conditions of their previous visa, meets all eligibility criteria for this visa, and does not have a 'No further stay' condition on their current visa.

Visa refusals

A decision to refuse a Visitor visa application is made when the delegate of the Minister for Immigration and Border Protection 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 and any review rights.

Reasons for refusal of Visitor visa applications could include:

- failure to meet financial, health or character requirements; and/or
- failure to satisfy the department that the applicant is a genuine visitor.

Processing standards

The Department aims to finalise 75 per cent of Visitor visa applications within the following timeframes:

- for non-sponsored visitors where the application is lodged onshore - one working day for low risk applicants and one week for high risk applicants;
- for non-sponsored visitors where the application is lodged offshore - one working day for low risk applicants and one month for high risk applicants;
- for sponsored visitors (all sponsored visitor applications are lodged onshore) - 1.5 months.

The processing service standard applies where all documents are submitted with the application form. The process may be delayed if applications are incomplete or if additional information is required, including health examination and/or character checks.

Note: Low risk refers to people holding Electronic Travel Authority (ETA) eligible passports, and high risk refers to persons who are not ETA eligible.

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Executive Summary

Key Points

- This executive summary covers the Tourist and Business group visa statistics for the Visitor Visa programme year from 1 July 2015 to 30 June 2016. The terminology used in this executive summary to describe Tourist and Business group visas and subclasses are referenced on page 3 of this report.
- There was a steady increase in Visitor Visa applications lodged with almost 5 million applications under the Visitor visa programme (Tourist and Business group) in 2015-16, up 11.7 per cent compared with 2014-15. China was the largest source country for visitors to Australia with 848,320 visa applications lodged ahead of the UK and USA with 590,084 and 467,625 lodgements respectively.
- Visitor – Tourist visas accounted for the majority of visa applications lodged with 4,528,362 applications in 2015-16, up 13.5 per cent compared with 2014-15 (3,989,570).
- Visitor – Business visa applications decreased slightly in 2015-16 to 443,635 down 3.9 per cent compared with 2014-15 (461,840).
- A total of 4,372,501 Visitor – Tourist visas were granted in 2015-16, a 13.2 per cent increase compared with 2014-15 (3,862,422). However, Business Visitor visas grants decreased by 4.3 per cent in 2015-16 with 426,672 visa grants compared with 2014-15 (445,685).
- Visitor – Tourist visas granted under the Approved Destination Status (ADS) scheme increased significantly to 230,804 (up 21.0 per cent) in 2015-16 compared with 2014-15 (190,785).
- The grant rate statistics in this report are published quarterly. The grant rate for all Visitor visas (Tourist and Business group) for the quarter 1 April 2016 to 30 June 2016 increased slightly to 96.9 per cent, compared with 96.7 per cent for the quarter 1 April 2015 to June 2015.
- In 2015-16, there were 5,305,664 arrivals on Visitor visas (Tourist and Business group), a 12.6 per cent increase compared with 2014-15 (4,713,954).
- As at 30 June 2016, there were 262,445 Visitor visa (Tourist and Business group) holders in Australia. This is a 15.9 per cent increase on compared with 30 June 2015 (226,395).

1 Applications lodged

In 2015-16, almost 5 million Visitor (Tourist and Business group) visa applications were lodged, up 11.7 per cent compared with 2014-15 with almost 4.5 million applications.

China remains the largest source country for visitors to Australia with 848,320 lodgements in 2015-16 up 22.6 per cent ahead of the UK up 5.2 per cent (590,084) and the USA up 9.2 per cent (467,625).

Tourist Group

Visitor – Tourist visas accounted for the majority of visa applications lodged with 4,528,362 applications in 2015-16. This was a 13.5 per cent increase compared with 2014-15 (3,989,570).

In addition to continued growth from the top three source countries of China, UK and USA, this increase was also driven by growth in lodgements by citizens of:

- Japan (up 17.2 per cent to 314,000)
- Malaysia (up 12.0 per cent to 313,766)
- Singapore (up 19.7 per cent to 216,190)

- India (up 8.8 per cent to 182,140)
- HKSAR of the PRC (up 16.1 per cent to 131,029)

This growth may be attributed to the decreased value of the Australian dollar and the focus Tourism Australia latest campaign to attract tourists from these regions.

Business Group

Visitor – Business visa lodgements decreased slightly by 3.9 per cent with 443,635 applications lodged in 2015-16 compared with 461,840 in 2014-15. This decrease is possibly indicative of the reported slowdown in global economic growth.

The five largest decreases of Visitor – Business Visitor visa applications were from citizens of:

- China (down 9.7 per cent to 75,418)
- USA (down 3.1 per cent to 61,908)
- UK (down 5.9 per cent to 36,081)
- Singapore (down 10.2 per cent to 21,080)
- Canada (down 9.0 per cent to 9,324)

Executive Summary – continued

2 Visas granted

Tourist Group

A total of 4,372,501 Visitor – Tourist visas were granted in 2015-16. This was a 13.2 per cent increase compared with 2014-15. The ETA Tourist and Tourist Visitor represented the largest visa grants in the Tourist Group up 12.3 per cent and 17.4 per cent respectively compared with 2014-15.

The top five countries for Visitor – Tourist visas were:

1. China (up 25.3 per cent to 730,407)
2. UK (up 5.9 per cent to 550,748)
3. USA (up 11.4 per cent to 404,441)
4. Japan (up 17.2 per cent to 313,891)
5. Malaysia (up 12.0 per cent to 313,146)

Business Group

Visitor – Business visa grants decreased by 4.3 per cent in 2015-16 with 426,672 visa grants compared with 2014-15 with 445,685 visa grants. This can be mostly attributed to a decline from China and the USA (down 9.8 per cent and 3.2 per cent respectively).

Sponsored Family Visitor visa

There was a 2.8 per cent decrease in the number of Sponsored Family Visitor visas granted with 23,199 in 2015-16 compared with 2014-15 (23,875). This decline may be attributable to an increased uptake of the Tourist – Visitor visas.

3 Grant rates

The grant rate for all Visitor visas for the quarter 1 April 2016 to 30 June 2016 increased slightly to 96.9 per cent compared with 96.7 per cent for the quarter in 1 April 2015 to June 2015.

4 Processing times

Tourist Group

In the quarter ending 30 June 2016, 75 per cent of Visitor – Tourist visa applications (including Approved Destination Status (ADS) applications) were processed within 10 calendar days. In the same period in 2014-15, 75 per cent of Tourist – Visitor visa applications were processed within 10 calendar days.

Business Group

In the quarter ending 30 June 2015, 75 per cent of Visitor – Business visa applications were processed within 7 calendar days. This is a slight decrease when compared to the same period in 2014-15 when Business Visitor visa applications were processed within 6 calendar days.

Processing times may vary where applications are incomplete at time of lodgement or where additional supporting information is required.

5 Applications on hand

Tourist Group

On 30 June 2016, there were 56,941 Visitor – Tourist visa applications on hand. This was a 27 per cent increase from the 44,837 applications on hand as at 30 June 2015.

Business Group

On 30 June 2016 there were 7,183 applications on hand, an increase of 26 per cent from 5,699 applications on hand as at 30 June 2015.

6 Visa holders in Australia

On 30 June 2016, there were 262,445 Visitor (Tourist and Business Group) visa holders in Australia. This was a 15.9 per cent increase compared with 226,395 Visitor (Tourist and Business Group) visa holders in Australia on 30 June 2015.

The subclass 600 Visitor visa made up the largest cohort with 163,596 visa holders in Australia, followed by the subclass 601 ETA with 72,544 visa holders and subclass 651 eVisitor with 22,345 visa holders in Australia on 30 June 2016.

The number of Visitor visa holders in Australia at any given time is influenced by a range of factors, including exchange rates, holiday periods, and major events. On 30 June 2016, there was a general increase in tourist numbers from key markets, particularly China, by 17.9 per cent compared with 30 June 2015.

7 Approved Destination Status (ADS)

A total of 230,804 Tourist Visitor visas were granted to citizens from China under the ADS scheme in 2015-16. This was an increase of 21 per cent compared with 2014-15 (190,785).

8 Arrivals data

In 2015-16, there were 5,305,664 arrivals on Visitor (Tourist and Business Group) visas, a 12.6 per cent increase in 2014-15 (4,713,954).

The top five countries for Visitor visas arrivals were:

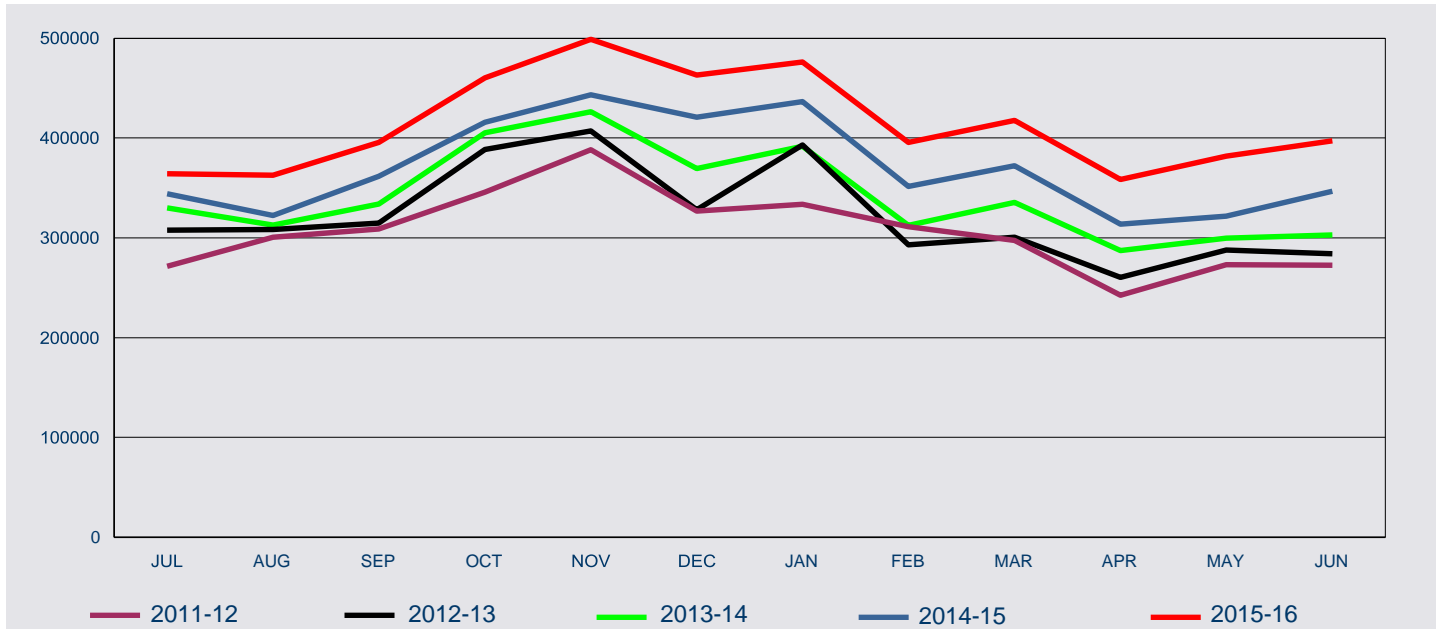
1. China (up 21.9 per cent to 929,420)
2. UK (up 6.8 per cent to 651,342)
3. USA (up 9.7 per cent to 515,003)
4. Malaysia (up 12.8 per cent to 364,235)
5. Japan (up 15.7 per cent to 348,909)

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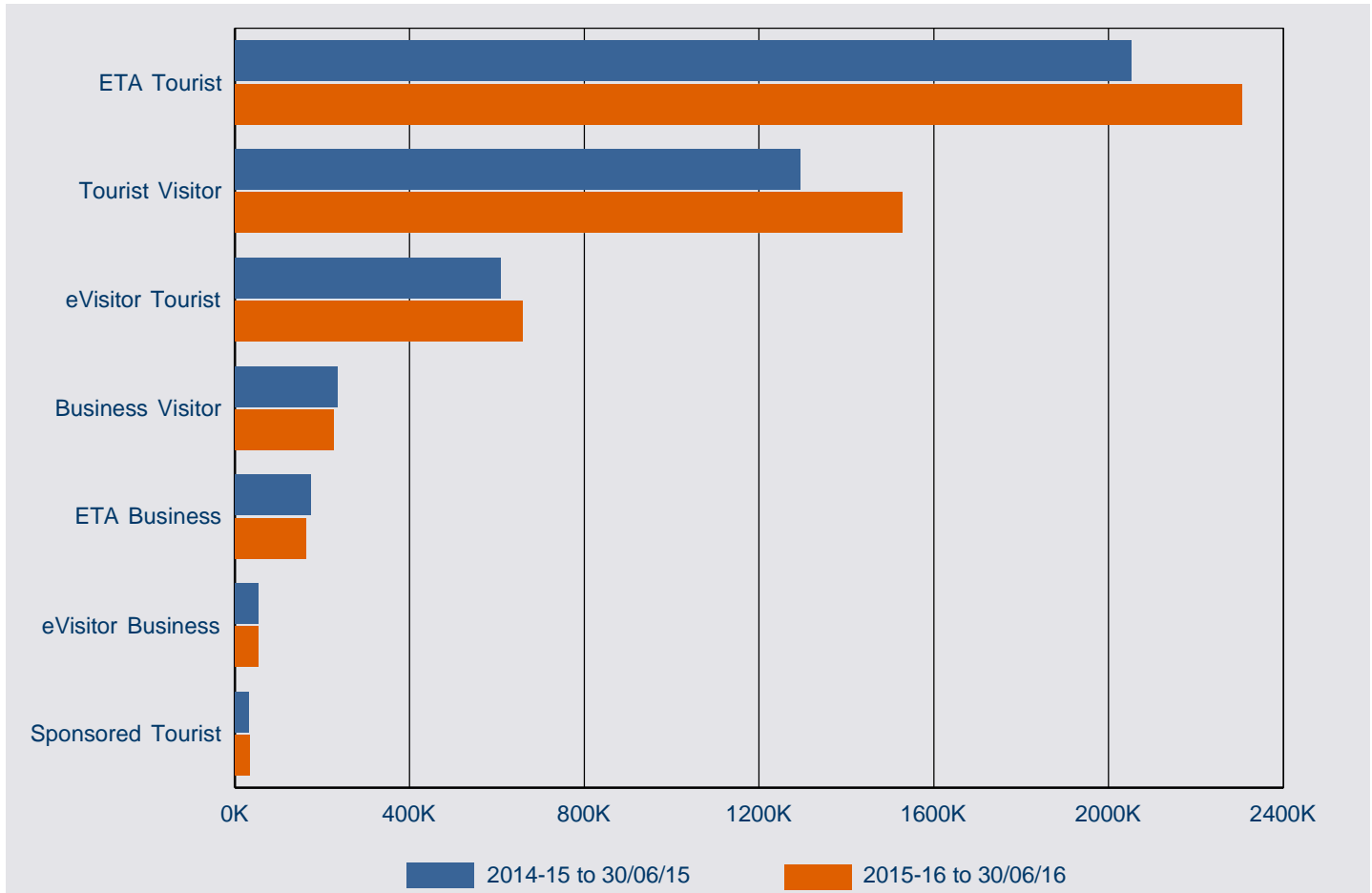
1.1 Number of Visitor visa applications lodged in 2015-16 to 30 June 2016 by month - comparison with previous four financial years



Fin'l Year	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
2011-12	271,481	300,746	308,954	345,753	388,130	326,777	333,610	311,287	297,326	242,407	273,291	272,491
2012-13	307,639	308,494	314,765	388,548	407,181	328,010	393,024	292,873	300,657	260,303	287,786	284,033
2013-14	330,019	312,764	333,799	405,305	426,353	369,533	391,913	312,350	335,635	287,178	299,608	302,765
2014-15	344,289	322,557	361,860	415,717	443,333	421,028	436,429	351,592	372,197	313,877	321,836	346,695
2015-16	364,247	362,714	395,679	460,343	498,886	462,973	476,237	395,543	417,669	358,504	381,927	397,275

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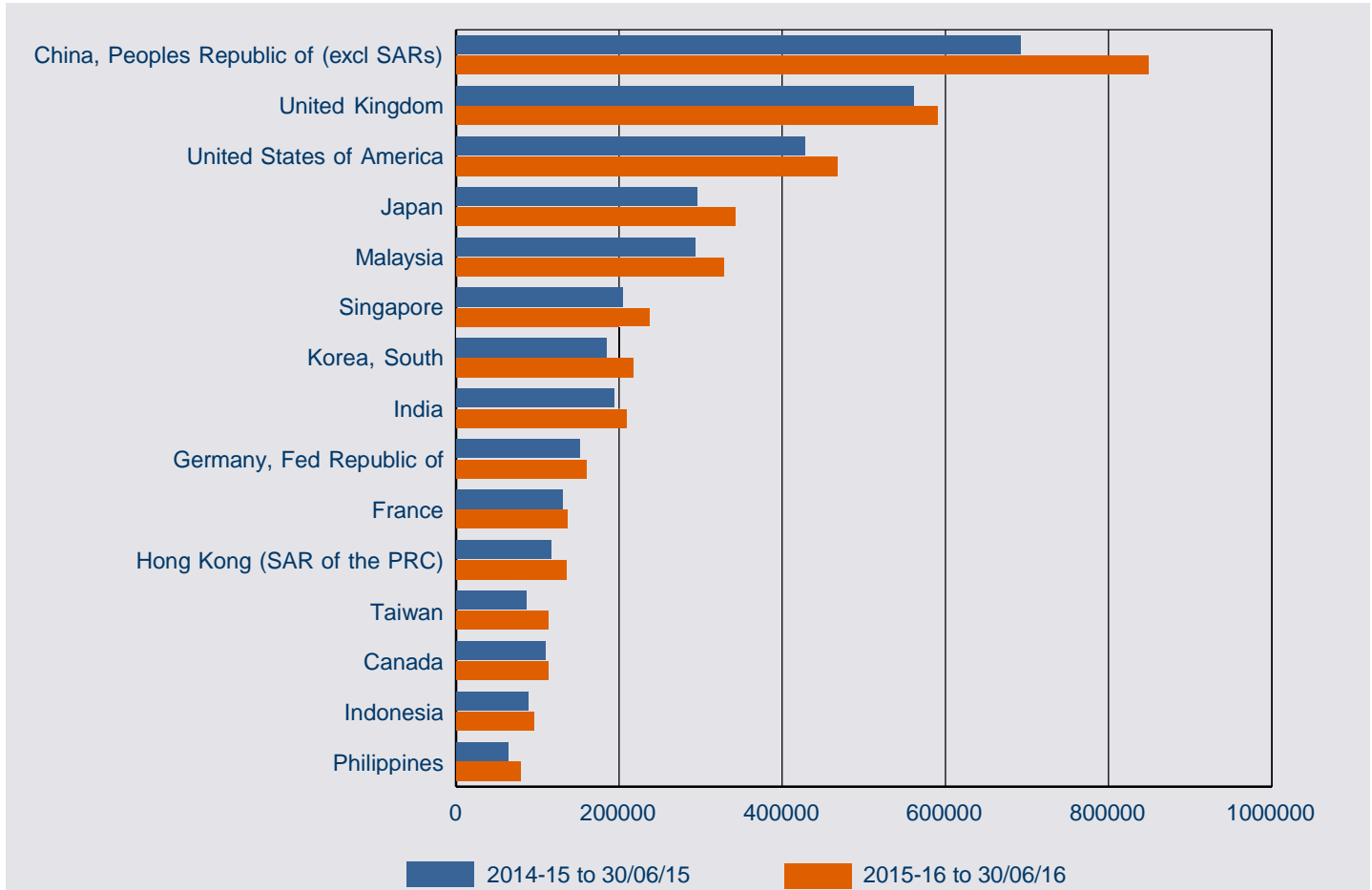
1.2 Number of Visitor visa applications lodged in 2015-16 to 30 June 2016 by visa group - comparison with same period in previous year



Visa Group	2014-15 to 30/06/15	2015-16 to 30/06/16	% Change from 2014-15	2015-16 as % of Total
ETA Tourist	2,052,812	2,304,842	12.3%	46.4%
Tourist Visitor	1,295,399	1,528,160	18.0%	30.7%
eVisitor Tourist	607,943	659,972	8.6%	13.3%
Business Visitor	234,559	226,122	-3.6%	4.5%
ETA Business	173,533	163,048	-6.0%	3.3%
eVisitor Business	53,748	54,465	1.3%	1.1%
Sponsored Tourist	33,416	35,388	5.9%	0.7%
Total	4,451,410	4,971,997	11.7%	100.0%

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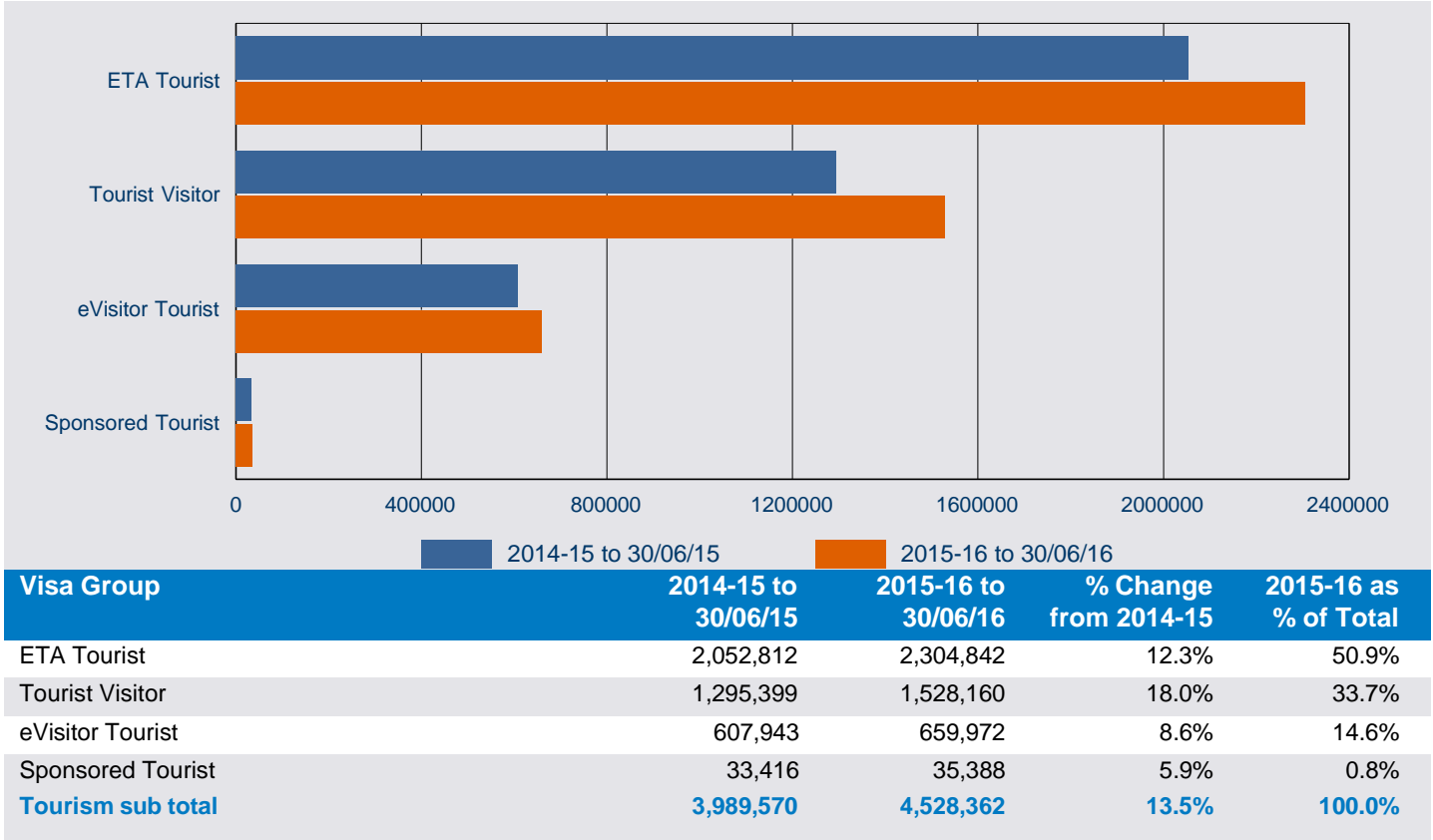
1.3 Number of Visitor visa applications lodged in 2015-16 to 30 June 2016 by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year



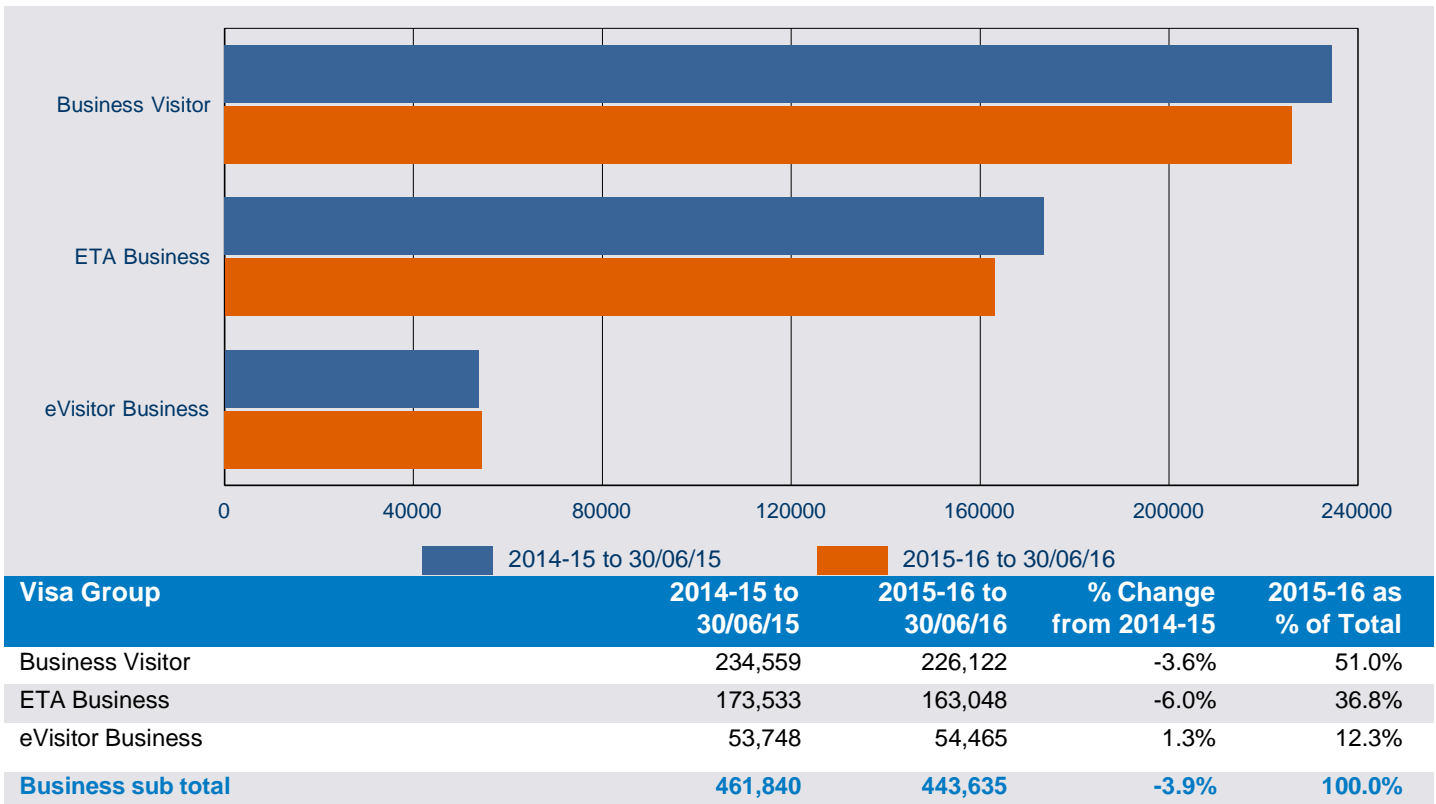
Citizenship Country	2014-15 to 30/06/15	2015-16 to 30/06/16	% Change from 2014-15	2015-16 as % of Total
China, Peoples Republic of (excl SARs)	692,101	848,320	22.6%	17.1%
United Kingdom	560,875	590,084	5.2%	11.9%
United States of America	428,098	467,625	9.2%	9.4%
Japan	295,638	342,523	15.9%	6.9%
Malaysia	293,075	328,347	12.0%	6.6%
Singapore	204,031	237,270	16.3%	4.8%
Korea, South	185,581	218,829	17.9%	4.4%
India	193,310	208,739	8.0%	4.2%
Germany, Fed Republic of	151,911	160,097	5.4%	3.2%
France	130,680	136,833	4.7%	2.8%
Hong Kong (SAR of the PRC)	116,945	134,941	15.4%	2.7%
Taiwan	86,626	113,253	30.7%	2.3%
Canada	109,805	112,966	2.9%	2.3%
Indonesia	89,049	95,420	7.2%	1.9%
Philippines	64,177	78,972	23.1%	1.6%
Other countries	849,508	897,778	5.7%	18.1%
Total	4,451,410	4,971,997	11.7%	100.0%

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1.4 Number of tourism Visitor visa applications lodged in 2015-16 to 30 June 2016 by visa group - comparison with same period in previous year

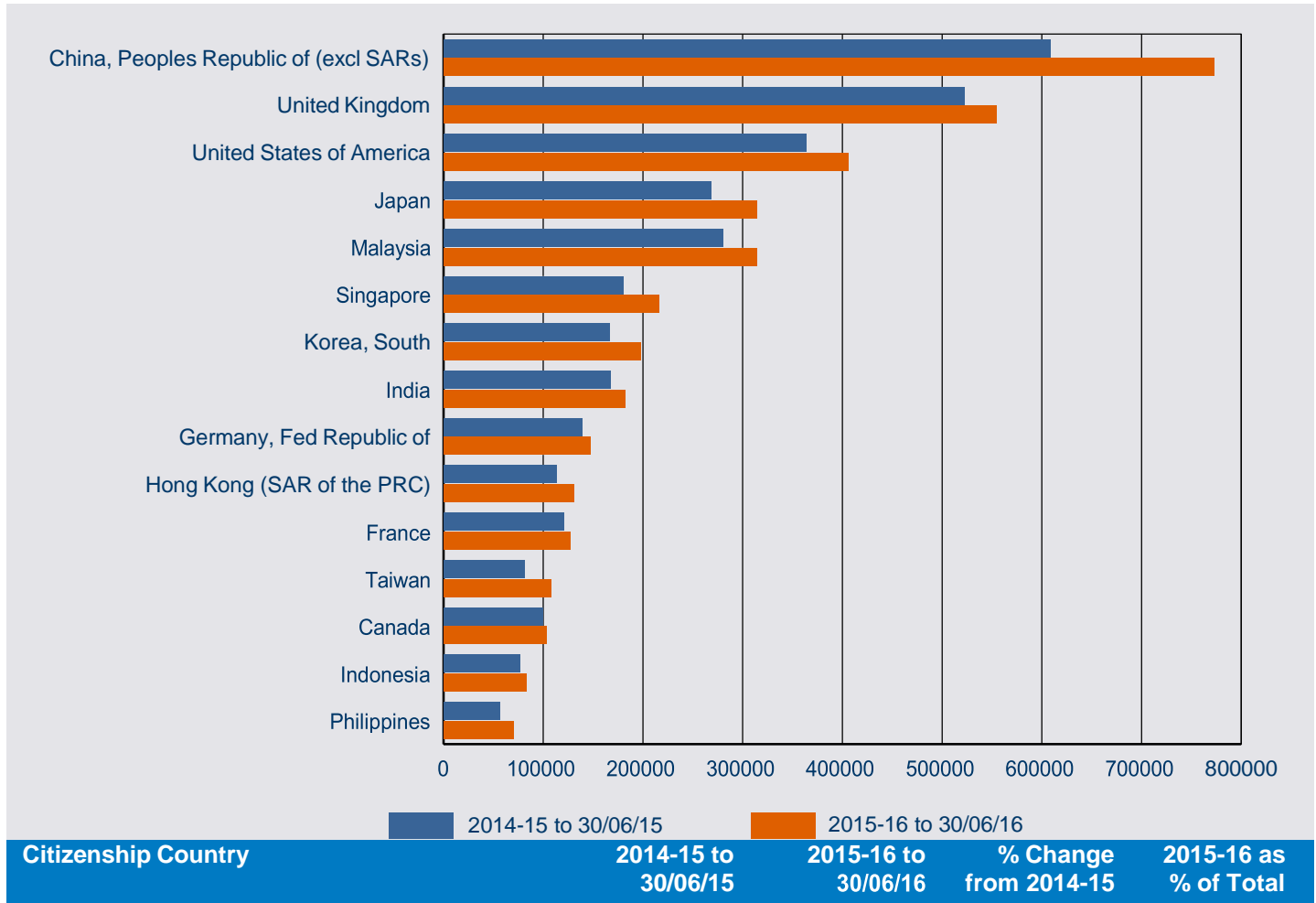


1.5 Number of business Visitor visa applications lodged in 2015-16 to 30 June 2016 by visa group - comparison with same period in previous year



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1.6 Number of tourism Visitor visa applications lodged in 2015-16 to 30 June 2016 by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year

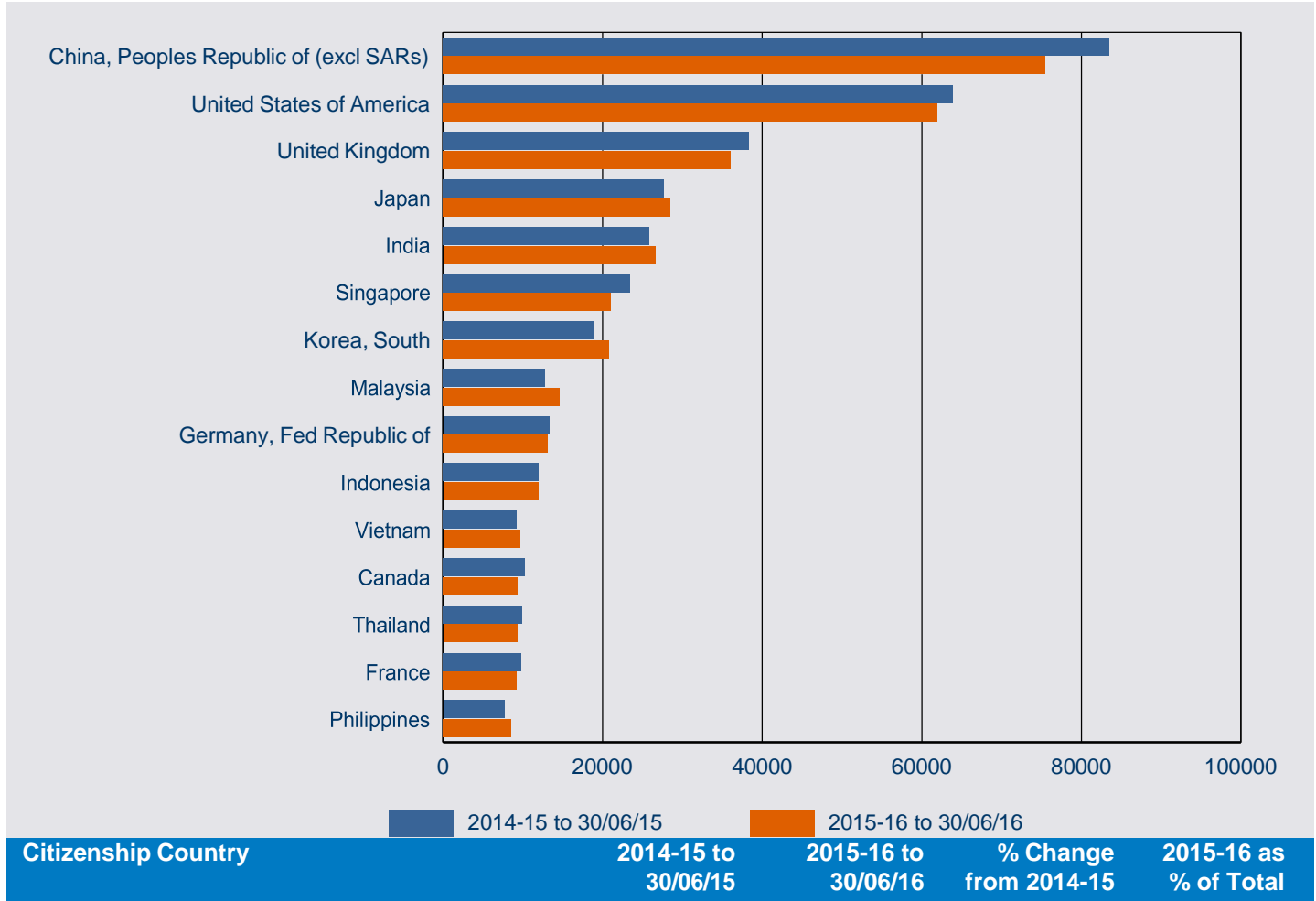


Tourism

Citizenship Country	2014-15 to 30/06/15	2015-16 to 30/06/16	% Change from 2014-15	2015-16 as % of Total
China, Peoples Republic of (excl SARs)	608,614	772,902	27.0%	17.1%
United Kingdom	522,529	554,003	6.0%	12.2%
United States of America	364,210	405,717	11.4%	9.0%
Japan	267,972	314,000	17.2%	6.9%
Malaysia	280,255	313,766	12.0%	6.9%
Singapore	180,554	216,190	19.7%	4.8%
Korea, South	166,592	197,965	18.8%	4.4%
India	167,468	182,140	8.8%	4.0%
Germany, Fed Republic of	138,638	146,928	6.0%	3.2%
Hong Kong (SAR of the PRC)	112,854	131,029	16.1%	2.9%
France	120,890	127,558	5.5%	2.8%
Taiwan	81,824	108,060	32.1%	2.4%
Canada	99,557	103,642	4.1%	2.3%
Indonesia	77,051	83,480	8.3%	1.8%
Philippines	56,476	70,458	24.8%	1.6%
Other countries	744,086	800,524	7.6%	17.7%
Tourism total	3,989,570	4,528,362	13.5%	100.0%

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1.7 Number of business Visitor visa applications lodged in 2015-16 to 30 June 2016 by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year



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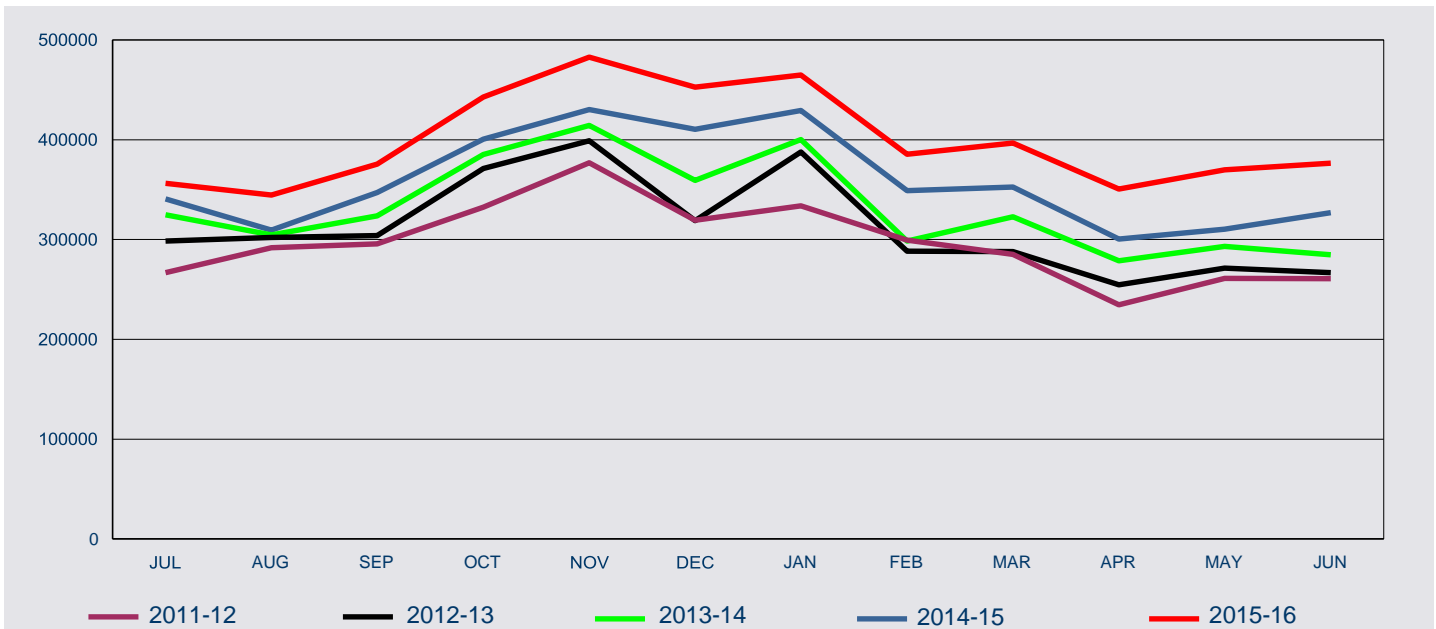
Citizenship Country	2014-15 to 30/06/15	2015-16 to 30/06/16	% Change from 2014-15	2015-16 as % of Total
China, Peoples Republic of (excl SARs)	83,487	75,418	-9.7%	17.0%
United States of America	63,888	61,908	-3.1%	14.0%
United Kingdom	38,346	36,081	-5.9%	8.1%
Japan	27,666	28,523	3.1%	6.4%
India	25,842	26,599	2.9%	6.0%
Singapore	23,477	21,080	-10.2%	4.8%
Korea, South	18,989	20,864	9.9%	4.7%
Malaysia	12,820	14,581	13.7%	3.3%
Germany, Fed Republic of	13,273	13,169	-0.8%	3.0%
Indonesia	11,998	11,940	-0.5%	2.7%
Vietnam	9,251	9,622	4.0%	2.2%
Canada	10,248	9,324	-9.0%	2.1%
Thailand	9,886	9,290	-6.0%	2.1%
France	9,790	9,275	-5.3%	2.1%
Philippines	7,701	8,514	10.6%	1.9%
Other countries	95,178	87,447	-8.1%	19.7%
Business total	461,840	443,635	-3.9%	100.0%

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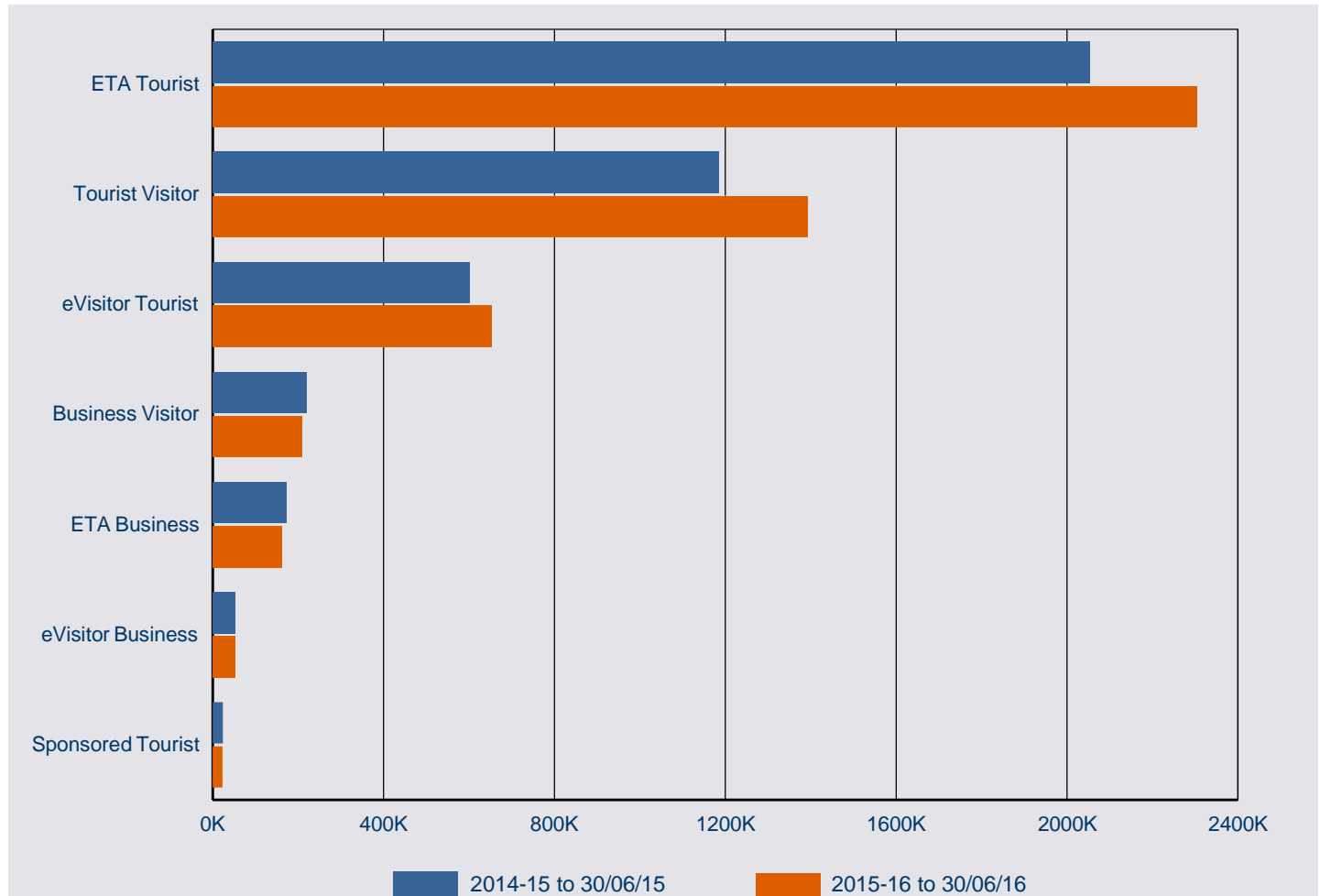
2.1 Number of Visitor visa applications granted in 2015-16 to 30 June 2016 by month - comparison with previous four financial years



Fin'l Year	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
2011-12	266,969	291,717	295,629	332,531	376,770	319,420	333,903	299,671	285,249	234,600	261,213	260,811
2012-13	298,417	302,155	304,044	371,316	398,903	319,099	387,749	288,310	287,855	254,603	271,437	266,755
2013-14	324,746	304,538	323,955	385,126	414,205	359,356	400,259	298,498	322,828	278,738	293,236	284,769
2014-15	340,720	309,574	347,196	400,545	430,343	410,666	429,450	349,197	352,539	300,520	310,411	326,946
2015-16	356,580	344,533	375,586	442,750	482,766	452,779	464,817	385,514	396,686	350,676	369,820	376,666

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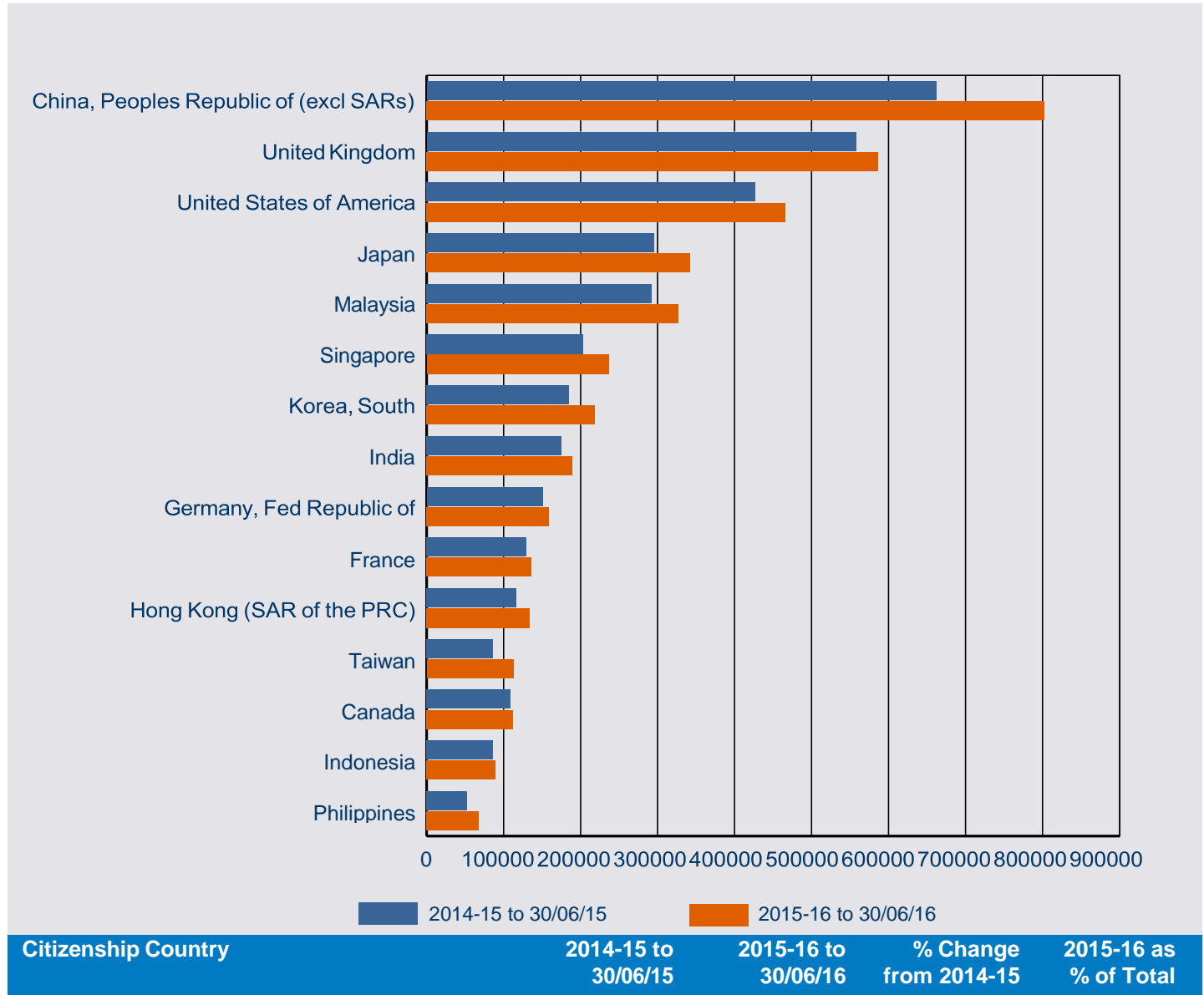
2.2 Number of Visitor visa applications granted in 2015-16 to 30 June 2016 by visa group - comparison with same period in previous year



Visa Group	2014-15 to 30/06/15	2015-16 to 30/06/16	% Change from 2014-15	2015-16 as % of Total
ETA Tourist	2,052,241	2,304,453	12.3%	48.0%
Tourist Visitor	1,185,212	1,391,977	17.4%	29.0%
eVisitor Tourist	601,094	652,872	8.6%	13.6%
Business Visitor	219,634	210,297	-4.3%	4.4%
ETA Business	173,528	163,029	-6.1%	3.4%
eVisitor Business	52,523	53,346	1.6%	1.1%
Sponsored Tourist	23,875	23,199	-2.8%	0.5%
Total	4,308,107	4,799,173	11.4%	100.0%

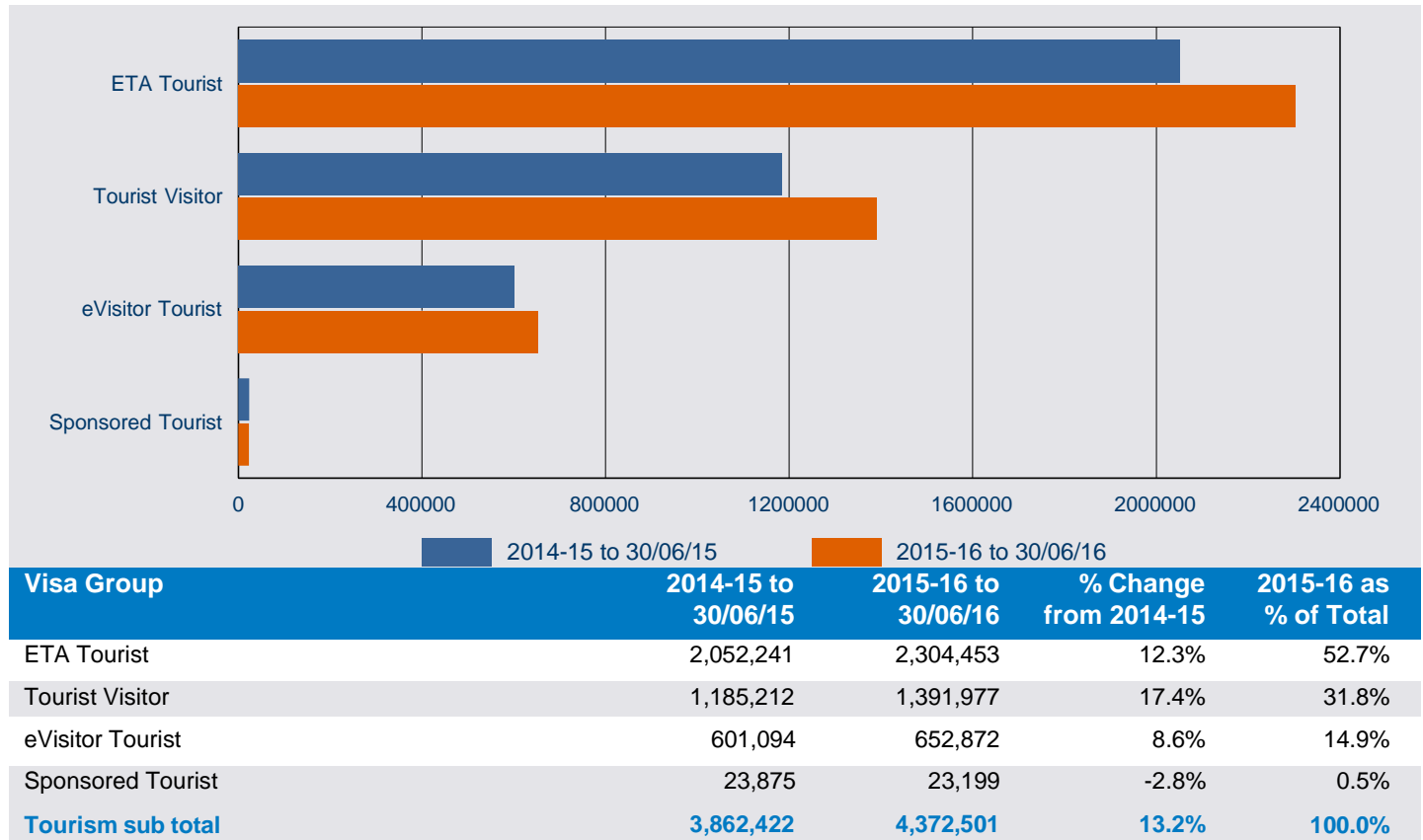
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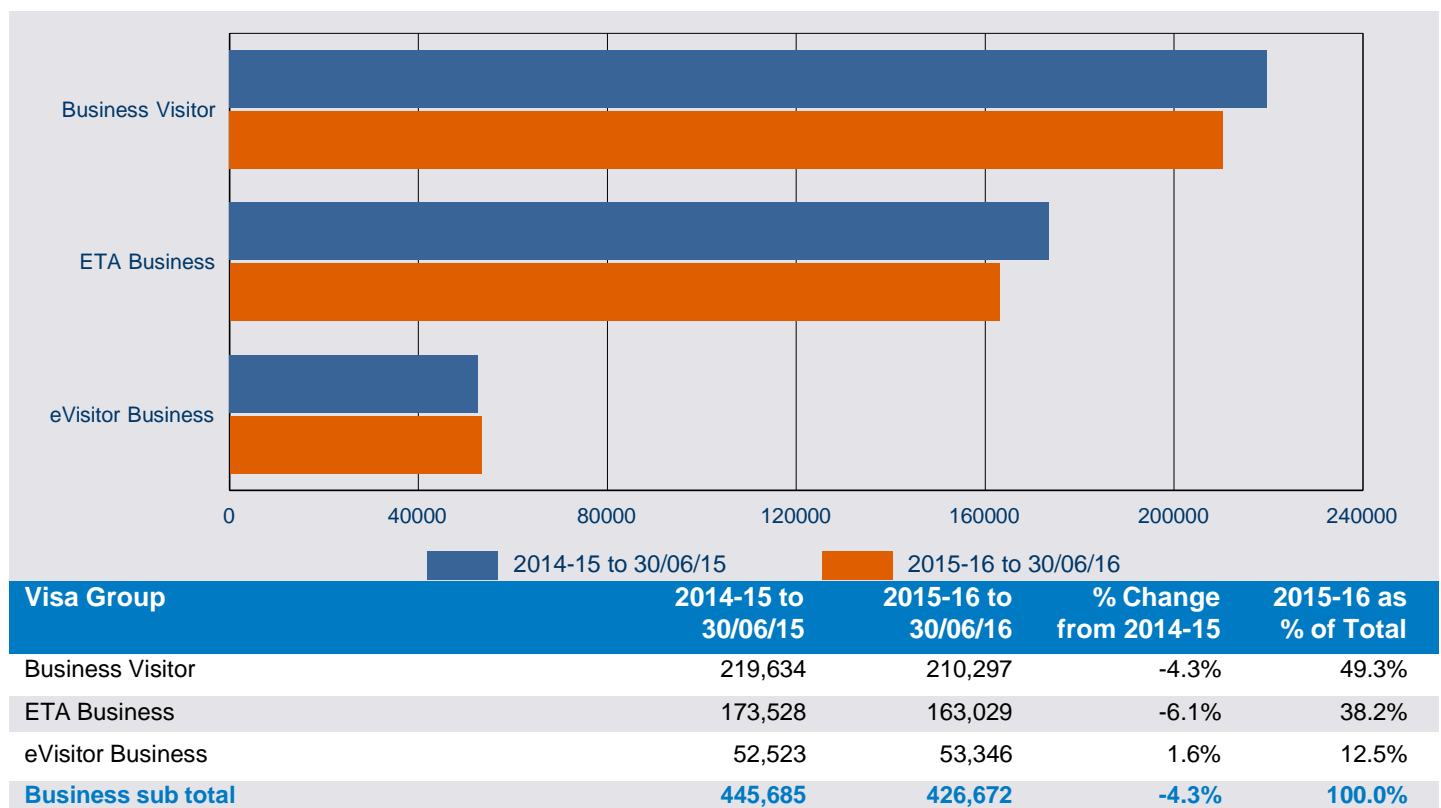


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2.4 Number of tourism Visitor visa applications granted in 2015-16 to 30 June 2016 by visa group - comparison with same period in previous year

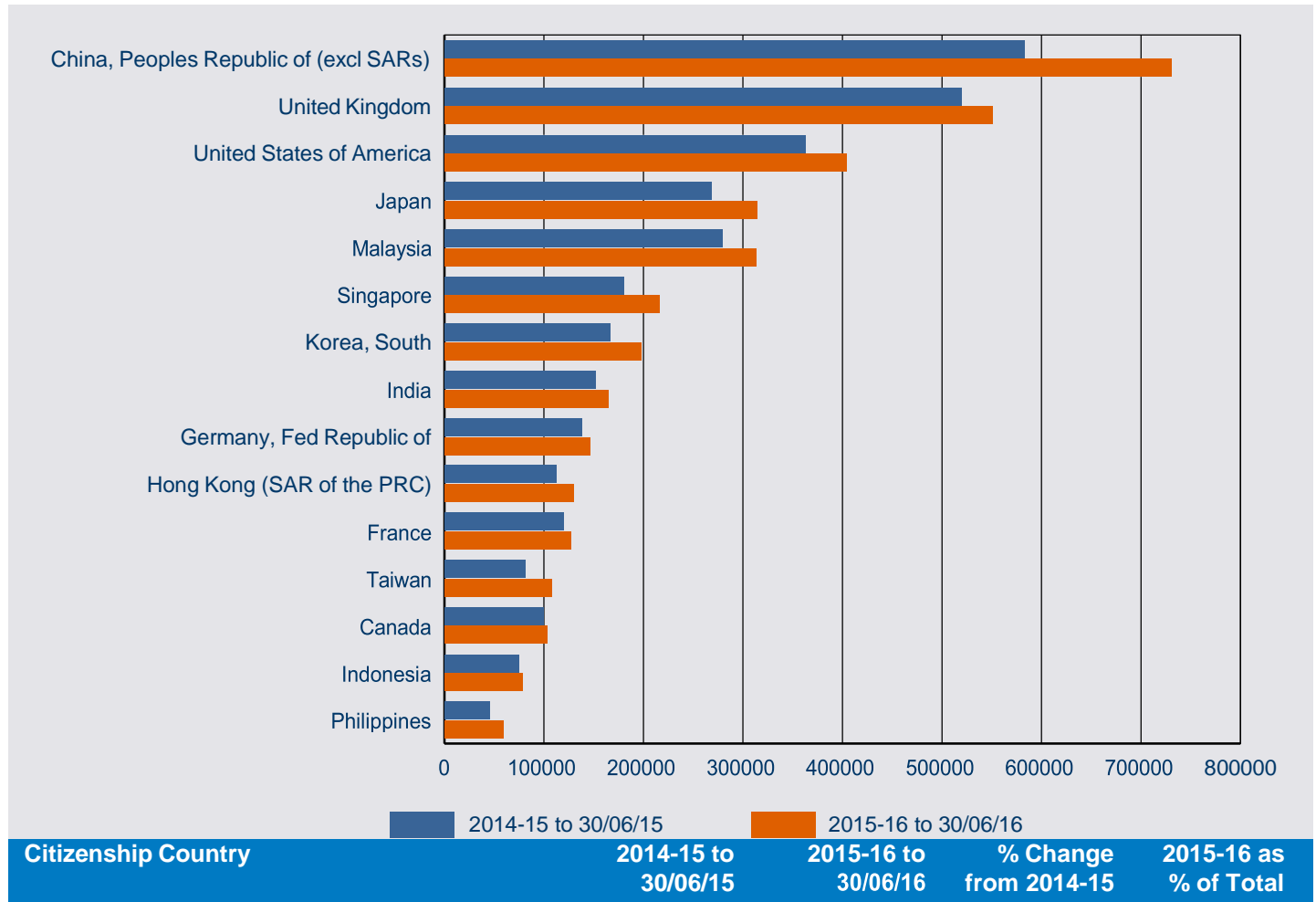


2.5 Number of business Visitor visa applications granted in 2015-16 to 30 June 2016 by visa group - comparison with same period in previous year



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2.6 Number of tourism Visitor visa applications granted in 2015-16 to 30 June 2016 by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year

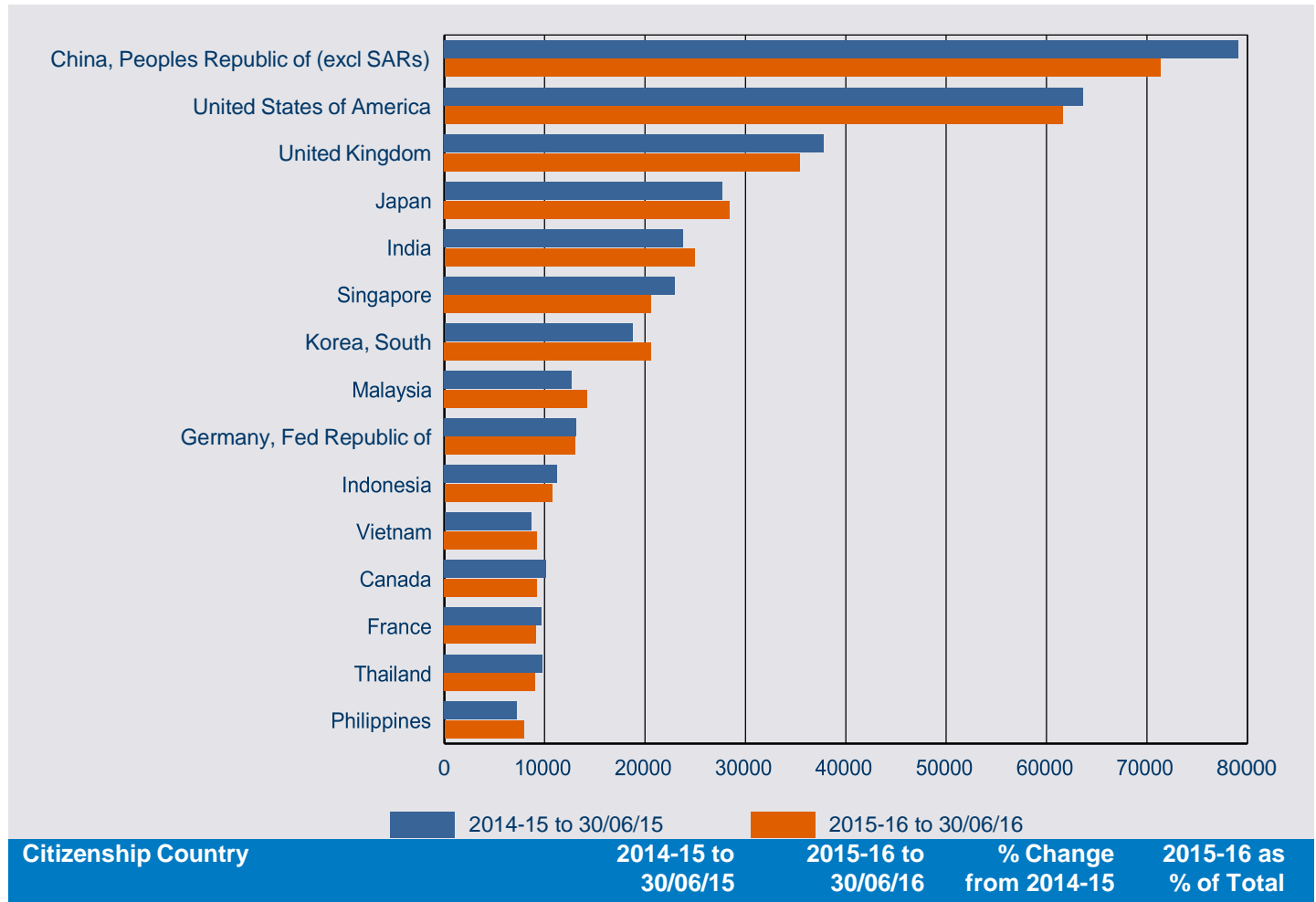


Tourism

Citizenship Country	2014-15 to 30/06/15	2015-16 to 30/06/16	% Change from 2014-15	2015-16 as % of Total
China, Peoples Republic of (excl SARs)	582,764	730,407	25.3%	16.7%
United Kingdom	519,875	550,748	5.9%	12.6%
United States of America	363,214	404,441	11.4%	9.2%
Japan	267,860	313,891	17.2%	7.2%
Malaysia	279,542	313,146	12.0%	7.2%
Singapore	180,337	215,911	19.7%	4.9%
Korea, South	166,318	197,725	18.9%	4.5%
India	151,576	164,276	8.4%	3.8%
Germany, Fed Republic of	138,021	146,287	6.0%	3.3%
Hong Kong (SAR of the PRC)	112,280	130,310	16.1%	3.0%
France	120,294	126,855	5.5%	2.9%
Taiwan	81,558	107,821	32.2%	2.5%
Canada	99,262	103,314	4.1%	2.4%
Indonesia	74,845	78,645	5.1%	1.8%
Philippines	45,588	59,699	31.0%	1.4%
Other countries	679,088	729,025	7.4%	16.7%
Tourism total	3,862,422	4,372,501	13.2%	100.0%

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2.7 Number of business Visitor visa applications granted in 2015-16 to 30 June 2016 by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year



Business

Citizenship Country	2014-15 to 30/06/15	2015-16 to 30/06/16	% Change from 2014-15	2015-16 as % of Total
China, Peoples Republic of (excl SARs)	79,099	71,354	-9.8%	16.7%
United States of America	63,643	61,592	-3.2%	14.4%
United Kingdom	37,783	35,426	-6.2%	8.3%
Japan	27,657	28,452	2.9%	6.7%
India	23,767	24,945	5.0%	5.8%
Singapore	22,958	20,605	-10.2%	4.8%
Korea, South	18,759	20,570	9.7%	4.8%
Malaysia	12,721	14,237	11.9%	3.3%
Germany, Fed Republic of	13,129	13,012	-0.9%	3.0%
Indonesia	11,241	10,758	-4.3%	2.5%
Vietnam	8,674	9,243	6.6%	2.2%
Canada	10,179	9,240	-9.2%	2.2%
France	9,673	9,129	-5.6%	2.1%
Thailand	9,783	9,100	-7.0%	2.1%
Philippines	7,231	7,925	9.6%	1.9%
Other countries	89,388	81,084	-9.3%	19.0%
Business total	445,685	426,672	-4.3%	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

3.1 Grant rate of Visitor visa applications decided in the 3 month period between 1 April 2016 and 30 June 2016 by visa group - comparison with previous four periods

Visa Group	01/04/15 to 30/06/15	01/07/15 to 30/09/15	01/10/15 to 31/12/15	01/01/16 to 31/03/16	01/04/16 to 30/06/16
Business					
Business Visitor	95.2%	94.7%	95.1%	95.1%	95.2%
ETA Business	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
eVisitor Business	98.3%	98.3%	98.5%	98.6%	98.2%
All Business	97.4%	97.1%	97.4%	97.5%	97.1%
Tourism					
ETA Tourist	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
eVisitor Tourist	98.9%	99.0%	99.3%	99.1%	99.0%
Sponsored Tourist	66.4%	67.7%	67.7%	69.7%	73.5%
Tourist Visitor	91.6%	91.1%	92.0%	92.9%	92.7%
All Tourism	96.6%	96.7%	97.2%	97.4%	96.9%
All	96.7%	96.7%	97.2%	97.4%	96.9%

3 Grant rate

3.2 Grant rate for Tourist Visitor visa applications decided in the 3 month period between 1 April 2016 and 30 June 2016 by citizenship country - comparison with previous four periods

Citizenship Country	01/04/15 to 30/06/15	01/07/15 to 30/09/15	01/10/15 to 31/12/15	01/01/16 to 31/03/16	01/04/16 to 30/06/16
China, Peoples Republic of (excl SARs)	94.2%	94.1%	95.7%	95.7%	94.9%
India	92.2%	91.6%	92.5%	93.1%	93.7%
Indonesia	96.7%	94.1%	93.2%	93.2%	96.3%
Philippines	86.2%	84.9%	84.1%	88.9%	89.6%
Thailand	90.2%	90.3%	90.6%	94.8%	95.0%
Vietnam	89.3%	86.5%	86.8%	87.8%	88.8%
South Africa	97.9%	98.3%	98.5%	98.0%	98.2%
Brazil	98.1%	98.5%	98.8%	98.8%	98.3%
Sri Lanka	92.2%	87.9%	85.5%	91.1%	92.2%
Fiji	77.3%	83.5%	85.1%	77.8%	77.4%
Papua New Guinea	94.1%	95.6%	91.3%	91.0%	73.5%
United Arab Emirates	99.5%	98.8%	98.2%	99.2%	99.8%
Chile	97.8%	98.6%	99.0%	99.3%	99.0%
Pakistan	46.9%	40.3%	49.9%	64.5%	67.7%
Nepal	88.1%	74.9%	77.4%	85.0%	84.4%
Other countries	83.1%	84.4%	83.4%	84.2%	84.7%
All Tourist Visitor	91.6%	91.1%	92.0%	92.9%	92.7%

3.3 Grant rate for Sponsored Tourist visa applications decided in the 3 month period between 1 April 2016 and 30 June 2016 by citizenship country - comparison with previous four periods

Citizenship Country	01/04/15 to 30/06/15	01/07/15 to 30/09/15	01/10/15 to 31/12/15	01/01/16 to 31/03/16	01/04/16 to 30/06/16
Philippines	70.5%	70.2%	66.7%	74.5%	79.6%
India	75.2%	73.3%	78.7%	78.9%	86.6%
Vietnam	64.3%	64.6%	66.0%	67.9%	74.3%
Bangladesh	82.6%	86.1%	86.9%	85.0%	86.8%
China, Peoples Republic of (excl SARs)	73.1%	73.4%	72.9%	74.0%	77.7%
Pakistan	66.4%	67.6%	57.5%	64.1%	71.9%
Nepal	80.6%	80.9%	83.3%	86.5%	86.7%
Sri Lanka	72.2%	78.2%	86.0%	87.8%	80.4%
Iran	52.9%	57.3%	57.9%	68.0%	62.1%
Cambodia	67.7%	63.7%	71.9%	76.3%	70.5%
Lebanon	29.8%	27.1%	20.3%	22.7%	25.2%
Zimbabwe	70.0%	67.8%	73.5%	77.8%	75.3%
Fiji	61.3%	63.3%	56.3%	66.7%	64.2%
Myanmar	68.6%	58.8%	69.8%	82.0%	82.3%
Thailand	55.7%	60.7%	63.3%	67.2%	51.6%
Other countries	52.9%	57.6%	55.9%	55.0%	59.5%
All Sponsored Tourist	66.4%	67.7%	67.7%	69.7%	73.5%

3 Grant rate

3.4 Grant rate for Business Visitor visa applications decided in the 3 month period between 1 April 2016 and 30 June 2016 by citizenship country - comparison with previous four periods

Citizenship Country	01/04/15 to 30/06/15	01/07/15 to 30/09/15	01/10/15 to 31/12/15	01/01/16 to 31/03/16	01/04/16 to 30/06/16
China, Peoples Republic of (excl SARs)	95.0%	93.6%	96.4%	96.2%	95.6%
India	94.7%	95.2%	95.8%	94.9%	95.8%
Korea, South	100.0%	99.9%	99.9%	99.9%	100.0%
Singapore	99.9%	100.0%	99.9%	100.0%	100.0%
Indonesia	98.5%	94.7%	97.1%	94.0%	96.1%
Vietnam	96.8%	96.3%	95.9%	96.5%	96.9%
Thailand	99.4%	99.6%	99.3%	99.7%	99.9%
Philippines	96.4%	96.4%	95.0%	92.1%	95.1%
Malaysia	99.2%	99.8%	99.9%	99.7%	99.7%
Japan	99.7%	99.6%	99.8%	99.8%	99.9%
Taiwan	99.9%	99.8%	99.6%	99.5%	99.2%
South Africa	98.1%	99.4%	97.7%	98.5%	97.1%
Papua New Guinea	99.6%	98.4%	97.5%	97.5%	89.1%
United States of America	93.4%	93.5%	95.1%	94.5%	93.7%
United Kingdom	96.2%	98.2%	92.3%	95.9%	95.1%
Other countries	87.6%	87.7%	83.9%	86.3%	86.9%
All Business Visitor	95.2%	94.7%	95.1%	95.1%	95.2%

3 Grant rate

3.5 Grant rate for subclass 651 eVisitor visa applications decided in the 3 month period between 1 April 2016 and 30 June 2016 by citizenship country - comparison with previous four periods

Citizenship Country	01/04/15 to 30/06/15	01/07/15 to 30/09/15	01/10/15 to 31/12/15	01/01/16 to 31/03/16	01/04/16 to 30/06/16
Andorra	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	92.9%
Austria	99.8%	99.4%	99.6%	99.5%	99.5%
Belgium	99.3%	99.4%	99.7%	99.2%	99.3%
Bulgaria	76.6%	80.1%	85.5%	80.3%	82.3%
Croatia	84.8%	84.7%	88.4%	85.8%	85.8%
Cyprus	99.1%	97.9%	99.6%	99.2%	99.4%
Czech Republic	98.7%	99.0%	99.3%	99.6%	99.2%
Denmark	99.3%	99.6%	99.8%	99.6%	99.5%
Estonia	94.2%	95.8%	98.2%	99.2%	97.3%
Finland	98.4%	99.5%	99.8%	99.3%	99.5%
France	99.3%	99.4%	99.4%	99.2%	99.1%
Germany, Fed Republic of	99.5%	99.6%	99.7%	99.6%	99.5%
Greece	96.4%	96.1%	98.1%	99.0%	96.3%
Hungary	97.5%	97.8%	98.1%	98.2%	97.2%
Iceland	100.0%	100.0%	99.2%	100.0%	100.0%
Ireland, Republic of	98.9%	99.1%	99.0%	99.0%	98.6%
Italy	99.0%	99.3%	99.4%	99.4%	99.4%
Latvia	88.8%	89.5%	93.1%	90.8%	90.5%
Liechtenstein	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Lithuania	89.2%	93.5%	94.3%	93.0%	94.5%
Luxembourg	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	98.2%
Malta	98.6%	100.0%	98.9%	100.0%	96.9%
Monaco	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	83.3%
Netherlands, Kingdom of The	99.5%	99.4%	99.4%	99.3%	99.2%
Norway	98.8%	98.9%	99.5%	99.6%	99.1%
Poland	99.4%	99.5%	99.6%	99.7%	99.5%
Portugal	99.7%	99.5%	99.2%	99.4%	98.9%
Romania	69.5%	73.7%	82.8%	74.7%	80.6%
San Marino	0.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Slovakia	94.6%	95.5%	98.3%	96.8%	97.1%
Slovenia	99.4%	99.3%	98.8%	99.2%	99.7%
Spain	98.8%	99.1%	99.4%	99.6%	99.5%
Sweden	99.3%	99.3%	99.7%	99.3%	99.2%
Switzerland	99.2%	99.6%	99.6%	99.6%	99.7%
United Kingdom	99.3%	99.5%	99.5%	99.4%	99.2%
Vatican City State Holy See	33.3%	80.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
All	98.8%	99.0%	99.3%	99.1%	98.9%

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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.

4 Processing times

4.1 Processing time (in calendar days) for Tourist Visitor visa applications granted in the 3 month period between 1 April 2016 and 30 June 2016 by citizenship country - comparison with previous four periods

Citizenship country	Percentile	1/04/15 to 30/06/15	1/07/15 to 30/09/15	1/10/15 to 31/12/15	1/01/16 to 31/03/16	1/04/16 to 30/06/16
China, Peoples Republic of (excl SARs)	25th percentile	1	1	1	1	1
	50th percentile (Median)	3	3	3	2	3
	75th percentile	6	5	5	4	4
India	25th percentile	2	2	4	5	3
	50th percentile (Median)	6	5	7	7	7
	75th percentile	10	9	11	13	12
Indonesia	25th percentile	2	0	2	2	3
	50th percentile (Median)	5	1	4	4	5
	75th percentile	7	3	7	6	7
Philippines	25th percentile	13	8	4	5	8
	50th percentile (Median)	23	24	14	12	27
	75th percentile	31	35	31	26	35
Thailand	25th percentile	8	8	8	9	12
	50th percentile (Median)	10	10	10	12	14
	75th percentile	13	13	12	13	16
Vietnam	25th percentile	2	4	7	7	9
	50th percentile (Median)	5	6	9	9	11
	75th percentile	10	8	12	13	13
South Africa	25th percentile	19	23	13	11	9
	50th percentile (Median)	27	31	17	17	15
	75th percentile	31	35	25	21	20
Brazil	25th percentile	0	0	0	0	0
	50th percentile (Median)	2	2	3	0	1
	75th percentile	5	4	7	6	7
Sri Lanka	25th percentile	5	6	7	5	4
	50th percentile (Median)	8	10	10	7	7
	75th percentile	14	16	14	11	12
Fiji	25th percentile	9	14	25	19	11
	50th percentile (Median)	15	18	29	28	14
	75th percentile	24	23	34	51	18
Other countries	25th percentile	2	2	3	2	2
	50th percentile (Median)	8	8	10	8	10
	75th percentile	18	17	19	19	20
All	25th percentile	1	2	2	2	2
	50th percentile (Median)	5	4	4	4	4
	75th percentile	10	10	10	9	10

4 Processing times

4.2 Processing time (in calendar days) for Business Visitor visa applications granted in the 3 month period between 1 April 2016 and 30 June 2016 by citizenship country - comparison with previous four periods

Citizenship country	Percentile	1/04/15 to 30/06/15	1/07/15 to 30/09/15	1/10/15 to 31/12/15	1/01/16 to 31/03/16	1/04/16 to 30/06/16
China, Peoples Republic of (excl SARs)	25th percentile	1	1	1	1	1
	50th percentile (Median)	1	2	2	2	3
	75th percentile	4	4	4	4	5
India	25th percentile	1	1	2	1	1
	50th percentile (Median)	4	4	6	4	4
	75th percentile	7	7	8	7	7
Korea, South	25th percentile	0	0	0	0	0
	50th percentile (Median)	0	1	0	1	1
	75th percentile	1	2	3	3	3
Singapore	25th percentile	0	0	0	0	1
	50th percentile (Median)	1	1	1	1	2
	75th percentile	3	3	3	4	4
Indonesia	25th percentile	0	0	0	0	0
	50th percentile (Median)	1	1	1	1	1
	75th percentile	3	2	3	3	3
Vietnam	25th percentile	1	1	1	1	1
	50th percentile (Median)	4	4	3	2	6
	75th percentile	10	6	7	4	8
Thailand	25th percentile	1	1	2	2	4
	50th percentile (Median)	1	4	4	4	7
	75th percentile	4	7	6	7	10
Philippines	25th percentile	3	3	1	2	4
	50th percentile (Median)	7	8	3	6	7
	75th percentile	11	13	6	9	11
Malaysia	25th percentile	1	0	0	0	0
	50th percentile (Median)	1	1	1	1	1
	75th percentile	2	3	3	1	6
Japan	25th percentile	0	0	0	0	1
	50th percentile (Median)	0	1	0	1	1
	75th percentile	1	3	2	3	5
Other countries	25th percentile	1	1	1	1	1
	50th percentile (Median)	6	6	5	6	5
	75th percentile	14	13	13	13	13
All	25th percentile	1	1	1	1	1
	50th percentile (Median)	2	2	3	2	3
	75th percentile	6	7	6	6	7

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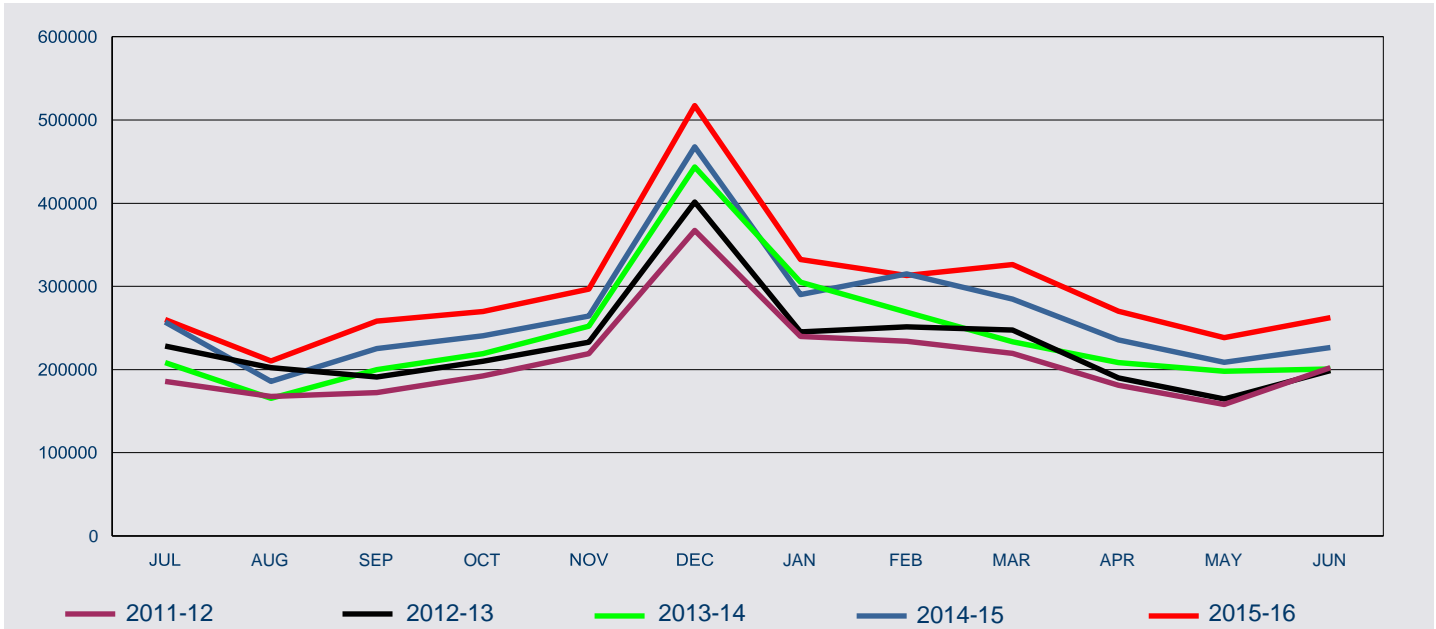
5.01 Number of Visitor visa applications on hand at 30 June 2016 by visa group - comparison with previous four periods

Visa Group	On hand at 30/06/15	On hand at 30/09/15	On hand at 31/12/15	On hand at 31/03/16	On hand at 30/06/16
Tourism					
Tourist Visitor	40 443	44 372	43 666	48 480	51 006
ETA Tourist	68	44	39	41	49
eVisitor Tourist	1 237	1 151	1 284	875	1 792
Sponsored Tourist	3 089	4 215	5 974	5 582	4 094
sub total Tourism	44 837	49 782	50 963	54 978	56 941
Business					
Business Visitor	5 512	6 499	5 546	6 838	6 973
ETA Business	14	8	9	9	6
eVisitor Business	173	85	102	112	204
Sponsored Business	0	0	0	0	0
sub total Business	5 699	6 592	5 657	6 959	7 183
Total	50 536	56 374	56 620	61 937	64 124

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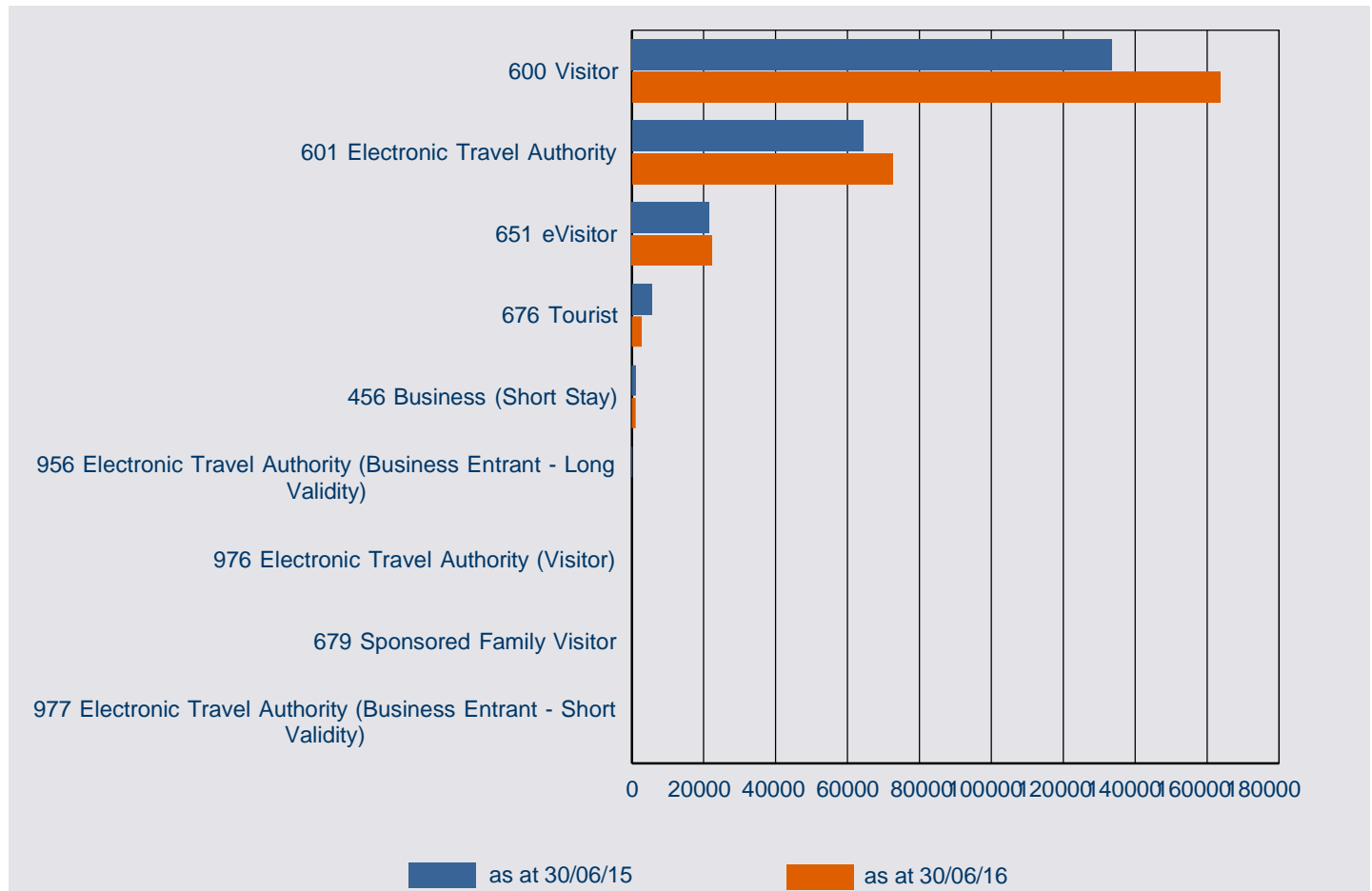
6.1 Number of Visitor visa holders in Australia at the end of each month in 2015-16 to 30 June 2016 by month - comparison with previous four financial years



Fin'l Year	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
2011-12	185,861	167,641	172,453	192,207	219,243	367,356	239,670	234,192	219,626	181,158	158,135	202,228
2012-13	228,156	202,378	191,196	209,747	232,888	401,329	245,207	251,207	247,335	189,878	164,794	198,690
2013-14	208,286	165,215	199,848	219,205	252,073	443,478	305,056	269,083	233,494	208,375	198,040	200,731
2014-15	256,954	185,566	225,265	240,615	264,437	467,748	290,156	315,007	284,854	235,553	208,649	226,395
2015-16	260,199	210,168	258,077	269,652	296,608	517,090	332,160	312,976	326,178	270,141	238,211	262,445

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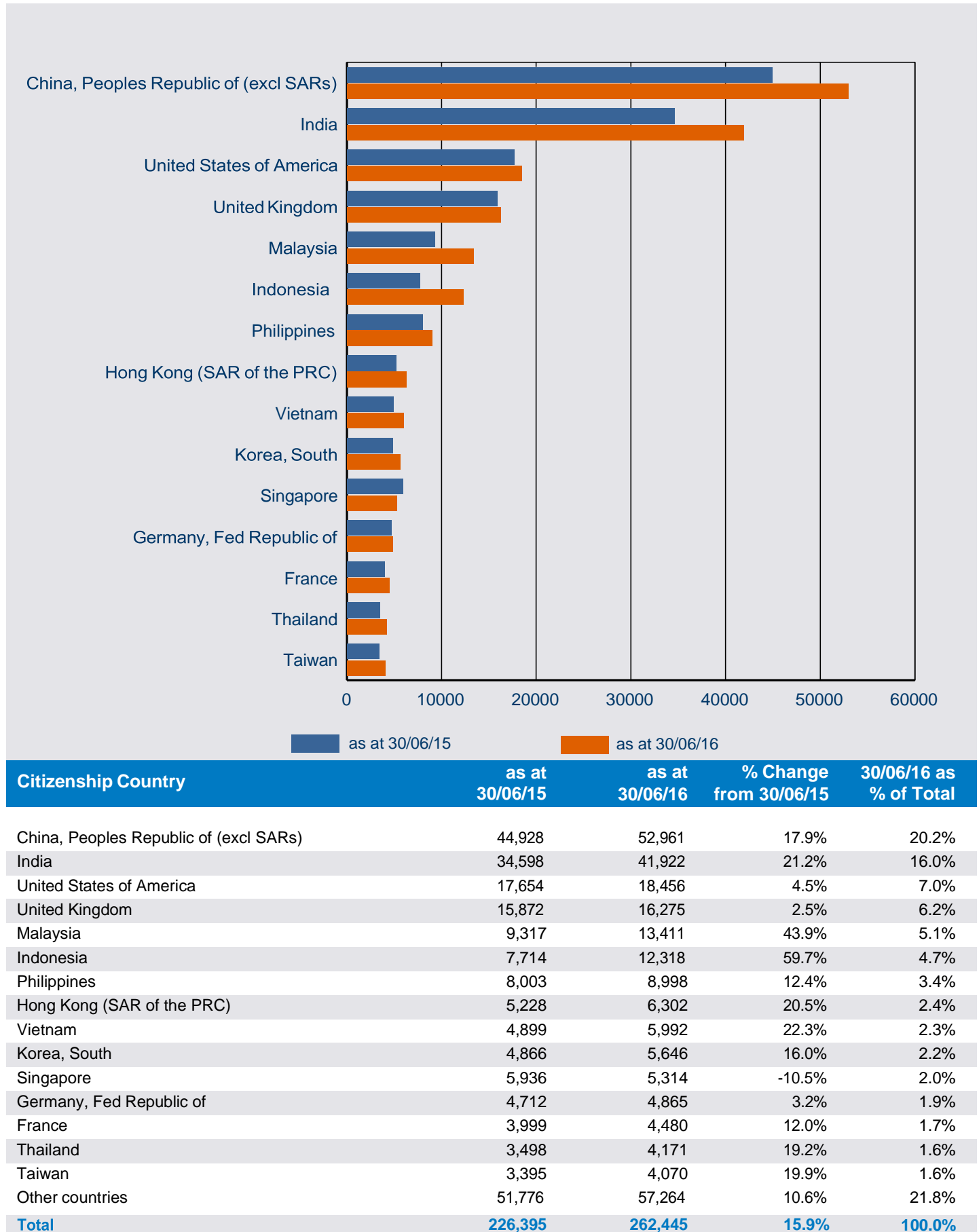
6.2 Number of Visitor visa holders in Australia as at 30 June 2016 by visa subclass - comparison with same date in previous year



Visa Subclass	as at 30/06/15	as at 30/06/16	% Change from 30/06/15	30/06/16 as % of Total
600 Visitor	133,509	163,596	22.5%	62.3%
601 Electronic Travel Authority	64,328	72,544	12.8%	27.6%
651 eVisitor	21,556	22,345	3.7%	8.5%
676 Tourist	5,534	2,706	-51.1%	1.0%
456 Business (Short Stay)	1,179	1,038	-12.0%	0.4%
956 Electronic Travel Authority (Business Entrant - Long Validity)	156	88	-43.6%	0.0%
976 Electronic Travel Authority (Visitor)	76	74	-2.6%	0.0%
679 Sponsored Family Visitor	41	38	-7.3%	0.0%
977 Electronic Travel Authority (Business Entrant - Short Validity)	16	16	0.0%	0.0%
Total	226,395	262,445	15.9%	100.0%

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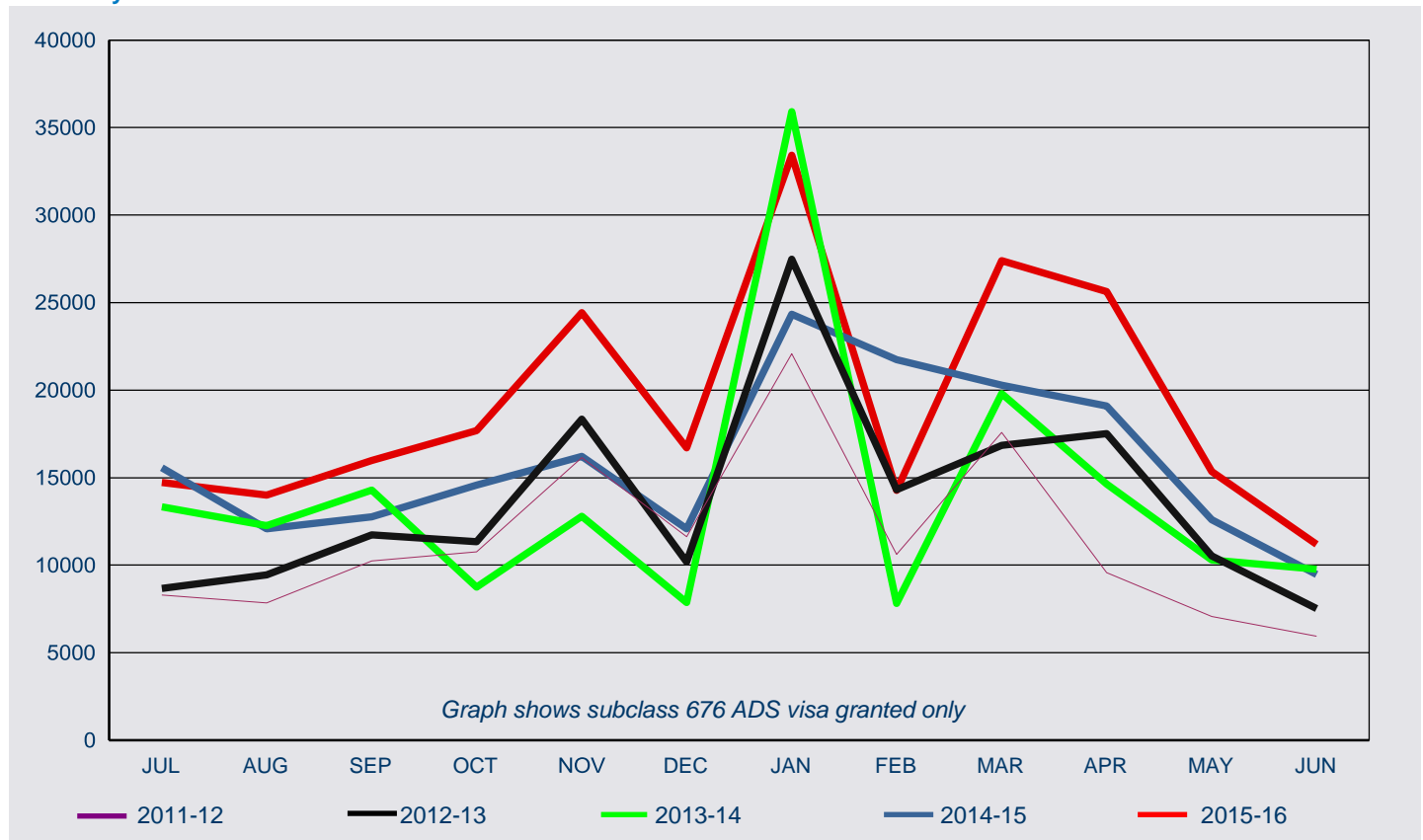
6.3 Number of Visitor visa holders in Australia as at 30 June 2016 by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year



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7.01 Number of subclass 676 and subclass 600 visa applications granted in 2015-16 to 30 June 2016 under the tourism stream where the citizenship country is Peoples Republic of China (PRC) by visa type - comparison with previous four financial years



subclass 676/600 ADS for PRC

FY Granted	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Total
2011-12	8,294	7,851	10,244	10,760	16,140	11,631	22,087	10,614	17,589	9,569	7,075	5,943	137,797
2012-13	8,673	9,445	11,728	11,340	18,336	10,181	27,492	14,305	16,839	17,511	10,522	7,522	163,894
2013-14	13,343	12,258	14,287	8,737	12,795	7,865	35,916	7,816	19,793	14,628	10,284	9,775	167,497
2014-15	15,572	12,077	12,765	14,571	16,207	12,068	24,333	21,748	20,278	19,093	12,603	9,470	190,785
2015-16	14,722	13,995	15,980	17,690	24,426	16,703	33,421	14,277	27,402	25,628	15,359	11,201	230,804

subclass 676/600 non-ADS for PRC

FY Granted	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Total
2011-12	14,570	14,440	12,707	10,978	18,016	17,382	19,003	11,621	12,212	13,452	13,531	19,913	177,825
2012-13	18,909	18,262	17,626	15,108	20,473	19,731	33,006	10,615	14,937	15,153	16,277	20,550	220,647
2013-14	26,512	23,118	20,302	20,141	29,628	35,135	41,988	12,995	22,790	20,227	24,292	28,886	306,014
2014-15	33,023	24,364	29,732	29,598	37,201	43,101	53,650	22,572	24,934	25,713	28,572	36,355	388,815
2015-16	41,055	34,315	36,120	36,635	49,431	59,217	59,720	22,939	37,298	34,892	38,764	46,681	497,067

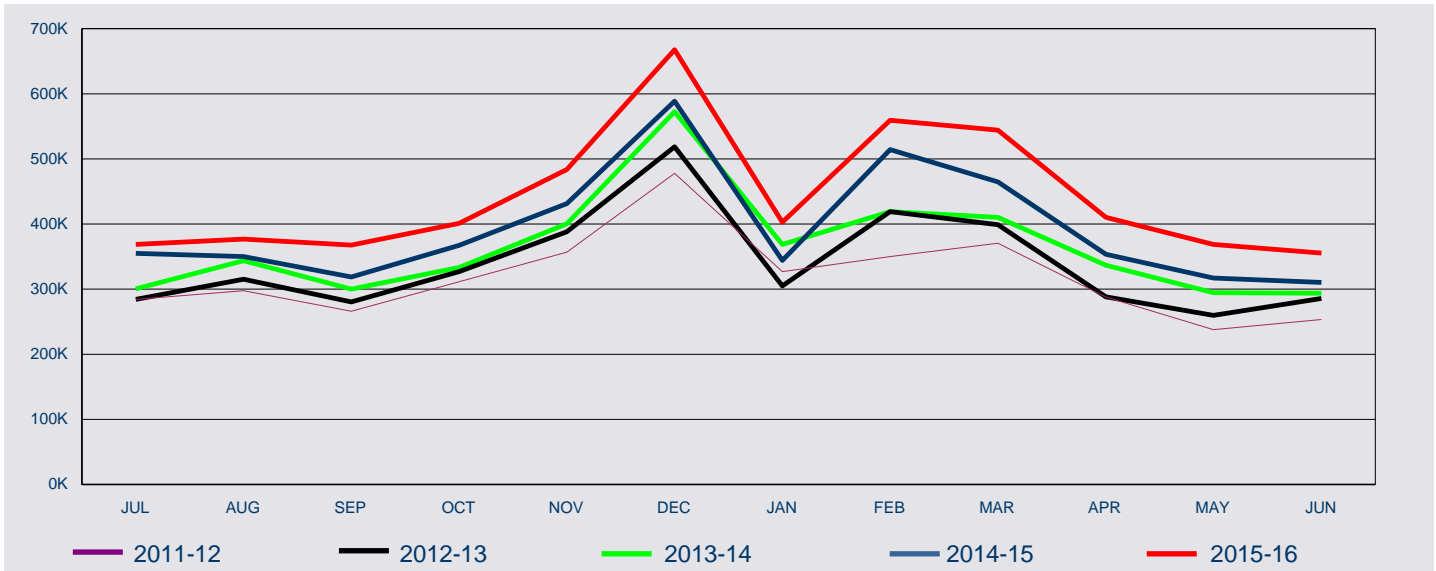
Total subclass 676/600 for PRC

FY Granted	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Total
2011-12	22,864	22,291	22,951	21,738	34,156	29,013	41,090	22,235	29,801	23,021	20,606	25,856	315,622
2012-13	27,582	27,707	29,354	26,448	38,809	29,912	60,498	24,920	31,776	32,664	26,799	28,072	384,541
2013-14	39,855	35,376	34,589	28,878	42,423	43,000	77,904	20,811	42,583	34,855	34,576	38,661	473,511
2014-15	48,595	36,441	42,497	44,169	53,408	55,169	77,983	44,320	45,212	44,806	41,175	45,825	579,600
2015-16	55,777	48,310	52,100	54,325	73,857	75,920	93,141	37,216	64,700	60,520	54,123	57,882	727,871

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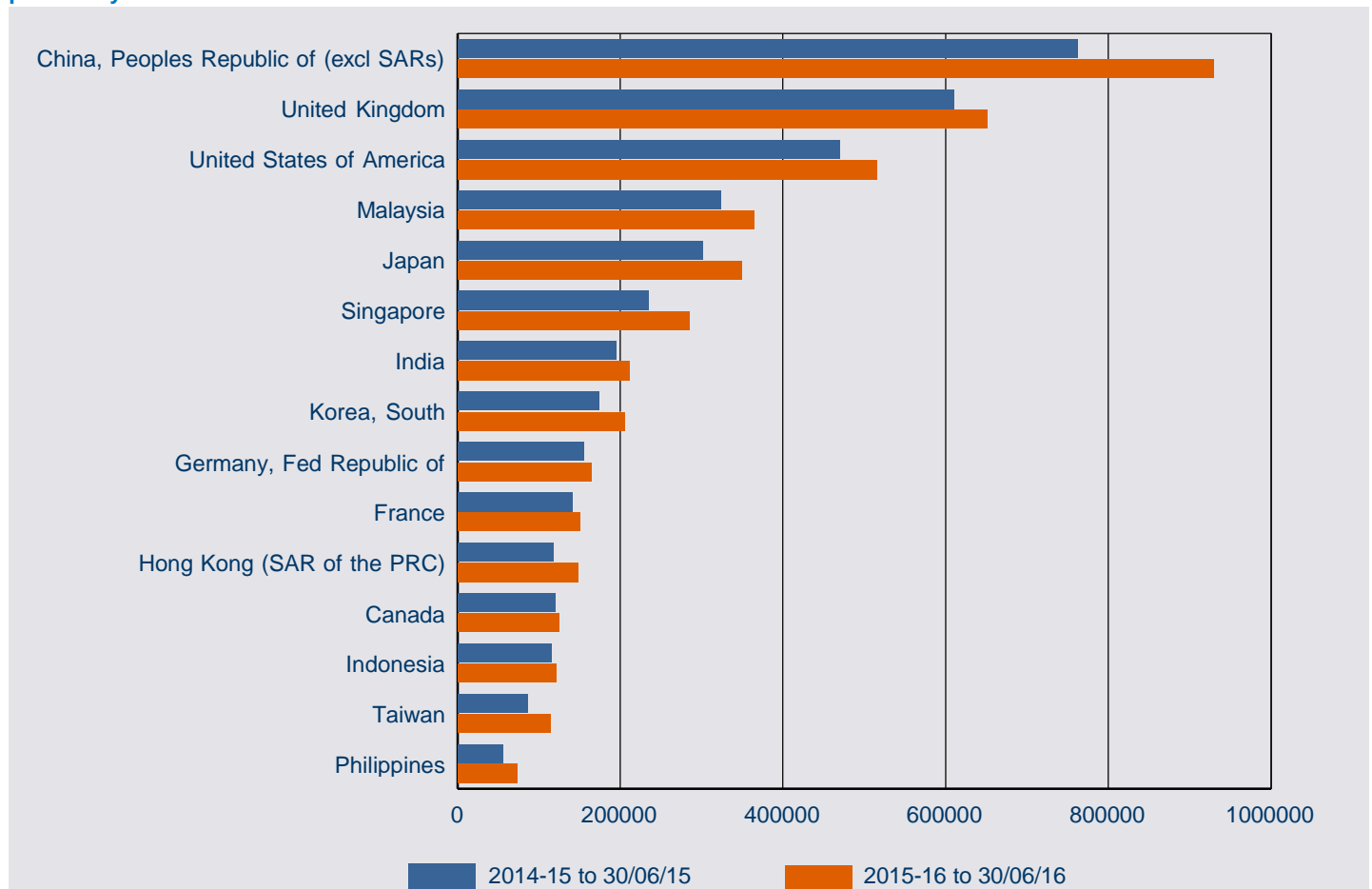
8.1 Number of Visitor visa arrivals ('000) in 2015-16 to 30 June 2016 - comparison with previous four financial years



FY Arrived	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Total
2011-12	284	297	266	311	357	478	327	350	371	288	238	254	3,821
2012-13	284	315	280	327	388	519	305	419	399	288	260	286	4,070
2013-14	300	344	300	333	401	572	369	419	410	337	295	293	4,373
2014-15	355	350	318	367	431	589	344	514	465	354	317	310	4,714
2015-16	369	377	368	401	484	667	403	559	544	410	369	355	5,306

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8.2 Number of Visitor visa arrivals in 2015-16 to 30 June 2016 by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year



Citizenship Country	2014-15 to 30/06/15	2015-16 to 30/06/16	% Change from 2014-15	2015-16 as % of Total
China, Peoples Republic of (excl SARs)	762,191	929,420	21.9%	17.5%
United Kingdom	609,896	651,342	6.8%	12.3%
United States of America	469,513	515,003	9.7%	9.7%
Malaysia	322,907	364,235	12.8%	6.9%
Japan	301,519	348,909	15.7%	6.6%
Singapore	235,123	284,821	21.1%	5.4%
India	194,710	211,399	8.6%	4.0%
Korea, South	173,848	205,861	18.4%	3.9%
Germany, Fed Republic of	155,223	164,051	5.7%	3.1%
France	141,199	150,453	6.6%	2.8%
Hong Kong (SAR of the PRC)	118,426	147,722	24.7%	2.8%
Canada	119,465	125,139	4.7%	2.4%
Indonesia	115,297	120,801	4.8%	2.3%
Taiwan	86,702	114,090	31.6%	2.2%
Philippines	56,297	73,157	29.9%	1.4%
Other countries	851,638	899,261	5.6%	16.9%
Total	4,713,954	5,305,664	12.6%	100.0%

