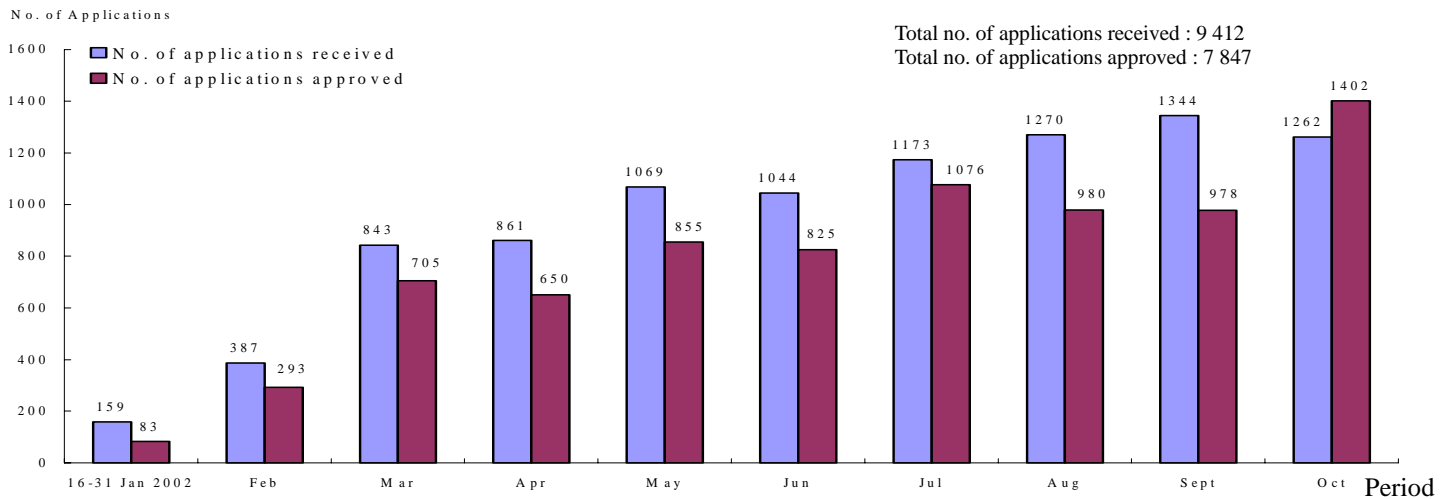


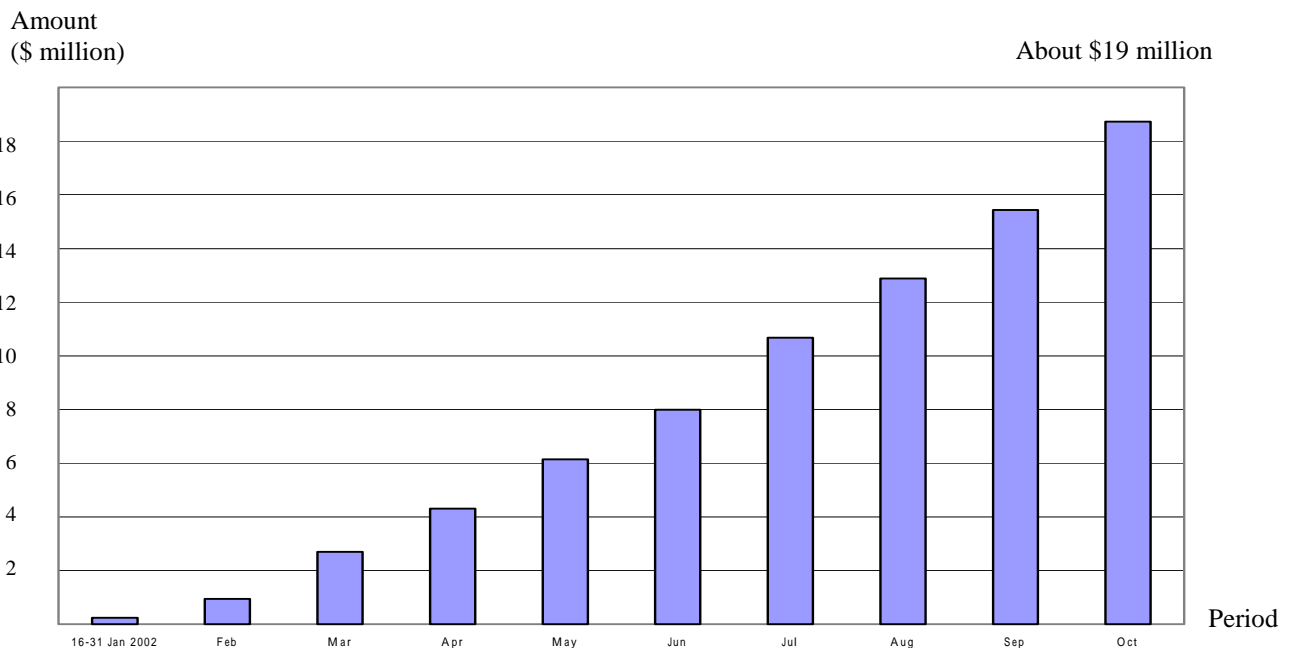
**Progress of the SME Training Fund
(as at 31 October 2002)**

(I) Monthly distribution of applications received and approved



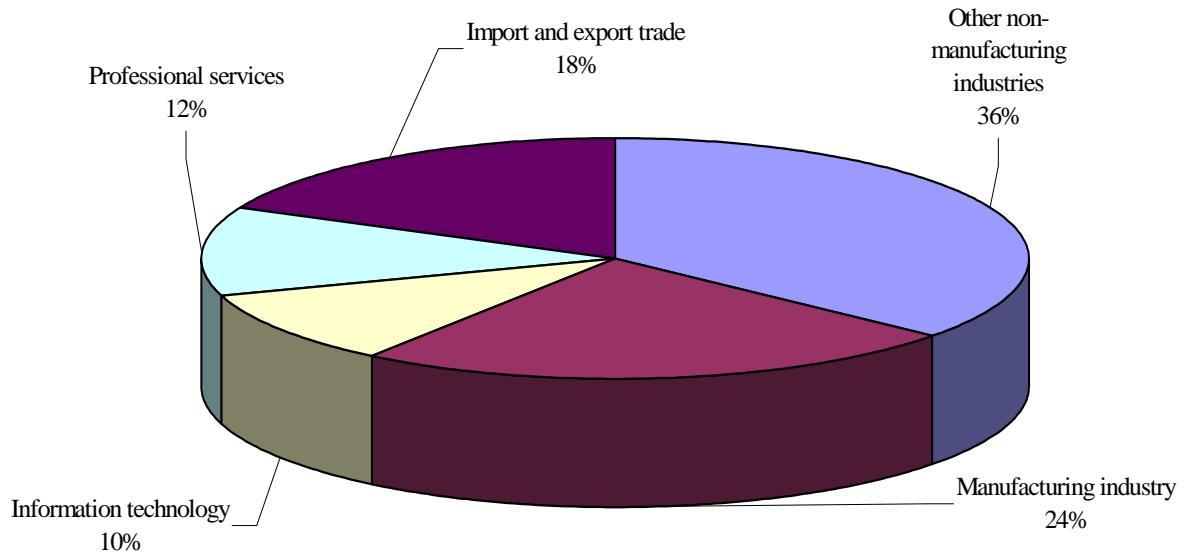
Remarks: Applications approved in a particular month include applications received prior to but approved in that month.

(II) Cumulative amount of grant



(III) Business nature of beneficiaries

Total no. of beneficiaries : 4 482



(IV) Nature of training courses approved

Total no. of applications approved : 7 847

