QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

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IMMIGRATION AND MULTICULTURAL AFFAIRS PORTFOLIO

(77) Output 1.1 Migration and Temporary Entry

Senator Crossin asked:

Regarding 457 visas, what is the level of auditing of compliance by sponsors with the condition of the visa?

Answer:

In the year 2005-06 some 6471 sponsors were monitored by the Department and some 1790 were site visited. At present around 190 are under closer investigation.