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Immigration Integrity and Goods Statistics Section

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From the start of the financial year 2015 to 2019; How many people do not return after visiting Australia on a tourist visa? Country wise data of tourist visitors of Australia that haven't returned.

This information is not currently reported and would require an unreasonable and significant amount of resources to determine, as individual records would need to be interrogated to ascertain the current lawful status of a client.

What measures has the government taken regarding these illegal stays?

The ABF uses a risk based, tiered enforcement approach designed to ensure a high level of voluntary compliance from both individuals and organisations, while effectively managing those who do not comply with migration legislation.

Intelligence informed operations to locate, detain and remove non-citizens who pose a significant risk to the Australian community are given the highest priority.

How many people applied for refugee visa after arriving on a tourist visa?

Between 2009-10 and 2018-19, 78 885* individuals applied for a permanent Protection (subclass 866) visa, where their initial visa was a tourist visa.

* This is a count of applications made by individuals that were first granted a tourist visa.

- Data sourced from Public Information & Reporting

Where do we report such incidences of illegal stays?

A point-in-time estimate of unlawful non-citizens is reported at Senate Estimates.

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How many people have visited Australia on a visitor visa and not returned back from 2009 financial year to 2019 financial year?

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