

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING : 19 October 2015

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

(SE15/125) - Illicit Drugs and Precursor detections - Programme 1.2: Border Management

Senator Xenophon, Nick (L&CA) written:

In the previous estimates I asked about the amount of illicit drugs and precursor chemicals Border Force has interdicted in 2011/12, 2012/13, 2013/14 and 2014/15 to date.

Can I get a breakdown of these figures by specific type of major drug instead of overall detections and amounts?

Can Border Force advise of what percentage of detections are imports versus exports?

Answer:

	2011-12	
Drug Type	Detections	Weight(kg)
Cannabis	2,659	16.94
Cocaine	979	785.72
Heroin	179	256.17
MDMA (Ecstasy)	964	11.95
ATS	1,078	347.59
Precursors	1,026	2,079.95

	2012-13	
Drug Type	Detections	Weight(kg)
Cannabis	3,629	21.55
Cocaine	2,003	399.69
Heroin	237	513.82
MDMA (Ecstasy)	4,140	149.27
ATS	1,998	2,138.54
Precursors	1,160	1,929.57

2013-14		
Drug Type	Detections	Weight(kg)
Cannabis	2,838	162.90
Cocaine	1,518	245.76
Heroin	180	118.89
MDMA (Ecstasy)	3,249	94.85
ATS	2,365	1,812.32
Precursors	1,166	1,764.98

2014-15		
Drug Type	Detections	Weight(kg)
Cannabis	4,949	60.18
Cocaine	1,781	368.91
Heroin	291	318.74
MDMA (Ecstasy)	3,578	2,002.35
ATS	3,479	3,422.82
Precursors	821	1,136.43

2015-16 YTD (Aug 2015)		
Drug Type	Detections	Weight(kg)
Cannabis	1,234	30.50
Cocaine	281	186.20
Heroin	28	14.00
MDMA (Ecstasy)	516	11.00
ATS	454	219.60
Precursors	108	116.60

The Department of Immigration and Border Protection does not record detections by import and export categories.