

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING : 19 October 2015

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

(SE15/059) - Student Visa's - Cancelled - Programme 2.3: Visas

Senator Carr, Kim (L&CA 130) asked:

Senator KIM CARR: I am interested in student visas. Is it the case, as reported in The Australian on 2 September, that there had been 10,949 student visas cancelled up until June 2014?

Mr Pezzullo: It might be necessary to call on other officers. Mr Wilden has oversight of the policy. In terms of the implementation, including the granting of visas and then their revocation as the case requires, Mr Manthorpe and his staff deal with those matters.

Senator KIM CARR: Can we first confirm that number of 10,949 up until June 2014.

Mr Manthorpe: I will have to take that on notice. Senator KIM CARR: All right. When you are providing me with the cancellations, can you provide me with source countries, raw numbers and percentage of visas withdrawn, the grounds for actions and the types of providers—universities, non-universities, VET, ELICOS or schools? My understanding is that the last quarterly student visa report was published in December 2013. Could you tell me what the reason for that would be?

Mr Manthorpe: We are happy to take all that on notice.

Answer:

The Department can confirm that there had been 10,949 student visa cancellations in the 2014-15 financial year.

The following table provides figures of student visa cancellations in 2014-15 by source country, represented as both raw figures and as a percentage of the total (10,949):

Student visa cancellations by source country 2014-15		
Citizenship country	Total	% (rounded to nearest integer)
China	1793	16
South Korea	1164	11
India	1141	10
Vietnam	933	9
Thailand	534	5
Malaysia	526	5
Saudi Arabia	350	3
Hong Kong	293	3
Indonesia	275	3
Taiwan	248	2

Pakistan	215	2
United Kingdom	196	2
Kuwait	174	2
Singapore	173	2
United States of America	166	2
Brazil	162	1
Japan	159	1
Nepal	149	1
Colombia	141	1
Italy	130	1
Canada	129	1
Philippines	100	1
Spain	100	1
Sri Lanka	99	1
France	81	1
Sweden	80	1
Iran	71	1
Greece	64	1
Turkey	62	1
Norway	58	1
Germany	55	1
Bangladesh	53	<1
Ireland	51	<1
Russia	50	<1
Mexico	49	<1
Chile	43	<1
Poland	38	<1
Mauritius	37	<1
Bhutan	36	<1
Czech Republic	36	<1
Papua New Guinea	32	<1
Portugal	32	<1
Jordan	31	<1
Kenya	31	<1
Slovakia	31	<1
Myanmar	30	<1
United Arab Emirates	30	<1
Hungary	27	<1
South Africa	25	<1
Egypt	22	<1
Iraq	22	<1
Nigeria	22	<1
Peru	21	<1
Cambodia	20	<1
Lebanon	18	<1

Lithuania	18	<1
Mongolia	18	<1
Netherlands	18	<1
Switzerland	18	<1
Venezuela	18	<1
Libya	17	<1
Zimbabwe	17	<1
Estonia	12	<1
Macau	12	<1
Oman	12	<1
Bulgaria	10	<1
East Timor	8	<1
Zambia	8	<1
Botswana	7	<1
Fiji	7	<1
Finland	7	<1
Israel	7	<1
Ecuador	6	<1
Laos	6	<1
Macedonia	6	<1
Maldives	6	<1
Romania	6	<1
Rwanda	6	<1
Austria	5	<1
Belgium	5	<1
Denmark	4	<1
Unknown	4	<1
Argentina	3	<1
Bahrain	3	<1
Brunei Darussalam	3	<1
Ethiopia	3	<1
Georgia	3	<1
Guinea	3	<1
Kazakhstan	3	<1
Qatar	3	<1
Tanzania	3	<1
Uganda	3	<1
Ukraine	3	<1
Afghanistan	2	<1
Belarus	2	<1
Ghana	2	<1
Malawi	2	<1
Namibia	2	<1
Palestinian Authority	2	<1
Sierra Leone	2	<1

Tuvalu	2	<1
Albania	1	<1
Algeria	1	<1
Azerbaijan	1	<1
Burundi	1	<1
Congo, Democratic Republic of	1	<1
Costa Rica	1	<1
El Salvador	1	<1
Honduras	1	<1
Jamaica	1	<1
Kiribati	1	<1
Latvia	1	<1
Liberia	1	<1
Luxembourg	1	<1
Malta	1	<1
Mozambique	1	<1
Samoa	1	<1
Seychelles	1	<1
Slovenia	1	<1
Solomon Islands	1	<1
Stateless	1	<1
Suriname	1	<1
Syria	1	<1
Uzbekistan	1	<1
Vanuatu	1	<1
Total	10949	100

The following table provides figures for the grounds associated with the 10,949 student visa cancellations in 2014-15*.

Grounds associated to student visa cancellations in 2014-15		
Ground	Total	% (rounded to nearest integer)
s116(1)(a) - fact/circumstance no longer exists	4863	44
s116(1)(g) prescribed ground - r 2.43 (1)(g)	2540	23
s116(1)(b) breach of condition - 8202	1158	10
s116(1)(b) breach of condition - 8516	732	7
s140(1) family unit member - s128	647	6
s116(1)(fa)(i) not a genuine student	522	5
s140(1) family unit member - s116	213	2
s116(1)(d) non-compliance with Subdivision C - s101	44	<1
s116(1)(b) breach of condition - 8532	35	<1
s116(1)(b) breach of condition - 8105	27	<1
s116(1)(g) prescribed ground - r 2.43 (1)(h)	26	<1
s140(2) associated visa holder - s116	22	<1
Ground for cancellation existed and not satisfied there is reason to revoke	21	<1
s101 incorrect information - application form	18	<1
s116(1)(b) breach of condition - 8104	18	<1
s116(1)(fa)(ii) conduct not contemplated by the student visa	15	<1
s140(2) associated visa holder - s128	14	<1
Satisfied there is reason to revoke cancellation	12	<1
s116(1)(e) risk to health, safety or good order	12	<1
Ground for cancellation did not exist	10	<1
s116(1)(e)(i) - risk to the health, safety or good order (community or seg	10	<1
s103 bogus document	9	<1
s116(1)(b) breach of condition - 8101	8	<1
s140(3) child born in Australia - s116	8	<1
S116(1)(g), reg 2.43(1)(oa)	7	<1
s116(1)(aa) - fact/circumstance leading to visa grant never existed	7	<1
s116(1)(b) breach of condition - 8102	4	<1
s116(1)(b) breach of condition - 8514	4	<1
s116(1)(d) non-compliance with Subdivision C - s103	4	<1
s140(3) child born in Australia	4	<1
S116(1)(g), reg 2.43(1)(ob)	3	<1
s116(1)(b) breach of condition - 8107	3	<1
s116(1)(g) prescribed ground - r 2.43 (1)(f)	3	<1
ICSE DESC ONLY: Breach Student Visa Condition	2	<1
ICSE DESC ONLY: s501(1)(6) - character test - s501(6)(a)	2	<1
s102 incorrect information - passenger card	2	<1
s116(1)(b) breach of condition - 8537	2	<1
s116(1)(g) prescribed ground - r 2.43 (1)(b)	2	<1

s116(1)(g) prescribed ground - r 2.43 (1)(q)	2	<1
s140(1) family unit member - s109	2	<1
ICSE DESC ONLY: Primary Visa Holder Breached Student Visa Condition (Auto)	1	<1
Prescribed Circumstances	1	<1
s105 incorrect information not corrected	1	<1
s116(1)(b) breach of condition - 8201	1	<1
s116(1)(b) breach of condition - 8523	1	<1
s116(1)(b) breach of condition - 8560	1	<1
s116(1)(c) breach of condition by third party	1	<1
s116(1)(d) non-compliance with Subdivision C - s104	1	<1
s116(1)(e)(ii) - risk to the health or safety of an individual	1	<1
s116(1)(g) prescribed ground - r 2.43 (1)(a)	1	<1
s116(1)(g) prescribed ground - r 2.43 (1)(ia) and (1A)(b)	1	<1
s116(1)(g) prescribed ground - r 2.43 (1)(o)	1	<1
s140(3) child born in Australia - s128	1	<1
Total	11050	100

**Note that the below table provides a count of all grounds associated with a cancellation and is not a count of individual cancellations. A cancellation may have multiple grounds associated to it and as a result the figures will not match the 2014-15 student visa cancellations figure of 10,949:*

The figures below represent 2014-15 student visa cancellations by type of education provider; figures of student visa cancellations in 2014-15 by student visa subclass, represented as both raw figures and as a percentage of the total (10,949):

Student visa cancellations by subclass 2014-15			
Subclass Cancelled	Subclass Description	Total	% (rounded to nearest integer)
573	Higher Education sector	6875	63
572	Vocational education and training sector	2375	22
571	Schools sector	678	6
574	Postgraduate research sector	469	4
570	Independent ELICOS sector	299	3
580	Student Guardian	128	1
575	Non-award sector	73	1
576	AusAID (DFAT) or Defence sector	52	<1
Total		10949	100

The latest quarterly student visa reports* can be found on the Borders website at:
<http://www.border.gov.au/about/reports-publications/research-statistics/statistics/study-in-australia>

**note that Student Quarterly reports are available up to 30 June 2015*