Bank of England PRA

Prudential Regulation Authority Authorisations Performance Report 2024/25 - Q4, including annual summary data

The Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 requires us to make decisions relating to the authorisations processes within set timeframes. The tables below set out the statutory service standards within which we are obliged to make decisions, and our performance against the deadlines for the period from 01 December 2024 to 28 February 2025 (Q4), along with the cumulative year to date performance for period 01 March 2024 to 28 February 2025.

Notes to tables

- 1. The statutory service period starts when the application is received by either the PRA or the FCA and stops when a determination to approve or refuse is made, or the application is withdrawn.
- 2. A closed case is defined as any completed application that has concluded following the PRA making a determination, or where the firm voluntarily withdraws its application. Where a firm withdraws an application and later submits another similar application this will be counted as a separate case.
- 3. For some applications under the Senior Managers Regime and for change-in-control, time to determination under the statutory service standard allows for circumstances where the statutory clock is paused, for example where questions to the applicant firm are awaiting a response. Calculations shown for these applications therefore exclude periods where the clock is stopped.
- 4. Lower and upper quartiles are calculated as the 25th and 75th percentile respectively. Lower and upper quartile time to closure is only shown where there are nine or more cases in the period. Median time to closure is only shown where there are three or more cases.
- 5. The methodology for calculating the time to determination for change in control applications reflects the fact that deadlines are calculated only from the point a *complete* application is submitted.
- 6. Senior Managers Regime closed cases do not include any application linked to a Part 4A Permission.
- 7. The statutory service standard for Passporting cases is one month, unless the case is a new Inward Establishment which is two months from the receipt of a complete notification, or a new Outward Establishment which is three months from the receipt of a complete notification.

Colours on compliance statistics refer to the proportion of cases closed within the relevant statutory service standard.

Under 90% 90% to less than 98% 98% and over

All firms			Dariad	Q4 01 Dec 20	24 to 28 Eeb	2025				riod: 01 Mar 2	024 to 28 Feb 2	2025	
		C	ases Closed			Close Cases	(days) 4	Cases Closed			Time to Close Cases (days)		
Process	Relevant Statutory Service Standard 1	Within Statutory Service Standard	Outside of Statutory Service Standard	Compliance %		Median	Upper Quartile	Within Statutory Service Standard YTI	Outside of Statutory Service Standard YTD	Compliance % YTD	Lower Quartile YTD	Median YTD	Upper Quartile YTI
New Authorisations	Within six months of a complete application, or within 12 months of receipt of an incomplete application		0	100%	-	-	-	11	2	85%	330	348	357
Variation of Permission (Excluding Own Initiative)	Within six months of becoming complete, or 12 months of receipt of an incomplete application	44	0	100%	15	32	100	177	0	100%	16	35	133
Cancellations	Within six months of becoming complete, or 12 months of receipt of an incomplete application	11	0	100%	60	78	200	48	0	100%	48	120	203
Change in Control ⁵	Within two working days of making the decision (and in any event no later than within 60 working days of acknowledgement of receipt)	7	0	100%	-	40	-	51	0	100%	23	36	42
Senior Managers Regime (Forms A & E) 6	Within three months of receipt	287	0	100%	47	62	75	1,118	2	100%	44	60	74
Passporting 7	One month from the receipt of a complete notification, unless an Inward Establishment or Outward Establishment		0	100%	-	-	-	9	0	100%	17	17	23

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			Cases Closed			o Close Case	s (days)	Cases Closed			Time to Close Cases (days)		
Process	Relevant Statutory Service Standard	Within Statutory Service Standard	Outside of Statutory Service Standard	Compliance %	Lower Quartile	Median	Upper Quartile	Within Statutory Service Standard YTI	1	Compliance % YTD		Median YTD	Upper Quartile YT
New Authorisations	Within six months of a complete application, or within 12 months of receipt of an incomplete application	1	0	100%	-	-	-	6	1	86%	-	344	-
Variation of Permission (Excluding Own Initiative)	Within six months of becoming complete, or 12 months of receipt of an incomplete application	28	0	100%	17	34	103	131	0	100%	15	28	101
Cancellations	Within six months of becoming complete, or 12 months of receipt of an incomplete application	7	0	100%	-	78	-	33	0	100%	48	97	189
Change in Control	Within two working days of making the decision (and in any event no later than within 60 working days of acknowledgement of receipt)		0	100%	-	41	-	23	0	100%	35	41	46
Senior Managers Regime (Forms A & E)	Within three months of receipt	154	0	100%	51	65	77	609	2	100%	44	60	75
Passporting	One month from the receipt of a complete notification, unless an Inward Establishment or Outward Establishment	0	0	-	-	-	-	2	0	100%	-	-	-

			Period:	Q4 01 Dec 20	24 to 28 Feb	2025			YTD P	eriod: 01 Mar 20	2024 to 28 Feb 2025			
			Cases Closed	d	Time t	o Close Case	s (days)	Cases Closed			Time to Close Cases (days)			
Process	Relevant Statutory Service Standard	Within Statutory Service Standard	Outside of Statutory Service Standard	Compliance %		Median	Upper Quartile	Within Statutory Service Standard YTI		Compliance % YTD		Median YTD		
New Authorisations	Within six months of a complete application, or within 12 months of receipt of an incomplete application	1	0	100%	-	-	-	5	1	83%	-	353	-	
Variation of Permission (Excluding Own Initiative)	Within six months of becoming complete, or 12 months of receipt of an incomplete application	16	0	100%	12	25	73	46	0	100%	33	64	155	
Cancellations	Within six months of becoming complete, or 12 months of receipt of an incomplete application	4	0	100%	-	118	-	15	0	100%	65	190	225	
Change in Control	Within two working days of making the decision (and in any event no later than within 60 working days of acknowledgement of receipt)		0	100%	-	-	-	28	0	100%	19	25	40	
Senior Managers Regime (Forms A & E)	Within three months of receipt	133	0	100%	43	60	71	509	0	100%	43	60	73	
Passporting	One month from the receipt of a complete notification, unless an Inward Establishment or Outward Establishment		0	100%	-	-	-	7	0	100%	-	17	-	

Applications – refusals and withdrawals

The table below shows the number of applications that were refused or withdrawn during the period of 01 March 2024 to 28 February 2025.

Process	Firm type/sector	Total # of cases closed	Of which # refusals	Of which # withdrawals
New Firm Authorisation	Deposit-taking firms	7	0	2
New Firm Authorisation	Insurance firms	6	0	1
Senior Managers Regime	Deposit-taking firms	611	0	45
Senior Managers Regime	Insurance firms	509	0	15

Refusal reasons

n/a

Number of new and cancelled firms from the UK market

The table below shows the number of firms the PRA authorised and cancelled from the UK market during the period of 01 March 2024 to 28 February 2025.

Process	Firm type/sector	
New Firm Authorisation	Deposit-taking firms	5
	Insurance firms	5
	TOTAL	10
Cancellation	Deposit-taking firms	33
	Insurance firms	15
	TOTAL	48

Number of new domestic vs overseas firms authorised

The table below shows a breakdown of the number of new firms authorised into the UK market during the period of 01 March 2024 to 28 February 2025.

Firm type/sector	Total # new firms	Of the new firms, how many are UK firms/groups	Of the new firms, how many are part of an overseas group	Of the new firms, how many are branches
Deposit-taking firms	5	3	0	2
Insurance firms	5	1	4	0
TOTAL	10			1