

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 20 OCTOBER 2009

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(86) Program 4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management

Senator Fierravanti-Wells asked :

1. Provide a profile of all unauthorised boat arrivals since August 2008 including:
 - a. date;
 - b. country of origin of those on board;
 - c. ages;
 - d. gender;
 - e. description of the status of those on board (families, single men, mothers with children, crew, etc.);
 - f. origin of the vessel;
 - g. transit route for each vessel.

2. What is the age range and youngest and oldest people to arrive this year? Does this differ from other years?

Answer:

1. The table below outlines the information requested. Please note, however, that transit route information is the subject of ongoing intelligence and criminal investigation and the Department is unable to provide that information at this point in time.

SIEV	Date of interception	Passenger Nationality	Age range on boat	Male (pax & crew)	Female	Description of status	Origin of the vessel
24	29-Sept-08	Afghanistan, Indonesia	16-59 years	13	1	1 family group, 9 single adult males, 1 UAMs and 2 crew	Indonesia
25	06-Oct-08	Afghanistan, Indonesia	13-59 years	16	1	1 family group, 7 single adult males, 3 UAMs and 3 crew	Indonesia
26	19-Nov-0	Afghanistan, Indonesia	13-53 years	12	0	1 family group, 4 single adult males, 2 UAMs and 2 crew	Indonesia

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27	27-Nov-08	Sri Lanka	17-29 years	12	0	2 family groups and 7 adult males	Sri Lanka
28	02-Dec-08	Afghanistan, Indonesia, Iran, Iraq	2-56 years	38	2	3 family groups, 24 adult males 1 UAM and 5 crew	Indonesia
29	06-Dec-08	Afghanistan, Indonesia, Iraq	7-61 years	43	4	4 family groups, 29 single adult males, 2 UAMs and 3 crew	Indonesia
30	16-Dec-08	Afghanistan, Indonesia, Iraq, Kuwait, Sri Lanka	16-51 years	37	0	1 family group, 27 single adult males, 5 UAMs and 3 crew	Indonesia
31	17-Jan-09	Afghanistan, Indonesia	15-39 years	20	0	12 single adult males, 5 UAMs and 3 crew	Indonesia
32	14-Mar-09	Afghanistan, Indonesia, Iran	6-62 years	53	1	1 family group, 36 single adult males, 13 UAMs and 2 crew	Indonesia
33	02-Apr-09	Sri Lanka	17-49 years	50	0	48 single adult males and 2 UAMs	Sri Lanka
34	02-Apr-09	Afghanistan, Indonesia, Iraq	1-45 years	55	8	2 family groups, 40 single adult males, 3 UAMs and 4 crew	Indonesia
35	08-Apr-09	Iraq, Indonesia, Stateless	1-56 years	28	11	3 family groups, 19 single adult males and 1 crew	Indonesia
36	15-Apr-09	Afghanistan, Indonesia	14-63 years	44 + 5 deceased	0	38 single adult males, 4 UAMs and 2 crew	Indonesia
37	22-Apr-09	Sri Lanka	20-44 years	32	0	All single adult males	Sri Lanka
38	25-Apr-09	Afghanistan, Indonesia	5-48 years	55	2	1 family group, 51 single adult males, 1 UAM and 2 crew	Indonesia
39	29-Apr-09	Afghanistan, Indonesia	4-55 years	67	5	3 family groups, 43 single adult males, 14 UAMs and 3 crew	Indonesia
40	29-Apr-09	Indonesia	5-37 years	4	3	2 family groups, 1 adult male and 3 crew (includes 1 family member)	Indonesia

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41	05-May-09	Afghanistan, Indonesia, Iraq	16-64 years	51	2	1 family group, 44 single adult males, 2 UAMs and 2 crew	Indonesia
42	10-May-09	Afghanistan, Indonesia, Pakistan	16-34 years	34	0	1 family group, 14 single adult males, 15 UAMs and 3 crew	Indonesia
43	25-May-09	Afghanistan, Indonesia, Iraq, Palestine, Kuwait,	14-52 years	78	0	1 family group, 62 single adult males, 10 UAMs and 4 crew	Indonesia
44	09-Jun-09	Indonesia, Somalia	25-32 years	3	1	1 single adult male, 1 single adult female and 2 crew	Indonesia
45	23-Jun-09	Afghanistan, Indonesia, Iran	5-54 years + 2 ages unknown	50	4	2 family groups, 38 single adult males, 6 UAMs and 4 crew	Indonesia
46	28-Jun-09	Sri Lanka	17-56 years	191	2	6 family groups, 176 single adult males and 1 single adult female	Malaysia
47	11-Jul-09	Sri Lanka	1-57 years	59	13	7 family groups, 47 single adult males, 4 single adult females, and 1 UAM	Malaysia
48	13-Aug-09	Sri Lanka	5-49 years	76	1	2 family groups and 72 single adult males	Malaysia
49	29-Aug-09	Afghanistan, Indonesia, Iran	16-56 years	55	0	51 single adult males, 1 UAM and 3 crew	Indonesia
50	07-Sep-09	Myanmar, Indonesia	27-37 years	8	0	1 family group, 5 single adult males and 1 crew	Indonesia
51	12-Sep-09	Afghanistan, Indonesia, Iraq, Iran, Palestine, Kuwait,	16-54 years	87	0	5 family groups, 62 single adult males, 11 UAMs and 4 crew	Indonesia
52	12-Sep-09	Afghanistan, Indonesia	9 months-55 years	53	16	8 family groups, 31 single adult males, 4 and 3 UAMs crew	Indonesia

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53	15-Sep-09	Indonesia	16-48 years	62	0	5 family groups, 50 single adult males and 4 crew (includes 1 family group)	Indonesia
54	16-Sep-09	Afghanistan, Indonesia	15-60 years	55	0	47 single males, 4 UAMs and 4 crew	Indonesia
55	20-Sep-09	Sri Lanka	17-48 years	54	0	2 family groups, 48 single adult males and 1 UAM	Sri Lanka
56	23-Sep-09	Sri Lanka	17-52 years	100	0	6 family groups, 87 single adult males and 1 UAM	Malaysia
57	27-Sep-09	Afghanistan, Vietnam	18-59 years	10	2	3 family groups, 1 single adult female and 4 single adult males	Indonesia
58	27-Sep-09	Iran, Indonesia	5-56 years	25	7	5 family groups, 12 adult males and 4 crew	Indonesia
59	30-Sep-09	Sri Lanka	16-58 years	43	0	5 family groups, 29 single adult males, 1 UAM and 3 crew	Sri Lanka
60	01-Oct-09	Afghanistan, Indonesia, Iraq	15-65 years	72	0	60 single adult males, 9 UAMs and 3 crew	Indonesia
61	09-Oct-09	Afghanistan, Indonesia	16-52 years	52	3	2 family groups, 35 single adult males, 13 UAMs and 3 crew	Indonesia
62	12-Oct-09	Afghanistan, Indonesia, Iraq, Iran, Not yet Stated, Syria	1-56 years	57	3	5 family groups, 38 single adult males, 8 UAMs and 2 crew	Indonesia
64	18-Oct-09	Afghanistan, Indonesia	14-67 years + 1 age unknown	43	0	24 single adult males, 15 UAMs and 4 crew	Indonesia

2. Clients intercepted in 2009 have ranged in age from 9 months to 67 years old. This age range does not significantly differ from other years. For instance, in the past four calendar years, each has had a very young child (ranging from 0 to 3 years old) and an older person (ranging from 52 to 70 years old) arriving by boat. In 2005, however, boat arrivals ranged in age from 1 to 28 years old. The table below provides detailed information.

	No. of passengers	Youngest	Eldest
2005	15 ¹	1	28
2006	60	3	52
2007	148	3	70
2008	161	2	61
2009	1669 ²	9 months	67

¹ Age not known for four arrivals.

² As at 20 October 2009, but does not include four clients located on Deliverance Island in the Torres Strait, two clients located separately on Saibai Island in the Torres Strait, and the two men rescued afloat in the Torres Strait.