QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES HEARINGS: 11 February 2013

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(AE13/0236) PROGRAM - 1.1: Visa and Migration

Senator Cash (Written) asked:

How many Expressions of Interest (EOIs) have been lodged per month via SkillSelect since 1 July 2012? In what visa categories?

Answer:

The following table sets out the number of EOIs lodged by month:

Visa Subclass	July 12	Aug 12	Sep 12	Oct 12	Nov 12	Dec 12	Jan 13	Feb 13
s/c 189 Skilled Independent	2 176	1 536	1 290	1 475	1 826	1 893	1 868	2 079
s/c 190 State and Territory Nominated	2 134	1 484	1 158	1 401	1 704	1 541	1 285	1 326
s/c 489 – Skilled Regional (Provisional)	1 167	704	470	467	561	577	509	489
s/c 132 Business Talent	7	18	22	16	24	15	20	19
s/c 188 Business Innovation and Investment	74	94	98	88	118	172	186	104
s/c 186 Employer Nomination Scheme	1356	890	678	585	509	460	691	579
s/c 187 Regional Sponsored Migration Scheme	605	911	656	639	549	504	710	638
s/c 457 Business Long Stay	516	798	545	489	396	382	555	500