

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

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IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(41) Program 2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance

Senator Humphries (L&C 75) asked:

How many Afghan refugee and humanitarian applications were accepted and how many travelled to Australia in 2008–09 and 2009–10 to date?

Answer:

The following table shows the number of offshore Humanitarian Program visa grants and arrivals in Australia for 2008–09 and 2009–10 to 31 May 2010 where the country of birth¹ was Afghanistan.

	2008–09	2009–10 to 31 May 2010
Visa grants	847	747
Arrivals in Australia	802	557

¹ Humanitarian Program reporting refers to country of birth and not citizenship