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Dear Hajar Mikaeili,

Thank you for your enquiry of 16 April 2024. Your request has been handled as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) 2000.

Information Requested

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, I am writing to request information regarding visa application statistics for the year 2023, for the following visa categories: student, tourist, skilled worker, and Health and Care Worker visas.

I kindly request the following data for the year 2023:

- 1) The total number of visa applications submitted for student, tourist, skilled worker, and Health and Care Worker visas, respectively.*
- 2) The number of visa applications submitted for each category broken down by the nationality of the applicant.*
- 3) The number of visa applications that were rejected or denied for each category, specifying the nationality of the applicant.*

Response

I confirm that the Home Office holds the information which you have requested. However, we believe that the information is already reasonably accessible to you.

The Home Office publishes data on entry clearance visas by nationality and visa type in the '[Immigration System Statistics Quarterly Release](#)'. Data on visa applications are published in table 'Vis_D01' whilst data on refusals of visa applications are published in table 'Vis_D02' of the [detailed entry clearance visas dataset](#). Nationality, visa routes, and year of application and outcome can be selected. Further Information on how to use the dataset can be found in the 'Notes' page of the workbook. The latest data relates up to the end of December 2023.

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 **FOI2024/03714**. 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.

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Yours sincerely

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