



FOI Request – FA 20/07/0152

On 27 July 2020, the Department received the following FOI request:

1. *The number of, and statistics in relation to, applications which the Special Humanitarian Processing Centre (“SHPC”) from 1 April 2020 to 30 June 2020 inclusive -*
 - a. *Received;*
 - b. *Made a preliminary assessment of;*
 - c. *Deemed invalid;*
 - d. *Refused;*
 - e. *Transferred or referred to the relevant offshore processing post; or*
 - f. *Held at the SHPC pending communication for further transfers/referrals from the relevant offshore processing post as required in order for the post to deliver against its allocations.*
2. *The number under 1(e) above, by location of the relevant offshore processing post.*
3. *The number under 1(f) above, by location of the relevant offshore processing post.*
4. *The numbers under 1(a)-(f) above, by nationality of the primary applicant.*
5. *The number of, and statistics in relation to, Class XB visa grants by month from April 2019 to June 2020 inclusive, by nationality of the primary applicant.*

1. The number of, and statistics in relation to, applications which the Special Humanitarian Processing Centre (“SHPC”) from 1 April 2020 to 30 June 2020 inclusive

	Applications
a. Received	1,492
b. Made a preliminary assessment of	1,492
c. Deemed invalid	35
d. Refused	4,012
e. Transferred or referred to the relevant offshore processing post	<5
f. Held at the SHPC pending communication for further transfers/referrals from the relevant offshore processing post as required in order for the post to deliver against its allocations	3,633

2. The number under 1(e) above, by location of the relevant offshore processing post.

Beirut, Europe and Nairobi.

3. The number under 1(f) above, by location of the relevant offshore processing post.

Applications onhand at the Special Humanitarian Processing Centre as at 30 June 2020

'Transfer to' Post	Applications
Amman	1,096
Ankara	532
Bangkok	219
Beirut	473
Cairo	335
Dubai	252
Jakarta	30
Kuala Lumpur	85
Nairobi	469
New Delhi	128
Washington	14
Total	3,633

Notes:

1. 'Transfer to' Post identifies the Post responsible for further processing of an application based on the location of the applicant.
2. It is important to note that not all cases onhand will proceed to visa grant.

4. The numbers under 1(a)-(f) above, by nationality of the primary applicant.

a.

Lodgements at the Special Humanitarian Processing Centre, by Citizenship between 1 April and 30 June 2020

Citizenship	Applications
Iraq	658
Iran	246
Afghanistan	154
Syria	122
Myanmar	105
Ethiopia	71
Eritrea	42
Democratic Republic of the Congo	16
Congo	18
Burundi	10
Somalia	11
South Sudan	7
Pakistan	7
Sudan	<5
Palestinian Authority	6
Bhutan	<5
Lebanon	<5
Rwanda	<5
Stateless	<5
Turkey	<5
Vietnam	<5
Yemen	<5
Cambodia	<5
Cameroon	<5
El Salvador	<5
Total	1,492

b. **Made a preliminary assessment of at the Special Humanitarian Processing Centre, by Citizenship between 1 April and 30 June 2020**

As per 4a.

c. **Deemed invalid at the Special Humanitarian Processing Centre, by Citizenship between 1 April and 30 June 2020**

Citizenship	Applications
Afghanistan	<5
Burundi	<5
Cambodia	<5
Congo	<5
Eritrea	<5
Ethiopia	<5
Fiji	<5
Iran	5
Iraq	6
Lebanon	<5
Myanmar	<5
Pakistan	<5
Russia	<5
Rwanda	<5
South Sudan	<5
Syria	5
Thailand	<5
TOTAL	35

d.

**Refusals by the Special Humanitarian Processing Centre,
by Citizenship between 1 April and 30 June 2020**

Citizenship	Applications
Iraq	1,585
Iran	701
Myanmar	500
Syria	359
Ethiopia	307
Afghanistan	143
Democratic Republic of the Congo	85
Eritrea	164
Congo	26
Burundi	28
South Sudan	12
Somalia	14
Palestinian Authority	12
Bhutan	16
Stateless	11
Sudan	7
Pakistan	12
Rwanda	6
Lebanon	<5
South Africa	<5
Yemen	<5
India	<5
China	<5
Venezuela	<5
Vietnam	<5
Egypt	<5
Sierra Leone	<5
Libya	<5
Cambodia	<5
Cameroon	<5
Turkey	<5
Sri Lanka	<5
Total	4,012

5. The number of, and statistics in relation to, Class XB visa grants by month from April 2019 to June 2020 inclusive, by nationality of the primary applicant.

Visa grants to Offshore Humanitarian applicants, 01 April 2019 to 30 June 2020

Country of Origin	2018-19			2019-20											
	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	June
Afghanistan	213	197	200	22	62	26	72	79	59	66	113	103	0	9	8
Bhutan	31	122	0	0	<5	35	22	<5	0	6	0	7	0	0	0
Burundi	19	10	21	5	20	21	7	8	6	8	16	0	0	0	0
Central African Republic	0	0	0	12	40	21	41	52	58	73	36	0	0	0	0
Colombia	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Congo	0	0	<5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cuba	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Democratic Republic of the Congo	140	204	61	71	158	165	63	131	83	127	223	144	0	0	0
Egypt	<5	12	<5	0	0	0	5	27	12	<5	6	7	0	0	0
El Salvador	0	25	13	0	0	0	0	0	6	10	0	0	0	0	0
Eritrea	82	197	79	53	10	17	17	33	79	102	27	96	0	0	0
Ethiopia	112	160	65	27	74	19	16	64	26	31	38	65	0	0	0
Guatemala	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	5	<5	0	0	0	0
Honduras	0	12	9	0	0	0	0	0	11	7	0	0	0	0	<5
India	29	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Iran	28	66	39	48	33	112	23	9	9	22	44	17	0	0	0
Iraq	1,170	1,030	798	502	350	531	1,043	742	643	739	691	544	0	0	0
Jamaica	0	0	0	0	0	<5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Jordan	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<5	0	0	0	0
Kenya	<5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kuwait	<5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Laos	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<5	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lebanon	0	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Malawi	<5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Myanmar	183	305	135	100	149	71	47	100	74	94	73	88	0	0	0
Nepal	<5	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Pakistan	0	14	13	0	17	<5	19	<5	0	25	42	0	0	0	0
Palestinian Authority	0	0	<5	5	<5	0	7	43	<5	0	7	0	0	0	0
Rwanda	<5	0	0	11	<5	0	0	<5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Saudi Arabia	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sierra Leone	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<5	0	0	0	0
Somalia	0	0	<5	<5	6	0	<5	15	0	<5	<5	<5	0	0	0
South Sudan	0	0	<5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	0
Sri Lanka	0	0	0	0	<5	0	0	0	0	<5	0	0	0	0	0
Stateless	0	0	0	0	37	18	11	10	45	58	14	11	0	0	0
Sudan	<5	20	17	0	0	0	0	<5	0	<5	0	0	0	0	0
Syria	98	206	89	36	41	23	70	155	112	89	220	201	0	0	0
Tanzania	<5	0	<5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Thailand	<5	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tibet (so stated)	72	37	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Turkey	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<5	0	0	<5	0
Uganda	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	<5	0	0	0
Venezuela	0	0	24	12	<5	<5	<5	0	0	0	<5	5	0	0	0
Yemen	0	0	0	0	<5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	2,208	2,682	1,581	912	1,008	1,065	1,471	1,475	1,232	1,474	1,571	1,290	0	12	11

Notes:

1. Statistics up to 2018-19 are based on country of birth. From 2019-20 they are based on citizenship. The Country of Birth or Citizenship of the principal visa applicants is applied to secondary visa applicants.
2. Applications lodged in one program year may not be finalised in the same program year. Therefore, data relating to lodgements and finalisations (grants and refusals) in a program year cannot be directly compared.

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