

Question on notice no. 339

Portfolio question number: OSE23-339

2023-24 Supplementary Budget estimates

Legal and Constitutional Affairs Committee, Home Affairs Portfolio

Senator Paul Scarr: asked the Department of Home Affairs on 23 October 2023—

For each financial year from 2009-10 to present:

the total number of refugee status determinations awaiting a decision at the end of the period?

Answer —

Please see the attached answer.

**SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS
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**Home Affairs Portfolio
Department of Home Affairs**

Program 2.3: Refugee Humanitarian, Settlement and Migrant Services

**OSE23-339 - Protection Visa Historical Data FY09-10 - Refugee Status
Determination Awaiting Decision**

Senator Paul Scarr asked:

For each financial year from 2009-10 to present:
the total number of refugee status determinations awaiting a decision at the end of the
period?

Answer:

Number of Protection (subclass 866) visa applications ongoing with the Department by
financial year (as at 30 June except for the current year)

Financial Year	Total
2009-10	3,565
2010-11	3,877
2011-12	6,330
2012-13	8,176
2013-14	9,208
2014-15	10,261
2015-16	12,640
2016-17	15,795
2017-18	26,345
2018-19	34,296
2019-20	39,449
2020-21	34,782
2021-22	27,760
2022-23	29,441
2023-24 (as at 31 October 2023)	30,944

Note:

1. This information is provided by the Department of Home Affairs and was extracted from departmental systems. As data has been drawn from a dynamic system environment, the information is correct at the time of extraction and figures may differ slightly from previous or future reporting.