

**SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS  
SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES  
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**Home Affairs Portfolio  
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**Program 2.3: Refugee Humanitarian, Settlement and Migrant Services**

**OSE23-699 - Humanitarian Program - Visas Granted by Subclass, Country of Origin and Country of Residence for the Last Three Program Years**

Senator Nick McKim asked:

Please provide the Committee with an update on the number of humanitarian visa grants by subclass, country of origin and country of residence for the 2021-22, 2022-23, and 2023-24 program year.

a. Please indicate how many of these were referred by UNHCR.

*Answer:*

Humanitarian Program Grants by Subclass, 2021–22 to 2023–24 (as at 31 August 2023)

<b>Subclass</b>	<b>2021–22</b>	<b>2022–23</b>	<b>2023–24 (to 31 August 2023)</b>
Subclass 200 (Refugee)	2,946	4,773	563
Subclass 201 (In–country Special Humanitarian)	3,549	3,242	185
Subclass 202 (Special Humanitarian Program)	4,312	6,115	886
Subclass 203 (Emergency Rescue)	246	45	<5
Subclass 204 (Woman at Risk)	492	1,700	110
Subclass 866 (Permanent Protection)	1,762	2,000	550
<b>Total</b>	<b>13,307</b>	<b>17,875</b>	<b>2,292</b>

## Humanitarian Grants by Citizenship, 2021–22

Citizenship	Total
Afghanistan	5,436
Iraq	2,148
Myanmar	1,678
Syria	1,305
Democratic Republic of the Congo	455
Iran	288
Pakistan	274
Ethiopia	165
China (Exc. SAR)	149
Venezuela	112
Turkey	106
Eritrea	105
Central African Republic	84
Yemen	84
Papua New Guinea	84
Egypt	62
Malaysia	59
Burundi	58
Stateless	53
Lebanon	47
Somalia	43
Bangladesh	38
Nigeria	33
Congo	31
Sudan	30
Bhutan	29
Colombia	22
Saudi Arabia	19
India	19
Uganda	17
Jordan	16
Kenya	16
Zimbabwe	16
Libya	15
Indonesia	15
Cambodia	14
Sri Lanka	12
Honduras	11
Solomon Islands	10
Russian Federation	10
Palestinian Authority	9
New Zealand	9

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Citizenship	Total
Fiji	9
Peru	8
Tonga	8
Maldives	7
El Salvador	6
Rwanda	5
Ghana	5
Not Yet Recorded	5
Nepal	5
Vietnam	5
Ukraine	<5
Cameroon	<5
Samoa	<5
Philippines	<5
Guatemala	<5
Uzbekistan	<5
Gambia	<5
Sierra Leone	<5
Brazil	<5
Bahrain	<5
Korea (Sth)	<5
South Sudan	<5
Hong Kong	<5
Mongolia	<5
Mauritius	<5
Haiti	<5
Cuba	<5
United Kingdom	<5
Albania	<5
Belarus	<5
Kazakhstan	<5
Mali	<5
Ecuador	<5
Norway	<5
Chile	<5
Oman	<5
Zambia	<5
Niger	<5
Czech Republic	<5
Azerbaijan	<5
<b>Total</b>	<b>13,307</b>

## Humanitarian Grants by Citizenship, 2022–23

Citizenship	Total
Afghanistan	8,045
Iraq	2,108
Myanmar	1,902
DRC*	1,332
Syria	1,196
Ethiopia	557
Pakistan	300
Iran	263
China (Exc. SAR)	255
Venezuela	227
CAR*	136
Eritrea	133
Colombia	119
Papua New Guinea	94
Burundi	71
Guatemala	69
Somalia	69
Stateless	68
Honduras	63
Turkiye	61
El Salvador	59
Cambodia	56
Malaysia	46
Nigeria	44
Egypt	38
Congo	37
Jordan	37
Sri Lanka	36
Bangladesh	29
Uganda	26
Kenya	23
Lebanon	22
Vietnam	20
India	20
Bhutan	18
Cuba	17
Palestinian Authority	17
South Sudan	17
Libya	17
Yemen	16
Saudi Arabia	16
Sudan	14
Ghana	14
Chile	11
Mexico	11

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Citizenship	Total
Rwanda	9
Russian Federation	9
New Zealand	9
Cameroon	7
Not Yet Recorded	7
Tonga	7
Tunisia	7
Nicaragua	5
St Vincent & The Grenadines	5
Sierra Leone	5
Zimbabwe	5
United States Of America	5
Morocco	5
Zambia	<5
Antigua And Barbuda	<5
Mauritius	<5
Fiji	<5
Haiti	<5
Tanzania	<5
Solomon Islands	<5
Liberia	<5
Laos	<5
Guinea	<5
Gambia	<5
Nepal	<5
Korea (Sth)	<5
Uzbekistan	<5
Ukraine	<5
United Arab Emirates	<5
China	<5
Dominican Republic	<5
Trinidad And Tobago	<5
Mongolia	<5
Jamaica	<5
South Africa	<5
Indonesia	<5
Kuwait	<5
Georgia	<5
Singapore	<5
Kazakhstan	<5
Philippines	<5
Samoa	<5
North Macedonia	<5
Hong Kong	<5
Brunei	<5
Kyrgyzstan	<5
<b>Total</b>	<b>17,875</b>

Humanitarian Grants by Citizenship, 2023–24  
(as at 31 August 2023)

<b>Citizenship</b>	<b>Total</b>
Afghanistan	814
Iraq	429
Myanmar	277
Syria	263
DRC*	64
Ethiopia	48
Venezuela	42
Malaysia	38
Pakistan	36
Iran	28
Colombia	26
Vietnam	22
China (Exc. SAR)	17
Papua New Guinea	14
India	13
Nigeria	11
Cameroon	11
Saudi Arabia	10
Eritrea	9
Türkiye	9
Libya	9
Congo	8
Bangladesh	8
Somalia	7
Stateless	7
Sri Lanka	7
Yemen	5
Zimbabwe	5
Lebanon	5
Rwanda	5
El Salvador	<5
Nepal	<5
CAR*	<5
Egypt	<5
Ghana	<5
Jamaica	<5
Honduras	<5
Sierra Leone	<5
Sudan	<5
Jordan	<5
Fiji	<5
Kenya	<5
South Sudan	<5
Burundi	<5

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<b>Citizenship</b>	<b>Total</b>
Guatemala	<5
Philippines	<5
Thailand	<5
Korea (Sth)	<5
Tonga	<5
Gambia	<5
Uganda	<5
Mauritania	<5
South Africa	<5
Not Yet Recorded	<5
Cambodia	<5
New Zealand	<5
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,292</b>

Humanitarian Grants by Country of Residence,  
2021–22

Country of Residence	Total
Australia*	4,382
Jordan	1,318
Lebanon	1,226
Thailand	881
Iraq	750
Turkey	712
Pakistan	688
Malaysia	682
Afghanistan	616
India	475
Kenya	224
Austria	207
Indonesia	157
Malawi	129
Burundi	121
Sri Lanka	117
Tanzania	85
Cambodia	84
Iran	76
Cameroon	57
Ethiopia	48
Sudan	45
Chad	32
Nepal	29
Curacao	21
Rwanda	20
Uganda	17
Dominica	15
Egypt	14
Kyrgyzstan	13
Honduras	11
Dominican Republic	9
Syria	8
United Arab Emirates	8
Saudi Arabia	7
El Salvador	5
Venezuela	<5
Trinidad & Tobago	<5
Myanmar	<5
Guatemala	<5
Oman	<5
Germany	<5
<b>Total</b>	<b>13,307</b>

\*includes subclass 866 applicants, and Afghan applicants granted a class XB who arrived in Australia on a subclass 449 visa.

Humanitarian Grants by Country of Residence,  
2022–23

Country of Residence	Total
Australia*	4,593
Pakistan	2,659
Türkiye	1,372
Malaysia	1,047
Iraq	963
Kenya	955
Thailand	953
India	840
Lebanon	814
Iran	627
Jordan	556
Malawi	465
Burundi	313
Indonesia	250
United Arab Emirates	237
Ecuador	166
Rwanda	117
Chad	109
Sudan	90
Guatemala	72
Honduras	63
Egypt	63
El Salvador	53
Uganda	44
Trinidad & Tobago	40
Cameroon	39
Sri Lanka	36
Myanmar	34
Tanzania	30
Ethiopia	29
Afghanistan	26
Cambodia	23
Albania	22
Dominica	19
Trinidad And Tobago	14
Dominican Republic	14
Nepal	14
Colombia	12
Austria	9
Curacao	9
Cuba	8
Argentina	7
Costa Rica	7
Peru	6
United States	6

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Country of Residence	Total
Syria	6
Israel	6
Kyrgyzstan	6
Zambia	5
Not recorded	<5
Fiji	<5
Venezuela	<5
Germany	<5
Palestinian Authority	<5
Congo	<5
South Sudan	<5
Senegal	<5
Yemen	<5
Chile	<5
South Korea	<5
Sweden	<5
Tajikistan	<5
Russian Federation	<5
Switzerland	<5
Syrian Arab Republic	<5
Jamaica	<5
Qatar	<5
<b>Total</b>	<b>17,875</b>

\*includes subclass 866 applicants, and Afghan applicants granted a Class XB visa who arrived in Australia on a subclass 449 visa.

#### Humanitarian Grants by Country of Residence, 2023–24 (to 31 August 2023)

Country of Residence	Total
Australia*	624
Türkiye	304
Lebanon	214
Iran	158
Malaysia	151
Iraq	121
Pakistan	113
Jordan	112
United Arab Emirates	108
Indonesia	92
India	88
Kenya	80
Thailand	22
Ecuador	19
Uganda	13
Peru	11
Rwanda	9
Trinidad And Tobago	7
Burundi	6
Dominican Republic	6
Curacao	<5
Dominica	<5
El Salvador	<5
Trinidad & Tobago	<5
Congo	<5
Egypt	<5
Ethiopia	<5
Netherlands	<5
Sudan	<5
Mexico	<5
Guatemala	<5
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,258</b>

\*includes subclass 866 applicants, and Afghan applicants granted a Class XB visa who arrived in Australia on a subclass 449 visa.

- a. 2,673 Class XB (offshore) Humanitarian applicants granted visas in 2021–22 were referred by UNHCR.

4,978 Class XB (offshore) Humanitarian applicants granted visas in 2022–23 were referred by UNHCR.

605 Class XB (offshore) Humanitarian applicants granted visas in 2023–24 (to 31 August 2023) were referred by UNHCR.

**Notes:**

1. This information is provided by the Department of Home Affairs and was extracted from departmental systems on 04 September 2023. As data has been drawn from a dynamic system environment, the information is correct at the time of publication and figures may differ slightly from previous or future reporting.
2. Visas counted include subclass 200 (Refugee), 201 (In-Country Special Humanitarian Program), 202 (Global Special Humanitarian Program), 203 (Emergency Rescue), 204 (Woman at Risk) and 866 (Permanent Protection).
3. Cells with values of less than 5 are masked in accordance with Departmental data release protocols.
4. For the offshore component, the citizenship of principal visa applicants is applied to secondary visa applicants.
5. Country of residence refers to the country in which the applicant was residing during the processing of their application. For the offshore component, the country of residence of principal visa applicants is applied to secondary visa applicants.