

SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS
COMMONWEALTH DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC PROSECUTIONS

Question No. 11

Senator Brandis asked the following question at the hearing on 14 February 2012:

Senator BRANDIS: Can we go back to the earlier type of statistic—that is, the number of people before the courts [charged with people-smuggling or people-smuggling offences] for each of the years at June 2008, June 2009 and June 2010.

Mr Craigie: I can go back to June 2009.

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Senator BRANDIS: You do not have the 2008 figure?

Mr Craigie: We do not have that figure.

Senator BRANDIS: Can you get that for me? If it were able to be got very fast, would you mind?

Mr Craigie: I doubt whether it could be obtained very fast, as you put it.

Senator BRANDIS: I see. All right. You might take that on notice.

Mr Craigie: Yes, I most certainly will.

The answer to the Honourable Senator's question is as follows:

The number of people before the courts charged with people-smuggling offences as at 30 June 2008 was 2.