

**Economics Legislation Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
Industry Portfolio  
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**AGENCY/DEPARTMENT:** DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRY

**TOPIC:** Freedom of Information - Stats

**REFERENCE:** Written Question – Senator Ludwig

**QUESTION No.:** SI-182

1. How many FOI requests were received between 7 September 2013 to date.
2. How many of those requests were finalised within the regular timeframes provided under the FOI Act?
3. How many of those requests were granted an extension of time under s 15AA of the FOI Act?
4. How many of those requests were granted an extension of time under s 15AB of the FOI Act?
5. How many of those requests were finalised out of time?

**ANSWER**

1. The Department of Industry (the Department) received 138 requests for documents under the *Freedom of Information Act 1982* (the FOI Act) in the period 7 September 2013 to 31 October 2014.
2. Of the 138 requests received, the Department has finalised 131 requests as at 31 October 2014. Of the 131 requests finalised, 129 requests were finalised within the standard timeframes provided for under the FOI Act.
3. Of the 131 requests finalised, 1 extension of time was obtained under s 15AA of the FOI Act.
4. Of the 131 requests finalised, 1 extension of time was obtained under s 15AB of the FOI Act.
5. None of the requests referred to in paragraphs 2, 3 and 4 were finalised late.