QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES HEARING: 13 FEBRUARY 2012

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(AE12/0164) Program 1.1: Visa and Migration

Senator Cash asked:

What was the revenue generated by the Visa Application Charge (VAC), for each visa category, for 2011-12? How much has this increased since 2007-2008?

Answer.

The revenue generated by the Visa Application Charge for 2011-12 will be published in the Department's Annual Report, expected to be tabled in Parliament in October 2012. An amount of \$517.4 million has been collected for the period 1 July 2011 to 31 January 2012.

The details per category are provided in the table below:

Category	July 2011 to 31 January 2012 (\$ m)	FY 2007-08 (\$ m)
Migration	198.3	373.6
Students	75.3	125.6
Visitors	77.9	70.3
Other	165.9	71.7
Total	517.4	641.3

Note: The category "Other" includes temporary resident visa, protection visa, resident return visa, and declaratory visa.