

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

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IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(47) Program 2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance

Senator Parry (L&C 77) asked:

How many places in the humanitarian refugee program have been provided to the family members of onshore asylum claimants and unauthorised boat arrivals and are visas usually provided through the humanitarian programs or through the family reunion programs? Again, can we have a breakdown?

Answer:

Family members of persons who have been granted permanent Protection visas or Resolution of Status visas in Australia can be proposed for entry under the Humanitarian Program or sponsored for entry under the Family Stream of the Migration Program.

Data is not compiled in a way that can be interrogated to answer the question asked.