

**Progress Report on the
Admission Scheme for Mainland Talents and Professionals**

(From 1 October 2019 to 31 March 2020)

I. Employment applications

The Admission Scheme for Mainland Talents and Professionals was implemented on 15 July 2003. Between 1 October 2019 to 31 March 2020, **5 800** entry applications for employment were received (monthly average: **967**). In the same period, **4 281** applications were approved, **223** refused and **1 302** withdrawn by applicant / no further action taken. As at 31 March 2020, **1 930** applications were under processing.

II. Breakdown of approval cases

Employer Sector	Number of Approval Cases		Total
	Short-term Employment ^{Note}	Long-term Employment	
Academic research and education	521	258	779
Architecture/surveying	7	14	21
Arts/culture	1 295	11	1 306
Biotechnology	0	5	5
Catering industry	9	15	24
Commerce and trade	20	255	275
Engineering and construction	136	190	326
Financial services	115	610	725
Information technology	10	153	163
Legal services	4	41	45
Manufacturing industries	1	21	22
Medical and health services	7	8	15
Recreation and sports	123	4	127
Telecommunications	1	35	36
Tourism	1	6	7
Traditional Chinese medicine	4	1	5
Others	181	219	400
Total	2 435	1 846	4 281

Note: Short-term applications refer to those with employment period of less than 12 months.

III. Employers

A total of **941** employers are involved, of which **6** are local universities and other education institutions, **20** are partnership firms and **21** non-profit-making organisations exempted from business registration. The paid up capital of the remaining **894** employers are as follows:

Paid up Capital	Number of Employers
Below HK\$1 million	648
HK\$1 million to below HK\$10 million	74
HK\$10 million to HK\$100 million	102
Over HK\$100 million	70
Total	894

IV. Education attainment

Academic Attainment	Number of Approval Cases		Total
	Short-term Employment	Long-term Employment	
Doctoral degree and above	231	201	432
Master degree	250	705	955
Bachelor degree or equivalent	365	644	1 009
Other qualifications	1 589	296	1 885
Total	2 435	1 846	4 281

V. Monthly remuneration

Remuneration Range (HK\$)	Number of Approval Cases		Total
	Short-term Employment	Long-term Employment	
Below 20 000	1 604	281	1 885
20 000 to 29 999	308	338	646
30 000 to 39 999	253	356	609
40 000 to 49 999	73	220	293
50 000 to 79 999	107	374	481
80 000 to 119 999	49	162	211
120 000 to 179 999	30	64	94
180 000 to 239 999	4	31	35
240 000 to 279 999	4	8	12
280 000 and above	3	12	15
Total	2 435	1 846	4 281

VI. Cumulative total

As at the end of March 2020, a cumulative total of **160 039** entry applications for employment were received. Of these, **135 660** applications were approved (58% of which were for short-term employment), **7 168** refused and **15 281** withdrawn by applicant / required no further action. The remaining **1 930** were under processing.

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