Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

FAMILIES, HOUSING, COMMUNITY SERVICES AND

INDIGENOUS AFFAIRS PORTFOLIO

2012-13 Additional Estimates Hearings

Outcome Number: 1 Question No: 37

Topic: Family Tax Benefit **Hansard Page:** Written

Senator Cash asked:

How many temporary visa holders currently receive both FTB Part A and Part B? Can you provide a breakdown of this figure by the category of visa held by the recipient?

Answer:

Holders of some temporary visa subclasses may be eligible to receive Family Tax Benefit (FTB).

Holders of Special Category Visa (SCV), which is granted to people who enter Australia on a New Zealand passport, may also be eligible to receive FTB upon meeting a 'residing in Australia' requirement.

As at 28 December 2012, data on number of temporary visa holders receiving FTB Part A and B is as follows:

Visa Subclass	Customers with <u>both FTB Part A and</u> <u>Part B</u>
309 - Spouse/Partner (Provisional)	851
820 - Extended Eligibility (Spouse/Partner)	434
444 - SCV	216
Others	159
Total	1,660