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About the EU Settlement Scheme

The EU Settlement Scheme (EUSS) enables resident EU, other EEA and Swiss citizens, and their family members, to obtain a UK immigration status. 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 tenth monthly statistical release of high-level information on the EU Settlement Scheme, up to 31 January 2020.

These statistics are released as Experimental Statistics, meaning they are going through development and evaluation. The Home Office is continuing to work to improve these statistics to ensure they meet the needs of users. Further details can be found in the UK Statistics Authority's [Guidance on Experimental Statistics](#).

The information presented in this report refers to data collected in the month of January (01 January 2020 to 31 January 2020) and 'total' numbers since testing of the scheme began (from 28 August 2018 to 31 January 2020).

A more detailed quarterly statistical report on the EU Settlement Scheme was published on 06 February 2020, covering the period between 28 August 2018 to 31 December 2019, available at <https://www.gov.uk/government/statistics/eu-settlement-scheme-quarterly-statistics-december-2019>. The next detailed quarterly statistical report will be published in May 2020.

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.³ Figures in this report include non-EEA family members, Irish nationals, and eligible EEA citizens not resident in the UK, none of whom are usually

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>

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<https://www.ons.gov.uk/peoplepopulationandcommunity/populationandmigration/internationalmigration/bulletins/ukpopulationbycountryofbirthandnationality/latest#strengths-and-limitations>

included in estimates of the resident EU population. Furthermore, the population estimates do not take account of 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 \(Tables 1, 2, 3 and 4\)](#)

User guide

The [Home Office EU Settlement Scheme statistics: user guide](#) contains explanatory notes on the issues and classifications that are central to the production and presentation of the Home Office's EU Settlement Scheme statistics.

Key points

Number of applications received

The number of applications received in January 2020 was 351,800.

Overall, the total number of applications received up to 31 January 2020 was more than 3.1 million (**3,107,900**).

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 January 2020 was 280,100. Of these, 56% were granted settled status and 43% were granted pre-settled status⁴. One application was refused on suitability grounds during the period from 01 January to 31 January 2020.

Overall, the total number of applications that have been concluded, as of 31 January 2020, was over 2.7 million (**2,730,200**). Of these, 58% were granted settled status, 41% were granted pre-settled status, and seven 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 31 January 2020, the majority of applications were received from England (2,840,200), with an additional 154,000 from Scotland, 50,500 from Northern Ireland and 50,100 from Wales.

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 31 January 2020, Polish (585,400), Romanian (498,700) and Italian (322,100) nationals have submitted the highest number of applications. Approximately 157,100 applications have also been received from eligible non-EEA, non-Swiss nationals⁵.

⁴ Percentages may not add up to 100% due to rounding and a small number of 'Other outcomes' (see data table notes).

⁵ The EU Settlement Scheme allows resident EU, other EEA and Swiss citizens, and their family members, to apply for UK immigration status [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:

- Figures in these tables have been derived from live management information systems and are provisional and subject to change.
- Figures are rounded to the nearest 100, therefore table breakdowns may not match overall totals.
- Percentages may not add up to 100% due to rounding.
- 'Total' includes data since testing of the scheme began on 28 August 2018 through to 31 January 2020.
- 'Other outcomes' includes any outcome that did not result in a grant of leave because the application was withdrawn or void (including where the applicant was ineligible to apply, for example, because they were a British citizen), was invalid as it did not include the required proof of identity and nationality or other mandatory information, or was refused on eligibility or suitability grounds (see the [user guide](#) for more detail).
- Total applications received by constituent parts of the United Kingdom include small numbers of records (0.4%) where locational data is not currently in an analysable form from live systems.
- Applications received by nationality exclude small numbers of records (0.1%), in which nationality is not currently in an analysable form from live systems.
- EEA EFTA (Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway) plus Swiss nationals were able to apply from 30 March 2019, when the scheme fully launched.
- The EU Settlement Scheme allows resident EU, other EEA and Swiss citizens, and their family members, to apply for UK immigration status.
- As of 31 January 2020, seven applications have been refused on suitability grounds. Of these, one application was refused in January 2020, the other six between August 2019 and December 2019.

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

	Total ⁴	of which: January 2020
Applications received	3,107,900	351,800

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

	Total ⁴	of which: January 2020
Applications concluded	2,730,200	280,100
Settled	58%	56%
Pre-settled	41%	43%
Other outcomes ^{5,10}	0.7%	1.2%

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

Country	Total ⁴	of which: January 2020
England	2,840,200	318,400
Scotland	154,000	18,200
Northern Ireland	50,500	5,800
Wales	50,100	5,900

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

Nationality	Total⁴	of which: January 2020
EU27	2,927,100	329,800
Poland	585,400	73,000
Romania	498,700	63,000
Italy	322,100	31,100
Portugal	251,700	20,600
Spain	191,500	20,200
Lithuania	157,000	17,600
Bulgaria	156,600	17,700
France	118,100	13,900
Latvia	91,400	8,700
Hungary	88,500	9,100
Germany	85,200	9,800
Netherlands	77,100	8,000
Greece	68,600	7,400
Slovakia	66,800	9,700
Czech Republic	37,500	4,500
Sweden	31,400	4,300
Belgium	21,100	2,200
Denmark	15,000	1,700
Austria	13,900	1,300
Cyprus	11,200	1,500
Finland	10,700	1,300
Estonia	8,400	900
Croatia	6,100	800
Ireland	5,100	700
Malta	4,300	400
Slovenia	2,800	300
Luxembourg	800	100
EEA EFTA & Swiss nationalities⁸	22,100	3,200
Norway	12,600	1,900
Switzerland	8,200	1,100
Iceland	1,300	100
Liechtenstein	<50	<50
Non-EEA nationalities⁹	157,100	18,900

The next monthly statistical release will be published in March 2020, covering the period to end February 2020.

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