## **QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE**

**BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 24 MAY 2011** 

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(BE11/0219) Program 2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance

Senator Cash asked:

What is the acceptance rate of asylum seekers, by nationality, at the primary decision state?

Answer.

Annual and quarterly figures for visa grant rates at the primary stages of process for irregular maritime arrivals (IMAs) and non-IMAs are published on the DIAC website at:

www.immi.gov.au/media/publications/statistics/asylum/

Updates will be released at the end of each quarter once data is collated.