Number of valid citizenship by conferral applications (primary applicants only) lodged from 1 January 2014 to 31 December 2016, by select nationality, calendar year of lodgement and outcome (as at 21 June 2017)

Country of nationality	Year citizenship application lodged	No. of applications lodged	Application outcome				
			Approved (not yet acquired)*	Acquired Australian citizenship	Refused	Withdrawn	Awaiting decision
Afghanistan	2014	2,872	87	2,223	291	22	249
	2015	3,430	124	909	187	19	2,191
	2016	3,429	200	403	96	6	2,724
Iraq	2014	2,096	15	1,816	225	13	27
	2015	2,677	456	1,471	197	15	538
	2016	**	684	570	78	**	723
Kuwait	2014	**	0	11	**	0	0
	2015	29	**	5	**	0	17
	2016	16	**	7	**	0	5
Sierra Leone	2014	250	**	224	19	**	**
	2015	**	16	134	11	**	22
	2016	110	30	45	5	0	30
Sri Lanka	2014	3,087	13	2,945	99	14	16
	2015	3,482	84	3,186	61	12	139
	2016	**	663	2,955	56	**	435
Sudan	2014	**	**	531	83	7	5
	2015	**	38	438	78	**	39
	2016	**	112	212	37	**	135

Source: Department of Immigration and Border Protection - internal citizenship DB2 data source - data extracted 21 June 2017.

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<sup>\*</sup> indicates approval of a citizenship application and not acquisition of Australian citizenship (for most applicants, acquisition requires attendance at a citizenship ceremony).

<sup>\*\*</sup> values under 5 and associated totals are obscured in accordance with departmental data release protocols.