



New Zealand Residence Programme *Fortnightly Selection Statistics – 21 May 2008*

1. Selection 21 May 2008– Skilled Migrant Category

The most recent selection of Expressions of Interest (EOIs) under the Skilled Migrant Category took place on **21 May 2008**.

- **481** EOIs were selected that had a points total of **140** or above;
- **131** 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.
- **64** 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.
- **36** 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.
- **61** 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.
- **3** 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, **776** EOIs representing **1,776** 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 21 May 2008 selection is as follows:

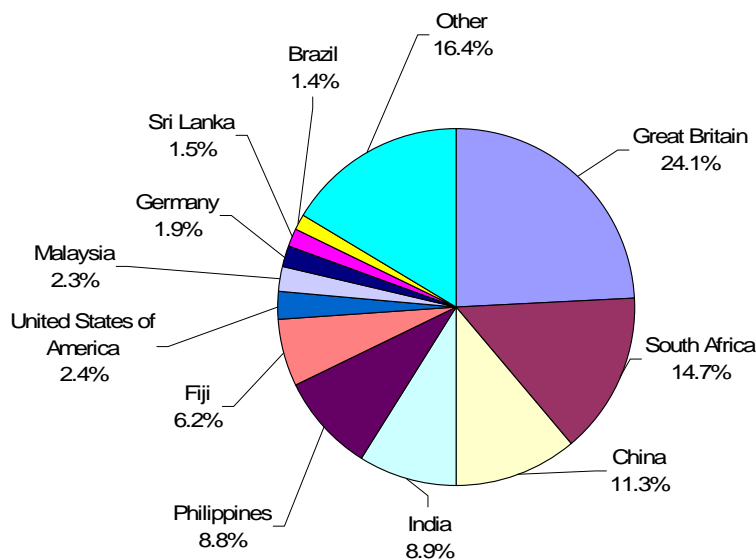
Number of selected EOIs	Onshore	Offshore	Total
Number of EOIs with 140 points or above			
With job offer	359	64	423
Without job offer	4	54	58
Number of EOIs with points total of 100 to 135			

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Number of selected EOIs	Onshore	Offshore	Total
with job offer	100	31	131
Number of EOIs with 15 points for work experience in an area of absolute skill shortage	4	60	64
Number of EOIs with 10 points for work experience in an area of absolute skill shortage	8	28	36
Number of EOIs with 10 points for a qualification in an area of absolute skill shortage	40	21	61
Number of EOIs not meeting any of the above criteria, ranked in descending order of points	0	3	3
Total EOIs with job offers	459	95	554
Total EOIs without job offers	56	166	222
Total EOIs	515	261	776

3. Nationality composition

**Expressions of Interest Selected
By nationality
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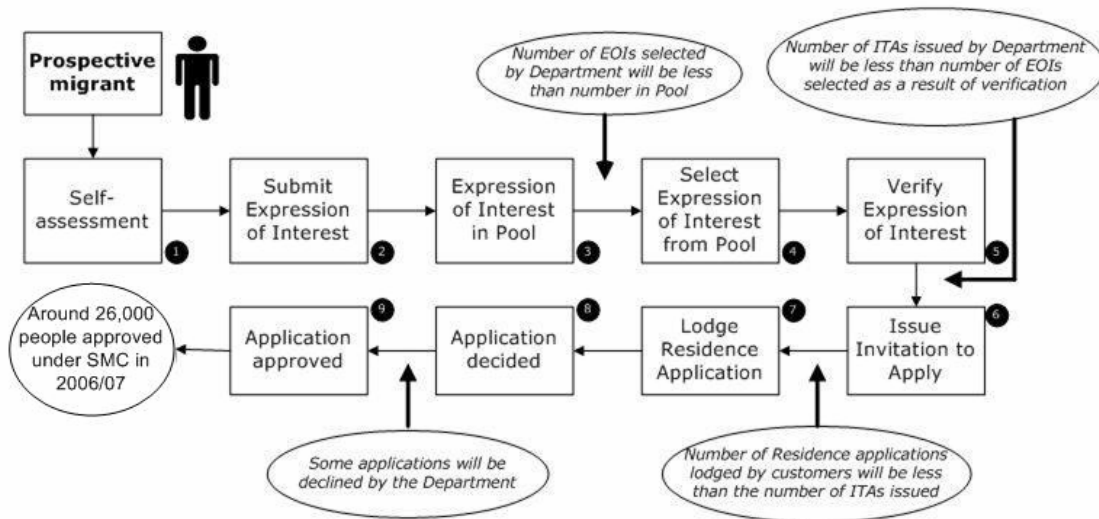


4. Statistics since December 2003

Since the Skilled Migrant Category opened in December 2003, a total of **80,013** EOIs, representing **186,081** 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
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
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

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27 February 2008	456	108	254	818	1756	609
12 March 2008	515	100	178	793	1861	606
26 March 2008	417	81	268	766	1897	528
09 April 2008	420	95	245	760	1958	484
23 April 2008	545	127	116	788	1885	654
7 May 2008	468	123	186	777	1768	622
21 May 2008	481	131	164	776	1776	617

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	6,628	15,944	939	2,309	10,469	23,888
Family Sponsored	8,462	13,406	914	1,558	9,772	12,834
International Humanitarian	909	2,403	167	499	1,355	3,685
Total	15,999	31,753	2,020	4,366	21,596	40,407

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1. On-hand applications (from tendered) as at 16/05/2008

2. Decisions and declines from 1/07/2007 to 16/05/2008

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