



18 October 2021

Privacy of natural persons

File No(s): DOIA 2122-0672

Dear Privacy of natural persons

I refer to your request(s) under the Official Information Act 1982 (the OIA) received on 20 September 2021 requesting the following information from Immigration New Zealand:

- 1. Data regarding the number of deportations over the last five years, by year, broken down by the country they were deported to.*
- 2. Data regarding the number of deportations over the last five years, by year, of people who were deported because they were convicted.*
- 3. Data regarding the number of deportations over the last five years, by year, of people who were deported because they overstayed their visa.*
- 4. Data regarding the number of deportations over the last five years, by year, of people who were deported because they overstayed their visa, broken down by the country they were deported to.*
- 5. Data regarding the number of deportations over the last five years, by year, of people who were deported because they breached their visa conditions by working.*
- 6. Data regarding the number of deportations over the last five years, by year, of people who were deported because they breached their visa conditions by working, broken down by the country they were deported to.*

Our Response

1. Please see the below tables that show the number of deportations over the last five years, by year, broken down by nationality.

Nationality is provided as this is more reliable than destination country. The first country the client departs to may not be the ultimate destination country.

Please note, in the case of self-deportations these represent people who have paid for their own flight and departed New Zealand after the period in which they could have been served a Deportation Order. In contrast cases closed as deportation represent people who were served a Deportation Order and Immigration New Zealand (INZ) funded their departure flight.



**Between 1 January 2016 and 30 September 2021
Across Top-10 Nationality and Closed Year***

| Nationality | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | Totals |
|--------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|---------------|
| India | 141 | 229 | 120 | 102 | 42 | 14 | 648 |
| China | 61 | 86 | 72 | 120 | 55 | 77 | 471 |
| Tonga | 62 | 70 | 45 | 56 | 11 | 3 | 247 |
| Samoa | 70 | 67 | 36 | 48 | 12 | 9 | 242 |
| Fiji | 47 | 72 | 33 | 26 | 10 | 9 | 197 |
| Malaysia | 19 | 65 | 28 | 21 | 10 | 12 | 155 |
| U.K. | 16 | 20 | 9 | 16 | 5 | 4 | 70 |
| Vietnam | 16 | 25 | 10 | 11 | 4 | 2 | 68 |
| Brazil | 11 | 13 | 13 | 7 | 9 | 1 | 54 |
| Hong Kong | 9 | 10 | 11 | 1 | 5 | 6 | 42 |
| Others | 110 | 158 | 86 | 99 | 62 | 37 | 552 |
| Totals | 562 | 815 | 463 | 507 | 225 | 174 | 2,746 |

** N.B.*

The first case closed date is used for reporting because cases in TIKa can be re-opened and so their most recent closure date can change. Additionally, the most recent Closure Type is being reported.

**Compliance Cases Closed as Self-Deportation
Between 1 January 2016 and 30 September 2021
Across Top-10 Nationality and Closed Year***

| Nationality | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | Totals |
|--------------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|---------------|
| India | 139 | 390 | 235 | 143 | 101 | 32 | 1040 |
| China | 46 | 112 | 80 | 64 | 62 | 13 | 377 |
| Fiji | 84 | 90 | 30 | 46 | 20 | 8 | 278 |
| Samoa | 67 | 75 | 31 | 72 | 25 | 1 | 271 |
| Tonga | 61 | 65 | 31 | 46 | 17 | 4 | 224 |
| Philippines | 30 | 48 | 37 | 18 | 9 | 2 | 144 |
| U.K. | 22 | 30 | 14 | 19 | 13 | 3 | 101 |
| Malaysia | 4 | 27 | 16 | 11 | 9 | 4 | 71 |
| U.S.A. | 13 | 13 | 10 | 13 | 6 | 7 | 62 |
| South Africa | 16 | 21 | 7 | 9 | 5 | 1 | 59 |
| Others | 122 | 191 | 145 | 104 | 73 | 40 | 675 |
| Totals | 604 | 1,062 | 636 | 545 | 340 | 115 | 3,302 |

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2. Please see the below tables that shows the number of deportations over the last five years, by year, of people who were deported because they were convicted.

Please note, in the case of self-deportations these represent people who have paid for their own flight and departed New Zealand after the period in which they could have been served a Deportation Order. In contrast cases closed as deportation represent people who were served a Deportation Order and Immigration New Zealand (INZ) funded their departure flight.

| Compliance Cases Closed as Deportation Between 1 January 2016 and 30 September 2021 | | | | | | | |
|--|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|-------------|
| Across Volume of Cases With a Conviction Recorded by Compliance and Closed Year* | | | | | | | |
| Conviction Record? ** | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | Totals |
| Yes | 154 | 145 | 154 | 134 | 95 | 52 | 734 |
| No | 408 | 670 | 309 | 373 | 130 | 122 | 2012 |
| Totals | 562 | 815 | 463 | 507 | 225 | 174 | 2746 |

* N.B.

The first case closed date is used for reporting because cases Compliance can be re-opened and so their most recent closure date can change. Additionally, the most recent Closure Type is being reported.

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The results here only represent criminal convictions recorded or selected in INZ's Compliance system. They therefore do not necessarily represent the complete record of client criminal history.

| Compliance Cases Closed as Self-Deportation Between 1 January 2016 and 30 September 2021 | | | | | | | |
|---|------------|-------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|-------------|
| Across Volume of Cases With a Conviction Recorded by Compliance and Closed Year* | | | | | | | |
| Conviction Record? ** | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | Totals |
| Yes | 18 | 27 | 27 | 21 | 25 | 24 | 142 |
| No | 586 | 1035 | 609 | 524 | 315 | 91 | 3160 |
| Totals | 604 | 1062 | 636 | 545 | 340 | 115 | 3302 |

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Please note, the results shown are where convictions have been recorded in INZ's systems. If character is not the reason for deportation liability then convictions may not be recorded.

- 3 & 4. Please see the below tables that shows the number of deportations over the last five years, by year, of people who were deported because they overstayed their visa, broken down by the country they were deported to.

Nationality is provided as this is more reliable than destination country. The first country the client departs to may not be the ultimate destination country.

Please note, in the case of self-deportations these represent people who have paid for their own flight and departed New Zealand after the period in which they could have been served a Deportation Order. In contrast cases closed as deportation represent people who were served a Deportation Order and Immigration New Zealand (INZ) funded their departure flight.

**Cases Categorised as Unlawful Process and Closed as Deportation
Between 1 January 2016 and 30 September 2021
Across Nationality and Closed Year***

| Nationality | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | Totals |
|--------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|---------------|
| India | 109 | 192 | 100 | 80 | 34 | 11 | 526 |
| China | 49 | 74 | 57 | 108 | 48 | 73 | 409 |
| Tonga | 55 | 68 | 36 | 49 | 10 | 2 | 220 |
| Samoa | 58 | 59 | 29 | 37 | 6 | 1 | 190 |
| Malaysia | 17 | 64 | 25 | 15 | 10 | 11 | 142 |
| Fiji | 35 | 52 | 21 | 19 | 5 | 3 | 135 |
| Vietnam | 13 | 22 | 9 | 11 | 4 | 2 | 61 |
| U.K. | 11 | 15 | 4 | 8 | 3 | 2 | 43 |
| Hong Kong | 7 | 8 | 9 | 1 | 5 | 6 | 36 |
| Brazil | 7 | 5 | 11 | 7 | 3 | 1 | 34 |
| Totals | 361 | 559 | 301 | 335 | 128 | 112 | 1796 |

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**Cases Categorised as Unlawful Process and Closed as Self-Deportation
Between 1 January 2016 and 30 September 2021
Across Nationality and Closed Year***

| Nationality | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | Totals |
|--------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|---------------|
| India | 98 | 335 | 204 | 102 | 61 | 21 | 821 |
| China | 41 | 98 | 65 | 46 | 42 | 8 | 300 |
| Samoa | 60 | 69 | 28 | 68 | 24 | | 249 |
| Fiji | 57 | 76 | 21 | 39 | 14 | 6 | 213 |
| Tonga | 57 | 63 | 30 | 43 | 16 | 2 | 211 |
| Philippines | 23 | 45 | 26 | 17 | 3 | 1 | 115 |
| U.K. | 15 | 21 | 11 | 12 | 5 | 1 | 65 |
| U.S.A. | 11 | 12 | 10 | 12 | 5 | 7 | 57 |
| Malaysia | 1 | 24 | 15 | 7 | 7 | 2 | 56 |
| Brazil | 9 | 15 | 14 | 6 | 6 | 2 | 52 |
| Totals | 372 | 758 | 424 | 352 | 183 | 50 | 2139 |

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6. Data regarding the number of deportations over the last five years, by year, of people who were deported because they breached their visa conditions by working, broken down by the country they were deported to.

Questions 5 and 6 of your request are being refused under section 18 (f) of the Official Information Act 1982 as the data that refers to breach of visa conditions by working would require substantial collation.

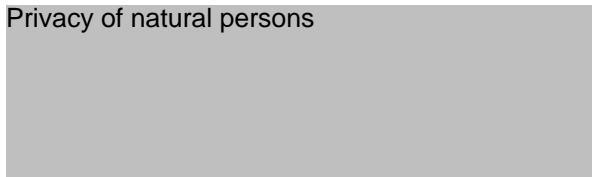
You have the right to seek an investigation and review of my response by the Ombudsman, whose address for contact purposes is:

The Ombudsman
Office of the Ombudsman
P O Box 10-152
WELLINGTON

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

Yours sincerely,

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