

New Zealand Residence Programme Fortnightly Selection Statistics – 1 July 2009

Reduction in the numbers of Skilled Migrant Category (SMC) Expressions of Interest (EOIs) selected

From 1 July 2009, the number of EOIs selected each fortnight will be reduced from approximately 780 to approximately 680 per fortnight. The Government has set the range of the New Zealand Residence Programme for 2009/10 at 45,000 – 50,000 people approved. The range for the Skilled Migrant Category is 25,000 – 27,300 people approved.

The small reduction in EOIs selected will maintain quality in new SMC applications through 2009/10. It also recognises that there is already a high level of EOIs, ITAs and SMC applications currently on hand for processing. The department is required to select sufficient numbers of EOIs to fill the skilled stream of the residence programme [SM3.15 (c) ii].

The department can review the numbers of EOIs selected at any time [SM3.15 (c) ii], however it is not expected to be changed within the next six months.

1. Selection 1 July 2009– Skilled Migrant Category

- **386** EOIs were selected that had a points total of **140** or above;
- **119** EOIs were selected that had a points total of **100** or more but less than 140, and included points for offers of skilled employment or current skilled employment in New Zealand.
- **48** EOIs were selected that had a points total of **100** or more but less than 140, and included 15 points for work experience in an area of absolute skill shortage.
- **45** EOIs were selected that had a points total of **100** or more but less than 140, and included 10 points for work experience in an area of absolute skill shortage.
- **84** EOIs were selected that had a points total of **100** or more but less than 140, and included 10 points for a qualification in an area of absolute skill shortage.

As a result, **682** EOIs representing **1,536** people were selected and will now undergo preliminary verification to determine if an invitation to apply for residency will be issued.

2. The make-up of selection

Based on the information provided by people who had their EOIs selected, the make-up of the 1 July 2009 selection is as follows:

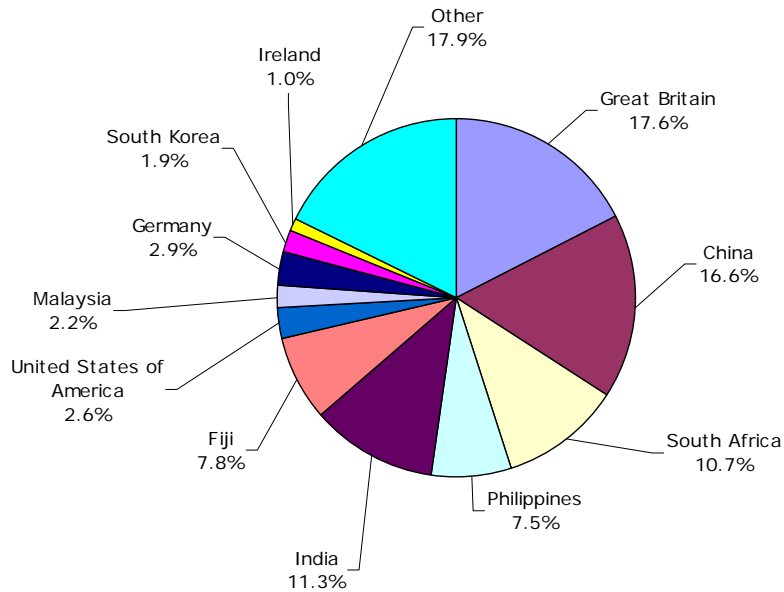
Number of selected EOIs	Onshore	Offshore	Total
Number of EOIs with 140 points or above			
With job offer	313	25	338
Without job offer	4	44	48
Number of EOIs with points total of 100 to 135 with job offer	111	8	119
Number of EOIs with 15 points for work experience in an area of absolute skill shortage	4	44	48
Number of EOIs with 10 points for work experience in an area of absolute skill shortage	7	38	45
Number of EOIs with 10 points for a qualification in an area of absolute skill shortage	65	19	84
Total EOIs with job offers	424	33	457
Total EOIs without job offers	80	145	225
Total EOIs	504	178	682

3. Nationality composition

Expressions of Interest Selected

By nationality

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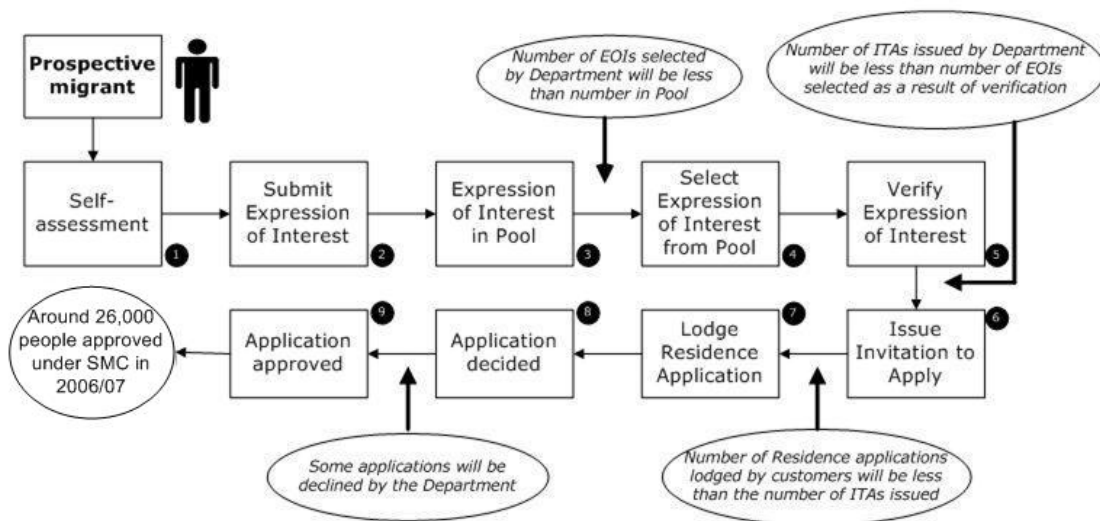


4. Statistics since December 2003

Since the Skilled Migrant Category opened in December 2003, a total of **100,968** EOIs, representing **235,946** people, have been selected

Approximately **96 percent** of those EOIs selected have been verified (stage five below).

The Skilled Migrant Policy Application Process



5. Pool draws for the calendar year to date.

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Selection Date	No of EOIs with 140 points or more	No of EOIs with job or job offer	No of EOIs with additional selection criteria	No of EOIs	No of people	EOI in pool after selection
4 June 2008	404	75	244	723	1788	520
18 June 2008	465	97	173	735	1750	530
2 July 2008	454	109	311	874	2046	395
16 July 2008	446	119	225	790	1845	464
30 July 2008	431	116	202	749	1733	441
13 August 2008	433	98	181	712	1671	445
27 August 2008	456	97	164	717	1711	447
10 September 2008	490	121	179	790	1897	477
24 September 2008	460	126	179	765	1800	466
8 October 2008	462	104	176	742	1760	453
22 October 2008	416	104	195	715	1717	446
5 November 2008	403	97	354	854	2003	231
19 November 2008	440	105	263	808	1825	246
3 December 2008	405	110	257	772	1799	282
17 December 2008	438	108	193	739	1716	377
14 January 2009	653	125	0	778	1850	617
28 January 2009	446	95	239	780	1791	555
11 February 2009	439	95	242	776	1723	503
25 February 2009	446	120	206	772	1753	530
11 March 2009	505	125	141	771	1740	627
25 March 2009	498	144	145	787	1877	695
08 April 2009	446	96	239	781	1696	646
22 April 2009	383	98	318	799	1893	510
6 May 2009	423	108	276	807	1869	442
20 May 2009	387	106	214	707	1648	482
3 June 2009	425	112	207	744	1719	496
17 June 2009	426	106	204	736	1709	437
1 July 2009	386	119	177	682	1586	459

RESULTS FOR 2008/09 YEAR TO DATE

6. Residence applications accepted and approved.

Please note the chart below outlines how many residence applications have been accepted or decided for the **2008/09** financial year to 12 June 2009.

Stream	Applications On-hand		Residence Declines		Residence Approvals	
	Applications	People	Applications	People	Applications	People
Skilled/ Business	7,402	18,942	1,032	2,595	11,847	26,814
International Humanitarian	792	2,027	235	677	1,285	3,405
Parent, Sibling Adult child	4,713	9,464	593	1,294	2,533	4,991
Uncapped family sponsored	5,219	6,040	463	545	7,553	8,363

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Total	18,126	36,473	2,323	5,111	23,218	43,573
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1. On-hand applications (from tendered) as 12/06/2009

2. Decisions and declines from 1/07/2008 to 12/06/2009

Please note: One application can represent several people such as the principal applicant and family.