

**Senate Standing Committee on Education Employment and Workplace
Relations**

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
Budget Estimates 2010-2011**

Cross Portfolio

DEEWR Question No.EW0054_11

Senator Barnett provided in writing.

Question

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION

1. Has the Department/agency received any advice from the Government or any other source on how to respond to FOI requests?
2. How many FOI requests has the Department received?
3. How many have been granted or denied?
4. How many conclusive certificates have been issued in relation to FOI requests?

Answer

1. The answer provided to DEEWR question No. EW804_10 is still current.
2. The update to DEEWR Answer No.EW0849_10 to include the current financial year is in the table below.

1 July 2009 – 30 June 2010	
Total requests received	290
Decisions made	217
Full release	156
Partial release	47
Refused	14
Alternative outcomes	
Withdrawn	68
Transferred	4
Conclusive certificates	0