

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 27-28 May 2013

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(BE13/0265) PROGRAM – 1.1: Visa and Migration

Senator Cash (Written) asked:

With reference to the answer given to AE13/0029 which includes a table as an attachment. The answer states that student visa standards are not being met because of 'the large number of incomplete applications being lodged and the high seasonal workload which places significant strain on available resources'. How many student applications have been lodged in 2012-13? Of these, how many we're incomplete - both as a percentage and raw figure?

Answer:

From 1 July 2012 to 30 April 2013, 199 112 Student applications were lodged. We are unable to provide information on the number of applications lodged that were incomplete. This data is not stored on DIAC systems.