

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 27-28 May 2013

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(BE13/0401) PROGRAM – 4.2: Onshore Detention Network

Senator Cash (Written) asked:

What is the average occupancy of the detention network modelled for 2012-13? 2013-14?

Answer:

There are three placement options for Irregular Maritime Arrivals:

- Residing in immigration facilities (detention network);
- Residing in the community under Residence Determination arrangements and;
- Residing in the community on a Bridging Visa E

For planning purposes only, the current estimates incorporate an average occupancy in immigration facilities of 8,368 in 2012-13 and 5,295 in 2013-14.

These numbers are regularly reviewed as part of the Budget process.