

## QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

### BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 23-24 MAY 2011

#### IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

#### (BE11/0195) Program 2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance

Senator Cash asked:

How many visas have been granted in 2010–11 to offshore applicants under Australia's refugee and humanitarian program by nationality and by post?

*Answer:*

People outside Australia may apply for a Refugee and Humanitarian visa under Australia's Humanitarian Program through either the Refugee or Special Humanitarian categories. This includes Refugee (subclass 200), In-Country Special Humanitarian (subclass 201), Global Special Humanitarian (subclass 202), Emergency Rescue (subclass 203), and Woman at Risk (subclass 204) visas. Protection visas are granted to people seeking protection in Australia.

There were 8971 visas granted within the offshore component of Australia's Humanitarian Program in 2010–11.

Table 1 below shows visa grants by post under the offshore component of Australia's Humanitarian Program in 2010–11. Table 2 below shows visa grants by country of birth under the offshore component of Australia's Humanitarian Program in 2010–11.

**Table 1: Grants of subclass 200, 201, 202, 203 and 204 visas, by Post**

<b>Post</b>	<b>Grants</b>	<b>Post</b>	<b>Grants</b>
Amman	1388	Islamabad	3
Ankara	600	Jakarta	500
Bangkok	905	Kuala Lumpur	490
Beijing	121	London	1
Beirut	190	Moscow	19
Belgrade	8	Nairobi	1312
Berlin	18	New Delhi	1232
Cairo	345	Port Moresby	1
Colombo	195	Pretoria	551
Dhaka	99	Suva	1
Dubai	738	Tehran	243
Hanoi	3	Washington	4
Ho Chi Minh City	4	<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>8971</b>

**Table 2: Grants of subclass 200, 201, 202, 203 and 204 visas, by country of birth**

Country of birth	Grants	Country of birth	Grants
Afghanistan	1027	Liberia	78
Algeria	2	Malaysia	8
Angola	1	Mongolia	3
Bhutan	1001	Nigeria	12
Burkina Faso	1	Pakistan	61
Burma	1443	Palestinian Authority	1
Burundi	81	Papua New Guinea	1
Cameroon	26	Romania	1
Central African Republic	4	Russia	12
Central America	1	Rwanda	75
Chad	5	Saudi Arabia	1
China	113	Sierra Leone	77
Colombia	1	Somalia	190
Congo	161	South Africa	1
Cote D'ivoire	10	Sri Lanka	289
Dem. Rep. of the Congo	565	Sudan	243
Egypt	24	Syria	1
El Salvador	3	Tanzania	11
England	1	Thailand	65
Eritrea	187	Togo	77
Ethiopia	381	Turkey	9
Germany	1	Uganda	9
Guinea	7	United Arab Emirates	6
India	7	United Kingdom	2
Indonesia	11	Uzbekistan	7
Iran	271	Vietnam	7
Iraq	2151	Zambia	1
Kenya	12	Zimbabwe	16
Kuwait	45	Other	41
Laos	123	<b>Total</b>	<b>8971</b>

<sup>1</sup> The country of birth of primary visa applicants is applied to secondary visa applicants. For example, where the primary visa applicant was born in Afghanistan but has two children (secondary applicants) born in Pakistan, the country of birth for the secondary visa applicants will be counted as Afghanistan.