

SENATE LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL LEGISLATION COMMITTEE
AUSTRALIAN CUSTOMS SERVICE

Question No. 195

Senator Ludwig asked the following question at the hearing on 31 October 2005:

For the period 12 October 2005 to 31 October 2005, specify;

- a) how many sea import under bond movement authorities were granted for each day
- b) the average length of processing time for under bond movement authorities each day
- c) how many were performed through COMPILE
- d) how many were performed through ICS
- e) how many were performed through CCF
- f) how many were performed manually
- g) how many staff were engaged in processing under bond movement authorities

The answer to the honourable senator's question is as follows:

- a) See table below.
- b) See table below.
- c) COMPILE does not contain functionality for processing under-bond movement authorities.
- d) The following table contains the processing numbers for ICS EDI messages and the time between the receiving of the under bond report into Customs to the time the associated response message (informing the client that the under bond movement authority had been granted) leaves Customs.

Date	No. of sea import under bond movement authorities granted	Average length of processing for sea under bond movement authorities
12-Oct-05	125	1 minute 1 second
13-Oct-05	200	16 seconds
14-Oct-05	578	1 minute 4 seconds
15-Oct-05	227	27 seconds
16-Oct-05	36	28 seconds
17-Oct-05	478	1 minute 44 seconds
18-Oct-05	1,190	39 seconds
19-Oct-05	1,543	22 seconds
20-Oct-05	998	50 seconds
21-Oct-05	1,708	2 minutes 27 seconds
22-Oct-05	279	10 seconds
23-Oct-05	68	16 seconds
24-Oct-05	1,579	2 minutes 21 seconds
25-Oct-05	984	59 seconds
26-Oct-05	1,225	2 minutes 25 seconds
27-Oct-05	1,390	42 seconds
28-Oct-05	1,548	26 seconds
29-Oct-05	814	17 seconds
30-Oct-05	48	12 seconds
31-Oct-05	1,237	12 seconds

- e) All sea under bond movement authorities that were granted through the ICS were communicated through the CCF Gateway.
- f) During this period, manual authorities were performed by Customs officers in all states and territories as requested and required. Collation of these requests has not yet been undertaken and it is not possible to provide this statistic.
- g) It is not possible to determine how many individuals were involved in the processing of sea import under-bond movement authorities during this period.