

Question on notice no. 79

Portfolio question number: BE22-079

2022-23 Budget estimates

Legal and Constitutional Affairs Committee, Home Affairs Portfolio

Senator Nick McKim: asked the Department of Home Affairs on 19 April 2022—

Please provide the Committee with an update of the information provided in the following response to a previous Question on Notice:

BE20-336 - Transitory persons in Australia - Bridging Visa E

Answer —

Please see the attached answer.

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Program 2.2: Visas

BE22-079 - Transitory persons in Australia - Bridging Visa E

Senator Nick McKim asked:

Please provide the Committee with an update of the information provided in the following responses to previous Question on Notice:

BE20-336 - Transitory persons in Australia - Bridging Visa E

Please provide the number of transitory persons who since 1 August 2020 have been granted a Bridging Visa E for the first time after being subject to a residence determination. Of this number, please provide:

- a. Breakdown by gender, and the number of children (under 18);
- b. Breakdown by state and territory relevant to the previous residence determination; and
- c. Breakdown by refugee status (as recognised by PNG or Nauru).

Answer:

Between 1 August 2020 and 31 January 2022, 274 transitory persons in Australia have been granted a Bridging E Visa for the first time after being subject to a residence determination.

a) Gender and whether a minor (aged under 18)

Age Cohort*	Male	Female	Total
Adult	112	81	193
Minor (under 18 Years)	42	39	81
Total	154	120	274

* Age cohort is based on age at time of release from the residence determination.

b) State and territory of the prior residence determination

State	Total
NSW	81
QLD	109
SA	63
WA	21
Total	274

c) Refugee status (as recognised by PNG or Nauru)

Refugee Status	Nauru	PNG	Total
Refugee	<245	<15	258
Transferee**	11	0	11
Failed Asylum Seeker	<5	<5	5
Total	256	18	274

** Transferee is defined as an IMA whose refugee status has not yet been finalised by the Government of Nauru and the Government of Papua New Guinea.