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Senator Cash asked:

With reference to answer to QON 121 in relation to the Appoint Women Register, what steps has the Office for Women taken to actively address the declining number of Candidate Registration? What measures is the department undertaking to increase the number of those women registered in the program?

Answer:

AppointWomen registrations peaked in 2009 after the website was upgraded and relaunched. It is not anticipated that the same number would register each year as details remain on the register over time unless a registrant chooses to remove them. There are currently 570 women registered with AppointWomen, which is promoted through the website and at relevant meetings and forums.