

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES HEARINGS: 11 February 2013

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(AE13/0017) PROGRAM – 4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management

Senator Cash (L&CA 21) asked:

What have been the total actual costs, the actual spent by the department of immigration on asylum seeker management in outcomes 4.3, 4.5 and 4.6 since 2008-09 in addition to the budget blowout? The budget blowout is in excess of \$6 billion at the moment, that is only a budget blowout cost. What has been the actual costs?

Answer:

Actual costs incurred for the care and management of Irregular Maritime Arrivals (IMAs) for the financial years 2008-09 to 2012-13 are summarised below.

	2008-09 \$'million	2009-10 \$'million	2010-11 \$'million	2011-12 \$'million	2012-13 \$'million
Actual expenditure ¹	88.881	253.594	840.497	1 360.929	TBA ²

Notes:

- 1) Actual expenditure includes only IMA related expenditure from programs 4.3, 4.5 and 4.6. In program 4.5, only sub-program "Returns and Reintegration Assistance Packages" relates to IMAs.
- 2) Expenditure for the 2012-13 financial year will not be available until the financial statements have been finalised.