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Tēnā koe John,

Thank you for your email of 21 September 2023 to the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment requesting, under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act), the following:

I would like to request the data about 2021 Resident visa approvals and declines by nationalities

Our Response

Please find the response to your request in the Appendix attached to this letter.

More statistics about 2021 Resident Visa processing can be found on the Immigration New Zealand website:

<https://www.immigration.govt.nz/new-zealand-visas/waiting-for-a-visa/how-long-it-takes-to-process-your-visa-application/2021-resident-visa-processing-times>

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of the Ministry's response to your request, in accordance with section 28(3) of the Act. Information about how to make a complaint is available at 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.

Nāku noa, nā

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Appendix

2021 Resident Visa approvals and declines by nationality of the applicant as at 4 October 2023:

Nationality	Decision	
	Approved	Declined
Afghanistan	1	0
Albania	11	0
Algeria	2	0
American Samoa	4	0
Argentina	854	7
Armenia	4	0
Austria	21	1
Azerbaijan	1	0
Bangladesh	633	5
Belarus	17	1
Belgium	67	0
Bhutan	8	0
Bolivia	12	0
Bosnia & Herzegovina	3	0
Botswana	7	0
Brazil	2,059	12
British Indian Ocean Territory	92	0
Brunei Darussalam	15	0
Bulgaria	20	0
Cambodia	116	1
Cameroon	2	0
Canada	452	1
Chile	885	5
China	10,635	29
Colombia	442	2
Costa Rica	6	0
Croatia	43	1
Cuba	4	0
Cyprus	2	0
Czech Republic	278	0
Democratic Republic of Congo	1	0
Denmark	30	0
Ecuador	21	0
Egypt	51	1
El Salvador	2	0
Eritrea	1	0
Estonia	36	0
Ethiopia	6	0
Fiji	3,305	37
Finland	42	1
France	714	7
French Guiana	1	0
French Polynesia	6	0

Germany	511	2
Ghana	23	0
Great Britain	5,024	25
Greece	12	0
Greenland	1	0
Guatemala	3	0
Guyana	2	0
Hong Kong	306	1
Hungary	61	0
Iceland	2	0
India	31,851	171
Indonesia	587	5
Iran	135	1
Iraq	4	0
Ireland	765	0
Israel	48	0
Italy	521	1
Jamaica	10	0
Japan	674	1
Jordan	76	4
Kazakhstan	80	0
Kenya	90	0
Kiribati	18	0
Kosovo - Republic of	3	0
Kyrgyzstan	3	0
Laos	7	0
Latvia	26	1
Lebanon	23	0
Lesotho	1	0
Libya	7	0
Lithuania	19	0
Luxembourg	2	0
Macau	10	0
Macedonia	35	0
Malawi	4	0
Malaysia	1,405	12
Maldives	11	1
Malta	6	0
Mauritius	65	0
Mexico	217	1
Moldova	7	0
Mongolia	6	1
Morocco	2	0
Myanmar	52	0
Namibia	14	0
Nepal	2,132	14
Netherlands	264	1
Nicaragua	2	0
Nigeria	86	2
North Korea	1	0
Norway	5	1

Oman	6	0
Pakistan	186	2
Palestine	3	0
Panama	2	0
Papua New Guinea	32	2
Peru	88	0
Philippines	19,889	90
Poland	88	0
Portugal	46	1
Qatar	1	0
Romania	29	1
Russia	500	5
Samoa	271	2
Saudi Arabia	20	0
Serbia	83	0
Seychelles	3	0
Singapore	172	2
Sint Maarten	1	0
Slovakia	38	0
Slovenia	22	0
Solomon Islands	18	0
South Africa	5,561	20
South Korea	1,919	4
Spain	102	0
Sri Lanka	2,729	27
St Lucia	1	0
Stateless	0	1
Sudan	7	0
Swaziland	1	0
Sweden	62	0
Switzerland	41	1
Syria	1	0
Taiwan	322	2
Tajikistan	2	0
Tanzania	5	0
Thailand	917	7
Tonga	423	8
Trinidad and Tobago	3	0
Tunisia	2	0
Turkey	69	0
Turkmenistan	1	0
Tuvalu	9	1
Uganda	1	0
Ukraine	115	0
United States of America	1,112	7
Unknown	10	0
Uruguay	206	1
Uzbekistan	20	0
Vanuatu	12	1
Venezuela	20	0
Vietnam	1,043	7

Virgin Islands, British	4	0
Yemen	5	0
Zambia	16	0
Zimbabwe	153	0