

Biometric Projects within the Home Office

a) Planned projects that involve the use of biometric technology:

- Biometric Travel Documents*
- Immigration and Asylum Fingerprint System+ (IAFS+)*
- Biometric Residence Permits*
- Biometric Matching and Storage project (includes biometric aspects of the ID Cards Programme)*
- Second-biometric passport* (issue by IPS and FCO)
- e-Borders*
- FIND national database of facial images (PITO)
- LANTERN (mobile fingerprint system - PITO)
- NOMIS (National Offender Management Information System)
- UKVisas Biometrics Programme*
- Border Control e-Passport readers
- Border Control Interim Solution

b) Existing projects that involve the use of biometric technology:

- IDENT1 UK Police platform for fingerprints and palmprints managed by PITO
- IAFS (Immigration and Asylum Fingerprint System)*
- RepARC (Reporting with ARC)*
- ARC (Application Registration Cards)*
- VIAFS – Visa Immigration Fingerprint System*
- UK e-Passport*
- Physical access control systems in prisons
- IRIS (Iris Recognition Immigration System)
- ISRP (Immigration Stateless Refugee Project)*

*All of these projects are expected to make use of the Biometric Matching and Storage (BMS) project for provision of biometric technology in the future.