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Ref: OIA 1330

Dear Ms Evans

I refer to your request under the Official Information Act 1982 (the OIA) received on 7 May 2015 requesting the following information:

- *I would like to request the number of students working visas given out in New Zealand by year from 2005 till 2015.*

We sent you an email on 12 May 2015 clarifying your request. We have since confirmed your request as follows:

- *The number of students granted visas with conditions allowing them to work (for example, part-time work during the semester, or practical experience as part of a course requirement), each year from 2005 to 2015.*

Our response

Please find below a table containing the information you have requested.

Approved student visa applications with work rights by calendar year	
Calendar year approved	Total
2005	41,124
2006	50,639
2007	41,700
2008	40,005
2009	41,545
2010	44,814
2011	41,758
2012	39,972
2013	42,273
2014	58,589
2015 to 30 April	25,569
Total	467,988



You have the right to seek a review of the decision on this request by the Ombudsman, whose address for contact purposes is:

The Ombudsman
Office of the Ombudsman
PO Box 10-152
WELLINGTON

If you wish to discuss any aspect of your request or this response, please contact Tim Shepherd, Business Advisor, Operations Support, at timothy.shepherd@mbie.govt.nz.

Yours sincerely



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