

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

Department of Regional Australia, Regional Development and Local Government

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Topic: FOI Requests FYTD

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- a) How many FOI requests has the Department received for this FYTD?
- b) How many have been granted or denied?
- c) How many conclusive certificates have been issued in relation to FOI requests for this FYTD?

Answer:

- a) Since 1 July 2011 to date, the Department has received 11 FOI requests.
- b) Four requests were granted with full release. One request was refused on the grounds that the documents did not exist. Four requests were withdrawn by the applicant. There are currently two requests on hand.
- c) The Department has not issued any conclusive certificates.