

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 15 October 2012

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(SE12/0280) PROGRAM – 2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance

Senator Cash (written) asked:

Please provide a breakdown of all offshore grants for humanitarian and refugee visas by post, country of origin, nationality, age, gender and visa class in 2011-12. What is the average time taken to process these visas from application to grant at each of the posts?

Answer:

The following tables provide a breakdown of all humanitarian visa grants by Post, country of birth, citizenship, age at time of lodgement, gender and visa subclass for the 2011-12 program year. The final table provides the average time taken to process these visas from application to grant at each of the posts.

Table 1: Persons granted a humanitarian visa, by Post of visa lodgement, 2011-12

Post	Persons
Amman	1007
Ankara	431
Bangkok	515
Beijing	20
Beirut	182
Berlin	20
Brasilia	19
Cairo	399
Colombo	69
Dubai	299
Hanoi	4
Ho Chi Minh City	4
Jakarta	181
Kuala Lumpur	1356
Manila	9
Moscow	5
Nairobi	1029
New Delhi	803
Pretoria	1
Santiago De Chile	3
Suva	3
Tehran	358
Washington	1
Total	6718

Notes:

1. Visa grants counted include subclass 200 (Refugee), 201 (In-Country Special Humanitarian Program), 202 (Global Special Humanitarian Program), 203 (Emergency Rescue) and 204 (Woman at Risk).
2. Data was extracted from departmental systems on 6 July 2012.

Table 2: Persons granted a humanitarian visa, by country of birth, 2011-12

Country of Birth	Persons	Country of Birth	Persons	Country of Birth	Persons
Afghanistan	712	Guinea	3	Sierra Leone	22
Bhutan	695	India	4	Somalia	170
Brazil	1	Iran	216	Sri Lanka	88
Burma	1860	Iraq	1472	Sudan	66
Burundi	57	Kenya	2	Syria	9
Canada	2	Kuwait	21	Tanzania	4
Chad	4	Lebanon	1	Thailand	32
China	22	Liberia	55	Tibet (so stated)	7
Colombia	3	Libya	4	Togo	9
Congo	100	Malawi	1	Turkey	28
Cote D'Ivoire	12	Malaysia	12	U.S.S.R.	4
Cuba	20	Nepal	10	United Kingdom	1
Democratic Republic of the Congo	300	Pakistan	27	Uzbekistan	5
Egypt	34	Palestinian Authority	2	Vietnam	8
Eritrea	221	Philippines	9	Zimbabwe	15
Ethiopia	330	Rwanda	33	Total	6718
Georgia	1	Saudi Arabia	4		

Notes:

1. Visa grants counted include subclass 200 (Refugee), 201 (In-Country Special Humanitarian Program), 202 (Global Special Humanitarian Program), 203 (Emergency Rescue) and 204 (Woman at Risk).
2. Data was extracted from departmental systems on 6 July 2012.
3. The country of birth of principal visa applicants is applied to secondary visa applicants.

Table 3: Persons granted a humanitarian visa, by citizenship, 2011–12

Citizenship	Persons	Citizenship	Persons	Citizenship	Persons
Afghanistan	740	Ethiopia	316	Rwanda	34
Bhutan	702	Georgia	1	Sierra Leone	22
Burma	1904	India	1	Somalia	170
Burundi	60	Iran	189	Sri Lanka	88
Canada	2	Iraq	1428	Stateless	71
Chad	4	Jordan	3	Sudan	36
China	22	Kenya	1	Syria	4
Colombia	3	Kuwait	4	Togo	9
Congo	116	Lebanon	1	Turkey	26
Cote D'Ivoire	3	Liberia	67	Unknown	5
Cuba	20	Nepal	3	Uzbekistan	9
Democratic Republic of the Congo	285	Pakistan	20	Vietnam	8
Egypt	35	Palestinian Authority	8	Zimbabwe	16
Eritrea	273	Philippines	9	Total	6718

Notes:

1. Visa grants counted include subclass 200 (Refugee), 201 (In-Country Special Humanitarian Program), 202 (Global Special Humanitarian Program), 203 (Emergency Rescue) and 204 (Woman at Risk).
2. Data was extracted from departmental systems on 6 July 2012.
3. The citizenship of principal visa applicants is applied to secondary visa applicants.

Table 4: Persons granted a humanitarian visa, by age at time of grant, 2011–12

Age (years)	Persons
<1	93
1–4	629
5–9	712
10–14	742
15–19	746
20–24	715
25–29	697
30–34	599
35–39	445
40–44	395
45–49	281
50–54	206
55–59	143
60–64	107
65–69	83
70–74	57
75+	68
Total	6718

Notes:

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2. Data was extracted from departmental systems on 6 July 2012.

Table 5: Persons granted a humanitarian visa, by gender, 2011–12

Sex	Persons
Female	3308
Male	3410
Total	6718

Notes:

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Table 6: Persons granted a humanitarian visa, by visa category, 2011–12

Visa category	Persons
Refugee	
200 (Refugee)	5140
201 (In-Country Special Humanitarian Program)	43
203 (Emergency Rescue)	
204 (Woman at Risk)	821
Total Refugee	6004
Humanitarian	
202 (Global Special Humanitarian Program)	714
Total	6718

Notes:

1. Data was extracted from departmental systems on 6 July 2012.

Table 7: Average processing time, by post, from humanitarian application to visa grant, 2011–12

Post	Weeks
Amman	51
Ankara	41
Bangkok	48
Beijing	43
Beirut	43
Berlin	62
Brasilia	13
Cairo	29
Colombo	43
Dubai	69
Hanoi	66
Ho Chi Minh City	104
Jakarta	25
Kuala Lumpur	21
Manila	38
Moscow	38
Nairobi	71
New Delhi	44
Pretoria	14
Santiago De Chile	43
Suva	83
Tehran	45
Washington	95

Notes:

1. Data was extracted from departmental systems on 6 July 2012.