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Dear Sir or Madam

Thank you for your email of 17 August, in which you ask for a variety of information regarding applications for British citizenship made within a specific timeframe. Your request has been handled as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

You have requested the following information;

I would like to request British Nationality (Naturalisation) information under the Freedom of Information request.

1- How many total British Citizenship (Naturalisation) applications were received in February 2015 and also provide me breakdown of how many applications from February 2015 are approved, refused and still pending?

2- How many total British Citizenship (Naturalisation) applications were received in March 2015 and also provide me breakdown of how many applications from March 2015 are approved, refused and still pending?

3- How many total British Citizenship (Naturalisation) applications were received in April 2015 and also provide me breakdown of how many applications from April 2015 are approved, refused and still pending?

I am aware that Home Office next Immigration stats release date is 27 August 2015 and please answer my request after 27 August 2015 so you can provide requested information.

Based on application raised date.

'Any cases decided after 31 March 2015 will be recorded as pending in line with published stats'

The number of applications received between 01-Feb-2015 and 31-Mar-2015 - split by month application received.

Month & Year Applied	Rounded Number of Cases
Feb-15	8,435
Mar-15	11,705
Sum:	20,140

Of those applications received between 01-Feb-2015 and 31-Mar-2015 and which have been completed- the number of applications which have been granted and refused - split by month application was received and outcome.

Month/Year Applied	Pending /Complete	Granted	Refused	Sum:
Feb-15	Complete	4,735	75	4,810
Mar-15	Complete	2,125	25	2,150
	Sum:	6,860	100	6,960

Of those applications received between 01-Feb-2015 and 31-Mar-2015 - the number of cases which are still pending - split by month the application was received.

Month & Year Applied	Pending/Complete	Rounded Number of Cases
Feb-15	Pending	3,625
Mar-15	Pending	9,560
	Sum:	13,185

Data can only be provided up until 31-Mar-2015 as in line with published stats.

Total received figures rounded to the nearest 5 (- = 0, * = 1 or 2) and may not sum to the totals shown because of independent rounding.

Apr-15	Granted	125
Apr-15	Refused	5
Apr-15	Rejected	20
Apr-15	Pending	8,705
Apr-15	Total Applications	8,855

Cases where the first case outcome date is after 30-Jun-2015 are shown as "Pending".

If you are dissatisfied with this response you may request an independent internal review of our handling of your request by submitting a complaint within two months to the address below, quoting reference number **36440**. If you ask for an internal review, it would be helpful if you could say why you are dissatisfied with the response.

Information Rights Team
Home Office
Third Floor, Peel Building
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London SW1P 4DF
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As part of any internal review the Department's handling of your information request will be reassessed by staff who were not involved in providing you with this response. If you remain dissatisfied after this internal review, you would have a right of complaint to the Information Commissioner as established by section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act.

We also value your feedback, please use the link below to access a brief anonymous survey to help us improve our service to you”:

<http://www.homeofficesurveys.homeoffice.gov.uk/s/108105TAZNG>

Yours sincerely

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