



Freedom of Information Request FA 20/03/01544

On 25 March 2020, the Department received the following FOI request:

The purpose of this FOI is to gain the following information:

Within the 2018-19 financial year, how many refugees were resettled to Australia through the Humanitarian visa?

Within the 2019-20, how many refugees were resettled to Australia through the Humanitarian visa? Of those resettled, how many were situated in Lebanon? (they do not need to be of Lebanese origin).

Response:

In 2018–19, 17,112 visas were granted under the offshore component of the Humanitarian Program. Of these, 3365 were to applicants located in Lebanon at the time of visa grant.

In 2019–20 (as at 20 March 2020), 11,546 visas had been granted under the offshore component of the Humanitarian Program. Of these 2583 were granted to applicants located in Lebanon at the time of visa grant.

Data Notes:

1. This information is provided by the Department of Home Affairs and was extracted from departmental systems on the dates outlined below. As data has been drawn from a dynamic system environment, the information is correct at the time of publication and figures may differ slightly from previous or future reporting.
2. Data for 2018–19 was extracted from departmental systems on 06 July 2019.
3. Data for 2019–20 was extracted from departmental systems on 23 March 2020.
4. Visas counted include subclass 200 (Refugee), 201 (In–Country Special Humanitarian Program), 202 (Global Special Humanitarian Program), 203 (Emergency Rescue), 204 (Woman at Risk) and 866 (Permanent Protection).