QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES HEARING: 13 FEBRUARY 2012

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(AE12/0032) Program: Internal Product

Senator Cash asked:

With reference to the answer given to SE11/0155 which states that "the average workforce tenure across the five teams processing 457 visa applications is 6.3 years in the Department" – what is the average length of tenure staff spend within the 457 visa processing area of the Department, as opposed to average tenure in the entire Department?

Answer.

As at 31 March 2012, the average workforce tenure for staff within the 457 processing area is 6.9 years.