

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES HEARING: 13 FEBRUARY 2012

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(AE12/0350) Program 4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management

Senator Cash asked:

What has been the cost of operating the detention facilities at Inverbrackie, in the year to date? Please provide a breakdown of those costs including capital costs. How many asylum seekers are currently detained there? How many have been released on a bridging visa; into community detention or given a permanent visa?

Answer:

Financial figures are for the 1 July 2011 to 31 Jan 2012 period.

Inverbrackie APOD	Actual (\$)
Aircraft Charter Freight and Travel	711,164
DIAC staff costs and allowances	63,282
IMA Education	1,425,883
Interpreting Services	1,209,780
IT and Communications	255,920
Misc	729,737
Motor Vehicle Expenses	37,734
Property	584,490
Staff salaries	757,683
Detention Services	13,778,468
health services	4,029,085
IAAAS	148,505
IOM / Australian Red Cross	8,830
Total Cost	23,740,561

Capital spend for the financial year to 31 January 2012 is \$1,524,362.

According to DIAC operational data, as at cob 13 February 2012:

- The number of Irregular Maritime Arrivals (IMAs) accommodated at Inverbrackie Alternative Place of Detention (APOD) was 306.

According to DIAC operational data, from 10 February 2011 to cob 13 February 2012:

- There have been 807 IMAs placed into community detention from Inverbrackie APOD.
- There have been 214 IMAs released on protection visas from Inverbrackie APOD.
- Nil IMAs had been released from Inverbrackie APOD on a bridging visa.