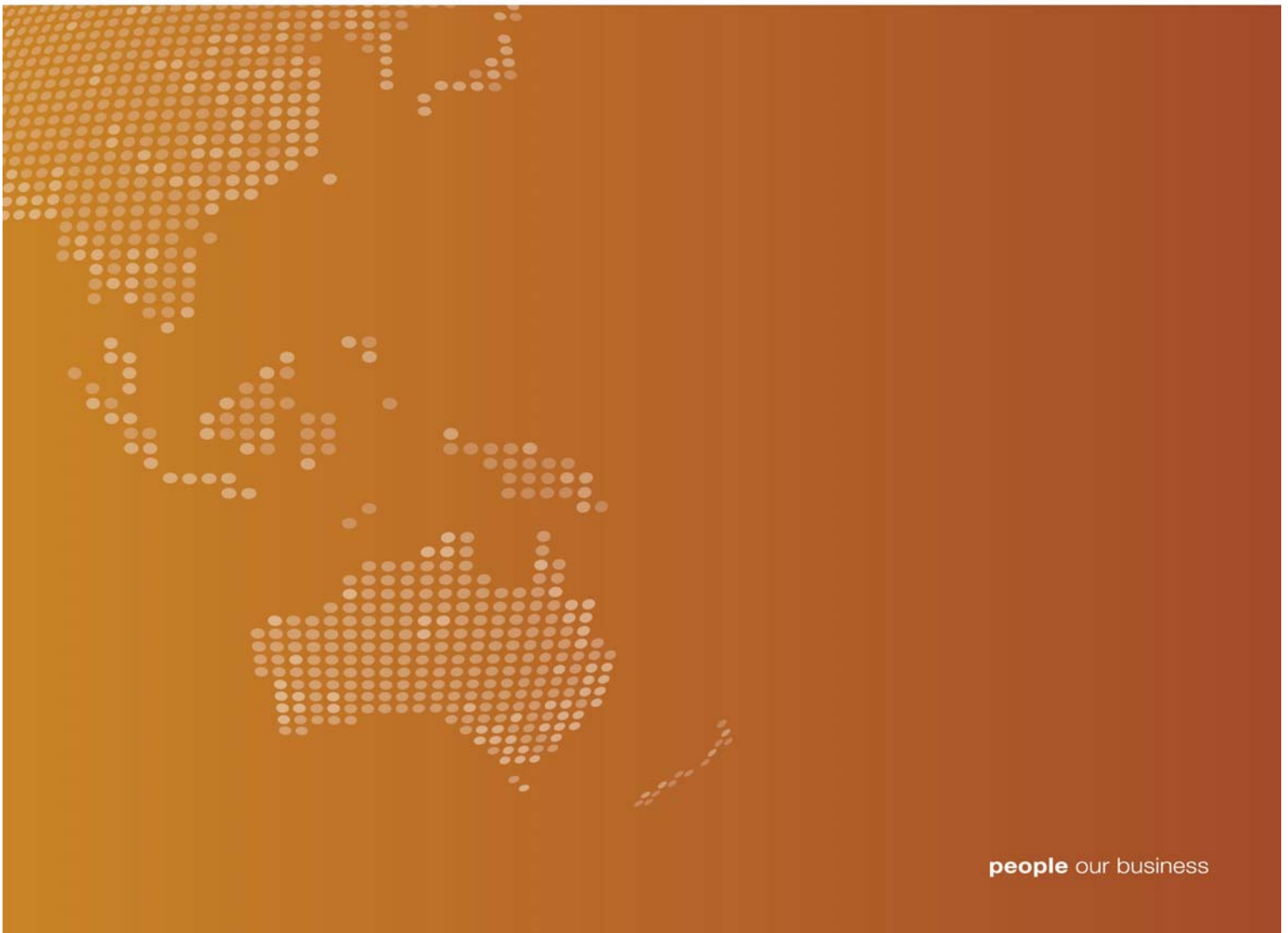
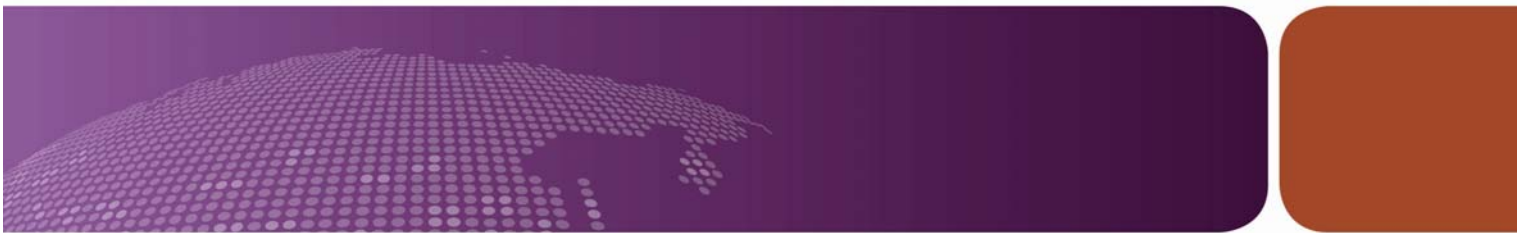




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## Overview (Non-IMA and IMA combined)

### About these statistics

The tables in this publication present statistics about people in refugee status/protection obligations determination processes. Unless otherwise indicated the tables do not contain cohort information. All figures relate to the number of events (such as the making of an application, a decision to grant a visa or a refusal) that occurred in a given time period.

For this reason, the grant rates set out in the tables are not recognition rates since the actual determination that a person is a refugee or is owed protection may have occurred during an earlier period. The effect of this is strongest for the irregular maritime arrival (IMA) caseload which has a more uneven profile compared with the non-IMA caseload, which means the effects of delays in health, security or character checks are exacerbated.

**Table 1: Number of people seeking Australia's protection**

Program Year	Quarter	Non IMA <sup>1</sup> Protection visa applications <sup>2</sup> lodged	IMA refugee status determinations commenced <sup>3</sup>	Total
<b>2010-11</b>		<b>6337</b>	<b>5174</b>	<b>11511</b>
<b>2011-12</b>		<b>7036</b>	<b>7379</b>	<b>14415</b>
	<i>Mar Qtr</i>	1713	1629	3342
	<i>June Qtr</i>	1680	2857	4537
<b>2012-13</b>				
	<i>Sep Qtr</i>	1896	2513	4409
	<i>Dec Qtr</i>	2053	1622	3675
	<i>Mar Qtr</i>	2150	7464	9614

Source: DIAC Systems

Table 1 shows the number of people who sought protection by non-IMA and IMA asylum seekers. Non-IMA Protection visa applications are typically lodged by air arrivals (but may include very small numbers of ship stowaways or maritime crew). IMA figures include all people who arrived on an irregular vessel.

<sup>1</sup> Non irregular maritime arrivals (non-IMA) generally refers to Protection visa applicants who arrived by air.

<sup>2</sup> Number of Protection visa applications lodged refers to the number of people (including family members) who made a valid application claiming protection in Australia.

<sup>3</sup> Refugee status determinations commenced is a count of IMAs who entered either a statutory or a non-statutory process.

**Table 2: Number of final Protection visa (PV) grants**

Program Year	Quarter	PV grants to non IMA	PV grants to IMA	Total
<b>2010-11</b>		<b>2101</b>	<b>2719</b>	<b>4820</b>
<b>2011-12</b>		<b>2272</b>	<b>4766</b>	<b>7038</b>
	<i>Mar Qtr</i>	523	745	1268
	<i>June Qtr</i>	339	1171	1510
<b>2012-13</b>				
	<i>Sep Qtr</i>	1073	2612	3685
	<i>Dec Qtr</i>	730	869	1599
	<i>Mar Qtr</i>	657	1121	1778

Source: DIAC Systems

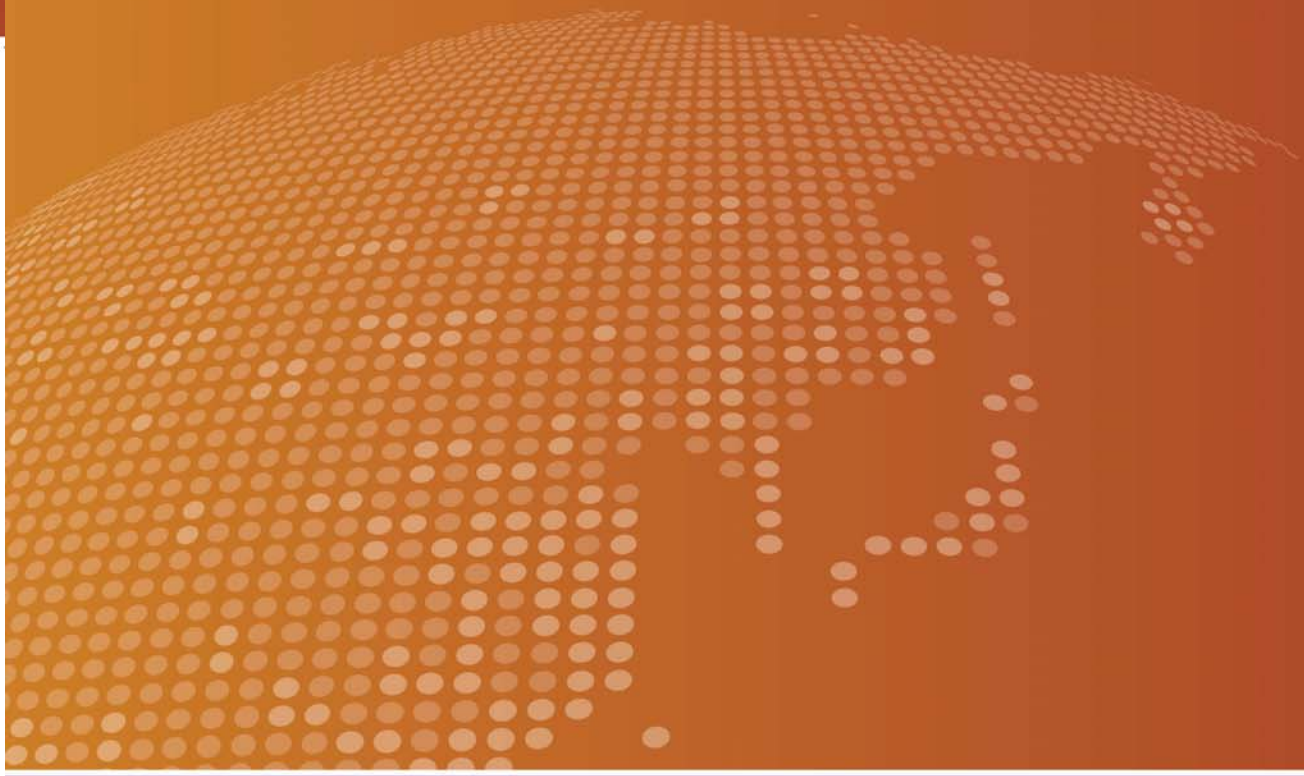
**Table 3: Number of final Protection visa (PV) grants by top 10 countries of citizenship<sup>4</sup>**

Citizenship	2010 11	2011-12	2011-12		2012-13		
			Mar Qtr	Jun Qtr	Sep Qtr	Dec Qtr	Mar Qtr
Afghanistan	1394	2020	262	459	1310	453	530
Iran	702	1623	355	411	687	309	242
Stateless	498	653	97	170	276	79	107
Iraq	370	494	69	94	217	112	120
Sri Lanka	359	424	74	94	75	67	178
Pakistan	222	403	113	82	449	211	237
China (PRC)	315	264	48	25	88	70	51
Egypt	143	204	47	40	139	67	62
Myanmar	75	101	15	13	44	9	<5
Zimbabwe	172	101	20	11	24	15	23
Other	570	751	168	111	376	207	225
<b>Total</b>	<b>4820</b>	<b>7038</b>	<b>1268</b>	<b>1510</b>	<b>3685</b>	<b>1599</b>	<b>1778</b>

Source: DIAC Systems

Table 3 shows final visa grants by citizenship for all applications (IMA and non-IMA). Tables 10 and 19 later in this publication show disaggregated figures for non-IMA and IMA final grants.

<sup>4</sup> Top 10 countries of citizenship are based on 2011-12 program year total grants.



## Section 1 Non irregular maritime arrivals



## Non irregular maritime arrivals (Non-IMA)

Table 4: Number of Protection visa (PV) applications<sup>52</sup> lodged

Program Year	Quarter	Principal applicants	Dependants	Total
<b>2010-11</b>		<b>4755</b>	<b>1582</b>	<b>6337</b>
<b>2011-12</b>		<b>5250</b>	<b>1786</b>	<b>7036</b>
	Mar Qtr	1249	464	1713
	Jun Qtr	1268	412	1680
<b>2012-13</b>				
	Sep Qtr	1353	543	1896
	Dec Qtr	1385	668	2053
	Mar Qtr	1404	746	2150

Source: ICSE

Table 4 shows the breakdown between principal applicants and dependants among non-IMA Protection visa applicants. Dependants may also apply in their own right.

Table 5: Number of Protection visa applications<sup>2</sup> lodged by top 20 countries of citizenship<sup>5</sup>

Citizenship	2010-11	2011-12	2011-12		2012-13		
			Mar Qtr	Jun Qtr	Sep Qtr	Dec Qtr	Mar Qtr
China (PRC)	1124	1216	318	249	318	252	247
India	556	906	206	259	252	229	245
Pakistan	549	667	161	165	198	213	265
Iran	386	462	122	125	157	133	155
Egypt	427	357	104	59	74	147	272
Iraq	221	297	84	65	78	101	78
Fiji	331	271	86	56	39	55	57
Nepal	229	241	45	56	47	39	36
Malaysia	212	196	30	71	47	25	44
Lebanon	174	182	27	64	127	109	91
Libya	66	164	18	<5 <sup>7</sup>	26	140	83
Zimbabwe	195	147	42	33	30	21	18
Afghanistan	98	138	31	40	38	31	23
Sri Lanka	160	137	36	30	32	34	52
Indonesia	196	133	27	28	26	37	39
Syria	31	128	47	25	28	32	29
Bangladesh	104	118	26	21	39	51	37
Turkey	118	77	23	18	34	35	26
Nigeria	28	70	19	8	24	15	25
South Korea	90	70	13	13	20	22	23
Other	1042	1059	248	291	262	332	305
<b>Total</b>	<b>6337</b>	<b>7036</b>	<b>1713</b>	<b>1680</b>	<b>1896</b>	<b>2053</b>	<b>2150</b>

<sup>2</sup> Number of PV applications refers to the number of people (including family members) who made a valid application claiming protection in Australia.

<sup>5</sup> Top 10 countries of citizenship are based on 2011-12 program year lodgements.

**Table 6: Number of primary Protection visa decisions<sup>8</sup> and primary grant rates<sup>9</sup>**

Decision	2010-11	2011-12	2011-12		2012-13		
			Mar Qtr	Jun Qtr	Sep Qtr	Dec Qtr	Mar Qtr
Grants	1389	1467	292	215	671	507	448
Refusals	4105	4325	1126	1066	1228	1182	901
<b>Total</b>	<b>5494</b>	<b>5792</b>	<b>1418</b>	<b>1281</b>	<b>1899</b>	<b>1689</b>	<b>1349</b>
Primary grant rate	25.3%	25.3%	20.6%	16.8%	35.3%	30.0%	33.2%

Source: ICSE

**Table 7: Number of primary Protection visa grants by top 20 countries of citizenship<sup>10</sup>**

Citizenship	2010-11	2011-12	2011-12		2012-13		
			Mar Qtr	Jun Qtr	Sep Qtr	Dec Qtr	Mar Qtr
Iran	313	291	71	40	90	89	74
Pakistan	170	259	70	44	154	94	71
Iraq	97	128	16	26	50	69	50
China (PRC)	121	98	<5	9	37	17	26
Sri Lanka	97	89	24	7	18	17	22
Egypt	101	72	<5	23	70	42	49
Zimbabwe	120	60	<5	6	8	10	11
Afghanistan	53	42	15	6	8	30	14
Bahrain	<5	42	<5	<5	<5	0	<5
Papua New Guinea	20	40	5	5	17	<5	6
Turkey	32	40	13	5	9	9	8
Syria	<5	38	14	6	38	45	17
Fiji	23	30	7	5	12	5	<5
Stateless	14	25	7	10	16	<5	9
Eritrea	12	21	<5	<5	0	0	0
Myanmar	36	19	<5	<5	<5	<5	<5
Lebanon	25	18	<5	<5	11	<5	<5
Bangladesh	16	16	<5	<5	12	10	13
Libya	<5	13	<5	<5	64	17	26
Nepal	16	13	<5	<5	<5	0	<5
Other	118	113	27	16	46	40	46
<b>Total</b>	<b>1389</b>	<b>1467</b>	<b>292</b>	<b>215</b>	<b>671</b>	<b>507</b>	<b>448</b>

Source: ICSE

<sup>7</sup> The department has a policy of not publishing asylum figures (non-IMA) that total less than five. This is done to protect the privacy of applicants.

<sup>8</sup> A decision made at the end of initial processing by the departmental delegate.

<sup>9</sup> Primary Protection visa grant rates are an expression of visa grants at the initial processing stage as a percentage of all primary decisions (grants and refusals) made in a given period.

<sup>10</sup> Top 20 countries of citizenship are based on 2011-12 program year primary grants.



**Table 8: Primary Protection visa grant rates<sup>9</sup> by top 20 countries of citizenship<sup>10</sup>**

Citizenship	2010-11	2011-12	2011-12		2012-13		
			Mar Qtr	Jun Qtr	Sep Qtr	Dec Qtr	Mar Qtr
Iran	78.4%	70.1%	70.3%	62.5%	67.2%	71.8%	76.3%
Pakistan	54.0%	40.3%	33.8%	43.1%	75.5%	50.8%	45.2%
Iraq	66.9%	77.6%	64.0%	70.3%	83.3%	90.8%	74.6%
China (PRC)	10.6%	9.7%	1.8%	3.4%	11.5%	6.6%	12.4%
Sri Lanka	45.5%	52.4%	54.5%	25.0%	39.1%	45.9%	50.0%
Egypt	28.5%	23.4%	7.7%	21.5%	47.9%	75.0%	69.0%
Zimbabwe	50.4%	35.5%	12.5%	19.4%	28.6%	37.0%	37.9%
Afghanistan	67.9%	72.4%	68.2%	60.0%	72.7%	85.7%	87.5%
Bahrain	50.0%	82.4%	66.7%	0.0%	75.0%	0.0%	40.0%
Papua New Guinea	42.6%	60.6%	55.6%	100.0%	73.9%	33.3%	50.0%
Turkey	32.0%	37.0%	48.1%	27.8%	45.0%	36.0%	28.6%
Syria	18.8%	71.7%	77.8%	100.0%	92.7%	95.7%	94.4%
Fiji	5.8%	12.6%	9.3%	8.6%	16.0%	10.6%	3.3%
Stateless	43.8%	71.4%	87.5%	83.3%	72.7%	57.1%	81.8%
Eritrea	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	na	0.0%	na	na
Myanmar	61.0%	55.9%	57.1%	66.7%	100.0%	20.0%	50.0%
Lebanon	13.2%	14.2%	7.7%	3.7%	15.7%	3.8%	1.2%
Bangladesh	16.7%	19.3%	11.1%	9.7%	31.6%	19.2%	38.2%
Libya	0.0%	27.7%	na	0.0%	69.6%	43.6%	45.6%
Nepal	10.5%	5.2%	1.8%	2.6%	5.9%	0.0%	5.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>25.3%</b>	<b>25.3%</b>	<b>20.6%</b>	<b>16.8%</b>	<b>35.3%</b>	<b>30.0%</b>	<b>33.2%</b>

<sup>9</sup> Primary Protection visa grant rates are an expression of visa grants at the initial processing stage as a percentage of all primary decisions (grants and refusals) made in a given period.

<sup>10</sup> Top 20 countries of citizenship are based on 2011-12 program year primary grants.

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**Table 9: Number of final Protection visa decisions and finally determined grant rates<sup>11</sup> (primary and review processes completed)**

Decision	2010-11	2011-12	2011-12		2012-13		
			Mar Qtr	Jun Qtr	Sep Qtr	Dec Qtr	Mar Qtr
Grants	2101	2272	523	339	1073	730	657
Refusals	2739	2887	896	685	728	754	545
<b>Total</b>	<b>4840</b>	<b>5159</b>	<b>1419</b>	<b>1024</b>	<b>1801</b>	<b>1484</b>	<b>1202</b>
Final grant rate	43.4%	44.0%	36.9%	33.1%	59.6%	49.2%	54.7%

Source: ICSE

**Table 10: Number of final Protection visa grants by top 20 countries of citizenship<sup>12</sup> (primary and review processes completed)**

Citizenship	2010-11	2011-12	2011-12		2012-13		
			Mar Qtr	Jun Qtr	Sep Qtr	Dec Qtr	Mar Qtr
Iran	368	351	91	57	117	103	95
Pakistan	208	309	86	59	221	127	105
China (PRC)	315	264	48	25	88	70	51
Egypt	143	204	47	40	138	67	62
Iraq	114	146	20	27	65	77	55
Sri Lanka	118	125	33	15	28	29	34
Zimbabwe	172	101	20	11	24	15	23
Turkey	55	70	25	9	28	15	16
Fiji	88	68	19	8	32	22	14
Lebanon	64	54	10	9	19	5	<5
Afghanistan	59	48	15	8	9	33	15
Syria	5	46	16	8	44	46	18
Bahrain	<5	45	5	<5	<5	<5	<5
Papua New Guinea	22	41	5	5	19	10	10
India	22	34	<5	5	8	9	17
Bangladesh	30	30	<5	6	17	10	13
Myanmar	50	30	5	<5	11	<5	<5
Stateless	19	29	11	10	21	7	11
Nepal	32	27	9	<5	12	<5	5
Eritrea	12	21	<5	<5	0	0	0
Other	205	229	58	37	168	78	107
<b>Total ( All Citizenships)</b>	<b>2101</b>	<b>2272</b>	<b>523</b>	<b>339</b>	<b>1073</b>	<b>730</b>	<b>657</b>

Source: ICSE

<sup>7</sup> The department has a policy of not publishing asylum figures (non-IMA) that total less than five. This is done to protect the privacy of applicants.

<sup>11</sup> Finally determined grant rates are an expression of visa grants at the final processing stage as a percentage of all decisions (grants and refusals) made in a given period.

<sup>12</sup> Top 20 countries of citizenship are based on 2011-12 program year final grants.

**Table 11: Finally determined grant rates<sup>11</sup> by top 20 countries of citizenship<sup>12</sup> (primary and review processes completed)**

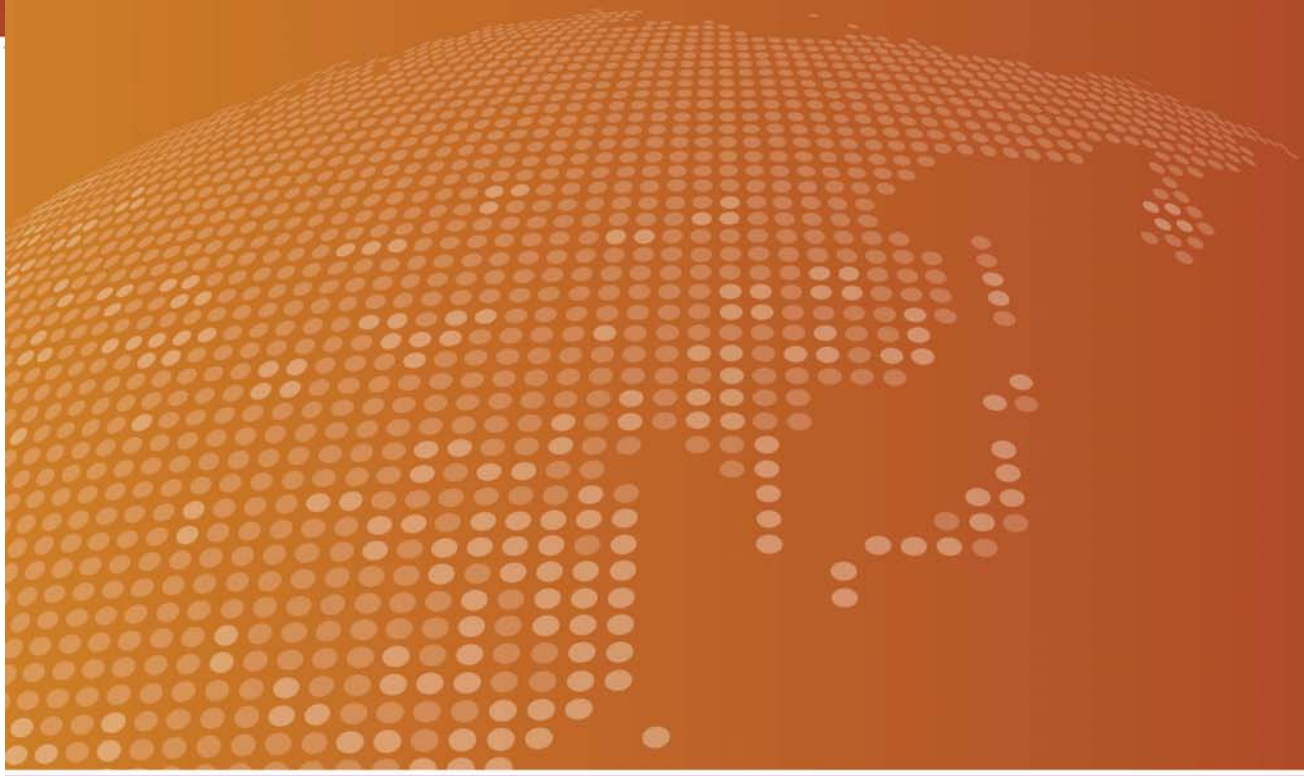
Citizenship	2010-11	2011-12	2011-12		2012-13		
			Mar Qtr	Jun Qtr	Sep Qtr	Dec Qtr	Mar Qtr
Iran	96.1%	94.1%	93.8%	93.4%	92.9%	93.6%	92.2%
Pakistan	80.3%	74.1%	71.7%	67.8%	87.4%	79.9%	78.4%
China (PRC)	29.8%	26.9%	18.9%	13.6%	31.0%	27.5%	28.8%
Egypt	66.5%	66.4%	58.0%	70.2%	83.6%	81.7%	87.3%
Iraq	95.0%	96.1%	90.9%	100.0%	92.9%	93.9%	91.7%
Sri Lanka	77.6%	64.4%	68.8%	46.9%	71.8%	64.4%	68.0%
Zimbabwe	76.8%	66.0%	43.5%	61.1%	88.9%	50.0%	74.2%
Turkey	80.9%	70.0%	61.0%	90.0%	77.8%	65.2%	76.2%
Fiji	18.3%	27.9%	35.2%	27.6%	49.2%	41.5%	25.5%
Lebanon	41.6%	43.2%	30.3%	36.0%	48.7%	19.2%	6.5%
Afghanistan	78.7%	92.3%	93.8%	80.0%	69.2%	97.1%	100.0%
Syria	35.7%	92.0%	94.1%	80.0%	95.7%	97.9%	100.0%
Bahrain	80.0%	97.8%	83.3%	na	100.0%	33.3%	66.7%
Papua New Guinea	62.9%	65.1%	50.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	66.7%
India	7.5%	6.8%	1.9%	3.1%	5.7%	5.7%	11.1%
Bangladesh	47.6%	29.4%	5.3%	42.9%	56.7%	50.0%	65.0%
Myanmar	87.7%	83.3%	62.5%	80.0%	100.0%	80.0%	100.0%
Stateless	76.0%	90.6%	91.7%	90.9%	95.5%	87.5%	91.7%
Nepal	31.4%	13.9%	13.6%	3.3%	15.8%	5.0%	33.3%
Eritrea	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	na	na	na	na
<b>Total</b>	<b>43.4%</b>	<b>44.0%</b>	<b>36.9%</b>	<b>33.1%</b>	<b>59.6%</b>	<b>49.2%</b>	<b>54.7%</b>

Tables 10 to 11 show the number of finalised cases during the period in absolute terms and as a percentage. Since the cohorts differ there is not an exact correspondence to the primary outcomes shown in tables 6 to 8.

<sup>11</sup> Finally determined grant rates are an expression of visa grants at the final processing stage as a percentage of all decisions (grants and refusals) made in a given period.

<sup>12</sup> Top 20 countries of citizenship are based on 2011-12 program year final grants.

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## Section 2

### Irregular maritime arrivals



## Irregular maritime arrivals (IMA)

Important Note: Please refer to "About these statistics" in the overview section of this publication.

**Table 12: Number of refugee status determinations commenced<sup>3</sup>**

Program Year	Quarter	Refugee status determinations commenced
<b>2010-11</b>		<b>5174</b>
<b>2011-12</b>		<b>7379</b>
	<i>Mar Qtr</i>	1629
	<i>Jun Qtr</i>	2857
<b>2012-13</b>		
	<i>Sep Qtr</i>	2513
	<i>Dec Qtr</i>	1622
	<i>Mar Qtr</i>	7464

Source: DIAC Systems

Table 12 shows the number of people screened into a refugee status determination process for irregular maritime arrivals.

**Table 13: Number of refugee status determinations commenced<sup>3</sup> by key countries of citizenship<sup>13</sup>**

Citizenship	2010-11	2011-12	2011-12		2012-13		
			Mar Qtr	Jun Qtr	Sep Qtr	Dec Qtr	Mar Qtr
Afghanistan	1621	3179	807	1248	512	373	1622
Iran	1563	1553	191	352	405	369	1897
Iraq	566	368	129	105	103	103	522
Pakistan	70	618	221	266	239	58	519
Sri Lanka	359	825	111	600	1058	565	1746
Stateless	854	576	78	223	116	76	769
Other	141	260	92	63	80	78	389
<b>Total</b>	<b>5174</b>	<b>7379</b>	<b>1629</b>	<b>2857</b>	<b>2513</b>	<b>1622</b>	<b>7464</b>

Source: DIAC Systems

Table 13 shows by key citizenships the number of people who entered either a statutory or a non-statutory assessment process.

<sup>3</sup> Refugee status determinations commenced is a count of IMAs who entered either a statutory or a non-statutory process.

<sup>13</sup> Key countries of citizenship are based on 2011-12 program year refugee status determinations commenced.

**Table 14: Number of primary Protection visa grants<sup>14</sup> to IMAs by key countries of citizenship<sup>15</sup>**

Citizenship	2010-11	2011-12	2011-12		2012-13		
			Mar Qtr	Jun Qtr	Sep Qtr	Dec Qtr	Mar Qtr
Afghanistan	865	955	179	283	1099	259	423
Iran	277	854	156	212	286	84	93
Iraq	190	203	28	40	95	18	36
Pakistan	9	73	22	21	213	51	92
Sri Lanka	233	192	26	29	24	21	91
Stateless	371	304	45	72	146	47	84
Other	56	140	30	31	47	6	17
<b>Total</b>	<b>2001</b>	<b>2721</b>	<b>486</b>	<b>688</b>	<b>1910</b>	<b>486</b>	<b>836</b>

Source: DIAC Systems

**Table 15: Number of primary refusals**

Citizenship	2010-11	2011-12	2011-12		2012-13		
			Mar Qtr	Jun Qtr	Sep Qtr	Dec Qtr	Mar Qtr
Afghanistan	1413	181	62	43	168	201	86
Iran	705	544	220	28	54	55	76
Iraq	279	65	24	13	25	19	4
Pakistan	30	34	13	9	45	46	21
Sri Lanka	263	83	33	6	122	244	242
Stateless	494	116	51	21	15	11	11
Other	33	81	21	2	4	5	5
<b>Total</b>	<b>3217</b>	<b>1104</b>	<b>424</b>	<b>122</b>	<b>433</b>	<b>581</b>	<b>445</b>

Source: DIAC Systems

**Table 16: Primary Protection visa grant rates<sup>16</sup> to IMAs**

Citizenship	2010-11	2011-12	2011-12		2012-13		
			Mar Qtr	Jun Qtr	Sep Qtr	Dec Qtr	Mar Qtr
Afghanistan	38.0%	84.1%	74.3%	86.8%	86.7%	56.3%	83.1%
Iran	28.2%	61.1%	41.5%	88.3%	84.1%	60.4%	55.0%
Iraq	40.5%	75.7%	53.8%	75.5%	79.2%	48.6%	90.0%
Pakistan	23.1%	68.2%	62.9%	70.0%	82.6%	52.6%	81.4%
Sri Lanka	47.0%	69.8%	44.1%	82.9%	16.4%	7.9%	27.3%
Stateless	42.9%	72.4%	46.9%	77.4%	90.7%	81.0%	88.4%
<b>Total</b>	<b>38.3%</b>	<b>71.1%</b>	<b>53.4%</b>	<b>84.9%</b>	<b>81.5%</b>	<b>45.5%</b>	<b>65.3%</b>

Tables 14 to 16 show primary Protection visa grants, refusals and visa grant rates for key countries of origin and in total. For the IMA caseload, the number of visa grants and the associated visa grant rates in the tables do not necessarily reflect underlying recognition rates. This is because of the uneven time profile of the caseload, including the passage of time following a finding that a person is a refugee while awaiting health, security or character checks.

<sup>14</sup> A primary Protection visa grant to an IMA is a Protection visa granted to an irregular maritime arrival following a positive refugee status determination made by a departmental delegate.

<sup>15</sup> Key countries of citizenship are based on 2011-12 program year Protection visa grants to IMAs.

<sup>16</sup> The percentage of IMAs who were found to be a refugee and granted a Protection visa expressed as a proportion of all primary decisions (grants and refusals) in a given period.

Table 17: Review outcomes by countries of citizenship

Citizenship	2010-11		2011-12		2011-12				2012-13					
					Mar Qtr		Jun Qtr		Sep Qtr		Dec Qtr		Mar Qtr	
	Refugees	Not refugees	Refugees	Not refugees	Refugees	Not refugees	Refugees	Not refugees	Refugees	Not refugees	Refugees	Not refugees	Refugees	Not refugees
Afghanistan	594	88	782	86	162	13	111	16	127	16	155	32	160	25
Iran	70	19	685	180	211	55	196	50	153	53	69	66	32	23
Iraq	69	23	172	56	50	10	28	17	23	16	31	17	15	6
Pakistan	10	2	18	7	5	4	7	2	14	2	46	6	45	11
Sri Lanka	62	27	199	45	48	14	49	19	24	13	46	31	42	47
Stateless	121	23	335	72	108	17	57	13	53	9	15	20	8	3
Other	3	8	33	28	7	6	13	14	14	21	7	13	1	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>929</b>	<b>190</b>	<b>2224</b>	<b>474</b>	<b>591</b>	<b>119</b>	<b>461</b>	<b>131</b>	<b>408</b>	<b>130</b>	<b>369</b>	<b>185</b>	<b>303</b>	<b>116</b>

Source: DIAC Systems

**Note:** The review outcomes reported here combine information available in DIAC systems on both non-statutory and statutory review processes and are based on counts of persons rather than cases. The methodologies employed are different from those used in official Refugee Review Tribunal statistics where cases are counted.

**Table 18: Overturn rate<sup>17</sup> by countries of citizenship**

Citizenship	2010-11	2011-12	2011-12		2012-13		
			Mar Qtr	Jun Qtr	Sep Qtr	Dec Qtr	Mar Qtr
Afghanistan	87.1%	90.1%	92.6%	87.4%	88.8%	82.9%	86.5%
Iran	78.7%	79.2%	79.3%	79.7%	74.3%	51.1%	58.2%
Iraq	75.0%	75.4%	83.3%	69.2%	59.0%	64.6%	71.4%
Pakistan	83.3%	72.0%	55.6%	77.8%	87.5%	88.5%	80.4%
Sri Lanka	69.7%	81.6%	77.4%	72.1%	64.9%	59.7%	47.2%
Stateless	84.0%	82.3%	86.4%	81.4%	85.5%	42.9%	72.7%
<b>Total</b>	<b>83.0%</b>	<b>82.4%</b>	<b>83.2%</b>	<b>77.9%</b>	<b>75.8%</b>	<b>66.6%</b>	<b>72.3%</b>

Source: DIAC Systems – see note under table 17.

**Table 19: Number of final Protection visa grants<sup>18</sup> to IMAs by key countries of citizenship<sup>19</sup> (primary and review processes completed)**

Citizenship	2010-11	2011-12	2011-12		2012-13		
			Mar Qtr	Jun Qtr	Sep Qtr	Dec Qtr	Mar Qtr
Afghanistan	1335	1972	247	451	1301	420	515
Iran	334	1272	264	354	570	206	147
Iraq	256	348	49	67	152	35	65
Pakistan	14	94	27	23	228	84	132
Sri Lanka	241	299	41	79	47	38	144
Stateless	479	624	86	160	255	72	96
Other	60	157	31	37	59	14	22
<b>Total</b>	<b>2719</b>	<b>4766</b>	<b>745</b>	<b>1171</b>	<b>2612</b>	<b>869</b>	<b>1121</b>

Source: DIAC Systems

**Table 20: Number of final refusals (primary and review processes completed)**

Citizenship	2010-11	2011-12	2011-12		2012-13		
			Mar Qtr	Jun Qtr	Jun Qtr	Sep Qtr	Sep Qtr
Afghanistan	88	86	13	16	16	32	25
Iran	19	180	55	50	53	66	23
Iraq	23	56	10	17	16	17	6
Pakistan	2	7	4	2	2	6	11
Sri Lanka	27	45	14	19	13	32	48
Stateless	23	72	17	13	9	20	3
Other	8	28	6	14	21	13	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>190</b>	<b>474</b>	<b>119</b>	<b>131</b>	<b>130</b>	<b>186</b>	<b>117</b>

Source: DIAC Systems

<sup>17</sup> The overturn rate is the number of final determinations to consider as refugees expressed as a percentage of the total number of review outcomes during the period.

<sup>18</sup> A final Protection visa grant to an IMA is a grant following a positive refugee status determination made by a departmental delegate or following merits review.

<sup>19</sup> Key countries of citizenship are based on 2011-12 program year Protection visa grants to IMAs.



**Table 21: Finally determined grant rates<sup>11</sup>**

Citizenship	2010-11	2011-12	2011-12		2012-13		
			Mar Qtr	Jun Qtr	Sep Qtr	Dec Qtr	Mar Qtr
Afghanistan	93.8%	95.8%	95.0%	96.6%	98.8%	92.9%	95.4%
Iran	94.6%	87.6%	82.8%	87.6%	91.9%	75.7%	86.5%
Iraq	91.8%	86.1%	83.1%	79.8%	90.5%	67.3%	91.5%
Pakistan	87.5%	93.1%	87.1%	92.0%	99.1%	93.3%	92.3%
Sri Lanka	89.9%	86.9%	74.5%	80.6%	78.3%	54.3%	75.0%
Stateless	95.4%	89.7%	83.5%	92.5%	96.6%	78.3%	97.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>93.5%</b>	<b>91.0%</b>	<b>86.2%</b>	<b>89.9%</b>	<b>95.4%</b>	<b>82.4%</b>	<b>90.5%</b>

Source: DIAC Systems

### Cohort of IMAs who arrived in 2009-10

Important Note: The following tables present information about outcomes for IMA cohorts by year of arrival rather than year of the particular events as in other tables in this publication.

Tables 22 to 24 show the outcomes as at end March 2013 for people who arrived in 2009-10, 2010-11 and 2011-12 respectively.

**Table 22: Status of IMAs who arrived in 2009-10 as at end March 2013**

Citizenship	Number of IMAs <sup>20</sup>	Primary grants	Primary refusals	Primary grant rate	Final grants	Final refusals	Finally determined grant rate <sup>11</sup>	% of IMAs finalised
Afghanistan	3002	1627	1362	54.4%	2849	153	94.9%	100.0%
Iran	346	158	183	46.3%	287	46	86.2%	96.2%
Iraq	362	181	178	50.4%	315	47	87.0%	100.0%
Pakistan	24	3	21	12.5%	19	4	82.6%	95.8%
Sri Lanka	842	527	289	64.6%	687	76	90.0%	90.6%
Stateless	535	292	255	53.4%	509	26	95.1%	100.0%
Other	253	110	50	68.8%	134	24	84.8%	62.5%
<b>Total</b>	<b>5364</b>	<b>2898</b>	<b>2338</b>	<b>55.3%</b>	<b>4800</b>	<b>376</b>	<b>92.7%</b>	<b>96.5%</b>

Source: DIAC Systems

<sup>11</sup> Finally determined grant rates are an expression of visa grants at the final processing stage as a percentage of all decisions (grants and refusals) made in a given period.

<sup>20</sup> Number of IMAs is based on people who arrived in the period and who entered a refugee status determination process.

## Cohort of IMAs who arrived in 2010-11

Table 23: Status of IMAs who arrived in 2010-11 as at end March 2013

Citizenship	Number of IMAs <sup>20</sup>	Primary grants	Primary refusals	Primary grant rate	Final grants	Final refusals	Finally determined grant rate	% of IMAs finalised
Afghanistan	1307	766	537	58.8%	1251	30	97.7%	98.0%
Iran	1637	764	864	46.9%	1369	185	88.1%	94.9%
Iraq	474	252	215	54.0%	406	49	89.2%	96.0%
Pakistan	67	38	29	56.7%	60	6	90.9%	98.5%
Sri Lanka	243	92	123	42.8%	137	26	84.0%	67.1%
Stateless	736	377	375	50.1%	653	61	91.5%	97.0%
Other	368	111	99	52.9%	142	47	75.1%	51.4%
<b>Total</b>	<b>4832</b>	<b>2400</b>	<b>2242</b>	<b>51.7%</b>	<b>4018</b>	<b>404</b>	<b>90.9%</b>	<b>91.5%</b>

Source: DIAC Systems

## Cohort of IMAs who arrived in 2011-12

Table 24: Status of IMAs who arrived in 2011-12 as at end March 2013

Citizenship	Number of IMAs <sup>20</sup>	Primary grants	Primary refusals	Primary grant rate	Final grants	Final refusals	Finally determined grant rate	% of IMAs finalised
Afghanistan	3363	2223	598	78.8%	2469	65	97.4%	75.3%
Iran	1401	711	441	61.7%	921	115	88.9%	73.9%
Iraq	360	193	89	68.4%	233	26	90.0%	71.9%
Pakistan	727	388	142	73.2%	456	19	96.0%	65.3%
Sri Lanka	1356	55	568	8.8%	61	78	43.9%	10.3%
Stateless	622	340	121	73.8%	413	20	95.4%	69.6%
Other	214	101	13	88.6%	107	4	96.4%	51.9%
<b>Total</b>	<b>8043</b>	<b>4011</b>	<b>1972</b>	<b>67.0%</b>	<b>4660</b>	<b>327</b>	<b>93.4%</b>	<b>62.0%</b>

Source: DIAC Systems

<sup>20</sup> Number of IMAs is based on people who arrived in the period and who entered a refugee status determination process.

## Glossary

### Asylum seeker

A person who has left their country of origin, has applied for recognition as a refugee or sought protection on Complementary Protection grounds and is awaiting a decision on their application.

### Citizenship

Citizenship is based on passports/travel documents at the time of application for protection. If the applicant has no travel documents, citizenship determination is based on information supplied in the application. A formal process is then undertaken to verify information supplied.

### Complementary Protection

Complementary protection is the term used to describe a category of protection for people who are not refugees but cannot be returned to their home country, in line with Australia's international obligations, because there is a real risk that the person will suffer certain types of harm.

### Departmental delegate

An employee of the Department of Immigration and Citizenship who is a delegate of the Minister for the purposes of the Migration Act 1958.

### Dependant

Member of the same family unit who is included in the application of the principal applicant.

### DIAC

The Department of Immigration and Citizenship.

### Final decision

A decision by a departmental delegate to grant a visa or refuse a claim for protection made at the end of primary processing where no review has been sought or after the conclusion of all review processes.

### Final grant

A Protection visa grant made after the conclusion of all review processes.

### Finally determined grant rate

Final grants expressed as a percentage of all final decisions (grants and refusals) made in a given period.

### IMA

Irregular Maritime Arrival.

### Lodgement

The receipt of a Protection visa application.

### Primary decision

A decision made at the end of initial processing by the departmental delegate to grant a visa or refuse a claim for protection.

### Primary grant

A visa granted by the departmental delegate at the primary stage of processing.

**Primary grant rate**

Primary grants expressed as a percentage of all primary decisions (grants and refusals) made in a given period.

**Principal applicant**

The main applicant for a Protection visa with specific asylum claims.

**Program Year**

The period from 1 July to 30 June in the following calendar year.

**Protection visa**

A visa issued to a non-citizen in Australia to whom the Minister is satisfied Australia has protection obligations under the Refugees Convention or otherwise owed protection, as defined in s36 of the Migration Act.

**Refugee**

A person who has been found to be a 'refugee' as defined in the Refugees Convention (i.e. a person who is unable to return to their home country owing to a well-founded fear of persecution for one of the Convention grounds).

**Refusal**

A decision that an applicant does not meet the legal criteria for the grant of a visa.

**Stateless**

A stateless person is an individual who self identifies as stateless, who lacks identity as a national of a state for the purpose of law and is not entitled to the rights, benefits, or protection ordinarily available to a country's nationals.

**Valid application**

A valid application is one that meets the validity criteria specified in the Migration Act and Regulations.