



New Zealand Residence Programme *Fortnightly Selection Statistics – 12 March 2008*

1. Selection 12 March 2008– Skilled Migrant Category

The most recent selection of Expressions of Interest (EOIs) under the Skilled Migrant Category took place on **12 March 2008**.

- **515** EOIs were selected that had a points total of **140** or above;
- **100** 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.
- **55** 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.
- **74** 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.
- **17** EOIs were selected that had a points total of **135** 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, **793** EOIs representing **1,861** 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 12 March 2008 selection is as follows:

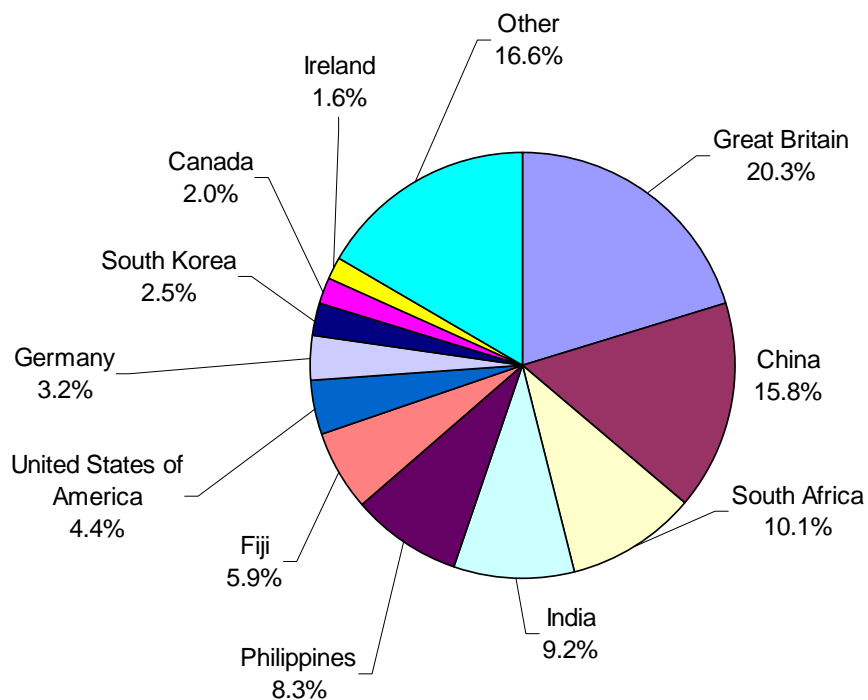
| Number of selected EOIs | Onshore | Offshore | Total |
|---|---------|----------|-------|
| Number of EOIs with 140 points or above | | | |
| With job offer | 380 | 46 | 462 |
| Without job offer | 8 | 81 | 89 |

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|--|----------------|-----------------|--------------|
| Number of EOIs with points total of 100 to 135 with job offer | 85 | 15 | 100 |
| Number of EOIs with 15 points for work experience in an area of absolute skill shortage | 3 | 52 | 55 |
| Number of EOIs with 10 points for work experience in an area of absolute skill shortage | 4 | 28 | 32 |
| Number of EOIs with 10 points for a qualification in an area of absolute skill shortage | 52 | 22 | 74 |
| Number of EOIs not meeting any of the above criteria, ranked in descending order of points | 2 | 15 | 17 |
| Total EOIs with job offers | 465 | 61 | 526 |
| Total EOIs without job offers | 69 | 198 | 267 |
| Total EOIs | 534 | 259 | 793 |

3. Nationality composition

**Expressions of Interest Selected
By nationality
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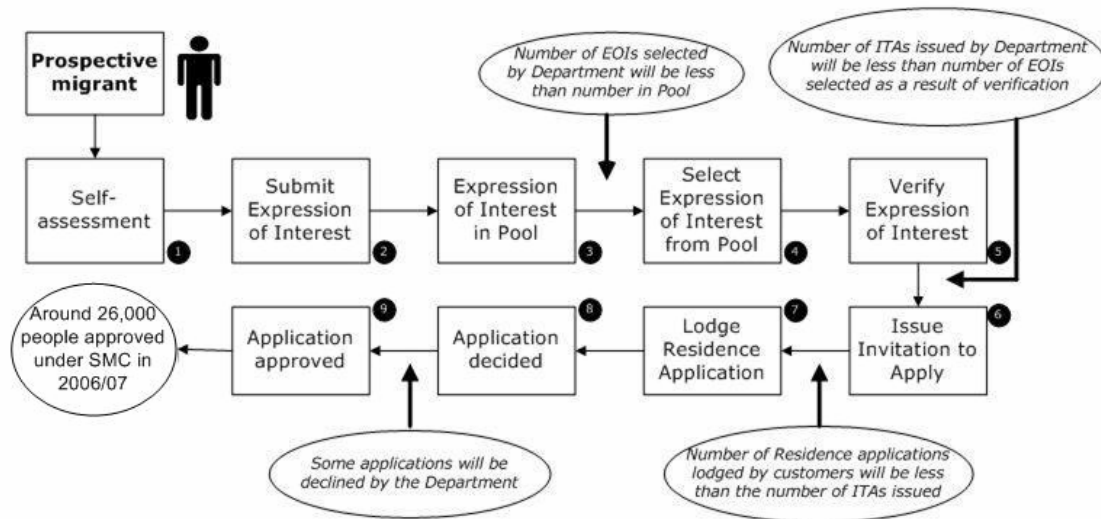


4. Statistics since December 2003

Since the Skilled Migrant Category opened in December 2003, a total of **76,146** EOIs, representing **176,797** people, have been selected

Approximately **95 percent** of those EOIs selected have been verified (stage five below).

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5. Pool draws for the calendar year to date.

| 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 |
|-------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|---|------------|--------------|-----------------------------|
| 28 February 2007 | 439 | 90 | 163 | 692 | 1522 | 978 |
| 14 March 2007 | 502 | 123 | 77 | 702 | 1536 | 1067 |
| 28 March 2007 | 554 | 125 | 16 | 695 | 1486 | 1210 |
| 11 April 2007 | 378 | 120 | 191 | 689 | 1528 | 1174 |
| 26 April 2007 | 495 | 114 | 196 | 805 | 1747 | 1116 |
| 9 May 2007 | 390 | 95 | 304 | 789 | 1745 | 884 |
| 23 May 2007 | 468 | 113 | 156 | 737 | 1626 | 873 |
| 6 June 2007 | 422 | 109 | 342 | 873 | 1781 | 682 |
| 20 June 2007 | 501 | 123 | 123 | 747 | 1617 | 767 |
| 4 July 2007 | 508 | 112 | 140 | 760 | 1713 | 836 |
| 18 July 2007 | 565 | 125 | 93 | 783 | 1740 | 917 |
| 1 August 2007 | 562 | 100 | 120 | 782 | 1737 | 969 |
| 15 August 2007 | 443 | 96 | 185 | 724 | 1625 | 863 |
| 29 August 2007 | 434 | 90 | 267 | 791 | 1685 | 704 |
| 12 September 2007 | 482 | 103 | 192 | 777 | 1832 | 715 |
| 26 September 2007 | 452 | 93 | 261 | 806 | 1894 | 599 |
| 10 October 2007 | 451 | 101 | 257 | 809 | 1931 | 510 |
| 24 October 2007 | 443 | 86 | 244 | 773 | 1790 | 447 |
| 7 November 2007 | 454 | 113 | 226 | 793 | 1821 | 454 |

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|------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|---|------------|--------------|-----------------------------|
| 22 November 2007 | 529 | 115 | 116 | 760 | 1760 | 591 |
| 5 December 2007 | 549 | 138 | 107 | 795 | 1564 | 639 |
| 19 December 2007 | 582 | 146 | 71 | 799 | 1685 | 762 |
| 17 January 2008 | 730 | 123 | 0 | 853 | 1908 | 918 |
| 30 January 2008 | 475 | 72 | 226 | 773 | 1730 | 752 |
| 14 February 2008 | 509 | 89 | 171 | 769 | 1814 | 744 |
| 27 February 2008 | 456 | 108 | 254 | 818 | 1756 | 609 |
| 12 March 2008 | 515 | 100 | 178 | 793 | 1861 | 606 |

RESULTS FOR 2007/08 YEAR TO DATE

6. Residence applications accepted and approved.

Please note the chart below outlines how many residence applications have been accepted or decided for the **2007/08** financial year to date.

| Stream | Applications On-hand | | Residence Declines | | Residence Approvals | |
|-------------------------------|----------------------|---------------|--------------------|--------------|---------------------|---------------|
| | Applications | People | Applications | People | Applications | People |
| Skilled/ Business | 6,859 | 16,465 | 682 | 1,678 | 7,906 | 18,105 |
| Family Sponsored | 8,823 | 13,882 | 680 | 1,164 | 7,227 | 9,504 |
| International Humanitarian | 1,086 | 3,003 | 140 | 430 | 1,033 | 2,758 |
| Total | 16,768 | 33,350 | 1,502 | 3,272 | 16,166 | 30,367 |

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1. On-hand applications (from tendered) as at 7/03/2008
2. Decisions and declines from 1/07/2007 to 7/03/2008

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