

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 19 OCTOBER 2010

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(56) Program 2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance

Senator Cash asked:

- 1) By nationality and place of detention on the mainland, how many asylum seekers do not have a Refugee Status Determination?
- 2) How many have an application before the department but not yet decided?
- 3) How many yet to lodge an application?
- 4) How many refused but in the process of review?
- 5) How many refused and no application for review?
- 6) How many found not to be refugees at review and awaiting deportation?

Answer:

1) As at 27 October 2010, there were 1395 people in mainland detention centres who were at some stage of the primary Refugee Status Assessment (RSA) process, that is, they had prima facie claims to refugee status, and had not yet had a primary refugee status determination. The following table is a break down by nationality and place of detention of these clients.

**Clients in mainland detention centres in the primary RSA process –
as at 27 October 2010**

Location *	Number of clients	Nationality break down
Brisbane (including Brisbane ITA and APOD)	84	Iran 33 Iraq 9 Sri Lanka 3 Stateless 39
Adelaide (Britton Street APOD)	1	Afghanistan (all)
Curtin IDC	671	Afghanistan (all)
Darwin (including Northern IDC, Darwin Airport Lodge, Darwin ASTI APOD)	310	Afghanistan 178 Burma 1 Iran 26 Iraq 21 Pakistan 1 Sri Lanka 23 Stateless 60
Leonora APOD - "Gwalia Lodge"	140	Afghanistan 48 Iran 21 Iraq 7 Somalia 7 Sri Lanka 24 Tunisia 2 Stateless 31
Melbourne (including Maribyrnong IDC, Melbourne ITA and Community Detention)	7	Afghanistan 3 Iraq 1 Pakistan 1 Stateless 2
Perth (including Perth IDC, IRH, APOD and Perth Hospital)	21	Afghanistan 7 Iran 2 Iraq 6 Sri Lanka 2 Stateless 4
Port Augusta IRH	46	Afghanistan 6 Iran 12 Iraq 5 Stateless 23
Scherger	97	Afghanistan (all)
Sydney (including Villawood IDC and IRH)	18	Afghanistan 3 Iraq 7 Sri Lanka 5 Stateless 3

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2) 1395 IMA clients are having their claims assessed by the Department to determine whether they are owed protection, and subsequently can apply for a Protection visa.

3) All IMA clients on the mainland have lodged their claims for protection.

4) As at 27 October 2010 there were 597 clients in mainland detention centres who had been refused but in the process of Independent Merits Review. The following table is a break down by nationality and place of detention of these clients.

**Clients in mainland detention centres in the IMR process –
as at 27 October 2010**

Location	Number of clients	Nationality break down
Brisbane (including Brisbane ITA and APOD)	24	Afghanistan 4 Iran 2 Stateless 18
Curtin IDC	69	Afghanistan 68 Pakistan 1
Darwin (including Northern IDC, Darwin Airport Lodge, Darwin ASTI APOD)	216	Afghanistan 168 Bangladesh 1 Iran 6 Iraq 4 Sri Lanka 14 Stateless 22 Yemen 1
Leonora APOD - "Gwalia Lodge"	36	Afghanistan 2 Iran 3 Iraq 8 Sri Lanka 10 Stateless 13
Melbourne (including Maribyrnong IDC, Melbourne ITA and Community Detention)	25	Afghanistan 24 Stateless 1
Perth (including Perth IDC, IRH, APOD and Perth Hospital)	8	Afghanistan 3 Sri Lanka 2 Stateless 3
Port Augusta IRH	9	Afghanistan 7 Stateless 2
Scherger	161	Afghanistan (all)
Sydney (including Villawood IDC and IRH)	49	Afghanistan 31 Iran 3 Iraq 2 Stateless 13

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5) As at 27 October 2010, two people in mainland detention centres were awaiting removal after a negative primary RSA without requesting review. Both are Sri Lankan, one is in AFP custody and the other is in Perth IDC.

6) As at 27 October 2010, there were 129 people in mainland detention centres who had undergone Independent Merits Review and found not be refugees and are awaiting removal. The following table is a break down by nationality and place of detention of these clients.

**Clients in mainland detention centres awaiting removal –
as at 27 October 2010**

Location	Number of clients	Nationality break down
On remand in criminal custody	1	Indonesia
Curtin IDC	7	Afghanistan (all)
Darwin (including Northern IDC, Darwin Airport Lodge, Darwin ASTI APOD)	22	Afghanistan 12 Iran 2 Iraq 6 Sri Lanka 1 Yemen 1
Melbourne (including Maribyrnong IDC, Melbourne ITA and Community Detention)	8	Afghanistan 5 Iraq 3
Perth (including Perth IDC, IRH, APOD and Perth Hospital)	4	Iraq 2 Iran 2
Scherger	8	Afghanistan (all)
Sydney (including Villawood IDC and IRH)	79	Afghanistan 10 Iran 6 Iraq 14 Stateless 18 Bangladesh 1 Djibouti 1 Pakistan 3 Sri Lanka 26

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