QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

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IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(9) Output 1.1: Migration and Temporary Entry

Senator Fierravanti-Wells (L&CA 29) asked:

How many 457 visa holders became permanent residents in 2007-08 or changed their status?

Answer.

- In 2007-08 the number of persons granted a permanent or provisional visa who last held a Subclass 457 visa was 24 950.
- In 2007-08, the number of persons who changed status from being the holder of a Subclass 457 visa to be the holder of a different temporary visa was 3 040.

^{*} Permanent and provisional visa subclasses are those subclasses which are countable towards the migration program.