

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES HEARING : 08 February 2016

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

(AE16/072) - Family visas - Partner visas - Programme 2.3: Visas

Senator Bilyk, Catryna (L&CA 108) asked:

Senator BILYK: With regard to family visas, can you tell me how many partner visas were on hand as at 30 December 2015?

Ms Dacey: Lodged partner visas: 21,008.

Senator BILYK: Would you know the figure for 31 December in 2013 and 2014?

Ms Dacey: I am sorry, we will have to get those to you.

Senator BILYK: On notice, thanks.

Answer:

The 21,008 figure that was provided at the hearing was the number of Partner visas lodged as at 30 December 2015. The number of on-hand Partner visa applications (first stage), onshore and offshore, was as follows:

As at 31 December 2015	72,022
As at 31 December 2014	74,819
As at 31 December 2013	66,943