

## QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

### BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 27-28 May 2013

#### IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

#### (BE13/0284) PROGRAM – 1.1: Visa and Migration

Senator Cash (Written) asked:

How many onshore applications have there been in 2012-13 by visa category?

*Answer:*

The number of onshore visa applications lodged by visa category in the program year 2012-13 (to 30 April 2013) is set out in the following tables. Data has been separated for temporary and permanent visa applications.

| Temporary Visa Category                              | 2012-13 to 30/04/13 Applications<br>( persons) |
|--|--|
| Visitor visas  | 23 331   |
| Student visas (includes student guardians)           | 109 615  |
| Working Holiday (subclass 417)                       | 27 637   |
| Subclass 457 <sup>(1)</sup> Temporary Work (Skilled) | 49 414   |
| Other Temporary Resident visas                       | 29 046   |
| <b>Total</b>   | <b>239 043</b>                                 |

| Permanent Visa Category                | 2012-13 to 30/04/13 Applications<br>( persons) |
|--|--|
| Child                                  | 523  |
| Contributory Parent                    | 268  |
| Parent                                 | 799  |
| Other Family                           | 737  |
| Partner                                | 20 822   |
| <b>Family Stream (permanent) Total</b> | <b>23 149</b>                                  |
| Business Skills                        | 211  |
| Distinguished Talent                   | 109  |
| Employer Sponsored                     | 23 419   |
| Skilled Independent                    | 17 029   |
| State/Territory Nominated              | 4 659  |
| Skilled Regional                       | 1 661  |
| <b>Skill Stream (permanent) Total</b>  | <b>47 088</b>                                  |
| <b>Special Eligibility</b>             | <b>520</b>                                     |
| <b>Total Migration Program</b>         | <b>70 757</b>                                  |

<sup>1</sup> Includes Independent Executives.

*Note: All data has been extracted from a 'live system'. As this system is constantly updated there will be slight variations in data across different extract dates.*