

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

BUDGET ESTIMATES – 26 – 27 MAY 2014

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

(BE14/125) PROGRAMME – 1.2: Visa and Citizenship

Senator Carr (L&CA 88) asked:

Senator KIM CARR: Of the 2,388 nominations approved, how many sponsors were involved in these nominations, particularly in skill level 3, engineering and nursing respectively? Can you provide me with information on that?

Mr Fleming: On notice.

Answer:

As at 31 May 2014, there were 2589 nominations approved for an Engineering, Nursing or Skill Level 3 occupation under the Standard subclass 457 programme between 23 November 2013 and 28 February 2014. This figure has increased from that previously provided as most cases that were on-hand at the time have now been finalised.

The 2589 approved nominations in the labour market tested occupational categories were made by a total of 1574 sponsors. A total figure has been provided to avoid double or triple counting sponsors who nominated occupations across either two or three of the labour market tested occupational categories as at the above date.