QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

ADDITIONAL BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARINGS: 21 FEBRUARY 2011

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(310) Program 4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management

Senator Cash asked:

How many department staff, contract staff and clients are on Christmas Island as at the current date?

Answer.

At 14 February 2011, the Department had around 85 staff on the Island. Departmental service providers employed around 373.5 (FTE) staff on Christmas Island.

On 14 February 2011 there were 2646 clients in immigration detention on Christmas Island.