QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

ADDITIONAL BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARINGS: 21 FEBRUARY 2011

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(221) Program 4.2: Onshore Detention Network

Senator Cash asked:

How many mental health professionals are engaged permanently or temporarily at detention facilities on the mainland? Please provide details.

Answer.

An outline of the number of Full Time Equivalent (FTE) mental health professionals employed by the Department's contracted Health Services Provider on the Mainland, as at 4 February 2011, is provided in the following table:

	FTE Staff
Location	Numbers
Leonora APOD	1.8
Perth IDC	1.56
Perth IRH*	0
Banksia APOD*	0
Curtin IDC	5
Port Augusta IRH	2
Maribyrnong IDC	1.3
Maribyrnong ITA	4
Villawood IDC	6.2
Brisbane ITA**	0
Brisbane APOD	2
Northern IDC	4
Darwin Airport Lodge APOD	7
ASTI APOD	2
Scherger IDC	6
Inverbrackie APOD	4
Total (approximate FTE)	46.86

* While there are currently no mental health professionals permanently stationed at the Perth IRH or Banksia APOD, should any clients at these locations experience mental health problems, they are seen by the mental health professionals based at the Perth IDC.

** While there are currently no mental health professionals permanently stationed at the Brisbane ITA, should any clients at the Brisbane ITA experience mental health problems, they are seen by the mental health professionals based at the Brisbane APOD.