

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

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IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(39) Program: Internal Product

Senator Humphries (L&C 75) asked:

- (1) How many applications were accepted in Pakistan in, say 2008-09?
- (2) What nationalities have been granted visas through that process and particularly how many from Afghanistan?

Answer:

- (1) In the 2008-09 program year there were 9,975 visa applications lodged in Pakistan. This includes applications for all visa classes; ie permanent, temporary student etc.
- (2) In the 2008-09 program year 7,426 visas were granted in Pakistan. Of these, 568 visas were granted to Afghan nationals. The other 38 nationalities of those granted visas included:

Afghanistan	Philippines
Austria	Qatar
Bangladesh	Russian Federation
Belgium	Saudi Arabia
Burma (Myanmar)	Sierra Leone
Canada	Singapore
China, Peoples Republic of	Somalia
Colombia	South Africa, Republic of
Denmark	Sri Lanka
El Salvador	Thailand
Eritrea	Tonga
Ethiopia	Turkey
Fiji	United Arab Emirates
France	United Kingdom
Germany, Federal Rep. Of	United Nations Organisation
Ghana	United States of America
Indonesia	Zimbabwe
Iran	
Irish Republic	
Japan	
Kenya	
Malaysia	
Malta	
Pakistan	

