

## QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

### ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES HEARINGS: 11 February 2013

#### IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

#### (AE13/0297) PROGRAM – 4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management

Senator Cash (Written) asked:

How many single adult men have been placed in community detention? Where are they? In what kind of accommodation? Are they supervised? How many are allowed to reside in each dwelling? Has the department been made aware of incidents where lease conditions have been breached where too many people are residing in a single dwelling?

*Answer:*

As at 11 February 2013, 844 single adult men have been approved for community detention since October 2010.

Below is a list of their status, and the location of the 273 single adult men in community detention as at 11 February 2013.

State	Total
ACT	4
NSW	75
QLD	35
SA	15
VIC	112
WA	32
Grand Total	273

Status	Total
Protection Visa Granted	401
In CD	273
Bridging Visa E Granted	131
Returned to held detention	30
In Transfer	6
Voluntary Return to home country	2
Deceased	1
Grand Total	844

Single adult men are generally placed in share accommodation with other clients of a similar age and cultural background. They may also be placed with a disclosed community link who has offered to provide accommodation. People placed in the community detention program may move about freely in the community without needing to be accompanied or restrained by an immigration officer or designated person. However, under the Act they remain in immigration detention, and must abide by specific conditions such as residing at a specified address.

The suitable capacity of a share property is considered according to relevant state and territory tenancy regulations.

The department is not aware of incidents where lease conditions have been breached because too many people resided in a single dwelling.