

SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS
ADMINISTRATIVE APPEALS TRIBUNAL

Question No. 5

Senator Barnett asked the following question at the hearing on 24 May 2010:

How many matters have been referred by members and conference registrars for alternative dispute resolution in this financial year?

The answer to the honourable senator's question is as follows:

The Tribunal uses the following kinds of alternative dispute resolution (ADR) processes in resolving applications for review of decisions: case appraisal, conciliation, conference, mediation and neutral evaluation.

Column 1 of the table below shows the number of ADR events conducted by the Tribunal from 1 July 2009 to 24 May 2010. A single ADR event may deal with one or more applications. Column 2 shows the number of applications that were dealt with at those ADR events.

	Column 1: Number of ADR events held (1 July 2009 - 24 May 2010)	Column 2: Number of applications dealt with at ADR events (1 July 2009 - 24 May 2010)
Case appraisal	8	9
Conciliation	453	858
Conference	7403	9971
Mediation	42	75
Neutral Evaluation	46	68