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Tēnā koe A KS

Thank you for your email of 17 September 2023 to the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment (MBIE) requesting, under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act), the following:

- 1. Can you disclose the number of EOIs in the QUEUED pool submitted on or before 30 September 2018 and waiting for selection. Please share the number of applicants in those EOIs.*
- 2. Can you disclose the number of EOIs submitted in the QUEUED pool before 12 October 2022 and waiting for selection. Please share the number of applicants in those EOIs.*
- 3. Can you disclose the number of EOIs submitted in the BALLOT pool after 12 October 2022 and waiting for selection. Please share the number of applicants in those EOIs.*
- 4. Can I please request the latest numbers for the table below at the time of response?*

*For Nov'22, Feb'23, May'23, August 2023 Queue selections:*

- Number of EOIs selected*
- Number of applicants represented by the EOI*
- Number of EOIs declined*
- Number of EOIs withdrawn*
- Number of Invitations to Apply (ITA) sent*
- Number of EOIs where further information has been requested*
  
- Number of applications submitted from ITA*
- Number of approved applications*
- Number of approved Visas as each application can have multiple visas*
- Number of declined applications*
- Number of applications still being assessed*



## Our Response

Questions 1, 2 and 3: *The number of EOIs and waiting for selection. Please share the number of applicants in those EOIs.*

Table 1: The number of Parent Resident Visa expression of interests (EOIs) in the pool and the number of applicants represented, broken down by submission date, as at 30 September 2023.

EOI submission date	Number of EOIs	Number of applicants represented
Submitted into the queue, on or before 30 September 2018	487	789
Submitted into the queue, before 12 October 2022	2,439	3,683
Submitted into the ballot, after 12 October 2022	7,263	11,120

Question 4: *Can I please request the latest numbers for Nov'22, Feb'23 ,May'23 , August 2023 Queue selections.*

Table 2: The number of EOIs selected, applicants included in those EOIs, and EOI status, broken down by selection date, as at 20 September 2023.

Queue selections	EOI selection date			
	Nov-22	Feb-23	May-23	Aug-23
Number of EOIs selected	370	1,100	670	1,100
Number of applicants represented by the EOI	600	1,777	1,094	1,782
Number of EOIs declined	129	188	91	84
Number of EOIs withdrawn	59	160	88	135
Number of ITA issued	181	752	488	750
Number of EOIs where further information has been requested	1	0	5	131

Table 3: The number of applications submitted from ITA, approved, applicants approved, applications declined, and applications in progress, broken down by selection date, as at 26 September 2023.

Queue selections	EOI selection date			
	Nov-22	Feb-23	May-23	Aug-23
Applications submitted from ITA	205	578	443	82
Applications approved	35	133	25	0
Applicants included (from approved applications)	48	193	35	0
Applications declined	4	0	0	0
Applications in progress	108	399	373	78

Please note applications are manually matched to EOI selection dates. Due to previously withdrawn EOIs being resubmitted to the queue and then selected, the number of applications submitted may exceed the number of ITAs issued.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision. Information about how to make a complaint is available at [www.ombudsman.parliament.nz](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz) or freephone 0800 802 602.

If you wish to discuss any aspect of your request or this response, please contact [inzoias@mbie.govt.nz](mailto:inzoias@mbie.govt.nz)

Nāku noa, nā

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'Jock Gilray', written in a cursive style.

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