

**SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON
EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS**

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES 2008-09**

Outcome **6**

DEEWR Question No. EW1062_09

Senator Fierravanti-Wells provided in writing.

Question

International students studying in Australia

How many International students are currently in Australia and how many have applied for permanent residency?

Answer

In 2008 there were 435,263 international students studying in Australia on a student visa.

The Department requested data from DIAC which indicates that there were 17,552 grants of permanent residence visas in 2007/08 to primary applicants who were former international students under subclasses 880, 881 and 882. DIAC has advised this is the most current data available.