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Transfers to Australia for medical treatment or as accompanying family

Between 23 November 2012 and 22 October 2020, there were 1,629 people transferred from Papua New Guinea (PNG) and Nauru to Australia for medical treatment or as accompanying family. Of these, 277 were returned to PNG or Nauru.

Table 1: Transfers to Australia – by year

Year	Nauru	PNG	Total
2012	5	0	5
2013	49	43	92
2014	313	47	360
2015	216	29	245
2016	60	13	73
2017	28	9	37
2018	410	<10	<420
2019	136	203	339
2020	60	<5	<65
Total	1,277	352	1,629

Table 2: Returns to PNG and Nauru – by year

Year	Nauru	PNG	Total
2012	0	0	0
2013	<10	<5	<15
2014	60	16	76
2015	150	26	176
2016	6	0	6
2017	6	<5	<10
2018	<5	0	<5
2019	0	0	0
2020	0	0	0
Total	230	47	277

Notes	Note: information is based on departmental systems data as at 6am 23 October 2020. Note: excludes babies born onshore.
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