QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES HEARING: 23 February 2015

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

(AE15/019) - Dual Citizenship - Programme 1.2 Visa and Citizenship (Administered)

Senator Carr, Kim (L&CA 44) asked:

Senator KIM CARR: Would you be able to tell me how many Australian citizens by birth become citizens of another country?

Mr Pezzullo: I do not think that we have those statistics. I am happy to take that on notice. But their free right to travel overseas or to otherwise acquire or enliven citizenship through some pre-existing right would not necessarily be known to my department.

Answer:

The Department of Immigration and Border Protection does not hold data on Australian born citizens that become citizens of another country.