

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 1 November 2005

IMMIGRATION AND MULTICULTURAL AND INDIGENOUS AFFAIRS PORTFOLIO

(182) Output 2.1: Settlement Services

Senator Hurley asked:

Over the past two years are there new arrivals that have been sent to jail or been appearing in court?

Answer:

The Department does not maintain statistics on the number of migrants, refugees or humanitarian entrants who enter the criminal justice system. The Australian Bureau of Statistics keeps National Prison Census data on their website. It lists prisoners by country of birth but does not detail years of arrival.