

## QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

### SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 19 OCTOBER 2010

#### IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

#### (153) Program 1.1: Visa and Migration

Senator Cash asked:

I refer to the Delegates authorised to approve 457 visas in the various Centres of Excellence:

- (a) On a monthly basis since 1 July 2008 how many 457 visa applications were rejected by delegates in each of the Centres?
- (b) Of these rejected applications how many were referred from each Centre to the Migration Review Tribunal?
- (c) Of those referrals from the relevant Centre of Excellence to the Migration Review Tribunal, what was the number of decisions that were set aside?

Answer:

(a)

#### **Subclass 457 primary visa applications refused between 1 July 2008 and 30 September 2010 where the processing office was at a Centre of Excellence**

*figures are rounded to the nearest 10*

<b>Financial Year</b>	<b>Month</b>	<b>NSW</b>	<b>VIC</b>	<b>WA</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>2008-09</b>	Jul	150	50	50	<b>240</b>
	Aug	140	60	70	<b>270</b>
	Sep	160	130	60	<b>340</b>
	Oct	90	20	40	<b>150</b>
	Nov	100	20	30	<b>150</b>
	Dec	110	30	40	<b>180</b>
	Jan	90	80	50	<b>220</b>
	Feb	140	40	70	<b>250</b>
	Mar	150	40	80	<b>270</b>
	Apr	60	40	40	<b>130</b>
	May	80	30	120	<b>230</b>
	Jun	130	20	80	<b>230</b>
	<b>Total</b>		<b>1390</b>	<b>550</b>	<b>730</b>
<b>2009-10</b>	Jul	110	40	100	<b>260</b>
	Aug	150	30	40	<b>220</b>
	Sep	70	10	30	<b>110</b>
	Oct	20	20	70	<b>100</b>
	Nov	60	20	60	<b>130</b>
	Dec	100	30	30	<b>160</b>
	Jan	90	10	40	<b>140</b>
	Feb	110	20	20	<b>140</b>
	Mar	70	20	40	<b>130</b>

	Apr	100	10	10	<b>120</b>
	May	100	20	20	<b>140</b>
	Jun	80	20	20	<b>120</b>
	<b>Total</b>	<b>1050</b>	<b>250</b>	<b>470</b>	<b>1770</b>
<b>2010-11</b>	Jul	70	10	10	<b>90</b>
	Aug	90	20	20	<b>130</b>
	Sep	100	20	10	<b>130</b>
	<b>Total</b>	<b>260</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>350</b>

(b)

Applications for review by the Migration Review Tribunal (MRT) are lodged directly with the MRT by the applicant. The Department does not have a record of these applications.

(c)

#### **Subclass 457 primary visa applications**

**Number of MRT decisions that were set aside between 1 July 2008 and 30 September 2010**

*figures are rounded to the nearest 10*

<b>Financial Year</b>	<b>Month</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>2008-09</b>	Jul	<b>30</b>
	Aug	<b>20</b>
	Sep	<b>20</b>
	Oct	<b>40</b>
	Nov	<b>10</b>
	Dec	<b>20</b>
	Jan	<b>10</b>
	Feb	<b>10</b>
	Mar	<b>20</b>
	Apr	<b>10</b>
	May	<b>20</b>
	Jun	<b>20</b>
	<b>Total</b>	<b>230</b>
<b>2009-10</b>	Jul	<b>20</b>
	Aug	<b>30</b>
	Sep	<b>30</b>
	Oct	<b>20</b>
	Nov	<b>10</b>
	Dec	<b>10</b>
	Jan	<b>20</b>
	Feb	<b>20</b>
	Mar	<b>20</b>
	Apr	<b>10</b>
	May	<b>20</b>
	Jun	<b>10</b>

	<b>Total</b>	<b>200</b>
<b>2010-11</b>	Jul	<b>10</b>
	Aug	<b>10</b>
	Sep	<b>10</b>
	<b>Total</b>	<b>30</b>