

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

BUDGET ESTIMATES – 26 – 27 MAY 2014

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

(BE14/354) PROGRAMME – 1.2: Visa and Citizenship

Senator Carr (Written) asked:

What are the top 10 countries of origin for medical treatment visas?

Answer:

Please see the below table:

Top Ten nationalities by citizenship for medical treatment visas granted in 2013-14 to 31 May 2014

Citizenship Country	2013-14 to 31/05/2014
France*	1306
Papua New Guinea	131
Fiji	117
Indonesia	104
United Kingdom	75
Nauru	61
Vietnam	60
Vanuatu	60
India	59
Philippines	56
Other Countries	588
Total	2 617

* The Australian Government has a special arrangement with Evacuation Sanitaire ('Medical Evacuation'), a New Caledonian organisation which processes medical evacuations for French nationals. This accounts for the high rate of medical treatment visas granted to French citizens.