

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

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(137) Output 1.1: Migration and Temporary Entry

Senator Carr asked:

Bob Kinnaird, "Current issues in the skilled temporary subclass 457 visa", *People and Place*, vol. 14 no. 2, Table 5 p. 58

In Bob Kinnaird's article in *People and Place* a table is presented that shows for the year 2000-01 the type of visa on which 457 holders originally entered Australia.

Can you provide similar data for the following years to 2005-06?

Answer:

The arrival subclass of onshore primary applicants granted a subclass 457 visa (excluding Independent Executives and rounded to the nearest 10) is as follows:

| 2001-02 | | |
|--|---------------|-----------------|
| Visa subclass (arrival) | Grants | Per cent |
| 456 Business (Short Stay), 977 ETA (Business Entrant - Short Validity) | 1560 | 19.5% |
| 956 ETA (Business Entrant - Long Validity) | 900 | 11.2% |
| 417 Working Holiday Maker | 2400 | 30.0% |
| 676, 686, 976 Tourist | 2,090 | 26.2% |
| 560 - 563, 570 - 576 Student | 610 | 7.7% |
| 442 Occupational Trainee | 70 | 0.9% |
| Not Recorded | 180 | 2.3% |
| Other | 190 | 2.3% |
| Total | 7,990 | 100.0% |
| 457 Business (Long Stay) | 3,960 | |

| 2002-03 | | |
|--|---------------|-----------------|
| Visa subclass (arrival) | Grants | Per cent |
| 456 Business (Short Stay), 977 ETA (Business Entrant - Short Validity) | 1,700 | 20.0% |
| 956 ETA (Business Entrant - Long Validity) | 770 | 9.1% |
| 417 Working Holiday Maker | 2,690 | 31.8% |
| 676, 686, 976 Tourist | 2,000 | 23.6% |
| 560 - 563, 570 - 576 Student | 620 | 7.3% |
| 442 Occupational Trainee | 70 | 0.9% |
| Not Recorded | 340 | 4.0% |
| Other | 290 | 3.4% |
| Total | 8,470 | 100.0% |
| 457 Business (Long Stay) | 4,920 | |

| 2003-04 | | |
|--|---------------|-----------------|
| Visa subclass (arrival) | Grants | Per cent |
| 456 Business (Short Stay), 977 ETA (Business Entrant - Short Validity) | 1,830 | 21.1% |
| 956 ETA (Business Entrant - Long Validity) | 600 | 6.8% |
| 417 Working Holiday Maker | 3,050 | 35.1% |
| 676, 686, 976 Tourist | 1,970 | 22.6% |
| 560 - 563, 570 - 576 Student | 730 | 8.4% |
| 442 Occupational Trainee | 60 | 0.7% |
| Not Recorded | 80 | 0.9% |
| Other | 370 | 4.3% |
| Total | 8,690 | 100.0% |
| 457 Business (Long Stay) | 4,840 | |

| 2004-05 | | |
|--|---------------|-----------------|
| Visa subclass (arrival) | Grants | Per cent |
| 456 Business (Short Stay), 977 ETA (Business Entrant - Short Validity) | 1,930 | 22.1% |
| 956 ETA (Business Entrant - Long Validity) | 330 | 3.8% |
| 417 Working Holiday Maker | 3,110 | 35.7% |
| 676, 686, 976 Tourist | 1,900 | 21.7% |
| 560 - 563, 570 - 576 Student | 950 | 10.9% |
| 442 Occupational Trainee | 70 | 0.8% |
| Not Recorded | 50 | 0.5% |
| Other | 390 | 4.4% |
| Total | 8,720 | 100.0% |
| 457 Business (Long Stay) | 5,170 | |

| 2005-06 | | |
|--|---------------|-----------------|
| Visa subclass (arrival) | Grants | Per cent |
| 456 Business (Short Stay), 977 ETA (Business Entrant - Short Validity) | 1,970 | 18.8% |
| 956 ETA (Business Entrant - Long Validity) | 230 | 2.2% |
| 417 Working Holiday Maker | 3,300 | 31.5% |
| 676, 686, 976 Tourist | 2,090 | 20.0% |
| 560 - 563, 570 - 576 Student | 1,610 | 15.4% |
| 442 Occupational Trainee | 290 | 2.8% |
| Not Recorded | 50 | 0.5% |
| Other | 920 | 8.8% |
| Total | 10,460 | 100.0% |
| 457 Business (Long Stay) | 5,980 | |