

The department received a request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) requesting the following:

'Please provide statistics on Social Workers coming to the UK from South Africa who applied for a work-permit. Also any information you have on the numbers of work permits by country for the years 2000 -20005 issued for employment including Social Work.'

Response

The table below shows approved applications broken down by occupations.

Note: work permits are issued to people who enter the country to take work, whereas 'First Permission' refers to those who are already in the country but do not hold a work permit when their application to work is approved.

Approved WP & First Permission Only - NATIONALITY: SOUTH AFRICA - 01/01/2000 to 19/10/2005

Occupation	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	Total
SOCIAL WORKER	111	127	184	155	168	108	853

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	Total
ACCOUNTANT	67	152	117	93	69	50	548
ACTOR (FILM)	1	1	0	1	2	1	6
ACTOR (THEATRE)	8	13	5	11	13	10	60
ACTOR (TV)	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
ACTUARY	24	50	26	15	7	6	128
ADVERTISING/P.R. MANAGER	2	5	2	1	1	1	12
ADVOCATE	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
AIRCRAFT ENGINEER	0	2	0	0	1	0	3
AIRLINE PILOT	1	0	1	1	0	0	3
ANALYST PROGRAMMER	0	70	53	21	16	24	184
ANIMATOR	0	3	1	1	0	0	5
ARCHITECT	18	48	34	18	18	20	156
ARCHITECTURAL TECHNICIAN	4	4	10	4	5	10	37
ASSISTANT DENTIST	66	40	48	24	18	3	199
ASSISTANT OPTOMETRIST	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
ATTORNEY	5	3	0	0	0	0	8
AUDIOLOGIST	0	0	17	10	12	5	44
AUDITING	13	21	72	35	39	15	195
BANK MANAGER	0	2	1	0	0	0	3
Bar staff - SBS	0	0	0	2	3	9	14
BASKETBALL PLAYER	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
BIOMEDICAL SCIENTIST	0	2	3	6	9	6	26
BOXER	0	0	3	1	1	1	6
BUSINESS ANALYST	0	52	49	18	11	8	138
CAMERA PERSON (TV/FILM)	4	0	0	1	9	0	14
CATERING MANAGER	0	0	5	5	4	3	17
CHEF	4	26	61	54	38	18	201
Chef (NVQ2 &below) - SBS	0	0	0	6	13	23	42
CHEMICAL ENGINEER	0	1	1	1	2	0	5
CHIROPODIST/PODIATRIST	2	0	0	2	1	0	5
CHIROPRACTOR	1	0	2	2	0	3	8
CHOREOGRAPHER	1	1	1	2	1	1	7
CIRCUS ARTISTE	0	0	0	2	0	0	2

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	Total
CIVIL/STRUCTURAL ENGINEER	5	19	41	9	6	4	84
COACH (OTHER)	3	2	0	3	2	0	10
COMEDIAN	0	2	0	0	2	0	4
COMMENTATOR	0	0	0	1	1	0	2
COMMODITY BROKER	0	1	0	0	1	0	2
COMPUTER ENGINEER	14	12	6	6	1	5	44
COMPUTER PROGRAMMER	30	38	4	1	0	0	73
Concierge staff - SBS	0	0	0	0	4	2	6
CONDUCTOR	0	0	1	0	2	0	3
CRICKET COACH	8	5	9	9	7	5	43
CRICKET PLAYER	37	44	61	50	48	34	274
CRICKET PLAYER/COACH	0	0	0	0	13	24	37
DANCER (BALLET)	4	0	1	1	0	2	8
DANCER (CONTEMPORARY)	1	2	1	0	3	0	7
DANCER (OTHER)	3	1	4	1	7	2	18
DATABASE SPECIALIST	0	27	12	0	2	1	42
DENTAL ANAESTHETIST	1	3	5	1	1	1	12
DENTAL NURSE	0	8	11	6	9	6	40
DENTAL SURGEON	68	88	98	57	45	23	379
DIETICIAN	8	17	21	13	16	9	84
DIRECTOR (FILM)	2	1	2	1	0	0	6
DIRECTOR (THEATRE)	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
DIRECTOR MUSIC	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
DOCTOR	0	101	513	363	256	140	1,373
EDITOR (FILM)	0	2	0	0	0	0	2
EDITOR (MUSIC)	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
EDITOR (TV)	1	1	0	0	0	2	4
ELECTRICAL/ELECTRONIC ENG	4	38	10	10	8	10	80
ELECTRONIC and OPTO-ELECT	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
Electronic Engineer	1	6	6	5	2	2	22
FARM MANAGER	0	0	0	0	3	0	3
FARM WORKER	0	1	0	2	0	2	5
FASHION (MODEL)	70	63	66	42	46	52	339
FASHION (OTHR RELATE OCC)	1	4	4	15	7	6	37
FITNESS CONSULTANT	0	1	1	1	1	0	4
Food Service Op - SBS	0	0	0	1	5	8	14
FOOTBALL PLAYER	1	0	0	1	1	0	3
GENERAL MANAGER	25	49	20	9	18	7	128
GEOLOGIST	0	1	8	1	0	0	10
GROOM	0	3	8	10	3	0	24
HEAD CHEF	0	7	5	4	6	3	25
HOCKEY COACH	1	0	1	1	0	1	4
HOCKEY PLAYER	2	0	2	2	4	4	14
HOSPITAL CONSULTANT	0	9	17	44	56	25	151
HOTEL MANAGER	1	2	4	5	13	3	28
Housekeeper - SBS	0	0	0	1	0	2	3
INSURANCE BROKER	0	1	1	1	2	0	5
INVESTMENT ANALYST	2	10	3	2	6	2	25
INVESTMENT MANAGER	7	4	0	0	2	1	14
IT MANAGER	0	23	15	9	16	7	70
JOCKEY	0	0	0	1	0	1	2

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	Total
JOCKEY (WORK RIDER)	2	2	1	1	1	0	7
Kitchen Assistant - SBS	0	0	0	1	5	1	7
LAWYER	15	16	5	5	4	4	49
LECTURER (UNIVERSITY)	4	9	11	9	10	7	50
LEGAL EXECUTIVE	4	5	1	3	1	0	14
MAGICIAN	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
MAGICIANS ASSISTANT	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
MANAGER (ENT RELATED)	1	2	1	1	8	0	13
MARKETING/SALES MANAGER	25	80	62	52	45	22	286
MARTIAL ARTS COACH	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
MATERIALS ENGINEER	0	2	4	0	0	0	6
Meat Bone Breaker - SBS	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Meat Packer - SBS	0	0	0	0	6	10	16
MeatProcessOperative-SBS	0	0	0	0	2	3	5
MECHANICAL ENGINEER	2	8	7	8	4	3	32
MEDICAL PRACTITIONER	63	150	95	81	30	8	427
MIDWIFE	7	0	1	1	1	0	10
MOTOR SPORTS DRIVER	1	2	2	0	0	0	5
MUSICIAN	6	23	16	2	6	6	59
NETWORK SPECIALIST	0	65	86	10	12	7	180
NURSE	1,146	1,468	1,697	1,504	1,244	616	7,675
OCCUPATIONAL THERAPIST	28	32	35	52	41	24	212
OPTICIAN	17	27	26	16	19	7	112
OTHER CONSTRUCT/LAND OCCS	19	43	62	39	55	25	243
OTHER HOTEL CAT OCCS	17	19	31	47	49	28	191
OTHER IT RELATED OCCUPAT	454	450	215	150	162	187	1,618
OTHER LEGAL OCCUPATION	19	15	28	26	30	22	140
OTHER MGR RELATED OCCUPAT	495	542	554	533	755	592	3,471
OTHR AGRICULTURAL OCCUP	3	21	15	9	15	7	70
OTHR EDU/CULT OCCUPATION	37	41	36	40	35	16	205
OTHR ENGINEER OCCUPATION	148	220	283	191	162	144	1,148
OTHR ENT RELATED OCCUP	1	11	17	7	11	4	51
OTHR FINANCIAL OCCUPATION	161	185	173	141	183	144	987
OTHR HEALTH/MEDICAL OCC	400	399	814	991	645	374	3,623
OTHR SPORTS RELATED OCCUP	2	4	7	10	4	2	29
OTHR TRANSPORT RELATE OCC	6	12	23	16	19	14	90
PERSONAL ASSISTANT	1	5	2	2	1	0	11
PERSONNEL/TRAINING MGR	4	8	7	6	6	2	33
PHARMACIST	145	51	37	14	10	10	267
PHOTOGRAPHER	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
PHYSIOTHERAPIST	42	44	81	68	55	29	319
POLO GROOM	0	0	0	0	8	10	18
POLO PLAYER	0	0	4	2	3	0	9
POLO TRAINER	1	1	2	1	1	0	6
PRESENTER	1	1	0	0	0	0	2
PRODUCER (FILM)	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
PRODUCER (MUSIC)	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
PRODUCER (TV)	0	2	0	1	1	1	5
PRODUCTION ACCOUNTANT	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
PROJECT MANAGER	19	36	35	23	28	21	162
PSYCHIATRIST	19	37	38	41	25	20	180

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	Total
PSYCHOLOGIST	10	8	11	12	9	3	53
PURCHASING MANAGER	0	3	0	1	0	0	4
RACQUET SPORT PLAYER	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
RADIOGRAPHER	23	47	87	109	127	84	477
RAIL ENG (STRUCT/BRIDGE)	0	0	2	1	2	2	7
RAIL ENG (TRANS/H'WAY)	0	0	3	0	1	1	5
RAILWAY ENGINEER	0	0	9	0	3	1	13
Reception staff - SBS	0	0	0	2	19	16	37
RECEPTIONIST	0	2	0	2	4	1	9
RESEARCHER	22	55	34	32	22	19	184
RESEARCHERS-SPONSORED	0	0	0	0	6	2	8
RESTAURANT MANAGER	0	4	2	7	17	7	37
ROAD CREW	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Room attendant - SBS	0	0	0	0	3	2	5
RUGBY LEAGUE PLAYER	2	0	2	1	2	0	7
RUGBY UNION COACH	0	2	0	3	3	1	9
RUGBY UNION PLAYER	2	8	7	6	2	6	31
SECOND CHEF	0	0	0	1	3	0	4
SENIOR CARER	0	0	0	0	0	6	6
SHEEP SHEARER	1	1	1	0	0	0	3
SHIP RELATED OCCUPATION	4	0	0	1	1	0	6
SINGER	4	7	5	4	6	3	29
SKILLED CRAFTSMEN	0	0	4	0	4	1	9
SOFTWARE ENGINEER	39	100	40	14	16	18	227
SOLICITOR	6	4	4	3	7	1	25
SPEECH THERAPIST	7	7	9	14	5	6	48
STOCK BROKER	1	0	0	1	0	0	2
SURVEYOR	11	58	84	65	36	36	290
SYSTEM ANALYST	42	75	13	9	11	1	151
TEACHER FOREIGN CIRC	3	13	11	5	2	5	39
TEACHER(SCHOOL/COLLEGE)	263	1,641	1,374	600	459	304	4,641
TECHNICIAN (TV)	1	3	2	2	1	1	10
TECHNICIAN (FILM)	0	0	0	2	2	0	4
TECHNICIAN (MUSIC)	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
TRADER	3	5	5	2	0	2	17
TRANSPORT & HIGHWAYS ENG	0	0	0	0	3	2	5
TREASURER/FINANCIAL MGR	10	9	4	4	2	0	29
VETERINARY SURGEON	32	90	72	46	19	21	280
WAITER/WAITRESS	0	0	2	1	3	2	8
Waiting staff - SBS	0	0	0	4	22	21	47
WATER SPORTS RELATE OCCUP	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
WRITER	0	1	0	2	0	1	4
Total	4,435	7,406	7,959	6,245	5,613	3,671	35,329