

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES HEARING: 13 FEBRUARY 2012

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(AE12/0151) Program 1.1: Visa and Migration

Senator Cash (L&CA 29) asked:

How many applications for prospective marriage visas subclass 300 were made in each of the years 2007-08, 2008-09, 2009-10, 2010-11 and this year to date and which posts?

Answer:

The number of Prospective Marriage Visa applications lodged by year is as follows:

- a. in 2007/8, 6906;
- b. in 2008/9, 7792;
- c. in 2009/10, 7365;
- d. in 2010/11, 7254; and
- e. in 2011/12, 2263 applications were lodged as at 31 December 2011.

The table below illustrates the number of applications lodged by post:

| | 2007/2008 | 2008/2009 | 2009/2010 | 2010/2011 | 2011/2012 | Grand Total |
|-----------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-------------|
| AMMAN | 200 | 232 | 218 | 201 | 53 | 904 |
| ANKARA | 85 | 76 | 83 | 85 | 18 | 347 |
| ATHENS | 63 | 67 | 32 | | | 162 |
| AUCKLAND | 22 | 36 | 39 | 20 | 6 | 123 |
| BANGKOK | 456 | 629 | 508 | 513 | 170 | 2276 |
| BEIJING | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| BEIRUT | 517 | 516 | 510 | 444 | 107 | 2094 |
| BELGRADE | 139 | 154 | 171 | 156 | 78 | 698 |
| BERLIN | 265 | 295 | 305 | 287 | 85 | 1237 |
| BRASILIA | 82 | 64 | 71 | 80 | 22 | 319 |
| CAIRO | 103 | 131 | 117 | 83 | 36 | 470 |
| COLOMBO | 30 | 32 | 22 | 28 | 9 | 121 |
| DHAKA | 9 | 6 | 12 | 7 | 4 | 38 |
| DILI | 4 | 9 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 19 |
| DUBAI | 52 | 85 | 108 | 96 | 36 | 377 |
| GUANGZHOU | 8 | 109 | 279 | 288 | 87 | 771 |
| HANOI | 81 | 101 | 138 | 119 | 29 | 468 |
| HO CHI MINH CITY | 596 | 646 | 571 | 606 | 187 | 2606 |
| HONG KONG | 45 | 44 | 39 | 34 | 19 | 181 |
| HONIARA | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| ISLAMABAD | 43 | 12 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 55 |
| JAKARTA | 177 | 179 | 205 | 185 | 71 | 817 |
| KUALA LUMPUR | 71 | 88 | 90 | 103 | 22 | 374 |
| LONDON | 460 | 545 | 508 | 486 | 116 | 2115 |
| MADRID | 12 | 26 | 23 | 34 | 16 | 111 |
| MANILA | 893 | 918 | 926 | 934 | 291 | 3962 |
| MELBOURNE | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| MOSCOW | 229 | 273 | 284 | 266 | 87 | 1139 |
| NAIROBI | 137 | 165 | 131 | 142 | 67 | 642 |
| NEW DELHI | 204 | 226 | 204 | 214 | 62 | 910 |
| NICOSIA | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| OTTAWA | 106 | 133 | 111 | 94 | 32 | 476 |
| PERTH OFFSHORE CENTRE | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| PHNOM PENH | 119 | 321 | 271 | 291 | 119 | 1121 |
| PORT MORESBY | 13 | 18 | 10 | 10 | 5 | 56 |
| PRETORIA | 179 | 193 | 180 | 182 | 62 | 796 |
| RANGOON | 0 | 0 | 6 | 40 | 26 | 72 |
| SANTIAGO DE CHILE | 103 | 109 | 101 | 129 | 30 | 472 |
| SEOUL | 19 | 29 | 29 | 19 | 6 | 102 |
| SHANGHAI | 669 | 618 | 375 | 409 | 93 | 2164 |
| SINGAPORE | 48 | 39 | 45 | 49 | 17 | 198 |
| SUVA | 99 | 106 | 103 | 99 | 28 | 435 |
| TAIPEI | 24 | 20 | 23 | 25 | 8 | 100 |
| TEHRAN | 58 | 59 | 64 | 68 | 34 | 283 |
| TEL AVIV | 35 | 36 | 36 | 23 | 4 | 134 |
| TOKYO | 132 | 153 | 99 | 60 | 21 | 465 |

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| VIENNA | 50 | 61 | 52 | 55 | 22 | 240 |
| VIENTIANE | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 2 |

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|-------------|------|------|------|------|------|-------|
| WASHINGTON | 267 | 233 | 261 | 283 | 77 | 1121 |
| ZAGREB | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Grand Total | 6906 | 7792 | 7365 | 7254 | 2263 | 31580 |