

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 21 OCTOBER 2008

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(64) Output 2.3: Australian Citizenship

Senator Ellison (L&CA 117) asked:

Can you update question 66 on notice? That asked for a breakdown of those who failed the mandatory questions, or the rights and responsibility questions.

Answer:

Between 1 October 2007 and 30 June 2008:

- 59,185 tests were administered to 48,713 clients.
- 46,500 tests were passed.
- 4,938 tests were failed because the client answered less than 12 out of the twenty questions correctly.
- 7,747 tests were failed because the client answered one or more of the mandatory questions on the responsibilities and privileges of citizenship incorrectly.