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**137. Mr A C Roos (DA) (DA)to ask the Minister of Home Affairs:**

What total number of (a) applications and (b) appeals for certain visas (details furnished) (i) were received by his department and (ii) are not yet finalised? NW141E

**REPLY:**

(a)(i) As at 16 March 2022, the number of total applications received since 2014 was 1 196 659.

(a)(ii) Of the total mentioned above 242 642 were for visitor’s visa, 19 368 were for business visas, 513 642 were for general work visas, 33 479 were for critical skills visas, 94 042 were for study visas, 10 869 were for retirement visas, 91 540 were for relatives’ visas, 6 788 were for medical treatment visas and 56 108 were in other categories not on the requested list.

128 181 were applications for Permanent Residence permits.

Applications not yet finalised from the totals mentioned above were as follows 17 042 were for visitor’s visa, 59 were for business visas, 948 were for general work visas, 585 were for critical skills visas, 4 977 were for study visas, 602 were for retirement visas, 7 887 were for relatives’ visas, 296 were for medical treatment visas and 5 283 were in other categories not on the requested list.

Applications not yet finalized for Permanent Residence permits were 34 186.

(b)(i&ii) There are 2 875 Permanent Residence appeal applications and 516 Temporary Residence appeal applications that are not yet finalised.

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