

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING : 22 May 2017

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

(BE17/233) - Permanent Residency application numbers - Programme 2.3: Visas

Senator Carr, Kim (L&CA) written:

Provide the number of applications for permanent residency were approved in:

2012/2013

2013/2014

2014/2015

2015/2016

2016/2017

Of those approved applications for permanent residency, provide the number of applications made by children under the age of 18 years old in:

2012/2013

2013/2014

2014/2015

2015/2016

2016/2017

Provide the number of applications for permanent residency were declined in:

2012/2013

2013/2014

2014/2015

2015/2016

2016/2017

Of those declined applications for permanent residency, provide the number of applications made by children under the age of 18 years old in:

2012/2013

2013/2014

2014/2015

2015/2016

2016/2017

Provide the number of applications for permanent residency on hand with DIBP at 31 May 2017.

Answer:

The below table sets out the number of permanent visas granted by programme year.

Programme year	Number
2012-13	190,000
2013-14	190,000
2014-15	189,097
2015-16	189,770
2016-17 to 31 May	173,935

The below table sets out the number of permanent visa applications refused by programme year.

Programme year	Number
2012-13	22,268
2013-14	25,454
2014-15	20,750
2015-16	18,882
2016-17 to 31 May	18,897

There is no data currently available that would enable the identification of children under the age of 18 years of age within the above aggregate data. As such, the Department cannot provide figures detailing the number of applications made and subsequently refused by children under the age of 18 years.

As of 31 May 2017, the Department had 397,746 permanent resident visa applications onhand.