

Summary

The New Zealand Immigration Service (NZIS) instigates a number of special categories during each year which are decided by ballot. These categories are the Family Quota, Refugee Family Quota, and the Pacific Access Category (PAC) scheme. These categories are in place to give individuals who do not meet any of the regular NZIS policy criteria an opportunity to apply for residence in New Zealand.

To be eligible for the consideration under the Ballot system, an applicant may have to meet stipulations of age, health and character, and employment requirements which differ under each specialised category, however the Ballot process utilised is the same for all the categories mentioned above. Specifically, for the Family Quota and Refugee Family Quota each prospective applicant under these categories needs to have a sponsor in New Zealand who is willing to register the principal applicant for eligibility in the Ballot. For the PAC no sponsor is required, but a prospective applicant must have an offer of employment in New Zealand. A time frame is specified during the year for which registrations are accepted and a Ballot is drawn at a pre-arranged time during the year.

Each category has a pre set limit on the number of individuals that can take up residence each year. Registration numbers are drawn at random until the Quota numbers for the year are met. The Ballot takes into account individuals, not applications, therefore in an application with more than one applicant on it each applicant counts towards the final Quota figure.

The successful individuals that are drawn under the Ballot system are then eligible to apply for residence under the category they registered under.

TableName	LastUpdateCompleted	DataStart	DataEnd
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table 1: People included on ballot registrations decided, by application criteria and decision.

note: Blank decisions indicates that eligibility for the draw has not yet been assessed by NZIS. "In Ballot" indicates that the nominees are eligible for to be part of the draw, but the draw has yet to take place.

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Type	(All)
category	(All)
NomineeType	(All)

Sum of Applications	Decision											Total
	Awaiting invitation to apply	Ballot Successful	Ballot Unsuccessful	Ballot Unsuccessful (In Progress at Draw)	Failed Immigration Status	Failed Registration Requirements	Failed Time in NZ	In Ballot	Invitation to apply issued	Sponsor Withdrawal	(blank)	
Criteria												
2002 Family Quota Category	276	16,633	9	109	4,774	108						22,109
2002 PAC Registration Kiribati	51	321	1	60								433
2002 PAC Registration Tonga	253	2,368	10	5	205							2,841
2002 PAC Registration Tuvalu	80	19	5	5	34							138
2002 Refugee Family Category Registration	302	3,553	12	6	80	15						3,968
2003 Family Quota Category	146	7,566	5	42	358	126				137		8,380
2003 PAC Registration Fiji	253	12,393	12	37	934					28		13,657
2003 PAC Registration Kiribati	50	111		6	56					6		229
2003 PAC Registration Tonga	214	1,651		5	301					11		2,182
2003 PAC Registration Tuvalu	75	16		7	18							116
2003 PAC Reregistration Kiribati	28	28			28							81
2003 PAC Reregistration Tonga	40	644		2	170					16		872
2003 PAC Reregistration Tuvalu		2			1							3
2003 Refugee Family Category Registration	153	1,079		132	16					9		1,389
2003 Refugee Family Category Reregistration	149	1,131		32	195	3						1,510
2003 Re-registration Family Quota Category	107	6,047		46	149	20				78		6,447
2004 PAC Registration Fiji	168	2,505	2	14	327							3,016
2004 PAC Registration Kiribati	109			8	54							163
2004 PAC Registration Tonga	247	1,984			618							2,857
2004 PAC Registration Tuvalu	63				29							92
2004 PAC Reregistration Fiji	160	2,447	1	12	113							2,733
2004 PAC Reregistration Kiribati	34			1	5							40
2004 PAC Reregistration Tonga	115	909		3	76							1,103
2004 PAC Reregistration Tuvalu	1											1
2004 Refugee Family Quota Registration	170	1,138	1		249	14				2		1,574
2004 Refugee Family Quota Reregistration	132	1,377	16	2	100							1,627
2005 PAC Registration Fiji	191	12,112	7	299	430					30		13,069
2005 PAC Registration Kiribati	70	479		34	32							615
2005 PAC Registration Tonga	221	8,005	17	174	371					1		8,789
2005 PAC Registration Tuvalu	70	305		10	13							398
2005 PAC Reregistration Fiji	89	4,698		58	159					8		5,012
2005 PAC Reregistration Kiribati	15	54		1	4							74
2005 PAC Reregistration Tonga	55	2,119		28	95							2,297
2005 PAC Reregistration Tuvalu	14	23										37
2005 Refugee Family Quota Registration	143	1,175		6	75	1				3		1,403
2005 Refugee Family Quota Reregistration	164	1,591		5	337							2,097
2006 Refugee Family Quota Registration	132	1,763		22	40							1,957
2006 Refugee Family Quota Reregistration	170	2,145		52	29							2,396
PAC Registration Fiji 2006	117	5,046		21	366							5,550
PAC Registration Fiji 2007					37							37
PAC Registration Kiribati 2006	76	957			25							1,058
PAC Registration Kiribati 2007	49	1,611			6					1		1,667
PAC Registration Kiribati 2008	57	1,568			19							1,644
PAC Registration Kiribati 2009	72	1,761			23							1,856
PAC Registration Tonga 2006	112	2,181		5	208							2,506
PAC Registration Tonga 2007	107	4,040			111							4,258
PAC Registration Tonga 2008	105	2,432			218					2		2,757
PAC Registration Tonga 2009	102	1,626			52					6		1,786
PAC Registration Tuvalu 2006	58	340			17							415
PAC Registration Tuvalu 2007	53	287			27							367
PAC Registration Tuvalu 2008	52	282			22							356
PAC Registration Tuvalu 2009	58	206			22							286
PAC Reregistration Fiji 2006	163	6,661		8	230							7,062
PAC Reregistration Fiji 2007					123							123
PAC Reregistration Kiribati 2006	13	232		1	5							251
PAC Reregistration Kiribati 2007	43	645			2							690
PAC Reregistration Kiribati 2008	40	1,201			20							1,261
PAC Reregistration Kiribati 2009	42	1,648			23							1,713
PAC Reregistration Tonga 2006	166	3,692		9	189							4,056
PAC Reregistration Tonga 2007	173	4,641			114							4,928
PAC Reregistration Tonga 2008	172	4,609			155							4,936
PAC Reregistration Tonga 2009	228	3,451			76							3,755
PAC Reregistration Tuvalu 2006	33	169			15							217
PAC Reregistration Tuvalu 2007	38	218			1							257
PAC Reregistration Tuvalu 2008	50	139			15							204
PAC Reregistration Tuvalu 2009	54	142			17							213
Refugee Family Support Tier 1 Registration	851				2,901					755	4	4,541
Samoa Quota Registration 2006		875	17,723		74	304						18,976
Samoa Quota Registration 2007		1,479	15,664	46	26	524		1				17,740
Samoa Quota Registration 2008		789	8,387		3	1,006				2		10,187
Samoa Quota Registration 2009		744	8,333			449				1		9,522
Samoa Quota Reregistration 2006		500	8,144		56	122						8,822
Samoa Quota Reregistration 2007		121	1,676			165						1,962
Samoa Quota Reregistration 2008		643	7,736		3	1,682						10,064
Samoa Quota Reregistration 2009		906	10,247			442						11,595
Sponsor Registration, 2005 Samoa Quota		1,210	19,975	66	57	510				3		21,821
Total	851	14,210	246,261	204	1,295	20,891	303	1	755	348	30	285,149

