



UK Visas & Immigration

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Dear Mr Walker,

Thank you for your email of 22 June 2024 in which you request information regarding the recipients of the UK Ancestry Visa. Your request has been handled as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) 2000.

Information Requested

I would like to find out about the recipients of the UK Ancestry Visa. Could you please provide the following information:

- the number of Ancestry Visas issued, broken down by quarter for the past 5 years.
- the citizenship of the individuals receiving these visas.

Please provide and break down this information for both the main visa applicant, and any dependents they have who were also issued visas.

Response

The Home Office publishes data on entry clearance visas, including UK Ancestry visas, by nationality and quarter in the '[Immigration System Statistics Quarterly Release](#)'. Data on grants of visa applications are published in table 'Vis_D02' of the [detailed entry clearance visas dataset](#). Information on how to use the dataset can be found in the 'Notes' page of the workbook. The latest data relates to the end of March 2024.

Section 21(1) of the FOIA exempts the Home Office from having to provide you with this information, because it is already reasonably accessible to you. If you have any

difficulties in accessing this information at the source which I have indicated, please contact me again.

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: foirequests@homeoffice.gov.uk, quoting reference **FOI2024/05464**. If you ask for an internal review, it would be helpful if you could say why you are dissatisfied with the response.

As part of any internal review the Department's handling of your information request will be reassessed by staff 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.

A link to the Home Office Information Rights Privacy Notice can be found in the following link. This explains how we process your personal information:

www.gov.uk/government/publications/information-rights-privacy-notice

Yours sincerely

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