

**Question on notice no. 181**

**Portfolio question number: AE22-181**

**2021-22 Additional estimates**

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

**Senator Nick McKim:** asked the Department of Home Affairs on 14 February 2022

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(e.g. recognised refugee, rejected asylum seeker, owed subsidiary/  
complementary protection or yet to be finally determined.

**Answer —**

Please see the attached answer.

**SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS  
ADDITIONAL BUDGET ESTIMATES  
14 FEBRUARY 2022**

**Home Affairs Portfolio  
Department of Home Affairs**

**Program 3.4: Border Enforcement**

**AE22-181 - Transitory Persons - Persons transferred to Papua New Guinea after 19 July 2013 currently in Australia**

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*Answer:*

Information on complementary/subsidiary protection is not known to the Department and is a matter for the respective regional processing country.

**Table 1: Illegal Maritime Arrivals Transferred to Papua New Guinea on and after 19 July 2013 in Australia as at 31 December 2021 - Citizenship and Refugee Status**

Nationality	Refugee (as recognised by a Regional Processing Country)	Not Finally Determined	Failed Asylum Seeker (as determined by a Regional Processing Country)	Total
Iran	53	0	52	105
Iraq	<30	0	<5	32
Sudan	<30	<5	0	27
Bangladesh	<15	<5	<5	14
Afghanistan	<15	<5	<5	13
Somalia	<15	<5	0	11
Pakistan	<10	0	<5	10
Myanmar	<5	<10	0	10
Sri Lanka	6	0	0	6
India	0	0	<5	<5
Lebanon	<5	0	<5	<5
Stateless	<5	0	0	<5
Unknown	0	<5	0	<5
Syria	<5	0	0	<5
<b>Total</b>	<b>164</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>237</b>

*Note: Table 1 figures are based on operational data provided as part of the refugee status determination process by the government of Papua New Guinea.*

*Note: Figures include persons no longer subject to regional processing.*

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*Note: Information is based on the regional processing country a person initially transferred to and does not reflect transfers between Nauru and PNG.*