# Administrative Appeals Tribunal Migration and Refugee Division Caseload Report Financial year to 30 June 2016

# Summary of lodgements, decisions and cases on hand

	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	Мау	Jun	Total
Migration													
Lodgements	1,237	1,159	1,105	1,062	1,349	1,331	920	1,158	1,206	1,099	1,286	1,395	14,307
Decisions	1,032	1,040	1,028	1,083	1,093	918	872	1,169	1,173	1,064	926	1,113	12,511
Active	9,739	9,858	9,935	9,914	10,170	10,583	10,631	10,620	10,653	10,688	11,048	11,330	11,330
Refugee													
Lodgements	310	344	366	263	356	301	167	320	635	544	502	514	4,622
Decisions	211	214	250	339	292	288	232	308	339	304	320	503	3,600
Active	4,511	4,641	4,757	4,681	4,745	4,758	4,693	4,705	5,001	5,241	5,423	5,434	5,434
Migration and	l Refuge	е											
Lodgements	1,547	1,503	1,471	1,325	1,705	1,632	1,087	1,478	1,841	1,643	1,788	1,909	18,929
Decisions	1,243	1,254	1,278	1,422	1,385	1,206	1,104	1,477	1,512	1,368	1,246	1,616	16,111
Active	14,250	14,499	14,692	14,595	14,915	15,341	15,324	15,325	15,654	15,929	16,471	16,764	16,764

The Migration clearance rate for the year-to-date is 87%. The Refugee clearance rate for the year-to-date is 78%.

#### Migration lodgements by applicant location

### Refugee lodgements by applicant location



<sup>\*</sup>Other - Overseas or home state of applicant to be confirmed. Based on current location of applicant.

# Migration lodgements by applicant location and case category\*

Case category	NSW region	Vic region	Adelaide	Brisbane	Perth	Other	Total	%
Partner	1,860	1,410	209	357	363	19	4,218	29%
Student refusal	800	815	86	319	348	6	2,374	17%
Visitor	888	585	73	138	145	30	1,859	13%
Temporary work	573	643	58	125	164	8	1,571	11%
Nomination/Sponsor approval	422	509	64	130	118	1	1,244	9%
Skill linked	239	313	21	58	87	12	730	5%
Family	277	188	37	53	57	4	616	4%
Permanent business	165	155	41	79	111	6	557	4%
Bridging	312	131	28	35	45	2	553	4%
Student cancellation	232	132	9	39	23	1	436	3%
Other	61	39	6	15	14	14	149	1%
Total	5,829	4,920	632	1,348	1,475	103	14,307	
	41%	34%	4%	9%	10%	1%		

<sup>\*</sup>Based on current location of applicant.

Top 20 Refugee lodgements by applicant location and country\*

Country	NSW region	Vic region	Adelaide	Brisbane	Perth	Other	Total	%
Malaysia	537	1,203	25	44	197	0	2,006	43%
China	514	48	5	15	21	0	603	13%
Pakistan	135	113	7	13	18	0	286	6%
India	129	83	25	27	9	1	274	6%
Bangladesh	119	11	0	13	4	0	147	3%
Nepal	112	12	0	12	1	0	137	3%
Fiji	110	15	1	1	1	0	128	3%
Sri Lanka	57	43	9	6	4	0	119	3%
Iran	34	35	1	5	6	0	81	2%
Vietnam	25	32	6	9	6	0	78	2%
Lebanon	51	16	1	0	1	0	69	1%
Indonesia	46	7	6	1	3	0	63	1%
Egypt	21	19	2	0	2	0	44	1%
Iraq	23	7	2	4	7	0	43	1%
Stateless	10	18	1	3	0	0	32	1%
Afghanistan	10	14	1	1	2	0	28	1%
Korea, Republic Of	23	3	0	2	0	0	28	1%
Papua New Guinea	7	7	0	14	0	0	28	1%
Turkey	8	13	0	0	4	0	25	1%
Ukraine	17	5	0	3	0	0	25	1%
Other	192	88	26	38	32	2	378	8%
Total	2,180 47%	1,792 39%	118 3%	211 5%	318 7%	3 0%	4,622	

<sup>\*</sup>Based on current location of applicant.

Migration lodgements are down 1% this year compared to the same period last year. Refugee lodgements are up 11% this year compared to the same period last year.

# Refugee lodgements by case type and country

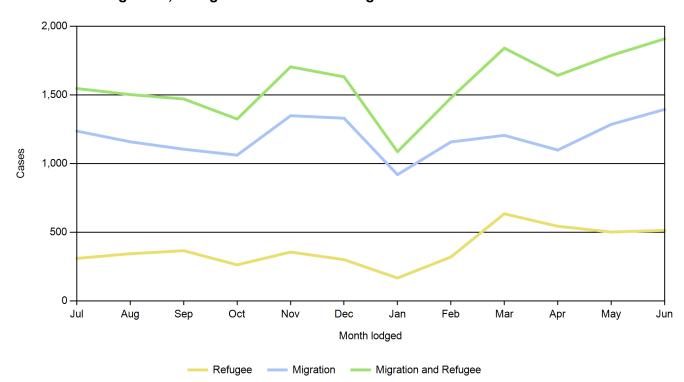
#### **Top 20 non-UMA lodgements**

Country	Total	%
Malaysia	2,006	45%
China	603	14%
Pakistan	274	6%
India	273	6%
Nepal	137	3%
Bangladesh	130	3%
Fiji	128	3%
Lebanon	69	2%
Indonesia	63	1%
Sri Lanka	57	1%
Vietnam	55	1%
Egypt	44	1%
Iran	43	1%
Iraq	42	1%
Korea, Republic Of	28	1%
Papua New Guinea	28	1%
Turkey	25	1%
Ukraine	25	1%
Nigeria	23	1%
Jordan	19	0%
Mongolia	19	0%
Other	344	8%
Total	4,435	

#### **UMA lodgements**

Country	Total	%
Sri Lanka	62	33%
Iran	38	20%
Vietnam	23	12%
Bangladesh	17	9%
Stateless	15	8%
Pakistan	12	6%
Afghanistan	11	6%
Burma (Myanmar)	4	2%
Somalia	3	2%
India	1	1%
Iraq	1	1%
Total	187	

## Migration, Refugee and combined lodgements in the last 12 months



## **Detention lodgements**

Туре	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Total
Migration	66	57	60	33	49	57	48	38	51	53	54	36	602
Refugee	15	7	8	7	16	8	3	14	6	9	6	16	115

# **Court remittal lodgements**

Туре	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Total
Migration	16	10	19	24	19	25	29	37	25	162	86	29	481
Refugee	22	16	17	15	26	13	9	23	23	21	27	16	228

In the previous financial year (2014/15), Migration received a total of 214 court remittals and Refugee received a total of 165 court remittals.

# Cases with hearings by location and type

			Hearings			Hearing	% Video/
Member location	Cancelled	Adjourned	Completed	Other	Total	duration	telephone
ACT	3	0	7	4	14	66	21%
NSW	2,744	191	5,252	8	8,195	86	18%
Qld	515	34	847	1	1,397	80	7%
SA	406	29	828	1	1,264	83	49%
Vic	2,203	134	3,410	11	5,758	93	13%
WA	245	28	406	0	679	94	7%
Total	6,116	416	10,750	25	17,307	88	17%

Figures include combined hearings, hearing lists and hearings booked for cases that have been deconstituted from a previous member. Average hearing duration in minutes.

# **Decisions**

# Migration decisions by case category

	Total		Set asid	е
Case category	Decisions	%	Decisions	%S/A
Partner	4,154	33%	1,895	46%
Student refusal	2,084	17%	637	31%
Visitor	1,490	12%	765	51%
Temporary work	964	8%	255	26%
Family	856	7%	306	36%
Nomination/Sponsor approval	778	6%	183	24%
Permanent business	567	5%	206	36%
Bridging	559	4%	139	25%
Student cancellation	514	4%	123	24%
Skill linked	455	4%	86	19%
Other	90	1%	18	20%
Total	12.511	100%	4.613	37%

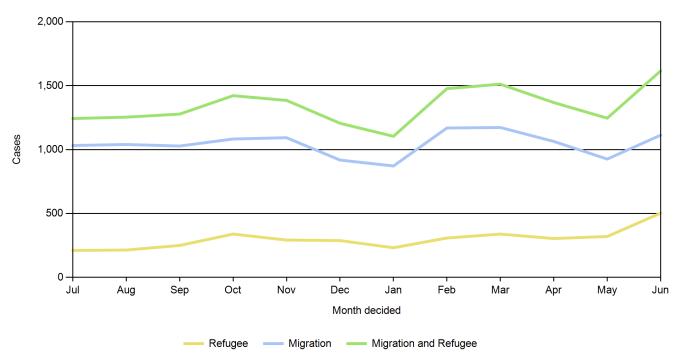
Top 20 Refugee decisions by country

			Tota	ıl	Set aside		
Country	UMA	non-UMA	Decisions	%	Decisions	%S/A	
Malaysia	0	568	568	16%	9	2%	
Sri Lanka	453	43	496	14%	100	20%	
China	0	481	481	13%	48	10%	
India	0	381	381	11%	14	4%	
Pakistan	51	167	218	6%	59	27%	
Bangladesh	119	91	210	6%	23	11%	
Iran	138	30	168	5%	78	46%	
Afghanistan	132	8	140	4%	93	66%	
Fiji	0	128	128	4%	4	3%	
Nepal	5	98	103	3%	1	1%	
Egypt	0	87	87	2%	24	28%	
Lebanon	0	84	84	2%	8	10%	
Vietnam	39	17	56	2%	9	16%	
Indonesia	0	42	42	1%	3	7%	
Iraq	15	18	33	1%	20	61%	
Stateless	20	13	33	1%	15	45%	
Turkey	0	25	25	1%	9	36%	
Jordan	0	24	24	1%	4	17%	
Nigeria	0	23	23	1%	7	30%	
Zimbabwe	0	23	23	1%	8	35%	
Other	10	266	276	8%	51	18%	
Total	982	2,617	3,599	100%	587	16%	

70 cases were remitted on complementary protection grounds.

Note: The information above does not include 1 Refugee cases, all of which were remitted to DIBP for reconsideration following the disallowance of clause 866.222 of Schedule 2 to the Migration Regulations 1994. The primary decision in these cases was made between the commencement and disallowance of clause 866.222. Percentages not shown in table where less than 5 cases decided

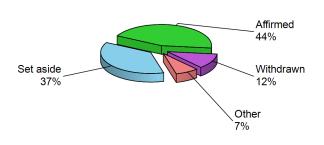
#### Migration, Refugee and combined decisions in the last 12 months

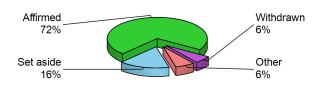


# **Decision outcomes**

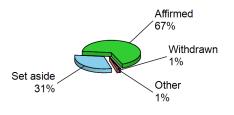
#### Migration decisions by outcome

#### Refugee decisions by outcome

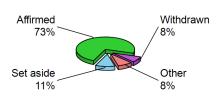




#### Refugee outcomes - UMA



#### Refugee outcomes - non-UMA



Note: The charts above do not include 1 RRT cases, all of which were remitted to DIBP for reconsideration following the disallowance of clause 866.222 of Schedule 2 to the Migration Regulations 1994. The primary decision in these cases was made between the commencement and disallowance of clause 866.222.

The set aside rate for cases reconsidered following court remittals so far this financial year is 44% for Migration decisions and 31% for Refugee decisions.

# **Timeliness of decisions**

Case type	Cases	Time standard	Average days	% Within time standards
Migration				
Bridging visas (detention)	521	7 working days from lodgement	7	87%
Visa cancellations	883	150 calendar days from lodgement	203	36%
		90 calendar days from constitution	81	71%
All other cases	11,107	350 calendar days from lodgement	293	61%
		150 calendar days from constitution	83	85%
Migration total	12,511	Calendar days since lodgement	275	60%
Refugee				
UMA	983	90 calendar days from receipt of DIBP file	572	2%
Non-UMA	2,617	90 calendar days from receipt of DIBP file	349	15%
Detention cases	134	90 calendar days from receipt of DIBP file	117	60%
Non-detention cases	3,466	90 calendar days from receipt of DIBP file	421	10%
Refugee total	3,600	90 calendar days from receipt of DIBP file	410	12%
		90 calendar days from constitution	126	51%

# Active cases on hand (not yet decided)

# Active Migration cases on hand by applicant location and case category

Case category	<b>NSW</b> region	Vic region	Adelaide	Brisbane	Perth	Other	Total	%
Partner	1,665	1,470	157	522	325	17	4,156	37%
Student refusal	528	682	64	243	313	2	1,832	16%
Temporary work	448	570	34	84	102	4	1,242	11%
Nomination/Sponsor approval	463	530	53	88	81	1	1,216	11%
Visitor	440	320	27	62	40	9	898	8%
Skill linked	198	262	20	25	73	2	580	5%
Family	171	203	26	54	50	2	506	4%
Permanent business	176	163	27	52	79	2	499	4%
Student cancellation	139	120	4	26	15	0	304	3%
Bridging	8	5	0	2	0	0	15	0%
Other	34	26	1	6	6	9	82	1%
Total	4,270	4,351	413	1,164	1,084	48	11,330	
	38%	38%	4%	10%	10%	0%		

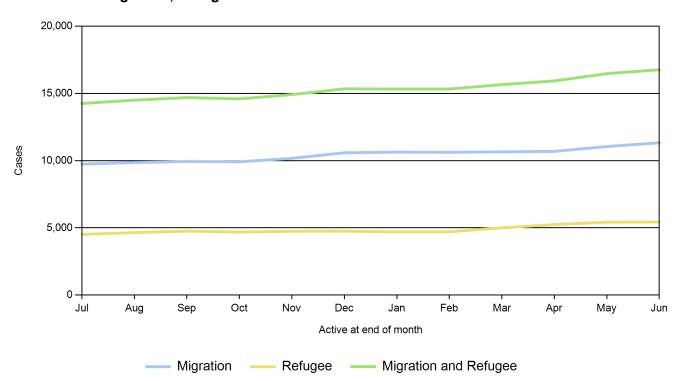
# Active top 20 Refugee cases on hand by applicant location and country

Country	NSW region	Vic region	Adelaide	Brisbane	Perth	Other	Total	%
Malaysia	530	964	26	40	190	0	1,750	32%
China	666	62	6	13	24	1	772	14%
Pakistan	181	191	4	14	33	0	423	8%
India	157	91	21	32	9	1	311	6%
Bangladesh	167	19	2	30	4	0	222	4%
Sri Lanka	61	111	6	9	7	0	194	4%
Nepal	148	15	0	16	5	0	184	3%
Fiji	148	22	1	2	0	0	173	3%
Iran	53	86	4	13	1	0	157	3%
Vietnam	39	70	9	11	23	0	152	3%
Lebanon	81	35	1	0	0	0	117	2%
Egypt	56	43	2	1	4	0	106	2%
Indonesia	56	10	7	1	3	0	77	1%
Papua New Guinea	7	17	0	19	0	0	43	1%
Turkey	15	18	1	1	8	0	43	1%
Iraq	23	8	2	4	5	0	42	1%
Nigeria	25	13	3	1	0	0	42	1%
Afghanistan	12	23	1	1	1	0	38	1%
Stateless	10	23	1	1	0	0	35	1%
Ethiopia	3	27	1	1	1	0	33	1%
Other	296	106	20	59	37	2	520	10%
Total	2,734	1,954	118	269	355	4	5,434	
	50%	36%	2%	5%	7%	0%		

## Active top 20 Refugee cases on hand by case type and country

	UMA		non-UN	MA	Total	%
Country	Cases	%	Cases	%		
Malaysia	0	0.0%	1750	34.9%	1,750	32.2%
China	0	0.0%	772	15.4%	772	14.2%
Pakistan	20	4.7%	403	8.0%	423	7.8%
India	1	0.2%	310	6.2%	311	5.7%
Bangladesh	63	14.8%	159	3.2%	222	4.1%
Sri Lanka	110	25.9%	84	1.7%	194	3.6%
Nepal	2	0.5%	182	3.6%	184	3.4%
Fiji	0	0.0%	173	3.5%	173	3.2%
Iran	99	23.3%	58	1.2%	157	2.9%
Vietnam	84	19.8%	68	1.4%	152	2.8%
Lebanon	0	0.0%	117	2.3%	117	2.2%
Egypt	0	0.0%	106	2.1%	106	2.0%
Indonesia	0	0.0%	77	1.5%	77	1.4%
Papua New Guinea	0	0.0%	43	0.9%	43	0.8%
Turkey	0	0.0%	43	0.9%	43	0.8%
Iraq	2	0.5%	40	0.8%	42	0.8%
Nigeria	0	0.0%	42	0.8%	42	0.8%
Afghanistan	15	3.5%	23	0.5%	38	0.7%
Stateless	19	4.5%	16	0.3%	35	0.6%
Ethiopia	0	0.0%	33	0.7%	33	0.6%
Other	10	2.4%	510	10.2%	520	9.6%
Total	425		5,009		5,434	

## Active Migration, Refugee and combined cases on hand over the last 12 months



The active Migration caseload is up 19% compared to the 9,534 cases that were on hand as at the same time last year. The active Refugee caseload is up 23% compared to the 4,412 cases that were on hand as at the same time last year.

# Age of active cases on hand

As at 30 June 2016, 1,284 Migration cases (11%) were over 365 days old and 3,759 Refugee cases (69%) were over 90 days old.

Age	Total	%
Migration		
90 days or less (<=3 months)	3,491	31%
91 - 183 days (3 to 6 months)	2,651	23%
184 - 274 days (6 to 9 months)	2,459	22%
275 - 365 days (9 to 12 months)	1,445	13%
366 - 547 days (12 to 18 months)	1,095	10%
548 days or more (>18 months)	189	2%
Total	11,330	100%
Refugee		
30 days or less (<=1 month)	654	12%
31 - 60 days (1 to 2 months)	448	8%
61 - 90 days (2 to 3 months)	573	11%
91 - 183 days (3 to 6 months)	909	17%
184 - 274 days (6 to 9 months)	650	12%
275 days or more (>9 months)	2,200	40%
Total	5,434	100%

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