

**SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS  
ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES  
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**Home Affairs Portfolio  
Department of Home Affairs**

**Program 2.4: UMA Offshore Management**

**AE25-408 - Regional processing - Breakdown of children born to individuals transferred to RPC**

Senator David Shoebridge asked:

How many children have been born to individuals transferred to a regional processing country on or after 19 July 2013 and before 21 May 2022, broken down by country of birth?

Of these, how many are currently in Australia?

Of these, how many have been granted a visa, broken down by subclass.

How many are no longer considered to be transitory persons.

How many are currently stateless.

How many have been granted Australian citizenship.

How many are in PNG.

How many are in Nauru.

How many have been resettled, broken down by country of resettlement.

How many have departed to the country of one of their parent's origins/ former habitual residence.

How many are deceased.

*Answer:*

As at 31 December 2024, 238 children had been born to individuals taken to a regional processing country on or after 19 July 2013 and before 21 May 2022:

- 188 were born in Australia.
- Less than 50 were born in Nauru.
- Less than five\* were born in Papua New Guinea.
- a. 156 children were located in Australia.
- b. Of the 156 children located in Australia, 103 have been granted a visa:
  - 87 were residing in the community on a current or expired Subclass 050 (Bridging E) visa.
  - 16 were residing in the community on a Subclass 851 (Resolution of Status) visa.
  - The remaining 53 had either been granted or acquired Australian Citizenship; are residing in the community under a residence determination; or have not yet been detained.
- c. 42 in Australia were no longer active transitory persons subject to regional processing. Of these:

- 26 have been granted or acquired Australian citizenship.
- 16 are residing in the community after being granted a Subclass 851 (Resolution of Status) visa.
- d. 32 of the total number of children in Australia were stateless.
- e. None were in Papua New Guinea.
- f. None were in Nauru.
- g. 79 were resettled in a third country:
  - 37 were resettled in the United States;
  - Less than 45 were resettled in New Zealand; and
  - Less than five were resettled in other resettlement countries.
- h. Less than five children were returned or removed to their parents' country of origin.
- i. Less than five children were deceased.

*\* This figure reflects children born in Papua New Guinea to transitory persons temporarily transferred from Nauru for medical treatment.*