

English Proficiency, Wave 1 & Wave 2 : Primary Applicant *

	Visa Category					Total
	<i>Preferential Family/Family Stream</i>	<i>Concessional Family/Skilled- Australian Linked</i>	<i>Business Skills & Employer Nomination Scheme</i>	<i>Independent</i>	<i>Humanitarian</i>	
Wave 1						
Spoken Proficiency						
Very Well	10%	13%	14%	22%	4%	13%
Well	20%	25%	22%	19%	15%	20%
Not Well	30%	7%	17%	2%	55%	22%
Not At All	12%	0%	6%	0%	25%	8%
English, Best or Only Language	28%	54%	42%	57%	1%	37%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Reading Proficiency						
Very Well	17%	26%	18%	35%	6%	21%
Well	22%	14%	22%	7%	27%	18%
Not Well	21%	5%	15%	0%	40%	15%
Not At All	12%	1%	4%	0%	26%	9%
English, Best or Only Language	28%	54%	42%	57%	1%	37%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Written Proficiency						
Very Well	11%	19%	14%	25%	4%	15%
Well	21%	19%	21%	16%	21%	19%
Not Well	26%	7%	18%	2%	43%	19%
Not At All	14%	1%	5%	0%	31%	10%
English, Best or Only Language	28%	54%	42%	57%	1%	37%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Wave 2						
Spoken Proficiency						
Very Well	11%	16%	12%	22%	8%	14%
Well	24%	19%	24%	17%	29%	22%
Not Well	26%	4%	18%	0%	52%	19%
Not At All	7%	0%	2%	0%	9%	4%
English, Best or Only Language	32%	61%	43%	61%	2%	40%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Reading Proficiency						
Very Well	17%	24%	15%	31%	12%	21%
Well	25%	13%	26%	8%	37%	21%
Not Well	18%	2%	14%	0%	36%	13%
Not At All	8%	1%	2%	0%	13%	5%
English, Best or Only Language	32%	61%	43%	61%	2%	40%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Written Proficiency						
Very Well	12%	18%	11%	23%	7%	15%
Well	23%	16%	22%	15%	30%	21%
Not Well	23%	5%	20%	1%	42%	17%
Not At All	10%	0%	4%	0%	19%	7%
English, Best or Only Language	32%	61%	43%	61%	2%	40%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Source: Longitudinal Survey of Immigrants to Australia, Second Cohort Wave 1 and 2 data (for settler arrivals between 1/9/1999 and 31/8/2000 inclusive) as at 06/01/2003.

* So that outcomes for Wave 1 & Wave 2 can be compared, this table only includes results where the Primary Applicant was interviewed in both waves