

Annex 1 to LCQ 17

**Breakdown of the number of these applications received, approved  
and refused from July 1997 to December 2011 by year**

<b>Year</b>	<b>Applications Received</b>	<b>Applications Approved*</b>	<b>Applications Refused*</b>
1997 (July to December)	36,116	28,668	78
1998	54,264	40,811	403
1999	49,296	38,440	487
2000	49,964	45,224	487
2001	52,578	47,292	457
2002	62,009	57,977	617
2003	74,636	66,937	545
2004	65,333	59,662	684
2005	51,226	45,004	853
2006	49,142	44,221	923
2007	45,649	40,223	1,057
2008	42,317	40,214	1,132
2009	46,376	37,849	1,021
2010	53,575	50,175	1,115
2011	52,776	41,968	1,335

\* number of applications concluded in that year