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Dear G Reed

I refer to your Official Information Act 1982 request of 19 November 2016, in which you requested the following information:

I wish to obtain, under the OIA, the number of immigrants granted residency under the Investor 1 or Investment 2 Resident Visa Programmes (<https://www.immigration.govt.nz/new-zealandvisas/options/start-a-business-or-invest/explore-business-and-invest-visas>) since 2006 (ie quantities for 2006-2016 inclusive) and the proportion (percentage) of immigrants in those categories that are from Asia..

Please find attached two tables which list those granted residence under the Migrant Investment Categories since 1 July 2006 to 12 Dec 2016 by nationality (Table A). Please note, the current Migrant Investment Category under Investor 1 and Investor 2 was established in July 2009.

Table B has been itemised for applicants from Asia granted residence under the Migrant Investor Categories. Immigration New Zealand classifies the following countries and jurisdictions in the Asia region:

Bangladesh, Cambodia, China, Hong Kong, India, Iran, Japan, Macau, Malaysia, Myanmar, Pakistan, Palestine, Philippines, Saudi Arabia, Singapore, South Korea, Sri Lanka, Taiwan, Thailand, Vietnam.

If you wish to discuss any aspect of your request or this response, please contact Jonathan Maitland, Immigration Manager, Business Migration Branch on 04 896 5554 or jonathan.maitland@mbie.govt.nz.

Yours sincerely,

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Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment



Table A -
 Number of
 Applications
 Decided
 01JUL2006 --
 11DEC2016

Application Substream	Nationality	Financial Year													
		2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016			
		7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17			
Investor Category	Australia	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Austria	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	1
	Bangladesh	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0
	Belgium	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	2	0	0	0	0
	Belize	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
	Cambodia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
	Canada	0	1	0	1	1	1	4	2	0	3	0	0	0	0
	Chile	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
	China	49	8	3	4	11	31	64	153	248	473	212	0	0	0
	Czech Republic	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
	Denmark	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Dominica	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Egypt	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Fiji	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
	Finland	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	France	0	0	0	0	2	4	5	3	1	6	4	0	0	0
	Germany	1	0	0	0	1	1	6	5	1	7	2	0	0	0
	Great Britain	9	18	8	6	12	14	28	10	10	18	9	0	0	0
	Guatemala	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
	Hong Kong	0	0	0	1	1	1	2	3	3	8	4	0	0	0
	Hungary	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
	India	1	0	0	0	0	1	4	4	4	1	2	0	0	0
	Indonesia	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	3	1	0	0	0
	Iran	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	0
	Ireland	1	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
	Italy	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0
	Japan	0	2	1	2	2	2	5	11	7	8	2	0	0	0
	Kenya	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Macau	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	1	0	0	0
	Malaysia	4	2	0	0	1	3	5	13	7	7	6	0	0	0
	Mexico	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
	Myanmar	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0

Nauru	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Netherlands	1	0	1	1	0	0	4	2	0	0	0
Pakistan	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1
Palestine	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Philippines	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Portugal	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Russia	1	1	0	3	1	1	4	3	1	6	1
Saudi Arabia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Singapore	2	0	0	0	3	4	2	7	7	9	2
Slovakia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Slovenia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
South Africa	0	1	1	1	1	5	6	3	1	5	0
South Korea	6	2	0	1	4	4	2	4	2	5	2
Spain	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Sri Lanka	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
St Kitts - Nevis	1	0	0	0	1	0	2	0	0	0	1
Stateless	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sweden	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
Switzerland	0	0	1	0	0	2	2	2	2	2	1
Taiwan	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	4	1
Thailand	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	1	0	1
Tonga	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Turkey	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
United States of America	7	3	2	6	11	8	28	17	9	18	4
Vanuatu	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Vietnam	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	3	2
Subtotal for Investor Category	90	39	17	30	58	89	184	254	325	598	264
Total	90	39	17	30	58	89	184	254	325	598	264

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Table B - Number of
Applications Decided (Asia)
01JUL2006 -- 11DEC2016

Application Substream	Nationality	Financial Year										
		2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
		7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
Investor Category	Bangladesh	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0
	Cambodia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
	China	49	8	3	4	11	31	64	153	248	473	212
	Hong Kong	0	0	0	1	1	1	2	3	3	8	4
	India	1	0	0	0	0	1	4	4	4	1	2
	Iran	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	0
	Japan	0	2	1	2	2	2	5	11	7	8	2
	Macau	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	1
	Malaysia	4	2	0	0	1	3	5	13	7	7	6
	Myanmar	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
	Pakistan	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1
	Palestine	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Philippines	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
	Saudi Arabia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
	Singapore	2	0	0	0	3	4	2	7	7	9	2
	South Korea	6	2	0	1	4	4	2	4	2	5	2
	Sri Lanka	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
	Taiwan	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	4	1
	Thailand	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	1	0	1
	Turkey	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Vietnam	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	3	2
Subtotal for Investor Category		65	14	4	8	25	48	84	199	289	523	237
Total		65	14	4	8	25	48	84	199	289	523	237