

**Question on notice no. 205**

**Portfolio question number: AE22-205**

**2021-22 Additional estimates**

**Legal and Constitutional Affairs Committee, Home Affairs Portfolio**

**Senator Nick McKim:** asked the Australian Border Force on 14 February 2022—

How many incidents of self-harm (broken down by threatened and actual) have been recorded in immigration detention facilities (over the last five years) ?

a. Please provide a breakdown by year and facility.

**Answer —**

Please see the attached answer.

**SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS  
BUDGET ESTIMATES  
14 FEBRUARY 2022**

**Home Affairs Portfolio  
Australian Border Force**

**Program 3.5: Onshore Compliance and Detention  
AE22-205 - Immigration Detention - Incidents of Self Harm**

Senator Nick McKim asked:

How many incidents of self-harm (broken down by threatened and actual) have been recorded in immigration detention facilities (over the last five years)?

a. Please provide a breakdown by year and facility.

*Answer:*

**Table: Self Harm Incidents (Actual and Threatened) by year (1 January 2017 to 31 December 2021)**

Year	Self Harm - Actual	Self Harm - Threatened
2017	228	388
2018	200	366
2019	145	422
2020	201	522
2021	194	479
<b>Total</b>	<b>968</b>	<b>2,177</b>

**Table: Self Harm Incidents (Actual and Threatened) by year and immigration detention facility (1 January 2017 to 31 December 2021)**

	Self Harm - Actual	Self Harm - Threatened
<b>2017</b>	<b>228</b>	<b>388</b>
Adelaide ITA	<10	<5
Brisbane ITA	19	18
Maribyrnong IDC	35	74
Melbourne ITA	12	24
North West Point IDC	34	65

Northern APOD	0	<5
Perth IDC	<15	<20
Villawood IDC	69	141
Yongah Hill IDC	39	47
<b>2018</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>366</b>
Adelaide ITA	<5	0
Brisbane ITA	<10	<30
Maribyrnong IDC	41	37
Melbourne ITA	23	63
North West Point IDC	14	31
Perth IDC	26	45
Villawood IDC	48	113
Yongah Hill IDC	38	48
<b>2019</b>	<b>145</b>	<b>422</b>
Adelaide ITA	<5	<5
Brisbane ITA	21	50
Melbourne ITA	33	88
Northern APOD	<5	<5
Perth IDC	24	37
Phosphate Hill APOD	0	<5
Villawood IDC	52	205
Yongah Hill IDC	12	36

	Self Harm - Actual	Self Harm - Threatened
<b>2020</b>	<b>201</b>	<b>522</b>
Adelaide ITA	<15	<5
Brisbane ITA	25	69
Melbourne ITA	34	101
North West Point IDC	<5	<15
Northern APOD	<5	<10
Perth IDC	35	62
Villawood IDC	74	210
Yongah Hill IDC	19	56
<b>2021</b>	<b>194</b>	<b>479</b>
Adelaide ITA	<5	<10

Brisbane ITA	28	36
Melbourne ITA	42	80
North West Point IDC	<5	<30
Northern APOD	<5	<5
Perth IDC	9	31
Villawood IDC	67	233
Yongah Hill IDC	40	64
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>968</b>	<b>2,177</b>