



Monthly Update: Onshore Protection (Subclass 866) Visa Processing - April 2026

This report covers the period 1 April 2026 to 30 April 2026.

(a)	the total number of protection visa lodgements made onshore during the period;	1,650
(b)	the total number of protection visa lodgements made onshore at airports, by airport and state, during the period;	0
(c)	the total number of individuals, by country of origin, that made a lodgement for a protection visa onshore during the period;	
	China (exc. SAR)	217
	India	190
	Fiji	95
	Indonesia	90
	Pakistan	87
	Vietnam	84
	Philippines	82
	Iran	60
	Nepal	51
	Malaysia	47
	Bangladesh	45
	Kenya	35
	United Kingdom	29
	Papua New Guinea	28
	Tonga	27
	Taiwan	26
	Sri Lanka	25
	Timor-Leste	24
	Nigeria	23
	Vanuatu	23
	Other	362

(d)	the total number of individuals, by age and gender, that made a lodgement for a protection visa onshore during the period;		
Age Group	F	M	U*
0 - 14	87	91	0
15 - 24	63	120	0
25 - 34	180	334	0
35 - 44	162	244	0
45 - 54	96	121	0
55 - 64	61	45	0
65 - 74	22	10	0
75 and over	9	5	0
* indeterminate / intersex / unspecified			

(e)	the total number of refugee status determinations made during the period;	2,285
(f)	the total number of individuals granted a Final Protection Visa during the period;	383
(g)	the total number of individuals, by country of origin, granted a Final Protection Visa during the period, and the grant rate;	
Pakistan	60	47.24%
Myanmar	52	100.00%
Malaysia	42	44.21%
China (exc. SAR)	34	12.32%
Sri Lanka	17	14.91%
India	12	04.84%
Papua New Guinea	12	57.14%
Fiji	11	08.09%
Bangladesh	10	15.63%
Indonesia	10	08.40%
Syria	9	100.00%
Afghanistan	8	100.00%
Lebanon	8	47.06%
Cameroon	7	100.00%
Israel	7	100.00%
Colombia	6	05.56%
Hong Kong Sar	6	28.57%
Iran	6	100.00%
Philippines	5	08.62%
Saudi Arabia	5	100.00%
Thailand	5	21.74%
Vietnam	5	06.25%
Other	46	-
Total	383	16.76%

(h)	the total number of individuals, by age and gender, granted a Final Protection Visa during the period, and the grant rate;			
Age Group	F	M	U*	Grant Rate
0 - 14	30	33	0	25.30%
15 - 24	22	22	0	19.82%
25 - 34	43	54	0	14.46%
35 - 44	39	39	0	14.21%
45 - 54	21	27	0	13.64%
55 - 64	17	18	0	19.89%
65 - 74	9	6	0	33.33%
75 and over	<5	<5	0	14.29%
* indeterminate / intersex / unspecified				

(i)	the total number of individuals that were not granted a Final Protection Visa during the period, and the grant rate;	1,902	16.76%
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(j)	the total number of individuals, by country of origin, that were not granted a Final Protection Visa during the period, and the grant rate;	
Country of origin	Not granted a Final Protection Visa during the period	Grant rate
China (exc. SAR)	242	12.32%
India	236	04.84%
Fiji	125	08.09%
Indonesia	109	08.40%
Colombia	102	05.56%
Sri Lanka	97	14.91%
South Africa	75	05.06%
Vietnam	75	06.25%
Pakistan	67	47.24%
Brazil	65	00.00%
Timor-leste	60	00.00%
Bangladesh	54	15.63%
Malaysia	53	44.21%
Philippines	53	08.62%
Kenya	50	07.41%
Nepal	50	00.00%
Tonga	45	00.00%
Mongolia	43	04.44%
Brunei	34	00.00%
Vanuatu	33	05.71%
Other	234	-
Total	1,902	16.76%

(k)	the total number of individuals, by age and gender, that were not granted a Final Protection Visa during the period, and the grant rate;			
Age Group	F	M	U*	Grant Rate
0 - 14	93	93	0	25.30%
15 - 24	61	117	0	19.82%
25 - 34	189	385	0	14.46%
35 - 44	180	291	0	14.21%
45 - 54	141	163	0	13.64%
55 - 64	66	75	0	19.89%
65 - 74	19	11	0	33.33%
75 and over	12	6	0	14.29%
* indeterminate / intersex / unspecified				

(l)	the total number of individuals that were not granted a Final Protection Visa that were deported during the period, and the deportation rate;	12	00.01%
		Involuntary	Voluntary
		<5	<10

(m)	the total number of refugee status determinations awaiting a decision at the end of the period;	23,928
(n)	the total number of individuals that were not granted a Final Protection Visa that have yet to be deported at the end of the period.	107,077

Explanatory Notes

This report is produced in accordance with the Senate Order for the Production of Documents – Airplane People (Your Right to Know). The report relates to clients who are applicants of a subclass 866 Protection visa and does not include applicants for temporary protection or safe haven enterprise visas.

Lodgements has been interpreted as all lodgements in the previous month regardless of whether a lodgement is later found to be invalid, or withdrawn. Should a person lodge multiple applications over a period, they will be counted twice as reporting is event based.

Refugee status determinations has been interpreted as all departmental subclass 866 visa decisions made either before or after merits review.

The total number of refugee status determinations awaiting a decision at the end of the period has been interpreted to include any application that has not been finalised, invalidated, withdrawn, refused or granted since lodgement.

Grant of a final protection visa has been interpreted as grant of a protection visa either at primary stage or following remittal from merits review or judicial review.

Deported has been interpreted as removals under the Migration Act 1958.

The total number of individuals that were not granted a Final Protection Visa that have yet to be deported at the end of the period includes all people who have applied for a protection visa in Australia since 1994 who, at the end of the period, were in Australia and had: not been granted a protection visa, not been removed under the Migration Act, and were either an unlawful non-citizen or held a bridging visa. The figure includes persons who were seeking merits review of their protection visa refusal at the Administrative Review Tribunal or were seeking judicial review.

Where citizenship or age is reported as not recorded, this reflects that data is not yet recorded in departmental systems in a reportable field. This could include circumstances where detail on the application is incomplete.