



# Settlement Reports

## Top 25 Languages by Migration Stream

This table covers the Settlement Date<sup>1</sup> range from 1 April 2010 to 31 March 2015.

You should note and take into account the matters identified as caveats to this data (refer to separate page).

	Migration Stream				Grand Total
	Family	Humanitarian	Other/Unknown	Skilled	
English	66,029	2,043	<5	140,338	208,411
Mandarin	21,659	993	25	27,062	49,739
Arabic	7,807	15,585	15	481	23,888
Vietnamese	11,484	74	<5	2,531	14,094
Hindi	2,892	107	0	9,652	12,651
Chinese, nfd	6,477	117	<5	5,057	11,654
Nepali	479	4,012	<5	5,529	10,024
Punjabi	1,904	126	0	7,156	9,186
Korean	2,692	52	6	5,180	7,930
Dari	1,972	5,873	<5	31	7,878
Chinese, nec	1,465	34	<5	5,867	7,367
Thai	6,382	28	0	575	6,985
Hazaragi	454	6,325	0	<5	6,781
Cantonese	3,640	46	<5	2,986	6,677
Urdu	1,278	1,135	0	4,201	6,614
Tamil	1,270	1,773	0	2,994	6,037
Spanish	2,829	142	7	2,991	5,969
Farsi (Persian)	1,223	4,129	<5	608	5,961
Malayalam	290	7	0	5,404	5,701
Bengali	2,031	114	7	3,512	5,664
Gujarati	962	8	<5	3,846	4,818
Indonesian	3,178	86	7	1,447	4,718
Sinhalese	971	84	0	3,628	4,683
Russian	2,770	36	<5	1,813	4,623
Filipino	1,030	<5	0	3,022	4,053

<sup>1</sup>Settlement Date is 'date of visa grant' for settlers who were in Australia when their visa was granted, and 'date of arrival in Australia' for settlers who were overseas when their visa was granted.

### **Caveats**

The Settlement Reporting Facility (SRF) reports on data sourced from the Settlement Database (SDB). There are limitations in the data capture, the actual data and the reporting system.

### **Data Capture**

- SDB collects data concerning settlers who have been granted a permanent (or provisional) visa.
- SDB data is compiled from a number of sources including Department of Immigration and Border Protection (DIBP), other Commonwealth agencies and service providers.
- A subset of SDB data is copied to the SRF on the 5th day of each month.

### **Data Limitations**

- SRF includes settlers who were:
  - granted a permanent (or provisional) visa after 1/1/1991 and arrived in Australia within 25 months of visa grant, (or are yet to arrive and it has been less than 25 months since their visa was granted), or
  - who arrived in Australia after 1/1/1991 having been granted a permanent (or provisional) visa prior to 1/1/1991.
- SRF has not been adjusted to reflect settlers who are deceased.
- SRF has not been adjusted to reflect settlers who have permanently departed Australia.
- SRF has not been adjusted to reflect settlers who have had their grants cancelled.
- SRF includes some duplicate settler records.
- SRF includes many data items that are not mandatory.
- SRF includes only the settler's latest known residential (or intended residential) address. Address information is only updated if the department is notified. Some settlers have no address details recorded.
- SRF location data is based on the 2011 Australian Standard Geographic Classification (ASGC).
- SRF includes only the latest permanent (or provisional) visa for a settler.

### **Reporting Limitations**

- Reports cannot provide numbers of settlers in specified locations for past years. Nor can reports show settlement patterns or trends for specified locations.
- Reports including numbers of settlers in specified locations may be inaccurate due to limitations in address data. This is particularly problematic for regional/rural locations.
- Settlers with an existing permanent (or provisional) visa may appear in different reporting categories over time if they are granted a subsequent permanent (or provisional) visa.
- Reports including numbers of settlers of 5 or fewer have been suppressed (indicated by <5) for client confidentiality.
- Reports including 'not stated', 'invalid' or 'not recorded' labels indicate that the data is unavailable.

### **Report Usage**

- Please attribute Australian Government as the data source when using SRF reports.

*Caveats updated 6 January 2014*