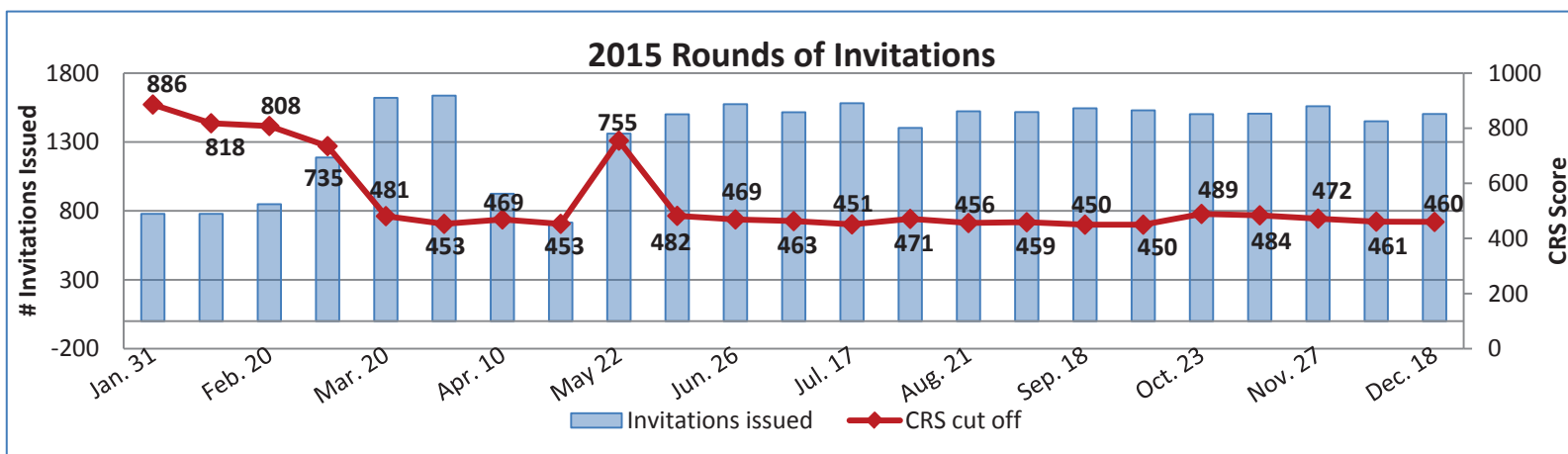


First Year of Express Entry

- 151,722 Express Entry profiles were submitted:
 - 54% of profiles submitted were not accepted into the pool because they did not meet minimum entry criteria.
 - An average of 1,800 new profiles were created each week.
 - As of January 2016, over 57,500 active candidates were in the pool waiting for an invitation to apply.
- A total of 31,063 invitations were issued to foreign nationals:
 - Mix of Provincial Nominees (14%), Federal Skilled Workers (42%), Federal Skilled Trades (8%) and Canadian Experience Class (36%)
 - Just over 62% of candidates have claimed a job offer or a provincial or territorial nomination.
 - Approximately 2% of invitations have gone to candidates who submitted a language test in French for their first official language.
- Almost 10,000 Express Entry candidates landed as permanent residents in 2015
- As of March 9th, there have been 8451 invitations issued in 6 rounds in 2016.



Permanent Residence through Express Entry

- To date the Department has met the commitment to process 80% of applications within six months
- As of January 3, 2016, over 37,000 applications have been received from candidates
- Almost 10,000 Express Entry candidates landed in Canada in 2015

Permanent Resident Application Decisions and Admissions (reported in persons)

| Year | Applications Received ¹ | Applications Rejected (Incomplete) ² | Applications Approved | Applications Refused | Approval Rate ³ | CoPR Issued | Admissions |
|------|------------------------------------|---|-----------------------|----------------------|----------------------------|-------------|------------|
| 2015 | 37,424 | 5,555(15%) | 14,058 | 2,433 | 85.2% | 13,241 | 9,739 |

1 - Applications received date is based on the earliest incoming document received date

2 - Application rejected (incomplete) rate is based on rejected / Application intake (received)

3 - Application approval rate is based on approved / (approved +refused)

CoPR = Certificate of Permanent Residence