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Senator Nick McKim: asked the Australian Border Force on 4 April 2022—

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Answer —
Please see the attached answer.

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BE22-038 - Length of Time in Detention - by nationality

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Answer:

Table: Length of time in detention for most common nationalities (as at 28 February 2022)

Nationality	Average days in detention
New Zealand	275
Iran	1075
Vietnam	436
Sudan	1064
India	603
Iraq	943
Afghanistan	1275
Sri Lanka	1029
United Kingdom	347
China	365
Tonga	469
Stateless	959
Other	790
Average total time in detention	**697**

Note: Figures are based on current days in detention. As such, excludes days in detention for previous periods of detention.