

**Question on notice no. 185**

**Portfolio question number: SE21-185**

**2021-22 Supplementary Budget Estimates**

**Legal and Constitutional Affairs Committee, Home Affairs Portfolio**

**Senator Nick McKim:** asked the Department of Home Affairs on 5 November 2021

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- d. The number of refugees on Safe Haven Enterprise Visas holders over the past 12 months who have been granted another visa after meeting the SHEV pathway requirements, broken down by subsequent visa;
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**Answer** —

Please see attached answer.

**SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS  
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**Program 2.3: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance**

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*Answer:*

**a. Current TPV and SHEV holders onshore by Citizenship**

<b>Citizenship</b>	<b>Total</b>
Iran	5,990
Afghanistan	4,234
Stateless	2,133
Sri Lanka	2,042
Pakistan	1,247
Iraq	1,037
Sudan	332
Somalia	271
Palestinian Authority	205
Myanmar	142
Vietnam	141
Indonesia	83

Syria	72
Bangladesh	25
Eritrea	24
Ethiopia	17
Lebanon	17
India	<10
Zimbabwe	<10
Malaysia	<10
Papua New Guinea	<10
Australia	<10
Bahrain	<10
Uganda	<10
Saudi Arabia	<10
Nepal	<10
Yemen	<10
Kuwait	<10
Algeria	<10
Cameroon	<10
Egypt	<10
Colombia	<10
Morocco	<10
Turkey	<10
Kenya	<10
Cyprus	<10
Korea (Sth)	<10
Congo	<10
Russian Federation	<10
Mexico	<10
Chad	<10
United Arab Emirates	<10
Zambia	<10
Tonga	<10
United Kingdom	<10
Ghana	<10
Kyrgyzstan	<10
Nigeria	<10
Tibet (So Stated)	<10
Ukraine	<10
Mongolia	<10
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>18,122</b>

**b. TPV and SHEV holders, onshore by state and postcode**

ACT	
2914	59
2912	53
2615	45
2617	41
2913	39
2602	36
2614	30
2905	19
2611	14
<10 in postcode	59
<b>ACT Total</b>	<b>395</b>

NSW	
2160	660
2195	564
2144	506
2161	363
2145	357
2170	294
2142	260
2165	201
2166	167
2141	137
2151	135
2150	114
2196	110
2200	109
2118	106
2146	97
2148	83
2117	70
2112	64
2147	61
2164	60
2162	60
2163	49
2190	49
2650	47
2168	46
2153	45
2152	41
2140	40
2114	39
2154	39
2155	39
2176	38
2620	36
2199	34
2143	31
2127	28
2122	24
2680	23
2760	22
2575	22
2177	21
2115	21
2340	20
2766	20
2770	19
2762	18
2192	18
2210	18
2171	17
2580	16
2077	16
2167	16
2111	15
2560	15

2128	15
2197	15
2800	15
2565	13
2121	13
2577	13
2444	13
2113	13
2116	12
2763	12
2179	11
2001	11
2250	11
2795	11
2322	11
2000	10
<10 in postcode	502
<b>NSW Total</b>	<b>6,221</b>
<b>NT</b>	
0810	19
<10 in postcode	36
<b>NT Total</b>	<b>55</b>

QLD	
4114	469
4077	106
4343	87
4300	75
4701	71
4122	70
4132	65
4109	64
4113	60
4127	59
4350	55
4110	53
4078	46
4105	39
4034	39
4133	32
4118	31
4103	25
4128	25
4053	23
4715	23
4076	20
4131	19
4209	17
4108	17
4119	17
4032	16
4301	16
4123	15
4112	15
4012	14
4120	14
4500	12
4101	12
4169	12
4215	11
4018	11
4870	11
4116	11
4626	10
4151	10
4074	10
4011	10
4051	10
<10 in postcode	305
<b>QLD Total</b>	<b>2,132</b>

SA	
5084	390
5108	117
5085	99
5113	90
5112	68
5107	59
5008	52
5271	46
5095	46
5082	38
5098	38
5268	33
5096	33
5012	30
5086	29
5092	27
5011	24
5043	22
5047	22
5109	22
5074	22
5110	21
5024	17
5038	17
5000	16
5070	15
5083	13
5010	13
5013	12
5033	11
5046	10
5032	10
5087	10
5014	10
5341	10
5075	10
5073	10
<10 in postcode	267
<b>SA Total</b>	<b>1,779</b>
TAS	
<b>&lt;10 in postcode</b>	<b>47</b>

VIC	
3175	854
3020	294
3177	283
3214	260
3171	258
3810	222
3075	154
3021	151
3174	150
3076	147
3074	145
3064	136
3030	129
3630	128
3047	124
3046	106
3805	104
3023	102
3029	96
3976	96
3977	92
3802	90
3215	82
3073	73
3082	71
3840	70
3803	68
3034	66
3109	62
3083	54
3750	54
3216	53
3037	44
3219	44
3752	41
3754	38
3107	37
3108	35
3340	34
3173	33
3500	33
3044	32
3019	29
3978	29
3350	28
3585	28
3048	27
3172	26
3081	26
3058	24
3012	23
3022	22
3028	22
3072	22
3011	22



3106	22
3218	21
3043	21
3024	20
3975	20
3131	20
3806	18
3049	18
3129	18
3152	18
3130	17
3250	17
3032	16
3178	16
3061	16
3850	15
3134	15
3033	14
3038	14
3150	13
3084	13
3040	13
3105	12
3168	12
3338	12
3027	12
3026	12
3820	11
3060	11
3059	11
3056	10
3804	10
3132	10
3149	10
3042	10
<10 in postcode	533
<b>VIC Total</b>	<b>6,524</b>

WA	
6061	122
6110	91
6107	59
6064	51
6105	45
6111	42
6109	42
6147	40
6108	29
6062	26
6112	23
6066	22
6063	20
6060	20
6280	19
6104	17
6056	16
6103	13
6065	12
6059	11
6055	11
6430	10
6101	10
<10 in postcode	209
<b>WA Total</b>	<b>960</b>
<b>Other (offshore)</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>18,122</b>

c. As at 31 August 2021 there were 4,234 Afghani TPV/SHEV holders in Australia.

d. In the past 12 months there have been zero SHEVs who have been granted another visa through the SHEV pathway.

e. As at 31 August 2021, 25 applications have been found to meet the SHEV pathway requirements.

f. As at 31 August 2021 there were 1,621 TPV/ SHEV holders in Australia currently residing in a regional area.

g. Departmental systems are unable to calculate the status of persons at specific points in time, such as on the day that they were born. Further, they are unable to specifically calculate the status of the parents at the time of birth. As at 11 November 2021, the Department has been made aware of 2006 babies born onshore where one or both parents are members of the IMA legacy cohort. Of those 2006 children:

- 1,075 currently hold TPV/ SHEV visas;
- 214 have attained Australian citizenship;
- 235 are currently applicants for their initial TPV/SHEV;
- 83 are seeking review of their TPV/SHEV refusal;
- 293 are seeking judicial review of their TPV/SHEV refusal; and
- the remaining 250 have departed Australia or are within status resolution processes.

h. As at 31 August 2021, there have been zero SHEV holders who have obtained a permanent visa through the SHEV pathway.

i. There have been 121 applications made by SHEV holders for a permanent visa.

i. Inwards travel exemption requests approved between 1 August 2020 and 31 August 2021, for persons who declared they had applied for or held a Refugee and Humanitarian (Class XB) visa are as follows:

<b>Month</b>	<b>Requests approved</b>
<b>August 2020</b>	7
<b>September 2020</b>	23
<b>October 2020</b>	23
<b>November 2020</b>	52
<b>December 2020</b>	33
<b>January 2021</b>	53
<b>February 2021</b>	104
<b>March 2021</b>	23
<b>April 2021</b>	52
<b>May 2021</b>	39
<b>June 2021</b>	376
<b>July 2021</b>	373
<b>August 2021</b>	546
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,704</b>

ii. Inwards travel exemption requests approved between 1 August 2020 and 31 August 2021, for persons who declared they had applied for or held a subclass 785 Temporary Protection visa (TPV) or subclass 790 Safe Haven Enterprise visa:

Month	Requests approved
August 2020	<5
September 2020	<5
October 2020	<5
November 2020	<5
December 2020	<5
January 2021	5
February 2021	<5
March 2021	<5
April 2021	<5
May 2021	<5
June 2021	<5
July 2021	<5
August 2021	<5
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>14</b>

Notes:

- i. 'Requests' refers to system transactions. An individual may submit more than one request
- ii. Travel exemption data cannot be disaggregated by visa status prior to 1 August 2020, when processing of travel exemption requests moved to the Travel Exemption Portal.
- iii. It is not possible to accurately disaggregate visa holders from visa applicants in travel exemption data.
- iv. Class XB includes subclass 200, 201, 202, 203 and 204 visas
- v. Data excludes requests received in which persons were found to meet an already exempt category, requests that did not contain sufficient information for consideration by a decision maker, withdrawn and refused requests.