



Question on Notice

To **Secretariat - House of Representatives Standing
Committee on Petitions - public hearing**

Date asked **22 October 2008**

Purpose

To provide a response to questions asked by the Standing Committee on Petitions regarding Retirement (Subclass 410) visa holders.

Questions

1. **CHAIR**—So that we do know how many 410 retirement visa holders in Australia there are, you did not give us the amount. How many have we got here?

Response

- As at 30 June 2008 there were 8624 Retirement (Subclass 410) visa holders. Of these, 3088 were offshore and 5536 were onshore.

2. **Mr SIMPKINS**—I would like to clarify something in regard to that. Could we get that figure per electorate or state maybe?

Response

- Data relating to the address details is not maintained for all visa holders. Jurisdiction of residence (home address) is only recorded for 4330 Retirement visa holders. The Electorate detail is not maintained. State and Nationality of visa holders are as follows:

State	Percentage	No. of visa holders
QLD	33.2%	1439
WA	25.7%	1114
NSW	21.7%	941
VIC	11.5%	497
SA	5.4%	235
TAS	1.5%	67
ACT	0.7%	29
NT	0.2%	8
Total	100%	4330

Nationalities (67)	Percentage	No. of visa holders
United Kingdom	58.82%	5073
Japan	7.26%	626
USA	4.58%	395
Germany	3.93%	339
South Africa	3.79%	327
Indonesia	2.45%	211
China	2.15%	185
Singapore	2.04%	176
Netherlands	1.92%	166
Switzerland	1.90%	164
Other	11.16%	962
Total	100%	8624