

SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS
AUSTRALIAN FEDERAL POLICE

Question No. 61

Senator Back asked the following question at the hearing on 8 February 2010:

People Smuggling:

How many people smugglers:

- a) have been arrested
- b) are on remand
- c) are serving sentences

in Australia.

The answer to the honourable senator's question is as follows:

In Australia from 29 September 2008 to 25 February 2010:

- a) 106 alleged crew and organisers have been arrested for people-smuggling offences;
- b) Seventy-six alleged people smugglers are on remand; and
- c) Twenty-eight people smugglers have been convicted (the number currently serving sentences is not known to the Australian Federal Police).