

Question on notice no. 209

Portfolio question number: AE22-209

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 complaints of assault have been made by detainees against persons working

at an immigration detention facility over the last five years (broken down by year) ?

Answer —

Please see the attached answer.

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Program 3.5: Onshore Compliance and Detention

AE22-209 - Immigration Detention - Complaints of Assault

Senator Nick McKim asked:

How many complaints of assault have been made by detainees against persons working at an immigration detention facility over the last five years (broken down by year)?

Answer:

According to data available to the Department, there have been 191 complaints of assaults made by detainees against persons working at an immigration detention facility over the last five years.

Financial year	Complaints
2016-2017	15
2017-2018	48
2018-2019	53
2019-2020	29
2020-2021	34
2021-2022 (as at 31 December 2021)	12
Total	191

Note: The table shows the number of complaints received. In some cases a complainant may have lodged multiple complaints regarding one individual allegation.