

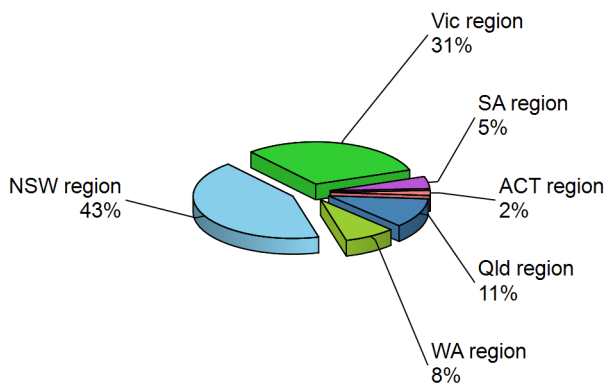
Administrative Appeals Tribunal Migration and Refugee Division Caseload Report Financial year to 31 December 2023

Summary of lodgements, decisions and cases on hand

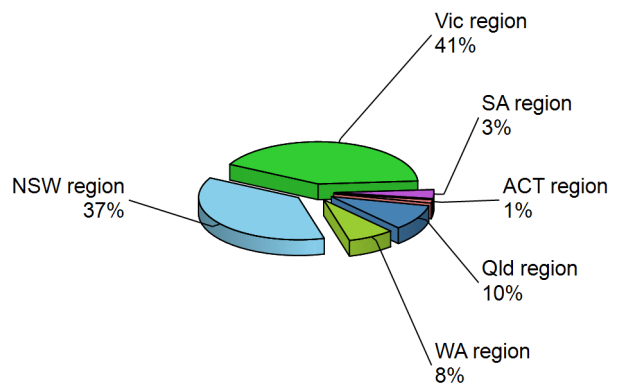
	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Total
Migration													
Lodgements	854	1,115	1,297	1,167	1,292	1,127							6,852
Decisions	931	1,172	1,182	1,092	1,019	726							6,122
Active	14,366	14,309	14,424	14,499	14,772	15,173							15,173
Refugee													
Lodgements	874	930	927	740	656	612							4,739
Decisions	297	373	825	536	683	562							3,276
Active	40,730	41,287	41,389	41,593	41,566	41,616							41,616
Migration and Refugee													
Lodgements	1,728	2,045	2,224	1,907	1,948	1,739							11,591
Decisions	1,228	1,545	2,007	1,628	1,702	1,288							9,398
Active	55,096	55,596	55,813	56,092	56,338	56,789							56,789

The Migration clearance rate for the year-to-date is 89%. The Refugee clearance rate for the year-to-date is 69%.

Migration lodgements by region*



Refugee lodgements by region*



*Allocation region = Member location

ACT region – Reviews for applicants residing within 100km of Canberra

NSW region – Reviews for applicants residing in NSW except 300km of Melbourne and Brisbane and 100km of Canberra

Qld region – Reviews for applicants residing in Qld including NSW within 300km of Brisbane

SA region – Reviews for applicants residing in SA and NT

Vic region – Reviews for applicants residing in Vic including Tas and NSW within 300km of Melbourne

WA region – Reviews for applicants residing in WA

Migration lodgements by region and case category

Case category	NSW region	Vic region	ACT region	Qld region	SA region	WA region	Total	%
Student refusal	1,295	941	46	268	129	204	2,883	42%
Partner	430	355	19	157	56	108	1,125	16%
Visitor	521	277	20	99	42	80	1,039	15%
Temporary work	130	108	10	65	14	44	371	5%
Skill linked	109	124	13	50	29	30	355	5%
Student cancellation	165	106	6	28	20	19	344	5%
Nomination/Sponsor approval	91	64	3	46	9	36	249	4%
Family	75	54	2	20	10	17	178	3%
Permanent business	60	46	6	23	6	17	158	2%
Bridging	52	29	2	11	5	13	112	2%
Other	13	7	6	11	0	1	38	1%
Total	2,941	2,111	133	778	320	569	6,852	
	43%	31%	2%	11%	5%	8%		

Top 20 Refugee lodgements by region and country

Country	NSW region	Vic region	ACT region	Qld region	SA region	WA region	Total	%
China	463	307	14	33	13	123	953	20%
Vietnam	55	368	2	58	35	31	549	12%
Malaysia	138	287	7	20	10	42	504	11%
India	219	112	5	41	9	15	401	8%
East Timor	21	196	0	91	24	27	359	8%
Thailand	98	193	15	37	15	1	359	8%
Indonesia	126	113	4	17	12	22	294	6%
Vanuatu	69	81	1	31	6	29	217	5%
Tonga	125	27	0	20	8	14	194	4%
Fiji	121	18	1	21	6	16	183	4%
Samoa	72	44	0	16	1	1	134	3%
Solomon Islands	44	10	1	44	5	4	108	2%
Pakistan	29	39	1	0	1	1	71	1%
Nepal	49	8	1	3	3	4	68	1%
Nigeria	16	19	3	4	0	3	45	1%
Cambodia	1	28	0	2	2	0	33	1%
Papua New Guinea	7	14	0	12	0	0	33	1%
Lebanon	10	13	0	1	0	0	24	1%
Taiwan	7	7	1	1	1	5	22	0%
Mongolia	18	0	0	1	0	0	19	0%
Other	60	66	3	10	11	19	169	4%
Total	1,748	1,950	59	463	162	357	4,739	
	37%	41%	1%	10%	3%	8%		

Migration lodgements are up 46% this year compared to the same period last year. Refugee lodgements are down 3% this year compared to the same period last year.

Refugee lodgements by case type and country

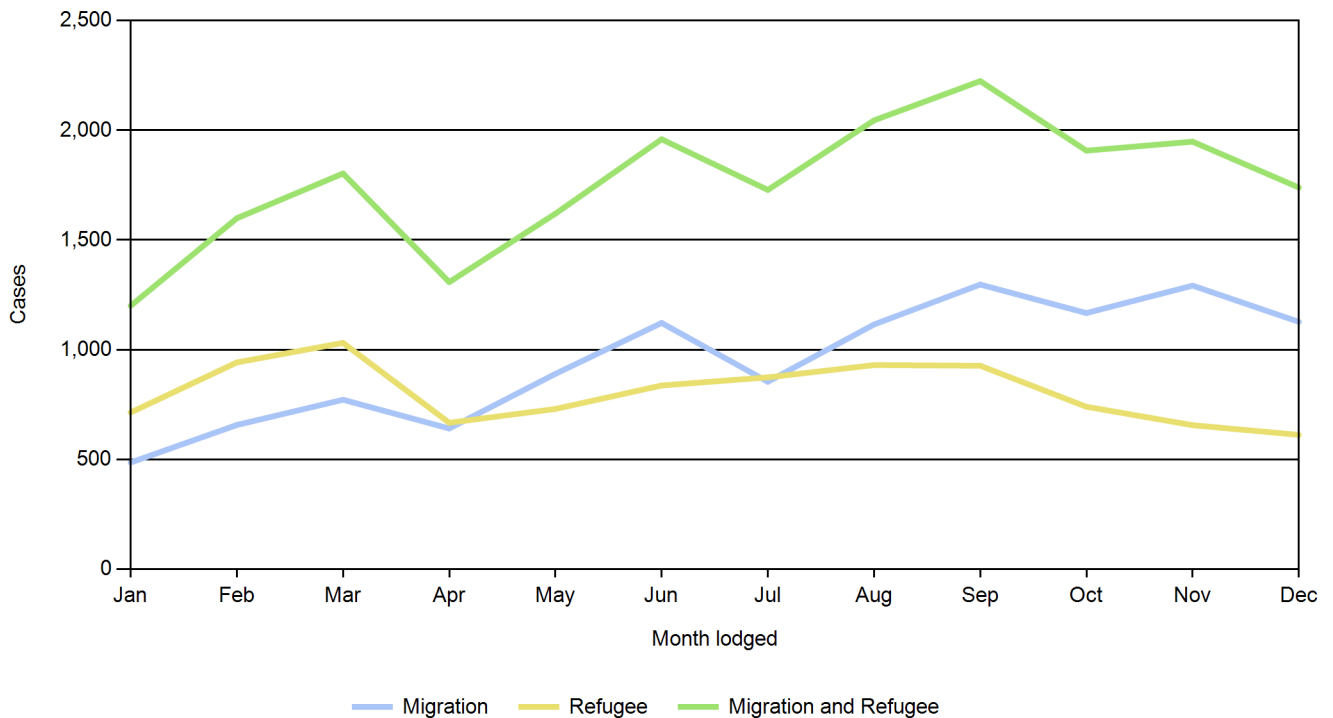
Top 20 non-UMA lodgements

Country	Total	%
China	953	20%
Vietnam	539	11%
Malaysia	504	11%
India	401	8%
East Timor	359	8%
Thailand	359	8%
Indonesia	294	6%
Vanuatu	217	5%
Tonga	194	4%
Fiji	183	4%
Samoa	134	3%
Solomon Islands	108	2%
Pakistan	70	1%
Nepal	68	1%
Nigeria	45	1%
Cambodia	33	1%
Papua New Guinea	33	1%
Lebanon	24	1%
Taiwan	22	0%
Mongolia	19	0%
Other	161	3%
Total	4,720	

UMA lodgements

Country	Total	%
Vietnam	10	53%
Iran	5	26%
Stateless	2	11%
Pakistan	1	5%
Sri Lanka	1	5%
Total	19	

Migration, Refugee and combined lodgements in the last 12 months



Detention lodgements

Type	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Total
Migration	10	8	11	6	15	12							62
Refugee	5	9	14	6	4	10							48

Court remittal lodgements

Type	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Total
Migration	12	7	5	14	7	8							53
Refugee	13	12	8	3	6	4							46

In the previous financial year (2022/23), Migration received a total of 132 court remittals and Refugee received a total of 115 court remittals.

Decisions

Migration decisions by case category

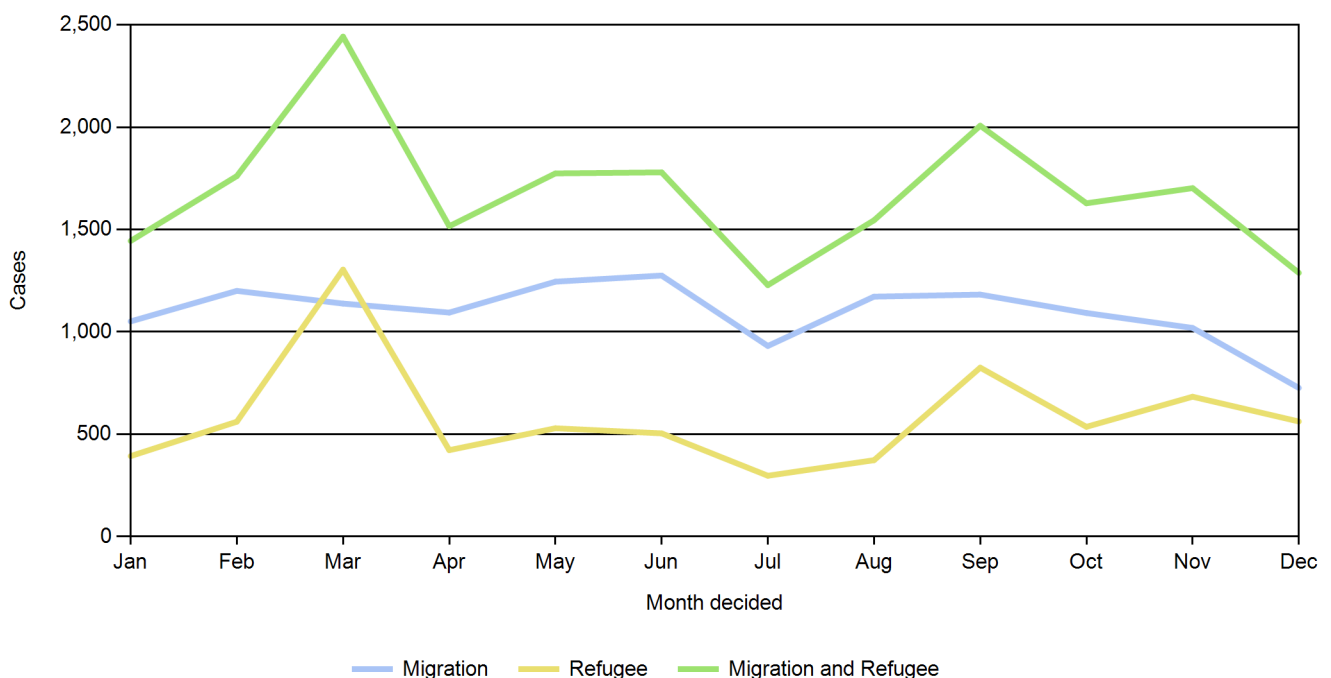
Case category	Total		Set aside	
	Decisions	%	Decisions	%S/A
Student refusal	1,095	18%	440	40%
Nomination/Sponsor approval	1,070	17%	288	27%
Partner	975	16%	596	61%
Visitor	917	15%	288	31%
Permanent business	690	11%	233	34%
Temporary work	479	8%	188	39%
Skill linked	463	8%	185	40%
Family	173	3%	96	55%
Bridging	114	2%	14	12%
Student cancellation	73	1%	20	27%
Other	73	1%	29	40%
Total	6,122	100%	2,377	39%

Top 20 Refugee decisions by country

Country	UMA	non-UMA	Total		Set aside	
			Decisions	%	Decisions	%S/A
Malaysia	0	925	925	28%	38	4%
China	0	757	757	23%	20	3%
Vietnam	35	129	164	5%	29	18%
Thailand	0	161	161	5%	1	1%
India	2	129	131	4%	10	8%
Fiji	0	121	121	4%	6	5%
Pakistan	15	83	98	3%	42	43%
Iran	41	29	70	2%	46	66%
Indonesia	0	68	68	2%	1	1%
Tonga	0	63	63	2%	0	0%
East Timor	0	62	62	2%	0	0%
Taiwan	0	57	57	2%	0	0%
Vanuatu	0	52	52	2%	0	0%
Sri Lanka	19	31	50	2%	23	46%
Samoa	0	47	47	1%	0	0%
Solomon Islands	0	47	47	1%	1	2%
Bangladesh	7	24	31	1%	9	29%
Sierra Leone	0	31	31	1%	10	32%
Philippines	0	29	29	1%	0	0%
Burma (Myanmar)	3	24	27	1%	24	89%
Other	23	262	285	9%	105	37%
Total	145	3,131	3,276	100%	365	11%

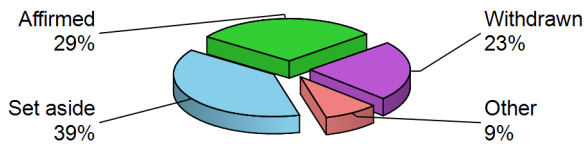
23 cases were remitted on complementary protection grounds.

Migration, Refugee and combined decisions in the last 12 months

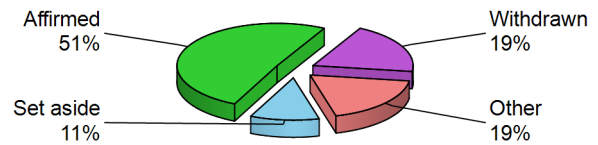


Decision outcomes

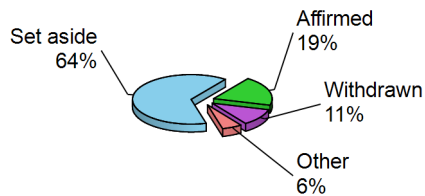
Migration decisions by outcome



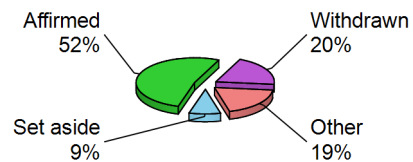
Refugee decisions by outcome



Refugee outcomes - UMA



Refugee outcomes - non-UMA



The set aside rate for cases reconsidered following court remittals so far this financial year is 55% for Migration decisions and 37% for Refugee decisions.

Timeliness of decisions

Caseload overview for the period

Caseload	Lodged	Finalised	On hand as at 31/12/23	% Finalised within 12 months	Median to finalised (weeks)
Migration	6,852	6,122	15,173	33%	85
Refugee	4,739	3,276	41,616	29%	171
Total	11,591	9,398	56,789	32%	107

Processing times for finalisations:

Please click [here](#) to access the current Migration and Refugee Division processing times.

Active cases on hand (not yet decided)

Active Migration cases on hand by region and case category

Case category	NSW region	Vic region	ACT region	Qld region	SA region	WA region	Total	%
Partner	1,903	1,139	19	575	181	260	4,077	27%
Student refusal	1,781	1,323	64	356	171	195	3,890	26%
Visitor	718	528	34	192	71	125	1,668	11%
Temporary work	513	367	35	207	48	161	1,331	9%
Nomination/Sponsor approval	464	340	16	181	38	134	1,173	8%
Skill linked	264	424	40	151	102	96	1,077	7%
Permanent business	234	253	19	129	32	74	741	5%
Family	251	197	2	127	28	48	653	4%
Student cancellation	216	139	6	38	26	24	449	3%
Bridging	24	20	1	9	8	7	69	0%
Other	9	12	0	14	2	8	45	0%
Total	6,377	4,742	236	1979	707	1,132	15,173	
	42%	31%	2%	13%	5%	7%		

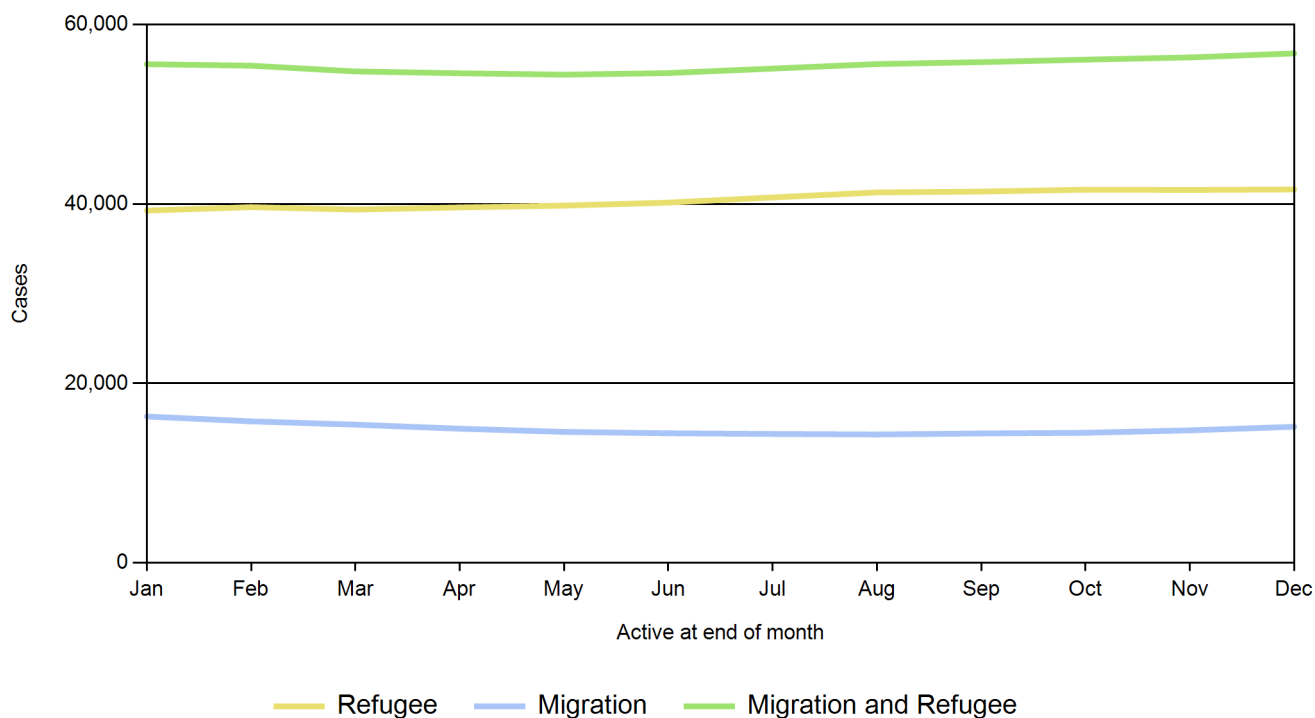
Active top 20 Refugee cases on hand by region and country

Country	NSW region	Vic region	ACT region	Qld region	SA region	WA region	Total	%
Malaysia	3,782	8,191	43	594	391	1,511	14,512	35%
China	5,806	2,141	127	266	87	778	9,205	22%
Vietnam	447	1,764	5	264	149	138	2,767	7%
India	1,361	613	21	197	40	63	2,295	6%
Thailand	701	844	53	139	59	13	1,809	4%
Indonesia	736	706	11	81	53	81	1,668	4%
Fiji	1,036	105	12	95	24	58	1,330	3%
Philippines	519	214	9	29	44	18	833	2%
East Timor	66	434	1	250	32	45	828	2%
Taiwan	280	254	13	53	18	85	703	2%
Pakistan	185	285	2	3	11	35	521	1%
Tonga	338	88	3	33	11	26	499	1%
Sri Lanka	75	268	0	9	5	18	375	1%
Bangladesh	313	45	2	1	7	5	373	1%
Lebanon	207	103	4	4	3	1	322	1%
Vanuatu	101	86	2	51	9	49	298	1%
Cambodia	11	264	2	3	12	0	292	1%
Solomon Islands	87	31	0	118	7	5	248	1%
Iran	97	111	0	5	5	18	236	1%
Samoa	139	59	0	23	2	1	224	1%
Other	1,062	661	29	252	111	163	2,278	5%
Total	17,349	17,267	339	2470	1,080	3,111	41,616	
	42%	41%	1%	6%	3%	7%		

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

Country	UMA		non-UMA		Total	%
	Cases	%	Cases	%		
Malaysia	0	0.0%	14512	35.1%	14,512	34.9%
China	1	0.3%	9204	22.3%	9,205	22.1%
Vietnam	69	22.7%	2698	6.5%	2,767	6.6%
India	4	1.3%	2291	5.5%	2,295	5.5%
Thailand	0	0.0%	1809	4.4%	1,809	4.3%
Indonesia	0	0.0%	1668	4.0%	1,668	4.0%
Fiji	0	0.0%	1330	3.2%	1,330	3.2%
Philippines	0	0.0%	833	2.0%	833	2.0%
East Timor	0	0.0%	828	2.0%	828	2.0%
Taiwan	0	0.0%	703	1.7%	703	1.7%
Pakistan	14	4.6%	507	1.2%	521	1.3%
Tonga	0	0.0%	499	1.2%	499	1.2%
Sri Lanka	42	13.8%	333	0.8%	375	0.9%
Bangladesh	47	15.5%	326	0.8%	373	0.9%
Lebanon	0	0.0%	322	0.8%	322	0.8%
Vanuatu	0	0.0%	298	0.7%	298	0.7%
Cambodia	0	0.0%	292	0.7%	292	0.7%
Solomon Islands	0	0.0%	248	0.6%	248	0.6%
Iran	86	28.3%	150	0.4%	236	0.6%
Samoa	0	0.0%	224	0.5%	224	0.5%
Other	41	13.5%	2,237	5.4%	2,278	5.5%
Total	304		41,312		41,616	

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



The active Migration caseload is down 10% compared to the 16,878 cases that were on hand as at the same time last year. The active Refugee caseload is up 7% compared to the 38,945 cases that were on hand as at the same time last year.

Age of active cases on hand

Age	Total	%
Migration		
365 days or less (<= 12 months)	9,290	61%
366 - 730 days (12 to 24 months)	3,009	20%
731 - 1,095 days (24 to 36 months)	1,676	11%
1,096 days or more (> 36 months)	1,198	8%
Total	15,173	100%
Refugee		
365 days or less (<= 12 months)	8,601	21%
366 - 730 days (12 to 24 months)	8,392	20%
731 - 1,095 days (24 to 36 months)	7,650	18%
1,096 days or more (> 36 months)	16,973	41%
Total	41,616	100%

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