

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

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IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

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Senator Bartlett (L&CA 25) asked:

In relation to males being subjected to violence from female partners, are you able to give any data on how many cases involved that type of claim?

Answer:

New provisions allowing referral of some non-judicial claims of domestic violence to an independent expert for assessment under the Domestic Violence Provisions (DVP) were introduced on 1 July 2005. Centrelink is currently Gazetted as the independent expert for the purposes of the DVP.

Figures relating to claims made by males under the DVP since 1 July 2005 are provided below.

	Claims under the Domestic Violence Provisions	<i>Referred to Centrelink as independent expert for assessment</i>
1 July 2005 – 30 June 2006	79	29
1 July 2006 – 31 December 2006	66	39