



New Zealand Residence Programme *Fortnightly Selection Statistics – 20 December 2006*

1. Selection 20 December 2006 – Skilled Migrant Category

The most recent selection of Expressions of Interest (EOIs) under the Skilled Migrant Category took place on **20 December 2006**.

- **468** EOIs were selected that had a points total of **140** or above;
- **146** 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.
- **74** 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.

As a result, **688** EOIs representing **1,543** people were selected and will now undergo preliminary verification to determine if an invitation to apply for residency will be issued.

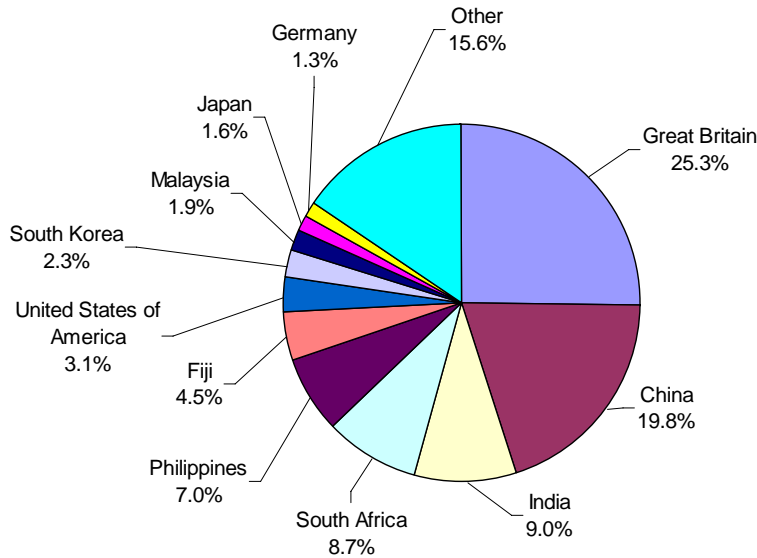
2. The make-up of selection

Based on the information provided by people who had their EOIs selected, the make-up of the 20 December 2006 selection is as follows:

| Number of selected EOIs | Onshore | Offshore | Total |
|---|---------|----------|-------|
| Number of EOIs with 140 points or above | | | |
| With job offer | 386 | 56 | 442 |
| Without job offer | 1 | 25 | 26 |
| Number of EOIs with points total of 100-135 with job offer | 100 | 46 | 146 |
| Number of EOIs with 15 points for Work experience in an area of absolute skill shortage | 9 | 65 | 74 |
| Total EOIs with job offers | 486 | 102 | 588 |
| Total EOIs without job offers | 10 | 90 | 100 |
| Total EOIs | 496 | 192 | 688 |

3. Nationality composition

**Expressions of Interest Selected
By nationality
20 December 2006**

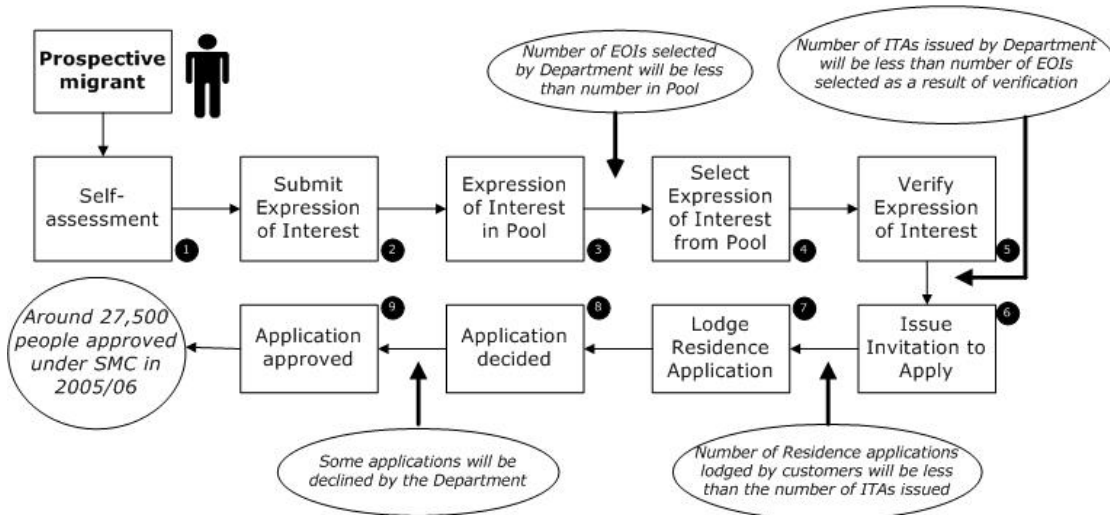


4. Statistics since December 2003

Since the Skilled Migrant Category opened in December 2003, a total of **53,019** EOIs, representing **123,727** people, have been selected.

Approximately **94 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 |
| 27 October 2006 | 353 | 67 | 285 | 705 | 1767 | 545 |
| 8 November 2006 | 427 | 96 | 162 | 685 | 1485 | 617 |
| 22 November 2006 | 468 | 122 | 105 | 695 | 1544 | 730 |
| 6 December 2006 | 455 | 155 | 81 | 691 | 1617 | 836 |
| 20 December 2006 | 468 | 146 | 74 | 688 | 1543 | 853 |

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 | 6,280 | 15,781 | 477 | 1,253 | 5,134 | 11,955 |
| Family Sponsored | 8,642 | 13,363 | 452 | 753 | 4,952 | 6,343 |
| International Humanitarian | 1,536 | 4,228 | 218 | 612 | 785 | 2,139 |
| Total | 16,458 | 33,372 | 1,147 | 2,618 | 10,871 | 20,437 |

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1. On-hand applications (from tendered) as at 15/12/2006

2. Decisions and declines from 1/07/2006 to 15/12/2006

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