

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 21-22 MAY 2012

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(BE12/0206) Program 1.1: Visa and Migration

Senator Cash (written) asked:

How many requests for Labour Agreements for semi-skilled occupations were received in the financial year to date? What industries were these requests received in? How many were approved?

Answer:

In the 2011-12 program year to 30 April 2012, the Department received 45 new Labour Agreement requests that included semi-skilled occupations in industries including fishing, snowsports, fast food, construction and agriculture.

In the 2011-12 program year to 30 April 2012, 30 Labour Agreement requests that included semi-skilled occupations were approved.