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Tēnā koe Nessy-Rose

Thank you for your email of 10 May 2024 to the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment requesting, under the Official Information Act 1982, the following information:

Please provide the following:

Table 1: Number of Parent Resident Visa Expressions of Interest (EOIs) in queue by submission month.

Table 2: Number of Parent Resident Visa EOIs in ballot by submission month.

Table 3: Number of EOIs and applicants selected from the queue by selection month.

Table 4: Decisions on Parent Queue EOIs selected.

Table 5: Number of EOIs and applicants selected from the ballot by selection month.

Table 6: Decisions on Parent Ballot EOIs selected.

Table 7: Parent Resident Visa applications submitted by submission month.

Table 8: Parent Resident Visa application decisions by month decided.

Table 9: In-progress Parent Resident Visa applications, allocated vs unallocated by submission month.

On 10 June 2024, we advised that MBIE had assessed and decided to grant your request, and would provide you the requested information. However, it would take us some time to process and we would send you the information as soon as it is ready and without undue delay.

Our Response

Please refer to the attached appendix for the information you have requested.

Information about the parent resident visa is available on the Immigration New Zealand website. <https://www.immigration.govt.nz/about-us/media-centre/common-topics/parent-resident-visa>. The updated information you have requested will soon be published on this page.

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 or freephone 0800 802 602.

If you wish to discuss any aspect of your request or this response, please contact inzoias@mbie.govt.nz

Nāku noa, nā

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Jock Gilray', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Jock Gilray
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Appendix

Table 1: Number of Parent Resident Visa Expressions of Interest (EOIs) in queue by submission month.

As at 17 June 2024, there is one parent resident visa EOI in the queue. This EOI was previously withdrawn from the queue and was resubmitted in June 2024.

Table 2: The number of Parent Resident Visa EOIs in the ballot by submission month, as at 17 June 2024.

EOI submission month	Number of EOIs	Number of people
October 2022	228	368
November 2022	243	374
December 2022	113	170
January 2023	156	226
February 2023	139	207
March 2023	159	237
April 2023	159	249
May 2023	381	576
June 2023	1,092	1,667
July 2023	2,485	3,828
August 2023	1,208	1,848
September 2023	314	475
October 2023	503	755
November 2023	238	356
December 2023	179	256
January 2024	527	788
February 2024	261	396
March 2024	291	437
April 2024	524	781
May 2024	268	397
Total	9,616	14,614

Table 3: The number of EOIs and applicants selected from the queue by selection month, as at 17 June 2024.

Selection month	Number of EOIs selected	Number of people
November 2022	370	600
February 2023	1100	1,777
May 2023	670	1,094
August 2023	1,100	1,771
October 2023	1,499	2,260
November 2023	811	1,194

Table 4: The number of decisions on Parent Queue EOIs selected, as at 17 June 2024.

Selection month	Invitation to apply (ITA) issued	Declined	Withdrawn
November 2022	182	129	59
February 2023	752	188	160
May 2023	489	92	89
August 2023*	781	141	177
October 2023*	1,327	89	81
November 2023*	747	37	24

* Please note a small number of EOIs from these draws have not yet been finalised.

Table 5: The number of EOIs and applicants selected from the ballot by selection month, as at 17 June 2024.

Selection month	Number of EOIs selected	Number of people
August 2023	200	306
September 2023	100	154
November 2023	200	308
February 2024	301	450
May 2024	100	147

Table 6: The number of decisions on Parent Ballot EOIs selected, as at 17 June 2024.

Selection month	ITAs issued	Declined	Withdrawn
August 2023	195	4	1
September 2023	99	1	0
November 2023	191	9	0
February 2024	286	14	1
May 2024	98	1	1

Table 7: The number of Parent Resident Visa applications submitted, by submission month, as at 17 June 2024.

Submitted month	Number of applications submitted
December 2022	1
January 2023	11
February 2023	32
May 2023	95
April 2023	148
May 2023	209
June 2023	239
July 2023	152
August 2023	138
September 2023	215
October 2023	216
November 2023	386
December 2023	552
January 2024	468
February 2024	640
March 2024	310
April 2024	100
May 2024	89
June 2024	45

Please note this table only reflects applications that were accepted for processing.

Table 8: The number of Parent Resident Visa application decisions by month, as at 17 June 2024.

Month	Approved*	Declined	Withdrawn	Completed**
January 2023	1	0	0	1
March 2023	7	1	0	2
April 2023	10	0	1	5
May 2023	10	0	1	10
June 2023	43	2	1	19
July 2023	48	0	1	24
August 2023	41	1	2	40
September 2023	38	0	1	34
October 2023	30	1	3	38
November 2023	189	5	2	46
December 2023	245	6	2	110
January 2024	181	2	1	160
February 2024	159	2	6	195
March 2024	195	8	4	177
April 2024	450	7	9	202
May 2024	93	5	9	363
June 2024	16	10	9	109

* Approved refers to applications approved in principle. After an application is approved in principle, applicants have six months to provide evidence of meeting the English Language requirements and passport documentation. Once this information is received and the requirements are met, the application is completed, and visas will be issued.

**Completed only includes completed and approved applications

Table 9: The number of in-progress Parent Resident Visa applications, allocated vs unallocated by submission month, as at 17 June 2024.

Submission date	Queue	Allocated	Total
February 2023	0	2	2
March 2023	0	4	4
April 2023	0	11	11
May 2023	0	6	6
June 2023	0	31	31
July 2023	0	29	29
August 2023	0	27	27
September 2023	0	51	51
October 2023	0	64	64
November 2023	0	138	138
December 2023	0	258	258
January 2024	0	324	324
February 2024	0	565	565
March 2024	176	129	305
April 2024	52	47	99
May 2024	83	6	89
June 2024	45	0	45

Please note that applications in queue refer to those that have been accepted for processing and have not yet been assigned to an immigration officer for an initial assessment of the application.

Allocated applications refer to applications that have been accepted for processing, have been assigned to an immigration officer for an initial assessment, or have had an initial assessment done by an immigration officer, but are pending as further information is required before the application can be finalised.