



## Freedom of Information Request: FA 20/10/00633

Permanent settlers from the Offshore Humanitarian Programme (includes the Refugee and Humanitarian (Class XB) visas, subclass 200-204) with country of birth as Sri Lanka, with a date of arrival between 01/07/2010 and 30/06/2020, and are currently recorded as residing in Australia as of 04/10/2020.

Financial Year Arrival	Country of Birth	Visa subclass (200 – 204)
2010/11	SRI LANKA	284
2011/12	SRI LANKA	91
2012/13	SRI LANKA	41
2013/14	SRI LANKA	67
2014/15	SRI LANKA	20
2015/16	SRI LANKA	10
2016/17	SRI LANKA	n.p.
2019/20	SRI LANKA	n.p.
Grand Total		527

If there are no records found based on the report specifications, these have been omitted from the table since there are no settlers recorded against this location or within the reporting period. Hence 2017/18 and 2018/19 do not appear.

### Caveats

The data in the reports are sourced from the Settlement Database (SDB). There are limitations in the data capture and the actual data.

With regards to immigration data the Department's policy and current privacy guidelines is to mask numbers which are less than five as <5, or 'n.p.' (not provided) if numbers are too small to be provided noting we are reviewing the confidentiality method for the future.

### Data Capture

SDB collects data concerning settlers who have been granted a permanent (or provisional) visa.

SDB data is compiled from a number of sources including Department of Home Affairs, other Commonwealth agencies and service providers.

### Data Limitations

The Settlement Database has not been adjusted to reflect settlers who:

- are deceased.
- have permanently departed Australia.
- have had their visas cancelled.

The Settlement Database includes:

- some duplicate settler records.
- the number of settlers who are currently recorded as residing in a particular location. It cannot provide information on settlement patterns or trends.
- many data items that are not mandatory.
- only the settler's latest known residential (or intended residential) address. Address information is only updated if the Department is notified. Some settlers have no address details recorded.
- only the latest permanent (or provisional) visa for a settler.

The Settlement Database location data is based on the 2011 Australian Standard Geographic Classification (ASGC).

### Reporting Limitations

Reports including numbers of settlers in specified locations may be inaccurate due to limitations in address data.

Settlers with an existing permanent (or provisional) visa may appear in different reporting categories over time if they are granted a subsequent permanent (or provisional) visa.

Data suppression rules have been applied for client confidentiality.

Reports including 'not stated', 'invalid' or 'not recorded' labels indicate that the data is unavailable.

### Settlement Date

Settlement date uses a combination of either arrival date or grant date depending on where the settler was when their current SDB visa was granted.

If a settler was offshore when their current SDB visa was granted then arrival date is used. If a settler was onshore when their current SDB visa was granted then visa grant date is used.

### Report Usage

Please attribute Australian Government as the data source.