QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES - 25 FEBRUARY 2014

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

(AE14/231) PROGRAMME – 1.1: Visa and Migration

Senator Carr (Written) asked:

- (a) How many family visas have been granted in 2013/14 to date?
- (b) Are there any expected future changes to the family visa streams?

Answer:

(a) There have been 44 092 family visas granted in 2013-14 as at 28 February 2014:

2013-14 Grants as at 28 February 2014

Month	Jul '13	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan '14	Feb
Partner	5,346	4,107	4,640	4,491	4,110	3,445	3,915	4,784
Child	482	369	328	344	329	300	298	301
Parent	1,460	855	696	733	593	589	545	548
Other Family	193	22	55	106	54	24	13	17

Total

34,838 2,751 6,019

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(b) The size and composition of the migration programme is set annually as part of the Budget.