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Department of Home Affairs

Monthly Update: Onshore Protection (Subclass 866) Visa Processing - May 2026

This report covers the period 1 May 2026 to 31 May 2026.

(a)	**the total number of protection visa lodgements made onshore during the period;**	**1,723**
(b)	the total number of protection visa lodgements made onshore at airports, by airport and state, during the period;	0
(c)	the total number of individuals, by country of origin, that made a lodgement for a protection visa onshore during the period;	
	China (exc. SAR)	257
	India	181
	Fiji	113
	Indonesia	104
	Philippines	91
	Vietnam	88
	Iran	63
	Malaysia	55
	Nepal	48
	Pakistan	48
	Timor-Leste	48
	Bangladesh	43
	Sri Lanka	38
	Taiwan	35
	Tonga	30
	Türkiye	29
	Colombia	28
	Myanmar	22
	Papua New Guinea	21
	Brunei	20
	Kenya	20
	Other	341

(d)	the total number of individuals, by age and gender, that made a lodgement for a protection visa onshore during the period;

Age Group	F	M	U*
0 - 14	79	69	0
15 - 24	59	126	0
25 - 34	188	407	<5
35 - 44	157	244	<5
45 - 54	115	118	0
55 - 64	67	51	0
65 - 74	16	14	0
75 and over	8	<5	0

* indeterminate / intersex / unspecified

(e)	the total number of refugee status determinations made during the period;	**3,359**
(f)	the total number of individuals granted a Final Protection Visa during the period;	614
(g)	the total number of individuals, by country of origin, granted a Final Protection Visa during the period, and the grant rate;	

Myanmar	122	100.00%
Pakistan	106	40.30%
China (exc. SAR)	48	15.79%
Malaysia	48	50.00%
Vietnam	28	21.37%
Bangladesh	27	29.03%
Iran	24	100.00%
Fiji	23	12.64%
India	20	07.04%
Sri Lanka	15	18.75%
Sudan	14	100.00%
Türkiye	14	100.00%
Papua New Guinea	12	48.00%
Yemen	11	100.00%
Colombia	10	03.58%
Cambodia	9	23.08%
Lebanon	8	61.54%
Afghanistan	7	100.00%
Hong Kong SAR	7	21.21%
Palestine, State of	7	100.00%
Other	54	-
Total	**614**	**18.28%**

(h)	the total number of individuals, by age and gender, granted a Final Protection Visa during the period, and the grant rate;

Age Group	F	M	U*	Grant Rate
0 - 14	49	56	0	23.70%
15 - 24	54	34	0	23.16%
25 - 34	66	94	0	15.40%
35 - 44	57	51	0	14.96%
45 - 54	39	34	0	15.70%
55 - 64	28	14	0	20.29%
65 - 74	18	10	0	37.84%
75 and over	5	5	0	34.48%

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(i)	the total number of individuals that were not granted a Final Protection Visa during the period, and the grant rate;	2,745	18.28%

(j)	the total number of individuals, by country of origin, that were not granted a Final Protection Visa during the period, and the grant rate;

Country of origin	Not granted a Final Protection Visa during the period	Grant rate
Colombia	269	03.58%
India	264	07.04%
China (exc. SAR)	256	15.79%
Fiji	159	12.64%
Kenya	159	01.85%
Pakistan	157	40.30%
Indonesia	114	03.39%
Vietnam	103	21.37%
South Africa	94	02.08%
Philippines	91	01.09%
Mongolia	87	01.14%
Nigeria	86	06.52%
Nepal	85	03.41%
Brazil	70	00.00%
Bangladesh	66	29.03%
Sri Lanka	65	18.75%
Tonga	51	00.00%
Malaysia	48	50.00%
United Kingdom	45	00.00%
Brunei	44	00.00%
Other	432	-
Total	**2,745**	**18.28%**

(k)	the total number of individuals, by age and gender, that were not granted a Final Protection Visa during the period, and the grant rate;

Age Group	F	M	U*	Grant Rate
0 - 14	158	180	0	23.70%
15 - 24	107	185	0	23.16%
25 - 34	334	544	<5	15.40%
35 - 44	259	355	0	14.96%
45 - 54	157	235	0	15.70%
55 - 64	86	79	0	20.29%
65 - 74	24	22	0	37.84%
75 and over	12	<10	0	34.48%

*** indeterminate / intersex / unspecified**

(l)	the total number of individuals that were not granted a Final Protection Visa that were deported during the period, and the deportation rate;	17	00.02%
		Involuntary	**Voluntary**
		5	12

(m)	the total number of refugee status determinations awaiting a decision at the end of the period;	22,003
(n)	the total number of individuals that were not granted a Final Protection Visa that have yet to be deported at the end of the period.	108,869

Explanatory Notes

This report is produced in accordance with the Senate Order for the Production of Documents – Airplane People (Your Right to Know). The report relates to clients who are applicants of a subclass 866 Protection visa and does not include applicants for temporary protection or safe haven enterprise visas.

Lodgements has been interpreted as all lodgements in the previous month regardless of whether a lodgement is later found to be invalid, or withdrawn. Should a person lodge multiple applications over a period, they will be counted twice as reporting is event based.

Refugee status determinations has been interpreted as all departmental subclass 866 visa decisions made either before or after merits review.

The total number of refugee status determinations awaiting a decision at the end of the period has been interpreted to include any application that has not been finalised, invalidated, withdrawn, refused or granted since lodgement.

Grant of a final protection visa has been interpreted as grant of a protection visa either at primary stage or following remittal from merits review or judicial review.

Deported has been interpreted as removals under the Migration Act 1958.

The total number of individuals that were not granted a Final Protection Visa that have yet to be deported at the end of the period includes all people who have applied for a protection visa in Australia since 1994 who, at the end of the period, were in Australia and had: not been granted a protection visa, not been removed under the Migration Act, and were either an unlawful non-citizen or held a bridging visa. The figure includes persons who were seeking merits review of their protection visa refusal at the Administrative Review Tribunal or were seeking judicial review.

Where citizenship or age is reported as not recorded, this reflects that data is not yet recorded in departmental systems in a reportable field. This could include circumstances where detail on the application is incomplete.