

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

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IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

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Senator Bartlett asked:

- a. How many involuntary deportations of people in detention centres have there been in the last 2 years?
- b. What countries have these deportees originated from?
- c. What visas were they applying for?

Answer:

- a. Departmental systems do not readily enable the generation of reports that determine whether removal from Australia is voluntary or involuntary. From 1 July 2005 to 31 March 2007, 8 807 people were removed from Australia out of detention. This figure does not include people who were removed from Australia after being refused entry at airports and seaports.
- b. The tables below provide data on the country of citizenship of supervised departures, removals and criminal deportations from detention in the last two years. This data does not include people who are refused entry and removed from air and seaports nor does it include supervised or other departures from the community.
- c. While the Department can report on the last visa applied for this is not indicative of the last substantive, if any, visa, that was applied for whilst the client was in Australia. We are working toward improving the reporting in the future to address this issue.

Between 01 July 2005 and 30 June 2006

Country of Citizenship	Total
Nepal	10
Papua New Guinea	10
South Africa, Republic of	10
Netherlands	11
Sri Lanka	12
Ireland	13
Japan	13
Chile	14
Portugal	14
Taiwan	14
Germany, Federal Republic of	15
Italy	15
Timor, East (so stated)	16
Fiji	17

Russian Federation	17
Canada	18
Bangladesh	23
Pakistan	25
United States of America	31
Vietnam	43
Singapore	54
India	65
United Kingdom	77
Hong Kong (SAR of China)	86
New Zealand	96
Thailand	117
Other*	151
Philippines	178
Korea, Republic of	222
China, Peoples Republic of	428
Malaysia	956
Indonesia	2791
Grand Total	5562

* In order to protect client confidentiality, data has been aggregated under the heading of 'Other' where less than 10 clients of a particular nationality have been removed. This total is made up of clients of 55 nationalities.

Between 01 July 2006 and 31 March 2007

Country of Citizenship	Total
Ireland	10
Italy	10
Sri Lanka	11
Canada	12
Iran	13
Japan	14
Samoa	14
Israel	19
Singapore	19
United States of America	28
Vietnam	39
India	40
Hong Kong (SAR of China)	51
United Kingdom	51
Thailand	60
New Zealand	86
Korea, Republic of	116
Philippines	135
Other*	179
China, Peoples Republic of	241
Malaysia	578
Indonesia	1519
Grand Total	3245

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