

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO

Additional Estimates 13 & 15 February 2013

Question: E13-194

OUTCOME 8: Indigenous Health

Topic: Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Unregistered Births

Type of Question: Written Question on Notice

Senator: Senator Fierravanti-Wells

Question:

- a) Does OATSIH have any data containing estimates of Indigenous births that are not registered with the relevant State or Territory authority (usually the Registrar of Births, Deaths and Marriages)?
- b) How is such data usually collected or estimated?

Answer:

a) and b)

The Office for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health (OATSIH) does not have any estimates of the number of unregistered births for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.