

**QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE**

**BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 23 - 24 MAY 2011**

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

**(BE11/0118) Program 1.1: Visa and Migration**

Senator Cash asked (written):

What procedures are in place to measure the success of the new Skilled Migrant Selection Model?

*Answer:*

Following implementation of the Skilled Migrant Selection Register (SkillSelect) from 1 July 2012, the department will be able to report on the success of SkillSelect via information collected on prospective migrants at the Expression of Interest (EOI) stage, in conjunction with visa grant data and other outcomes related studies such as the department's Continuous Survey of Australian Migrants.

SkillSelect will be formally evaluated in 2013 following its first year of operation.