

**QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE**

**BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING : 22 May 2017**

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

**(BE17/293) - Total number of migrants since 1901 - Programme 2.2: Migration**

Senator Roberts, Malcolm (L&CA) written:

How many people have legally and illegally immigrated to Australia since 1901 (or at least 1967) along with when, from where and what race and religion?

What were the foreign employment, income and criminal status of these people prior to arriving in Australia?

What were the domestic employment, income and criminal status of these people over time after arriving in Australia?

*Answer:*

Departmental systems do not have data on most of the period enquired about. In addition, departmental systems do not report on the race, religion, employment, income, or criminal status of immigrants prior to their settlement in Australia, nor their employment, income and criminal status after they settle in Australia. Note, persons with a significant criminal record would not meet character requirements in order to be granted a visa that would enable them to migrate to Australia.