

New Zealand Immigration Programme *Fortnightly Residency Statistics – 5 January 2005*

1. Selection 5 January 2005 – Skilled Migrant Category

The most recent selection of Expressions of Interest (EOI) under the Skilled Migrant Category took place on **5 January 2005**. The selection point was **100**.

As a result, **340** EOIs, representing **879** people, 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 applicants, the make-up of the 5 January 2005 selection is as follows:

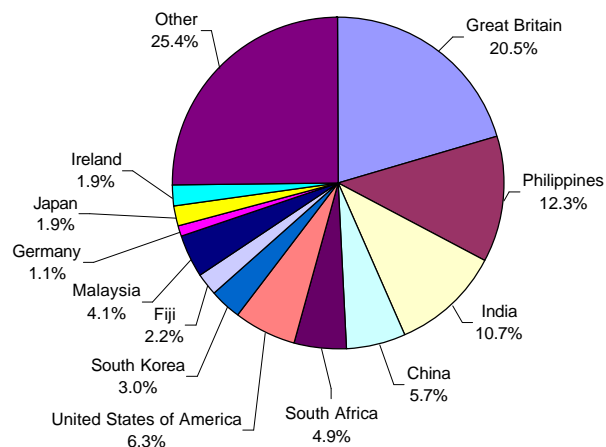
| | Onshore | Offshore | Total |
|-----------------------------------|---------|----------|-------|
| Number of EOIs | 163 | 177 | 340 |
| Number claiming points for | | | |
| Employment under one year | 54 | 2 | 56 |
| Employment over one year | 71 | 0 | 71 |
| Job offer | 19 | 22 | 41 |
| Total with job/job offer | 144 | 24 | 168 |
| EOIs without job offers | 19 | 153 | 172 |

3. Nationality composition

Expressions of Interest Selected

By nationality

 5 January 2005

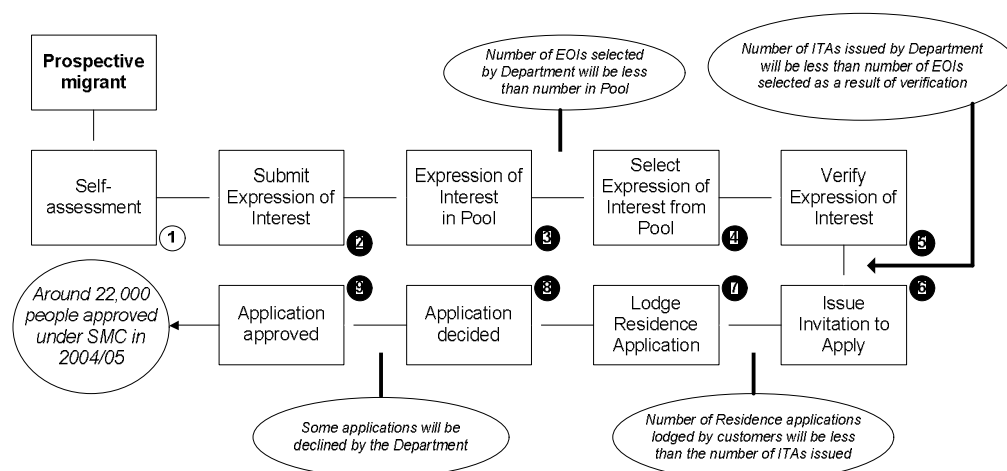


4. Statistics since December 2003

Since the Skilled Migrant Category opened in December 2003, a total of **15,411** EOIs, representing **38,296** people, have been selected.

Approximately **64 percent** of those EOIs selected have been verified (stage five below). Of these, **83 percent** have been invited to apply (stage six below) while the remaining **17 percent** were returned to the pool, declined or withdrawn.

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5. Pool draws since February 2004

There have been **24** pool draws since the first selection in February 2004.

| Selection Date | Selection Point | No of EOIs | No of People |
|-------------------|-----------------|------------|--------------|
| 18 February 2004 | 195 | 126 | 371 |
| 3 March 2004 | 185 | 255 | 699 |
| 18 March 2004 | 185 | 98 | 277 |
| 2 April 2004 | 180 | 330 | 879 |
| 14 April 2004 | 180 | 62 | 158 |
| 28 April 2004 | 170 | 653 | 1,659 |
| 12 May 2004 | 165 | 533 | 1,312 |
| 26 May 2004 | 160 | 538 | 1,206 |
| 9 June 2004 | 155 | 551 | 1,262 |
| 23 June 2004 | 150 | 666 | 1,393 |
| 7 July 2004 | 140 | 648 | 1,355 |
| 21 July 2004 | 130 | 705 | 1,551 |
| 4 August 2004 | 115 | 1,149 | 3,005 |
| 18 August 2004 | 110 | 969 | 2,522 |
| 1 September 2004 | 100 | 1,434 | 3,647 |
| 15 September 2004 | 100 | 1,001 | 2,662 |
| 29 September 2004 | 100 | 862 | 2,276 |

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| 13 October 2004 | 100 | 807 | 2103 |
| 27 October 2004 | 100 | 750 | 1872 |
| 10 November 2004 | 100 | 666 | 1621 |
| 24 November 2004 | 100 | 703 | 1785 |
| 8 December 2004 | 100 | 727 | 1812 |
| 23 December 2004 | 100 | 833 | 1990 |
| 5 January 2005 | 100 | 340 | 879 |
| TOTALS | | 15,411 | 38,296 |

RESULTS FOR 2004/05 YEAR TO DATE

6. Residence applications accepted and approved – year to date

The chart below outlines how many residence applications have been accepted and approved to date in 2004/05:

| Stream | Applications On-hand | | Residence Declines | | Residence Approvals | |
|--------------------------------|----------------------|---------------|--------------------|--------------|---------------------|---------------|
| | Applications | People | Applications | People | Applications | People |
| Skilled/ Business | 3,641 | 9,340 | 894 | 2,503 | 3,903 | 9,923 |
| Family Sponsored | 8,322 | 12,235 | 467 | 804 | 4,582 | 6,144 |
| International/ Humanitarian | 725 | 1,876 | 68 | 151 | 699 | 1,615 |
| Total | 12,688 | 23,451 | 1,429 | 3,458 | 9,184 | 17,682 |

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1. On-hand applications (from lodgement) as at 1/1/2005
2. Decisions and declines from 01/07/2004 to 1/1/2005
3. Based on 2004/05 allocation of 45,000.

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

GENERAL INFORMATION

For the 2004/05 financial year, Government has allocated **45,000** (up to 50,000) places for people to be granted New Zealand residence under the immigration programme. The categories under the programme are as follows: made up of:

- **Skilled/Business Stream (60 percent)** – Skilled Migrant Category (SMC), closed General Skills Category, Work to Residence, Investor, Entrepreneur, and Employees of relocating businesses.
- **Family Sponsored Stream (30 percent)** – Partnership, Dependent Child, Parent, Sibling, Adult Child, Family Quota, Family-Sponsored Transitional Policy, closed Humanitarian category
- **International Humanitarian Stream (10 percent)** – Refugee Quota (750), Refugee Status, Refugee Family Quota (250), Samoan Quota (1,100), Pacific Access (650), Victims of Domestic Violence, Contingency/Ministerial Direction, International Humanitarian Transitional Policy.

As a result, **27,000** (up to 30,000) people will be approved under the Skilled/Business Stream as part of this year's immigration programme.

Of these, **19,000** (up to 22,000) to people will be under the Skilled Migrant Category (SMC), with the remaining **8,000** from the closed General Skills, Work to Residence, Investor, Entrepreneur, and employees of relocating businesses categories.