

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

Parliamentary Inquiry : 06 November 2017

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

(PIID/018) – Inquiry - Prohibiting items in Immigration Detention- Detections of illicit items on visitors -

Asked:

Provide a table of the number of visitor drug, weapon and child exploitation material detections in immigration detention and transit facilities by facility, drug type, method of detection, type of visitor (eg, advocate, lawyer, family member, friend) and date of detection.

Answer:

The Department does not record visitor by type. A breakdown of visitors refused since 1 April 2017 can be found below:

Reason for refusal	1 Apr 2017 – 3 Nov2017
Abusive aggressive behaviour	9
Concealing food	2
Contraband - cigarettes	2
Contraband - concealed items not specified	13
Contraband - concealed large sum of money	1
Contraband - concealed medication	1
Contraband - large sum of money	1
Contraband - mobile phone	8
Contraband - mobile phone concealed in food	1
Contraband - tablet hidden in food	1
False signatures on application	2
Illicit substance	1
Itemiser	237
Itemiser & alcohol	2
Refused Itemiser	1
Supply false driver's license	1
Under the influence alcohol	1
Total	284