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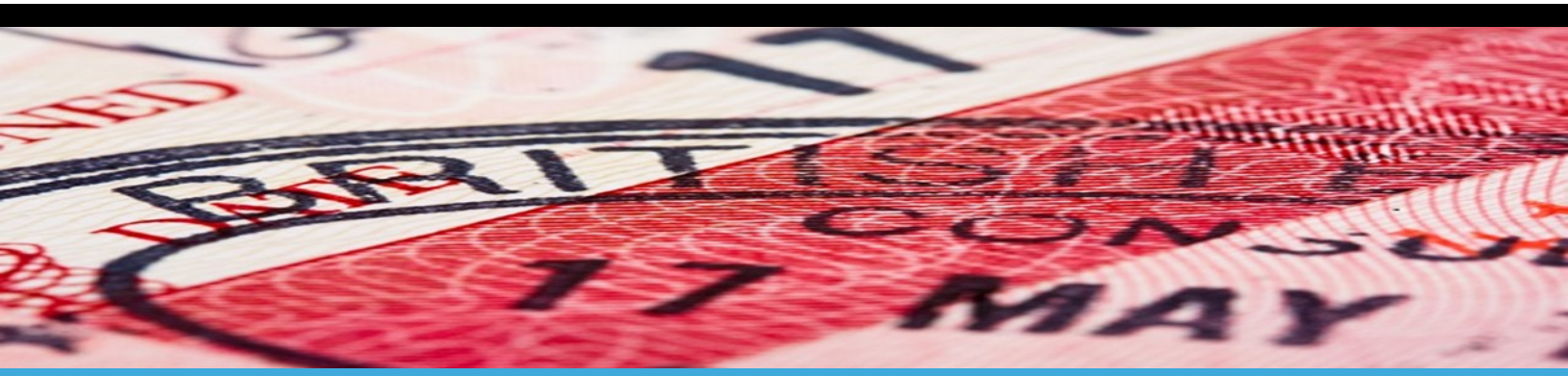


Tier 1 Investor Visa ONS Q3 2018

Total Tier 1 Investor (Main Applications)

2018	**Q3**	**96**	**(2017**	**Q3**	**114)**
2018	**Q2**	**92**	**(2017**	**Q2**	**85)**

Today's ONS Data.

This morning the Home Office have released the data for Q3 2018 Investor Visa applications.

This shows a total of 96 applicants during the period, a slight increase on the previous quarter.

Chinese applicants remain the largest by number. Surprisingly the number of Russian applicants has dramatically fallen from 13 in Q2 to only 2 in Q3.

Elsewhere preliminary analysis of the data reveals an increasing number of applicants from Hong Kong, 9 against a previous figure of 4, alongside 5 from both India and Turkey.

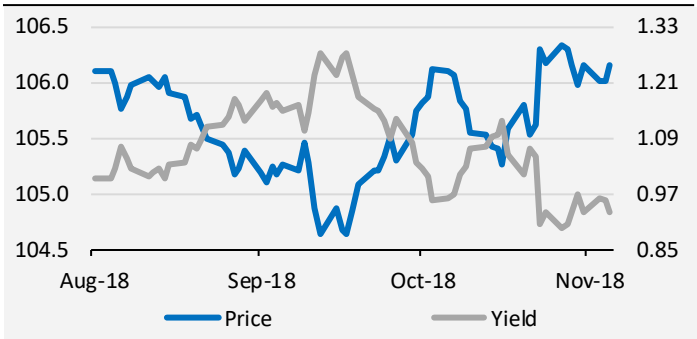
Brexit turmoil impacting the benchmark FTSE 100 Index.

As we approach the culmination of the UK's withdrawal from the European Union the main FTSE 100 benchmark index has endured severe volatility. This can be partially attributed to the perceived impact the "exit terms" will have on both the immediate and longer term financial prospects for the United Kingdom. This period of uncertainty has resulted in the FTSE 100 falling from 7577 on 24th August to 7005 on 28th November 2018, a loss of approximately 7.5%, and in so doing erasing the vast majority of the overall market gains for the calendar year 2018 to date. (Source : Bloomberg)

Interestingly for the benchmark 5 year UK gilt, the price has increased marginally from 106.1p on 24th Aug to 106.15p on 28th Nov 2018.

FTSE 100 (for the period 24.08.18 to 28.11.18)

UK 5yr Benchmark Gilt (for the period 24.08.18 to 28.11.18)



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Country of Nationality

Country of nationality	Geographical region	Amount
China	Asia East	33
Hong Kong	Asia East	9
United States	America North	7
Turkey	Europe Other	5
India	Asia South	5
Pakistan	Asia South	3
Canada	America North	3
Saudi Arabia	Middle East	3
Israel	Middle East	3
Japan	Asia East	3
Russia	Europe Other	2
Brazil	America Central and South	2
Kazakhstan	Asia Central	2
Iran	Middle East	2
Singapore	Asia South East	2
Taiwan	Asia East	2
Macau	Asia East	2
Ukraine	Europe Other	2
Australia	Oceania	1
Lebanon	Middle East	1
South Africa	Africa Sub-Saharan	1
Korea (South)	Asia East	1
Sudan	Africa North	1
Thailand	Asia South East	1
Total		**96**

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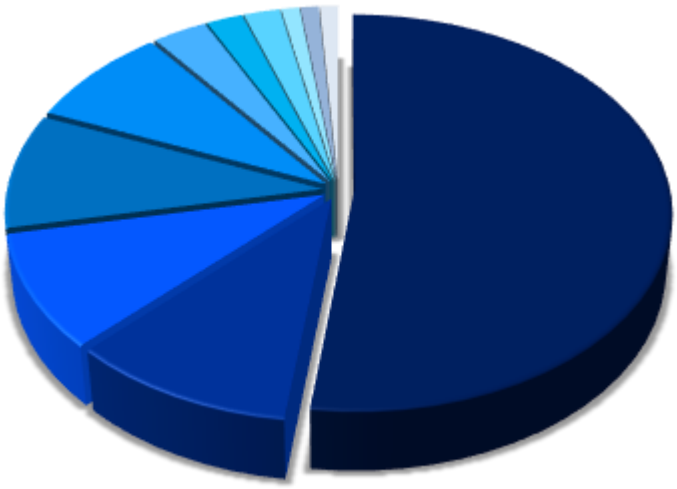
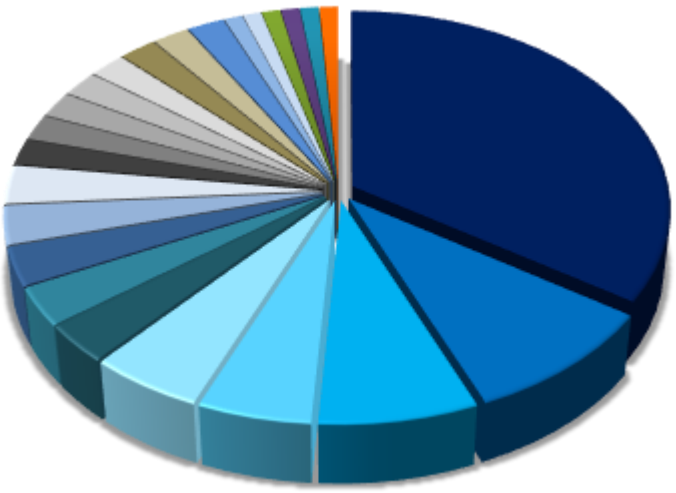
Geographical Region-wise Total Applications in Q3 2018



Country-wise Total Applications in Q3 2018



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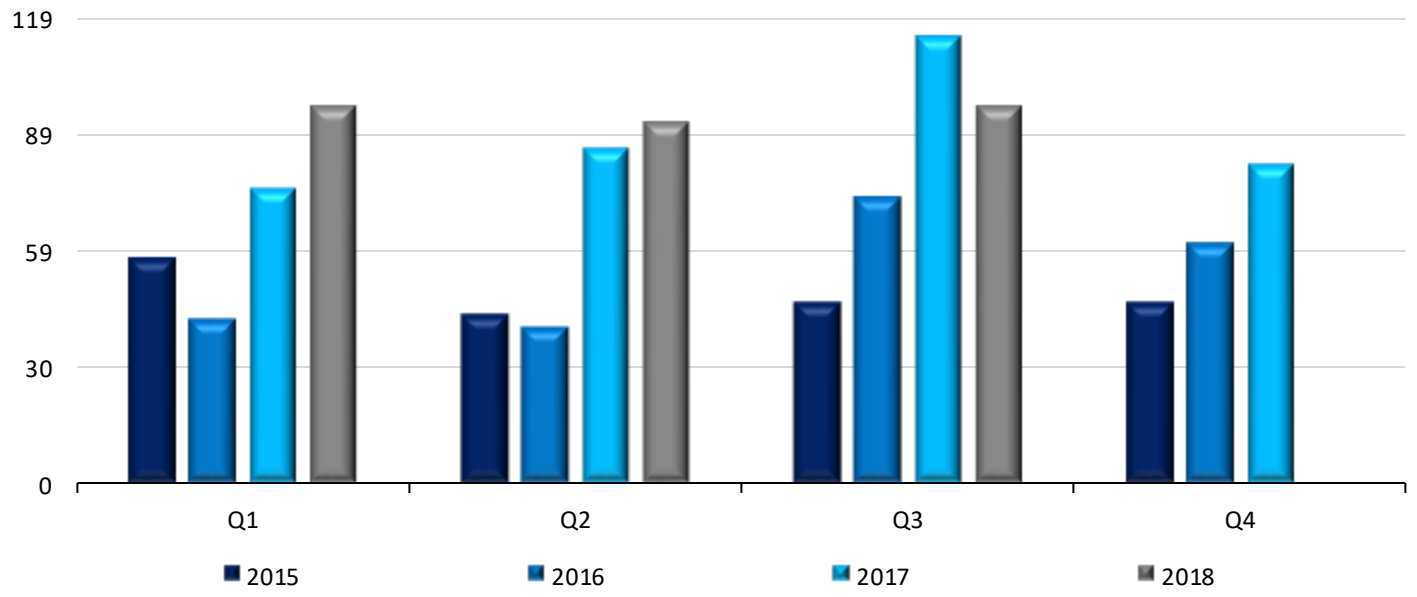
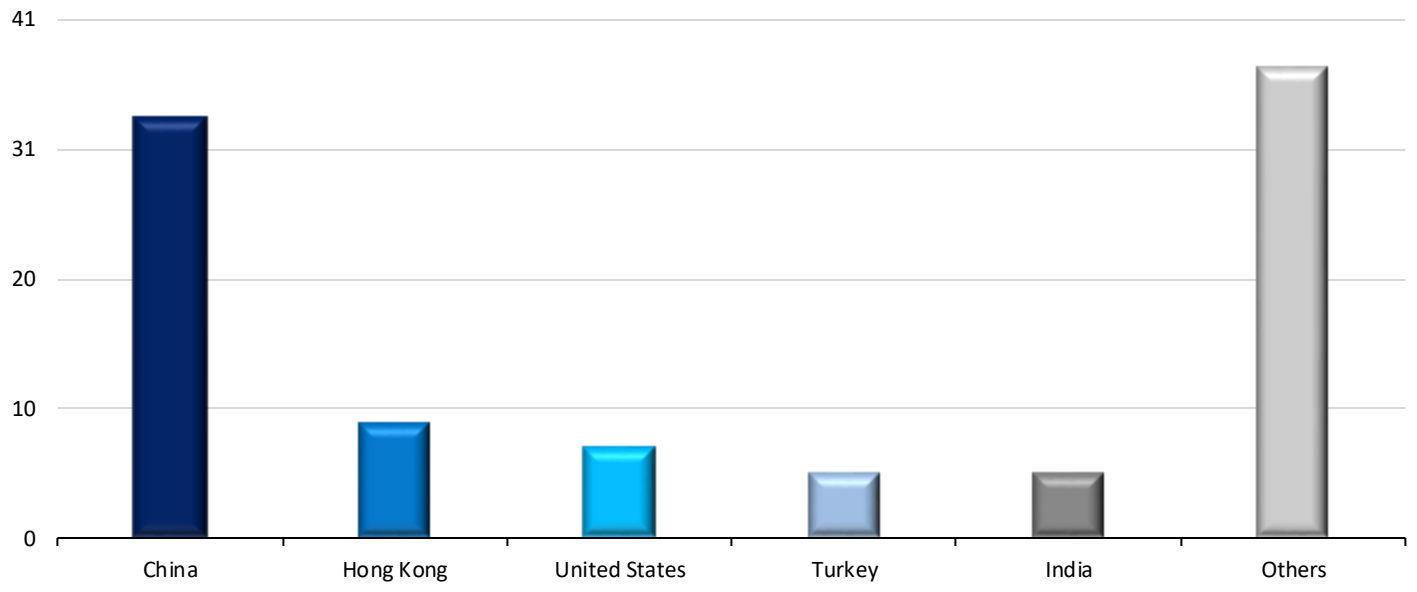


Top 5 Countries as Per Number of Applications in Q3 2018



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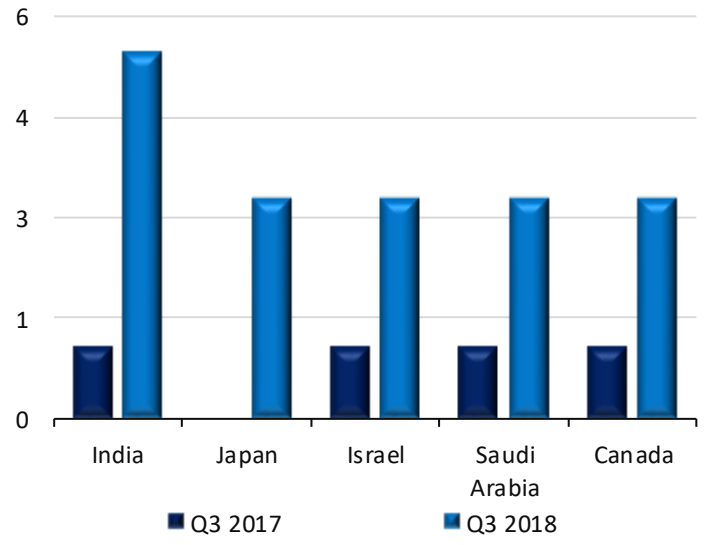
Countries with Highest Rise in Applications on an annual basis



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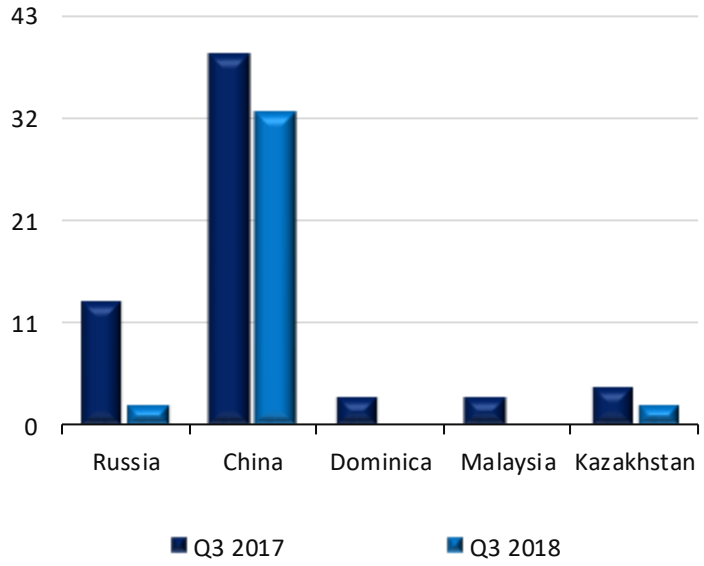
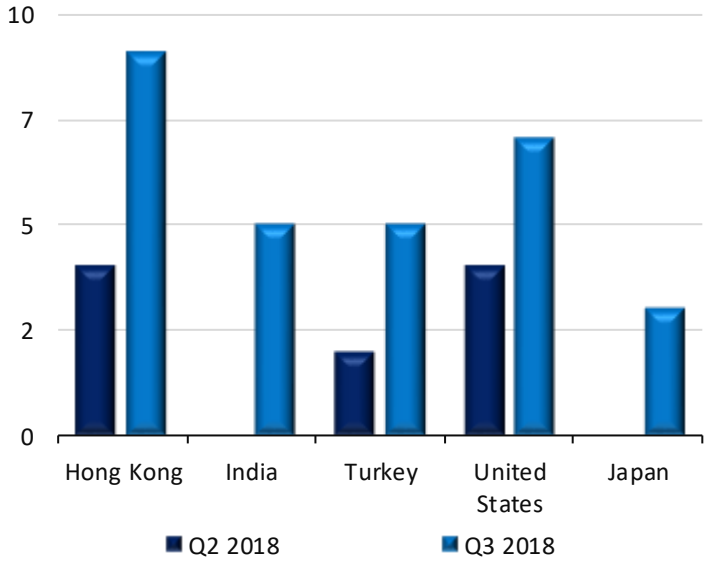


Countries with Highest Rise in Applications on a quarterly basis



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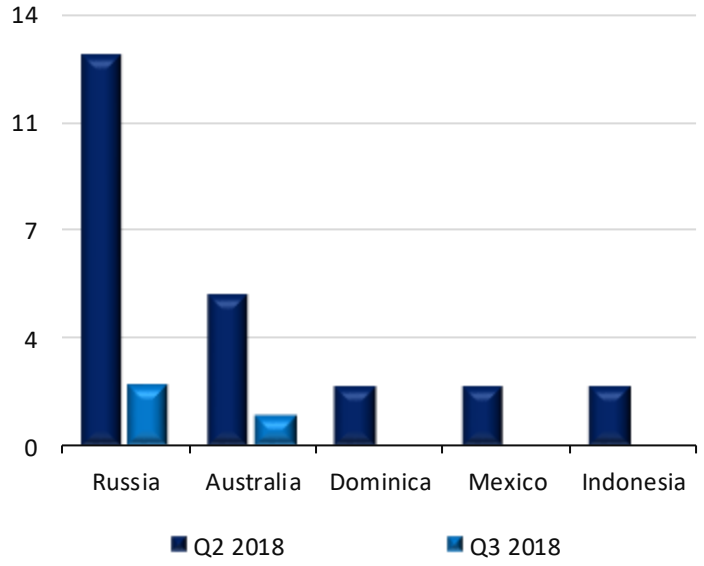

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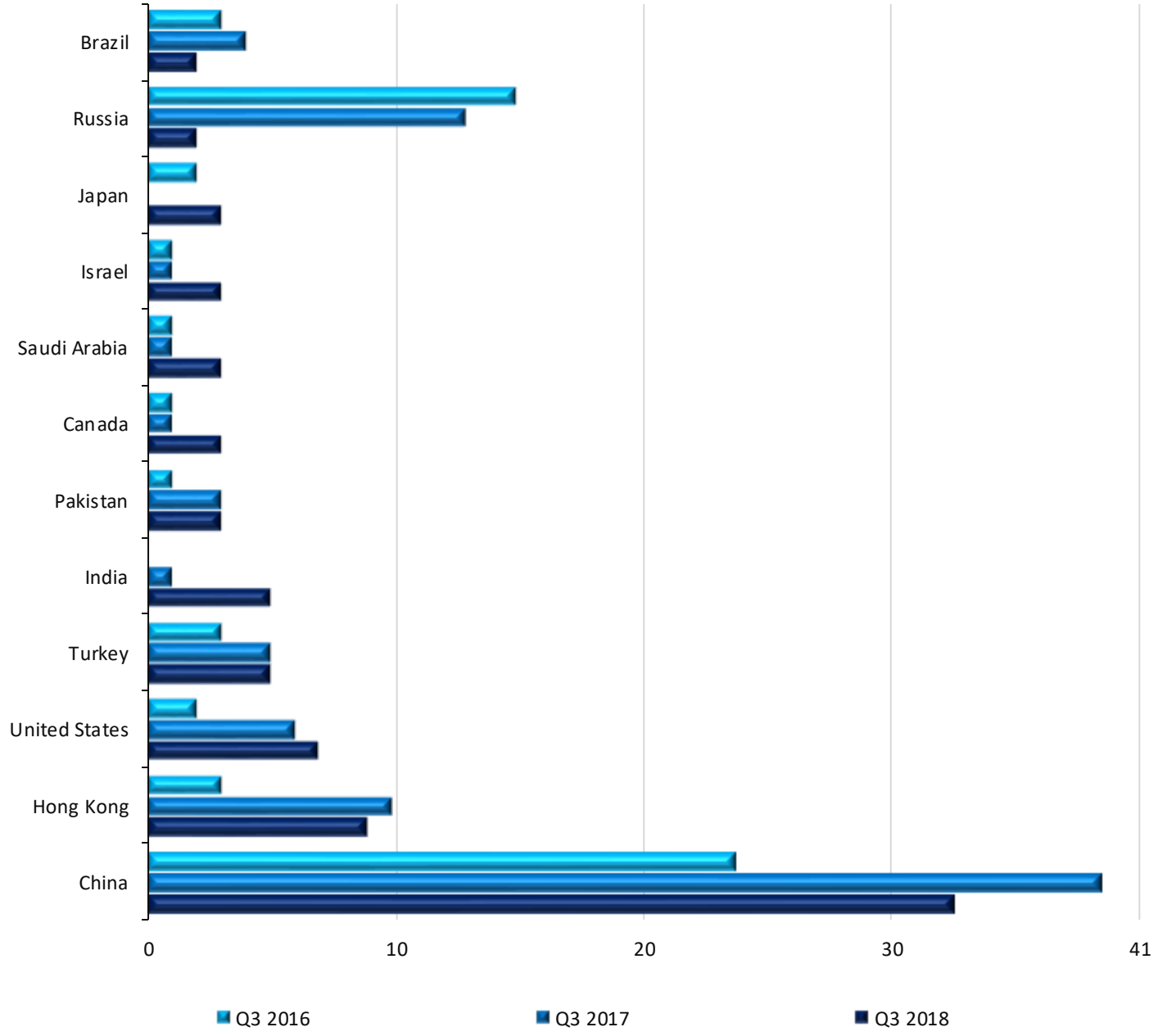
Top 12 Countries with Highest Applications in Q3 2018 and their comparison with 2017 & 2016



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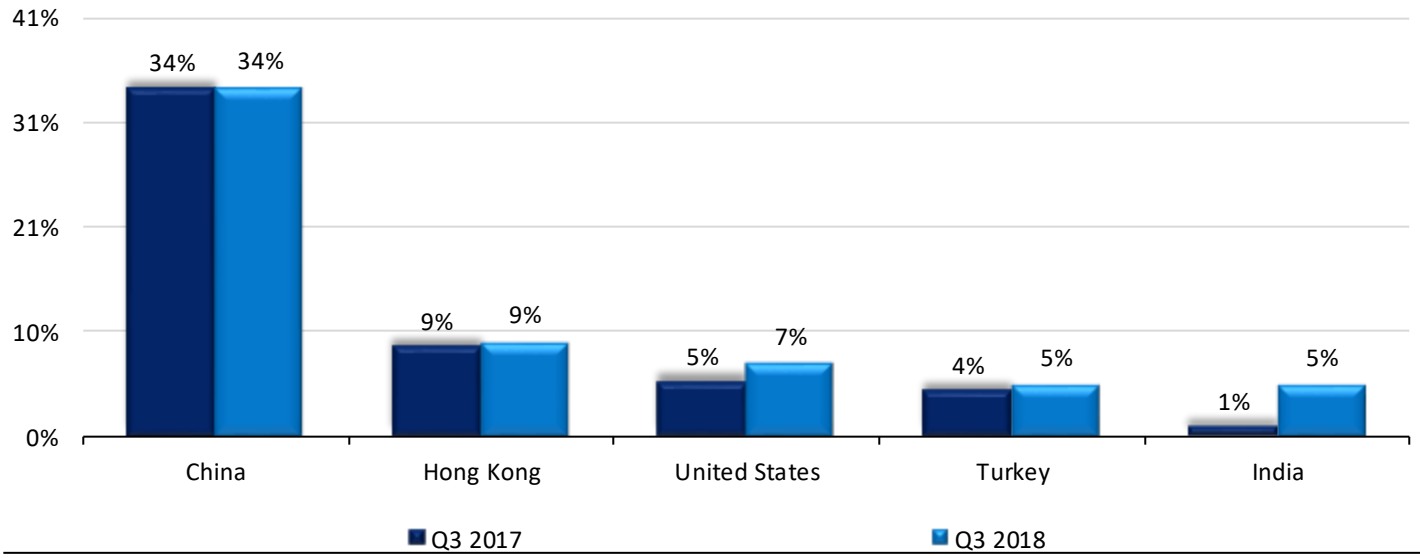
Market Share of Top 5 Countries in Q3 2018 from Last Year



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