QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 21-22 MAY 2012

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(BE12/0025) Program: Internal Product

Senator Furner (L&CA 29) asked:

How many FOI requests did the department receive for the years 2006-2007 through to 2011-12?

Answer.

As per the figures in the *Freedom of Information Act 1982* Annual Reports published by the Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet, the Attorney-General's Department, and the Office of the Australian Information Commissioner (OAIC), and figures prepared for the OAIC in 2011-12 to the end of March 2012:

Year	Total
2006-07	16 234
2007-08	10 412
2008-09	10 879
2009-10	11 504
2010-11	11 724
2011-12 (Q1 – Q3)	9 322

^{*} Prior to a change to the *Migration Act 1958* in 2007, all requests for 'International Movement Records' were responded to via the FOI process.