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Illegal Maritime Arrivals on Bridging E Visa

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About this report

This report provides an overview of the number of Illegal Maritime Arrivals (IMAs) who have been granted a Bridging E visa (BVE) to allow them to remain lawfully in Australia while their immigration status is being resolved.

The data are sourced from several departmental processing and recording systems. All reasonable efforts have been made to ensure the accuracy of this information; however it is subject to change.

The report presents some basic statistics on IMAs who had been granted BVEs and were living in the community at the time of reporting.

The Department of Immigration and Border Protection has a policy of not publishing figures for individuals that total less than ten. This is done to protect the privacy of individuals.

The next report is expected to be released in January 2015.

Release of Illegal Maritime Arrivals on Bridging E Visa (BVE)

Key Programme Concepts

Since 25 November 2011, successive Ministers have used their non-compellable, non-delegable intervention power under s195A of the *Migration Act 1958* to grant bridging visas to some Illegal Maritime Arrivals (IMAs).

BVEs will not be granted to IMAs who arrived after 19 July 2013. They will be transferred to Papua New Guinea or Nauru for processing or return.

For further information about the IMA BVE programme please see:

<http://www.immi.gov.au/media/fact-sheets/65onshore-processing-illegal-maritime-arrivals.htm>

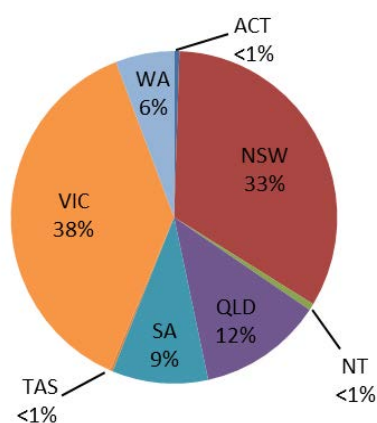
Overall Programme Numbers and Current Location by State

As at 30 September 2014, a total of 30 003 BVEs have been granted to IMAs. Of these, 24 775 remain in the community, 11 476 with a current BVE and 13 299 awaiting grant of a further BVE. The remaining 5 228 IMAs who were granted BVEs have either been granted a substantive visa, departed Australia, returned to immigration detention or are deceased.

BVE holders are free to choose where they live. The majority of the IMAs are in Victoria (VIC), followed by New South Wales (NSW), Queensland (QLD), South Australia (SA), Western Australia (WA), Northern Territory (NT), Australian Capital Territory (ACT) and Tasmania (TAS).

Figure 1: Current Location of IMA BVE Holders

State	Number of IMA BVE Holders
ACT	130
NSW	8231
NT	160
QLD	3034
SA	2358
TAS	66
VIC	9357
WA	1439
Total	24775



Visa Holder Location by State or Territory

The following tables provide a breakdown by state and territory, then by gender, age group, citizenship and current location for IMA holders of bridging visas as at 30 September 2014. People who arrived as IMAs and who hold a bridging visa are free to live wherever they choose in Australia.

Australian Capital Territory

Gender	Number of IMA BVE holders
FEMALE	19
MALE	111
Total	130

Age Groups	Number of IMA BVE holders
0-4	<10
5-11	<10
12-15	<10
16-17	<10
18-25	42
26-35	44
36-45	27
46+	<10
Total	130

Country of Citizenship	Number of IMA BVE holders ¹
AFGHANISTAN	14
BANGLADESH	<10
IRAN	37
IRAQ	<10
LEBANON	<10
PAKISTAN	11
SRI LANKA	46
STATELESS	<10
SUDAN	<10
SYRIA	<10
VIETNAM	<10
Total	130

Suburb/Town	Number of IMA BVE holders
TURNER	17
BELCONNEN	11
GUNGAHLIN	11
38 SUBURBS WITH LESS THAN 10 IMA BVE HOLDERS	91
Total	130

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New South Wales

Gender	Number of IMA BVE holders
FEMALE	910
MALE	7321
Total	8231

Age Groups	Number of IMA BVE holders
0-4	173
5-11	215
12-15	103
16-17	62
18-25	2220
26-35	3707
36-45	1317
46+	434
Total	8231

Country of Citizenship	Number of IMA BVE holders ²
AFGHANISTAN	935
ALBANIA	<10
ALGERIA	<10
BANGLADESH	353
BURMA	50
CONGO	<10
CYPRUS	<10
EGYPT	<10
ETHIOPIA	<10
GAMBIA	<10
INDIA	10
INDONESIA	10
IRAN	2379
IRAQ	842
JORDAN	<10
KUWAIT	12
LEBANON	62
MALAYSIA	<10

Country of Citizenship	Number of IMA BVE holders
MALI	<10
MOLDOVA	<10
MONGOLIA	<10
MOROCCO	<10
NEPAL	14
PAKISTAN	489
PALESTINIAN AUTHORITY	114
SLOVAKIA	<10
SOMALIA	29
SRI LANKA	1935
STATELESS	837
SUDAN	68
SYRIA	42
TIBET	<10
UNKNOWN	<10
VIETNAM	10
YEMEN	<10
Total	8231

² The department has a policy of not publishing asylum figures (IMA) that total less than ten. This is done to protect the privacy of applicants.

New South Wales (continued)

Suburb/Town	Number of IMA BVE holders
AUBURN	1196
MERRYLANDS	664
LAKEMBA	547
LIVERPOOL	310
FAIRFIELD	306
PARRAMATTA	299
GRANVILLE	295
GUILDFORD	280
TOONGABBIE	242
PENDLE HILL	217
CABRAMATTA	150
BLACKTOWN	144
PUNCHBOWL	144
SEVEN HILLS	136
WILEY PARK	136
GIRRAWEE	130
WENTWORTHVILLE	130
NORTH PARRAMATTA	122
BERALA	114
LIDCOMBE	114
WESTMEAD	105
HOME BUSH	96
BANKSTOWN	94
HARRIS PARK	93
HOME BUSH WEST	76
GRIFFITH	73
ROCKDALE	71
WARWICK FARM	64
RYDE	62
CARRAMAR	60
MOUNT DRUITT	60
CANLEY VALE	49
CHESTER HILL	49
WAGGA WAGGA	47
SOUTH GRANVILLE	36
MERRYLANDS WEST	34
CARLINGFORD	31
REGENTS PARK	31
SOUTH WENTWORTHVILLE	30
GREENACRE	29
SEFTON	29
MAYS HILL	28
ROSEHILL	28

Suburb/Town	Number of IMA BVE holders
YENNORA	28
CAMPSIE	25
WEST RYDE	23
BELMORE	21
CHATSWOOD	21
DOONSIDE	21
KINGSWOOD	21
NORTHMEAD	21
ULTIMO	21
EASTWOOD	20
GREYSTANES	20
YAGOONA	19
CASULA	18
KOORINGAL	17
LEETON	17
VILLAWOOD	17
DUNDAS	16
SMITHFIELD	16
ASHFIELD	15
FOREST HILL	15
JUNEE	15
CANLEY HEIGHTS	14
STRATHFIELD	14
SYDNEY	14
TAMWORTH	14
TELOPEA	14
GUILDFORD WEST	13
WOOLGOOLGA	13
ASHMONT	12
BURWOOD	12
HORNSBY	12
LALOR PARK	12
QUAKERS HILL	12
LURNEA	11
MERRYLANDS	11
BAULKHAM HILLS	10
CASTLE HILL	10
ERMINGTON	10
REDFERN	10
TOLLAND	10
248 SUBURBS WITH LESS THAN 10 BVE HOLDERS	645
Total	8231

Northern Territory

Gender	Number of IMA BVE holders
FEMALE	19
MALE	141
Total	160

Age Groups	Number of IMA BVE holders
0-4	<10
5-11	<10
12-15	<10
16-17	<10
18-25	64
26-35	49
36-45	22
46+	<10
Total	160

Country of Citizenship	Number of IMA BVE holders ³
AFGHANISTAN	<10
BANGLADESH	<10
INDONESIA	<10
IRAN	21
IRAQ	<10
LEBANON	<10
PAKISTAN	<10
PALESTINIAN AUTHORITY	<10
SOMALIA	<10
SRI LANKA	75
STATELESS	25
SUDAN	<10
VIETNAM	18
Total	160

Suburb/Town	Number of IMA BVE holders
NIGHTCLIFF	22
WICKHAM POINT	20
LUDMILLA	16
DARWIN	11
LARRAKEYAH	10
27 SUBURBS WITH LESS THAN 10 BVE HOLDERS	81
Total	160

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Queensland

Gender	Number of IMA BVE holders
FEMALE	447
MALE	2587
Total	3034

Age Groups	Number of IMA BVE holders
0-4	101
5-11	101
12-15	63
16-17	21
18-25	810
26-35	1313
36-45	479
46+	146
Total	3034

Country of Citizenship	Number of IMA BVE holders ⁴
AFGHANISTAN	402
ALBANIA	<10
BANGLADESH	151
BURMA	27
CYPRUS	<10
ERITREA	12
ETHIOPIA	<10
INDIA	<10
INDONESIA	12
IRAN	691
IRAQ	124
KENYA	<10
KUWAIT	<10
KYRGYZSTAN	<10
LEBANON	<10
NEPAL	<10
PAKISTAN	136
PALESTINIAN AUTHORITY	<10
SOMALIA	37
SRI LANKA	947
STATELESS	352
SUDAN	109
SYRIA	<10
UKRAINE	<10
VIETNAM	<10
Total	3034

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Queensland (continued)

Suburb/Town	Number of IMA BVE holders
WOODRIDGE	510
LOGAN CENTRAL	165
INALA	100
KOONGAL	97
MOOROOKA	95
KINGSTON	87
GATTON	86
ANMERLEY	68
BERSERKER	64
SLACKS CREEK	59
ACACIA RIDGE	57
ROCKHAMPTON	56
BILOELA	51
SUNNYBANK	42
GOODNA	41
GREENSLOPES	38
TOOWOOMBA	38
SOUTHPORT	37
COORPAROO	34
DARRA	34
LABRADOR	29
SUNNYBANK HILLS	28
LAKES CREEK	27
RUNCORN	27
PARK AVENUE	26
KANGAROO POINT	25
CHERMSIDE	24
EAST BRISBANE	24
GYMPIE	19
NUNDAH	19
SALISBURY	19
YERONGA	18
ZILLMERE	18
COOPERS PLAINS	17
DARLING HEIGHTS	17
EIGHT MILE PLAINS	17
KURABY	17
NORTH ROCKHAMPTON	17
ROBERTSON	16

Suburb/Town	Number of IMA BVE holders
DURACK	15
REDBANK PLAINS	15
WOOLLOONGABBA	15
SURFERS PARADISE	14
TARINGA	14
CHURCHILL	13
MORNINGSIDE	13
ROCKLEA	12
TOOWONG	12
WEST END	12
BELLBIRD PARK	11
MILTON	11
MOUNT GRAVATT EAST	11
ASCOT	10
CLAYFIELD	10
SPRINGFIELD	10
WOOLOOWIN	10
205 SUBURBS WITH LESS THAN 10 BVE HOLDERS	663
Total	3034

South Australia

Gender	Number of IMA BVE holders
FEMALE	304
MALE	2054
Total	2358

Age Groups	Number of IMA BVE holders
0-4	64
5-11	95
12-15	44
16-17	14
18-25	583
26-35	916
36-45	465
46+	177
Total	2358

Country of Citizenship	Number of IMA BVE holders ⁵
AFGHANISTAN	867
ALBANIA	<10
BANGLADESH	19
BURMA	<10
CONGO	<10
ERITREA	<10
ETHIOPIA	<10
INDIA	<10
IRAN	643
IRAQ	39
MALI	<10
NEPAL	<10
PAKISTAN	203
SOMALIA	<10
SRI LANKA	406
STATELESS	93
SUDAN	54
SYRIA	<10
UNITED ARAB EMIRATES	<10
UNKNOWN	<10
VIETNAM	<10
YEMEN	<10
Total	2358

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South Australia (continued)

Suburb/Town	Number of IMA BVE holders
BLAIR ATHOL	246
KILBURN	228
ENFIELD	101
PROSPECT	95
DAVOREN PARK	90
BORDERTOWN	70
NARACOORTE	69
SALISBURY	69
PARAFIELD GARDENS	66
CROYDON PARK	51
POORAKA	43
CLEARVIEW	40
ELIZABETH NORTH	35
NORTHFIELD	29
INGLE FARM	26
MILE END	26
PARA HILLS	25
TORRENSVILLE	24
PAYNEHAM	23
PARALOWIE	22
GILLES PLAINS	21
BROOKLYN PARK	20
ELIZABETH PARK	20
BROADVIEW	19
CAMPBELLTOWN	19
FINDON	19
SALISBURY NORTH	19
ELIZABETH	18
KURRALTA PARK	17
PARADISE	17
VALLEY VIEW	17
ELIZABETH SOUTH	16
PARA HILLS WEST	16
SALISBURY EAST	16
FULLARTON	15
MURRAY BRIDGE	15
WEST HINDMARSH	15
ELIZABETH DOWNS	14
REMARK	14

Suburb/Town	Number of IMA BVE holders
SALISBURY DOWNS	14
ST MARYS	14
WINDSOR GARDENS	14
GREENACRE	13
ATHOL PARK	12
GLENELG NORTH	12
SEATON	12
SMITHFIELD	11
ADELAIDE	10
ELIZABETH EAST	10
FERRYDEN PARK	10
KENT TOWN	10
KILKENNY	10
WOODVILLE	10
WOODVILLE NORTH	10
164 SUBURBS WITH LESS THAN 10 BVE HOLDERS	481
Total	2358

Tasmania

Gender	Number of IMA BVE holders
FEMALE	<10
MALE	57
Total	66

Age Groups	Number of IMA BVE holders ⁶
0-4	<10
5-11	<10
12-15	<10
16-17	<10
18-25	17
26-35	28
36-45	10
46+	<10
Total	66

Country of Citizenship	Number of IMA BVE holders
AFGHANISTAN	17
BANGLADESH	<10
IRAN	33
IRAQ	<10
PAKISTAN	<10
SRI LANKA	<10
STATELESS	<10
VIETNAM	<10
Total	66

Suburb/Town	Number of IMA BVE holders
NEW TOWN	16
MOONAH	10
17 SUBURBS WITH LESS THAN 10 BVE HOLDERS	40
Total	66

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Victoria

Gender	Number of IMA BVE holders
FEMALE	1459
MALE	7898
Total	9357

Age Groups	Number of IMA BVE holders
0-4	294
5-11	360
12-15	147
16-17	86
18-25	2641
26-35	3848
36-45	1403
46+	578
Total	9357

Country of Citizenship	Number of IMA BVE holders ⁷
AFGHANISTAN	1838
ALBANIA	<10
ALGERIA	<10
BANGLADESH	72
BELARUS	<10
BURMA	101
EGYPT	<10
ERITREA	<10
ETHIOPIA	<10
INDIA	14
INDONESIA	<10
IRAN	2845
IRAQ	228
KUWAIT	<10
LEBANON	81
MONGOLIA	<10

Country of Citizenship	Number of IMA BVE holders
MOROCCO	<10
NEPAL	<10
PAKISTAN	981
PALESTINIAN AUTHORITY	18
PHILIPPINES	<10
SOMALIA	63
SRI LANKA	2205
STATELESS	719
SUDAN	118
SYRIA	21
TURKEY	<10
UKRAINE	<10
UNKNOWN	<10
VIETNAM	<10
YEMEN	<10
Total	9357

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Victoria (continued)

Suburb/Town	Number of IMA BVE holders
DANDENONG	2088
DOVETON	386
SUNSHINE	380
ST ALBANS	372
SPRINGVALE	367
NOBLE PARK	331
LALOR	251
BROADMEADOWS	243
WERRIBEE	228
GLENROY	227
THOMASTOWN	211
ALBION	195
SHEPPARTON	194
EPPING	179
SUNSHINE WEST	179
RESERVOIR	177
SUNSHINE NORTH	172
HOPPERS CROSSING	141
FOOTSCRAY	126
HAMPTON PARK	121
DALLAS	106
BRAYBROOK	90
MILDURA	89
HALLAM	83
CORIO	76
PRESTON	74
MEADOW HEIGHTS	66
SWAN HILL	64
WEST FOOTSCRAY	62
CRANBOURNE	61
ENDEAVOUR HILLS	56
MILL PARK	52
AVONDALE HEIGHTS	47
SOUTH MORANG	44
NORLANE	43
CLAYTON	42
ARDEER	41
NARRE WARREN SOUTH	40
MAIDSTONE	35

Suburb/Town	Number of IMA BVE holders
NARRE WARREN	35
ALTONA NORTH	34
DEER PARK	34
CRAIGIEBURN	33
COBURG	32
KEYSBOROUGH	31
CLAYTON SOUTH	29
BRUNSWICK	27
CAMPBELLFIELD	26
DONCASTER	26
PASCOE VALE	26
BOX HILL	22
FAWKNER	22
OAK PARK	22
TARNEIT	22
WYNDHAM VALE	22
EUMEMMERRING	21
ROXBURGH PARK	21
BUNDOORA	20
KINGS PARK	20
BLACKBURN	19
BURWOOD	18
COLAC	18
ESSENDON	17
GEELONG WEST	17
HEIDELBERG WEST	17
ALTONA	16
HADFIELD	16
MALVERN EAST	16
ALTONA MEADOWS	15
BOX HILL NORTH	15
GEELONG	15
KEILOR EAST	15
TEMPLESTOWE LOWER	15
BROOKLYN	14
BRUNSWICK WEST	14
RINGWOOD	14
BELMONT	13
JACANA	13

Victoria (continued)

Suburb/Town	Number of IMA BVE holders
KEILOR DOWNS	13
LAVERTON	13
POINT COOK	13
RICHMOND	13
YARRAVILLE	13
COBURG NORTH	12
COOLAROO	12
DONCASTER EAST	12
MELBOURNE	12
TEMPLESTOWE	12
BULLEEN	11
SHEPPARTON EAST	11
SYDENHAM	11
THORNBURY	11
ROBINVALE	10
TRUGANINA	10
196 SUBURBS WITH LESS THAN 10 BVE HOLDERS	607
Total	9357

Western Australia

Gender	Number of IMA BVE holders
FEMALE	113
MALE	1326
Total	1439

Age Groups	Number of IMA BVE holders ⁸
0-4	15
5-11	19
12-15	10
16-17	<10
18-25	416
26-35	608
36-45	261
46+	106
Total	1439

Country of Citizenship	Number of IMA BVE holders
AFGHANISTAN	537
BANGLADESH	<10
BURMA	<10
ERITREA	<10
IRAN	246
IRAQ	68
PAKISTAN	100
PALESTINIAN AUTHORITY	32
SOMALIA	<10
SRI LANKA	352
STATELESS	36
SUDAN	33
SYRIA	<10
VIETNAM	<10
Total	1439

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Western Australia (continued)

Suburb/Town	Number of IMA BVE holders
GOSNELLS	108
BALGA	107
MADDINGTON	76
LANGFORD	46
NOLLAMARA	41
MIRRABOOKA	40
KOONDOOLA	39
GIRRAWHEEN	37
BENTLEY	35
DIANELLA	35
ALEXANDER HEIGHTS	32
KEWDALE	32
BECKENHAM	31
THORNLIE	31
BELMONT	28
WESTMINSTER	28
RIVERVALE	26
BALLAJURA	25
CLOVERDALE	25
WILSON	25
BEECHBORO	24
KENWICK	24
LYNWOOD	22
YOKINE	22
MAYLANDS	21
VICTORIA PARK EAST	21
CANNING VALE	18
BUSSELTON	16
QUEENS PARK	16
EAST PERTH	15
KARDINYA	15
CANNINGTON	13
MOUNT BARKER	13
MORLEY	12
VICTORIA PARK	12
MARANGAROO	11
BALCATT	10
CARLISLE	10

Suburb/Town	Number of IMA BVE holders
NORTHAM	10
112 SUBURBS WITH LESS THAN 10 BVE HOLDERS	287
Total	1439