

**Table 32. Number of work visa applications and issuance by type:  
2008 - 2014**

Year/ Quarter	Applications						Work permits issued					
	Regular workers		Investors		Temporary workers		Regular workers		Investors		Temporary workers	
	New Visas	Renewals	New Visas	Renewals	New Visas	Renewals	New Visas	Renewals	New Visas	Renewals	New Visas	Renewals
<b>2008: Q3</b>	18,930	15,033	89	13	1,417	411	9,014	5,630	31	5	455	3
<b>Q4</b>	42,887	22,167	113	64	2,748	510	27,238	5,640	78	23	1,793	24
<b>2009: Q1</b>	50,535	30,519	143	157	1,873	439	34,458	8,298	93	55	2,340	86
<b>Q2</b>	37,057	31,875	172	129	1,162	760	27,693	29,431	105	128	1,013	620
<b>Q3</b>	35,956	29,456	242	68	779	612	24,234	25,948	91	65	538	406
<b>Q4</b>	36,450	35,797	168	74	1,089	600	25,648	32,258	97	69	832	582
<b>2010: Q1</b>	42,203	42,558	251	91	1,990	329	24,992	39,256	139	86	1,653	277
<b>Q2</b>	39,612	33,739	324	114	704	323	24,229	31,852	186	111	524	330
<b>Q3</b>	38,642	29,195	219	134	516	500	25,208	27,477	139	115	445	476
<b>Q4</b>	36,440	30,330	189	196	854	368	25,266	27,382	141	177	632	346
<b>2011: Q1</b>	31,023	31,566	187	210	1,249	203	22,929	28,220	117	193	1,300	214
<b>Q2</b>	31,731	29,528	239	199	682	399	22,070	27,210	153	187	561	378
<b>Q3</b>	41,949	25,142	203	143	641	175	29,075	22,966	128	137	593	178
<b>Q4</b>	42,073	30,307	196	150	805	366	28,407	28,141	121	143	650	358
<b>2012: Q1</b>	45,185	34,221	297	247	981	376	30,517	32,925	172	238	863	377
<b>Q2</b>	44,954	30,672	350	253	1,388	445	30,485	28,613	222	244	1,194	437
<b>Q3</b>	43,480	28,227	319	227	1,179	397	31,083	26,381	236	213	956	395
<b>Q4</b>	42,596	29,177	341	259	1,925	458	28,814	27,357	210	252	1,547	449
<b>2013: Q1</b>	44,431	30,182	409	317	971	376	32,200	28,589	264	302	1,242	364
<b>Q2</b>	45,222	29,932	314	286	441	191	32,181	28,210	260	278	386	210
<b>Q3</b>	42,462	29,610	352	224	472	310	28,841	27,855	214	218	420	310
<b>Q4</b>	39,840	33,325	436	269	519	259	24,649	31,480	253	269	475	257
<b>2014: Q1</b>	41,856	38,709	464	369	945	251	27,176	37,012	320	348	864	238
<b>Q2</b>	5,421	4,556	90	41	26	18	3,817	4,359	47	47	14	19

Source: LMRA Expat Management System (EMS)

Notes: 1. LMRA has started issuing work visa for Private sectors from 2008 July 1st.  
2. Details may not add up to totals due to rounding. Totals may differ from one table to another from the same source due to differences in missing values.

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