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Dear Mr Kellard

Thank you for your enquiry of 18 June where you have requested information on the number of used Certificates of Sponsorship (CoS) for Tier 2 Intra-Company Transfers (ICT) with a basic salary, excluding allowances, of less than the national minimum wage, from January to May 2011. Your request has been dealt with under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Please see the requested information below.

The figures provided are based on both assigned and used CoS. Assigned CoS refers to CoS which the sponsor has allocated to a migrant but which have not been used as part of an application for leave to enter or remain. Used CoS refers to CoS which the migrant has submitted with an application for leave to enter or remain. Therefore, the monthly figures for assigned and used may differ. The figures are rounded to the nearest 5.

Tier 2 ICT CoS issued from January to May 2011

Month 2011	Age 18-20 Tier 2 ICT CoS Assigned with basic salary below £10,233.60 ^{Note 1}	Age 18-20 Tier 2 ICT CoS Used with basic salary below £10,233.60 ^{Note1}	Age 21+ Tier 2 ICT CoS Assigned with basic salary below £12,334.40 ^{Note2}	Age 21+ Tier 2 ICT CoS Used with basic salary below £12,334.40 ^{Note2}
January	-	-	220	190
February	-	-	250	215
March	-	-	285	285
April	-	-	75	165
May	-	-	70	85

Note1 This figure is based on the current hourly rate for the minimum wage of £4.92 and assumes a 40 hour week, 52 weeks per year.

Note 2 This figure is based on the current hourly rate for the minimum wage of £5.93 and assumes a 40 hour week, 52 weeks of the year.

Figures are rounded to nearest 5

"+" Indicates 1 or 2

"-" Indicates Nil

The figures quoted are not provided under National Statistics protocols and have been derived from local management information. The figures are therefore provisional and subject to change.

I hope this is of help to you. 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 19044. If you ask for an internal review, it would be helpful if you could say why you are dissatisfied with the response.

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Yours sincerely

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