

## National Insurance registrations for 2006/07

This *Update* looks at new data released on 15 August 2007 by the DWP relating to National Insurance Number registrations for overseas nationals. It follows on from previous reports from DMAG on this topic (see *DMAG Briefing 2006/24* and *Update 14-2007*). The data show country of origin for new NI registrations for every local authority in the UK, but no data exist on de-registrations or how long the new NI numbers remain active and therefore no conclusions can be made about net migration using this dataset.

**Table 1: Top 20 countries of origin for NINo registrations**

	Rest of UK			London			London as a per cent of UK
	2005/06	2006/07	Change	2005/06	2006/07	Change	
<b>Poland</b>	134,270	179,340	45,070	37,110	43,420	6,310	19
<b>India</b>	28,080	30,780	2,700	17,900	18,550	650	38
<b>Slovak Rep</b>	21,710	23,930	2,220	4,660	4,910	250	17
<b>Pakistan</b>	14,010	16,520	2,510	8,260	8,800	540	35
<b>Australia</b>	8,830	9,400	570	14,990	15,000	10	61
<b>Rep of Lithuania</b>	20,030	15,780	-4,250	10,500	8,330	-2,170	35
<b>France</b>	8,530	9,590	1,060	8,640	10,640	2,000	53
<b>South Africa</b>	13,510	9,090	-4,420	10,460	7,830	-2,630	46
<b>Germany</b>	7,800	8,730	930	5,550	6,510	960	43
<b>China</b>	10,330	10,450	120	2,600	2,700	100	21
<b>Italy</b>	4,890	5,250	360	6,310	7,700	1,390	59
<b>Nigeria</b>	5,100	6,120	1,020	7,070	6,350	-720	51
<b>Czech Rep</b>	11,330	9,410	-1,920	2,920	2,340	-580	20
<b>Rep of Latvia</b>	12,080	9,190	-2,890	2,100	1,900	-200	17
<b>Portugal</b>	7,810	6,980	-830	3,790	3,910	120	36
<b>Hungary</b>	5,680	7,160	1,480	2,920	3,720	800	34
<b>Spain</b>	6,970	6,450	-520	4,080	4,320	240	40
<b>USA</b>	5,210	5,610	400	4,350	5,050	700	47
<b>Bangladesh</b>	4,650	4,740	90	4,690	5,380	690	53
<b>Rep of Ireland</b>	6,770	6,480	-290	3,560	3,550	-10	35
<b>A12 Total</b>	212,340	251,160	38,820	63,580	70,030	6,450	22
<b>Africa Total</b>	25,270	24,390	-880	24,280	19,800	-4,480	45
<b>EU15 Total</b>	55,200	55,640	440	42,390	48,110	5,720	46
<b>SE Asia Total</b>	48,360	53,900	5,540	34,200	36,120	1,920	40
<b>Old C'wealth + USA Total</b>	33,900	30,550	-3,350	37,210	35,470	-1,740	54
<b>Other Total</b>	51,710	53,720	2,010	33,950	34,560	610	39
<b>All countries</b>	426,780	469,360	42,580	235,610	244,090	8,480	34

Notes:

A12 = Bulgaria, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Romania, Slovakia and Slovenia

EU15 = Austria, Belgium, Denmark, France, Finland, Germany, Greece, Irish Republic, Italy, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Portugal, Spain, Sweden

Old commonwealth = Canada, Australia, New Zealand and South Africa

SE Asia = India, Pakistan, Bangladesh and Sri Lanka

The total number of registrations in London for 2006/07 was 244,090, up by 8,480 on the previous year. This is a four per cent increase compared with ten per cent in the rest of the UK. Nationally this is equal to 51,000 more registrations than last year. London represents about a third of all registrations nationally but only about a sixth of the total increase.

Poland remains by far the biggest single source of registrations with 43,000 in London and 179,000 in the rest of the UK. Polish registrations account for 38 per cent of all registrations outside London but a considerably lower proportion in London at 18 per cent, though this is still by far the largest share of any single country in London. The increases on the previous year were significant, with a 17 per cent increase in London and a 34 per cent increase outside London. The increase in Polish registration in London makes up 74 per cent of the total increase, while in the rest of the UK there was a 45,000 increase in Poles but only a 43,000 overall increase. This was because many countries declined in numbers over the period, notably Lithuania, South Africa, Latvia and the Czech Republic.

If the A12 countries are taken as a whole then there was a ten per cent increase in London compared with an 18 per cent increase in the rest of the UK. London accounts for 22 per cent of all A12 registrations nationally, a relatively low proportion when compared with other countries.

London accounts for 54 per cent of registrations from Old Commonwealth countries together with USA, though numbers were down five per cent on the year before. A larger drop of 18 per cent occurred for Africans, for which London has a share of 45 per cent. In contrast registrations from the Rest of Europe and SE Asia were up in London by 13 and six per cent respectively and again London dominates the registrations from these areas.

Other than Poland, the top origins in London were India (eight per cent of all London registrations), Australia (six per cent), France and Pakistan (both four per cent). The biggest percentage increases in London, from origins with over a thousand registrations, were Romania (153 per cent), Nepal (94 per cent), Bulgaria (79 per cent), Hungary (27 per cent), France (23 per cent) and Italy (22 per cent). Romania and Bulgaria appear here following their accession to the European union on 1<sup>st</sup> January 2007. The increases from these two countries could be higher in 2007/08. All of the countries in the top twenty have had an increase in registrations since these data first became available in 2002/03. See Table 3.

The biggest declines since 2005/06 were Mauritius (38 per cent), Somalia (33 per cent), Jamaica (32 per cent), South Africa (25 per cent), Ghana (22 per cent) and Lithuania (21 per cent).

London has the most registrations of any region while the South East is second highest with 80,000 followed by East with 53,000. Newham had the highest number of any district in the UK with around 16,000 while Brent was second. However, the largest increases in London from the previous year were seen in Haringey (1,390), Tower Hamlets (1,370) and Newham (1,280). Although Haringey had the biggest increase in London it was seventh highest nationally. In contrast, Ealing and Hounslow saw a drop in registrations of 950 and 800 respectively, the largest falls anywhere in the country. See Table 2.

For the full 2006/07 dataset please visit the DWP website at:  
[http://www.dwp.gov.uk/asd/asd1/niall/registration\\_tables2007.xls](http://www.dwp.gov.uk/asd/asd1/niall/registration_tables2007.xls)

**Table 2 Annual NINo registration numbers by borough**

	2002/03	2003/04	2004/05	2005/06	2006/07	Change 2005/06 to 2006/07
UK	349,240	370,750	439,730	662,390	713,450	51,060
England and Wales	314,390	331,150	394,260	595,280	631,780	36,500
England	309,020	324,370	384,360	578,840	614,760	35,920
London	148,020	153,180	167,230	235,640	244,090	8,450
City of London	340	360	360	530	730	200
Barking and Dagenham	2,260	2,450	2,600	3,200	3,120	-80
Barnet	5,940	6,190	6,720	8,840	9,310	470
Bexley	970	1,020	990	1,410	1,570	160
Brent	9,170	9,590	11,920	15,060	15,600	540
Bromley	1,570	1,380	1,480	2,130	2,200	70
Camden	5,560	5,500	5,760	7,780	8,320	540
Croydon	4,070	3,910	3,900	5,900	6,340	440
Ealing	7,370	7,870	10,400	15,250	14,300	-950
Enfield	4,100	4,770	4,340	5,030	5,710	680
Greenwich	3,170	3,690	3,800	5,700	5,820	120
Hackney	4,860	5,080	5,360	7,640	7,630	-10
Hammersmith and Fulham	6,100	5,830	6,370	9,410	9,310	-100
Haringey	5,890	7,190	7,280	9,580	10,970	1,390
Harrow	3,230	3,140	3,780	5,070	5,500	430
Havering	760	790	810	1,100	1,000	-100
Hillingdon	2,680	2,830	3,290	4,320	4,420	100
Hounslow	5,600	6,190	7,090	10,600	9,800	-800
Islington	4,430	4,460	4,920	6,790	6,610	-180
Kensington and Chelsea	5,230	4,800	5,200	6,460	7,250	790
Kingston upon Thames	1,870	1,680	1,810	2,830	2,970	140
Lambeth	6,930	7,260	7,010	10,460	11,170	710
Lewisham	4,600	5,020	4,850	6,770	6,840	70
Merton	3,990	3,590	4,050	6,470	6,680	210
Newham	8,510	8,460	10,270	14,880	16,160	1,280
Redbridge	3,330	3,520	3,880	5,320	5,220	-100
Richmond upon Thames	2,050	1,720	1,950	2,960	2,930	-30
Southwark	6,040	6,620	6,440	9,670	9,690	20
Sutton	1,410	1,080	1,160	1,680	1,940	260
Tower Hamlets	6,470	6,740	7,130	10,430	11,800	1,370
Waltham Forest	5,070	5,700	6,810	9,990	9,680	-310
Wandsworth	7,200	6,850	7,390	11,420	11,720	300
Westminster	7,250	7,900	8,110	10,960	11,790	830

**Table 3 All registrations in London by country of origin**

	2002/03	2003/04	2004/05	2005/06	2006/07
All	148,010	153,160	167,190	235,610	244,090
Poland	4,270	7,720	18,960	37,110	43,420
India	8,940	10,790	11,170	17,900	18,550
Australia	9,760	8,360	8,730	14,990	15,000
France	5,500	5,370	5,980	8,640	10,640
Pakistan	4,430	5,220	7,630	8,260	8,800
Rep of Lithuania	1,320	2,940	6,200	10,500	8,330
South Africa	7,530	6,740	7,250	10,460	7,830
Italy	4,550	4,430	4,110	6,310	7,700
Germany	3,160	3,260	3,800	5,550	6,510
Nigeria	3,810	4,400	4,900	7,070	6,350
Bangladesh	3,710	3,840	3,060	4,690	5,380
New Zealand	4,560	3,340	3,440	5,180	5,300
USA	3,240	3,140	3,390	4,350	5,050
Slovak Rep	430	620	2,690	4,660	4,910
Spain	3,510	3,300	2,900	4,080	4,320
Portugal	2,990	3,390	3,000	3,790	3,910
Hungary	330	490	1,470	2,920	3,720
Rep of Ireland	2,820	2,800	2,670	3,560	3,550
Netherlands	1,720	2,020	2,570	3,320	3,550
Brazil	1,360	2,330	2,570	3,660	3,400
Sri Lanka	4,420	3,490	3,330	3,350	3,390
Ghana	3,360	3,760	3,750	3,860	3,010
Sweden	1,770	1,500	1,620	2,530	2,800
China Peoples Rep	2,340	3,000	2,560	2,600	2,700
Turkey	2,490	2,770	2,400	2,120	2,530
Czech Rep	400	460	1,610	2,590	2,340
Canada	1,610	1,440	1,480	2,230	2,290
Philippines	3,030	2,600	1,780	2,140	2,210
Romania	1,150	1,920	1,610	870	2,200
Nepal	520	480	450	1,110	2,150
Rep of Latvia	210	360	1,030	2,100	1,900
Greece	1,290	1,070	1,090	1,460	1,630
Somalia	3,580	2,780	2,190	2,420	1,620
Bulgaria	2,630	3,280	2,460	860	1,540
Colombia	860	1,040	970	1,420	1,540
Mauritius	820	1,250	1,700	2,390	1,480
Japan	1,090	1,100	1,060	1,290	1,380
Jamaica	4,060	5,120	2,270	1,920	1,310
Denmark	880	840	800	1,170	1,180
Malaysia	1,220	1,280	1,280	1,270	1,060

NB Table only shows countries with over a thousand registrations in 2006/07

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