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Dear Mr Harpley,

I refer to your request under the Official Information Act 1982 (the OIA) received on 22 April 2015 requesting the following information from Immigration New Zealand:

- *Statistics for the last 12 months for denial of entry into New Zealand from Auckland Airport NZ Immigration office i.e days of week and nationalities of those denied entry*
- *Is it standard practice for NZ Immigration Managerial staff to be off site on weekends making denial of entry decisions?*

Our response

Statistics for the last 12 months for denial of entry into New Zealand from Auckland Airport NZ Immigration office i.e days of week and nationalities of those denied entry

Please find attached a breakdown of the statistics showing the nationalities of passengers who were denied entry into New Zealand for the last 12 months at Auckland Airport. The statistics have been collated by day of the week as in your request.

Is it standard practice for NZ Immigration Managerial staff to be off site on weekends making denial of entry decisions?

Immigration Managers currently work a combination of shift work and Monday to Friday. When there is no manager on site at the border, denial of entry decisions can be made by managers off-site.

If you wish to discuss any aspect of your request or this response, please contact Martin Prowse, Business Advisor, Business Support, Immigration New Zealand at martin.prowse@mbie.govt.nz or 04 896 5525.

Yours sincerely

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Number of denied entry passengers by nationality and day of the week

Day	Nationality	Total	Day	Nationality	Total
Monday	Australia	5	Tuesday	Argentina	3
	Bangladesh	2		Australia	5
	Brazil	4		Austria	1
	Bulgaria	1		Bangladesh	2
	Cambodia	2		Brazil	5
	Canada	5		Bulgaria	3
	Chile	3		Canada	8
	China	11		Chile	2
	Fiji	5		China	7
	France	3		Croatia	1
	Germany	2		Czech Republic	2
	Ghana	1		Fiji	11
	Great Britain	8		France	3
	Greece	3		Germany	2
	Hong Kong	8		Great Britain	4
	Ireland	3		Guatemala	2
	Israel	1		Hong Kong	19
	Italy	1		Hungary	2
	Japan	1		Ireland	1
	Macau	1		Israel	2
	Malaysia	4		Italy	5
	Mexico	4		Japan	3
	Netherlands	1		Macau	1
	Philippines	1		Malaysia	19
	Romania	1		Mexico	1
	Russia	2		Norway	1
Samoa	1	Pakistan	4		
Slovenia	1	Philippines	3		
South Africa	2	Poland	1		
South Korea	5	Portugal	1		
Spain	2	Romania	4		
Taiwan	8	Saudi Arabia	3		
Tonga	2	South Africa	21		
Turkey	2	South Korea	8		
United States of America	5	Sweden	4		
			Taiwan	11	
			United States of America	13	
Monday Total		111	Tuesday Total		188

Number of denied entry passengers by nationality and day of the week (continued)

Day	Nationality	Total	Day	Nationality	Total
Wednesday	Argentina	2	Thursday	Argentina	1
	Australia	3		Australia	6
	Austria	1		Brazil	13
	Brazil	5		Canada	1
	Bulgaria	1		Chile	9
	Cambodia	1		China	11
	Canada	3		Croatia	2
	Chile	9		Czech Republic	2
	China	15		Fiji	9
	Croatia	2		France	6
	Czech Republic	2		Germany	6
	Estonia	1		Great Britain	14
	Fiji	15		Greece	1
	France	8		Hong Kong	18
	Germany	2		India	5
	Great Britain	9		Indonesia	1
	Hong Kong	7		Ireland	4
	India	1		Israel	1
	Iran	1		Italy	6
	Ireland	1		Japan	6
	Italy	2		Malaysia	24
	Kuwait	1		Mexico	2
	Malaysia	7		Nigeria	1
	Mexico	2		Philippines	1
	Nigeria	1		Poland	1
	Pakistan	2		Portugal	2
	Poland	1		Russia	3
Romania	4	Samoa	1		
Saudi Arabia	1	Saudi Arabia	1		
Slovakia	1	Slovakia	2		
South Africa	13	South Africa	8		
South Korea	9	South Korea	3		
Spain	3	Sri Lanka	2		
Taiwan	13	Taiwan	5		
Tonga	1	Ukraine	2		
Ukraine	1	United States of America	8		
United States of America	8	Uruguay	2		
Uruguay	1	Vietnam	1		
Wednesday Total		160	Thursday Total		191

Number of denied entry passengers by nationality and day of the week (continued)

Day	Nationality	Total	Day	Nationality	Total
Friday	Argentina	2	Saturday	Argentina	2
	Australia	7		Australia	3
	Brazil	6		Brazil	3
	Bulgaria	5		Bulgaria	3
	Canada	1		Canada	7
	Chile	3		Chile	3
	China	17		China	4
	Denmark	2		Fiji	5
	Fiji	6		France	2
	Germany	3		Germany	4
	Great Britain	5		Great Britain	4
	Hong Kong	13		Greece	1
	India	2		Hong Kong	13
	Ireland	1		India	1
	Italy	1		Ireland	1
	Japan	1		Israel	1
	Kiribati	1		Italy	3
	Malaysia	10		Japan	1
	Mexico	2		Lithuania	1
	Norway	1		Macau	2
	Pakistan	2		Macedonia	1
	Philippines	1		Malaysia	2
	Poland	1		Mexico	1
	Romania	4		Mongolia	1
	Samoa	1		Peru	1
	Saudi Arabia	2		Philippines	4
Slovenia	1	Romania	1		
South Africa	10	Saudi Arabia	3		
South Korea	3	South Africa	5		
Sweden	1	South Korea	8		
Taiwan	1	Sweden	1		
Tonga	1	Taiwan	6		
United States of America	6	Thailand	1		
Uruguay	3	Tonga	2		
			United States of America	5	
Friday Total		126	Saturday Total		106

Number of denied entry passengers by nationality and day of the week (continued)

Day	Nationality	Total
Sunday	Australia	4
	Brazil	9
	Canada	4
	Chile	2
	China	7
	Colombia	1
	Croatia	2
	Estonia	1
	Fiji	14
	France	1
	Germany	2
	Great Britain	7
	Hong Kong	11
	India	4
	Indonesia	1
	Israel	2
	Japan	1
	Malaysia	11
	Philippines	4
	Poland	1
	Romania	1
	Saudi Arabia	2
	Singapore	1
	Slovenia	1
	South Africa	3
	South Korea	6
Sweden	1	
Taiwan	3	
Tuvalu	1	
United States of America	5	
Uruguay	2	
Sunday Total		115