

Student visa and Temporary Graduate visa programme report

six monthly report ending at 31 December 2015



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About this report

This report provides six monthly data about the student visa and temporary graduate visa programme administered by the Department of Immigration and Border Protection (the department). The report has been produced to assist education providers, representative bodies and policymakers.

It is important to note that the information used in this report comes from a new data source. Consequently, figures for previous financial years have been revised and may differ slightly from those previously published by the department.

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 issues can occur. The current financial year should always be considered provisional.

For privacy reasons < 5 has been used where a number in a table is between 1 and 4. Further data about the student visa programme, including yearly student visa trends and comprehensive data on student visa grants by sector and country from 2002-03 to the 2014-15 programme year is available on the department's website at: www.border.gov.au/about/reports-publications/research-statistics/statistics/study-in-australia

Further information about the student visa programme is available at: www.border.gov.au/Trav/Stud

Enquiries

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Definition of terms

Applicant type: Under the Migration Regulations 1994 (the Regulations), there are two types of

applicants. These are primary applicants and secondary applicants. These terms are

defined below.

If the table or graph heading includes the word 'primary', such as 'primary applications'

or 'primary visa holders', dependants (secondary applicants) are not included.

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.

Destination: Where a visa holder has moved from one type of visa to another. This most commonly

occurs where a temporary visa holder applies for a permanent visa. However, many temporary visa holders go on to apply for a further temporary visa. The original visa is determined by the last visa held prior to the destination visa being granted. Destination

visas include visas granted onshore and offshore.

Granted: Unless otherwise specified, the number of visas granted includes primary and review

grants.

In Australia: In this report, refers to the location of the client at the time the application was lodged.

An onshore applicant may already hold a visa of the same kind or may be applying for another type of visa. Student visa applicants subject to Assessment Level 1 can lodge

their first student visa application while in Australia.

Last visa held:

This refers to the last substantive visa held by a visa holder (that is, the last visa other

than a bridging visa) prior to a point in time. The last visa held may have expired or still

be in effect.

Lodged is the count of paper applications receipted in a departmental office or

submitted electronically.

Outside Australia: In this report, refers to the location of the client at the time the application was lodged.

Generally, student visa applicants subject to Assessment Levels 2-3 are required to

lodge their first student visa application while outside Australia.

Primary applicant: The primary applicant is the person who must satisfy the primary criteria for the grant

of a visa under the Regulations. In this case, it would be the person proposing to study

in Australia.

Primary application: An application lodged by a primary applicant.

Primary grant: An outcome where a decision maker (which may include system generated decision

making) makes an assessment based on the initial visa application which results in a

visa being granted to an applicant.

Primary visa holder: A person who has had a primary application for a visa granted.

Secondary applicant: Secondary applicants must satisfy the secondary criteria for the grant of a visa under

the Regulations. In this case, a secondary applicant is generally a dependant of the

primary applicant.

Secondary application: A visa application lodged by a secondary applicant.

Secondary visa holder: A person who has had a secondary application for a visa granted.

Skilled Occupation List:

The Skilled Occupation List (SOL) is a list of skilled occupations that deliver high value

skills needed by the Australian economy and aligns with the national workforce development strategy. It applies to international students who wish to apply for the Graduate Work stream under the Temporary Graduate (subclass 485) visa. To apply for this stream, students must nominate an occupation on the SOL and graduate with

skills and qualifications that closely relate to this occupation.

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. Unless otherwise specified, the term covers

both primary and secondary applicants.

Visa holders in Australia: The number of visa holders lawfully in Australia. This is not a count of all valid visas, as

a number of visa holders may be outside Australia on the snapshot date.

Background to the student visa programme

International students must have a valid visa for the duration of their studies in Australia. Most international students will need a student visa. However, visitor visas permit up to three months study and working holiday maker visas permit up to four months study. Further information about these visa options are available at:

www.border.gov.au/Trav/Visi/Visi

There are seven types of student visa:

- English Language Intensive Course for Overseas Students (ELICOS) sector (subclass 570) visa. This visa is for international students undertaking a stand-alone English language course that leads to a certificate level award or non-formal award.
- Schools sector (subclass 571) visa. This visa is designed for international students applying to study in Australia
 in a primary, junior secondary or senior secondary school course or an approved secondary school exchange
 programme.
- 3) Vocational Education and Training sector (subclass 572) visa. This visa is designed for international students applying to study in Australia and whose main course of study is a certificate, vocational education and training diploma, vocational education and training advanced diploma, vocational graduate certificate or vocational graduate diploma.
- 4) Higher Education sector (subclass 573) visa. This visa is designed for international students applying to study in Australia and whose main course of study is a bachelor degree, associate degree, higher education diploma, higher education advanced diploma, graduate certificate, graduate diploma or Masters by coursework.
- 5) Postgraduate Research sector (subclass 574) visa. This visa is designed for international students who want to study a Master's degree by research or a Doctoral degree in Australia.
- 6) Non Award sector (subclass 575) visa. This visa is designed for international students who want to study non award foundation studies or other full time courses not leading to an Australian award.
- 7) Foreign Affairs or Defence sector (subclass 576) visa. This visa is designed for international students who are sponsored by Foreign Affairs or Defence to study a full-time course of any type in Australia.

To be eligible for a student visa, applicants must be accepted for full time study in a course listed on the Commonwealth Register of Institutions and Courses for Overseas Students (CRICOS). Applicants must also meet financial, health insurance, English language proficiency and health and character requirements.

There is no limit on the number of student visas issued each year. If applicants meet requirements, they will be granted a student visa. Student visas are issued for the entire period of study in Australia. Visas are issued in alignment with the period for which the applicant has Overseas Student Health Cover (OSHC).

There are two other visas related to the student visa programme, the Student Guardian (subclass 580) visa and the Temporary Graduate (subclass 485) visa. The Student Guardian visa is for individuals who wish to accompany and care for minors studying in Australia. The Temporary Graduate visa allows international students to live and work in Australia temporarily after they have finished their studies.

Family members

Students can apply to have partners and dependant children under the age of eighteen accompany them to Australia. These family members are known as secondary visa holders and are counted in student visa numbers. A parent or guardian seeking to accompany an international student to Australia may be eligible for a Student Guardian (subclass 580) visa.

Background to the student visa programme - continued

Ability to work

Student visas include a visa condition that, once the course has commenced, allows most students to work for up to 40 hours per fortnight while their course is in session and for unlimited hours during course breaks. The limitation imposed by this visa condition reflects the purpose of a student visa; that it is to allow entry to Australia in order to study, not to work. Secondary visa holders are subject to a visa condition that limits them to 40 hours work per fortnight at any time

Higher degree by research students on a Postgraduate Research (subclass 574) visa may work unlimited hours once their Masters or PhD course has commenced. Dependents of students studying a Masters or PhD research course have no limitation on their work hours.

Assessment Levels

There are three Assessment Levels in the student visa programme. They serve to align student visa evidentiary requirements to the immigration risk posed by applicants from a particular country applying for a particular student visa. Assessment Level 1 represents the lowest immigration risk and Assessment Level 3 the highest. The higher the Assessment Level, the greater the evidence an applicant is required to demonstrate to support their claims for the grant of a student visa.

Further information is available at: www.border.gov.au/Trav/Stud/Stud

Streamlined visa processing

The department assesses student visa applicants who lodge their applications on or after 24 March 2012, with a Confirmation of Enrolment (CoE) from a participating higher education provider in Australia at Bachelor, Masters or Doctoral degree level as though they were a lower migration risk (similar to the current Assessment Level 1), regardless of their country of origin. This is in response to recommendations 3, 5, 6, and 18 of the Hon Michael Knight AO's report, Strategic Review of the Student Visa Programme 2011 (the Knight Review).

Financial requirements

Students and their families need to be aware of the costs involved in studying and living in Australia. In order to meet the financial requirements for the grant of a student visa, applicants must be able to demonstrate that they have access to sufficient funds to cover tuition fees, travel costs, educational costs for any accompanying school age children and living costs for the full study period.

Genuine temporary entrant (GTE) requirement

The GTE requirement was introduced on 5 November 2011 to enhance the integrity of the student visa programme.

The GTE requirement explicitly addresses whether the individual circumstances of an applicant indicate that their intention is for a temporary stay in Australia.

Factors that the department may consider as part of the GTE requirement are set out in a Ministerial Direction available at www.border.gov.au/StudyinginAustralia/Documents/direction-53-assessing-gte.pdf and include:

- · circumstances in the applicant's home country;
- the applicant's potential circumstances in Australia;
- the applicant's immigration history;
- · the value of the course to the applicant's future; and/or
- any other matter relevant to the applicant's intention to stay temporarily.

Background to the student visa programme - continued

Overseas Student Health Cover (OSHC)

Overseas students must have health insurance for the duration of their stay in Australia. The OSHC is insurance to assist international students meet the costs of medical and hospital care that they may need while in Australia.

Visa refusals

A decision to refuse a student visa application is made when the delegate of the Minister is not satisfied that the applicant meets the legal criteria for grant of a visa. When refusing a visa application, the department provides an applicant, or their agent, with a written decision record that sets out the reason for the decision.

Reasons for refusal of student visa applications may include:

- · failure to meet financial requirements;
- failure to meet English language requirements;
- fraudulent documentation present in the application;
- failure to satisfy the department that the applicant is a genuine student; and/or
- failure to meet GTE requirements.

Processing time service standards

The department gives priority to clients who apply from outside Australia to ensure that prospective students receive their visas in time to travel to Australia to commence their courses. Applications lodged by clients in Australia are granted bridging visas pending finalisation of their new student visa applications and can still commence their courses.

Depending on the relevant Assessment Level the service standards are that 75% of applications lodged by clients outside Australia are finalised within 14 to 90 days and 75% of applications lodged by clients in Australia are finalised within 14 to 30 days. It should be noted that approximately 80% of applications from clients in Australia are incomplete when lodged and this adds to processing times as officers request and then wait for applicants to provide required information.

The table below shows the processing time service standards for student visa applications.

Visa application	Lodged by a in Aus		Lodged by applicants outside Australia					
Assessment Level	Level 1 or 2	Level 3	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3			
Students (subclass 570, 571, 572, 573, 574, 575, 576)	14 days	1 month	14 days	21 days	3 months			

Further information can be found at:

www.border.gov.au/about/access-accountability/service-standards/student-training-and-research-visa-processing-times

Background to the subclass 485 visa

The Skilled Graduate (Subclass 485) visa was renamed the Temporary Graduate (Subclass 485) visa on 23 March 2013, and has become a key component of the Student Temporary Visa Programme. Previously, the Subclass 485 visa was a component of the Skilled Migration Programme.

The Temporary Graduate visa has two streams, the Graduate Work stream and the Post-Study Work stream:

- Graduate Work stream for international students who have recently graduated with the skills and qualifications
 that relate to an occupation on the Skilled Occupations List. Applicants in this stream must have completed a
 trade qualification, diploma or degree. Successful applicants are granted a visa of 18 months validity.
- Post-Study Work stream for international students who have recently graduated with an Australian Bachelor
 degree, Masters degree or Doctorate from an Australian educational institution. This stream is only available to
 international students who applied for, and were granted, their first student visa on or after 5 November 2011.
 Successful applicants are granted a visa of two, three or four years duration, depending on the highest
 educational qualification they have obtained.

This visa provides eligible graduates with the opportunity to gain practical work experience in Australia following their studies. More information on the Temporary Graduate visa can be found on the department's website at: www.border.gov.au/Trav/Visa-1/485-

Eligible visas

To be eligible for the Temporary Graduate visa, graduates must have completed their studies in Australia while on a qualifying student visa. A qualifying student visa is a subclass 572, 573 or 574.

Australian study requirement

The Australian study requirement is defined as study in Australia in a course registered on the Commonwealth Register of Institutions and Courses for Overseas Students (CRICOS) for a period of at least two academic years (92 weeks). The course should be conducted in English and should be completed in no less than 16 calendar months. All Temporary Graduate visa applicants must meet the Australian study requirement in the six months immediately prior to lodging their visa application. More information is available at: www.border.gov.au/Trav/Work/Work/Allocation-dates-for-General-Skilled-Migration-applications/2-year-study

Family members

Family members must meet legislative requirements and must provide evidence of their relationship to the Temporary Graduate visa applicant. Additionally, family members can apply to join the Temporary Graduate visa holder in Australia after the Temporary Graduate visa has been granted. More information on including family members in your application is available at: www.border.gov.au/Trav/Visa/Incl

Ability to work and study

There are no restrictions on the type of work a Temporary Graduate visa holder can do. Temporary Graduate visa holders may work or study in any field, regardless of their study and qualifications. Dependents and secondary applicants are able to work and study on the Temporary Graduate visa.

It is the responsibility of the Temporary Graduate visa holder to seek their own employment if they are granted the visa. The Australian government is not responsible for arranging employment.

Processing time service standards

The processing time service standard for the Temporary Graduate visa is 75% of applications should be finalised within 12 months, however, actual processing times may vary depending on a range of factors. Further information can be found at: www.border.gov.au/about/access-accountability/service-standards/visa-processing

Executive Summary

Key Points

- Between July and December 2015, total student visa applications lodged increased by 3.1 per cent compared with the same period in 2014. This was driven by an increase in lodgements of Vocational Education and Training (VET) Sector (subclass 572) and Non-Award Sector (subclass 575) visas.
- Student visa grants to applicants outside Australia increased in the six month period to 31 December 2015 by 6.0 per cent with increases to visa grants for the nationals of China, Brazil and United States of America. More Higher Education Sector (subclass 573) visas were granted to applicants outside Australia compared to the same period in the previous year.
- In the six months to 31 December 2015, applications lodged by the nationals of India, Nepal and Pakistan decreased by 8.2 per cent, 7.4 per cent and 11.2 per cent respectively compared to the same six month period to 31 December 2014.
- As at 31 December 2015 there were 328,131 student visa holders in Australia which is the highest recorded number of student visa holders in Australia on 31 December. Over one third of students in Australia at 31 December 2015 were from China (20.2 per cent) or India (14.8 per cent).
- As expected, lodgements for the Temporary Graduate (subclass 485) visa increased in the six month period to 31 December 2015 when compared to the same period in the previous year as a greater number of students in Australia become eligible to meet the requirements for the Post-Study Work stream.

1 Applications lodged

In the six months July to 31 December 2015 there were 161,724 student visa applications lodged – an increase of 3.1 per cent compared to the same period in the previous year.

Visa applications lodged by applicants outside Australia increased in this six month period to 31 December 2015 by 5.4 per cent to 108,146 lodgements compared with the same period in 2014. Visa applications lodged outside Australia increased in this period for Vocational Education and Training (VET) Sector (subclass 572) by 41.1 per cent to 17,342 compared to the same period in the previous year. Visa applications in this period lodged outside Australia decreased for Higher Education Sector (subclass 573) by 1.4 per cent compared to the same period in the previous year.

The lodgements from applicants in Australia decreased by 1.2 per cent to 53,578 in this six month period to 31 December 2015.

In the six month period to 31 December 2015, there was an increase in overall applications lodged by the nationals of China (5.6 per cent) and Brazil (27.4 per cent) when compared with the same period in the previous year.

In the six month period to 31 December 2015, there was a decrease in overall applications lodged by the nationals of India (8.2 per cent), Nepal (7.4 per cent) and Pakistan (11.2 per cent) when compared with the same period in the previous year.

2 Visas granted

There is no cap on the number of student visas granted. Applicants who meet the legislative requirements will be granted a student visa.

There were 143,886 total student visas granted in the six month period to 31 December 2015 – a decrease of 1.4 per cent compared with the same period to 31 December 2014. Most subclasses experienced a decrease in visa grants except for the Non-Award Sector (subclass 575), which increased by 22.9 per cent in this period to 31 December 2015, when compared with the same period in the previous year.

Visas granted to applicants outside Australia in the six month period to 31 December 2015 increased by 6.0 per cent when compared to the same period in the previous year. Visa grants to applicants outside Australia for nationals of China increased by 15.2 per cent, Brazil by 33.0 per cent and United States of America by 10.3 per cent in the six month period to 31 December 2015, compared to the same period in the previous year.

In the six month period to 31 December 2015, visa grants to applicants outside Australia for VET Sector (subclass 572) and Higher Education Sector (subclass 573) visas increased by 29.0 per cent to 12,157 and 1.7 per cent to 51,823 visa applicants respectively when compared with the same period in the previous year.

Most visa subclasses experienced an increase in visa grants to applicants outside Australia during six month period to 31 December 2015 compared to same period in 2014.

Executive Summary - continued

Of the total student visas granted in the period from July to 31 December 2015, 24.1 per cent were granted to the nationals of China followed by 9.4 per cent to the nationals of India.

3 Grant rates

A grant rate is the percentage of grants compared to the number of decisions made in the quarter October to December 2015.

Grant rates for total student visas in the October to 31 December 2015 quarter were 89.5 per cent, which were slightly lower than the same quarter in the previous year.

Grant rates for applicants outside Australia in the October to 31 December 2015 quarter were 87.3 per cent which were lower than the same time in the previous year.

Grant rates for applicants in Australia were generally higher than applicants outside Australia which were 94.5 per cent in the October to 31 December 2015 quarter.

4 Processing times

The time required to process visa applications depends on the assessment level applicable to the applicant and the supporting evidence provided by the applicant.

In the quarter from October to 31 December 2015, 75 per cent of all student visa applications were processed within 30 calendar days.

5 Applications on hand

The number of primary student visa applications on hand at 31 December 2015 was 27,669. Of the total primary applications on hand, 19,611 applications were made by applicants outside Australia and 8,058 applications were made by applicants in Australia.

6 Visa holders in Australia

On 31 December 2015 there were 328,131 student visa holders in Australia. This is an increase of 8.2 per cent when compared to the number of student visa holders in Australia at 31 December 2014 This is the highest recorded number of student visa holders in Australia on 31 December.

Of the total student visa holders in Australia on 31 December 2015, 50.7 per cent were from China, India, Vietnam, South Korea or Nepal.

7 Destinations

In the six month period to 31 December 2015, there were 61,270 former student visa holders granted another substantive visa – an increase of 4.8 per cent from the same period in the previous year.

In the six month period to 31 December 2015 most of the former student visa holders granted another substantive visa, moved on to a tourist visa (30.3 per cent); a student visa (18.1 per cent); or a Temporary Graduate (subclass 485) visa (17.2 per cent).

8 Temporary Graduate (subclass 485)

As expected, lodgements for the Temporary Graduate (subclass 485) visa increased in the six month period to 31 December 2015 when compared to the same period in 2014, as a greater number of students in Australia become eligible to meet the requirements for the Post-Study Work stream.

There were 16,019 Temporary Graduate (subclass 485) visas lodged in the six month period to 31 December 2015. This is an increase of 56.0 per cent when compared with the same period in the previous year.

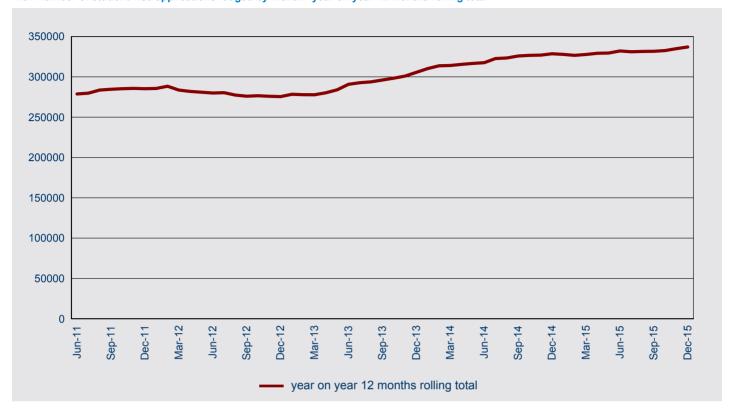
In the six month period to 31 December 2015, lodgements in the Post-Study Work stream increased by 178.4 per cent when compared to the same period in December 2014. Applications lodged in the Graduate Work stream decreased by 7.9 per cent when compared to the same period in the previous year.

Visa grants in the six month period to 31 December 2015 increased by 31.3 per cent to 11.361.

On 31 December 2015, there were 23,870 Temporary Graduate (subclass 485) visa holders in Australia which was higher than 31 December 2014 when there were 19,506 visa holders in Australia.



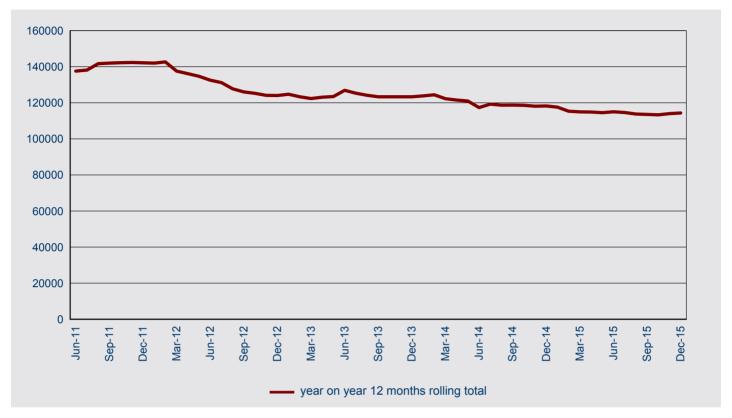
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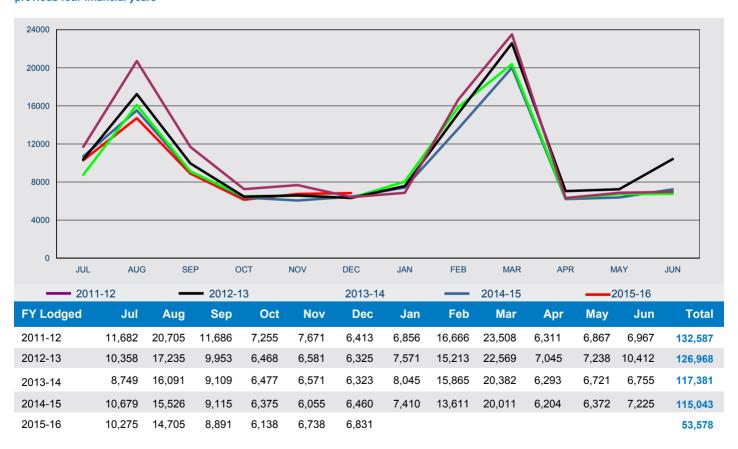
1.02 Number of student visa applications lodged in 2015-16 to 31 December 2015 by month - comparison with previous four financial years



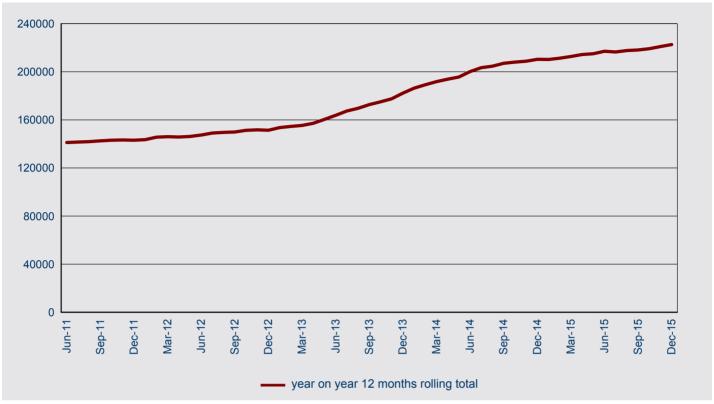
1.03 Number of student visa applications lodged by month where the client was in Australia - year on year 12 months rolling total



1.04 Number of student visa applications lodged in 2015-16 to 31 December 2015 by month where the client was in Australia - comparison with previous four financial years



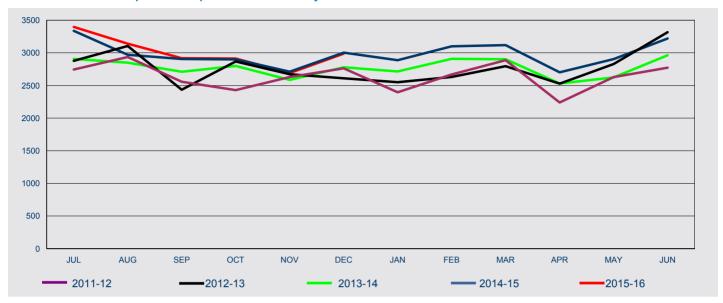
1.05 Number of student visa applications lodged by month where the client was outside Australia - year on year 12 months rolling total



1.06 Number of student visa applications lodged in 2015-16 to 31 December 2015 by month where the client was outside Australia - comparison with previous four financial years

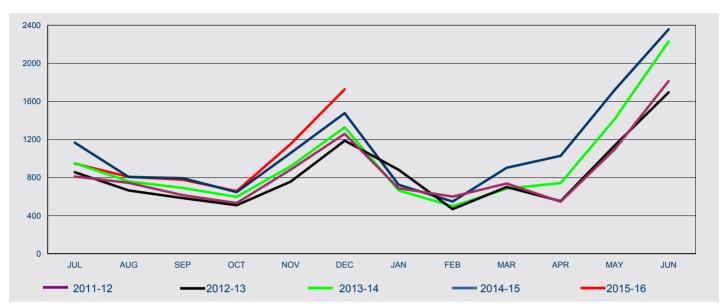


1.07 Number of student visa applications lodged for subclass 570 Independent ELICOS Sector in 2015-16 to 31 December 2015 by client location and month - comparison with previous four financial years



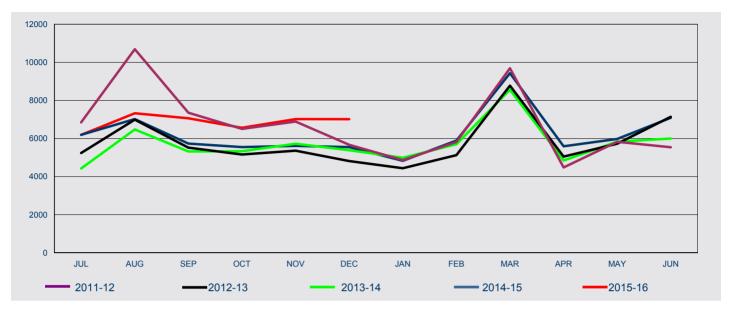
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1.08 Number of student visa applications lodged for subclass 571 Schools Sector in 2015-16 to 31 December 2015 by client location and month - comparison with previous four financial years



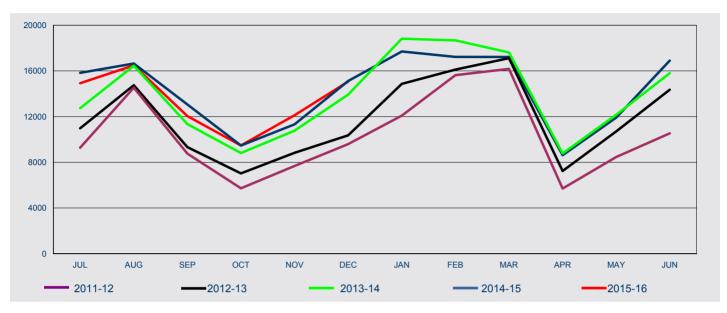
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In Australia													
2011-12	94	78	83	77	105	99	122	307	314	101	59	53	1,492
2012-13	69	53	77	79	89	78	110	210	278	82	49	80	1,254
2013-14	55	62	62	60	84	79	114	214	203	77	47	56	1,113
2014-15	77	46	88	49	84	81	95	216	192	88	39	60	1,115
2015-16	65	36	75	53	92	89							410
Outside Austral	ia												
2011-12	717	666	532	455	779	1,160	565	293	423	445	1,037	1,759	8,831
2012-13	787	611	507	430	668	1,109	771	258	422	470	1,087	1,614	8,734
2013-14	896	697	629	536	835	1,248	550	284	480	665	1,366	2,173	10,359
2014-15	1,089	760	705	598	974	1,395	629	332	710	940	1,680	2,296	12,108
2015-16	882	771	702	604	1,061	1,638							5,658
All													
All 2011-12	811	744	615	532	884	1,259	687	600	737	546	1,096	1,812	10,323
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	951	664 759	584 691	509 596	757 919	1,187 1,327	881 664	468 498	683	552 742	1,136 1,413	1,694 2,229	9,988
2013-14											•	·	11,472
2014-15	1,166	806	793	647	1,058	1,476	724	548	902	1,028	1,719	2,356	13,223
2015-16	947	807	777	657	1,153	1,727							6,068

1.09 Number of student visa applications lodged for subclass 572 Vocational Education and Training Sector in 2015-16 to 31 December 2015 by client location and month - comparison with previous four financial years



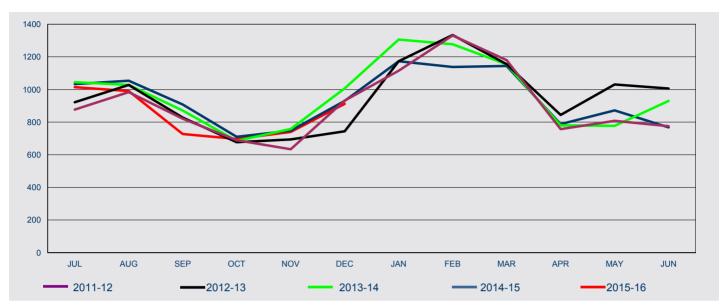
FY Lodged	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Total
In Australia													
2011-12	5,136	8,695	5,414	4,486	4,732	3,114	2,481	4,170	8,013	3,013	3,800	3,763	56,817
2012-13	3,677	5,615	4,130	3,433	3,632	3,001	2,800	3,907	7,380	3,497	3,855	5,317	50,244
2013-14	2,824	4,847	3,754	3,575	3,716	3,017	3,211	4,326	6,758	3,239	3,799	3,750	46,816
2014-15	4,364	5,154	3,841	3,600	3,368	3,019	2,816	4,136	7,015	3,330	3,462	4,037	48,142
2015-16	3,844	4,805	4,130	3,679	3,916	3,444							23,818
Outside Australi	ia												
2011-12	1,710	1,992	1,938	2,016	2,156	2,555	2,382	1,643	1,672	1,463	2,021	1,776	23,324
2012-13	1,557	1,373	1,388	1,722	1,725	1,813	1,634	1,215	1,391	1,552	1,869	1,822	19,061
2013-14	1,600	1,625	1,560	1,752	2,007	2,365	1,775	1,371	1,801	1,603	2,033	2,246	21,738
2014-15	1,827	1,861	1,889	1,948	2,239	2,525	2,008	1,754	2,412	2,259	2,513	3,048	26,283
2015-16	2,345	2,518	2,927	2,883	3,101	3,568							17,342
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2011-12	6,846	10,687	7,352	6,502	6,888	5,669	4,863	5,813	9,685	4,476	5,821	5,539	80,141
2012-13	5,234	6,988	5,518	5,155	5,357	4,814	4,434	5,122	8,771	5,049	5,724	7,139	69,305
2013-14	4,424	6,472	5,314	5,327	5,723	5,382	4,986	5,697	8,559	4,842	5,832	5,996	68,554
2014-15	6,191	7,015	5,730	5,548	5,607	5,544	4,824	5,890	9,427	5,589	5,975	7,085	74,425
2015-16	6,189	7,323	7,057	6,562	7,017	7,012							41,160

1.10 Number of student visa applications lodged for subclass 573 Higher Education Sector in 2015-16 to 31 December 2015 by client location and month - comparison with previous four financial years



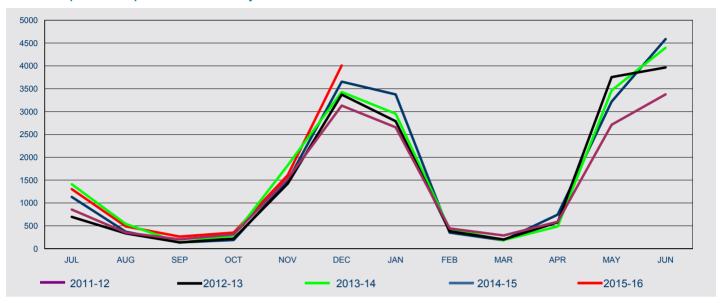
FY Lodged	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Total
In Australia													
2011-12	5,147	10,332	4,872	1,634	1,809	2,175	3,235	10,581	13,163	1,911	1,729	1,973	58,561
2012-13	5,202	9,771	4,346	1,677	1,671	2,095	3,411	9,464	12,929	2,052	1,958	3,242	57,818
2013-14	4,647	9,580	3,894	1,623	1,613	2,122	3,560	9,767	11,626	1,777	1,737	1,840	53,786
2014-15	4,948	8,838	3,897	1,510	1,548	2,346	3,433	7,741	10,942	1,613	1,793	2,035	50,644
2015-16	5,138	8,432	3,489	1,304	1,723	2,430							22,516
Outside Austral	ia												
2011-12	4,133	4,200	3,889	4,089	5,872	7,417	8,851	5,046	3,015	3,790	6,729	8,564	65,595
2012-13	5,773	4,978	4,978	5,354	7,161	8,264	11,456	6,655	4,183	5,189	8,747	11,111	83,849
2013-14	8,090	6,874	7,448	7,188	9,161	11,810	15,260	8,906	5,989	6,998	10,424	13,962	112,110
2014-15	10,883	7,807	9,165	7,958	9,773	12,770	14,271	9,483	6,277	7,010	10,117	14,873	120,387
2015-16	9,780	8,054	8,552	8,173	10,397	12,639							57,595
A.II													
AII 2011-12	9,280	14,532	8,761	5,723	7,681	9,592	12,086	15,627	16,178	5,701	8,458	10,537	124,156
2011-12	10,975	14,749	9,324	7,031	8,832	10,359	14,867	16,119	17,112	7,241	10,705	14,353	·
2012-13	12,737	16,454	11,342	8,811	10,774	13,932	18,820	18,673	17,112	8,775	12,161	15,802	141,667 165,896
2013-14	15,831	16,645	13,062	9,468	11,321	15,116	17,704	17,224	17,013	8,623	11,910	16,908	171,031
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2015-16	14,918	16,486	12,041	9,477	12,120	15,069							80,111

1.11 Number of student visa applications lodged for subclass 574 Postgraduate Research Sector in 2015-16 to 31 December 2015 by client location and month - comparison with previous four financial years



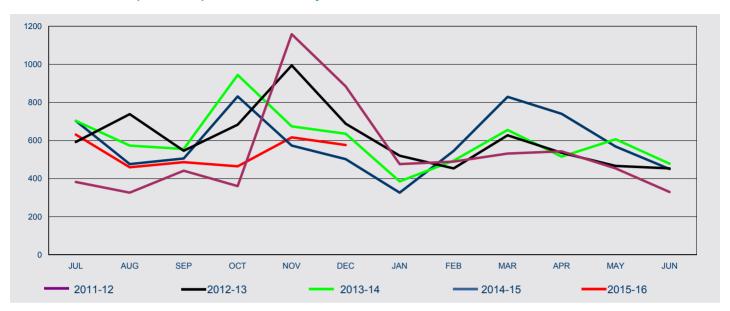
FY Lodged	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Total
In Australia													
2011-12	354	568	442	308	212	195	322	742	770	404	353	253	4,923
2012-13	343	525	439	312	219	196	342	584	729	411	407	346	4,853
2013-14	379	560	449	347	297	254	315	567	674	376	314	271	4,803
2014-15	329	495	382	357	237	213	312	554	682	369	305	284	4,519
2015-16	315	489	373	356	235	197							1,965
Outside Australia 2011-12	ia 523	416	379	381	422	737	793	589	410	353	455	522	5,980
2012-13	579	503	389	365	475	548	831	750	426	433	624	660	6,583
2013-14	666	468	422	338	461	753	991	710	480	404	463	659	6,815
2013-14	704	559	526	353	511	717	861	584	462	419	567	484	6,747
2014-13	699	501	354	341	505	717	001	304	402	419	307	404	
2015-16	699	501	354	341	505	715							3,115
All													
2011-12	877	984	821	689	634	932	1,115	1,331	1,180	757	808	775	10,903
2012-13	922	1,028	828	677	694	744	1,173	1,334	1,155	844	1,031	1,006	11,436
2013-14	1,045	1,028	871	685	758	1,007	1,306	1,277	1,154	780	777	930	11,618
2014-15	1,033	1,054	908	710	748	930	1,173	1,138	1,144	788	872	768	11,266
2015-16	1,014	990	727	697	740	912							5,080

1.12 Number of student visa applications lodged for subclass 575 Non-Award Sector in 2015-16 to 31 December 2015 by client location and month - comparison with previous four financial years



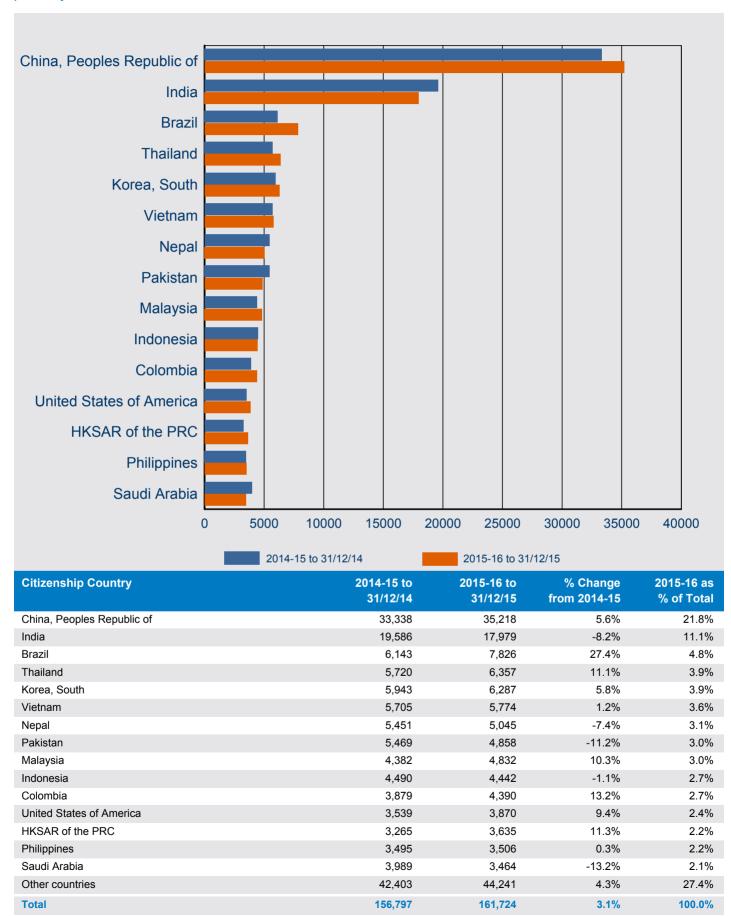
FY Lodged	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Total
In Australia													
2011-12	125	78	44	34	37	52	60	81	108	28	48	58	753
2012-13	114	61	31	30	34	66	66	63	60	31	31	98	685
2013-14	97	73	27	20	35	59	60	56	59	25	28	52	591
2014-15	74	41	17	14	28	57	60	65	52	34	29	51	522
2015-16	89	48	28	14	32	43							254
Outside Australia													
2011-12	731	274	159	280	1,493	3,080	2,597	361	181	562	2,665	3,319	15,702
2012-13	581	274	107	190	1,389	3,306	2,723	318	141	546	3,724	3,868	17,167
2013-14	1,312	469	101	271	1,788	3,369	2,894	373	128	461	3,437	4,346	18,949
2014-15	1,059	330	120	175	1,458	3,598	3,316	287	133	711	3,189	4,536	18,912
2015-16	1,215	440	237	337	1,577	3,966							7,772
All													
AII 2011-12	856	352	203	314	1,530	3,132	2,657	442	289	590	2,713	3,377	16,455
2012-13	695	335	138	220	1,423	3,372	2,789	381	201	577	3,755	3,966	17,852
2013-14	1,409	542	128	291	1,823	3,428	2,753	429	187	486	3,465	4,398	19,540
2014-15	1,133	371	137	189	1,486	3,655	3,376	352	185	745	3,218	4,587	19,434
2015-16	1,304	488	265	351	1,609	4,009	-,-				-, -	,	8,026

1.13 Number of student visa applications lodged for subclass 576 Foreign Affairs or Defence Sector in 2015-16 to 31 December 2015 by client location and month - comparison with previous four financial years

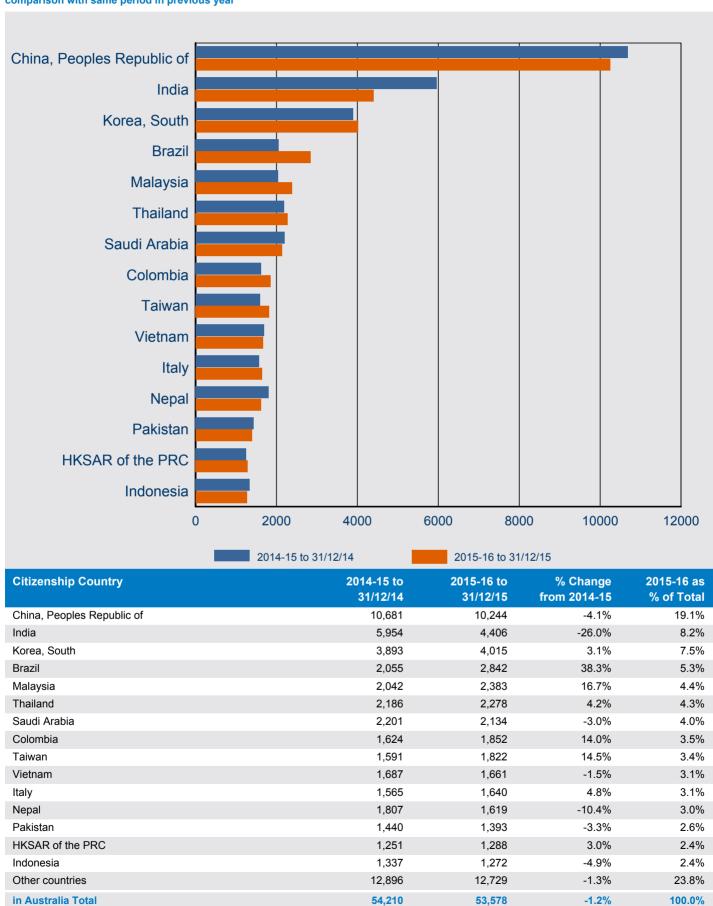


FY Lodged	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Total
In Australia													
2011-12	60	96	47	31	72	86	51	52	60	37	38	37	667
2012-13	70	96	27	30	60	50	83	44	60	24	12	35	591
2013-14	52	75	19	16	46	37	64	47	53	39	12	22	482
2014-15	76	88	30	24	45	55	69	87	63	20	15	48	620
2015-16	63	78	14	21	52	57							285
Outside Australia													
2011-12	322	230	394	329	1,086	798	425	437	471	506	415	292	5,705
2012-13	522	642	519	653	934	638	437	409	567	511	454	418	6,704
2013-14	651	498	536	928	628	598	321	447	602	476	594	456	6,735
2014-15	627	388	475	807	528	447	257	458	766	720	553	402	6,428
2015-16	568	381	472	443	564	519							2,947
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All													
2011-12	382	326	441	360	1,158	884	476	489	531	543	453	329	6,372
2012-13	592	738	546	683	994	688	520	453	627	535	466	453	7,295
2013-14	703	573	555	944	674	635	385	494	655	515	606	478	7,217
2014-15	703	476	505	831	573	502	326	545	829	740	568	450	7,048
2015-16	631	459	486	464	616	576							3,232

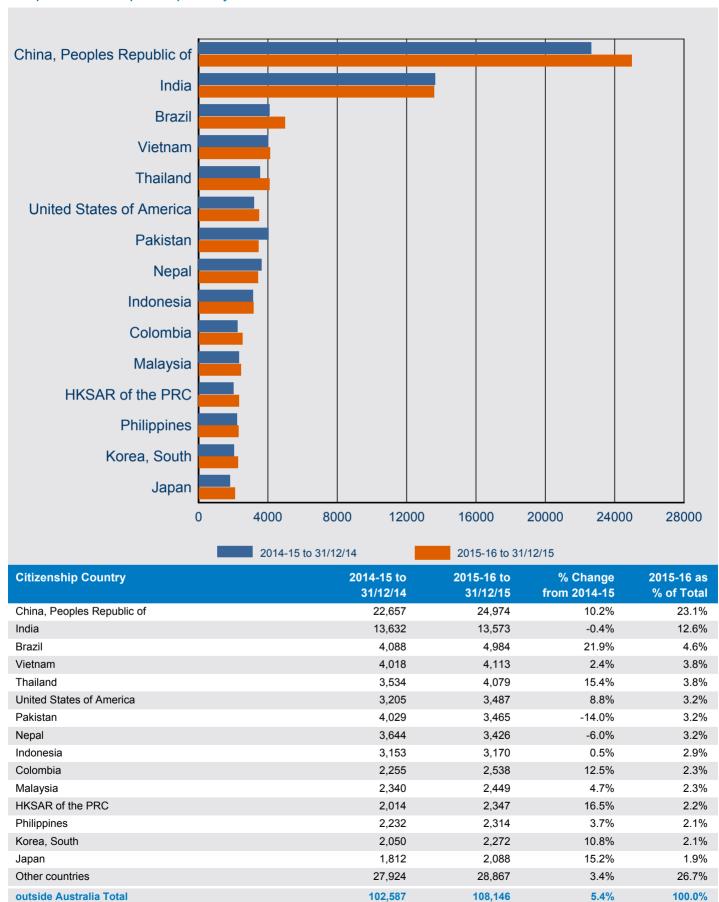
1.14 Number of student visa applications lodged in 2015-16 to 31 December 2015 by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year



1.15 Number of student visa applications lodged in 2015-16 to 31 December 2015 where the client was in Australia by citizenship country comparison with same period in previous year



1.16 Number of student visa applications lodged in 2015-16 to 31 December 2015 where the client was outside Australia by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year



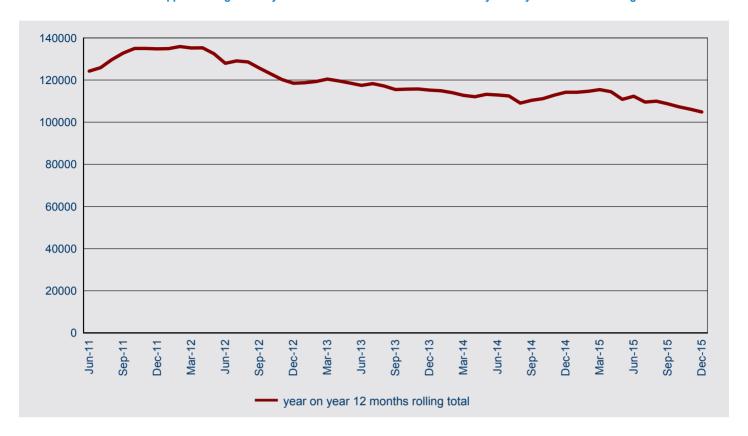
2.01 Number of student visa applications granted by month - year on year 12 months rolling total



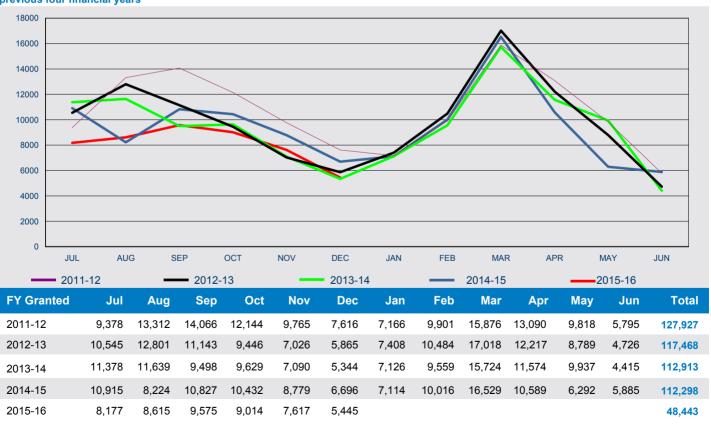
2.02 Number of student visa applications granted in 2015-16 to 31 December 2015 by month - comparison with previous four financial years



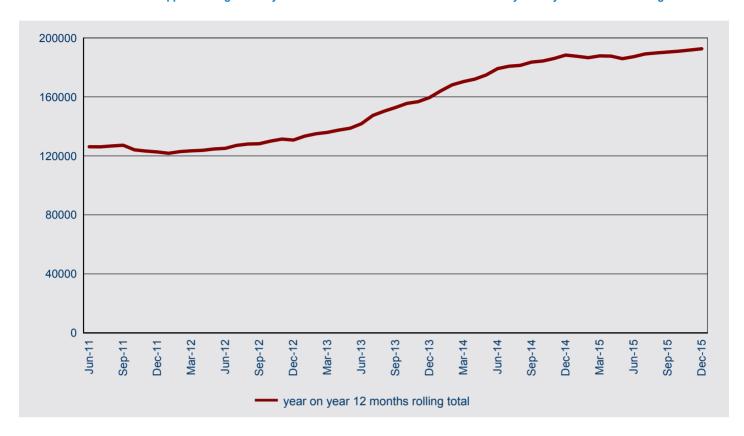
2.03 Number of student visa applications granted by month where the client was in Australia - year on year 12 months rolling total



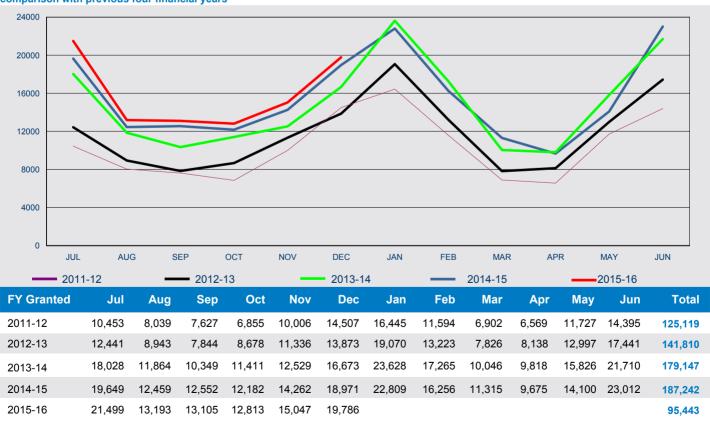
2.04 Number of student visa applications granted in 2015-16 to 31 December 2015 by month where the client was in Australia- comparison with previous four financial years



2.05 Number of student visa applications granted by month where the client was outside Australia - year on year 12 months rolling total



2.06 Number of student visa applications granted in 2015-16 to 31 December 2015 by month where the client was outside Australia-comparison with previous four financial years



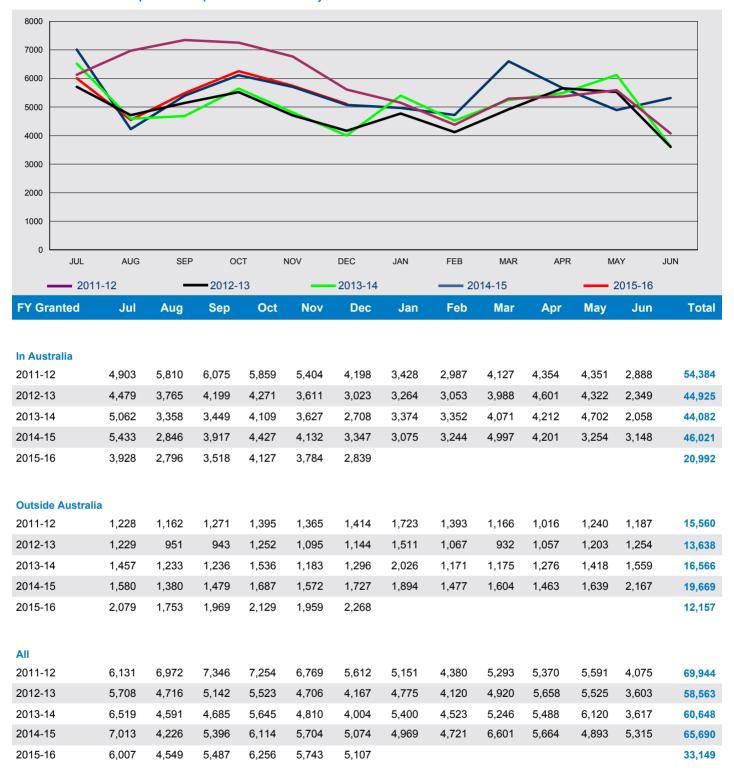
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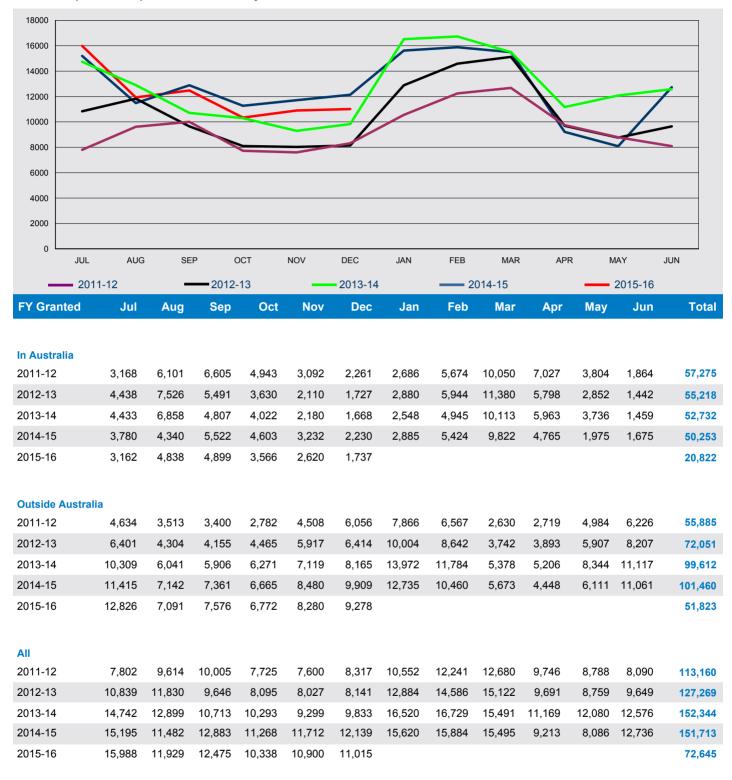
2.08 Number of visa applications granted for subclass 571 Schools Sector in 2015-16 to 31 December 2015 by client location and month - comparison with previous four financial years



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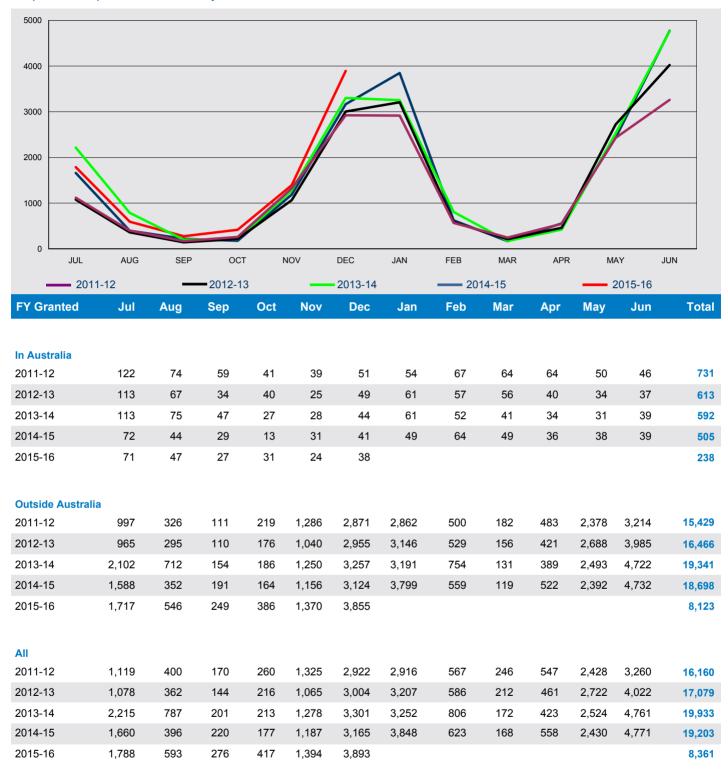
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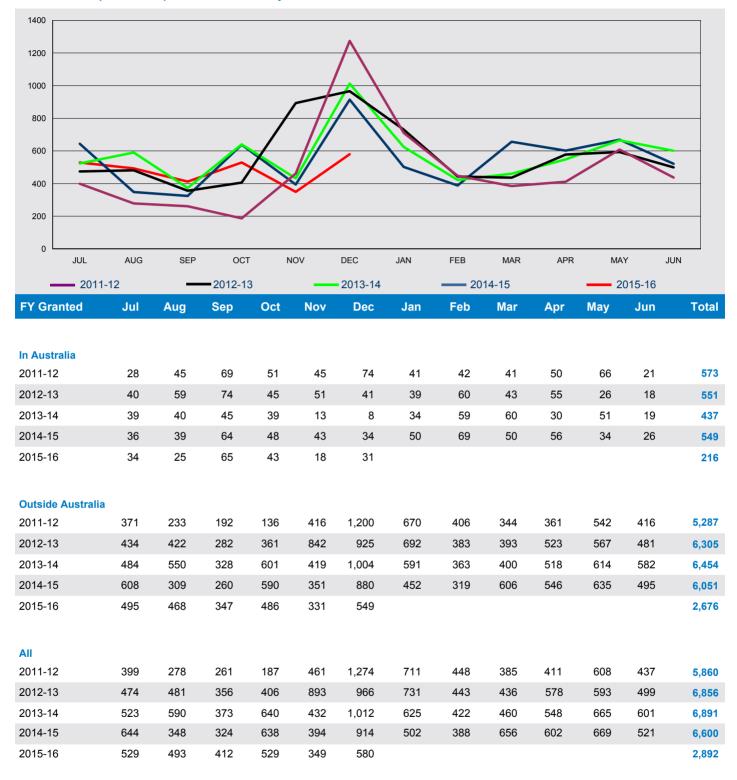
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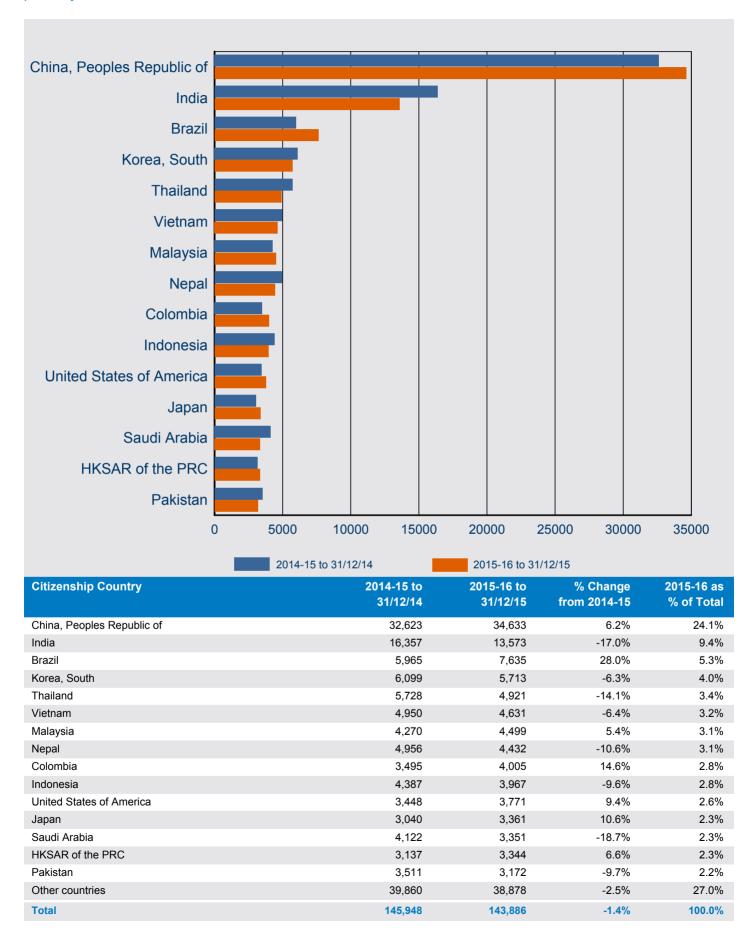
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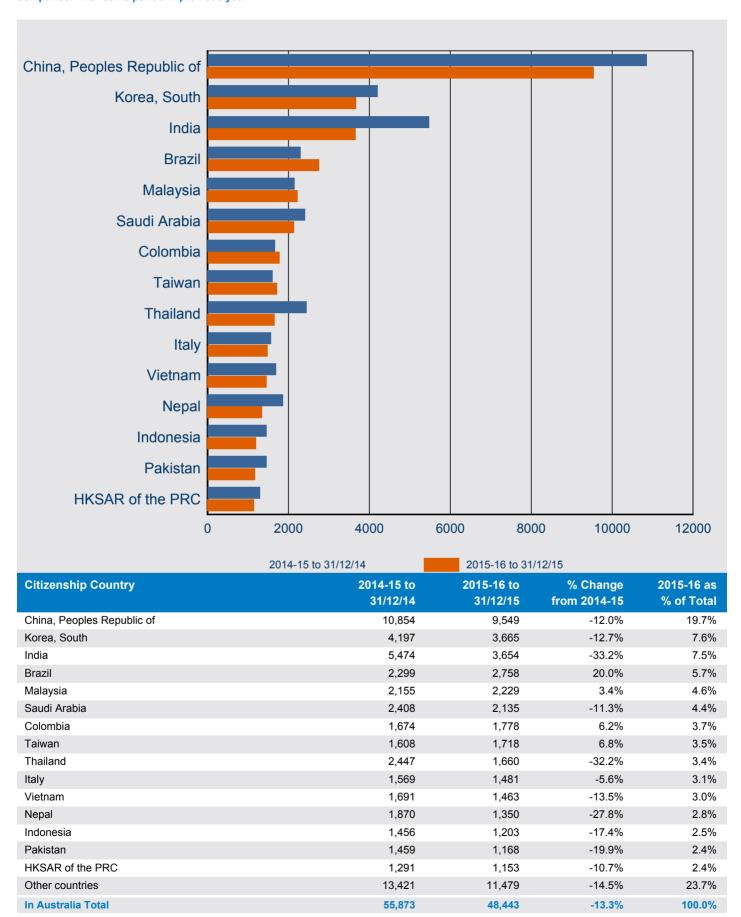
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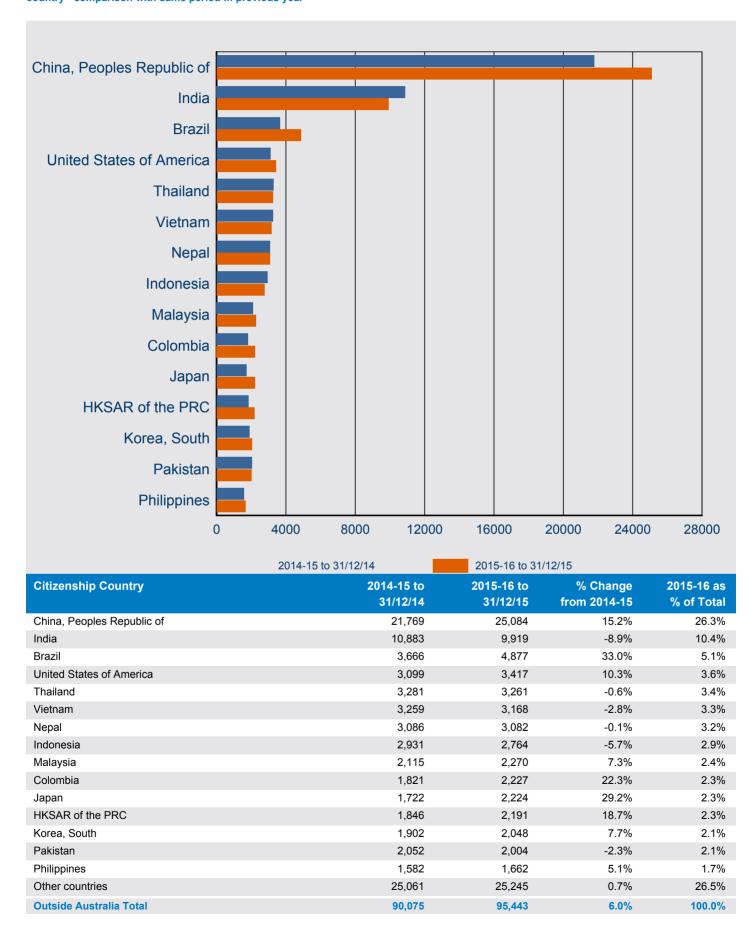
2.14 Number of student visa applications granted in 2015-16 to 31 December 2015 by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year



2.15 Number of student visa applications granted in 2015-16 to 31 December 2015 where the client was in Australia by citizenship country comparison with same period in previous year



2.16 Number of student visa applications granted in 2015-16 to 31 December 2015 where the client was outside Australia by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year



2.17 Number of subclass 570 Independent ELICOS Sector visa applications granted in 2015-16 to 31 December 2015 where the client was in Australia by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year

Citizenship Country	2014-15 to 31/12/14	2015-16 to 31/12/15	% Change from 2014-15	2015-16 as % of Total
Saudi Arabia	600	597	-0.5%	14.8%
Colombia	849	596	-29.8%	14.7%
Korea, South	546	489	-10.4%	12.1%
Brazil	406	432	6.4%	10.7%
Taiwan	422	351	-16.8%	8.7%
Italy	458	318	-30.6%	7.9%
Japan	417	318	-23.7%	7.9%
Malaysia	128	144	12.5%	3.6%
HKSAR of the PRC	147	126	-14.3%	3.1%
Thailand	125	102	-18.4%	2.5%
Spain	117	85	-27.4%	2.1%
France	81	69	-14.8%	1.7%
Chile	100	64	-36.0%	1.6%
Czech Republic	63	57	-9.5%	1.4%
Poland	81	49	-39.5%	1.2%
Other countries	392	247	-37.0%	6.1%
Sub-total in Australia	4,932	4,044	-18.0%	100.0%

2.18 Number of subclass 570 Independent ELICOS Sector visa applications granted in 2015-16 to 31 December 2015 where the client was outside Australia by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year

Citizenship Country	2014-15 to 31/12/14	2015-16 to 31/12/15	% Change from 2014-15	2015-16 as % of Total
Brazil	2,572	3,009	17.0%	23.7%
Colombia	1,603	1,973	23.1%	15.5%
Thailand	1,057	1,218	15.2%	9.6%
Japan	910	1,148	26.2%	9.0%
Spain	684	835	22.1%	6.6%
Korea, South	431	481	11.6%	3.8%
Italy	466	436	-6.4%	3.4%
Taiwan	376	424	12.8%	3.3%
Saudi Arabia	852	369	-56.7%	2.9%
Switzerland	389	351	-9.8%	2.8%
Czech Republic	396	338	-14.6%	2.7%
Chile	269	320	19.0%	2.5%
France	231	223	-3.5%	1.8%
Poland	143	172	20.3%	1.4%
Mexico	151	141	-6.6%	1.1%
Other countries	1,296	1,277	-1.5%	10.0%
Sub-total outside Australia	11,826	12,715	7.5%	100.0%
Total	16,758	16,759	0.0%	

2.19 Number of subclass 571 Schools Sector visa applications granted in 2015-16 to 31 December 2015 where the client was in Australia by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year

Citizenship Country	2014-15 to 31/12/14	2015-16 to 31/12/15	% Change from 2014-15	2015-16 as % of Total
Korea, South	115	89	-22.6%	28.0%
China, Peoples Republic of	41	26	-36.6%	8.2%
Germany, Fed Republic of	28	22	-21.4%	6.9%
Japan	41	19	-53.7%	6.0%
Italy	21	19	-9.5%	6.0%
Taiwan	10	19	90.0%	6.0%
Brazil	20	15	-25.0%	4.7%
Malaysia	10	15	50.0%	4.7%
United States of America	5	9	80.0%	2.8%
Indonesia	6	8	33.3%	2.5%
Vietnam	13	7	-46.2%	2.2%
Thailand	8	7	-12.5%	2.2%
HKSAR of the PRC	6	7	16.7%	2.2%
France	<5	6	200.0%	1.9%
United Kingdom	12	5	-58.3%	1.6%
Other countries	49	45	-8.2%	14.2%
Sub-total in Australia	387	318	-17.8%	100.0%

2.20 Number of subclass 571 Schools Sector visa applications granted in 2015-16 to 31 December 2015 where the client was outside Australia by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year

Citizenship Country	2014-15 to 31/12/14	2015-16 to 31/12/15	% Change from 2014-15	2015-16 as % of Total
China, Peoples Republic of	2,769	2,589	-6.5%	50.4%
Vietnam	339	458	35.1%	8.9%
Germany, Fed Republic of	338	408	20.7%	7.9%
Japan	282	264	-6.4%	5.1%
HKSAR of the PRC	165	234	41.8%	4.6%
Korea, South	106	133	25.5%	2.6%
Italy	135	120	-11.1%	2.3%
Brazil	150	102	-32.0%	2.0%
Malaysia	70	71	1.4%	1.4%
Cambodia	29	54	86.2%	1.1%
Austria	42	53	26.2%	1.0%
Thailand	50	51	2.0%	1.0%
Switzerland	44	46	4.5%	0.9%
France	60	45	-25.0%	0.9%
India	52	39	-25.0%	0.8%
Other countries	540	468	-13.3%	9.1%
Sub-total outside Australia	5,171	5,135	-0.7%	100.0%
Total	5,55 8	5,453	-1.9%	

2.21 Number of subclass 572 Vocational Education and Training Sector visa applications granted in 2015-16 to 31 December 2015 where the client was in Australia by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year

Citizenship Country	2014-15 to 31/12/14	2015-16 to 31/12/15	% Change from 2014-15	2015-16 as % of Total
Korea, South	2,748	2,416	-12.1%	11.5%
Brazil	1,704	2,135	25.3%	10.2%
China, Peoples Republic of	1,811	1,850	2.2%	8.8%
Malaysia	1,293	1,464	13.2%	7.0%
Thailand	1,925	1,294	-32.8%	6.2%
Taiwan	885	1,084	22.5%	5.2%
India	3,273	1,059	-67.6%	5.0%
Italy	973	1,046	7.5%	5.0%
Colombia	504	889	76.4%	4.2%
Japan	646	645	-0.2%	3.1%
Philippines	764	634	-17.0%	3.0%
United Kingdom	627	632	0.8%	3.0%
Indonesia	688	603	-12.4%	2.9%
HKSAR of the PRC	554	503	-9.2%	2.4%
France	354	347	-2.0%	1.7%
Other countries	5,353	4,391	-18.0%	20.9%
Sub-total in Australia	24,102	20,992	-12.9%	100.0%

2.22 Number of subclass 572 Vocational Education and Training Sector visa applications granted in 2015-16 to 31 December 2015 where the client was outside Australia by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year

Citizenship Country	2014-15 to 31/12/14	2015-16 to 31/12/15	% Change from 2014-15	2015-16 as % of Total
India	452	1,233	172.8%	10.1%
Thailand	608	1,146	88.5%	9.4%
Korea, South	760	889	17.0%	7.3%
Indonesia	832	669	-19.6%	5.5%
Taiwan	431	657	52.4%	5.4%
Philippines	613	649	5.9%	5.3%
Brazil	407	577	41.8%	4.7%
United States of America	422	476	12.8%	3.9%
Spain	381	430	12.9%	3.5%
Italy	338	426	26.0%	3.5%
Malaysia	275	329	19.6%	2.7%
Nepal	73	255	249.3%	2.1%
Japan	198	252	27.3%	2.1%
Venezuela	165	248	50.3%	2.0%
United Kingdom	238	241	1.3%	2.0%
Other countries	3,232	3,680	13.9%	30.3%
Sub-total outside Australia	9,425	12,157	29.0%	100.0%
Total	33,527	33,149	-1.1%	

2.23 Number of subclass 573 Higher Education Sector visa applications granted in 2015-16 to 31 December 2015 where the client was in Australia by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year

Citizenship Country	2014-15 to 31/12/14	2015-16 to 31/12/15	% Change from 2014-15	2015-16 as % of Total
China, Peoples Republic of	8,620	7,376	-14.4%	35.4%
India	2,087	2,516	20.6%	12.1%
Nepal	1,421	1,129	-20.5%	5.4%
Saudi Arabia	1,344	1,109	-17.5%	5.3%
Vietnam	1,154	1,019	-11.7%	4.9%
Pakistan	906	872	-3.8%	4.2%
Korea, South	754	639	-15.3%	3.1%
Malaysia	618	553	-10.5%	2.7%
HKSAR of the PRC	572	505	-11.7%	2.4%
Philippines	500	423	-15.4%	2.0%
Bangladesh	508	413	-18.7%	2.0%
Indonesia	526	393	-25.3%	1.9%
Sri Lanka	403	355	-11.9%	1.7%
Colombia	303	269	-11.2%	1.3%
Singapore	268	262	-2.2%	1.3%
Other countries	3,723	2,989	-19.7%	14.4%
Sub-total in Australia	23,707	20,822	-12.2%	100.0%

2.24 Number of subclass 573 Higher Education Sector visa applications granted in 2015-16 to 31 December 2015 where the client was outside Australia by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year

Citizenship Country	2014-15 to 31/12/14	2015-16 to 31/12/15	% Change from 2014-15	2015-16 as % of Total
China, Peoples Republic of	17,720	21,163	19.4%	40.8%
India	10,185	8,368	-17.8%	16.1%
Nepal	2,925	2,744	-6.2%	5.3%
Vietnam	2,383	2,087	-12.4%	4.0%
Pakistan	1,610	1,774	10.2%	3.4%
Malaysia	1,443	1,629	12.9%	3.1%
HKSAR of the PRC	1,362	1,549	13.7%	3.0%
Indonesia	1,199	1,159	-3.3%	2.2%
Singapore	998	1,012	1.4%	2.0%
Sri Lanka	874	836	-4.3%	1.6%
Philippines	829	833	0.5%	1.6%
Thailand	1,460	756	-48.2%	1.5%
Bangladesh	560	696	24.3%	1.3%
Saudi Arabia	676	638	-5.6%	1.2%
Canada	564	581	3.0%	1.1%
Other countries	6,184	5,998	-3.0%	11.6%
Sub-total outside Australia	50,972	51,823	1.7%	100.0%
Total	74,679	72,645	-2.7%	

2.25 Number of subclass 574 Postgraduate Research Sector visa applications granted in 2015-16 to 31 December 2015 where the client was in Australia by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year

Citizenship Country	2014-15 to 31/12/14	2015-16 to 31/12/15	% Change from 2014-15	2015-16 as % of Total
Saudi Arabia	405	364	-10.1%	20.1%
China, Peoples Republic of	339	270	-20.4%	14.9%
Indonesia	152	127	-16.4%	7.0%
Bangladesh	92	109	18.5%	6.0%
Vietnam	118	104	-11.9%	5.7%
Iran	122	83	-32.0%	4.6%
India	97	72	-25.8%	4.0%
Sri Lanka	44	53	20.5%	2.9%
Pakistan	57	46	-19.3%	2.5%
Malaysia	95	45	-52.6%	2.5%
Germany, Fed Republic of	52	28	-46.2%	1.5%
United States of America	49	25	-49.0%	1.4%
Canada	30	25	-16.7%	1.4%
Korea, South	28	24	-14.3%	1.3%
Nepal	28	23	-17.9%	1.3%
Other countries	543	415	-23.6%	22.9%
Sub-total in Australia	2,251	1,813	-19.5%	100.0%

2.26 Number of subclass 574 Postgraduate Research Sector visa applications granted in 2015-16 to 31 December 2015 where the client was outside Australia by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year

Citizenship Country	2014-15 to 31/12/14	2015-16 to 31/12/15	% Change from 2014-15	2015-16 as % of Total
China, Peoples Republic of	603	635	5.3%	22.6%
Vietnam	182	221	21.4%	7.9%
India	143	205	43.4%	7.3%
Iran	164	172	4.9%	6.1%
Saudi Arabia	159	156	-1.9%	5.5%
Indonesia	152	149	-2.0%	5.3%
Bangladesh	167	137	-18.0%	4.9%
Pakistan	106	89	-16.0%	3.2%
Malaysia	138	80	-42.0%	2.8%
Iraq	336	73	-78.3%	2.6%
Sri Lanka	71	70	-1.4%	2.5%
United States of America	73	66	-9.6%	2.3%
Germany, Fed Republic of	36	47	30.6%	1.7%
Singapore	41	37	-9.8%	1.3%
Jordan	13	35	169.2%	1.2%
Other countries	724	642	-11.3%	22.8%
Sub-total outside Australia	3,108	2,814	-9.5%	100.0%
Total	5,359	4,627	-13.7%	

2.27 Number of subclass 575 Non-Award Sector visa applications granted in 2015-16 to 31 December 2015 where the client was in Australia by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year

Citizenship Country	2014-15 to 31/12/14	2015-16 to 31/12/15	% Change from 2014-15	2015-16 as % of Total
Saudi Arabia	23	34	47.8%	14.3%
United States of America	25	31	24.0%	13.0%
Japan	16	17	6.3%	7.1%
Germany, Fed Republic of	15	17	13.3%	7.1%
Mexico	7	12	71.4%	5.0%
China, Peoples Republic of	11	11	0.0%	4.6%
Sweden	7	11	57.1%	4.6%
France	13	9	-30.8%	3.8%
Italy	<5	9	125.0%	3.8%
Malaysia	11	8	-27.3%	3.4%
Korea, South	6	8	33.3%	3.4%
Norway	<5	7	75.0%	2.9%
Denmark	6	6	0.0%	2.5%
Philippines	<5	6	500.0%	2.5%
HKSAR of the PRC	5	5	0.0%	2.1%
Other countries	76	47	-38.2%	19.7%
Sub-total in Australia	230	238	3.5%	100.0%

2.28 Number of subclass 575 Non-Award Sector visa applications granted in 2015-16 to 31 December 2015 where the client was outside Australia by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year

Citizenship Country	2014-15 to 31/12/14	2015-16 to 31/12/15	% Change from 2014-15	2015-16 as % of Total
United States of America	2,199	2,413	9.7%	29.7%
Brazil	395	979	147.8%	12.1%
Germany, Fed Republic of	654	654	0.0%	8.1%
China, Peoples Republic of	387	447	15.5%	5.5%
Canada	420	411	-2.1%	5.1%
Japan	178	403	126.4%	5.0%
Norway	252	286	13.5%	3.5%
France	213	246	15.5%	3.0%
United Kingdom	223	228	2.2%	2.8%
Sweden	202	198	-2.0%	2.4%
Mexico	158	193	22.2%	2.4%
Denmark	148	169	14.2%	2.1%
Netherlands, Kingdom of The	124	148	19.4%	1.8%
Italy	94	128	36.2%	1.6%
Spain	79	117	48.1%	1.4%
Other countries	849	1,103	29.9%	13.6%
Sub-total outside Australia	6,575	8,123	23.5%	100.0%
Total	6,805	8,361	22.9%	

2.29 Number of subclass 576 Foreign Affairs or Defence Sector visa applications granted in 2015-16 to 31 December 2015 where the client was in Australia by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year

Citizenship Country	2014-15 to 31/12/14	2015-16 to 31/12/15	% Change from 2014-15	2015-16 as % of Total
Indonesia	79	60	-24.1%	27.8%
Papua New Guinea	32	34	6.3%	15.7%
Vietnam	46	33	-28.3%	15.3%
Cambodia	6	21	250.0%	9.7%
Bangladesh	13	9	-30.8%	4.2%
Lao Peoples Dem Republic	<5	7	600.0%	3.2%
Timor-Leste	<5	6	500.0%	2.8%
Nepal	<5	5	150.0%	2.3%
Kiribati	6	<5	-33.3%	1.9%
Tonga	6	<5	-33.3%	1.9%
Ethiopia	<5	<5	300.0%	1.9%
Palestinian Authority	0	<5	0.0%	1.9%
Philippines	5	<5	-40.0%	1.4%
Solomon Islands	<5	<5	0.0%	1.4%
Myanmar	0	<5	0.0%	1.4%
Other countries	63	16	-74.6%	7.4%
Sub-total in Australia	264	216	-18.2%	100.0%

2.30 Number of subclass 576 Foreign Affairs or Defence Sector visa applications granted in 2015-16 to 31 December 2015 where the client was outside Australia by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year

Citizenship Country	2014-15 to 31/12/14	2015-16 to 31/12/15	% Change from 2014-15	2015-16 as % of Total
Indonesia	636	690	8.5%	25.8%
Papua New Guinea	179	333	86.0%	12.4%
Vietnam	251	235	-6.4%	8.8%
Sri Lanka	112	129	15.2%	4.8%
Philippines	102	118	15.7%	4.4%
Pakistan	253	113	-55.3%	4.2%
Bangladesh	87	72	-17.2%	2.7%
Cambodia	64	68	6.3%	2.5%
Myanmar	52	64	23.1%	2.4%
Mongolia	91	54	-40.7%	2.0%
Timor-Leste	63	54	-14.3%	2.0%
Fiji	42	54	28.6%	2.0%
Malaysia	58	46	-20.7%	1.7%
Thailand	65	42	-35.4%	1.6%
Nepal	52	42	-19.2%	1.6%
Other countries	891	562	-36.9%	21.0%
Sub-total outside Australia	2,998	2,676	-10.7%	100.0%
Total	3,262	2,892	-11.3%	



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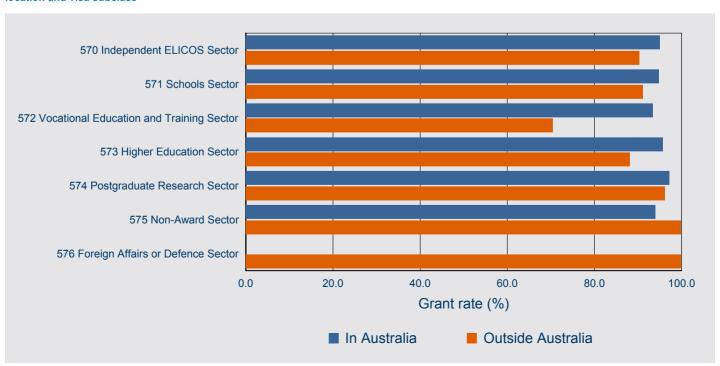
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where the number of decisions equals the number of grants plus the number of refusals.

3.01 Grant rate of student visa applications decided in the three month period between 1 October 2015 and 31 December 2015 by client location and visa subclass - comparison with previous four periods

Visa Subclass	01/10/14 to 31/12/14	01/01/15 to 31/03/15	01/04/15 to 30/06/15	01/07/15 to 30/09/15	01/10/15 to 31/12/15
In Australia					
570 Independent ELICOS Sector	95.7%	95.7%	95.7%	96.2%	95.0%
571 Schools Sector	96.7%	95.6%	93.8%	94.0%	94.7%
572 Vocational Education and Training Sector	90.7%	92.7%	91.9%	93.8%	93.4%
573 Higher Education Sector	96.5%	98.2%	96.4%	97.6%	95.7%
574 Postgraduate Research Sector	98.9%	98.6%	99.1%	97.6%	97.1%
575 Non-Award Sector	92.4%	95.9%	96.6%	98.0%	93.9%
576 Foreign Affairs or Defence Sector	92.6%	94.9%	98.3%	93.9%	100.0%
All In Australia	93.7%	96.1%	94.3%	95.9%	94.5%
Outside Australia					
570 Independent ELICOS Sector	92.4%	91.8%	92.1%	93.3%	90.3%
571 Schools Sector	89.0%	84.7%	93.6%	88.7%	91.1%
572 Vocational Education and Training Sector	82.1%	79.3%	78.5%	76.0%	70.4%
573 Higher Education Sector	88.7%	89.4%	86.7%	87.4%	88.1%
574 Postgraduate Research Sector	98.0%	97.8%	97.7%	97.2%	96.1%
575 Non-Award Sector	99.8%	99.7%	99.9%	99.5%	99.8%
576 Foreign Affairs or Defence Sector	99.9%	99.7%	99.3%	98.9%	99.9%
All Outside Australia	90.0%	89.8%	89.4%	87.7%	87.3%
All	91.3%	92.2%	90.9%	90.5%	89.5%

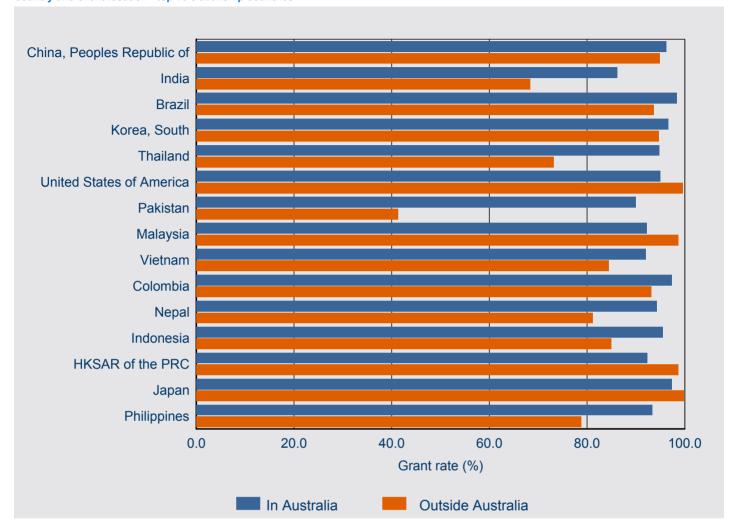
3.02 Grant rate of student visa applications decided in the three month period between 1 October 2015 and 31 December 2015 by client location and visa subclass



3.03 Grant rate of student visa applications decided in the three month period between 1 October 2015 and 31 December 2015 by client location and citizenship country - comparison with previous four periods

Citizenship Country	01/10/14 to 31/12/14	01/01/15 to 31/03/15	01/04/15 to 30/06/15	01/07/15 to 30/09/15	01/10/15 to 31/12/15
In Australia					
China, Peoples Republic of	95.7%	98.6%	95.0%	97.9%	96.2%
Korea, South	97.1%	96.8%	96.2%	97.5%	96.6%
India	79.4%	84.2%	84.8%	87.3%	86.2%
Brazil	99.1%	97.8%	98.6%	99.0%	98.4%
Malaysia	96.2%	96.3%	94.9%	96.2%	92.2%
Saudi Arabia	98.4%	95.9%	96.5%	95.4%	95.4%
Italy	98.7%	97.3%	99.1%	98.1%	98.3%
Taiwan	98.8%	97.2%	95.7%	97.3%	95.1%
Colombia	96.0%	96.6%	97.4%	97.5%	97.4%
Thailand	97.1%	96.1%	95.3%	97.0%	94.8%
Japan	97.5%	98.1%	97.4%	99.2%	97.3%
Vietnam	92.4%	96.4%	93.2%	96.0%	92.1%
Pakistan	91.2%	92.2%	89.5%	91.7%	90.0%
Nepal	95.0%	94.4%	94.3%	96.1%	94.3%
Philippines	93.7%	94.0%	93.2%	93.4%	93.4%
Other countries	94.6%	96.3%	94.3%	95.8%	94.3%
All In Australia	93.7%	96.1%	94.3%	95.9%	94.5%
Outside Australia					
China, Peoples Republic of	92.2%	92.0%	95.1%	95.2%	94.9%
India	79.9%	83.3%	72.0%	78.1%	68.3%
United States of America	99.7%	99.1%	99.6%	99.2%	99.6%
Brazil	93.7%	96.7%	95.0%	95.5%	93.7%
Vietnam	85.6%	79.4%	82.7%	83.1%	84.5%
Thailand	88.1%	92.0%	90.7%	84.2%	73.2%
Malaysia	98.5%	99.3%	99.0%	97.6%	98.7%
Indonesia	97.0%	95.5%	96.1%	94.6%	85.0%
HKSAR of the PRC	99.6%	98.8%	97.5%	98.4%	98.6%
Japan	99.8%	98.9%	99.6%	99.8%	99.8%
Colombia	93.0%	90.2%	88.3%	92.8%	93.2%
Nepal	88.9%	91.2%	69.7%	87.6%	81.2%
Korea, South	99.3%	98.6%	98.6%	96.8%	94.8%
Canada	99.9%	99.0%	99.7%	98.9%	99.5%
Singapore	99.7%	99.5%	99.7%	99.6%	99.6%
Other countries	87.1%	85.0%	87.2%	80.0%	84.1%
All Outside Australia	90.0%	89.8%	89.4%	87.7%	87.3%
All	91.3%	92.2%	90.9%	90.5%	89.5%
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3.04 Grant rate of student visa applications decided in the three month period between 1 October 2015 and 31 December 2015 by citizenship country and client location - top 15 citizenship countries



This section contains information on 25, 50 and 75 percentile processing times for primary applications.

In general terms:

25 percentile means that 25 per cent of applications granted during the period were processed within the number of

days shown in the tables. Conversely, 75 per cent took longer than the number of days shown. This measure gives an indication of how long it is taking to process the more straight-forward student

applications.

50 percentile more commonly known as the median, it means that 50 per cent of applications granted during the

period were processed within the number of days shown in the tables. Conversely, 50 per cent took longer than the number of days shown. This measure gives an indication of how long it is taking to

process the typical student applications.

75 percentile means that 75 per cent of applications granted during the period were processed within the number of

days shown in the tables. Conversely, 25 per cent took longer than the number of days shown. This measure gives an indication of how long it is taking to process the more complex student applications.

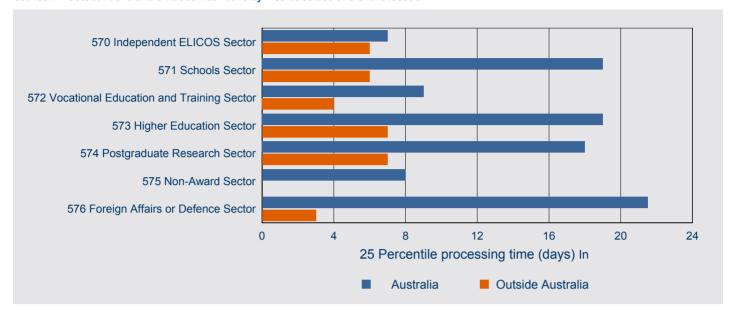
4.01 Processing time (in calendar days) for student PRIMARY visa applications granted in the three month period between 1 October 2015 and 31 December 2015 by client location and visa subclass - comparison with previous four periods

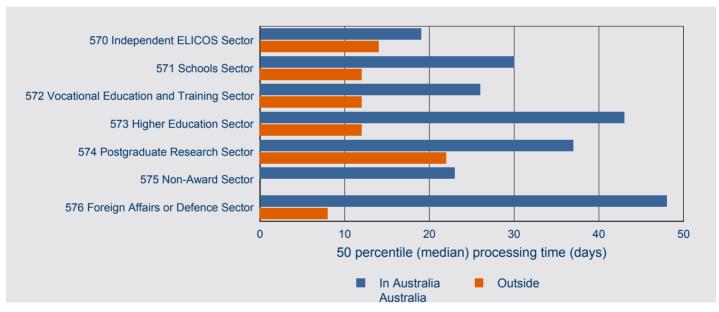
Visa Subclass		01/10/14 to 31/12/14 (days)	01/01/15 to 31/03/15 (days)	01/04/15 to 30/06/15 (days)	01/07/15 to 30/09/15 (days)	01/10/15 to 31/12/15 (days)
In Australia						
570 Independent ELICOS	25th percentile	4	3	4	6	7
Sector	50th percentile (Median)	15	11	14	17	19
	75th percentile	32	26	31	33	41
571 Schools Sector	25th percentile	14	9	21	14	19
	50th percentile (Median)	32	20	39	31	30
	75th percentile	59	35	57	61	49
572 Vocational Education	25th percentile	8	4	7	7	9
and Training Sector	50th percentile (Median)	24	14	21	21	26
	75th percentile	46	28	36	35	48
573 Higher Education	25th percentile	18	4	17	7	19
Sector	50th percentile (Median)	41	9	32	18	43
	75th percentile	64	20	42	32	70
574 Postgraduate	25th percentile	16	7	11	14	18
Research Sector	50th percentile (Median)	32	14	25	27	37
	75th percentile	56	30	42	52	64
575 Non-Award Sector	25th percentile	2	2	3	4	8
	50th percentile (Median)	6	10	12	11	23
	75th percentile	17	23	34	29	45
576 Foreign Affairs or	25th percentile	20	16	25	16	22
Defence Sector	50th percentile (Median)	37	26	39	31	48
	75th percentile	63	38	51	45	86
All In Australia	25th percentile	10	4	9	7	12
	50th percentile (Median)	29	11	26	19	31
	75th percentile	54	23	39	34	57

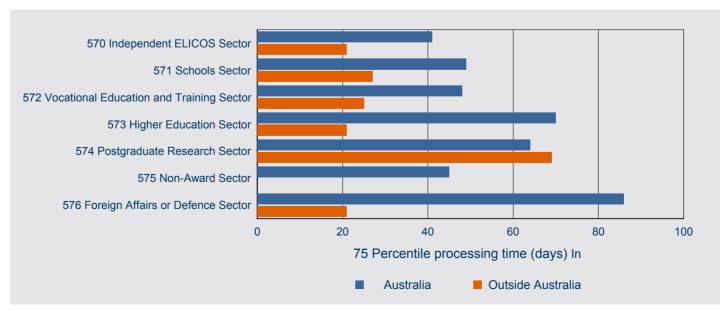
4.01 Processing time (in calendar days) for student PRIMARY visa applications granted in the three month period between 1 October 2015 and 31 December 2015 by client location and visa subclass - comparison with previous four periods - continued

Visa Subclass		01/10/14 to 31/12/14 (days)	01/01/15 to 31/03/15 (days)	01/04/15 to 30/06/15 (days)	01/07/15 to 30/09/15 (days)	01/10/15 to 31/12/15 (days)
Outside Australia						
570 Independent ELICOS	25th percentile	6	8	8	8	6
Sector	50th percentile (Median)	14	17	14	16	14
	75th percentile	22	26	22	23	21
571 Schools Sector	25th percentile	7	8	4	8	6
	50th percentile (Median)	15	19	10	15	12
	75th percentile	31	35	19	42	27
572 Vocational Education	25th percentile	2	4	6	6	4
and Training Sector	50th percentile (Median)	8	12	13	14	12
	75th percentile	20	26	27	28	25
573 Higher Education	25th percentile	6	6	7	8	7
Sector	50th percentile (Median)	11	11	12	13	12
	75th percentile	20	22	21	26	21
574 Postgraduate	25th percentile	7	6	7	8	7
Research Sector	50th percentile (Median)	16	15	19	22	22
	75th percentile	35	35	35	47	69
575 Non-Award Sector	25th percentile	0	0	1	1	0
	50th percentile (Median)	0	3	1	12	0
	75th percentile	1	14	5	21	0
576 Foreign Affairs or	25th percentile	5	4	3	3	3
Defence Sector	50th percentile (Median)	13	12	9	9	8
	75th percentile	43	48	22	16	21
All Outside Australia	25th percentile	4	5	4	8	4
	50th percentile (Median)	10	12	10	14	11
	75th percentile	20	23	20	26	20
All	25th percentile	5	5	5	7	6
	50th percentile (Median)	14	12	13	14	13
	75th percentile	30	23	28	29	30

4.02 25, 50 and 75 percentile processing time (in calendar days) for student PRIMARY visa applications granted in the three month period between 1 October 2015 and 31 December 2015 by visa subclass and client location







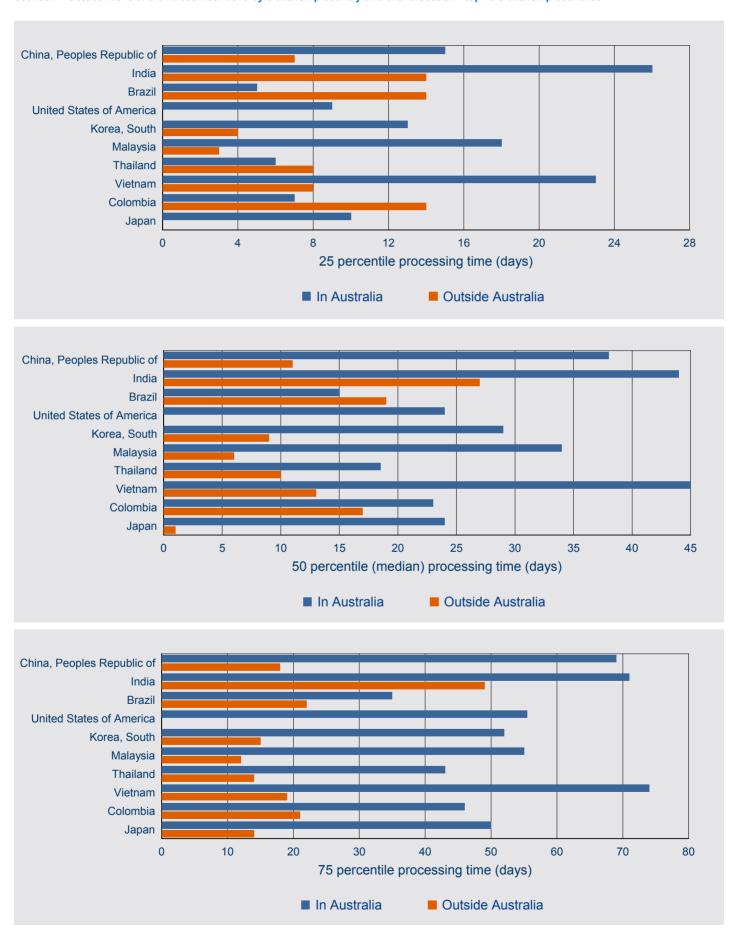
4.03 Processing time (in calendar days) for student PRIMARY visa applications granted in the three month period between 1 October 2015 and 31 December 2015 by client location and citizenship country - comparison with previous four periods

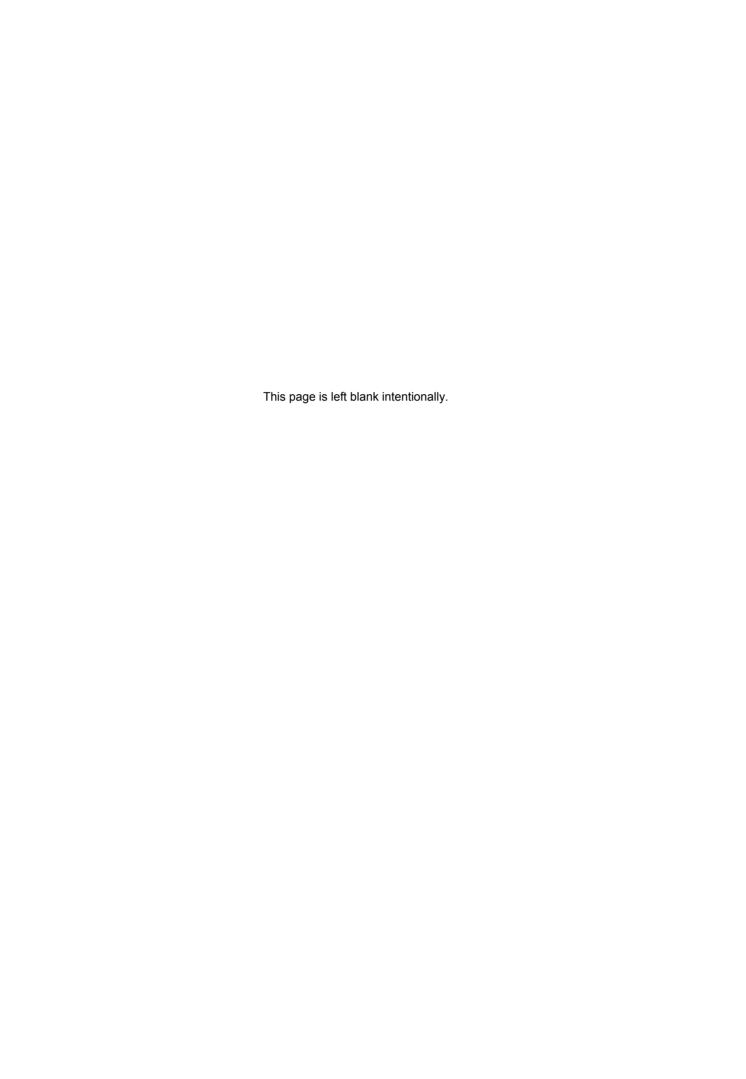
Citizenship country		01/10/14 to 31/12/14 (days)	01/01/15 to 31/03/15 (days)	01/04/15 to 30/06/15 (days)	01/07/15 to 30/09/15 (days)	01/10/15 to 31/12/15 (days)
In Australia						
China, Peoples Republic	25th percentile	17	3	15	6	15
of	50th percentile (Median)	41	7	31	13	38
	75th percentile	64	16	40	28	69
Korea, South	25th percentile	10	7	9	11	13
	50th percentile (Median)	22	15	21	24	29
	75th percentile	41	27	35	35	52
India	25th percentile	25	8	23	14	26
	50th percentile (Median)	44	18	36	28	44
	75th percentile	75	35	49	44	71
Brazil	25th percentile	3	3	3	3	5
	50th percentile (Median)	12	8	11	12	15
	75th percentile	33	21	29	29	35
Malaysia	25th percentile	13	7	12	13	18
	50th percentile (Median)	28	14	25	26	34
	75th percentile	48	28	37	36	55
Thailand	25th percentile	4	2	3	4	6
	50th percentile (Median)	14	7	13	15	19
	75th percentile	37	22	33	32	43
Taiwan	25th percentile	9	6	7	9	12
	50th percentile (Median)	20	13	17	22	26
	75th percentile	36	26	31	35	47
Vietnam	25th percentile	16	4	19	10	23
	50th percentile (Median)	38	11	33	23	45
	75th percentile	63	22	45	37	74
Colombia	25th percentile	6	4	7	6	7
	50th percentile (Median)	22	14	21	20	23
	75th percentile	43	31	35	36	46
Saudi Arabia	25th percentile	15	6	13	15	18
	50th percentile (Median)	34	13	28	27	40
	75th percentile	61	27	40	39	63
Other countries	25th percentile	9	5	8	7	10
	50th percentile (Median)	27	13	25	20	30
	75th percentile	50	27	39	35	56
All In Australia	25th percentile	10	4	9	7	12
	50th percentile (Median)	29	11	26	19	31
	75th percentile	54	23	39	34	57

4.03 Processing time (in calendar days) for student PRIMARY visa applications granted in the three month period between 1 October 2015 and 31 December 2015 by client location and citizenship country - comparison with previous four periods - continued

Citizenship country		01/10/14 to 31/12/14 (days)	01/01/15 to 31/03/15 (days)	01/04/15 to 30/06/15 (days)	01/07/15 to 30/09/15 (days)	01/10/15 to 31/12/15 (days)
Outside Australia China, Peoples Republic	25th percentile	6	6	7	8	7
of	50th percentile (Median)	9	9	11	12	11
	75th percentile	18	15	15	19	18
India	25th percentile	11	13	18	16	14
maia	50th percentile (Median)	18	22	39	29	27
	75th percentile	27	32	54	50	49
Brazil	25th percentile	14	13	16	14	14
	50th percentile (Median)	20	20	21	21	19
	75th percentile	25	27	27	26	22
United States of America	25th percentile	0	0	1	0	0
	50th percentile (Median)	0	0	1	0	0
	75th percentile	0	1	2	6	0
Thailand	25th percentile	3	3	4	10	8
	50th percentile (Median)	6	6	8	14	10
	75th percentile	11	10	12	18	14
Malaysia	25th percentile	3	3	4	2	3
	50th percentile (Median)	7	6	7	5	6
	75th percentile	13	12	14	11	12
Vietnam	25th percentile	7	8	8	8	8
	50th percentile (Median)	12	14	11	11	13
	75th percentile	21	22	16	15	19
Indonesia	25th percentile	7	6	8	5	4
	50th percentile (Median)	14	11	14	11	9
	75th percentile	30	22	25	18	15
Colombia	25th percentile	17	16	11	14	14
	50th percentile (Median)	21	21	14	16	17
	75th percentile	26	29	18	19	21
Japan	25th percentile	10	15	11	10	0
	50th percentile (Median)	15	22	16	17	1
	75th percentile	20	29	24	24	14
Other countries	25th percentile	1	4	1	4	1
	50th percentile (Median)	8	11	7	13	9
	75th percentile	19	25	18	29	21
All Outside Australia	25th percentile	4	5	4	8	4
	50th percentile (Median)	10	12	10	14	11
	75th percentile	20	23	20	26	20
All	25th percentile (Medien)	5	5	5	7	6
	50th percentile (Median) 75th percentile	14	12 23	13 28	14 29	13 30
	rour percentile	30	23	20	25	30

4.04 25, 50 and 75 percentile processing time (in calendar days) for student PRIMARY visa applications granted in the three month period between 1 October 2015 and 31 December 2015 by citizenship country and client location - top 10 citizenship countries

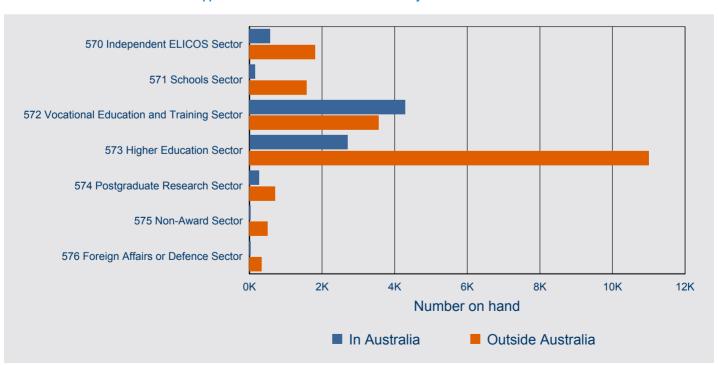




5.01 Number of student PRIMARY visa applications on hand at 31 December 2015 by client location and visa subclass - comparison with previous four periods

Visa Subclass	On hand at 31/12/14	On hand at 31/03/15	On hand at 30/06/15	On hand at 30/09/15	On hand at 31/12/15
In Australia					
570 Independent ELICOS Sector	492	571	543	792	573
571 Schools Sector	131	217	97	101	155
572 Vocational Education and Training Sector	2,897	4,186	3,473	4,986	4,287
573 Higher Education Sector	1,919	4,917	2,050	5,220	2,701
574 Postgraduate Research Sector	173	313	219	362	268
575 Non-Award Sector	31	38	35	43	38
576 Foreign Affairs or Defence Sector	38	46	31	36	36
Sub-total In Australia	5,681	10,288	6,448	11,540	8,058
Outside Australia					
570 Independent ELICOS Sector	2,064	1,425	2,063	1,887	1,814
571 Schools Sector	1,615	998	1,739	1,218	1,590
572 Vocational Education and Training Sector	2,179	2,130	3,159	3,244	3,563
573 Higher Education Sector	9,019	6,273	12,565	7,884	11,079
574 Postgraduate Research Sector	637	483	637	680	715
575 Non-Award Sector	915	149	910	257	510
576 Foreign Affairs or Defence Sector	441	421	245	312	340
Sub-total Outside Australia	16,870	11,879	21,318	15,482	19,611
Total	22,551	22,167	27,766	27,022	27,669

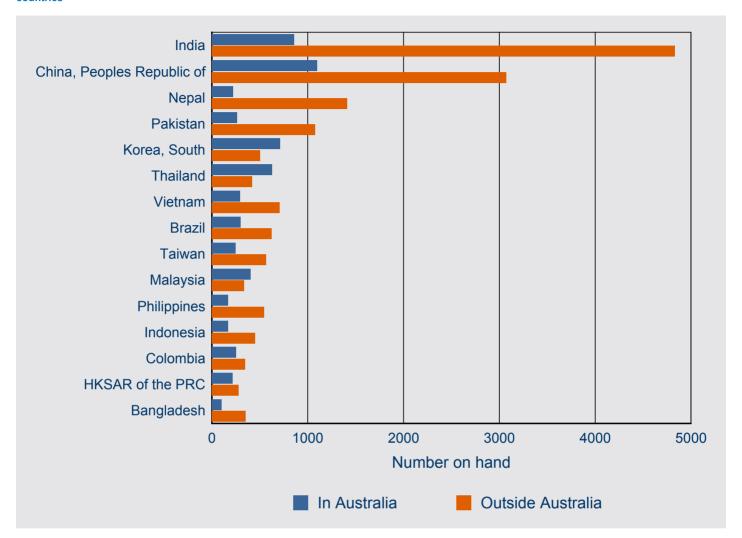
5.02 Number of student PRIMARY visa applications on hand at 31 December 2015 by client location and visa subclass



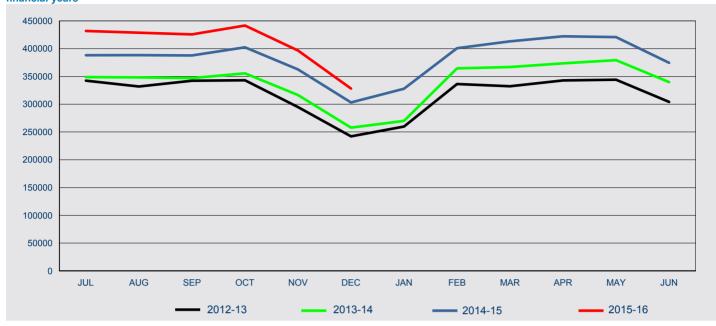
5.03 Number of student PRIMARY visa applications on hand at 31 December 2015 by client location and citizenship country - comparison with previous four periods

Visa Subclass	On hand at 31/12/14	On hand at 31/03/15	On hand at 30/06/15	On hand at 30/09/15	On hand at 31/12/15
In Australia					
China, Peoples Republic of	719	2,244	828	2,203	1,102
India	863	1,282	805	1,302	858
Korea, South	466	638	550	785	711
Thailand	174	246	242	459	630
Malaysia	244	433	411	582	406
Brazil	139	195	278	364	303
Vietnam	190	470	215	416	297
Pakistan	217	400	202	504	267
Colombia	206	240	242	327	254
Taiwan	195	216	241	378	250
Nepal	172	390	131	337	221
HKSAR of the PRC	150	279	182	345	216
Italy	112	128	101	229	211
Japan	129	215	167	252	181
Philippines	144	254	177	276	172
Other countries	1,561	2,658	1,676	2,781	1,979
Sub-total In Australia	5,681	10,288	6,448	11,540	8,058
Outside Australia					
India	2,391	2,486	4,518	3,433	4,830
China, Peoples Republic of	3,250	1,793	4,673	2,984	3,104
Nepal	603	723	1,394	1,174	1,412
Pakistan	1,529	1,607	2,464	1,452	1,084
Vietnam	770	342	455	390	707
Brazil	853	361	809	586	624
Taiwan	559	546	621	556	565
Philippines	378	339	487	431	548
Korea, South	448	338	429	343	511
Indonesia	561	416	522	446	450
Thailand	270	265	533	526	421
Malaysia	397	128	236	93	360
Bangladesh	163	85	257	71	355
Colombia	463	192	227	261	346
Singapore	281	83	144	60	296
Other countries	3,954	2,175	3,549	2,676	3,998
Sub-total Outside Australia	16,870	11,879	21,318	15,482	19,611
Total	22,551	22,167	27,766	27,022	27,669

5.04 Number of student PRIMARY visa applications on hand at 31 December 2015 by citizenship country and client location - top 15 citizenship countries

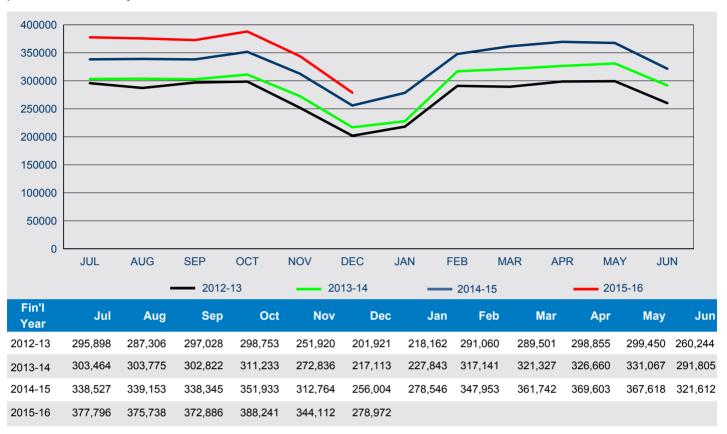


6.01 Number of student visa holders at the end of each month in 2015-16 to 31 December 2015 by month - comparison with previous three financial years

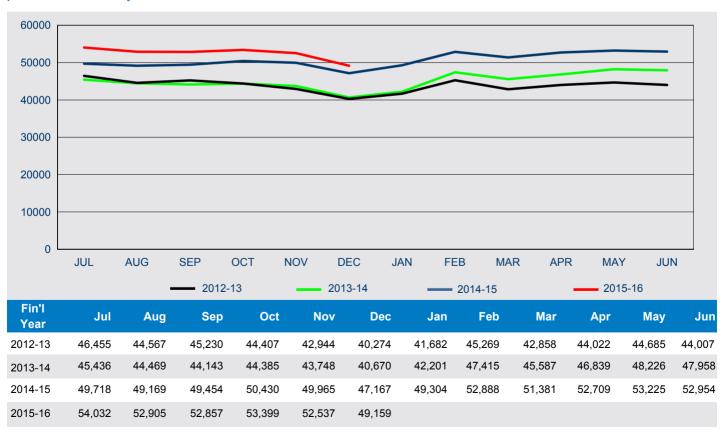


Fin'l Year	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
2012-13	342,353	331,873	342,258	343,160	294,864	242,195	259,844	336,329	332,359	342,877	344,135	304,251
2013-14	348,900	348,244	346,965	355,618	316,584	257,783	270,044	364,556	366,914	373,499	379,293	339,763
2014-15	388,245	388,322	387,799	402,363	362,729	303,171	327,850	400,841	413,123	422,312	420,843	374,566
2015-16	431,828	428,643	425,743	441,640	396,649	328,131						

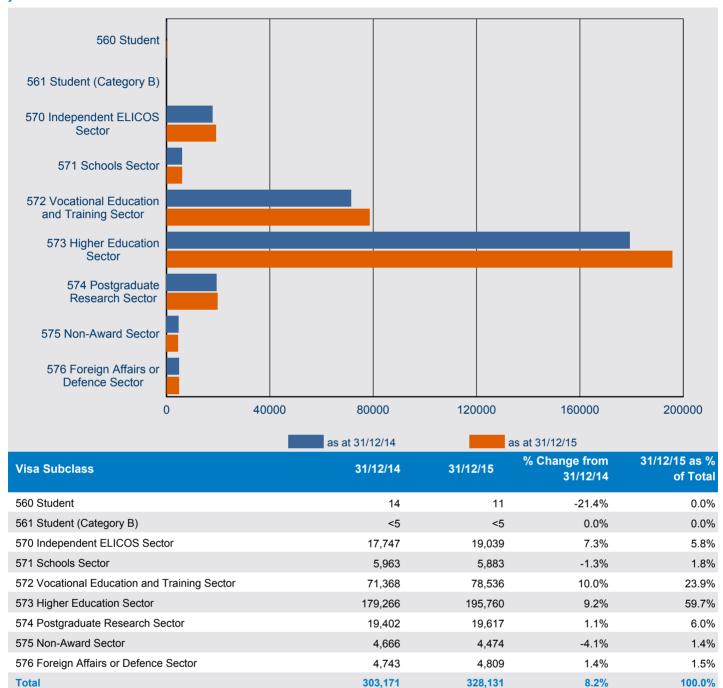
6.02 Number of student PRIMARY visa holders in Australia at the end of each month in 2015-16 to 31 December 2015 - comparison with previous three financial years



6.03 Number of student SECONDARY visa holders in Australia at the end of each month in 2015-16 to 31 December 2015 - comparison with previous three financial years



6.04 Number of student visa holders in Australia as at 31 December 2015 by visa subclass - comparison with the same date in the previous year



Note: Subclass 560 - was omitted from the Migration Regulations 1994 with effect from 1 July 2001.

Subclass 561 (Student - Category B) - since 1 September 1994, has not been specified under the *Migration Regulations* 1994.

Total

6.05 Number of student visa holders in Australia as at 31 December 2015 by citizenship country - comparison with the same date in the previous year



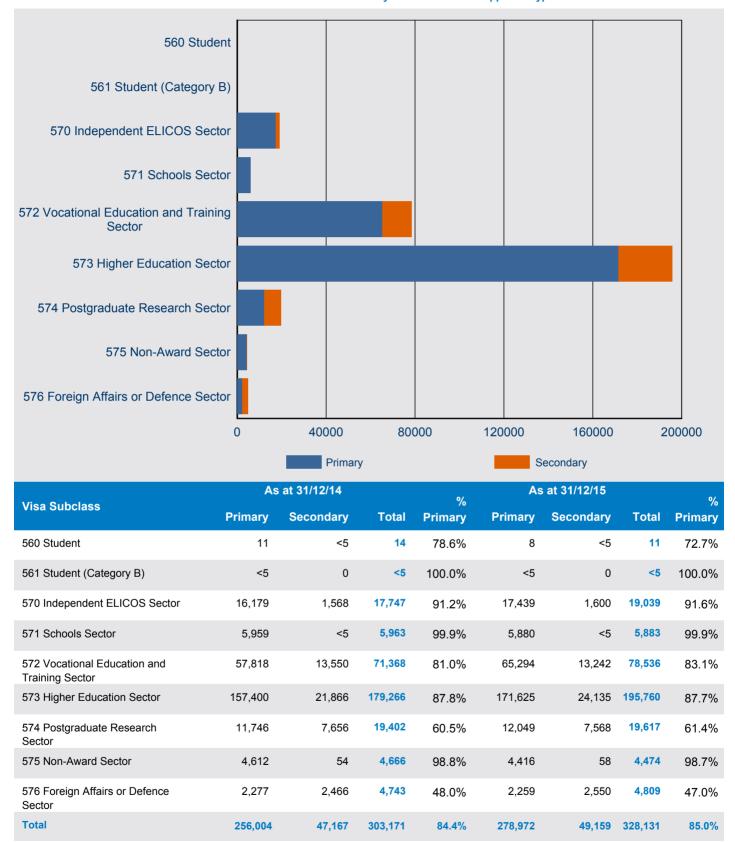
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6.06 Number of student visa holders in Australia as at 31 December 2015 by visa subclass and applicant type



Note: Subclass 560 - was omitted from the Migration Regulations 1994 with effect from 1 July 2001.

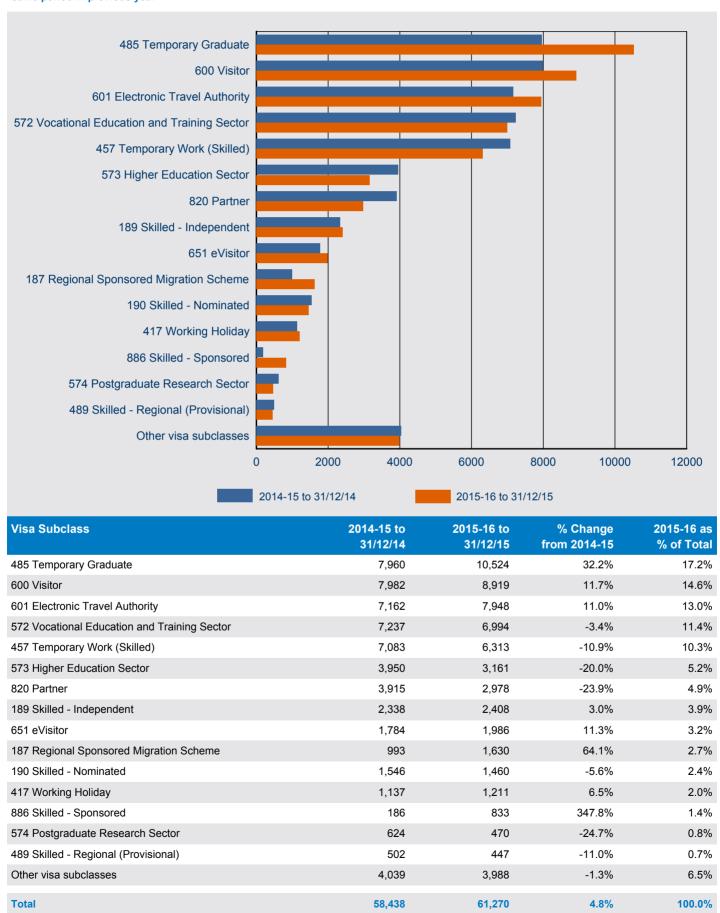
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7 Destinations

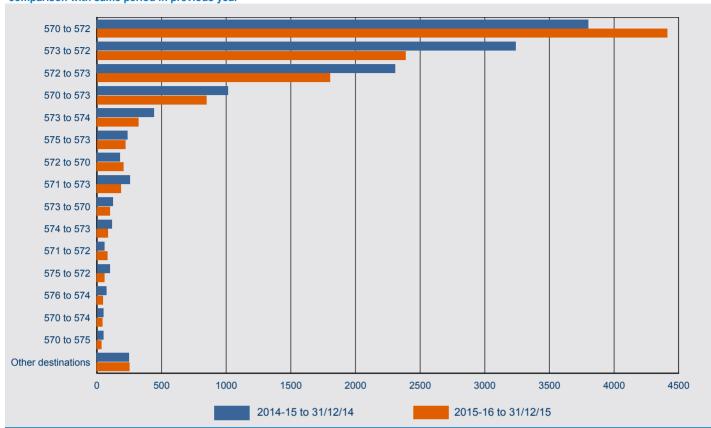
7.01 Number of visas granted in 2015-16 to 31 December 2015 by visa category where the last visa held was a student visa - comparison with same period in previous year



7.02 Number of visas granted in 2015-16 to 31 December 2015 by visa subclass where the last visa held was a student visa - comparison with same period in previous year

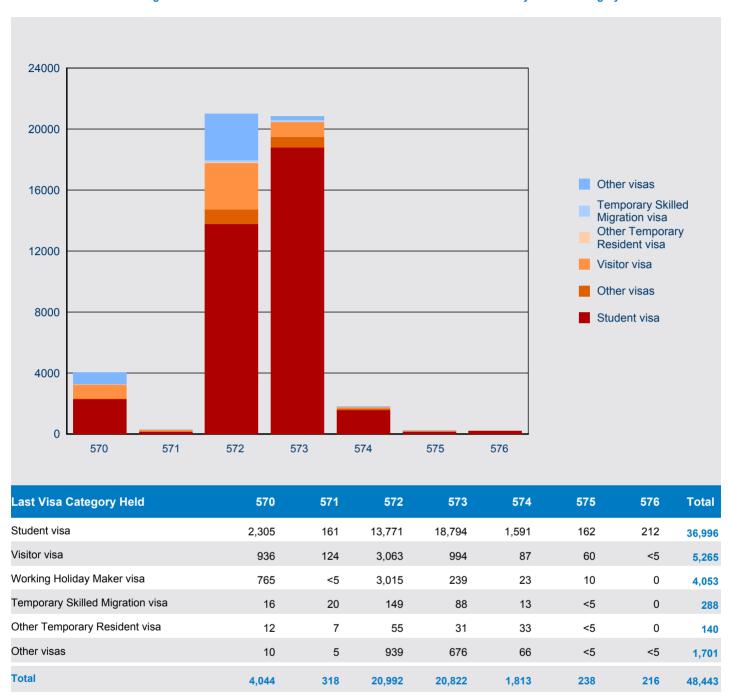


7.03 Number of student visas granted in 2015-16 to 31 December 2015 by visa subclass where the last visa held was a different student visa comparison with same period in previous year



Subclass From / Subclass To	2014-15 to 31/12/14	2015-16 to 31/12/15	% Change from 2014-15	2015-16 as % of Total
From: 570 Independent ELICOS Sector To: 572 Vocational Education and Training Sector	3,802	4,411	16.0%	39.8%
From: 573 Higher Education Sector To: 572 Vocational Education and Training Sector	3,241	2,387	-26.3%	21.5%
From: 572 Vocational Education and Training Sector To: 573 Higher Education Sector	2,308	1,803	-21.9%	16.2%
From: 570 Independent ELICOS Sector To: 573 Higher Education Sector	1,014	847	-16.5%	7.6%
From: 573 Higher Education Sector To: 574 Postgraduate Research Sector	443	322	-27.3%	2.9%
From: 575 Non-Award Sector To: 573 Higher Education Sector	236	219	-7.2%	2.0%
From: 572 Vocational Education and Training Sector To: 570 Independent ELICOS Sector	180	206	14.4%	1.9%
From: 571 Schools Sector To: 573 Higher Education Sector	255	188	-26.3%	1.7%
From: 573 Higher Education Sector To: 570 Independent ELICOS Sector	124	103	-16.9%	0.9%
From: 574 Postgraduate Research Sector To: 573 Higher Education Sector	115	87	-24.3%	0.8%
From: 571 Schools Sector To: 572 Vocational Education and Training Sector	59	83	40.7%	0.7%
From: 575 Non-Award Sector To: 572 Vocational Education and Training Sector	101	60	-40.6%	0.5%
From: 576 Foreign Affairs or Defence Sector To: 574 Postgraduate Research Sector	75	47	-37.3%	0.4%
From: 570 Independent ELICOS Sector To: 574 Postgraduate Research Sector	50	45	-10.0%	0.4%
From: 570 Independent ELICOS Sector To: 575 Non-Award Sector	49	36	-26.5%	0.3%
Others destinations	249	252	1.2%	2.3%
Total	12,301	11,096	-9.8%	100.0%

7.04 Number of student visa granted in 2015-16 to 31 December 2015 where the client was in Australia by last visa category held

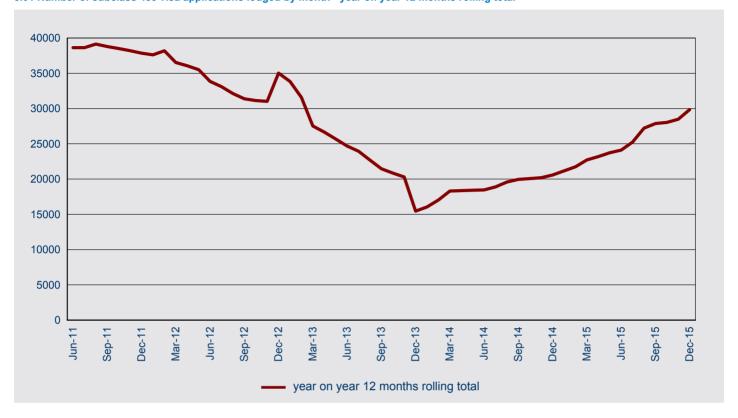




8 Subclass 485 visa

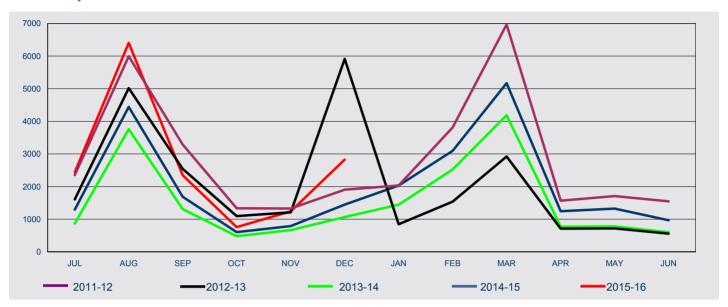
8 Subclass 485 visa - Lodged

8.01 Number of subclass 485 visa applications lodged by month - year on year 12 months rolling total



8 Subclass 485 visa - Lodged

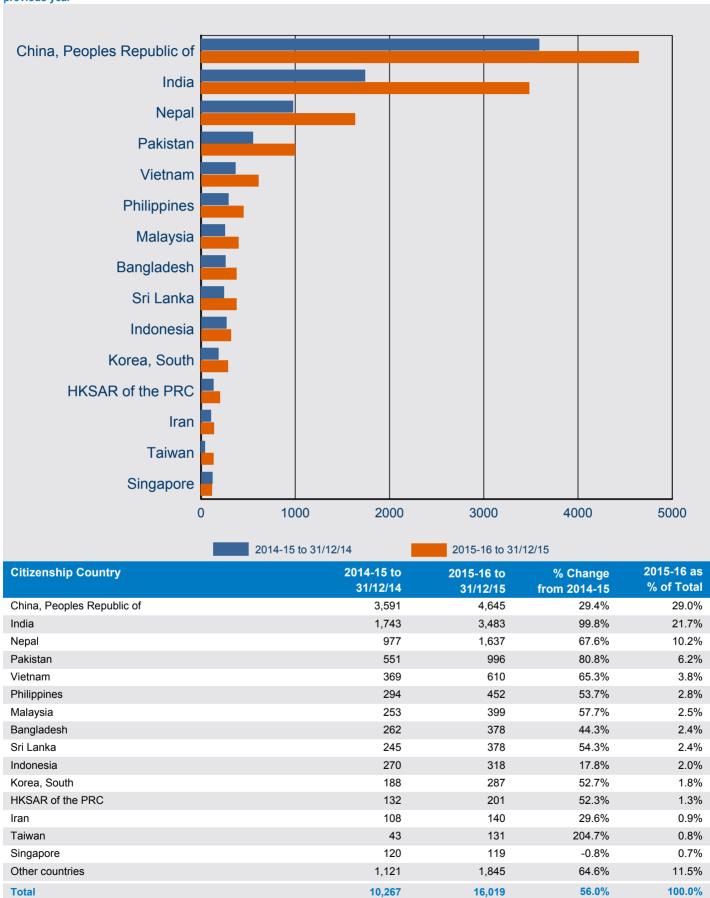
8.02 Number of subclass 485 visa applications lodged in 2015-16 to 31 December 2015 by visa stream and month - comparison with previous four financial years



FY Lodged	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Total
Graduate Work													
	,						,	,		,		,	
2011-12	n/a												
2012-13	n/a	145	711	720	559	2,135							
2013-14	861	3,747	1,307	475	634	963	1,270	2,146	3,766	668	719	548	17,104
2014-15	830	2,834	1,245	475	547	814	1,062	1,612	2,979	726	896	672	14,692
2015-16	851	2,349	1,197	445	563	810							6,215
Post-Study Work													
2011-12	n/a												
2012-13	n/a	<5	0	0	<5								
2013-14	7	11	5	6	33	104	175	379	421	103	61	54	1,359
2014-15	465	1,608	442	129	244	634	970	1,485	2,189	519	430	297	9,412
2015-16	1,590	4,055	1,150	314	678	2,017							9,804
Skilled Graduate													
2011-12	2,354	5,992	3,290	1,337	1,329	1,905	2,034	3,811	6,965	1,567	1,710	1,548	33,842
2012-13	1,606	5,017	2,544	1,097	1,211	5,911	848	1,540	2,777	n/a	n/a	n/a	22,551
2013-14	n/a												
2014-15	n/a												
2015-16	n/a	n/a	n/a										n/a
All													
2011-12	2,354	5,992	3,290	1,337	1,329	1,905	2,034	3,811	6,965	1,567	1,710	1,548	33,842
2012-13	1,606	5,017	2,544	1,097	1,211	5,911	848	1,540	2,922	712	720	559	24,687
2013-14	868	3,758	1,312	481	667	1,067	1,445	2,525	4,187	771	780	602	18,463
2014-15	1,295	4,442	1,687	604	791	1,448	2,032	3,097	5,168	1,245	1,326	969	24,104
2015-16	2,441	6,404	2,347	759	1,241	2,827							16,019

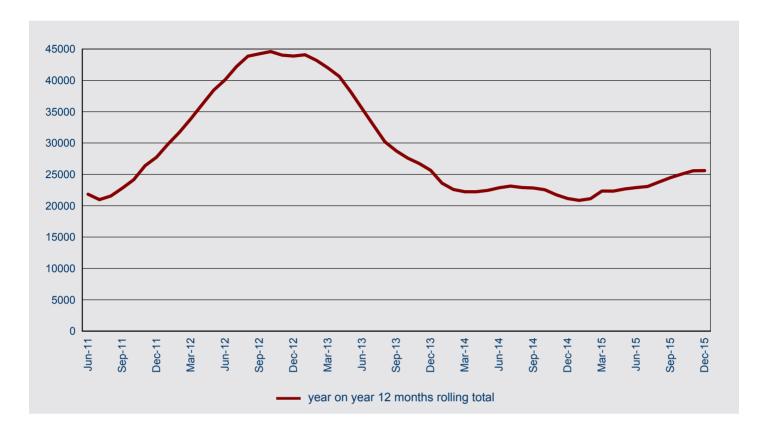
8 Subclass 485 visa - Lodged

8.03 Number of subclass 485 visa applications lodged in 2015-16 to 31 December 2015 by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year



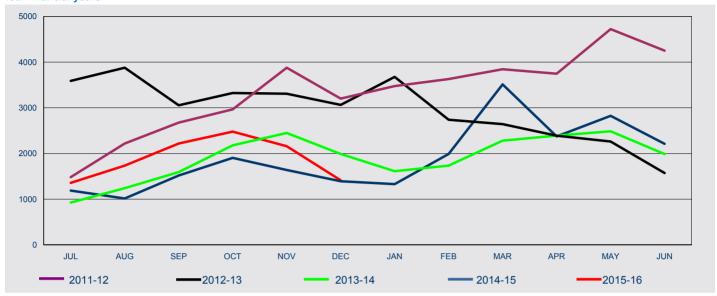
8 Subclass 485 visa - Granted

8.04 Number of subclass 485 visa applications granted by month - year on year 12 months rolling total



8 Subclass 485 visa - Granted

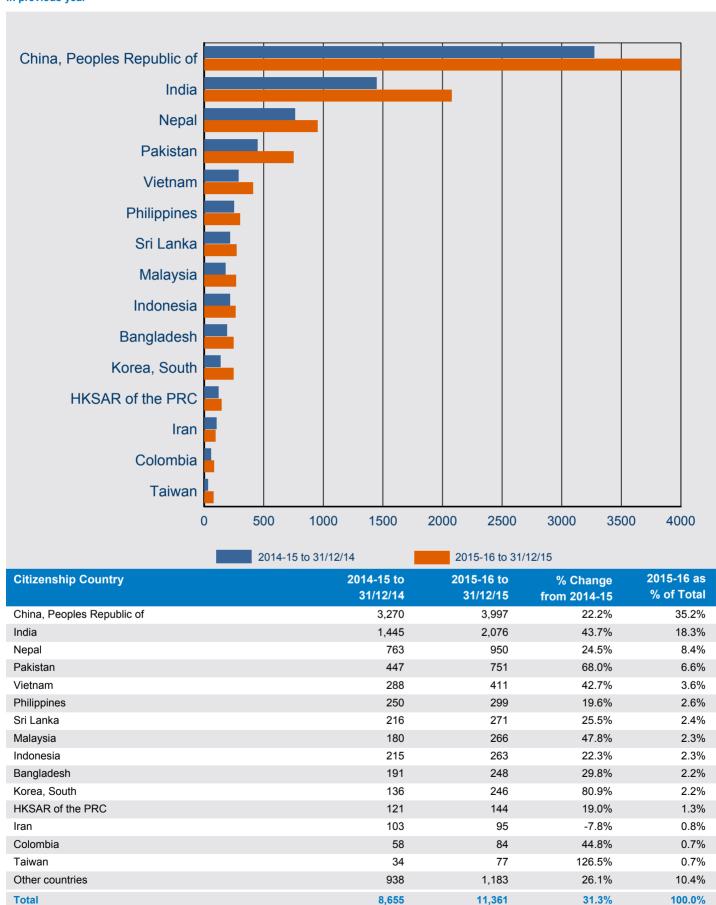
8.05 Number of subclass 485 visa applications granted in 2015-16 to 31 December 2015 by visa stream and month - comparison with previous four financial years



FY Lodged	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Total
Graduate Work													
2011-12	n/a												
2012-13	n/a	<5	<5	34	74	110							
2013-14	41	198	567	892	1,768	1,608	1,323	1,428	1,882	1,989	2,187	1,778	15,661
2014-15	1,013	656	966	1,098	1,067	1,036	845	1,067	1,866	1,329	1,649	1,474	14,066
2015-16	925	760	965	939	888	622							5,099
Post-Study Work													
2011-12	n/a												
2012-13	n/a												
2013-14	n/a	n/a	<5	8	7	13	41	119	301	319	203	125	1,140
2014-15	125	328	523	777	551	339	472	912	1,627	1,039	1,163	730	8,586
2015-16	428	975	1,251	1,537	1,271	791							6,253
Skilled Graduate													
2011-12	1,484	2,219	2,675	2,965	3,877	3,202	3,475	3,629	3,843	3,746	4,722	4,251	40,088
2012-13	3,589	3,877	3,054	3,323	3,307	3,063	3,677	2,738	2,642	2,389	2,228	1,498	35,385
2013-14	885	1,043	1,022	1,278	673	368	248	188	98	84	95	84	6,066
2014-15	50	31	29	29	20	17	12	11	19	6	12	7	243
2015-16	5	0	<5	<5									9
All													
2011-12	1,484	2,219	2,675	2,965	3,877	3,202	3,475	3,629	3,843	3,746	4,722	4,251	40,088
2012-13	3,589	3,877	3,054	3,323	3,307	3,063	3,677	2,738	2,643	2,390	2,262	1,572	35,495
2013-14	926	1,241	1,593	2,178	2,448	1,989	1,612	1,735	2,281	2,392	2,485	1,987	22,867
2014-15	1,188	1,015	1,518	1,904	1,638	1,392	1,329	1,990	3,512	2,374	2,824	2,211	22,895
2015-16	1,358	1,735	2,218	2,478	2,159	1,413							11,361

8 Subclass 485 visa - Granted

8.06 Number of subclass 485 visa applications granted in 2015-16 to 31 December 2015 by citizenship country - comparison with same period in previous year

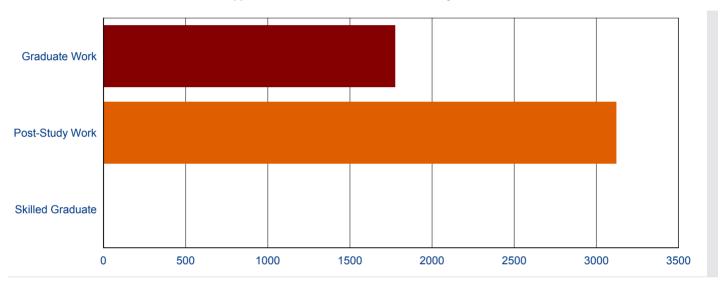


8 Subclass 485 visa - On hand

8.07 Number of subclass 485 PRIMARY visa applications on hand at 31 December 2015 by visa stream - comparison with previous four periods

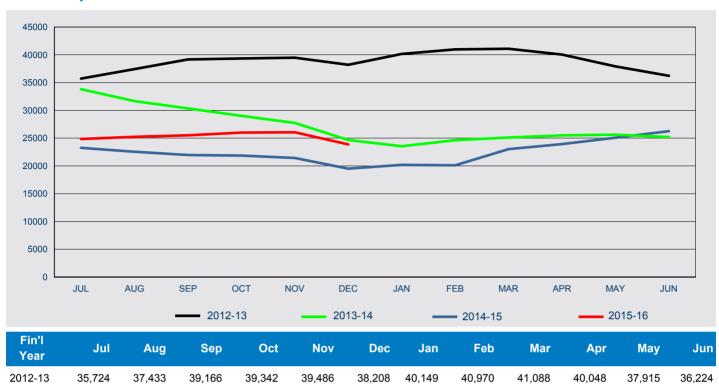
Visa Stream	On hand at 31/12/14	On hand at 31/03/15	On hand at 30/06/15	On hand at 30/09/15	On hand at 31/12/15
Graduate Work	1,880	3,233	1,252	2,456	1,775
Post-Study Work	749	1,978	457	3,848	3,121
Skilled Graduate	45	19	13	< 5	0
Total	2,674	5,230	1,722	6,306	4,896

8.08 Number of subclass 485 PRIMARY visa applications on hand at 31 December 2015 by visa stream



8 Subclass 485 visa - Visa holders in Australia

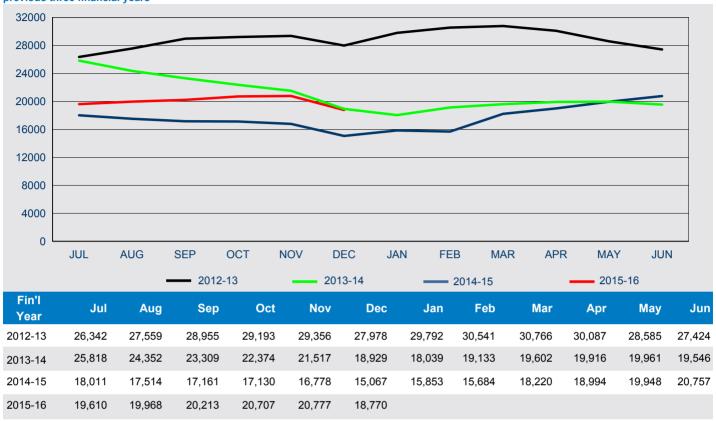
8.09 Number of subclass 485 visa holders at the end of each month in 2015-16 to 31 December 2015 by month - comparison with previous three financial years



Fin'l Year	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
2012-13	35,724	37,433	39,166	39,342	39,486	38,208	40,149	40,970	41,088	40,048	37,915	36,224
2013-14	33,811	31,677	30,349	29,012	27,742	24,663	23,537	24,632	25,106	25,496	25,623	25,198
2014-15	23,250	22,549	21,968	21,859	21,428	19,506	20,200	20,104	23,021	23,936	25,079	26,260
2015-16	24,843	25,234	25,516	25,996	26,057	23,870						

8 Subclass 485 visa - Visa holders in Australia

8.10 Number of subclass 485 PRIMARY visa holders in Australia at the end of each month in 2015-16 to 31 December 2015 - comparison with previous three financial years



8.11 Number of subclass 485 SECONDARY visa holders in Australia at the end of each month in 2015-16 to 31 December 2015 - comparison with previous three financial years

