

**QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE**

**BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARINGS: 21-22 MAY 2012**

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

**(BE12/0286) Program 3.1: Border management**

Senator Cash (L&CA 45:48) asked:

How many travellers to Australia, both by boat and air, have presented false or altered documents in the last financial year?

Answer

In the period 2010 to 2011, 89 people were refused entry to Australia for presenting false or altered documents as follows:

- 84 at airports; and
- 5 at seaports.