

SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS
AUSTRALIAN CUSTOMS SERVICE

Question No. 77

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

- a) With regards to the number of TEU's selected for inspection:
Provide a breakdown of those which are (per the ANAO report into Container Examination Facilities):
- i. Category 1
 - ii. Category 2
 - iii. Category 3
 - iv. Category 4
- b) With regards to the 13,773 TEU which were physically examined at CES, please provide a breakdown of those which are (per the ANAO report into Container Examination facilities):
- i. Category 1
 - ii. Category 2
 - iii. Category 3
 - iv. Category 4

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

- a) i, ii, iii, iv TEU selected for inspection by priority for 2005-06.

Priority 1	3,108
Priority 2	35,489
Priority 3	75,130
Priority 4	19,018

- b) i, ii, iii, iv TEU examinations by priority for 2005-06.

Priority 1	3,092
Priority 2	3,257
Priority 3	4,454
Priority 4	1,054

Due to systems limitations Customs data identifying the priority category of the TEU selected for inspection and examination do not fully reconcile with the reported total TEU selected for examination or inspection in 2005-06. As from 1 July 2006 Customs recording of inspections, examinations and their priorities has been reconciled.