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Program 2.3: Refugee Humanitarian, Settlement and Migrant Services

SE23-034 - TPV SHEV - transfers to permanent visas

Senator Paul Scarr asked:

Senator SCARR: I'm just scanning through my questions. I don't think I'm going to go into that area in this block of questions, but feel free to call me out if I do. My first question is: how many people will be transferred to permanent protection visas under the plan? Do we have an estimate at this point in time?

Mr Pezzullo: I'll ask Ms Foster and Mr Kiley to deal with numbers.

Mr Kiley: In short, there are a few different cohorts who may be subject to this framework. If it would assist, I can give you a collection of numbers that might help answer your question.

Senator SCARR: Have you got something you could table for us? Do you feel comfortable tabling it? It might be easier. Other senators might have questions this round. I have a few questions about numbers, and you might have all the answers in the document you have.

Ms Foster: In this case, this is a working copy for Mr Kiley. Can we take that on notice and get it to you if we can?

Answer:

The following cohorts may be eligible for a permanent Resolution of Status visa:

TPV/SHEV cohorts	Size of cohort at 8 February 2023
Undecided initial TPV/SHEV applicants in Australia	1,581
TPV/SHEV holder with an on-hand, undecided subsequent application for TPV/SHEV	10,933
TPV/SHEV holder (no subsequent application on hand)	8,219
Former TPV/SHEV holders whose visas have expired	547 expired onshore 118 expired offshore
Refused a TPV/SHEV and at merits or judicial review	613 Merits Review 4,922 Judicial Review