

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 27 MAY 2009

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(32) Program 1.3: Border Security

Senator Hanson-Young (L&CA 12-13) asked:

In relation to the money that is allocated to border security, how much of that is directed specifically to managing unauthorised arrivals and people-smuggling? What is the percentage?

Answer:

The original question was discussed at the estimates hearing and is detailed on pages 12 to 13 of Hansard. Additionally, Senator Hanson-Young requested further details on the new and existing measures relating to the funding of border security activities, which is provided below.

The border security funding allocated to the Department in 2008-09 is approximately \$217 million. In 2009-10 the Department will receive approximately \$225 million for Outcome 3 Border Protection activities. This funding relates to both the Departmental and administered components of Outcome 3. The summary of the Departmental, including overhead activity, and the administered revenue for Outcome 3 is recorded in the 2009-10 Portfolio Budget Statements page 56.

The funding consists of the following items:

- Combating People Smuggling Border Protection (Administered).
- Combating People Smuggling Indonesian Border Management Capacity Building Partnership (Administered).
- Border Management (Departmental).

The main changes in funding consist of the following items:

- New Administered funding for combating people smuggling.
- Major impacts related to an expected reduction in revenue from the CPS Systems contract and an expected decrease in Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation revenue.
- 2009-10 measures.

The following table is a detailed summary of all movements for this item during the 2009-10 Budget round.

Program 3.1 Border Management

	2008-09 (\$m)	2009-10 (\$m)
Departmental		
Pre 2009-10 Budget funds		
Border protection as at Budget 2009-10	134.327	139.819
Overheads	59.700	59.700
Security Referral System	12.940	12.875
Systems for People	10.244	6.309
Pre 2009-10 Budget – Total Departmental funding	217.211	218.703
2009-10 new measures/transfers		
Section 32 transfer to Customs	-0.532	-2.096
People Smuggling (inc capacity Building) 2009-10 measure		2.754
Systems for People (2009-10 measure)		3.925
Savings measures 2009-10		-2.322
Gershon Savings		-0.982
Total 2009-10 new measures/transfers	-0.532	1.279
Post 2009-10 Budget funds		
Border protection as at Budget 2009-10	134.327	140.477
Overheads	59.700	56.396
Security Referral System	12.940	12.875
Systems for People	10.244	10.234
Post 2009-10 Budget – Total Departmental funding	216.679	219.982
Administered new measures		
Combating People Smuggling Border Protection		0.600
Combating People Smuggling Indonesian Border Management Capacity Building Partnership		4.017
Total Administered		4.617
Total Revenue as in PBS	216.679	224.599

- Estimate for 2008-09 as Systems for people was reported as an output in 2008-09. In 2009-10 Systems for people was allocated across all programs.