

Freedom of Information request: FA 21/08/00019

Question:

I would like to know the number of people who have performed their Australian citizenship pledge at an online ceremony i.e. have been allowed to attend an online citizenship ceremonies as opposed to an in person ceremony, in Sydney, by Sydney council area, by month, since the beginning of the pandemic (1 April 2020) up to 30 July 2021.

Caveats:

• This information is provided for the specific purpose of this request. Any other use of the information provided will require consideration and clearance by Data Division, and a separate request should be made to s. 22(1)(a)(ii)

• It is the responsibility of the area providing Department of Home Affairs information to external stakeholders to ensure that the disclosure is in accordance with the ABF Act, Australian Privacy Principles or other relevant legislation.

• Regarding Immigration data, the Department's current policy is to mask numbers which are less than five as <5, noting we are reviewing the confidentiality method for the future.

Number of people who attended online ceremonies held by the listed councils from 1 April 2020 to 31 August 2021												
	Blacktown City Council	Campbelltown City Council	Parramatta	City of Ryde Council	Juaneu	Lane Cove Municipal Council	Mosman Council	North Sydney Council	Randvick City Council	Waverley Council	Willoughby City Council	Total
MonthYear												
Apr-20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
May-20	0	0	0	-	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Jun-20		0	<5		0	0		0	0	0	0	6
Jul-20		112			0	0		0	0	0	0	184
Aug-20		44	31		<5	0		0	0	0	0	171
Sep-20		0	72		0	0		0	0	0	0	126
Oct-20		21			0	0		0	0	0	0	145
Nov-20				-	0	0		0	0	0	0	182
Dec-20		0	<5		<5	0	-	0	0	0	0	6
Jan-21	<5				0	0		0	0	0	0	47
Feb-21	<5		0	-	0	0		0	0	0	0	<5
Mar-21	0	<5	<5		0	0		0	0	0	<5	5
Apr-21	0	0	<5		<5	0	-	0	<5	0	0	5
May-21	0	0	0	-	0	<5		0	0	0	0	<5
Jun-21	0	0	0		<5	0	-	0	0	0	0	<5
Jul-21		0	0	-	0	0		136	0	0	0	136
Aug-21					149	0		73	0	0	U U	2040
Total	1268	785	189	448	157	<5	0	209	<5	0	<5	3060