QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 1 November 2005

IMMIGRATION AND MULTICULTURAL AND INDIGENOUS AFFAIRS PORTFOLIO

(27) Output 1.1: Non-Humanitarian Entry and Stay

Senator Bartlett (L&C 56) asked:

Provide statistics on the number of people moving across from the non-contributory parent visa to the contributory parent visa.

Answer:

The following table shows the total number of non-contributory parent visa applicants who have applied for the contributory parent visa categories from 2003-04 to 31 October 2005.

| Program Year | Total Persons |
|--------------|----------------------|
| 2003-04 | 1,424 |
| 2004-05 | 522 |
| 2005-06 | 143 |
| Total | 2,089 |

NB. The offshore contributory parent regulations commenced on 27 June 2003 and the onshore regulations commenced on 1 July 2003. For ease of reference those applicants who applied offshore between 27 June 2003 and 30 June 2003 have been included in the total figures for 2003-04.