

Question on notice no. 278

Portfolio question number: AE22-278

2021-22 Additional estimates

Legal and Constitutional Affairs Committee, Home Affairs Portfolio

Senator Stirling Griff: asked the Department of Home Affairs on 14 February 2022

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Answer —

Please see the attached answer.

**SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS
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Program 3.5: Onshore Compliance and Detention

**AE22-278 - Medical transfers and transitory persons in Australia - asylum-seekers
by location**

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Answer:

The Department does not hold information on the number of individuals involved in third country resettlement processes outside of the United States (US) resettlement arrangement.

In relation to the US resettlement process, as at 31 December 2021:

- a. Approximately 1,900 individuals had expressed interest/engaged in the process, including persons whom have already resettled in the US.
- b. Approximately 230 individuals had received a provisional positive resettlement outcome from the US Government.
- c. Approximately 200 eligible refugees are not engaged in the US resettlement process.