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Tēnā koe John,

Thank you for your email of 19 April 2023 to the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment (MBIE) requesting, under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act), the following:

*“May I request an update status as of today 19 April 2023 on the number of remaining RV21 applications by statuses: Preparing Application, Gathering Info, Under Assessment.”*

#### **Our Response**

Please see the Table below for the number of 2021 Resident Visa applications submitted via the Enhanced Immigration Online system, broken down by application status as at 19 April 2023.

<b>Application Status</b>	<b>Number of applications</b>
Preparing application	1
Gathering information	2,372
Under assessment	8,973

The INZ website at the following link provides the latest 2021 Resident Visa Processing statistics:

<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 this decision. Information about how to make a complaint is available at [www.ombudsman.parliament.nz](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz) or freephone 0800 802 602.

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)

Nāku iti nei, nā

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