

## QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

### SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 15 October 2012

#### IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

#### (SE12/0217) PROGRAM – 1.1: Visa and Migration

Senator Cash (written) asked:

How many onshore applications have there been in 2011-12 by visa category? How many onshore grants for permanent residence have been made in 2011-12 by visa category? What visa did onshore applicants previously hold?

*Answer:*

The number of onshore visa applications lodged by visa category in the program year 2011-12 is set out in the following tables. Data has been separated for temporary and permanent visa applications.

| <b>Temporary Visa Category</b>                   | <b>2011-12 Applications (Persons)</b> |
|--|---------------------------------------|
| Visitors   | 25 873                                |
| Students (includes student guardians)            | 133 017                               |
| Working Holiday, and, Work and Holiday           | 26 329                                |
| Subclass 457 <sup>(1)</sup> Business (Long Stay) | 49 733                                |
| Other Temporary Resident visas (other)           | 40 096                                |
| <b>Total</b>                                     | <b>275 048</b>                        |

| <b>Permanent Visa Category</b>         | <b>2011-12 Applications (Persons)</b> |
|--|---------------------------------------|
| Child                                  | 632                                   |
| Contributory Parent                    | 390                                   |
| Parent                                 | 950                                   |
| Other Family                           | 906                                   |
| Partner                                | 23 260                                |
| <b>Family Stream (permanent) Total</b> | <b>26 138</b>                         |
| Business Skills                        | 553                                   |
| Distinguished Talent                   | 117                                   |
| Employer Sponsored                     | 54 970                                |
| Skilled Independent                    | 11 553                                |
| State/Territory Nominated Visa Classes | 1063                                  |
| Skilled Regional (provisional)         | 1766                                  |
| <b>Skill Stream (permanent) Total</b>  | <b>70 022</b>                         |
| Special Eligibility                    | 566                                   |
| <b>Total Migrant</b>                   | <b>96 726</b>                         |

<sup>1</sup> Includes Independent Executives.

The number of onshore grants for permanent residence by visa category in 2011-12 is set out in the following table. The data on visa grants has been broken down by the last substantive visa held prior to permanent visa grant. It should be noted that the data in the following tables will not reconcile with data provided in the above tables as application and grant data are two different measures of visa activity which occur at different points in time:

| <b>Onshore Permanent visa Grants in 2011-12 by last visa held (Persons)</b> |                         |  |                |
|---|-------------------------|--|----------------|
| <b>Stream</b>   | <b>Category Granted</b> | <b>Last Substantive Subclass (Group) Held Prior to Application</b> | <b>Persons</b> |
| Family  | Partner                 | Migration - Permanent  | 5              |
|   | Partner                 | Migration - Provisional  | 148            |
|   | Partner                 | No Substantive Found   | 261            |
|   | Partner                 | Other  | 23             |
|   | Partner                 | Special Category - NZEA  | 248            |
|   | Partner                 | Student  | 6,823          |
|   | Partner                 | Temporary Residence - 457  | 1,396          |
|   | Partner                 | Temporary Residence - GSM  | 805            |
|   | Partner                 | Temporary Residence - Other  | 122            |
|   | Partner                 | Visitor  | 4,367          |
|   | Partner                 | WHM  | 2,878          |
|   | Child                   | Migration - Provisional  | 9              |
|   | Child                   | No Substantive Found   | 49             |
|   | Child                   | Special Category - NZEA  | 24             |
|   | Child                   | Student  | 40             |
|   | Child                   | Temporary Residence - 457  | 16             |
|   | Child                   | Temporary Residence - GSM  | 14             |
|   | Child                   | Temporary Residence - Other  | 1              |
|   | Child                   | Visitor  | 199            |
|   | Other Family            | Migration - Provisional  | 2              |
|   | Other Family            | No Substantive Found   | 72             |
|   | Other Family            | Other  | 3              |
|   | Other Family            | Special Category - NZEA  | 4              |
|   | Other Family            | Student  | 14             |
|   | Other Family            | Temporary Residence - 457  | 8              |
|   | Other Family            | Visitor  | 63             |
|   | Contributory Parent     | Migration - Permanent  | 23             |
|   | Contributory Parent     | Student  | 1              |
|   | Contributory Parent     | Temporary Residence - 457  | 1              |
|   | Contributory Parent     | Temporary Residence - Other  | 15             |
|   | Contributory Parent     | Visitor  | 184            |
|   | Parent                  | No Substantive Found   | 48             |
|   | Parent                  | Temporary Residence - 457  | 6              |
|   | Parent                  | Temporary Residence - Other  | 80             |
|   | Parent                  | Visitor  | 367            |
|   | Family Sub Total        |  |                |

|                               |  |                             |              |
|-------------------------------|--|-----------------------------|--------------|
| Skill                         | Business Skills                        | Migration - Provisional     | 37           |
|                               | Business Skills                        | No Substantive Found        | 6            |
|                               | Business Skills                        | Special Category - NZEA     | 15           |
|                               | Business Skills                        | Student                     | 48           |
|                               | Business Skills                        | Temporary Residence - 457   | 61           |
|                               | Business Skills                        | Temporary Residence - GSM   | 8            |
|                               | Business Skills                        | Temporary Residence - Other | 1            |
|                               | Business Skills                        | Visitor                     | 1            |
|                               | Distinguished Talent                   | Special Category - NZEA     | 12           |
|                               | Distinguished Talent                   | Student                     | 24           |
|                               | Distinguished Talent                   | Temporary Residence - 457   | 19           |
|                               | Distinguished Talent                   | Temporary Residence - Other | 22           |
|                               | Distinguished Talent                   | WHM                         | 8            |
|                               | Employer Sponsored                     | Migration - Provisional     | 122          |
|                               | Employer Sponsored                     | No Substantive Found        | 1,356        |
|                               | Employer Sponsored                     | Other                       | 2            |
|                               | Employer Sponsored                     | Special Category - NZEA     | 1,337        |
|                               | Employer Sponsored                     | Student                     | 2,268        |
|                               | Employer Sponsored                     | Temporary Residence - 457   | 30,948       |
|                               | Employer Sponsored                     | Temporary Residence - GSM   | 1,320        |
|                               | Employer Sponsored                     | Temporary Residence - Other | 840          |
|                               | Employer Sponsored                     | Visitor                     | 154          |
|                               | Employer Sponsored                     | WHM                         | 1,010        |
|                               | Skilled Independent                    | Migration - Provisional     | 12           |
|                               | Skilled Independent                    | No Substantive Found        | 582          |
|                               | Skilled Independent                    | Special Category - NZEA     | 3            |
|                               | Skilled Independent                    | Student                     | 9,393        |
|                               | Skilled Independent                    | Temporary Residence - 457   | 68           |
|                               | Skilled Independent                    | Temporary Residence - GSM   | 7,247        |
|                               | Skilled Independent                    | Temporary Residence - Other | 10           |
|                               | Skilled Independent                    | Visitor                     | 97           |
|                               | Skilled Independent                    | WHM                         | 13           |
|                               | State/Territory Sponsored Visa Classes | No Substantive Found        | 186          |
|                               | State/Territory Sponsored Visa Classes | Student                     | 1,800        |
|                               | State/Territory Sponsored Visa Classes | Temporary Residence - 457   | 25           |
|                               | State/Territory Sponsored Visa Classes | Temporary Residence - GSM   | 762          |
|                               | State/Territory Sponsored Visa Classes | Temporary Residence - Other | 2            |
|                               | State/Territory Sponsored Visa Classes | Visitor                     | 14           |
|                               | State/Territory Sponsored Visa Classes | WHM                         | 67           |
|                               | Sponsored Skilled Migration            | Migration - Provisional     | 80           |
|                               | Sponsored Skilled Migration            | No Substantive Found        | 449          |
|                               | Sponsored Skilled Migration            | Special Category - NZEA     | 9            |
|                               | Sponsored Skilled Migration            | Student                     | 3,120        |
|                               | Sponsored Skilled Migration            | Temporary Residence - 457   | 2            |
|                               | Sponsored Skilled Migration            | Temporary Residence - GSM   | 471          |
|                               | Sponsored Skilled Migration            | Temporary Residence - Other | 3            |
|                               | Sponsored Skilled Migration            | Visitor                     | 56           |
|                               | Sponsored Skilled Migration            | WHM                         | 18           |
| Skill Sub Total               |  |                             | 64,108       |
| Special Eligibility           | Special Eligibility                    | Humanitarian                | 2            |
|                               | Special Eligibility                    | Migration - Provisional     | 12           |
|                               | Special Eligibility                    | No Substantive Found        | 260          |
|                               | Special Eligibility                    | Other                       | 19           |
|                               | Special Eligibility                    | Special Category - NZEA     | 6            |
|                               | Special Eligibility                    | Student                     | 59           |
|                               | Special Eligibility                    | Temporary Residence - 457   | 27           |
|                               | Special Eligibility                    | Temporary Residence - Other | 7            |
|                               | Special Eligibility                    | Visitor                     | 165          |
|                               | Special Eligibility                    | WHM                         | 1            |
| Special Eligibility Sub Total |  |                             | 558          |
| <b>Total</b>                  |  |                             | <b>82985</b> |

Change of Status (COS) "No Substantive Found" can reflect either:

1. The grantee was a child born in Australia who had never travelled and who had therefore never held a substantive visa at application for Permanent Residence.
2. The grantee's last substantive visa was held so long ago that the data relating to it is outside the range of the data that is available for reporting.