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Dear Ray,

Thank you for your email of 14 February 2022, requesting under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) the following information:

*For the last 5 years:*

*Number of visa lodged, granted and refused in below categories from India where the citizenship of applicant is also India.*

- 1. Fee paying Student Visa*
- 2. Visitor Visa (Holiday)*
- 3. Visitor Visa (Family)*

**Table One:** The table below details the number of visa applications lodged, between 3 March 2017 and 2 March 2022, where the principal applicant declared a residential address in India.

Visa type	Total lodged
Student Visa - Fee Paying	63,354
Visitor Visa – General	173,751
Visitor Visa – Relationship*	23,560

**Table Two:** The table below details the number of visa applications approved and declined, between 3 March 2017 and 2 March 2022, where the principal applicant declared a residential address in India.

Visa type	Approved	Declined
Student Visa - Fee Paying	31,886	10,277
Visitor Visa – General	110,930	15,723
Visitor Visa – Relationship*	5,461	2,179

\* Please note that 'Visitor Visa - Relationship' refers to visitor visas granted on the basis of a relationship as a partner or as a dependent child.

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

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'N Hogg', written in a cursive style.

Nicola Hogg  
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