



Australian Government

Department of Immigration and Citizenship

# Australian Citizenship Test

## Snapshot Report

April 2008



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## Introduction

The data in this report relates to Australian citizenship tests administered by the Department of Immigration and Citizenship between 1 October 2007 and 31 March 2008. Data for this report was extracted on 1 April 2008.

A small number of paper tests yet to be processed are not included in this report.

This report will be regularly updated and published on the department's website at [www.citizenship.gov.au](http://www.citizenship.gov.au).

Further information about the Australian citizenship test, including the citizenship test resource book, *Becoming an Australian citizen*, is also available on that website.

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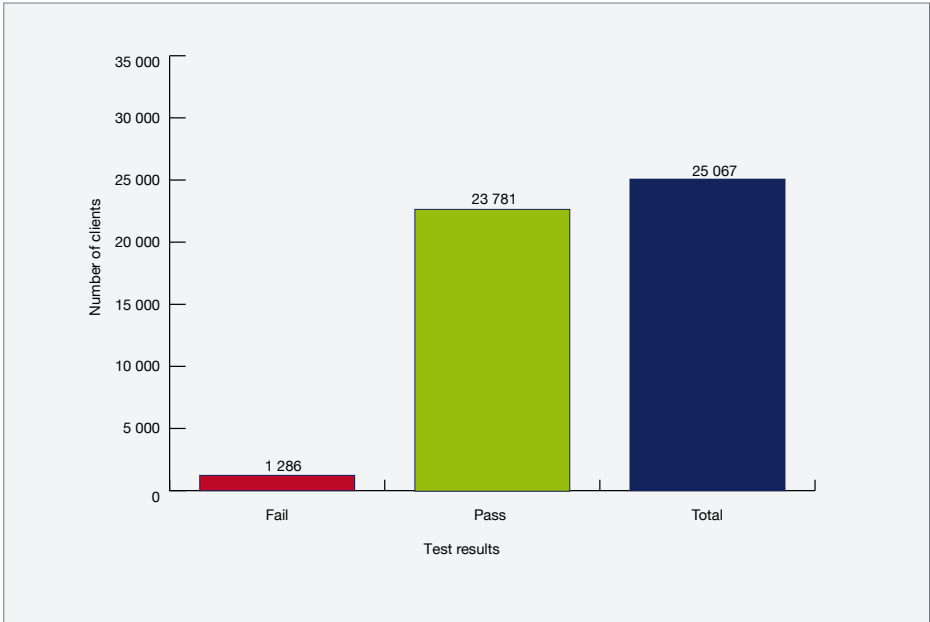
## Executive Summary

Between 1 October 2007 and 31 March 2008 (figures in brackets are from data to 31 Dec 2007):

- 25,067 clients sat the Australian citizenship test (9,043 to 31 Dec).
- 23,781 of these clients (or 94.9 per cent) passed the test on their first or subsequent attempt ( 8,405 – 92.9% to 31 Dec).
- The department has administered 30,197 tests to these clients, including re-sits where clients did not pass the test on their first attempt (10,730 to 31 Dec).
- On average there are 1.2 tests administered per client (unchanged).
- The percentage of Skilled stream clients who passed the test on their first or subsequent attempt is 99% (up from 97% to 31 Dec).
- The percentage of Family stream clients who passed the test on their first or subsequent attempt is 91% (up from 90% to 31 Dec).
- The percentage of Humanitarian program clients who passed the test on their first or subsequent attempt is 82% (up from 80% to 31 Dec).

## Australian citizenship test outcomes

### Test outcomes by number of clients



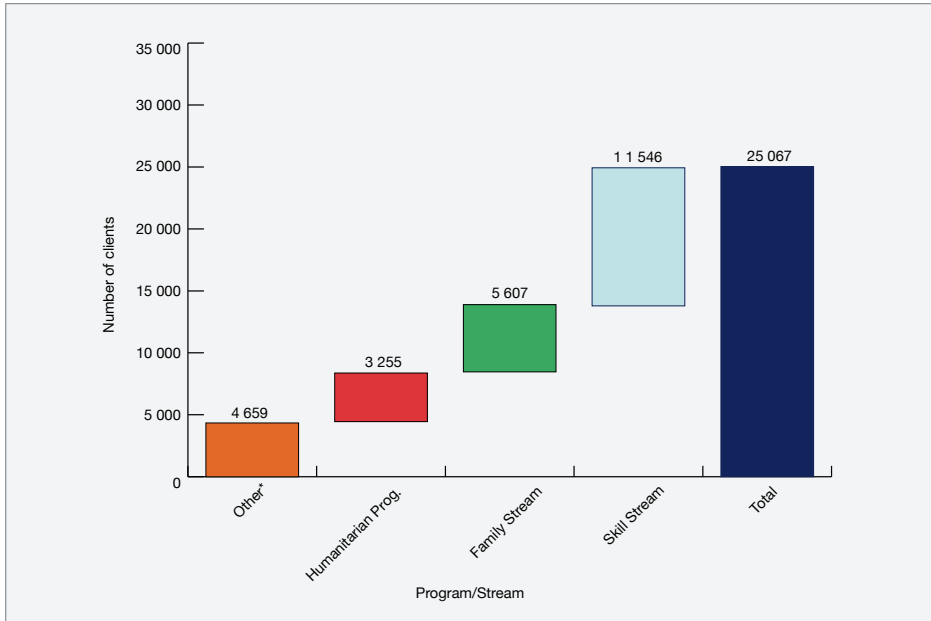
Test outcome - all clients	Clients	%
Pass	23 781	94.9
Fail	1 286	5.1
<b>Total</b>	<b>25 067</b>	<b>100.0</b>

Clients can sit the test as many times as they need in order to pass. Some clients sit the test more than once before they pass, which is why there are more tests than clients.

- 23 781 (94.9 per cent) of clients have passed the test on their first or subsequent attempt.
- 20 898 (83.3 per cent) of clients passed the test on their first attempt.

## Australian citizenship test outcomes *continued*

### Test participation

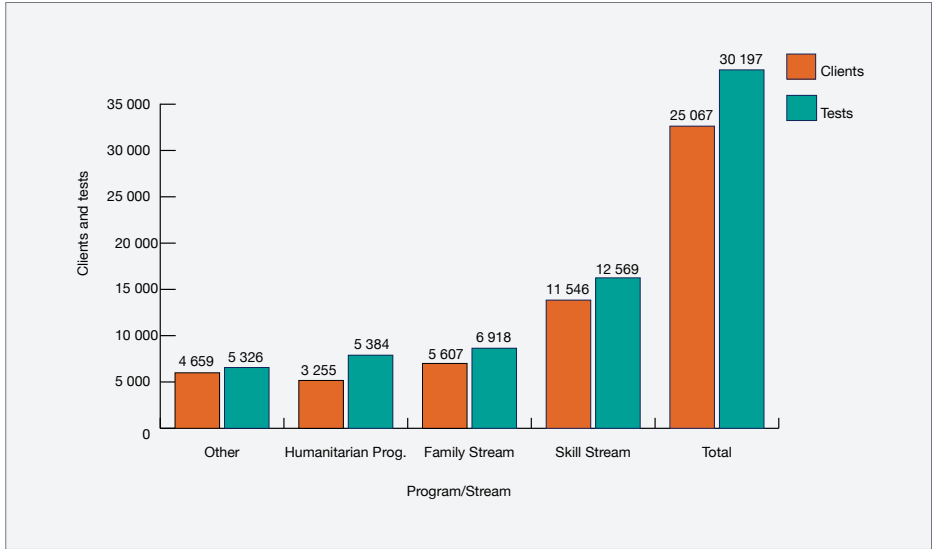


- 46.1 per cent of clients were from the Skill Stream of the Migration Program
- 22.4 per cent of clients were from the Family Stream of the Migration Program
- 12.9 per cent of clients were from the Humanitarian Program

(Note: The 18.6 per cent of clients in the “other” category, include Resident Return Visa holders and Special Category Visa holders.)

## Program analysis

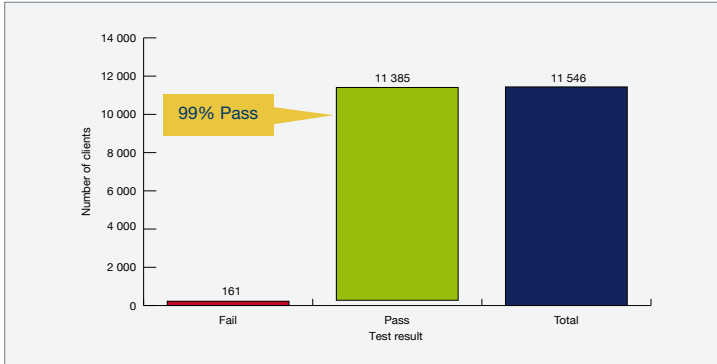
While 94.9 per cent of clients overall are passing the test, the number of times a client attempts the test varies across the Migration Program streams and the Humanitarian Program.



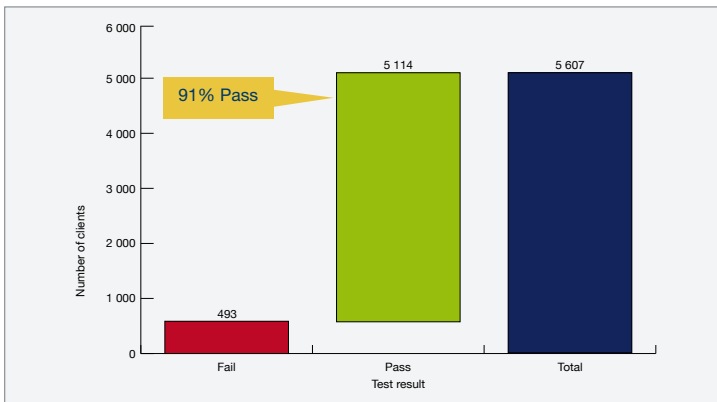
Program/Stream	Clients	% of all clients	Tests	% of all tests	Average number of tests per client
Skill Stream	11 546	46.1	12 569	41.6	1.1
Family Stream	5 607	22.4	6 918	22.9	1.2
Humanitarian Program	3 255	12.9	5 384	17.8	1.7
Other	4 659	18.6	5 326	17.6	1.1
<b>Total</b>	<b>25 067</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>30 197</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>1.2</b>

## Program analysis *continued*

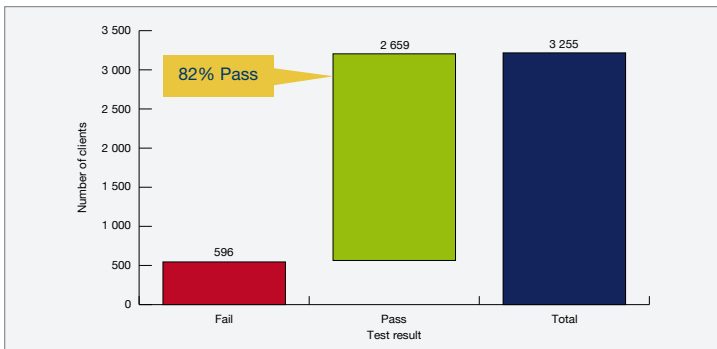
### Skill Stream outcomes



### Family Stream outcomes



### Humanitarian Program outcomes



## Country of birth analysis

As at 31 March 2008, clients born in more than 172 countries have sat the test.

Country of birth	Total	% of total	Pass	Fail
United Kingdom	4 118	16.4	4 075	43
PRC (includes Hong Kong + Macau)	2 382	9.5	2 282	100
India	2 077	8.3	2 053	24
Iraq	1 255	5.0	1 054	201
South Africa	971	3.9	965	6
New Zealand	826	3.3	814	12
Philippines	823	3.3	797	26
Afghanistan	620	2.5	512	108
Sri Lanka	562	2.2	545	17
Sudan	503	2.0	388	115
Other countries	10 930	43.6	10 296	634
<b>Total clients</b>	<b>25 067</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>23 781</b>	<b>1 286</b>