

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 19 OCTOBER 2010

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(27) Program 1.1: Visa and Migration

Senator Cash (L&CA 36) asked:

What is the average processing time for the determination of the General Skilled Migration and Employer Nomination Scheme visa applications?

Answer:

In 2010-11, for applicants finalised up to 31 October 2010, the average processing times are as follows:

- Employer Nomination Scheme – 132 days
- General Skilled Migration – 375 days