Statistics on applications received and approved under Quality Migrant Admission Scheme (QMAS), Admission Scheme for Mainland Talents and Professionals (ASMTP), Immigration Arrangements for Non-local Graduates (IANG) and Capital Investment Entrant Scheme (CIES) (2015-2017)

Immigration scheme/policy		2015		2016		2017	
		No. of applications received	No. of applications approved / quotas allotted	No. of applications received	No. of applications approved / quotas allotted	No. of applications received	No. of applications approved / quotas allotted
QMAS ¹	Mainland residents	1 069 (58.4%)	186 (89.4%)	750 (47.6%)	237 (86.8%)	969 (50.2%)	356 (86.6%)
	Non-Mainland residents	760 (41.6%)	22 (10.6%)	825 (52.4%)	36 (13.2%)	963 (49.8%)	55 (13.4%)
	Total	1 829	208	1 575	273	1 932	411
ASMTP ²	Total	11 034	9 229	12 251	10 404	13 998	12 381
IANG	Mainland residents	9 599 (92.9%)	9 541 (92.9%)	8 680 (92.6%)	8 611 (92.7%)	8 525 (90.5%)	8 448 (90.5%)
	Non-Mainland residents	738 (7.1%)	728 (7.1%)	696 (7.4%)	678 (7.3%)	895 (9.5%)	883 (9.5%)
	Total	10 337	10 269	9 376	9 289	9 420	9 331
CIES ³	Chinese nationals with permanent residence overseas	2 775 (97.3%)	2 662 (97.2%)	0	2 575 (96.6%)	0	2 569 (97.3%)
	Other nationals	76 (2.7%)	77 (2.8%)	0	92 (3.4%)	0	71 (2.7%)
	Total	2 851	2 739	0	2 667	0	2 640

Note:

- 1. Figures denote the numbers of quotas allotted.
- 2. The ASMTP is only applicable to Mainland residents. Therefore, all applicants are Mainland residents.
- 3. The CIES has been suspended with effect from January 15, 2015. However, the Immigration Department continues to process the applications received before the suspension in accordance with the rules of the scheme. The CIES is applicable to foreign nationals, Chinese nationals with right of abode in a foreign country, stateless persons who have obtained permanent resident status in a foreign country and residents of Macao and Taiwan.

Figures in () denote the percentage share of the total number of applicants.