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# Illegal Maritime Arrivals on Bridging Visa E

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## About this report

This report provides an overview of the number of Illegal Maritime Arrivals (IMAs) who have been granted a Bridging visa E (BVE) to allow them to remain lawfully in Australia while their immigration status is being resolved.

The data is sourced from several departmental processing and recording systems. All reasonable efforts have been made to ensure the accuracy of this information however, it is subject to change.

The report presents some basic statistics on IMAs who have been granted BVEs and were living in the community at the time of reporting.

The Department of Immigration and Border Protection has a policy of not publishing exact figures that total less than ten individuals. This is done to protect the privacy of individuals.

The next report is expected to be released in August 2016.

# Release of Illegal Maritime Arrivals on Bridging Visas E (BVE)

## Key Programme Concepts

Since 25 November 2011, successive Ministers have used their non-compellable, non-delegable intervention power under s195A of the *Migration Act 1958* to grant bridging visas to some Illegal Maritime Arrivals (IMAs).

For further information about the IMA BVE programme please see Fact sheet on [Onshore Processing of IMAs](#).

## Overall Programme Numbers and Current Location by State or Territory

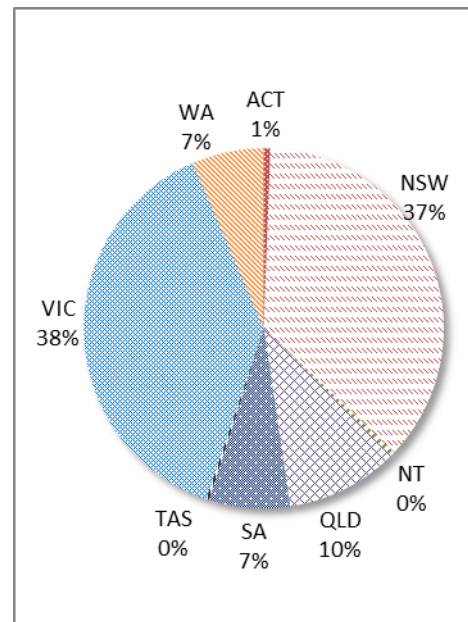
As at 31 March 2016, a total of 35,607 BVEs have been granted to IMAs. Of these, 28,621 remain in the community, (26,828 with a current BVE and 1793 awaiting grant of a further BVE). The remaining 6986 IMAs who were granted BVEs have either been granted a substantive visa, departed Australia, returned to immigration detention or are deceased.

BVE holders are free to choose where they live. The largest numbers of IMAs are in Victoria (VIC), followed by New South Wales (NSW), Queensland (QLD), South Australia (SA), Western Australia (WA), Australian Capital Territory (ACT), Northern Territory (NT), and Tasmania (TAS).

**Table 1: Current location of IMA BVE holders**

State	Number of IMA BVE holders
ACT	169
NSW	10,451
NT	124
QLD	2,900
SA	2,073
TAS	73
VIC	10,983
WA	1,848
<b>Total</b>	<b>28,621</b>

**Table 2: Pie chart showing the percentage of IMA BVE holders by state and territory.**



# Visa Holder Location by State or Territory

The following tables provide a breakdown by state and territory, then by gender, age group, citizenship and current location for IMA holders of bridging visas as at 31<sup>st</sup> of March 2016. People who arrived as IMAs and who hold a bridging visa are free to live wherever they choose in Australia.

## Australian Capital Territory

**Table 3: IMA BVE holders in ACT by suburb**

Suburb	Number of IMA BVE holders
Turner	13
Gungahlin	13
Ngunnawal	11
50 suburbs with less than 10 IMA BVE holders	132
<b>Total</b>	<b>169</b>

**Table 4: IMA BVE holders by gender in ACT**

Gender	Number of IMA BVE holders
Female	38
Male	131
<b>Total</b>	<b>169</b>

**Table 5: IMA BVE holders by age in ACT**

Age Range	Number of IMA BVE holders
0 to 4	<10
5 to 11	15
12 to 15	<10
16 to 17	<10
18 to 25	39
26 to 35	63
36 to 45	31
46+	<10
<b>Total</b>	<b>169</b>

**Table 6: Citizenship of IMA BVE holders in ACT**

<b>Citizenship</b>	<b>Number of IMA BVE holders</b>
Afghanistan	19
Bangladesh	<10
Egypt	<10
Eritrea	<10
Indonesia	<10
Iran	36
Iraq	13
Pakistan	<10
Palestinian Authority	<10
Somalia	<10
Sri Lanka	66
Stateless	<10
Vietnam	12
<b>Total</b>	<b>169</b>

## New South Wales

Table 7: IMA BVE holders by suburb in NSW

Suburb	Number of IMA BVE holders
Auburn	1,412
Merrylands	958
Lakemba	812
Guildford	424
Granville	372
Fairfield	302
Toongabbie	293
Liverpool	292
Pendle Hill	261
Parramatta	212
Wentworthville	186
Bankstown	183
Berala	176
Wiley Park	173
Punchbowl	170
Cabramatta	152
North Parramatta	145
Seven Hills	141
Lidcombe	135
Blacktown	130
Westmead	128
Girraween	103
Canley Vale	97

Suburb	Number of IMA BVE holders
Homebush	96
Homebush West	96
Rockdale	83
Carlingford	80
Carramar	74
Northmead	61
Warwick Farm	60
Chester Hill	59
Mount Druitt	57
Harris Park	56
Ryde	52
Griffith	51
Greystanes	48
Yagoona	44
Fairfield West	43
South Granville	42
South Wentworthville	42
Woolgoolga	42
Greenacre	41
Smithfield	41
Regents Park	40
Guildford West	38
Merrylands West	36
Old Guildford	35



Suburb	Number of IMA BVE holders
Dundas	34
West Ryde	33
Yennora	33
Campsie	30
Rosehill	29
Wagga Wagga	29
Silverwater	27
Belmore	26
Castle Hill	25
Telopea	25
Baulkham Hills	24
Koorringal	24
Mays Hill	24
Rydalmere	24
Doonside	23
Fairfield Heights	23
Morrisset	22
Sefton	22
Ashmont	21
Canley Heights	21
Eastwood	21
Fairfield East	21
Burwood	20
Cabramatta West	20
Constitution Hill	20

Suburb	Number of IMA BVE holders
Bass Hill	19
Casula	19
Epping	19
Hornsby	19
Lalor Park	19
Ermington	18
Villawood	18
Orange	17
Sadleir	17
Marrickville	16
Old Toongabbie	16
Bossley Park	15
Prospect	15
Quakers Hill	15
Ashcroft	14
Holroyd	14
Leeton	14
Scone	14
Strathfield	14
Ultimo	14
Gunnedah	13
Hebersham	13
Mount Pritchard	13
Narrandera	13
Kingswood	12

Suburb	Number of IMA BVE holders
Condell Park	11
Lurnea	11
Riverwood	11
South Tamworth	11
Woodpark	11
Ashfield	10
Chatswood	10
Dundas Valley	10
Marsfield	10
Meadowbank	10
Oatlands	10
Surry Hills	10
Sydney	10
271 suburbs with less than 10 IMA BVE holders	731
<b>Total</b>	<b>10,451</b>

**Table 8: IMA BVE holders by age range in NSW**

Age Range	Number of IMA BVE holders
0 to 4	411
5 to 11	402
12 to 15	167
16 to 17	72
18 to 25	2,100
26 to 35	4,806
36 to 45	1,863
46+	630
<b>Total</b>	<b>10,451</b>

**Table 9: IMA BVE holders by citizenship in NSW**

Citizenship	Number of IMA BVE holders
Afghanistan	1,338
Albania	<10
Algeria	<10
Bangladesh	424
Burma/Myanmar	118
Congo	<10
Cyprus	<10
Egypt	<10
Eritrea	<10
Ethiopia	<10
Gambia	<10
India	11
Indonesia	19
Iran	2,937
Iraq	962
Kuwait	<10
Lebanon	98
Malaysia	<10
Mali	<10
Moldova	<10
Mongolia	<10
Morocco	<10
Nepal	15
Pakistan	566

Citizenship	Number of IMA BVE holders
Palestinian Authority	151
Saudi Arabia	<10
Slovakia	<10
Somalia	52
Sri Lanka	2,240
Stateless	1,177
Sudan	174
Syria	49
Unknown	10
Vietnam	63
Yemen	<10
Not Recorded	<10
<b>Total</b>	<b>10,451</b>

**Table 10: IMA BVE holders by gender in NSW**

Gender	Number of IMA BVE holders
Female	1,451
Male	9,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>10,451</b>

## Northern Territory

Table 11: IMA BVE holders by suburb in NT

Suburb	Number of IMA BVE holders
Stuart Park	21
Coconut Grove	14
Ludmilla	11
30 suburbs with less than 10 IMA BVE holders	78
<b>Total</b>	<b>124</b>

Table 12: IMA BVE holders by gender in NT

Gender	Number of IMA BVE holders
Female	22
Male	102
<b>Total</b>	<b>124</b>

Table 13: IMA BVE holders by age in NT

Citizenship	Number IMA BVE holders
Afghanistan	<10
Bangladesh	<10
Indonesia	<10
Iran	14
Iraq	<10
Myanmar	<10
Palestinian Authority	<10

Citizenship	Number IMA BVE holders
Somalia	<10
Sri Lanka	41
Stateless	16
Sudan	<10
Vietnam	30
<b>Total</b>	<b>124</b>

Table 14: IMA BVE holders by age in NT

Age	Number of IMA BVE holders
0 to 4	<10
5 to 11	<10
12 to 15	<10
16 to 17	<10
18 to 25	35
26 to 35	51
36 to 45	22
46+	<10
<b>Total</b>	<b>124</b>

## Queensland

Table 15: IMA BVE holders by suburb in QLD

Suburb	Number IMA BVE holders
Woodridge	422
Inala	213
Logan Central	177
Gatton	90
Moorooka	86
Annerley	73
Kingston	58
Biloela	56
Koongal	52
Slacks Creek	49
Zillmere	44
Darra	43
Coorparoo	40
Sunnybank Hills	39
Toowoomba	39
Acacia Ridge	38
Nundah	35
Clayfield	34
Forest Lake	34
Sunnybank	34
Runcorn	32
Berserker	31
Chermside	31

Suburb	Number IMA BVE holders
Greenslopes	29
Southport	27
Goodna	24
Kedron	22
Marsden	22
Coopers Plains	20
Salisbury	20
Darling Heights	19
Mount Gravatt	19
Woolloongabba	18
Kilcoy	17
Yeronga	17
Fairfield	16
Kearneys Spring	16
Surfers Paradise	15
Tarragindi	15
Wavell Heights	15
Churchill	14
Durack	14
Lakes Creek	14
Allenstown	13
Aspley	13
Banyo	13
Doolandella	13
Kuraby	13

Suburb	Number IMA BVE holders
Northgate	13
Everton Park	12
Mount Gravatt East	12
Rocklea	12
Upper Mount Gravatt	12
Bellbird Park	11
Holland Park	11
Archerfield	10
Biggera Waters	10
Eagleby	10
Labrador	10
Macgregor	10
Park Avenue	10
Redbank Plains	10
Richlands	10
Toowong	10
171 suburbs with less than 10 IMA BVE holders	539
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,900</b>

Table 16: IMA BVE holders by gender in QLD

Gender	Number of IMA BVE holders
Female	695
Male	2,205
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,900</b>

Table 17: IMA BVE holders by age range in QLD

Age Range	Number IMA BVE holders
0 to 4	232
5 to 11	235
12 to 15	80
16 to 17	38
18 to 25	498
26 to 35	1,160
36 to 45	497
46+	160
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,900</b>

**Table 18: IMA BVE holders by citizenship in QLD**

Citizenship	Number IMA BVE holders
Afghanistan	307
Bangladesh	106
Burma/Myanmar	32
China	<10
Cyprus	<10
Eritrea	<10
Ethiopia	<10
India	19
Indonesia	23
Iran	814
Iraq	123
Kenya	<10
Kyrgyzstan	<10
Lebanon	<10
Nepal	<10
Pakistan	108
Palestinian Authority	<10
Papua New Guinea	<10
Somalia	63
Sri Lanka	651
Stateless	380
Sudan	106
Syria	<10

Citizenship	Number IMA BVE holders
Tibet	<10
Ukraine	<10
Unknown	<10
Vietnam	137
Not Recorded	<10
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,900</b>

## South Australia

Table 19: IMA BVE holders by suburb in SA

Suburb	Number of IMA BVE holders
Kilburn	187
Blair Athol	186
Parafield Gardens	74
Enfield	70
Prospect	65
Davoren Park	61
Salisbury	58
Bordertown	56
Naracoorte	54
Ingle Farm	40
Elizabeth North	33
Clearview	31
Paralowie	28
Paradise	27
Pooraka	27
Salisbury North	27
Seacombe Gardens	24
Croydon Park	23
Campbelltown	21
Findon	21
Para Hills	21
Renmark	20

Suburb	Number of IMA BVE holders
Elizabeth South	19
Murray Bridge	19
Northfield	19
Broadview	18
Kilkenny	18
Salisbury East	18
Oaklands Park	17
Gilles Plains	16
Holden Hill	15
Athol Park	14
Mawson Lakes	14
Sturt	14
Torrensville	14
Adelaide	13
Elizabeth East	13
Ottoway	13
Para Hills West	13
Woodville Gardens	13
Elizabeth Downs	11
Glenelg North	11
Klemzig	11
Brooklyn Park	10
Fulham Gardens	10
Glenside	10



Suburb	Number of IMA BVE holders
Hectorville	10
West Croydon	10
Windsor Gardens	10
Woodville South	10
156 suburbs with less than 10 IMA BVE holders	527
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,073</b>

Table 20: IMA BVE holders by age range in SA

Age Range	Number of IMA BVE holders
0 to 4	113
5 to 11	133
12 to 15	49
16 to 17	25
18 to 25	319
26 to 35	761
36 to 45	468
46+	205
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,073</b>

Table 21: IMA BVE holders by gender in SA

Gender	Number of IMA BVE holders
Female	390
Male	1,683
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,073</b>

Table 22: IMA BVE holders by Citizenship in SA

Citizenship	Number of IMA BVE holders
Afghanistan	568
Albania	<10
Bangladesh	19
Burma/Myanmar	<10
Congo	<10
Eritrea	<10
Ethiopia	<10
Indonesia	<10
Iran	586
Iraq	49
Nepal	<10
Pakistan	165
Somalia	28
Sri Lanka	431
Stateless	107
Sudan	34
Syria	<10
United Arab Emirates	<10
Unknown	<10
Vietnam	59
Not Recorded	<10
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,073</b>

## Tasmania

Table 23: IMA BVE holders by suburb in TAS

Suburb	Number of IMA BVE holders
New Town	23
24 suburbs with less than 10 IMA BVE holders	50
<b>Total</b>	<b>73</b>

Table 24: IMA BVE holders by gender in TAS

Gender	Number of IMA BVE holders
Female	<10
Male	64
<b>Total</b>	<b>73</b>

Table 25: IMA BVE holders by age range in TAS

Age Range	Number of IMA BVE holders
0 to 4	<10
5 to 11	<10
12 to 15	<10
16 to 17	<10
18 to 25	20
26 to 35	30
36 to 45	10
46+	<10
<b>Total</b>	<b>73</b>

Table 26: IMA BVE holders by citizenship in TAS

Citizenship	Number of IMA BVE holders
Afghanistan	16
Bangladesh	<10
Iran	30
Iraq	<10
Kuwait	<10
Pakistan	<10
Somalia	<10
Sri Lanka	13
Stateless	<10
Unknown	<10
Vietnam	<10
<b>Total</b>	<b>73</b>

## Victoria

Table 27: IMA BVE holders by suburb in VIC

Suburb	Number of IMA BVE holders
Dandenong	1,486
Springvale	639
St Albans	496
Doveton	424
Noble Park	407
Lalor	374
Sunshine	341
Dandenong North	306
Broadmeadows	285
Sunshine West	279
Thomastown	269
Epping	251
Albion	236
Sunshine North	231
Reservoir	210
Glenroy	209
Werribee	169
Shepparton	163
Mill Park	144
Dandenong South	136
Hampton Park	129
Braybrook	119
Avondale Heights	114

Suburb	Number of IMA BVE holders
Hoppers Crossing	113
Dallas	109
Footscray	100
Hallam	97
Endeavour Hills	91
Narre Warren	84
Meadow Heights	73
Preston	72
Craigieburn	69
Mildura	60
Corio	59
South Morang	56
Altona Meadows	55
Narre Warren South	55
Deer Park	50
Ardeer	49
Keilor East	48
Roxburgh Park	45
West Footscray	44
Altona North	43
Bundoora	40
Keysborough	39
Norlane	39
Brunswick	38

Suburb	Number of IMA BVE holders
Fawkner	38
Jacana	37
Swan Hill	37
Coburg	34
Oak Park	31
Doncaster	30
Clayton	29
Cairnlea	28
Cranbourne North	28
Pascoe Vale	28
Tarneit	28
Clayton South	27
Essendon	27
Point Cook	27
Templestowe Lower	27
Coburg North	26
Campbellfield	25
Heidelberg West	25
Kings Park	25
Springvale South	25
Doncaster East	24
Ringwood	24
Robinvale	24
Laverton	23

Suburb	Number of IMA BVE holders
Albanvale	22
Colac	22
Eumemmerring	22
Cranbourne	20
Hadfield	20
Geelong West	19
Maidstone	19
Keilor Downs	18
Mernda	18
Caroline Springs	17
Noble Park North	16
Rowville	16
Sale	16
Westmeadows	16
Wyndham Vale	16
Box Hill	15
Highton	15
North Melbourne	14
Belmont	13
Boronia	13
Brunswick West	13
Bulleen	13
Donvale	13
Glen Waverley	13
Maribyrnong	13

Suburb	Number of IMA BVE holders
Richmond	13
Wollert	13
Coolaroo	12
Cranbourne West	12
Delahey	12
Grovedale	12
Hamlyn Heights	12
Heidelberg Heights	12
Lynbrook	12
Malvern East	12
Templestowe	12
Balwyn	11
Bell Park	11
Blackburn	11
Box Hill North	11
Brooklyn	11
Melbourne	11
Nunawading	11
Thornbury	11
Airport West	10
Blackburn North	10
Burwood	10
Castlemaine	10
Newport	10

Suburb	Number of IMA BVE holders
St Kilda	10
217 suburbs with less than 10 IMA BVE holders	667
<b>Total</b>	<b>10,983</b>

Table 28: IMA BVE holders by gender in VIC

Gender	Number of IMA BVE holders
Female	2,416
Male	8,567
<b>Total</b>	<b>10,983</b>

Table 29: IMA BVE holders by citizenship in VIC

Citizenship	Number of IMA BVE holders
Afghanistan	1,826
Albania	<10
Algeria	<10
Bangladesh	79
Belarus	<10
Burma/Myanmar	168
Djibouti	<10
Egypt	<10
Eritrea	<10
Estonia	<10
Ethiopia	<10

Citizenship	Number of IMA BVE holders
India	23
Indonesia	21
Iran	3,433
Iraq	281
Kuwait	<10
Lebanon	112
Malaysia	<10
Nepal	<10
Pakistan	1,050
Palestinian Authority	26
Philippines	<10
Somalia	105
Sri Lanka	2,380
Stateless	1,121
Sudan	87
Syria	25
Turkey	<10
Ukraine	<10
Unknown	19
Vietnam	174
Yemen	<10
Not Recorded	<10
<b>Total</b>	<b>10,983</b>

Table 30: IMA BVE holders by age range in VIC

Age Range	Number of IMA BVE holders
0 to 4	703
5 to 11	772
12 to 15	268
16 to 17	133
18 to 25	2,231
26 to 35	4,258
36 to 45	1,862
46+	756
<b>Total</b>	<b>10,983</b>

## Western Australia

Table 31: IMA BVE holders by suburb in WA

Suburb	Number of IMA BVE holders
Alexander Heights	23
Balga	102
Ballajura	41
Beckenham	31
Beechboro	34
Belmont	21
Bentley	52
Canning Vale	13
Cannington	28
Carlisle	16
Cloverdale	51
Dianella	51
East Victoria Park	16
Girrawheen	80
Gosnells	154
Katanning	22
Kenwick	28
Kewdale	47
Koondoola	45
Langford	64
Maddington	97
Marangaroo	19
Maylands	16

Suburb	Number of IMA BVE holders
Mirrabooka	83
Morley	47
Mount Barker	11
Nollamara	38
Noranda	16
Osborne Park	14
Queens Park	17
Redcliffe	10
Rivervale	28
Seville Grove	15
St James	10
Thornlie	62
Tuart Hill	10
Victoria Park	17
Westminster	37
Wilson	16
Yokine	24
115 suburbs with less than 10 IMA BVE holders	342
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,848</b>

Table 32: IMA BVE holders by gender in WA

Gender	Number of IMA BVE holders
Female	235
Male	1,613
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,848</b>

Table 33: IMA BVE holders by citizenship in WA

Citizenship	Number of IMA BVE holders
Afghanistan	661
Bangladesh	<10
Burma/Myanmar	<10
Eritrea	<10
Ethiopia	<10
Indonesia	<10
Iran	322
Iraq	58
Pakistan	115
Palestinian Authority	32
Somalia	12
Sri Lanka	375
Stateless	59
Sudan	21
Syria	<10
Unknown	<10
Vietnam	164

Citizenship	Number of IMA BVE holders
Yemen	<10
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,848</b>

Table 34: IMA BVE holders by age range in WA

Age Range	Number of IMA BVE holders
0 to 4	67
5 to 11	54
12 to 15	29
16 to 17	13
18 to 25	426
26 to 35	769
36 to 45	344
46+	146
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,848</b>