

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING 24 MAY 2011

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(BE11/0107) Program 1.1: Visa and Migration

Senator Cash asked:

Provide a breakdown of General Skilled Migration applications onshore and offshore by post.

Answer:

General Skilled Migration (GSM) applications are only processed in Australia.

At 31 May 2011, there were:

- 34 830 offshore applications onhand in Adelaide;
- 5390 onshore applications onhand in Adelaide; and
- 30 470 onshore applications onhand in Brisbane.

These figures include both primary and secondary applicants for the suite of visas which count towards migration program outcomes.