

Skilled Residence Data as at 18 March 2024

Skilled residence applications (Skilled Migrant Category and Residence from Work) are not split into separate queues based on visa category.

Table 1 below provides the number of unallocated general and priority skilled residence applications in the queue as at 4 March 2024, broken down by month the application was accepted for processing by Immigration New Zealand (INZ). Note that 'unallocated' relates to applications that are waiting to be allocated to an Immigration Officer for assessment.

Table 1: Number of unallocated general and priority skilled residence applications in the queue as at 18 March 2024.

Accepted Month	General Queue	Priority Queue
NOV2023	51	0
DEC2023	198	0
JAN2024	12	0
FEB2024	0	0
MAR2024	3	0
Total	264	0

**All numbers provided are subject to random rounding to base 3 by applying the same rule used by Stats NZ for Census data.*

Table 2 below provides the number of general and priority skilled residence applications that were allocated monthly from the queue since the first allocation took place on 10 February 2023. Note that the number of applications that are allocated to immigration officers for processing may be impacted by a number of factors, including reduced processing capacity. The priority applications are currently in flow and priority applications are being allocated as soon as they are received.

Table 2: Number of skilled residence applications allocated monthly as at 18 March 2024

Allocation Month	General	Priority
FEB2023	150	443
MAR2023	606	97
APR2023	427	108



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Allocation Month	General	Priority
MAY2023	1,178	51
JUN2023	1,039	52
JUL2023	717	14
AUG2023	843	0
SEP2023	543	0
OCT2023	563	0
NOV2023	416	0
DEC2023	359	0
JAN2024	177	0
FEB2024	245	0
MAR2024	175	0