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About the EU Settlement Scheme

The EU Settlement Scheme makes it easy for EU, EEA and Swiss citizens and their families to obtain a UK immigration status for when the UK leaves the EU. Further information about the EU Settlement Scheme can be found [here](#).

The scheme is a simple digital system which allows EU, EEA and Swiss citizens who are resident in the UK to obtain, free of charge, settled status or pre-settled status in the UK. Find out more about [what settled and pre-settled status means](#).

The EU Settlement Scheme launched on 30 March 2019, following the success of two private beta testing phases^{1,2} and public beta testing of the application process. During the testing phases (between 28 August 2018 to 29 March 2019), there were over 230,000 applications. A final report on [the public beta test phase](#) was published on 2 May 2019.

About the data

This is the sixth monthly statistical release of high-level information on the EU Settlement Scheme, up to 30 September 2019.

These data are Experimental Statistics and should be interpreted with caution. Experimental statistics are statistics that are in a testing phase and are not yet fully developed, nor been subject to the full level of quality assurance of National Statistics. Further details can be found in the Office for National Statistics [Guide to Experimental Statistics](#).

The information presented in this report refers to data collected in the month of September (01 September 2019 to 30 September 2019) and 'total' numbers since testing of the scheme began (from 28 August 2018 to 30 September 2019).

A more detailed quarterly statistical report on the EU Settlement Scheme was published on 22 August 2019, covering the period between 28 August 2018 to 30 June 2019, available at <https://www.gov.uk/government/statistics/eu-settlement-scheme-quarterly-statistics-june-2019>. The next detailed quarterly statistical report will be published in November 2019.

The figures quoted in this report have been derived from live management information systems and are provisional and subject to change. Figures have been rounded to the nearest 100 throughout the report. Percentages in this report may not add up to 100% due to rounding.

Figures in this publication refer specifically to applications made to the EU Settlement Scheme and cannot be directly compared with estimates of the resident population of EU/EEA nationals in the UK. Figures in this report include non-EEA family members, and eligible EEA citizens not resident in the UK. None of these are usually included in estimates of the resident EU population. Furthermore, the population estimates do not take account of

¹ <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/eu-settlement-scheme-private-beta-1>

² <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/eu-settlement-scheme-private-beta-2>

people's migration intentions and will include people who have come to the UK for a range of purposes, including some who have no intention to settle in the UK.

Data tables

Further data on the EU Settlement Scheme can be found in the following tables:

- [EU Settlement Scheme Statistics \(tables 1, 2, 3 and 4\)](#)

Key points

Number of applications received

More than half a million applications were received in the month of September 2019 (520,600).

Overall, the total number of applications received up to 30 September 2019 was more than 1.8 million (**1,860,200**).

Number of applications concluded

Concluded applications may relate to an application made in a prior month, and applications received in the latest month may not be concluded until a later month. Therefore, applications concluded are not directly comparable with applications received for the same period.

The number of applications concluded in September 2019 was 373,600. Of these, 57% were granted settled status and 43% were granted pre-settled status³. One application was refused on suitability grounds during the period from 01 September to 30 September 2019.

Overall, the total number of applications that have been concluded, as of 30 September 2019, was more than 1.5 million (**1,524,500**). Of these, 61% were granted settled status, 38% were granted pre-settled status, and two applications were refused on suitability grounds.

Number of applications received in England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland

Applications have been received from across all constituent parts of the United Kingdom (see Table 3).

In total, as of 30 September 2019, the majority of applications were received from England (1,704,100), with an additional 92,700 from Scotland, 29,300 from Wales and 28,700 from Northern Ireland.

Number of applications received by nationality

Applications have been received from citizens of all EEA countries and Switzerland (see Table 4).

In total, as of 30 September 2019, Polish (347,300), Romanian (280,600) and Italian (200,700) nationals submitted the highest number of applications. Approximately 88,500 applications were also received from eligible non-EEA nationals⁴.

³ Percentages may not add up to 100% due to rounding and a small number of 'Other outcomes' (see data table notes).

⁴ The EU Settlement Scheme allows those currently resident in the UK under EU law to obtain a status under the UK's Immigration Rules. As such it is open to all those currently here under EU law, which includes the non-EEA family members of EEA and Swiss citizens [see <https://www.gov.uk/settled-status-eu-citizens-families/not-EU-EEA-Swiss-citizen> for further information]

Data tables

Data referred to in this report can be found in the tables below. Data table notes:

1. Figures in these tables have been derived from live management information systems and are provisional and subject to change.
2. Figures are rounded to the nearest 100, therefore table breakdowns may not match overall totals.
3. Percentages may not add up to 100% due to rounding.
4. 'Total' includes data since testing of the scheme began on 28 August 2018 through to 30 September 2019.
5. 'Other outcomes' includes any outcome that did not result in a grant of leave because the application was withdrawn by the applicant, was invalid as it did not include the required proof of identity and nationality or other mandatory information, was void because the applicant was ineligible to apply, for example because they were a British citizen, or was refused on eligibility or suitability grounds.
6. Total applications received by constituent parts of the United Kingdom include small numbers of records (0.3%) where locational data is not currently in an analysable form from live systems.
7. Applications received by nationality exclude small numbers of records (<0.1%), in which nationality is not currently in an analysable form from live systems.
8. EEA EFTA (Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway) plus Swiss nationals were able to apply from 30 March 2019, when the scheme fully launched.
9. The EU Settlement Scheme allows those currently resident in the UK under EU law to obtain a status under the UK's Immigration Rules. As such it is open to all those currently here under EU law, which includes the non-EEA family members of EEA and Swiss citizens.
10. As of 30 September 2019, two applications have been refused on suitability grounds. Of these, one application was refused in August 2019 and one application was refused in September 2019.

Table 1: EU Settlement Scheme – applications received^{1,2}

	Total ⁴	of which: September 2019
Applications received	1,860,200	520,600

Table 2: EU Settlement Scheme – applications concluded^{1,2,3}

	Total ⁴	of which: September 2019
Applications concluded	1,524,500	373,600
Settled	61%	57%
Pre-settled	38%	43%
Other outcomes ^{5,10}	0.5%	0.6%

Table 3: EU Settlement Scheme – applications received in England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland^{1,2,6}

Country	Total ⁴	of which: September 2019
England	1,704,100	475,800
Scotland	92,700	24,900
Wales	29,300	8,700
Northern Ireland	28,700	9,600

Table 4: EU Settlement Scheme – applications received by nationality^{1,2,7}

Nationality	Total⁴	of which: September 2019
EU27	1,759,400	495,700
Poland	347,300	107,000
Romania	280,600	93,000
Italy	200,700	49,900
Portugal	162,500	45,300
Spain	115,700	29,300
Bulgaria	96,100	25,500
Lithuania	92,100	30,300
France	70,700	18,700
Latvia	57,600	16,100
Hungary	53,600	13,900
Germany	53,500	11,800
Netherlands	50,000	9,600
Greece	41,000	11,100
Slovakia	35,600	10,700
Czech Republic	22,200	5,500
Sweden	18,400	4,400
Belgium	13,400	2,700
Denmark	9,600	2,000
Austria	9,500	1,800
Finland	6,800	1,500
Cyprus	6,000	1,500
Estonia	5,300	1,300
Croatia	3,500	900
Ireland	2,800	700
Malta	2,700	600
Slovenia	1,700	400
Luxembourg	500	100
EEA EFTA & Swiss nationalities⁸	11,700	3,100
Norway	6,700	1,700
Switzerland	4,200	1,200
Iceland	700	300
Liechtenstein	<50	<50
Non-EEA nationalities⁹	88,500	21,700

The next monthly statistical release will be published in November 2019, covering the period to end October 2019.

Amendment

Added text to clarify a caveat in the 'About the Data' section.

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