

Press Release
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Statistics of Investment Residency Applications in 2011

In 2011, a total of 490 applications for temporary residency for managerial personnel, technical and professional qualification holders were received by the Macao Trade and Investment Promotion Institute (IPIM) (an decrease of 52 compared with last year), 65 applications for major investment and major investment plans (an increase of 29 compared with last year), representing 88.29% and 11.71% of the total of 555 new applications in 2011. Approved cases for managerial personnel, technical and professional qualification holders amounted to 412 (a decrease of 126 compared with last year), approved applications for major investment and major investment plans totalled 10 (a decrease of 12 compared with last year).

In accordance with the Administrative Regulation No. 7/2007, temporary residency applications for fixed asset purchases have been suspended since 4 April 2007. There were over 4,000 applications lodged before the closing date of the policy and are still being processed. Therefore, there were no new residency applications for fixed assets purchases in 2011 while all of the 38 already approved cases were lodged before 4 April 2007.

Statistics of Temporary Residency Applications and the Cases and Number of People Approved in 2011

	Fixed assets		Managerial personnel, technical and professional qualification holders		Major investment and major investment plan		Renewal application		Extension application for family members		Total	
	No.	In comparison with the previous year	No.	In comparison with the previous year	No.	In comparison with the previous year	No.	In comparison with the previous year	No.	In comparison with the previous year	No.	In comparison with the previous year
Applications in 2011	0	0	490	-52	65	29	5,793	655	515	-67	6,863	565
Approved applications in 2011	38	-135	412	-126	10	-12	5,588	-509	652	-79	6,700	-861
Number of people approved in 2011	101	-382	643	-204	18	-23	---	---	892	-99	1,654	-708

Remarks : Figures of fixed assets approved applications only include those registered cases as of 4 April 2007 when the Administrative Rules were in effect, figures of approved cases in other categories include all applications submitted during and before 2011.

For further enquiries on the residency application guidelines, please contact IPIM by visiting the website: www.ipim.gov.mo, email: gjfr@ipim.gov.mo, tel: 28712055 or fax: 28713950. Applicants may also visit the website and enquire about the progress of their residency application status.