



New Zealand Residence Programme *Fortnightly Selection Statistics – 25 October 2006*

1. Selection 25 October 2006 – Skilled Migrant Category

The most recent selection of Expressions of Interest (EOIs) under the Skilled Migrant Category took place on **25 October 2006**.

- **353** EOIs were selected that had a points total of **140** or above;
- **67** EOIs were selected that had a points total of **100** or more but less than 140, and included points for offers of skilled employment or current skilled employment in New Zealand.
- **72** EOIs were selected that had a points total of **100** or more but less than 140, and included 15 points for work experience in an area of absolute skill shortage.
- **32** EOIs were selected that had a points total of **100** or more but less than 140, and included 10 points for work experience in an area of absolute skill shortage.
- **32** EOIs were selected that had a points total of **100** or more but less than 140, and included 10 points for a qualification in an area of absolute skill shortage.
- **149** EOIs were selected that had a points total of **110** or more but less than 140. These EOIs did not claim points for offers of skilled employment or current skilled employment in New Zealand, work experience in an area of absolute skill shortage or for a qualification in an area of absolute skill shortage. These EOIs were ranked in descending order of points.

As a result, **705** EOIs representing **1,767** people were selected and will now undergo preliminary verification to determine if an invitation to apply for residency will be issued.

2. The make-up of selection

Based on the information provided by people who had their EOIs selected, the make-up of the 25 October 2006 selection is as follows:

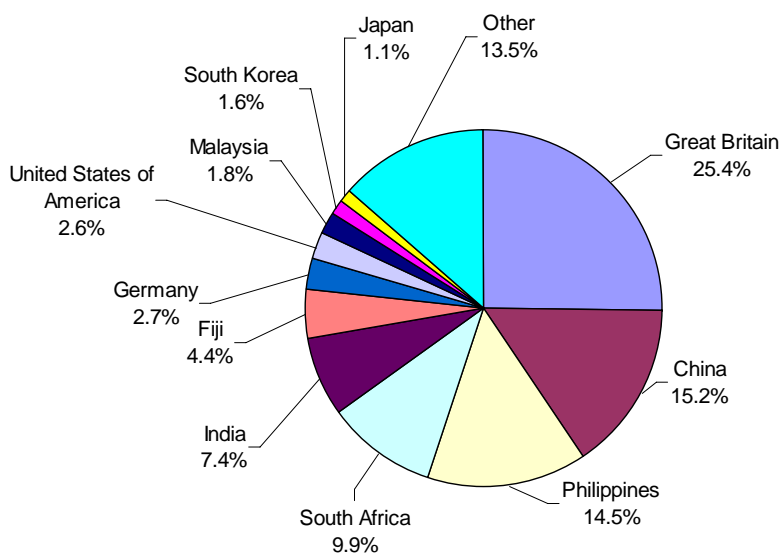
Number of selected EOIs	Onshore	Offshore	Total
Number of EOIs with 140 points or above			
With job offer	265	58	323
Without job offer	1	29	30

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Number of EOIs with points total of 100-135 with job offer	57	10	67
Number of EOIs with 15 points for Work experience in an area of absolute skill shortage	5	67	72
Number of EOIs with 10 points for Work experience in an area of absolute skill shortage	2	30	32
Number of EOIs with 10 points for a Qualification in an area of absolute skill shortage	21	11	32
Number of EOIs not meeting any of the above criteria, ranked in descending order of points	14	135	149
Total EOIs with job offers	322	68	390
Total EOIs without job offers	43	272	315
Total EOIs	365	340	705

3. Nationality composition

**Expressions of Interest Selected
By nationality
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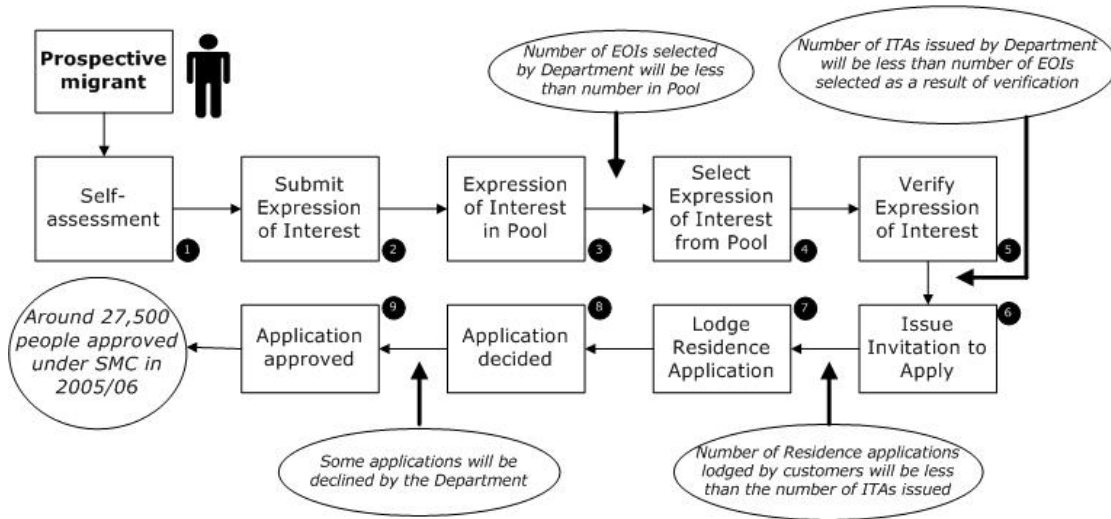


4. Statistics since December 2003

Since the Skilled Migrant Category opened in December 2003, a total of **50,260** EOIs, representing **117,538** people, have been selected.

Approximately **93 percent** of those EOIs selected have been verified (stage five below).

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5. Pool draws since February 2006

Selection Date	No of EOIs with 140 points or more	No of EOIs with job or job offer	No of EOIs with additional selection criteria	No of EOIs	No of people	EOI in pool after selection
1 February 2006	856	144	0	1000	2180	567
15 February 2006	361	146	104	611	1395	567
1 March 2006	386	94	99	579	1340	594
15 March 2006	405	109	50	564	1254	683
29 March 2006	402	107	72	581	1327	768
12 April 2006	370	82	95	547	1232	838
26 April 2006	352	77	244	673	1584	719
10 May 2006	378	98	173	649	1389	728
29 May 2006	476	112	80	668	1503	931
7 June 2006	220	55	343	618	1441	701
21 June 2006	400	105	135	640	1431	916
5 July 2006	348	65	337	750	1774	776
19 July 2006	418	113	121	652	1405	877
2 August 2006	394	72	184	650	1445	850
16 August 2006	407	82	253	742	1548	836
30 August 2006	408	91	158	657	1431	755
13 September 2006	346	107	219	672	1520	695
27 September 2006	414	105	159	678	1510	733
11 October 2006	397	110	165	672	1567	704

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25 October 2006	353	67	285	705	1767	545
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RESULTS FOR 2006/07 YEAR TO DATE

6. Residence applications accepted and approved – year to date

Please note the chart below outlines how many residence applications have been accepted and approved in the **2006/07** financial year to date.

Stream	Applications On-hand		Residence Declines		Residence Approvals	
	Applications	People	Applications	People	Applications	People
Skilled/ Business	5,960	15,491	310	831	3,352	7,738
Family Sponsored	8,107	12,756	294	501	3,256	4,088
International Humanitarian	1,557	4,362	137	397	488	1,249
Total	15,624	32,609	741	1,729	7,096	13,075

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1. On-hand applications (from lodgement) as at 20/10/2006

2. Decisions and declines from 1/07/2006 to 20/10/2006

Please note: One application can represent several people such as the principal applicant and family.