QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES HEARINGS: 11 February 2013

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(AE13/0230) PROGRAM – 1.1: Visa and Migration

Senator Cash (Written) asked:

How many 457 visas have been granted in 2012-13 to date and in what industries? How many do you anticipate will be granted in 2013-14?

Answer:

As of 28 February 2013, 46 874 primary 457 visas have been granted in 2012-13. The table below provides a breakdown by sponsor industry:

Sponsor Industry	Primary 457 Visa Grants
Accommodation and Food Services	4285
Administrative and Support Services	195
Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing	1041
Arts and Recreation Services	444
Construction	5610
Education and Training	2302
Electricity, Gas, Water and Waste Services	794
Financial and Insurance Services	1528
Health Care and Social Assistance	5544
Information Media and Telecommunications	4479
Manufacturing	2705
Mining	3455
Not Recorded	756
Other Services	5402
Professional, Scientific and Technical Services	3913
Public Administration and Safety	337
Rental, Hiring and Real Estate Services	288
Retail Trade	2063
Transport, Postal and Warehousing	669
Wholesale Trade	1064
Total	46 874

The Department does not forecast how many 457 visas will be granted on a per annum basis.