

SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS
AUSTRALIAN CUSTOMS SERVICE

Question No. 101

Senator Ludwig asked the following question at the hearing on 13 February 2007:

Screening of cargo reports from 12 October to 22 November 2005:

- a) What percentage or number of individual air and sea cargo reports were not screened for risk profiles?
- b) What number of air cargo reports were run when the risk profiles were turned off?

The answer to the honourable senator's question is as follows:

- (a) At all times 6,300 community protection profiles remained active risk assessing import declarations in ICS. In addition, between 12/10/2005 and 22/11/2005, 71.72% of air cargo reports were screened against 100% of risk profiles.

28.28% of air cargo reports were not screened against 100% of risk profiles between 12/10/2005 and 22/11/2005 comprising:

1. 0.18% of air cargo reports that were processed when 100% of risk profiles were deactivated.
2. 0.5% of air cargo reports that were processed when 94% of risk profiles were deactivated
3. 3% of air cargo reports that were processed when 50% of risk profiles were deactivated
4. 8% of air cargo reports that were processed when 46% of risk profiles were deactivated.
5. 2% of air cargo reports that were processed when 30% of risk profiles were deactivated
6. 2.7% of air cargo reports that were processed when 25% of risk profiles were deactivated
7. 10.5% of air cargo reports that were processed when 22% of risk profiles were deactivated
8. 1.4% of air cargo reports that were processed when 10% of risk profiles were deactivated.

80.6% of sea cargo reports were screened against 100% of risk profiles.

19.39% of sea cargo reports were not screened against 100% of risk profiles between 12/10/2005 and 22/11/2005 comprising:

1. 1.1% of sea cargo reports that were processed when 19% of risk profiles were deactivated
2. 3.9% of sea cargo reports that were processed when 11% of risk profiles were deactivated.
3. 2% of sea cargo reports that were processed when 9% of risk profiles were deactivated.
4. 2.5% of sea cargo reports that were processed when 8% of risk profiles were deactivated.
5. 2.8% of sea cargo reports that were processed when 7% of risk profiles were deactivated.
6. 7% of sea cargo reports that were processed when 6.5% of risk profiles were deactivated.

b) 2094 (number processed when no risk profiles were active) and 327,143 (number processed when all or some of the risk profiles were deactivated).