Australian Government

Department of Home Affairs

Freedom of Information Request

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Number by people who have acquired Australian citizenship via conferral under the Statelessness provision (section 21(8) of the *Australian Citizenship Act 2007*) by financial year of acquisition and state of residence (1 July 2014 to 31 May 2020)						
Financial year	**State of residence**				**Total**	**Average processing time (days)**
	NSW	**QLD**	**VIC**	**Unknown**		
2014-15	0	0	0	0	0	n/a
2015-16	*	0	0	0	*	587
2016-17	*	0	*	*	*	562
2017-18	8	*	*	*	13	841
2018-19	9	0	7	0	16	803
2019-20 (to 31 May)	6	*	*	0	11	867
Total	**26**	**5**	**11**	*	**45**	**804**

* includes counts of children under 16 years of age who were included on a responsible parent's application form.

Note, where applicable, as per current privacy guidelines, the Department of Home Affair's policy is to mask numbers (*) which are less than five, and other numbers where required, to ensure masked numbers cannot be calculated from totals.

Data for the current financial year is drawn from a dynamic system environment and is correct at the time of publication but may differ slightly from previous or future reporting.

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Number of Unauthorised Maritime Arrivals (UMAs) who have acquired Australian citizenship via conferral under the Statelessness provision (section 21(8) of the *Australian Citizenship Act 2007*) by financial year of acquisition and state of residence (1 July 2014 to 31 May 2020)

Financial year	State of residence				Total	Average processing time (days)
	NSW	QLD	VIC	Unknown		
2014-15	0	0	0	0	0	n/a
2015-16	*	0	0	0	*	741
2016-17	*	0	*	*	*	562
2017-18	*	*	0	*	7	1182
2018-19	8	0	7	0	15	856
2019-20 (to 31 May)	6	*	*	0	9	1009
Total	**20**	*	**9**	*	**35**	**925**

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