

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

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IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(39) Output 3.1: Border Management

Senator Barnett (L&CA 50-51) asked:

I would like to get some clarity with regard to the document you tabled about unauthorised arrivals by sea. It gives a calendar year total, so I would like to get your figures on the financial year from 1 July 2008 up till now.

Could you put the figures for boat arrivals from 1 July last year to date into a document for us? I am asking for information on the boat, the people on the boat, the nature of the incident and the location of the vessel?

Answer:

To 15 June 2009

Unauthorised Arrivals (by sea) - Financial Year – 2008/09

Date of Arrival	SIEV	Number & Nationality (excludes crew)	Crew	Location
29-9-2008	24	9 Afghans & 3 Iranians	2	Ashmore Islands
6-10-2008	25	14 Afghans	3	FPSO Front Puffin
19-1-2008	26	10 Afghans	2	Ashmore Islands
27-1-2008	27	12 Sri Lankans	-	Shark Bay (WA)
2-12-2008	28	23 Afghans, 10 Iraqis, 2 Iranians	5	Ashmore Islands
6-12-2008	29	41 Afghans & 3 Iraqis	3	Vicinity Broome
16-2-2008	30	21 Afghans, 6 Iraqis, 4 Sri Lankans & 3 Kuwaitis	3	Vicinity Cobourg Peninsula
17-1-2009	31	17 Afghans	3	Ashmore Islands
14-3-2009	32	45 Afghans & 7 Iranians	2	Cobourg Peninsula
2-4-2009	33	50 Sri Lankans	-	Torres Strait
2-4-2009	34	45 Afghans, 14 Iraqis	4	31nm SW Ashmore Is.
8-4-2009	35	34 Iraqis, 2 Stateless, 2 unknown	1	Christmas Island
15-4-2009	36	46* Afghans & 1 Iranian (*incl. 5 Afghans deceased at sea)	2	2nm W Ashmore Is.
22-4-2009	37	32 Sri Lankans	-	47nm SW Barrow Is.
25-4-2009	38	55 Afghans	2	90nm SW Ashmore Is.
29-4-2009	39	69 Afghans	3	West of Bathurst Is.
29-4-2009	40	7 Indonesians	-	1 nm N Ashmore Is.

5-5-2009	41	48 Afghans, 3 Iraqis	2	370 nm NW Broome
10-5-2009	42	31 Afghans	3	Vicinity Tiwi Islands
25-5-2009	43	65 Afghans, 7 Iraqi & 2 Stateless	4	Ashmore Islands
9-6-2009	44	2 Somalis	2	Ashmore Islands

Other

28-4-2009	NIL	2 Afghans, 1 Sri Lankan & 1 Indian		Deliverance Island, Torres Strait
17-1-2009	NIL	2 Burmese (fishermen)		Rescued at sea in Torres Strait
7-5-2009	NIL	1 Sri Lankan		Saibai Island, Torres Strait