

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING : 22 May 2017

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

(BE17/172) - Visa overstays for the financial year - Programme 1.2: Border Management

Senator Griff, Stirling (L&CA) written:

Please provide a breakdown of the visa type and nationality of all overstayers for the financial year-to-date.

Answer:

The official terminology for a visa overstayer is an unlawful non-citizen (UNC).

These figures are captured annually on 30 June and are an estimate only. Therefore, the most recent estimate is as at 30 June 2016.

Unlawful non-citizens - visa category*	
As at 30 June	2016
Visitors	47,020
Students**	9,690
Temporary Residents	2,270
Working Holiday	1,870
Bridging Visa - other	320
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Migrant	30
Other	3,090
Estimated Total	64,600

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** Student visa includes visa s/c 580 (Student Guardian).

Unlawful non-citizens - most significant countries*	
As at 30 June	2016
Malaysia	9,440
China	6,500
United States Of America	5,170
United Kingdom	3,680
Indonesia	2,780
India	2,730
South Korea	2,550
Philippines	2,370
Vietnam	2,370
Thailand	2,290
Germany	1,510
Tonga	1,390
France	1,390
Japan	1,360
Fiji	1,160
All other countries	17,920
Estimated total	64,600

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Source: DWARS and Immigration Compliance Analysis and Statistics Section (ICAS).