



Response to FA19/09/01780

The data Department has as of 30th September 2019 in regards with Citizenship applications by conferral:

1) Number of by conferral applications to be finalised, those were lodged between 1st January 2017 to 31st December 2017

As at 30 September 2019, there were 11,278 Australian citizenship by conferral applications on-hand to be finalised (includes primary and dependent applicants) that were lodged between 1 January 2017 and 31 December 2017

2) Number of by conferral applications to be finalised, those were lodged between 1st January 2018 to 31st December 2018

As at 30 September 2019, there were 52,347 Australian citizenship by conferral applications on-hand to be finalised (includes primary and dependent applicants) that were lodged between 1 January 2018 and 31 December 2018

3) How many applications lodged between 1st January 2017 to 31st December 2017 have been considered as complex application by the Department, and

Of the 11,278 Australian citizenship by conferral applications on-hand as at 30 September 2019 (includes primary and dependent applicants) that were lodged between 1 January 2017 to 31 December 2017, there were 4,407 applications the department considered as complex. It is important to understand that the amount of time and resources required to process complex applications is far greater than for those applications that are not complex.

4) How many applications lodged between 1st January 2018 to 31st December 2018 have been considered as complex application by the Department

Of the 52,347 Australian citizenship by conferral applications on-hand as at 30 September 2019 (includes primary and dependent applicants) that were lodged between 1 January 2018 to 31 December 2018, there were 3,841 applications the department considered as complex. Again, It is important to understand that the amount of time and resources required to process complex applications is far greater than for those applications that are not complex