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Senator Crossin provided in writing.

Question:

“Engaging the World Through Education” gives some detail on the Endeavour Programme. Is there a breakdown of the Endeavour Programme for overseas students by country?

Answer:

The Endeavour Programme

The Endeavour Programme brings together under the one umbrella all of DEST's international scholarships, including existing awards and new initiatives announced in the 2003/04 Budget.

Existing awards include:

- Endeavour Australia-Asia Postgraduate Student Awards (formerly Australia-Asia Awards)
- Endeavour Australia-Europe Postgraduate Student Awards (formerly Australia-Europe Scholarships)
- Endeavour International Postgraduate Research Scholarships (IPRS)
- Australian University Mobility in Asia and Pacific (UMAP) Programme.

New awards:

- Endeavour Australia Postgraduate and Postdoctoral Research Fellowships
- Endeavour Language Teacher Fellowships (available to Australian language teachers).

A breakdown of IPRS by country of citizenship for 2002, the most recent statistics collected from Australian universities, is available at Attachment A.

In the 2004 round of the Australian UMAP Programme, 108 projects from 31 Australian higher education institutions were funded. The funded projects include 51 staff visits to counterpart institutions and participation of 331 Australian students from a wide range of disciplines. The country distribution of the Australian students is as follows: 93 students will study in the United States, 52 in Canada, 32 in Japan, 28 in China, 26 in Mexico, 21 in Hong Kong, 19 in Thailand, 18 in Singapore, 17 in Chile, 14 in South Korea, four in Vietnam, three in Taiwan, two in Indonesia and one each in Malaysia and the Philippines.

Australian language teachers travelled to six countries in January 2004 on a Endeavour Language Teacher Fellowship to participate in a three-week in-country cultural and language programme. Details are provided below.

China	France	Germany	Italy	Japan	Vietnam
15	22	22	22	22	16

The Endeavour Australia-Asia Postgraduate Student Awards will be available from 2005, to participants from China, India, Indonesia, Japan, Korea, Malaysia, Singapore, Taiwan, Thailand and Vietnam. Three awards to each designated country will be phased in from 2005 to 2007.

From 2005, fourteen Endeavour Australia-Europe Postgraduate Student Awards will be available to European Union Member States and one award (in total) will be available to applicants from Norway, Switzerland and Croatia.

In 2004, up to 21 Postgraduate and Postdoctoral Research Fellowships will be available to participating regions, with 10 being allocated to Asia, one to North America (DEST already provides substantial funding to the Fulbright Programme), three to Latin America, four to the Middle East and three to Europe. This will increase to 41 fellowships in 2005.

Attachment A

Country of Citizenship	
IPRS Funding Year	2002
Argentina	3
Austria	3
Bangladesh	8
Belgium	1
Bolivia	1
Brazil	2
Canada	17
Chile	1
China	45
Colombia	3
Croatia	1
Czechoslovakia	2
Denmark	1
Eritrea	1
Fiji	1
France	2
Germany	18
Hong Kong	1
Hungary	1
India	15
Indonesia	5
Iran	4
Ireland	1
Israel	5
Italy	5
Japan	2
Kenya	3
Lesotho	1
Macedonia	1
Malawi	1
Malaysia	13
Mauritius	1
Mexico	1
Mongolia	1
Nepal	2
Netherlands	2
Nigeria	3
Norway	1
Pakistan	3
Papua New Guinea	1
Philippines	1
Poland	2
Portugal	1
Romania	3
Russia	6
Singapore	12
Slovenia	1
South Korea	4
Spain	1

Sri Lanka	9
Sth Africa	1
Sweden	2
Switzerland	4
Taiwan	5
Tanzania	1
Thailand	8
Turkey	1
UK	16
Ukraine	3
USA	20
Uruguay	1
Venezuela	1
Vietnam	12
Yugoslavia	1
Zambia	1
Zimbabwe	2
Other	5
Total	307