

## Working Holiday Maker visa program report

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#### About this report

This report provides monthly and program year data on the Working Holiday Maker (WHM) visa program administered by the Department of Immigration and Citizenship (the department). The report has been provided to assist policymakers and stakeholder organisations.

This report is published every six months, and further developments will occur over time to increase and improve information sharing about the WHM program. Current and previous versions of the report are available on the department's website at:

www.immi.gov.au/media/statistics/visitor.htm

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, data from the current financial year should always be considered provisional.

Further information about the Working Holiday Maker program is available on the department's website at: www.immi.gov.au/visitors/working-holiday/

#### Notes on statistical tables presented by citizenship country

A result of 'na' indicates that the country did not have a Working Holiday Maker arrangement with Australia during the specified period. Refer to the table 'Australia's Working Holiday Maker visa arrangements' in the 'Background to the Working Holiday Maker visa program' section.

A citizenship country of 'Not Specified' can result from eligible dual nationality applicants where the non eligible nationality has been recorded for the WHM application.

#### **Enquiries**

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#### Definition of terms

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.

Granted: Unless otherwise specified, the number of visas granted includes all visa grants.

Snapshot date: The snapshot date is a point in time at which a count is undertaken. In this report, the

number of visa holders in Australia at a point in time is used.

Visa applicant: Used to refer to clients applying for a visa.

Working Holiday Maker: Refers collectively to both the Working Holiday (subclass 417) visa and the Work and

Holiday (subclass 462) visa.

#### Background to the Working Holiday Maker visa program

The Working Holiday Maker (WHM) program's purpose is to foster closer ties and cultural exchange between Australia and partner countries, with particular emphasis on young adults. It has been in existence since 1975. Today, the WHM program is comprised of the Working Holiday (subclass 417) and the Work and Holiday (subclass 462) visa programs. Partner countries initially comprised a relatively small number of Commonwealth countries, but the program has since grown to encompass 29 partner nations and regions (Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China) from across the globe.

Australia has an overarching bilateral arrangement, usually in the form of a Memorandum of Understanding, with each partner country. Of the 29 partner countries, 19 are Working Holiday (subclass 417) visa arrangements, and ten are Work and Holiday (subclass 462) visa arrangements. The key differences between the two visas are that Work and Holiday visa arrangements generally have caps on the number of visas granted annually and additional eligibility requirements. Two of the Work and Holiday visa arrangements that Australia has signed, with Papua New Guinea and Uruguay, are not yet in effect. These arrangements will be implemented once both Australia and each of these partner countries have the necessary legislative and administrative systems in place. Announcements will be made on the department's website once the implementation has been completed for each country, enabling visas to be issued under the arrangements.

WHM arrangements are reciprocal in nature, providing Australians with similar opportunities overseas. In considering whether to add new WHM partner countries, the Australian Government considers a range of factors, including the ability of the prospective partner to offer reciprocity to Australians, and the strength of any cultural and people to people links.

#### Eligibility Requirements

All WHM (both Working Holiday and Work and Holiday) visa applicants must:

- be aged 18-30 at time of application;
- hold a passport from an eligible partner country;
- not be accompanied by dependent children during their stay in Australia;
- meet health and character requirements; and
- meet financial requirements.

Work and Holiday visa applicants must meet additional requirements, including:

- functional English;
- successful completion of at least two years of undergraduate university study; and
- a letter of home government support in association with their visa application.

#### Partner Countries

Working Holiday (subclass 417):

- 1 Belgium
- 2 Canada
- 3 Cyprus
- 4 Denmark
- 5 Estonia
- 6 Finland 7 France
- 8 Germany
- Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China (HKSAR of the PRC)
- 10 Ireland
- 11 Italy
- 12 Japan
- 13 Korea, Republic of
- 14 Malta
- 15 Netherlands
- 16 Norway
- 17 Sweden
- 18 Taiwan
- 19 United Kingdom

Work and Holiday (subclass 462):

- 1 Argentina
- 2 Bangladesh
- 3 Chile
- 4 Indonesia
- 5 Malaysia
- 6 Papua new Guinea
- 7 Thailand
- 8 Turkey
- 9 United States of America
- 10 Uruguay

#### Background to the Working Holiday Maker visa program - continued

Countries with which Australia is currently negotiating new Work and Holiday (subclass 462) arrangements

- 1 Andorra
- 2 Czech Republic
- 3 Greece
- 4 Hungary
- 5 Israel
- 6 Latvia
- 7 Mexico

- 8 Poland
- 9 Portugal
- 10 San Marino
- 11 Slovak Republic
- 12 Spain
- 13 Vietnam

#### Working while in Australia

All WHMs may work for the full duration of their 12 month stay in Australia, but may not remain with any one employer for longer than six months (by operation of mandatory visa condition 8547).

#### Studying while in Australia

All WHMs are entitled to study for a period of up to four months during their 12 month stay in Australia.

#### Second Working Holiday

Participants are generally limited to holding only one Working Holiday visa or Work and Holiday visa in their lifetime. However, on 1 November 2005, the second Working Holiday visa initiative was introduced. This initiative allows first time Working Holiday (subclass 417) visa holders who undertake 88 days 'specified work' in regional Australia during their stay to acquire eligibility to apply for a second such visa. The initiative is not available to Work and Holiday (subclass 462) participants.

'Specified work' includes work in the agriculture, mining and construction industries. For the purposes of the second Working Holiday visa initiative, regional Australia includes large parts of rural and regional Australia, which are identified in a list of postcodes available on the department's website at: www.immi.gov.au/visitors/working-holiday/417/postcodes.htm

The number of second Working Holiday visa grants has grown rapidly since the program commenced in late 2005. There were 2 692 grants in 2005-06, compared with 30 501 in 2011-12. This is slightly more than an eleven-fold increase over seven years. In 2011-12, approximately one in six first time Working Holiday visa holders went on to acquire a second Working Holiday visa.

The second Working Holiday visa program has grown to constitute 14.5 per cent of the overall Working Holiday program by 31 December 2012. This compares with just 3.3 per cent share of overall Working Holiday visa holders in Australia as at 30 June 2006.

#### **Processing Times**

The visa processing service standard for first Working Holiday (subclass 417) visa applications is that 75 per cent are finalised within six calendar days of lodgement. In the six months to 31 December 2012, 77.4 per cent of first Working Holiday visas were finalised within service standards. The service standard for second Working Holiday (subclass 417) visa applications is that 75 per cent are finalised within 21 calendar days of lodgement. In the six months to 31 December 2012, 70.4 per cent of second Working Holiday visas were finalised within service standards.

The visa processing service standard for Work and Holiday (subclass 462) online visa applications (USA nationals only) is that 75 per cent are finalised within six calendar days of lodgement. In the six months to 31 December 2012, 85.6 per cent of online Work and Holiday visa applications were finalised within service standards. The service standard for Work and Holiday (subclass 462) paper visa applications is that 75 per cent are finalised within 14 calendar days of lodgement. In the six months to 31 December 2012, 71.4 per cent of paper Work and Holiday visa applications were finalised within service standards.

Processing times may be affected by factors such as the completeness of applications lodged and additional checks performed by visa processing officers, such as those relating to health and character.

#### Australia's Working Holiday Maker visa arrangements

Commencement Date	Country / Region	Type of Agreement	Сар
1975	United Kingdom	Working Holiday (SC 417)	N/A
1975	Ireland	Working Holiday (SC 417)	N/A
1975	Canada	Working Holiday (SC 417)	N/A
1 December 1980	Japan	Working Holiday (SC 417)	N/A
1 July 1995	South Korea	Working Holiday (SC 417)	N/A
1 July 1996	Malta	Working Holiday (SC 417)	N/A
1 July 2000	Germany	Working Holiday (SC 417)	N/A
1 July 2001	Sweden	Working Holiday (SC 417)	N/A
1 July 2001	Norway	Working Holiday (SC 417)	N/A
1 July 2001	Denmark	Working Holiday (SC 417)	N/A
15 September 2001	HKSAR of the PRC	Working Holiday (SC 417)	N/A
1 May 2002	Finland	Working Holiday (SC 417)	N/A
1 July 2002	Cyprus	Working Holiday (SC 417)	N/A
2 January 2004	Italy	Working Holiday (SC 417)	N/A
20 February 2004	France	Working Holiday (SC 417)	N/A
1 November 2004	Taiwan	Working Holiday (SC 417)	N/A
1 November 2004	Belgium	Working Holiday (SC 417)	N/A
20 May 2005	Estonia	Working Holiday (SC 417)	N/A
1 August 2005	Thailand	Work and Holiday (SC 462)	500
1 March 2006	Chile	Work and Holiday (SC 462)	1500
1 July 2006	Netherlands	Working Holiday (SC 417)	N/A
31 March 2007	Turkey	Work and Holiday (SC 462)	100
31 October 2007	United States of America	Work and Holiday (SC 462)	N/A
1 February 2009	Malaysia	Work and Holiday (SC 462)	100
1 July 2009	Indonesia	Work and Holiday (SC 462)	100
31 December 2010	Bangladesh	Work and Holiday (SC 462)	100
29 February 2012	Argentina	Work and Holiday (SC 462)	500
Signed 12 October 2011			
- not yet in effect	Papua New Guinea	Work and Holiday (SC 462)	100
Signed 29 November 2012			
- not yet in effect	Uruguay	Work and Holiday (SC 462)	200

#### Recent developments in the Working Holiday Maker program

#### 3 July 2012 Expansion of Work and Holiday arrangement with Indonesia

On 3 July 2012, the Prime Minister announced an increase to the cap for the Work and Holiday (subclass 462) visa arrangement with Indonesia from 100 to 1000 places. The expanded program is expected to come into effect in early 2013, once both Australia and Indonesia have implemented the necessary administrative arrangements.

#### 14 August 2012 Commencement of Work and Holiday arrangement negotiations with Greece

On 14 August 2012, the Minister for Immigration and Citizenship announced the commencement of negotiations for a reciprocal capped Work and Holiday (subclass 462) visa arrangement with Greece.

#### 13 November 2012 Commencement of Work and Holiday arrangement negotiations with additional countries On

13 November 2012, the Minister for Immigration and Citizenship announced the commencement of negotiations for reciprocal capped Work and Holiday (subclass 462) visa arrangements with the Czech Republic, Hungary, Israel, Latvia, Poland, and the Slovak Republic.

#### 29 November 2012 Work and Holiday Arrangement signed with Uruguay

Australia signed a Work and Holiday (subclass 462) visa arrangement with Uruguay on 29 November 2012. The arrangement is expected to come into effect in the coming months, once administrative arrangements for the grant of visas have been implemented by both countries.

#### **Executive Summary**

#### **Key Points**

- In the six months to 31 December 2012, a total of 136 155 Working Holiday Maker (WHM) visas were granted, a 23.2 per cent increase compared to the corresponding period in 2011-12.
- There were increases in grant numbers for all WHM visa categories. First Working Holiday (subclass 417) visa grants increased 22.7 per cent to 112 396, second Working Holiday (subclass 417) visa grants increased 29.4 per cent to 19 112, and Work and Holiday (subclass 462) visa grants increased 12.1 per cent to 4 647.
- There were 162 475 WHM (subclass 417 and subclass 462) visa holders in Australia at 31 December 2012, a 20.5 per cent increase compared to 31 December 2011.

#### 1 Applications lodged

In the six months to 31 December 2012, there was a 28.3 per cent increase in WHM visa application lodgements compared to the corresponding period in 2011-12, with growth in applications lodged for all WHM visa categories.

There were a total of 117 227 first Working Holiday (subclass 417) visa applications, 21 866 second Working Holiday (subclass 417) visa applications, and 4 788 Work and Holiday (subclass 462) visa applications lodged in the six months to 31 December 2012.

The very high average grant rate of WHM visas (around 99 per cent - see Section 3) means the number of visas granted tends to be very close to the number of visa applications lodged during the period, noting that there can be a delay between lodgement and grant as applications are processed.

#### 2 Visas granted

#### First Working Holiday (subclass 417) visa program

A total of 112 396 first Working Holiday visas were granted in the six months to 31 December 2012. This is a 22.7 per cent increase over the corresponding period in 2011-12. This continues the positive growth in the program following a decline in 2009-10 and largely appears to be associated with the wider global economic situation, as labour market opportunities in some partner countries remain uncertain and opportunities for a working holiday appear more attractive to clients.

The top five countries for first Working Holiday visa grants were:

- United Kingdom (up 14.8 per cent to 20 386);
- Taiwan (up 105.1 per cent to 14 921);
- South Korea (up 11.9 per cent to 14 181);
- Germany (up 21.8 per cent to 13 837); and
- France (up 24.4 per cent to 12 611).

The most notable visa grant growth has been seen within the country caseloads of Taiwan (105.1 per cent), Italy (79.9 per cent), HKSAR of the PRC (65.2 per cent), France (24.4 per cent) and Germany (21.8 per cent).

#### Second Working Holiday (subclass 417) visa program

A total of 19 112 second Working Holiday visas were granted in the six months to 31 December 2012. This is a 29.4 per cent increase over the corresponding period in 2011-12. This is largely the result of a flow-on effect from the positive growth experienced by the first Working Holiday visa program in 2011-12, which experienced 13.0 per cent growth.

There is a direct but delayed flow-on relationship between the rate of first Working Holiday visa grants and the rate of second Working Holiday visa grants, but it usually takes 12 to 18 months to be reflected in the data. Thus, where there has been an increase or decrease in first Working Holiday visa grants, a similar but delayed trend will follow in second Working Holiday visa grants.

The top five countries for second Working Holiday visa grants were:

- United Kingdom (up 22.6 per cent to 3 749);
- Ireland (up 33.7 per cent to 3 735);
- Taiwan (up 65.8 per cent to 3 048);
- South Korea (up 5.5 per cent to 2 663); and
- France (up 26.6 per cent to 1 204).

There were also notable increases in second Working Holiday visa grant growth rates for Italy (64.6 per cent), HKSAR of the PRC (65.5 per cent) and Japan (25.6 per cent).

In the six months to 31 December 2012, around 85 per cent of second Working Holiday visa applicants indicated they engaged in agricultural work in order to be eligible to apply for the second Working Holiday visa. Around nine per cent undertook construction work and around two per cent undertook mining work (see Table 2.13). The employment of the remaining four per cent of participants has not been disaggregated. Program industry data is derived from employer ABNs provided by applicants when evidencing their completion of specified work. On occasion, the ABN supplied may be used for more than one business activity, or an ABN may not have been available, such as for certain types of volunteer work.

#### **Executive Summary - continued**

#### Combined Working Holiday (subclass 417) visa program

The combined Working Holiday visa program (first and second) grew by 23.6 per cent, with 131 508 visas granted in the six months to 31 December 2012. The program has experienced continued growth following the decline in visa grants experienced in 2009-10, noting that with the exception of 2009-10, the program has steadily grown each year for the last decade. Program growth is expected to continue for the foreseeable future, but to an extent this will be contingent upon the wider global economic situation.

The top five countries for combined first and second Working Holiday visa grants for the six months to 31 December 2012 were:

- United Kingdom (up 15.9 per cent to 24 135);
- Taiwan (up 97.2 per cent to 17 969);
- South Korea (up 10.8 per cent to 16 844);
- Germany (up 21.2 per cent to 14 719); and
- France (up 24.5 per cent to 13 815).

#### Work and Holiday (subclass 462) visa program

A total of 4 647 Work and Holiday visas were granted in the six months to 31 December 2012. This is a 12.1 per cent increase over the corresponding period in 2011-12.

The top five countries for visa grants under the Work and Holiday visa program were:

- United States of America (up 4.7 per cent to 3 487);
- Thailand (up 29.1 per cent to 390);
- Chile (up 22.5 per cent to 381);
- · Argentina (240); and
- Malaysia (100).

There has been continued growth in the USA caseload, and a faster take up of visas by Thai, Chilean and Argentinian citizens compared to the corresponding period in 2011-12. Malaysia has already fully subscribed its cap six months into the 2012-13 program year. Visa grants will continue under the Work and Holiday arrangement with Indonesia pending implementation of an expanded program in early 2013, as announced by the Prime Minister in July 2012.

#### 3 Grant rates

The grant rate for first Working Holiday visas for the six months to 31 December 2012 was 99.5 per cent. The grant rate for second Working Holiday visas was 95.0 per cent, and the grant rate for Work and Holiday visas was 99.2 per cent.

The grant rates for WHM visas are indicative of the low risk nature of this caseload. The large proportion of online applications for this caseload also contributes to the high grant rate. A number of automated eligibility checks occur during online applications, alerting clients early in the process if they do not meet visa requirements.

#### 4 Working Holiday Makers in Australia

#### Working Holiday (subclass 417) visa holders

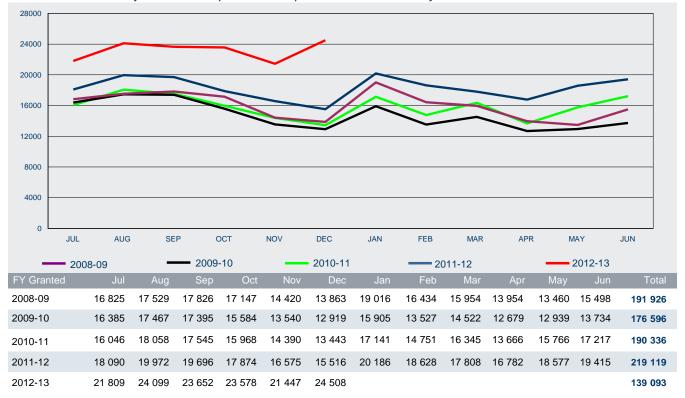
As at 31 December 2012, there were 157 566 Working Holiday visa holders in Australia (first and second visas). This is a 20.6 per cent increase over the number of Working Holiday visa holders in Australia at 31 December 2011 and reflects the larger number of visas granted in the six months to 31 December 2012, compared to the same period in 2011.

#### Work and Holiday (subclass 462) visa holders

As at 31 December 2012, there were 4 909 Work and Holiday visa holders in Australia. This is a 16.2 per cent increase over the number of Work and Holiday visa holders in Australia at 31 December 2011.

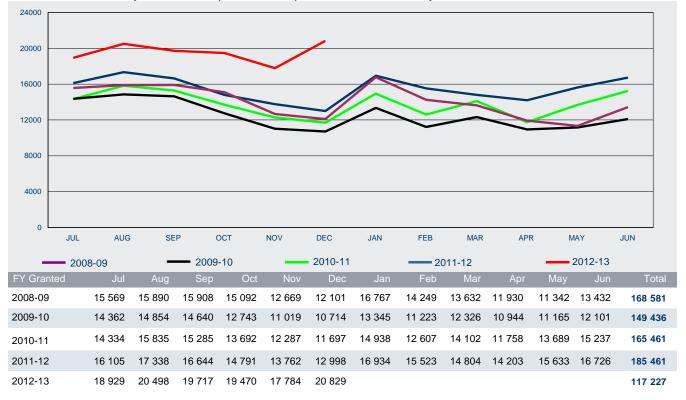
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31 December 2012 by month - comparison with previous four financial years



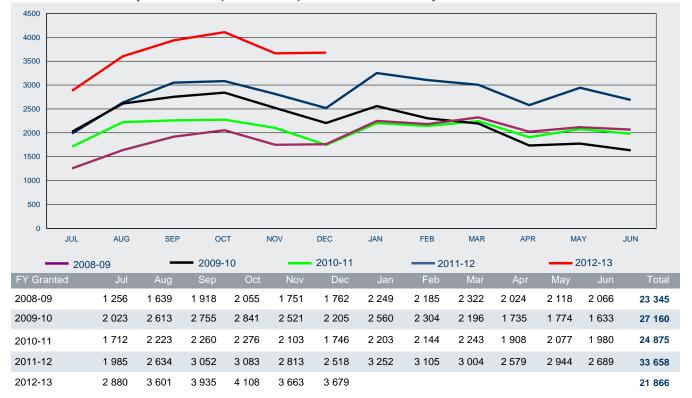
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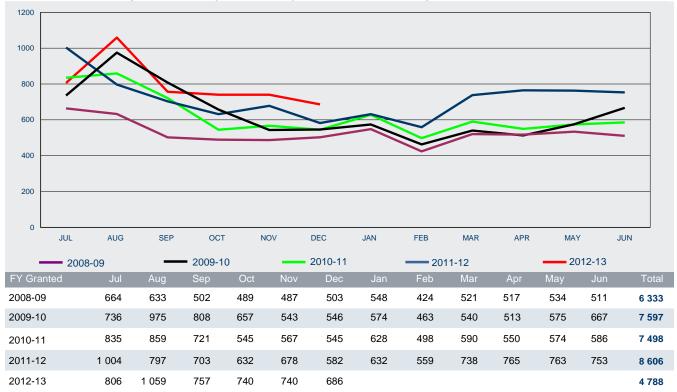
1.03 Number of second Working Holiday (subclass 417) visa applications lodged in 2012-13 to

31 December 2012 by month - comparison with previous four financial years



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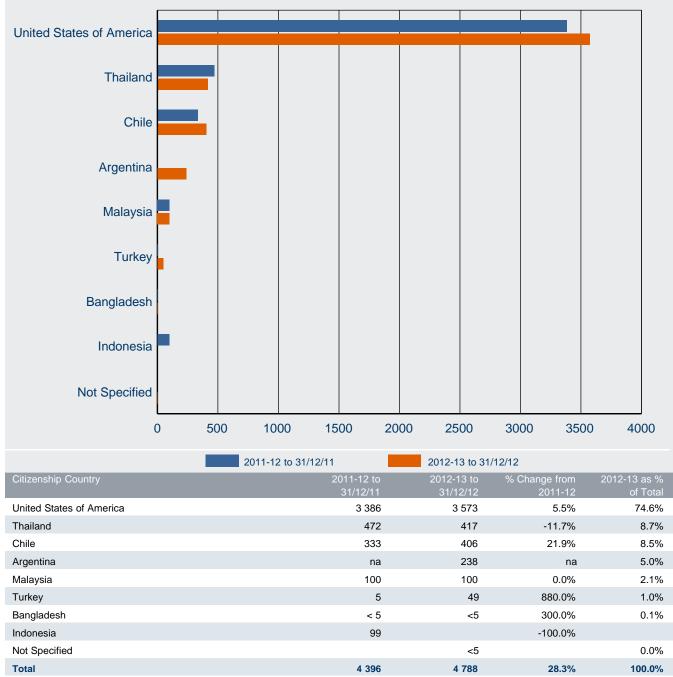
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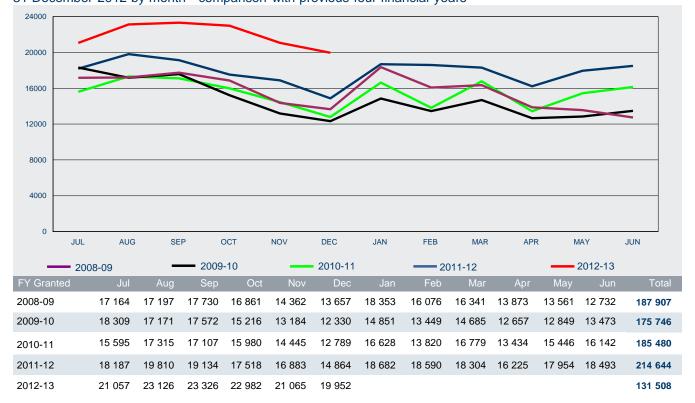


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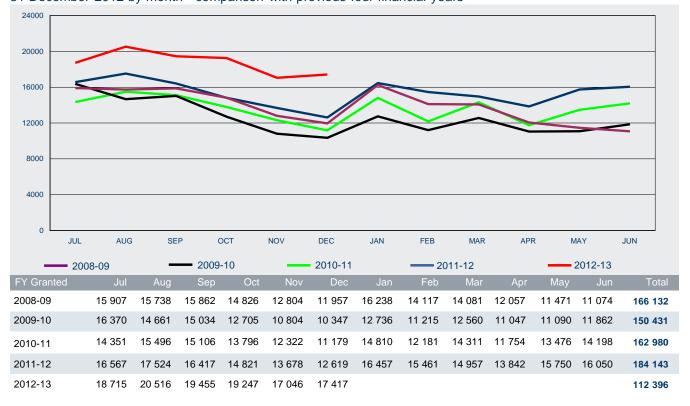
31 December 2012 by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous financial year



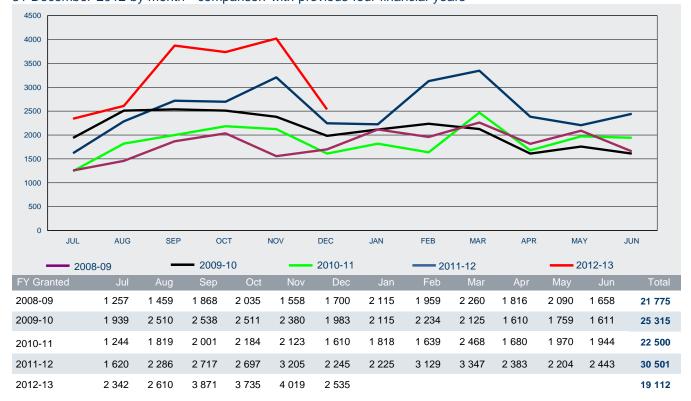
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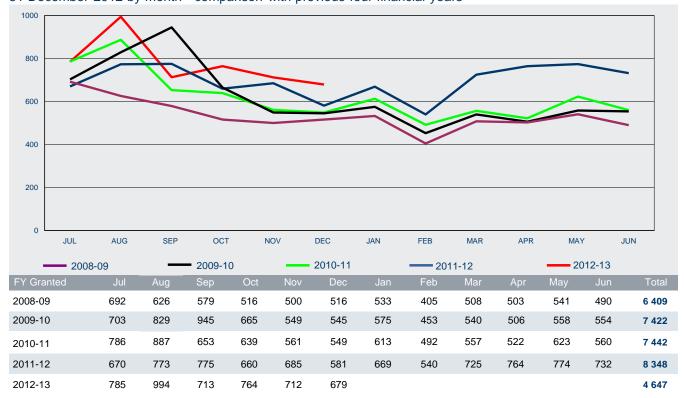
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2.04 Total number of Work and Holiday (subclass 462) visa applications granted in 2012-13 to 31 December 2012 by month - comparison with previous four financial years



2.05 Total number of Working Holiday (subclass 417) visa applications granted in 2012-13 to 31 December 2012 by citizenship country - comparison with the previous four financial years

O:4:	2008-09 to	2009 10 to	2010 11 to	2011 12 to	2012 13 to	% Change from	2012-13 as a
Citizenship Country	31/12/08	31/12/09	31/12/10	31/12/11	31/12/12	2011 12	% of Total
United Kingdom	20 918	19 788	19 866	20 818	24 135	15.9%	18.4%
Taiwan	4 564	4 618	6 007	9 112	17 969	97.2%	13.7%
Korea, South	17 401	17 461	14 002	15 201	16 844	10.8%	12.8%
Germany, Fed Republic of	10 489	11 499	10 995	12 149	14 719	21.2%	11.2%
France	8 586	10 518	10 566	11 092	13 815	24.5%	10.5%
Ireland, Republic of	12 847	6 945	8 923	11 928	10 239	-14.2%	7.8%
Italy	2 554	3 242	3 871	5 092	9 078	78.3%	6.9%
Japan	4 674	3 944	3 342	3 966	4 732	19.3%	3.6%
HKSAR of the PRC	1 142	1 676	1 760	2 824	4 666	65.2%	3.5%
Canada	5 039	4 844	4 571	4 550	4 385	-3.6%	3.3%
Sweden	2 947	2 952	2 861	3 292	3 773	14.6%	2.9%
Netherlands, Kingdom of The	2 511	2 605	2 485	2 360	2 636	11.7%	2.0%
Estonia	609	733	941	1 073	1 375	28.1%	1.0%
Belgium	662	765	784	818	1 014	24.0%	0.8%
Denmark	767	814	765	901	900	-0.1%	0.7%
Finland	665	646	672	732	827	13.0%	0.6%
Norway	445	563	572	415	283	-31.8%	0.2%
Malta	63	46	62	58	62	6.9%	0.0%
Cyprus	17	10	12	15	55	266.7%	0.0%
Not Specified	71	113	174		< 5		0.0%
Total	96 971	93 782	93 231	106 396	131 508	23.6%	100.0%

Note: Further information on statistical tables presented by citizenship country can be found on page 1 under 'About this report'

#### 2.06 Number of first Working Holiday (subclass 417) visa applications granted in 2012-13 to

31 December 2012 by citizenship country - comparison with the previous four financial years

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Citizenship Country	31/12/08	31/12/09	31/12/10	31/12/11	31/12/12	2011 12	% of Total
United Kingdom	19 012	17 061	17 474	17 761	20 386	14.8%	18.1%
Taiwan	4 085	3 482	5 083	7 274	14 921	105.1%	13.3%
Korea, South	14 914	14 140	11 613	12 678	14 181	11.9%	12.6%
Germany, Fed Republic of	9 909	10 829	10 360	11 362	13 837	21.8%	12.3%
France	8 108	9 772	9 779	10 141	12 611	24.4%	11.2%
Italy	2 388	3 017	3 508	4 561	8 204	79.9%	7.3%
Ireland, Republic of	10 901	3 913	7 317	9 134	6 504	-28.8%	5.8%
Canada	4 804	4 561	4 303	4 187	4 058	-3.1%	3.6%
Japan	3 613	3 086	2 723	3 299	3 894	18.0%	3.5%
HKSAR of the PRC	1 054	1 533	1 514	2 346	3 875	65.2%	3.4%
Sweden	2 840	2 805	2 744	3 135	3 558	13.5%	3.2%
Netherlands, Kingdom of The	2 408	2 496	2 389	2 209	2 467	11.7%	2.2%
Estonia	563	503	705	792	995	25.6%	0.9%
Belgium	609	725	737	750	934	24.5%	0.8%
Denmark	750	796	736	854	838	-1.9%	0.7%
Finland	622	603	636	687	752	9.5%	0.7%
Norway	433	547	563	392	272	-30.6%	0.2%
Cyprus	16	9	11	13	55	323.1%	0.0%
Malta	56	42	55	51	53	3.9%	0.0%
Not Specified	9	< 5			< 5		0.0%
Total	87 094	79 921	82 250	91 626	112 396	22.7%	100.0%

#### 2.07 Number of second Working Holiday (subclass 417) visa applications granted in 2012-13 to 31 December 2012 by citizenship country - comparison with the previous four financial years

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Citizenship Country	31/12/08	31/12/09	31/12/10	31/12/11	31/12/12	2011 12	% of Total
United Kingdom	1 906	2 727	2 392	3 057	3 749	22.6%	19.6%
Ireland, Republic of	1 946	3 032	1 606	2 794	3 735	33.7%	19.5%
Taiwan	479	1 136	924	1 838	3 048	65.8%	15.9%
Korea, South	2 487	3 321	2 389	2 523	2 663	5.5%	13.9%
France	478	746	787	951	1 204	26.6%	6.3%
Germany, Fed Republic of	580	670	635	787	882	12.1%	4.6%
Italy	166	225	363	531	874	64.6%	4.6%
Japan	1 061	858	619	667	838	25.6%	4.4%
HKSAR of the PRC	88	143	246	478	791	65.5%	4.1%
Estonia	46	230	236	281	380	35.2%	2.0%
Canada	235	283	268	363	327	-9.9%	1.7%
Sweden	107	147	117	157	215	36.9%	1.1%
Netherlands, Kingdom of The	103	109	96	151	169	11.9%	0.9%
Belgium	53	40	47	68	80	17.6%	0.4%
Finland	43	43	36	45	75	66.7%	0.4%
Denmark	17	18	29	47	62	31.9%	0.3%
Norway	12	16	9	23	11	-52.2%	0.1%
Malta	7	< 5	7	7	9	28.6%	0.0%
Cyprus	< 5	< 5	< 5	< 5		-100.0%	
Not Specified	62	112	174				
Total	9 877	13 861	10 981	14 770	19 112	29.4%	100.0%

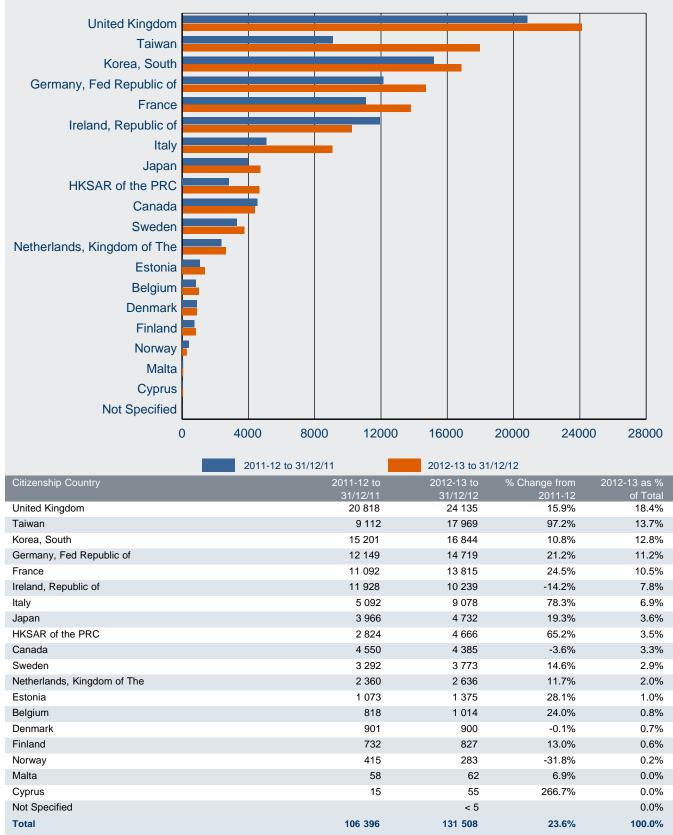
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#### 2.08 Number of Work and Holiday (subclass 462) visa applications granted in 2012-13 to

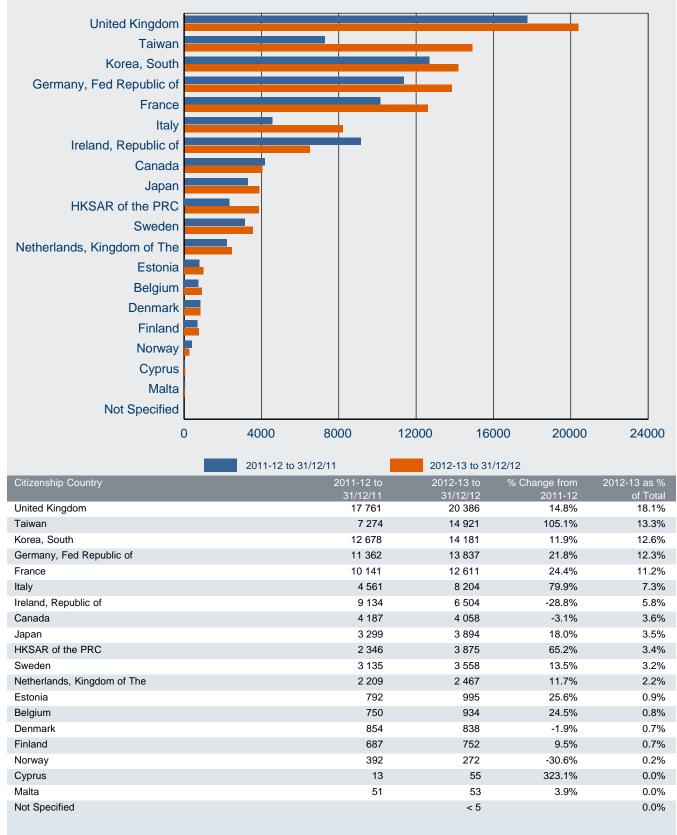
#### 31 December 2012 by citizenship country - comparison with the previous four financial years

Oiti	2008-09 to	2009 10 to	2010 11 to	2011 12 to	2012 13 to	% Change from	2012-13 as a
Citizenship Country	31/12/08	31/12/09	31/12/10	31/12/11	31/12/12	2011 12	% of Total
United States of America	2 470	3 247	3 167	3 330	3 487	4.7%	75.0%
Thailand	157	461	485	302	390	29.1%	8.4%
Chile	462	223	248	311	381	22.5%	8.2%
Argentina	na	na	na	na	240	na	5.2%
Malaysia	na	98	100	100	100	0.0%	2.2%
Turkey	7	10	< 5	< 5	41	925.0%	0.9%
Bangladesh	na	na			7		0.2%
Indonesia	na	81	66	95		-100.0%	
Not Specified	333	116	8	< 5	< 5	-50.0%	0.0%
Total	3 429	4 236	4 075	4 144	4 647	12.1%	100.0%

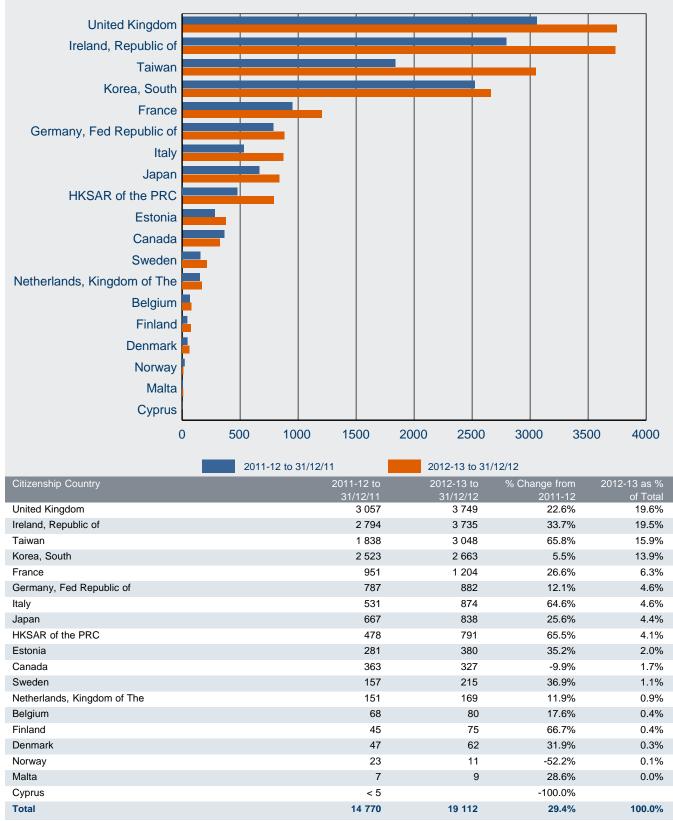
2.09 Total number of Working Holiday (subclass 417) visa applications granted in 2012-13 to 31 December 2012 by citizenship country - comparison with the previous financial year



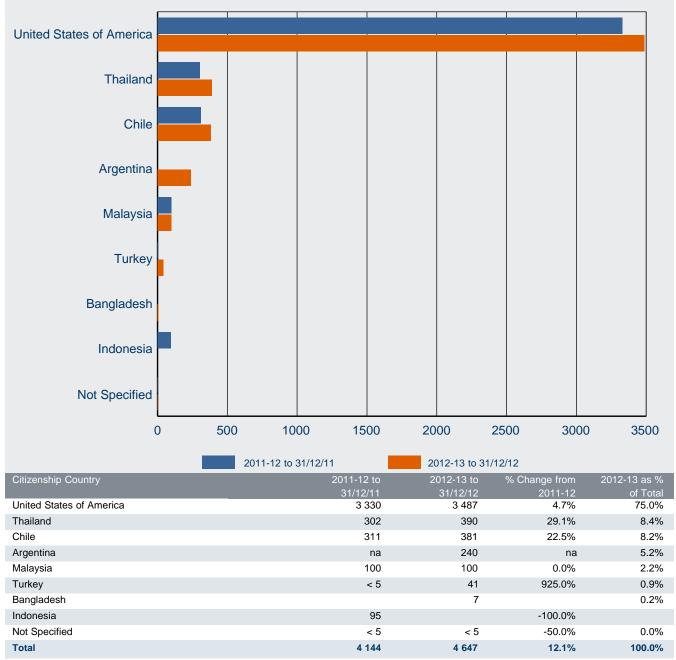
2.10 Number of first Working Holiday (subclass 417) visa applications granted in 2012-13 to 31 December 2012 by citizenship country - comparison with the previous financial year



2.11 Number of second Working Holiday (subclass 417) visa applications granted in 2012-13 to 31 December 2012 by citizenship country - comparison with the previous financial year

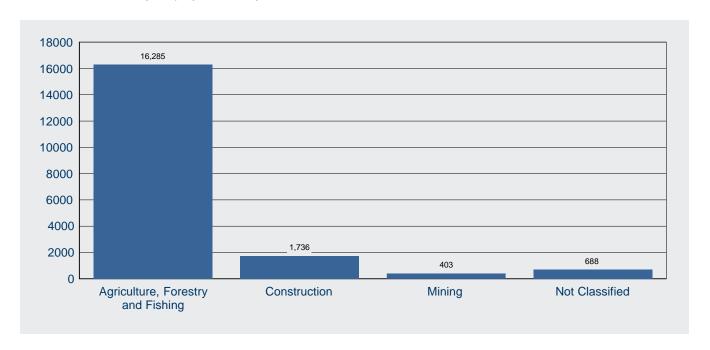


2.12 Number of Work and Holiday (subclass 462) visa applications granted in 2012-13 to 31 December 2012 by citizenship country - comparison with the previous financial year



2.13 Second Working Holiday (subclass 417) visa applications granted in 2012-13 to

31 December 2012 by employer industry



## 3 Grant Rate

For this section, grant rates have been shown.

A grant rate is defined as:

Number of grants x 100
Number of decisions

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

## 3 Grant rate

3.01 Grant rate of Working Holiday Maker visa applications decided in the 6 month period between 1 July 2012 and 31 December 2012 by visa type and visa subclass - comparison with previous four periods

Visa Subclass	01/07/10 to 31/12/10	01/01/11 to 30/06/11	01/07/11 to 31/12/11	01/01/12 to 30/06/12	01/07/12 to 31/12/12
417 Working Holiday First visa	99.6%	99.3%	99.5%	99.2%	99.5%
Second visa	95.2%	93.7%	97.0%	97.6%	95.0%
All 417 Working Holiday	99.0%	98.6%	99.1%	98.9%	98.8%
462 Work and Holiday Standard	98.5%	98.8%	96.1%	98.5%	99.2%
All Working Holiday Maker	99.0%	98.6%	99.0%	98.9%	98.8%

## 3 Grant rate

3.02 Grant rate for Working Holiday (subclass 417) visa applications decided in the 6 month period between 1 July 2012 and 31 December 2012 by citizenship country - comparison with previous four periods

Citizenship Country	01/07/10 to	01/01/11 to	01/07/11 to	01/01/12 to	01/07/12 t
	31/12/10	30/06/11	31/12/11	30/06/12	31/12/1
subclass 417 first visa					
United Kingdom	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	99.79
Taiwan	99.0%	99.0%	99.0%	99.0%	99.3
Korea, South	99.0%	98.0%	98.0%	98.0%	98.89
Germany, Fed Republic of	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	99.9
France	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	99.89
Italy	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	99.0%	99.9
Ireland, Republic of	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	99.89
Canada	100.0%	99.0%	100.0%	99.0%	99.7
HKSAR of the PRC	97.0%	97.0%	98.0%	97.0%	97.6
Japan	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	99.5
Sweden	100.0%	99.0%	100.0%	100.0%	99.99
Netherlands, Kingdom of The	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	99.0%	99.9
Estonia	100.0%	100.0%	99.0%	98.0%	97.89
Belgium	99.0%	99.0%	100.0%	100.0%	99.9
Denmark	100.0%	100.0%	99.0%	100.0%	99.9
Finland	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0
Norway	99.0%	99.0%	100.0%	99.0%	99.6
Cyprus	100.0%	100.0%	93.0%	100.0%	100.0
- 21	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0
Malta					
			0.0%	0.0%	100.09
Not Specified All subclass 417 first visa	0.0% 99.6%	60.0% <b>99.3</b> %	0.0% <b>99.5</b> %	0.0% <b>99.2%</b>	
Malta Not Specified All subclass 417 first visa subclass 417 second visa United Kingdom	0.0%	60.0%			99.5
Not Specified All subclass 417 first visa subclass 417 second visa United Kingdom	0.0% <b>99.6</b> %	60.0% <b>99.3</b> %	99.5%	99.2%	<b>99.5</b> 95.2
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Not Specified All subclass 417 first visa subclass 417 second visa United Kingdom Ireland, Republic of Taiwan	95.0% 95.0% 96.0%	94.0% 94.0% 96.0%	99.5% 97.0% 97.0% 98.0%	99.2% 98.0% 99.0% 99.0%	95.2° 95.9° 96.1°
Not Specified All subclass 417 first visa subclass 417 second visa United Kingdom Ireland, Republic of Taiwan Korea, South	95.0% 95.0% 95.0% 96.0% 93.0%	94.0% 94.0% 94.0% 96.0% 92.0%	97.0% 97.0% 98.0% 95.0%	99.2% 98.0% 99.0% 99.0% 96.0%	95.2° 95.9° 96.1° 92.7°
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Not Specified All subclass 417 first visa  subclass 417 second visa  United Kingdom Ireland, Republic of Taiwan  Korea, South France Germany, Fed Republic of Italy Japan HKSAR of the PRC Estonia Canada Sweden Netherlands, Kingdom of The Belgium Finland Denmark Norway	0.0% 99.6%  95.0% 95.0% 96.0% 93.0% 95.0% 96.0% 99.0% 97.0% 92.0% 96.0% 100.0% 92.0% 97.0% 97.0% 92.0%	94.0% 94.0% 94.0% 94.0% 96.0% 92.0% 93.0% 95.0% 97.0% 94.0% 91.0% 90.0% 90.0% 85.0% 100.0% 86.0% 100.0%	97.0% 97.0% 98.0% 95.0% 96.0% 97.0% 98.0% 97.0% 98.0% 99.0% 96.0% 96.0% 98.0% 100.0%	98.0% 99.0% 99.0% 96.0% 94.0% 98.0% 99.0% 98.0% 97.0% 97.0% 93.0% 100.0% 94.0% 90.0%	95.2 95.9 96.1 92.7 94.1 95.0 96.1 93.2 96.0 93.4 95.6 93.9 93.0 97.4 92.5 100.0
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## 3 Grant rate

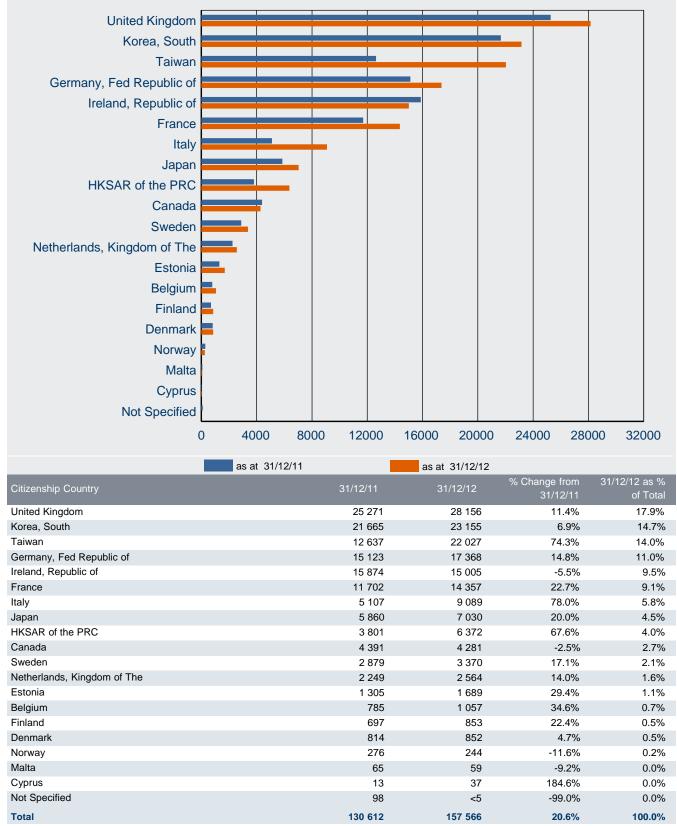
3.03 Grant rate for Work and Holiday (subclass 462) visa applications decided in the 6 month period between 1 July 2012 and 31 December 2012 by citizenship country - comparison with previous four periods

Citizenship Country	01/07/10 to 31/12/10	01/01/11 to 30/06/11	01/07/11 to 31/12/11	01/01/12 to 30/06/12	01/07/12 to 31/12/12
United States of America	99.0%	99.0%	99.0%	99.0%	99.1%
Thailand	99.0%	93.0%	68.0%	100.0%	99.5%
Chile	98.0%	100.0%	100.0%	98.0%	99.5%
Argentina	na	na	na	98.0%	98.8%
Malaysia	100.0%	0.0%	100.0%	0.0%	100.0%
Turkey	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Bangladesh	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	96.0%	100.0%
Indonesia	75.0%	74.0%	95.0%	80.0%	0.0%
Not Specified	100.0%	0.0%	100.0%	0.0%	100.0%
All 462 Work and Holiday	98.5%	98.8%	96.1%	98.5%	99.2%

# 4 Visa Holders in Australia

## 4 Visa holders in Australia

4.01 Total number of Working Holiday (subclass 417) visa holders in Australia as at 31 December 2012 by citizenship country - comparison with the same date in the previous year



## 4 Visa holders in Australia

4.02 Total number of Work and Holiday (subclass 462) visa holders in Australia as at 31 December 2012 by citizenship country - comparison with the same date in the previous year

