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About this report

This quarterly report provides an overview of the number of Unauthorised Maritime Arrivals (UMAs) who have been granted a Bridging E visa (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 revision.

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

To protect the privacy of individuals within this report, figures which total less than ten are not published.

Release of UMAs on Bridging E visa (BVE)

Key program concepts

A Bridging E (subclass 050) visa (BVE) is a short-term bridging visa that allows eligible individuals to stay in Australia lawfully while they progress to a status resolution outcome. A BVE may be granted while the non-citizen:

- has a substantive visa application with the Department
- seeks merits or judicial review of a visa refusal or cancellation decision
- makes arrangements for their departure from Australia
- seeks Ministerial Intervention to substitute a decision of a review tribunal.

For further information about the BVE program, please see the Home Affairs visa listing webpage on [Bridging Visa E \(BVE\)](#).

Overall program numbers and current location by State and Territory

Between 25 November 2011 and 30 June 2025, 38,048 UMAs were granted BVEs. Of these, 8,521 remain in the community (6,999 with a current BVE and 1,522 unlawful non-citizens). The remaining 29,527 UMAs, who were granted BVEs, have either been granted a substantive visa, departed Australia, returned to immigration detention, or are deceased.

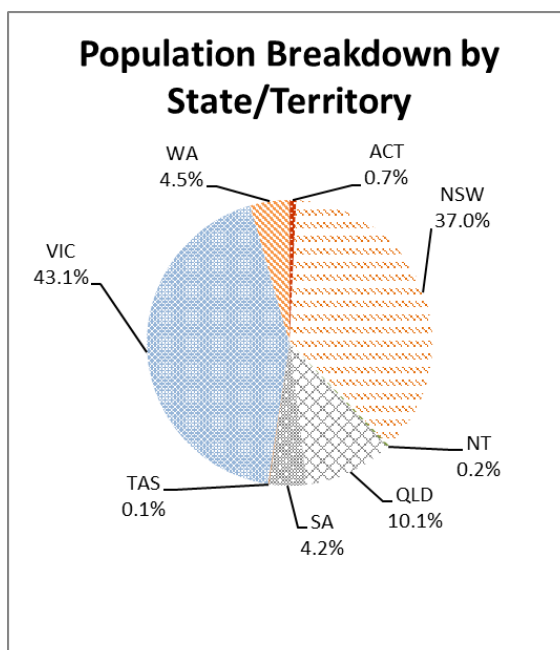
BVE holders are free to choose where they live. Table 1 (below) shows the current location of UMA BVE holders by state and territory as at 30 June 2025. The total number of UMA BVE holders in the community as at that date was 8,521, down by 461 from 8,982 as at 31 March 2025 and down by 1,060 from 9,581 as at 30 June 2024.

Table 1: Current location of UMA BVE holders at 30 June 2025

State and Territory	Number of UMA BVE holders
VIC	3,673 ↓
NSW	3,156 ↓
QLD	858 ↓
WA	381 ↓
SA	361 ↓
ACT	63 ↓
NT	<25 ↑
TAS	<10 ↓
TOTAL	8,521 ↓

Note: Arrows show direction of change from previous quarter.

Chart 1: Percentage of UMA BVE holders by state and territory at 30 June 2025



Visa holder location by State and Territory

The following tables provide a breakdown of UMA BVE holders as at 30 June 2025, split by current location, age group, citizenship and gender for each Australian state and territory.

New South Wales

Table 2: UMA BVE holders by postcode in NSW

Postcode	Number of UMA BVE holders
2145	451
2195	238
2144	220
2146	190
2160	158
2161	125
2147	120
2170	93
2142	91
2165	88
2166	72
2141	71
2148	71
2200	64
2150	54
2196	53
2216	49
2140	44
2770	38
2164	37
2190	35
2151	30
2163	30
2168	25
2162	24
2199	22
2154	21
2112	19

Postcode	Number of UMA BVE holders
2155	19
2118	18
2001	17
2153	15
2650	14
2127	13
2152	13
2114	12
2117	12
2143	12
2192	12
2768	12
2138	10
2761	10
2767	10
164 postcodes with less than 10 UMA BVE holders	424
Total	3,156

Table 3: UMA BVE holders by age group in NSW

Age Range	Number of UMA BVE holders
0 to 4	19
5 to 11	90
12 to 15	39
16 to 17	28
18 to 25	101
26 to 35	746
36 to 45	1,494
46+	639
Total	3,156

Table 5: UMA BVE holders by gender in NSW

Gender	Number of UMA BVE holders
Female	359
Male	2,797
Total	3,156

Table 4: UMA BVE holders by citizenship in NSW

Citizenship	Number of UMA BVE holders
Afghanistan	115
Bangladesh	395
Iran	681
Iraq	250
Lebanon	80
Nepal	13
Pakistan	173
Somalia	22
Sri Lanka	1,033
Stateless	266
Sudan	12
Syria	11
Vietnam	46
Not Recorded	12
17 citizenships with less than 10 UMA BVE holders	47
Total	3,156

Victoria

Table 6: UMA BVE holders by postcode in VIC

Postcode	Number of UMA BVE holders
3175	388
3020	307
3021	305
3029	134
3076	124
3023	109
3177	104
3047	99
3174	88
3064	85
3075	71
3074	70
3046	67
3171	65
3750	63
3030	62
3977	54
3073	53
3082	49
3976	49
3011	34
3752	34
3802	32
3805	32
3048	31
3060	31
3214	30
3019	29
3083	29
3754	28
3803	28
3037	27

Postcode	Number of UMA BVE holders
3150	25
3108	24
3109	24
3026	23
3012	22
3216	21
3630	21
3056	20
3022	19
3032	19
3336	19
3335	18
3978	18
3072	16
3338	16
3044	15
3059	15
3806	14
3038	13
3061	13
3173	13
3810	13
3024	12
3058	12
3128	12
3172	12
3337	12
3040	11
3081	11
3152	11
3170	11
3500	11
3034	10
3182	10
144 postcodes with less than 10 UMA BVE holders	426

Postcode	Number of UMA BVE holders
Total	3,673

Table 7: UMA BVE holders by age group in VIC

Age Range	Number of UMA BVE holders
0 to 4	<10
5 to 11	129
12 to 15	120
16 to 17	<60
18 to 25	204
26 to 35	912
36 to 45	1,493
46+	751
Total	3,673

Table 8: UMA BVE holders by citizenship in VIC

Citizenship	Number of UMA BVE holders
Afghanistan	148
Bangladesh	62
India	24
Iran	1,060
Iraq	116
Lebanon	87
Myanmar	40
Nepal	12
Pakistan	470
Sri Lanka	1,143
Stateless	359
Sudan	10
Vietnam	105
Not Recorded	14
13 citizenships with less than 10 UMA BVE holders	23
Total	3,673

Table 9: UMA BVE holders by gender in VIC

Gender	Number of UMA BVE holders
Female	669
Male	3,004
Total	3,673

Queensland

Table 10: UMA BVE holders by postcode in QLD

Postcode	Number of UMA BVE holders
4077	101
4114	94
4109	39
4132	33
4076	28
4343	25
4127	23
4110	21
4102	19
4133	15
4300	15
4122	14
4065	13
4701	13
4078	12
4101	12
4152	12
4121	11
4301	11
4034	10
4105	10
102 postcodes with less than 10 UMA BVE holders	327
Total	858

Table 11: UMA BVE holders by age group in QLD

Age Range	Number of UMA BVE holders
0 to 4	<10
5 to 11	37
12 to 15	30
16 to 17	<20
18 to 25	70
26 to 35	196
36 to 45	338
46+	167
Total	858

Table 12: UMA BVE holders by citizenship in QLD

Citizenship	Number of UMA BVE holders
Afghanistan	30
Bangladesh	66
Iran	211
Iraq	56
Pakistan	18
Sri Lanka	252
Stateless	91
Sudan	11
Vietnam	81
10 citizenships with less than 10 UMA BVE holders	42
Total	858

Table 13: UMA BVE holders by gender in QLD

Gender	Number of UMA BVE holders
Female	190
Male	668
Total	858

South Australia

Table 14: UMA BVE holders by postcode in SA

Postcode	Number of UMA BVE holders
5084	45
5112	23
5108	22
5107	18
5113	17
5085	16
5086	13
5501	11
65 postcodes with less than 10 UMA BVE holders	196
Total	361

Table 15: UMA BVE holders by age group in SA

Age Range	Number of UMA BVE holders
0 to 4	0
5 to 11	24
12 to 15	<15
16 to 17	<10
18 to 25	10
26 to 35	84
36 to 45	147
46+	77
Total	361

Table 16: UMA BVE holders by citizenship in SA

Citizenship	Number of UMA BVE holders
Afghanistan	40
Iran	78
Pakistan	31
Sri Lanka	114
Stateless	33
Vietnam	34
9 citizenships with less than 10 UMA BVE holders	31
Total	361

Table 17: UMA BVE holders by gender in SA

Gender	Number of UMA BVE holders
Female	67
Male	294
Total	361

Western Australia

Table 18: UMA BVE holders by postcode in WA

Postcode	Number of UMA BVE holders
6064	41
6110	41
6109	35
6061	24
6112	22
6107	21
6147	18
6056	11
6063	11
6108	11
6060	10
55 postcodes with less than 10 UMA BVE holders	136
Total	381

Table 19: UMA BVE holders by age group in WA

Age Range	Number of UMA BVE holders
0 to 4	0
5 to 11	13
12 to 15	<10
16 to 17	<10
18 to 25	19
26 to 35	98
36 to 45	152
46+	90
Total	381

Table 20: UMA BVE holders by citizenship in WA

Citizenship	Number of UMA BVE holders
Afghanistan	53
Iran	48
Iraq	17
Pakistan	28
Sri Lanka	123
Stateless	38
Vietnam	59
6 citizenships with less than 10 UMA BVE holders	15
Total	381

Table 21: UMA BVE holders by gender in WA

Gender	Number of UMA BVE holders
Female	69
Male	312
Total	381

Tasmania

Table 22: UMA BVE holders by postcode in TAS

Postcode	Number of UMA BVE holders
7 postcodes with less than 10 UMA BVE holders	<10
Total	<10

Table 23: UMA BVE holders by age group in TAS

Age Range	Number of UMA BVE holders
0 to 4	0
5 to 11	0
12 to 15	0
16 to 17	0
18 to 25	0
26 to 35	<10
36 to 45	<10
46+	0
Total	<10

Table 24: UMA BVE holders by citizenship in TAS

Citizenship	Number of UMA BVE holders
3 citizenships with less than 10 UMA BVE holders	<10
Total	<10

Table 25: UMA BVE holders by gender in TAS

Gender	Number of UMA BVE holders
Female	0
Male	<10
Total	<10

Northern Territory

Table 26: UMA BVE holders by postcode in NT

Postcode	Number of UMA BVE holders
7 postcodes with less than 10 UMA BVE holders	<25
Total	<25

Table 27: UMA BVE holders by age group in NT

Age Range	Number of UMA BVE holders
0 to 4	0
5 to 11	<10
12 to 15	0
16 to 17	<10
18 to 25	<10
26 to 35	<10
36 to 45	<10
46+	11
Total	<25

Table 28: UMA BVE holders by citizenship in NT

Citizenship	Number of UMA BVE holders
6 citizenships with less than 10 UMA BVE holders	<25
Total	<25

Table 29: UMA BVE holders by gender in NT

Gender	Number of UMA BVE holders
Female	<10
Male	<20
Total	<25

Australian Capital Territory

Table 30: UMA BVE holders by postcode in ACT

Postcode	Number of UMA BVE holders
2913	10
19 postcodes with less than 10 UMA BVE holders	53
Total	63

Table 31: UMA BVE holders by age group in ACT

Age Range	Number of UMA BVE holders
0 to 4	0
5 to 11	0
12 to 15	<10
16 to 17	0
18 to 25	<10
26 to 35	20
36 to 45	26
46+	11
Total	63

Table 32: UMA BVE holders by citizenship in ACT

Citizenship	Number of UMA BVE holders
Iran	10
Sri Lanka	24
8 citizenships with less than 10 UMA BVE holders	29
Total	63

Table 33: UMA BVE holders by gender in ACT

Gender	Number of UMA BVE holders
Female	<10
Male	<60
Total	63