

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR JUSTICE AND HOME AFFAIRS
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QUESTION SUBMITTED ON MONDAY 23rd MARCH 2026
ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON MONDAY 30th MARCH 2026**

Question

“Will the Minister advise how many Jersey residents currently hold –

- (a) a visa vignette placed in their passport;
- (b) a wet ink stamp placed in their passport; and
- (c) an EU Settled Status confirmation letter?”

Answer

Jersey forms part of the Common Travel Area (CTA) meaning that individuals may move freely into and out of the Island without routine immigration checks across the United Kingdom, Guernsey, Isle of Man and the Republic of Ireland.

As a result, it is not possible to advise the number of people resident in Jersey holding a visa, immigration leave, or EU Settled Status permission. This is because:

- An individual living in Jersey may hold immigration permissions granted outside the Island for which no immigration record is held in Jersey.
- No collated records exist of individuals who continue to reside in Jersey, have moved elsewhere within the CTA, or have left the CTA.

For context, in the 5-year period 2021-2025:

- a) Approximately 9,000 applications for entry clearance were received by the Customs and Immigration Service, the vast majority of whom would have had a visa vignette placed in their passport when applying from overseas. This figure includes immigration routes such as short and long-term work permits, work permit dependents, spouses / partners but excludes visitors.
- b) Approximately 6,000 applications for variation or extension of immigration permission were received by the Customs and Immigration Service, the vast majority of whom would have had a wet ink stamp placed in their passport.
- c) Approximately 16,500 EU settled status or pre-settled status letters have been issued since the scheme was launched in 2019,