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BE13/0001	Internal Product	Cash	MRT/RRT	<p>Senator CASH: No. How many members who were undertaking the independent assessment work have returned to the tribunals and are working on the case loads there? You have had your 37, from 1 July</p> <p>Ms Ransome: Sorry, I do not have a firm figure for you, Senator—but we will try and get that—because they came back at different times.</p> <p>Senator CASH: How many approximately are we talking about? Is it one; is it 10; is it 20?</p> <p>Mr Plowman: My memory is that it was about 12—</p> <p>Senator CASH: So it is a significant number.</p> <p>Mr Plowman: but we may have to correct that after the event.</p>	27/05/2013	L&CA 9
BE13/0002	Internal Product	Cash	Onshore Applications	<p>Ms Ransome: We do not keep statistics for onshore applicants in the protection visa stream on what was the previous visa that they held.</p> <p>Senator CASH: Would the department keep that information?</p> <p>Ms Ransome: I am not sure.</p> <p>Mr Bowles: I would have to check.</p>	27/05/2013	L&CA 13
BE13/0003	Internal Product	Cash	MRT/RRT	<p>Senator CASH: What is the longest time taken for a case to be completed in the MRT and the RRT?</p> <p>Ms Ransome: I do not have that information available, but we can get that to you, Senator.</p>	27/05/2013	L&CA 13-14
BE13/0004	Internal Product	Cash	MRT/RRT complaints	<p>Senator CASH: Thank you for your opening statement, Mr Wood. In relation to the 232 current and former agents that had the 333 complaints laid against them, are you able to provide the number of agents about whom you received multiple complaints and the number of complaints made against each agent?</p> <p>Mr Wood: I do not have with me the number that have received multiple complaints, so I would have to take that figure on notice. Obviously it is implicit in that figure that—</p> <p>Senator CASH: That there are obviously—</p> <p>Mr Wood: That there are multiple, because it is less than on average two per person, but some would have a lot and some would have just the one.</p>	27/05/2013	L&CA 16
BE13/0005	Internal Product	Furner	MARA Officials	<p>Senator FURNER: Can you just inform the committee what other government agencies or professions the new employees coming to MARA are from and what the average length of employment of a MARA official is?</p> <p>Mr Wood: I will have to take that on notice because it does vary from state governments, private sector, as well as the Commonwealth. I am not involved in every single recruitment decision; that is done by committee. So I would have to look at the record.</p>	27/05/2013	L&CA 17
BE13/0006	Internal Product	Hanson-Young	Involuntary Removal	<p>Senator HANSON-YOUNG: Perhaps I could ask you to take this on notice, because I doubt you will have it in front of you. Out of the 7,008 departures that you say are both voluntary and involuntary, how many were held in detention prior to their removal? And what was the average length of time that they were held prior to their removal?</p> <p>Mr Bowles: I can give you the number in detention: it is 1,453, of which 95 were involuntarily removed and 1,358 were voluntarily removed. I cannot give you the length of time these people would have stayed. I cannot give you the average, but more than likely some would be there for large lengths of time and others would be quite quick. Some get taken out of prison systems and go into detention and straight out, so they could be there overnight. It will be difficult to come up with a proper answer to that.</p>	27/05/2013	L&CA 24
BE13/0007	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status Resolution	Hanson-Young	Bridging Visas	<p>Mr Bowles: Again, we can go to that in outcome 4. We do not necessarily get down to specific line items for budgeting into the future for returns to Sri Lanka, for instance, but we can give you the costs that we have.</p> <p>Senator HANSON-YOUNG: I have a question around the bridging visas—and you reference bridging visas in your opening statement as well. When does the first lot of bridging visas that are being used for IMAs who arrived post August 2013 expire? Is there a date for those?</p> <p>Mr Bowles: I would have to find that out. We will see if we can find it out and put it in the relevant outcome.</p>	27/05/2013	L&CA 25
BE13/0008	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status Resolution	Hanson-Young	Work Rights	<p>Senator CASH: Were you able to distil down those with work rights and those without work rights?</p> <p>Mr Bowles: We have not at this stage, but I will see if we can get that for tomorrow.</p>	27/05/2013	L&CA 25
BE13/0009	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Cash	Unaccompanied minors	<p>Senator CASH: How many are unaccompanied minors?</p> <p>Mr Bowles: I might have to come back to that; I am not sure I have the right table here, so I might come back to that one later on.</p>	27/05/2013	L&CA 26

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BE13/0010	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Cash	Rolling Averages	<p>Senator CASH: So what I would like to know is—and it is not hypothetical—in relation to the rolling averages, which you have said are used to predict trends in other parts of the department, what is the rolling average that is used? Is it a five-year rolling average? Is it a 10-year rolling average?</p> <p>Mr Bowles: Again, unless we go to specific things, it might be one input into a range of other inputs like that.</p> <p>Senator CASH: I appreciate that, but what I would like to know—</p> <p>Mr Bowles: It could be the 12-month average. It could be a five-year average. I could not give you a definitive answer on that.</p> <p>Senator CASH: Is somebody able to, given that we have until 11 pm tomorrow night?</p> <p>Mr Bowles: I doubt it very much, but I will see if anyone uses averages in any other part of our business to see if we can come up with that answer. Again, how you predict trends and how you deal with budgets and how we deal with the complexity of what we are dealing with is not as simple as that anymore, and that is what I am trying to explain. It is a complex issue; I understand that. It is a difficult issue, and it is a difficult issue to manage on a day-to-day basis within the system.</p>	27/05/2013	L&CA 32
BE13/0011	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Cash	ODA Funding	<p>Senator CASH: But, in relation to the ODA funding that we are referring to here, how much have you spent in 2012-13?</p> <p>Mr Bowles: I would have to come back to you with that specifically. It depends, again, on the number of people on bridging visas in the community, but it was capped at \$375 million anyhow.</p> <p>Senator CASH: It is capped at \$375 million?</p> <p>Mr Bowles: Yes. At this stage, we do not think we will spend all of that \$375 million. [...]</p> <p>Senator CASH: How much do you think you might spend?</p> <p>Mr Bowles: I do not have an answer to that; I will have to take that on notice.</p>	27/05/2013	L&CA 34
BE13/0012	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Cash	Sustenance and Care	<p>Senator CASH: Is there a document that defines sustenance and care?</p> <p>Mr Bowles: I will check on that and, if we can find anything, we will come back to you in the relevant area.</p>	27/05/2013	L&CA 34
BE13/0013	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status Resolution	Cash	Asylum Seeker Assistance Scheme	<p>Senator CASH: Are payments made under the Asylum Seeker Assistance Scheme ODA reportable?</p> <p>Mr Bowles: They may be part of that ODA. I would have to come back to you about that. If we are talking about the first 12 months, which will be less because they will spend some time in detention, and they will get some assistance through the department—that is sort of how it all comes together—some of it will be 'ODA-able', if you like, and some will not.</p>	27/05/2013	L&CA 34
BE13/0014	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Cash	Sustenance and Care	<p>Senator CASH: Do you have the total cost of care and sustenance provided for IMA's provided in 2012-13?</p> <p>Mr Bowles: No, not off the top of my head.</p> <p>Senator CASH: Are you able to find that?</p> <p>Mr Bowles: It would be within the context of the CAS and ASAS budget I would presume. But, again, we will have to see if breaking down to individual line items is feasible.</p>	27/05/2013	L&CA 35
BE13/0015	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Cash	Regional Cooperation	<p>Dr Southern: The new home affairs minister is Dr Zahid.</p> <p>Senator CASH: Was that in Malaysia itself?</p> <p>Dr Southern: It was a telephone conversation.</p> <p>Senator CASH: Oh, a telephone conversation, sorry. So there has been no face-to-face contact?</p> <p>Dr Southern: No. The new minister has only just been appointed.</p> <p>Senator CASH: Do you know when that call took place?</p> <p>Dr Southern: On 23 May.</p> <p>Senator CASH: Were there any calls made by our new minister prior to that time?</p> <p>Dr Southern: I would have to take that on notice.</p>	27/05/2013	L&CA 36

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BE13/0016	Internal Product	Cash	Staffing	<p>Senator CASH: Could I briefly turn to some staffing issues. A story that ran in The Australian on 17 May 2013 that a former press secretary to immigration Minister Brendan O'Connor had apparently been hired by the Department of Immigration and Citizenship. Has a former press secretary of the minister been employed by the department? If so, in what capacity?</p> <p>...</p> <p>Senator CASH: In relation to the role itself, was it a role that had previously been in the department?</p> <p>Mr Bowles: It is working in one of those areas that has always been there, yes. I will just have to find out more detail on the specifics.</p> <p>Senator CASH: Could you also, please, find out for me, given that the position was not advertised, the process whereby the former press secretary of the immigration minister was employed by the department, including how he was approached to take on the role? When were you advised of the decision to hire Mr O'Connor's former press secretary?</p> <p>Mr Bowles: I cannot remember. I will have to go back and have a look.</p> <p>...</p> <p>Senator CASH: When did she commence?</p> <p>Mr Bowles: I do not know. That is what I said. I will have to come back to you. I do not know any of the detail. I do not even know if she has commenced, to be honest. She may have.</p> <p>...</p> <p>Senator CASH: Can also find out whether or not the contract includes a redundancy clause and, if so, what the terms are.</p> <p>Mr Bowles: I imagine it would not. It would be a normal, non-ongoing contract arrangement. But I will come back to you on that.</p> <p>Senator CASH: Can you also find out whether or not Mr Sandi Logan was involved in the appointment at all of this particular person and, if so, what his role was.</p> <p>Mr Bowles: He would have been because he manages that particular area. But I will come back to you on the detail.</p>	27/05/2013	L&CA 36-37
BE13/0017	Internal Product	Cash	Questions on Notice	<p>Senator CASH: Let me refer to one of the great mysteries in answering questions on notice—and don't get me wrong, it was fantastic to get this on Saturday. For example, going to AE0183, the question was: What has been the blowout in budgeted costs for asylum seeker management from November 2007 to date? What has been the actual total cost, the actual spend by the Department of Immigration and Citizenship on asylum seeker management in outcomes 4.3, 4.5 and 4.6 since 2008-09?</p> <p>The answer given said: See answers to AE130016 and AE130017.</p> <p>I am sure we all know where this is going, because then when you flick through your bundle and you find that those answers have not been provided, I think the obvious question arises. Why? And that is not the only example. I just want to see where the fault lies, and obviously I would like to see the answer to that question, because it is of particular interest to me.</p> <p>Mr Bowles: Clearly they are in our system somewhere between us and the minister's office. I would have to check specifically where they are.</p>	27/05/2013	L&CA 41
BE13/0018	Internal Product	Cash	Questions on Notice	<p>Senator CASH: On what date did you provide the answers to the October estimates to the minister's office.</p> <p>Mr Bowles: It will be various dates, and I am not quite sure how far I can go back and track it. I can take that on notice and try to see where we can come up with the—</p>	27/05/2013	L&CA 41
BE13/0019	Internal Product	Cash	FOI	<p>Mr Bowles: For the 2011-12 year, we received 12,328. We would expect that to be roughly the same for 2012-13, but, as of 30 April, we have had 10,324. In 2012-13, we have done a fair bit of work in trying to improve our performance in FOI. Of what we would call complex and sensitive FOI requests, we have probably a bit over 300 requests per annum. The backlog of overdue cases in that particular cohort has reduced from about 100 to fewer than 25, as at 30 April. [...]</p> <p>Senator CASH: What about of the 12,328 and the 10,324?</p> <p>Mr Bowles: Generally speaking, they are not in the complex and sensitive space. I do not have that information here. They are generally the name issues and personal detail issues that people want out of the system and, generally speaking, they are relatively easy and we do not necessarily miss our indicators on them.</p> <p>Senator CASH: Do you have any statistical information?</p> <p>Mr Bowles: I do not, so I could take that on notice to see if we can do that.</p>	27/05/2013	L&CA 44
BE13/0020	Internal Product	Cash	Staffing	<p>Senator CASH: Thank you for that. Do we have any statistical information here, Mr Bowles, on staffing of IMA and staffing of non-IMA? I am talking about specific numbers—or should I put that on notice?</p> <p>Mr Bowles: It is probably easier to put it on notice. It is that outcome 4 issue from before. It is a little bit over 3,000, and that is a mixture of IMA and non-IMA.</p>	27/05/2013	L&CA 44

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BE13/0021	1.1: Visa and Migration	Abetz	457 Visas	<p>Senator ABETZ: All right, thank you. I think that tells us what we need to know. Can I move on. Has the department been tasked by the government to either have a look or draft legislation in relation to providing Australian workers with a right of appeal if they miss out on jobs filled by foreign workers on 457 visas?</p> <p>Mr Bowles: Not to my knowledge, no.</p> <p>Senator ABETZ: Minister, is it government policy for there to be such a legislated right of appeal?</p> <p>Senator Lundy: Not that I am aware of. I will take that on notice.</p> <p>Senator ABETZ: Yes, if you could. Specifically I am referring to an article on page 1 of The Australian on 22 May 2013, where there was this push by the CFMEU. So I just wanted—</p> <p>Senator Lundy: I am happy to take that on notice.</p>	27/05/2013	L&CA 49
BE13/0022	1.1: Visa and Migration	Cash	457 Visas	<p>Senator CASH: Has the department received any feedback from 457 visa holders on the impact of the changes to their living away from home allowance announced last year?</p> <p>Mr Kukoc: I may need to take this question on notice, but I have not heard of any significant concerns raised with the department. I have not seen any myself; there may be some, but it is not an issue—</p> <p>Senator CASH: You said 'no significant concerns'. Have there been any concerns?</p> <p>Mr Kukoc: I have not heard of any.</p> <p>Mr Bowles: I have heard nothing either.</p> <p>Mr Kukoc: Also, this was another decision taken in the budget context and the decision was made within the Treasury portfolio, not within this portfolio.</p>	27/05/2013	L&CA 50
BE13/0023	1.1: Visa and Migration	Cash	457 Visas	<p>Senator CASH: So it is a small percentage of the 12,000 complaints that relate to the 457 visas, if you really wanted to break it down, based on those statistics.</p> <p>Ms Smith: I might be wrong on that 12,000 figure. I would have to check that. But it is approximately around that amount.</p>	27/05/2013	L&CA 52
BE13/0024	1.1: Visa and Migration	Cash	Immigration fraud	<p>Senator CASH: Very similar. If someone is aware of migration fraud or immigration fraud and fails to report it, is that an offence under any particular law?</p> <p>Mr Bowles: I am not sure we are qualified to answer that. We can try to find out for you.</p> <p>Senator CASH: If you could try to find out, that would be appreciated.</p>	27/05/2013	L&CA 52
BE13/0025	1.1: Visa and Migration	Cash	457 Visas	<p>Senator CASH: In relation to the 457 visas granted in 2012-13, is the figure 61,477 correct?</p> <p>Mr Kukoc: Could you please repeat that, Senator?</p> <p>Senator CASH: It is 61,477 primary—</p> <p>Mr Kukoc: Primary visa applications? Are we talking about lodgements? I can check that.</p>	27/05/2013	L&CA 54
BE13/0026	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status Resolution	Cash	Complaints received from dob-in line and website	<p>Senator CASH: How many of the complaints—for example, the 540—translated into investigations?</p> <p>Ms Marie-Louise Smith: I do not have that data; I would have to take that on notice.</p>	27/05/2013	L&CA 57
BE13/0027	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status Resolution	Cash	Outcomes of investigations into dob-in line and website	<p>Senator CASH: Do you keep statistics on that?</p> <p>Ms Marie-Louise Smith: I do not have anything here with me at the moment, but I could take that on notice and see what we can find.</p>	27/05/2013	L&CA 58
BE13/0028	1.1: Visa and Migration	McKenzie	English language testing	<p>Senator McKENZIE: So, do I take it then that you are currently reviewing how the expansion of English-language proficiency tests is going within the student visa space to see its applicability into other areas? You are currently reviewing how that is playing out?</p> <p>Mr Kukoc: I need to take this question on notice.</p>	27/05/2013	L&CA 58
BE13/0029	1.1: Visa and Migration	Cash	Skilled and family visas	<p>Senator CASH: In terms of the 700 places, have they been directly removed from the skilled stream?</p> <p>[...]</p> <p>Senator CASH: Are there any costs associated with the change?</p> <p>[...]</p> <p>Mr Kukoc: I will need to take this question on notice.</p>	27/05/2013	L&CA 61

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BE13/0030	1.1: Visa and Migration	Cash	Skilled and family visas	Senator CASH: How many family visa applications were lodged in 2012-13 by skilled migrants in Australia? Mr Kukoc: [...] We may need to take that question on notice. Senator CASH: Can I also find out how many were granted?	27/05/2013	L&CA 61-62
BE13/0031	1.1: Visa and Migration	Cash	online tool for 457 visas	Senator CASH: When did work commence on the video? Dr Southern: That I do not know. We would have to take that on notice.	27/05/2013	L&CA 63
BE13/0032	1.1: Visa and Migration	Cash	online tool for 457 visas	Senator CASH: Did you also speak with industry groups or unions in relation to the making of the video and its content? Mr Kukoc: I would need to take that question on notice.	27/05/2013	L&CA 64
BE13/0033	1.1: Visa and Migration	Cash	online tool for 457 visas	Senator CASH: [...] ' Who initiated the online tool? Did the ACTU approach the department or did the department initiate the online tool? Mr Kukoc: I would need to take that question on notice.	27/05/2013	L&CA 64
BE13/0034	1.1: Visa and Migration	Cash	Visa charges	Senator CASH: For each visa category, what revenue is generated by the visa application charge? [...] Mr Bowles: I am not sure there is a document which has all of that. So we might need to take that on notice.	27/05/2013	L&CA 64
BE13/0035	1.1: Visa and Migration	Cash	Visa charges	Senator CASH: How much did the department expect to raise from an increase in the visa application charge for some visa classes? I am referring to the increases which took effect in January 2013. Mr Bowles: Again, we will see what we can find for you.	27/05/2013	L&CA 64
BE13/0036	1.1: Visa and Migration	Cash	EMA training for officers	Senator CASH: How many departmental officials have received EMA training to date? [...] Ms M Smith: I cannot confirm that it is 17 [...] Senator CASH: Perhaps we could get the figure to date	27/05/2013	L&CA 66
BE13/0037	1.1: Visa and Migration	Cash	Visa 888 and 188 claims	Senator CASH: In relation to a breakdown between subclass 188 and subclass 888, how many have been lodged for 188 and how many have been lodged for 888? Mr Bowles: We do not appear to have that to hand. We will see if we can get that for you.	27/05/2013	L&CA 67
BE13/0038	1.1: Visa and Migration	Cash	188 Visa	Senator CASH: What is the charge for a secondary applicant? Mr Bowles: We will take that on notice.	27/05/2013	L&CA 67
BE13/0039	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Hanson-Young	Processing in Australia, Manus Island and Nauru	Senator HANSON-YOUNG: I am interested to see what the difference may be, seeing that we have spent all this time training these people. [...] Senator HANSON-YOUNG: The process and the anticipated outcomes. Dr Southern : We could take on notice to provide you with further detail about the actual process.	27/05/2013	L&CA 74
BE13/0040	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Hanson-Young	Resettlement	Senator HANSON-YOUNG:[...]in the answers that you gave me last time when I asked about the countries of origin of asylum seekers or refugees that had been resettled from both Indonesia and Malaysia, you have given me the breakdown of the nationalities. There were four people we resettled from Malaysia who were Malaysian. Is that unusual? Dr Southern: On the face of it, it certainly is unusual, and I am sure we will unpack it for you to explain what is behind it.	27/05/2013	L&CA 75
BE13/0041	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Hanson-Young	Resettlement costs and budget	Senator HANSON-YOUNG: [...] What I want to know is how much we are budgeting for resettling people here, what that is each year over the forward estimates and whether you are attaching—for budgeting purposes—numbers to that to help measure what you actually need to be putting aside. Dr Southern: Sure. We can take that on notice.	27/05/2013	L&CA 76
BE13/0042	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Cash	Asylum claims	Senator CASH: How many asylum claims is the department receiving per month, both onshore and offshore? Ms Larkins: I do not have that. I would have to take it on notice.	27/05/2013	L&CA 78

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BE13/0043	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Cash	Primary grants	Senator CASH: So we have 4,725, which is a combination of primary grants and those granted on appeal. My understanding is that that is less than the 2011-12 figure. Ms Larkins: I will have to check that. Do you want to continue while I do that?	27/05/2013	L&CA 83
BE13/0044	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Cash	Refugee and humanitarian intake	Ms Larkins: First of all, as we mentioned before, the government sets planning levels within that 20,000. For this year those planning levels were set at 12,000 refugees and 500 special humanitarian visas, which is a total offshore of 12,500 and 7,500 onshore. Senator CASH: How does that compare with last year. Ms Larkins: I am just getting that data for you. Mr Bowles: It will be different, because the overall program was 13,750 Senator CASH: Are there any cases from prior to 13 August 2012 that are still waiting for a visa and, if so, how many? Ms Larkins: Yes. My understanding is that at 3 May we have a total IMA case load of just over 5,000. Senator CASH: That is all prior to 13 August 2012? Ms Larkins: That is right. Senator CASH: Because nothing has been processed, apart from the preliminary assessment. So there are 5,000 currently who have not received a place. You were going to get me the comparative figures for 2011-12. We have established 12,000 refugees, 500 SH visas and 7,000 onshore, which gets us to our 20,000. In relation to last year, 13,750, what is the breakdown? Mr Bowles: It is 6,000 refugees to start with, I think it was 500 SHP— Senator CASH: So half the number of refugees, the same number of special humanitarian— Mr Bowles: I think so. We will get you the exact figures.	27/05/2013	L&CA 83
BE13/0045	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Cash	Refugee and humanitarian intake	Senator CASH: Because nothing has been processed, apart from the preliminary assessment. So there are 5,000 currently who have not received a place. You were going to get me the comparative figures for 2011-12. We have established 12,000 refugees, 500 SH visas and 7,000 onshore, which gets us to our 20,000. In relation to last year, 13,750, what is the breakdown? Mr Bowles: It is 6,000 refugees to start with, I think it was 500 SHP— Senator CASH: So half the number of refugees, the same number of special humanitarian— Mr Bowles: I think so. We will get you the exact figures. We went from 6,000 to 12,000 on the refugee front.	27/05/2013	L&CA 83
BE13/0046	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Cash	Woman-at-risk	Senator CASH: How many woman-at-risk visas have been applied for? Ms Larkins: Sorry, I do not have that with me. Senator CASH: That is fine.	27/05/2013	L&CA 87
BE13/0047	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Furner	Visa processing	Senator FURNER: Obviously the proof is going to be in the pudding, to make sure that is delivered out there in the greater climate and people realise that that is the option open to them. Is it the case that DIAC officers assess each application for a refugee visa prior to the visa being granted? Is that how it operates? Ms Larkins: Yes, that is right. Senator FURNER: How long does that process normally take? Ms Larkins: I do not think I have an average time with me. I could come back to you on that. In terms of the offshore programs, I do not have an average time.	27/05/2013	L&CA 89
BE13/0048	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Furner	Refugee and humanitarian passage program	Senator FURNER: Right. The refugee and humanitarian passage program includes among its objectives the medical screening of eligible applicants under the offshore humanitarian program, and the portfolio budget statement details that the health screening program covers the full costs of medical examinations, airfares and related expenses. What are those related expenses provided for? Mr Bowles: I do not know, to be honest. You have got me at a level of detail that I have not quite got in my head. Senator FURNER: We will put that one on notice, then.	27/05/2013	L&CA 89
BE13/0049	3.1: Border Management	Xenophon	New Zealand flight crews under CER	Senator XENOPHON: I might ask the minister, Senator Thistlethwaite: what would the government's policy be on any proposal to have New Zealand based flight crews under the CER coming to Australia and flying on domestic routes under New Zealand based wages and conditions? [..] Senator Thistlethwaite: I will take that on notice, but at this point it is a hypothetical because you are asking us to project what the policy will be into the future.	27/05/2013	L&CA 92
BE13/0050	3.1: Border Management	Xenophon	New Zealand flight crews under CER	Senator XENOPHON: What is the policy now? Senator Thistlethwaite: I will take that on notice.	27/05/2013	L&CA 92

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BE13/0051	3.1: Border Management	Xenophon	Qantas response to CER and NZ Flight Crews	Senator XENOPHON: That is right. Have you received comprehensive responses from the Qantas Group in relation to that? [...] Senator XENOPHON: But could I ask you on notice for those responses to be tabled, if they are not subject to any restrictions.	27/05/2013	L&CA 92
BE13/0052	3.1: Border Management	Xenophon	Qantas response to CER and NZ Flight Crews	Senator XENOPHON: Are you able to tell us what the information was from Qantas? [...] Mr Allen: I am sure we can provide you with a summary.	27/05/2013	L&CA 93
BE13/0053	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status Resolution	Cash	Bridging Visas	Senator CASH: Ms Larkins at page 78 of Hansard from 11 February said: They had permanent residence in the country, which would have given them a pathway to citizenship. They are now on temporary bridging visas and other temporary visas, which give them no path to permanent residency ... Has anything changed since we spoke on Monday the 11th of February? Mr Callanan: I think the reference to the temporary visas was to the temporary safe haven visa at the time—I would have to confirm that [...]	27/05/2013	L&CA 93
BE13/0054	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status Resolution	Cash	Welfare benefits for Family of Captain Emad	Senator CASH: Are we able to confirm whether or not they are receiving welfare benefits? Mr Callanan: We will take that on notice.	27/05/2013	L&CA 94
BE13/0055	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status Resolution	Cash	Mr Sayed Ali and protection visas	Senator CASH: I would now like to refer to Mr Sayed Ali, the Iranian who has reportedly been arrested by Indonesian police for people smuggling. It was reported in The Sydney Morning Herald on 21 May 2013 that he is seen as a kingpin in the people-smuggling network. Is it true, as reported, that he arrived in Australia by boat, was granted a protection visa, has been granted citizenship and, with his family, has been living in Melbourne? Mr Bowles: I do not know the specifics of the case. We would have to take that on notice. [...] Senator CASH: Could you also find out for me what is happening in relation to Mr Ali's family members in Australia. Have they joined him? If so, on what visa?	27/05/2013	L&CA 95
BE13/0056	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status Resolution	Cash	Welfare benefits for Family of Captain Emad	Senator CASH: In relation to the total of nine people from Captain Emad's family, are all of them here in Canberra, including the ex-wife? Dr Southern: We would have to confirm that.	27/05/2013	L&CA 95
BE13/0057	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status Resolution	Cash	Detention location of Interpol notice detainee	Senator CASH: Yes but in which level of security were they moved to within Villawood? Mr Bowles: I don't know off the top of my head. I can find out. [...] Mr Cahill: I will have to confirm which compound he is in.	27/05/2013	L&CA 96
BE13/0058	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status Resolution	Cash	Detainee with Interpol Red Notice	Senator CASH: Is the department aware of any other persons in detention who are subject to an Interpol notice other than an Interpol red notice? [...] Mr Bowles: I do not believe there are at the moment, Senator. I will confirm that.	27/05/2013	L&CA 98
BE13/0059	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status Resolution	Cash	Care of Sri Lankan accused of killing his girlfriend at Villawood	Senator CASH: What is appropriate care? Mr Bowles: We will let you know where specifically he is.	27/05/2013	L&CA 99

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BE13/0060	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Cash	Villawood escapees	<p>Senator CASH: Is it possible to get the information in relation to the escapes from Villawood? In addition to that, from where within Villawood did they escape—from which compound? In terms of the information that you do have, what do you have on escapes?</p> <p>Mr Cahill: Since 1 July this year—</p> <p>Senator CASH: 2012.</p> <p>Mr Cahill: 2012 to 30 April, we had 28 clients escape in 21 separate instances. That was up until 30 April. Then we had 35 people escape in four instances in May.</p> <p>Senator CASH: So 35 in four instances in May.</p> <p>Mr Cahill: Yes.</p> <p>Senator CASH: Mr Bowles, would it be possible—I am assuming that you will make a phone call later on tonight to find out where those people are—to update us tomorrow on where these particular people are?</p> <p>Mr Bowles: Yes, I will endeavour to find out.</p>	27/05/2013	L&CA 100
BE13/0061	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status Resolution	Cash	Bridging Visas - Criminal offences	<p>Senator CASH: How many people currently in community detention or released into the community on bridging visas have been charged with a criminal offence?</p> <p>Ms Pope: There are five clients in community detention currently who have criminal charges against them.</p> <p>Senator CASH: Do we know the nature of those offences?</p> <p>Ms Pope: I would have to take that on notice. I should be able to get it for you by tomorrow.</p>	27/05/2013	L&CA 103
BE13/0062	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Cash	Inverbrackie IDC	<p>Senator CASH: Mr Bowles, were any commitments given to the Inverbrackie community, when it was set up, about the level of risk of the people who were being put in Inverbrackie?</p> <p>Mr Bowles: I would have to take that on notice. I was not here at that time.</p>	27/05/2013	L&CA 103
BE13/0063	3.1: Border Management	Cash	Biometrics	<p>Senator CASH: Where people's fingerprints have been flagged in the system, in how many cases has this translated into a denial of a visa?</p> <p>Dr Southern: We would probably have to take the detail of that question on notice, but there may be circumstances where that was part of the decision around a visa refusal. There may have been other issues surrounding their protection claims that played a part.</p>	27/05/2013	L&CA 104
BE13/0064	3.1: Border Management	Cash	Evidence of immigration status	<p>Senator CASH: I want to go through this again to make sure I have not misunderstood your evidence. I asked you, 'Could I open a bank account?' and you said, 'Yes, you could; it is a form of ID.' In relation to the opening of a bank account, an Australian citizen would normally need a 100-point ID check. In terms of points, what is that the equivalent of?</p> <p>Mr Bowles: I do not know specifically. I would have to find out. I can find that out for you.</p>	27/05/2013	L&CA 108
BE13/0065	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status Resolution	Cash	Evidence of immigration status	<p>Senator CASH: How many have been issued to date?</p> <p>Mr Bowles: Around 4,000.</p> <p>Senator CASH: How did you determine which 4,000 to issue them to?</p> <p>Mr Bowles: I do not specifically know.</p> <p>Senator CASH: Could you find that out?</p> <p>Mr Bowles: Yes. It is probably trialling it in two different types of groups.</p> <p>Senator CASH: So it will be 2,000 and 2,000 potentially?</p> <p>Mr Bowles: I do not specifically know, but potentially something like that.</p>	27/05/2013	L&CA 108
BE13/0066	3.1: Border Management	Cash	Destruction of Documents	<p>Senator CASH: In relation to the destruction of documents, do you have any information on you in relation to 2012-13 about how many IMAs arrived in Australia did so by flying into Indonesia? I do not know if that was one of ones that got back.</p> <p>Mr Bowles: We will take that on notice. That is quite a complex set of issues, because we have to go through all our entry interviews and the like.</p>	27/05/2013	L&CA 109
BE13/0067	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status Resolution	Cash	Interpol red notice	<p>Senator CASH: Perhaps I could just get you to take me through something, just so I have the evidence from the department correct and I am in no way misquoting you. In relation to the Egyptian national, can I confirm that he did arrive in Australia in May 2012, with his family?</p> <p>...</p> <p>Senator CASH: And then when was he transferred with his family to Inverbrackie?</p> <p>Mr Bowles: I am not specifically sure when he was transferred. Generally speaking it is around that three-month period, so probably around the July-ish time frame, but I will have to confirm that.</p>	28/05/2013	L&CA 4-5

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BE13/0068	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status Resolution	Cash	IMA Arrivals	<p>Senator CASH: Exactly. That is exactly right. So I would just like to work out what that figure is so I can then work back to 39,224.</p> <p>...</p> <p>Senator CASH: How many are in prison?</p> <p>Mr Bowles: I do not know off the top of my head, but we are talking a small number.</p> <p>Senator CASH: Is that a figure that we could get throughout the course of the day?</p> <p>Mr Bowles: We can see what we can find.</p>	28/05/2013	L&CA 7
BE13/0069	5.1: Settlement Services for Migrants and Refugees	Cash	Resettlement	<p>Senator CASH: In relation to protection visas granted—the 14,600 or so—do we have figures for those who have settled and those who are in work?</p> <p>Dr Southern: I do not believe we do, Senator. We would have the information about how many flowed through into our HSS services but I very much doubt that we have easily accessible data on who is or who is not in work.</p> <p>Senator CASH: How would we find that out? Is that going, perhaps, to the Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations?</p> <p>Dr Southern: It would probably involve a bit of data matching to work that through. Let us take it away on notice and just see what is available from our systems, but I think it is going to be held on case files and individual service providers would have some of that information. I do not think it will be easily accessible.</p>	28/05/2013	L&CA 8
BE13/0070	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Cash	IMA Arrivals	<p>Senator CASH: In relation to the arrival total of 39,224 as at 30 April, how many of those people have received a 'no' and are now waiting on appeal?</p> <p>Mr Bowles: We will take that on notice, Senator.</p>	28/05/2013	L&CA 8
BE13/0071	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Cash	Detention statistics	<p>Senator CASH: In relation to the statistics that have been uploaded to the department's website—the immigration detention statistics summary as at 30 April 2013—15 per cent of those in formal and community detention are women and 25 per cent are children. Does that then translate to 40 per cent of IMAs arriving being women and children?</p> <p>Mr Cahill: No, not necessarily.</p> <p>Mr Bowles: There is a cross-over with female children.</p> <p>Senator CASH: Okay, so there is a cross-over with female children.</p> <p>Mr Bowles: I would imagine.</p> <p>Senator CASH: Actually, it may not be, because 15 per cent are 'women'—so I am assuming that is above the age of a minor—and 25 per cent are 'children'. So there should not be a cross-over if it is done on an age category.</p> <p>Mr Cahill: My recollection is that we have very few single adult females—in other words, they do not come unaccompanied; they usually come in family groups. I know we are tracking around about 35 per cent of all arrivals being made up of families and unaccompanied minors. But I will confirm that for you later this morning.</p>	28/05/2013	L&CA 9
BE13/0072	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Cash	IMA Arrivals	<p>Senator CASH: In terms of the figures that you have, what can you share with us in terms of a 12-month timeframe? Did you look at it over 12 months, 24 months?</p> <p>Mr Cahill: Yes. I will have to come back to you later this morning on that. I have some figures I can get from the department.</p> <p>Senator CASH: Thank you. That would be appreciated, because I do want to go through those figures. In particular, I would also like to have a look at how many women, how many children and how many family groups arrived by boat in 2012-13 and how does that compare to previous years.</p>	28/05/2013	L&CA 9
BE13/0073	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Cash	Claim for Asylum	<p>Senator CASH: I go now to the processing of claims. The figure I have is 19,048 IMAs who have arrived since 13 August. How many of those have lodged a claim for asylum?</p> <p>Mr Bowles: It would be very few. I would need to take that on notice, but there would be very few because, as I have said, we have not started that processing yet.</p>	28/05/2013	L&CA 11
BE13/0074	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Cash	Claim for Asylum	<p>Senator CASH: Mr Bowles, the asylum seekers are quite literally told they cannot lodge a claim for asylum?</p> <p>Mr Bowles: They are told a range of things. I will see if we can get the people with the fact sheet. We will give them fact sheets. We will give them a whole range of data. But, ultimately, yes, they are told we are going to assess their claims yet and we will determine when we do that. As I said, that will be soon. We are planning that in the 2013-14 financial year. We will go down those lines.</p>	28/05/2013	L&CA 13

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BE13/0075	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status Resolution	Rhiannon	Involuntary Removal	<p>Senator RHIANNON: It is about people being returned to Sri Lanka. Does the department notify involuntary returnees of the possibility of making a complaint to the Australian High Commission of mistreatment—obviously if it occurs—by Sri Lankan officials when they return to Sri Lanka?</p> <p>...</p> <p>Senator RHIANNON: So, with regard to—sticking with the procedures—so you are saying they can make a complaint. So what is the procedure for them to make a complaint?</p> <p>Mr Bowles: I will ask Ms Larkins to answer that.</p> <p>Ms Larkins: Senator, we sometimes do have cases. I am aware of three cases; one from 2009 and two from 2002, where we were made aware of allegations of mistreatment on return. So people do raise issues with us, and when those issues are raised, the high commissioner in Sri Lanka investigates those claims. We have not found any of the three claims that have been made to be substantiated.</p> <p>...</p> <p>Ms Larkins: 2012, sorry</p> <p>...</p> <p>Ms Larkins: In some cases, the post does talk to the individual. So, in one of those cases, the post talked to the individual, who said they has suffered no harm upon return.</p> <p>Senator RHIANNON: Did they talk to the individuals in all cases?</p> <p>Ms Larkins: I think that is one of the options. I am not sure in all cases.</p> <p>Senator RHIANNON: Could you take that on notice, to determine if the individuals were spoken to?</p> <p>Ms Larkins: Yes.</p>	28/05/2013	L&CA 15-16
BE13/0076	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Rhiannon	Involuntary Removal	<p>Senator RHIANNON: On those three occasions were the complaints made to the high commissioner? Were they complaints to a human rights group? How do you identify the complaints?</p> <p>Ms Larkins: I do not have that information.</p> <p>Senator RHIANNON: Could you take that on notice?</p> <p>Ms Larkins: Yes.</p>	28/06/2013	L&CA 16
BE13/0077	3.1: Border Management	Rhiannon	Sri Lankan post	<p>Senator RHIANNON: Are any officials from the department stationed in Sri Lanka in order to work with Sri Lankan authorities to gather information about people intercepted by Sri Lankan authorities whilst attempting to leave Sri Lanka?</p> <p>Mr Bowles: I am not going to go into what might happen in an operational sense, because it would involve a range of agencies that reside in a post. I can tell you that I have officers in Sri Lanka who do engage with counterparts on a range of different issues. There are other agencies, and you would need to question them to find out if they have similar views or activities.</p> <p>Senator RHIANNON: How many officers do you have in Sri Lanka?</p> <p>Mr Bowles: I could take that on notice.</p>	28/05/2013	L&CA 16-17
BE13/0078	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Rhiannon	IMA Arrivals	<p>Senator RHIANNON: Are there operational procedures in place to ensure that family members who arrive separately in Australia or in Australia's excise zones by irregular maritime means are reunited? If there are procedures, what are they?</p> <p>Ms Larkins: To be clear I would probably have to take that on notice. The general principle is that yes, we do take family composition into consideration in our decision making. But it would be better if I gave you a fuller answer.</p> <p>Senator RHIANNON: If you could take it on notice, that would be appreciated. Is there a time period within which these procedures must take place, considering that we are talking about family?</p> <p>Ms Larkins: I will include that in my answer.</p>	28/05/2013	L&CA 18

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BE13/0079	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Rhiannon	Family units on Christmas Island	<p>Senator RHIANNON: Are you aware that there are 14 Tamil men on Christmas Island who have asked on repeated occasions to be reunited with their wives and children who are also on Christmas Island?</p> <p>Mr Bowles: I am not personally aware of it.</p> <p>Senator RHIANNON: Is there anyone else he who would be aware of it? I am just wondering whether they have an the opportunity to speak with their family members.</p> <p>Mr Bowles: That is the normal policy arrangement. We try and make it as comfortable as possible. We can take it on notice to find out anything we know about that.</p> <p>Mr Cahill: I am unaware of any specific instances. They are able to do 'I'm alive calls' and contact family back home. If they have got family in the detention facilities, we look to try and join them with their family, subject to security matters.</p> <p>Senator RHIANNON: You can take it on notice to find out whether any of the Tamils who are family units have been able to talk to each other on Christmas Island and, if there has been a delay in that occurring, why.</p> <p>Mr Cahill: I will take it on notice. If they have got family on the island, they would be allowed to talk to them.</p> <p>Senator RHIANNON: As I have received information to the contrary, it would be appreciated if you could take it on notice.</p> <p>Mr Cahill: I will.</p>	28/05/2013	L&CA 18
BE13/0080	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Rhiannon	IMA legal representation	<p>Senator RHIANNON: Are there operational procedures in place to assist IMAs to access legal representation?</p> <p>Mr Bowles: We have procedures around legal representation.</p> <p>Senator RHIANNON: What are these procedures?</p> <p>Mr Cahill: I will have to take that specific question on notice.</p>	28/05/2013	L&CA 18
BE13/0081	3.1: Border Management	Rhiannon	Staffing	<p>Senator RHIANNON: Could you provide us, either now or on notice, the classifications of the officers who make that decision and the different times?</p> <p>Ms Larkins: Yes. I should just point out that they are trained in our protection process, so they are people who have considerable experience in assessing people's claims for protection.</p>	28/05/2013	L&CA 19
BE13/0082	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Rhiannon	Aid funding	<p>Senator RHIANNON: I want to move on to the issue of the \$375 million diverted to ongoing costs from the aid budget. Was the identification of the \$375 million as ODA money at the request of the immigration department? Who initiated that classification?</p> <p>Mr Bowles: This is a part of the budget process. It is probably a question best asked of other departments. Decisions are made around the budget. The reality is \$375 million is a capped amount and it is reflected in the DIAC budget. It is tagged, if you like, as ODA. It is done under the normal OECD Development Assistance Committee's reporting directives. We go through that process.</p> <p>Senator RHIANNON: When did you learn that this \$375 million needed for onshore costs was to be tagged as ODA?</p> <p>Mr Bowles: I cannot remember the exact time. It was quite a while ago.</p> <p>Senator RHIANNON: Could you take that on notice.</p> <p>Mr Bowles: We will take that on notice.</p>	28/05/2013	L&CA 19
BE13/0083	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status Resolution	Rhiannon	Aid funding	<p>Senator RHIANNON: Mr Bowles, how many asylum seekers in 2012-13 were on bridging visas and eligible for support under the \$379 million allocation.</p> <p>Mr Bowles: Senator, I will take that on notice to make sure I get the accurate calculation. Basically, if they only came within the last 12 months and they are in the community on a bridging visa, it will be all of those that have arrived.</p>	28/05/2013	L&CA 21
BE13/0084	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status Resolution	Rhiannon	CAS and ASAS	<p>Senator RHIANNON: Let's take basic English. You are saying you give that money to the person and not to a centre or a non-government organisation to run English courses for asylum seekers?</p> <p>Mr Bowles: We do not give it to the centres is my understanding. It is through the CAS and ASAS payments process, as I have described.</p> <p>Senator RHIANNON: So the CAS and ASAS payments go to individuals and never go to a learning centre or a non-government organisation?</p> <p>Mr Bowles: Again, it is through the CAS and ASAS payments. It is not something we direct to generic programs or specific organisations to deliver on our behalf.</p> <p>Senator RHIANNON: Or to companies that run English learning centres?</p> <p>Mr Bowles: That is my understanding, yes.</p> <p>Senator RHIANNON: Do you need to take that on notice?</p> <p>Mr Bowles: I can confirm it on notice, if you wish.</p>	28/05/2013	L&CA 22-23

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BE13/0085	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status Resolution	Abetz	Security Escort	<p>Senator ABETZ: I understand this is the area where I can ask some questions about people who are in your care. In particular I want to ask: when there are certain people in your care who you are escorting to other countries, do you advise the other countries through which you transit?</p> <p>Mr Bowles: Yes.</p> <p>Senator ABETZ: Did that occur in the case of Mr Kohl being repatriated to Germany?</p> <p>Mr Bowles: We can take that on notice. I do not know the specifics of the case. We can make sure we give you exactly what happened.</p> <p>Senator ABETZ: The circumstance to which I am referring to is that which has just broken in the Bangkok Post and also, I think, the local news here.</p> <p>Mr Bowles: I can take that on notice and try to find out—</p>	28/05/2013	L&CA 23
BE13/0086	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status Resolution	Abetz	Security Escort	<p>Senator ABETZ:...the case of Mr Kohl being repatriated to Germany?</p> <p>...</p> <p>Senator ABETZ: Can you confirm that they were departmental contractors that were escorting Mr Kohl?</p> <p>Mr Bowles: I would have to confirm that, but I understand that is the case.</p>	28/05/2013	L&CA 23
BE13/0087	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status Resolution	Abetz	Security Escort	<p>Senator ABETZ: Can we confirm that Thai officials were not advised that Mr Kohl was going through the Thai jurisdiction in transit?</p> <p>Mr Cahill: The group were met by Thai Airways security and escorted to the Airside Transit Hotel at Bangkok airport. So the Thai Airways officials were involved.</p> <p>Senator ABETZ: But, previously, prior to their arrival, were Thai authorities advised? I withdraw that question. Were Thai authorities advised prior to Mr Kohl's departure from Australia that he would be arriving in Thailand with two escorts?</p> <p>Mr Cahill: I will have to take that on notice.</p> <p>Mr Bowles: It would be normal practice. We can confirm it in this specific case. It sounds as if someone must have been advised if they met the plane. But we will confirm that for you.</p> <p>Senator ABETZ: But it may have occurred after the plane landed or whilst the plane was in the air, as opposed to the Thai authorities having been advised before the departure from Australia. So, in answering that question, please be very careful with the specific question being asked.</p> <p>Mr Bowles: We will see what we can find out about the specifics</p>	28/05/2013	L&CA 23-24
BE13/0088	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status Resolution	Abetz	Security Escort	<p>Senator ABETZ: Are we able to advise whether these detainees are handcuffed whilst they are on the aeroplane? Is that normal procedure?</p> <p>Mr Cahill: Firstly, he is obviously no longer in detention when he is taken out of detention. He is under security escort with a risk profile by Serco. In some instances they are flexicuffed; in other instances they are not. But they are accompanied by Serco.</p> <p>Senator ABETZ: Do we know whether or not they were flexicuffed—I assume that is something different to handcuffed but has the same debilitating impact on the detainee?</p> <p>Mr Cahill: I will have to take that on notice.</p>	28/05/2013	L&CA 24
BE13/0089	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status Resolution	Abetz	Security Escort	<p>Senator ABETZ: Can you advise, or take on notice, the specific training these contractors undertake to qualify to undertake this escort work?</p> <p>Mr Bowles: We can take that on notice.</p>	28/05/2013	L&CA 24
BE13/0090	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status Resolution	Abetz	Security Escort	<p>Senator ABETZ: ... How do you, as a department, confirm and verify that the contractors used by Serco are so qualified?</p> <p>Mr Bowles: Under the normal provisions of the contract and our contract management arrangement. But we can give more detail, if you like—on notice.</p>	28/05/2013	L&CA 24

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BE13/0091	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status Resolution	Abetz	Security Escort	Senator ABETZ:...the case of Mr Kohl being repatriated to Germany? ... Senator ABETZ: ... So the department first became aware of this very embarrassing incident, I put to you, on the night of the 16th. When was the minister first advised? Mr Bowles: I would have to take that on notice Senator, I do not know.	28/05/2013	L&CA 24
BE13/0092	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status Resolution	Abetz	Security Escort	Senator ABETZ: Right, so not Thai police. But normally we would advise the Thai authorities, as opposed to the airline, that a prisoner was transiting through the particular country, in this case Thailand? Mr Cahill: I will have to confirm that for you, Senator. Senator ABETZ: But surely that is the protocol, is it not? You do not only advise the airline but you advise the security and police authorities, not the Thai Airline authority. Mr Cahill: I will have to check the protocol to see how we do that, Senator.	28/05/2013	L&CA 24
BE13/0093	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status Resolution	Abetz	Security Escort	Senator ABETZ: Is there a provision in the Serco contract that, if things like this occur, they can be financially penalised? Mr Bowles: Yes, there are, Senator. Senator ABETZ: Could take on notice what those might be, if they are not subject to a commercial-in-confidence. Can you confirm that Interpol agents apparently believed their prisoner was waiting to change planes in a transit lounge, but in fact he was in a hotel room?	28/05/2013	L&CA 25
BE13/0094	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status Resolution	Abetz	Security Escort	Senator ABETZ:...the case of Mr Kohl being repatriated to Germany? ... Senator ABETZ: When did this occur—on the 16th? Today is the 28th. That is 12 days; one assumes that the two escorts have been questioned about this? Mr Bowles: I do not have that detail. I will take it on notice	28/05/2013	L&CA 25
BE13/0095	1.1: Visa and Migration	Furner	Non-citizens and work provisions	Senator FURNER: On notice, please identify some examples of where DIAC has located those noncitizens but have not been able to take action against the employer. Can you also, for the committee's sake, set out how the department intends to enforce the new provisions?	28/05/2013	L&CA 27
BE13/0096	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status Resolution	Furner	Integrity verification visits	Senator FURNER: Page 57 shows the deliverables of program 4.1. It is to conduct integrity verification visits. How many of those visits have been made in the migration program year to date? Mr Callanan: Could we come back with that for you? Senator FURNER: Sure. Also, how many of such visits are planned to be made in the 2013-14 financial year? If you do not have that ready, we will put that on notice as well. How many DIAC officers are there whose activities are dedicated to the conduct of integrity verification visits? Mr Callanan: We would have to take that on notice.	28/05/2013	L&CA 28
BE13/0097	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status Resolution	Furner	Status resolution and visa compliance	Senator FURNER: Very good. I take you to page 47. One of the objectives of program 4.1 is to detect and locate persons who have no lawful authority to be in Australia. What actions does DIAC take? What methods does the department pursue to detect and locate such persons? Dr Southern: That is a combination of our compliance field actions and our compliance status resolution service desks in each of our state and territory offices. What our key compliance statistics are showing us, and as the secretary was talking about yesterday I think, is that we had quite substantial numbers of locations—around 9,474 was the number we were looking at. That is a combination of people, including those who voluntarily come to us. They may have overstayed their visa and are seeking to resolve their status. That is about 80 per cent, and about 20 per cent are where we find people in the community through compliance action. Senator FURNER: What has been the cost to the department for the financial year 2012-13 in that area? Mr Callanan: We would have to get a breakdown of that on notice. Senator FURNER: I would like to know what you budgeted for, the costs, in the 2013-14 financial year as well.	28/05/2013	L&CA 28-29

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BE13/0098	3.1: Border Management	Hanson-Young	Screening in/out process	Senator HANSON-YOUNG: Correct me if I am wrong, but the screening in, screening out process that operated until 27 October had only been used for airport arrivals. Ms Larkins: No, that is not correct. I would need to come back to you with particular advice on that. At various points, we have used screening in and screening out—not the enhanced screening, but border screening—with IMA cohorts. But I do not have that detail with me at the minute.	28/05/2013	L&CA 31
BE13/0099	3.1: Border Management	Hanson-Young	Screening in/out process	Senator HANSON-YOUNG: Okay. How long has this process been used for at airports? Mr Allen: I would need to take that on notice to give you a definitive answer, but the screen in, screen out process in its current form has been used for many, many years, going back decades, I believe.	28/05/2013	L&CA 31
BE13/0100	3.1: Border Management	Furner	Airport interviews	Mr Allen: The interview at the airport is undertaken our airport inspectors. If a claim is raised that engages our obligations, information is collected and the claim is referred to an officer from the onshore protection branch here in Canberra, usually a senior officer or a senior delegate, for consideration. Senator HANSON-YOUNG: How often does this occur? Mr Allen: I can give you some figures for the current year. Senator HANSON-YOUNG: That would be great. Mr Allen: For this year, 2012-13, to 30 April there were 47 protection claimants screened in at Australian airports. Senator HANSON-YOUNG: How many were screened out? Mr Allen: I do not have an answer for that. It would be contained within the broader group of people who are interviewed and are then removed from Australia. I would need to take that part of the question on notice.	28/05/2013	L&CA 32
BE13/0101	3.1: Border Management	Hanson-Young	Screening in/out process	Mr Allen: For this year, 2012-13, to 30 April there were 47 protection claimants screened in at Australian airports. ... Senator HANSON-YOUNG: Can you take on notice for me how many people were screened out as part of this process? I would appreciate that. Mr Allen: Sure.	28/05/2013	L&CA 32
BE13/0102	3.1: Border Management	Hanson-Young	Screening in/out process	Senator HANSON-YOUNG: Where did that screening fit in relation to the regular entry interview? Ms Larkins: It comes after the regular entry interview, to my knowledge. But I am not the expert on where it fits. Mr Bowles: We will clarify that for you, Senator. Senator HANSON-YOUNG: The question I asked, Ms Larkins, was about post 27 October. Please clarify that for me. Then I want to go back to 27 August.	28/05/2013	L&CA 32
BE13/0103	3.1: Border Management	Hanson-Young	Screening in/out process	Senator HANSON-YOUNG: Could you take on notice, please, where it happened previously and where that fitted in relation to the entry interview—was it before or after? Mr Bowles, what was the rationale for changing the process and introducing the enhanced screening process on 27 October?	28/05/2013	L&CA 32
BE13/0104	3.1: Border Management	Hanson-Young	Screening in/out process	Senator HANSON-YOUNG: Could you table the list of questions that are asked? Ms Larkins: We could provide some advice on the process that we use. Mr Bowles: We will take it on notice. This is operational detail, and we will have to consider what implications that has in terms of basically giving advice to people on how to get around our system. But we will take that on notice and have a look. ... Mr Bowles: We can take that on notice and see what we can provide. I do not see a problem with the number of questions.	28/05/2013	L&CA 33
BE13/0105	3.1: Border Management	Hanson-Young	Screening in/out process	Senator HANSON-YOUNG: If you could, that would be helpful. Mr Bowles, could you give me the APS levels of the two people who you said conduct the screening-in, screening-out interviews? Ms Larkins: I took that on notice previously. We will get that to you.	28/05/2013	L&CA 34

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BE13/0106	3.1: Border Management	Hanson-Young	Screening in/out process	Senator HANSON-YOUNG: How many people does the department have working on these processes? Ms Larkins: We would have to come back to you on that. I do not have the numbers.	28/05/2013	L&CA 34
BE13/0107	3.1: Border Management	Hanson-Young	Screening in/out process	Senator HANSON-YOUNG: When these decisions are being reviewed by members of the department back here in Canberra, is that all decisions or just the ones of the individuals who have been screened out? Mr Bowles: To clarify, I said SES, but it is usually an executive level or an SES. It has been both over the period of time. It is usually and EL2 and in some cases it has been an SES. What is the second part of your question? Senator HANSON-YOUNG: The second part was about the number of people, but Ms Larkins said— Ms Larkins: I think it is two or three, but we will take that on notice. Senator HANSON-YOUNG: Okay.	28/05/2013	L&CA 34
BE13/0108	3.1: Border Management	Hanson-Young	Screening in/out process	Senator HANSON-YOUNG: How many times has a screening-out been made and then been overturned? Mr Bowles: I would have to take that on notice. Senator HANSON-YOUNG: Has it happened at all? Mr Bowles: It is likely to have happened. Ms Larkins: Yes, it has happened. I am not sure if we have a record of that, but, yes, it does happen. I will have a look. I just do not know if our systems allow us to capture how many have been overturned, but I will have a look.	28/05/2013	L&CA 35
BE13/0109	3.1: Border Management	Hanson-Young	Screening in/out process	Senator HANSON-YOUNG: Do these senior officers review all of the assessments or just those of the individuals who are being screened out? Mr Bowles: I am pretty sure they do review the screen-outs. I will confirm that, but I am pretty sure we review all screen-outs. Ms Larkins: I would need to check— Mr Bowles: We will confirm that, but that is pretty much what I think happens.	28/05/2013	L&CA 35
BE13/0111	3.1: Border Management	Hanson-Young	Screening in/out process	Senator HANSON-YOUNG: How many people are running the screening-in, screening-out interviews on Christmas Island? Mr Allen: It is a rotating group of people deployed from mainland locations. I would have to take on notice the actual size of the deployed team within which those, if you like, two-person cohorts are created.	28/05/2013	L&CA 35
BE13/0112	3.1: Border Management	Hanson-Young	Screening in/out process	Senator HANSON-YOUNG: Ms Larkins, after somebody has been deemed to be screened out, at what point does that decision go to the reviewer for a decision? Ms Larkins: Straight away. Senator HANSON-YOUNG: Within the hour, the day— Ms Larkins: Often it is straight away. As soon as those decisions are written up in a form that can be considered by the reviewer, that is sent to them. Senator HANSON-YOUNG: What is the time frame in getting the reviewer's decision? Ms Larkins: As I said, we do not have an average time. We are trying to do this quite quickly. Review by the senior officer is prioritised and it happens quite quickly. Senator HANSON-YOUNG: How quick is quickly? Ms Larkins: I do not have average data. I cannot answer that question.	28/05/2013	L&CA 36
BE13/0113	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status Resolution	Hanson-Young	Removals list	Senator HANSON-YOUNG: Has there been a circumstance where the wrong person was put on the list for removal? Mr Cahill: No. Mr Bowles: We have said no. Senator HANSON-YOUNG: How many times is that list checked before the plane departs? Mr Cahill: I would have to take that on notice. But we do have a process of confirmation and reconciliation to ensure against the manifest, right up to the point of departure, that we are removing people who have been screened out.	28/05/2013	L&CA 38
BE13/0114	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status Resolution	Hanson-Young	Removals list	Senator HANSON-YOUNG: How close to the departure of the plane is the list finalised? Mr Cahill: I understand that the final list is in the last 24 hours. I can confirm. That is because we have to make sure we have met some health requirements, as well, and obviously people's health can change.	28/05/2013	L&CA 38

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BE13/0115	3.1: Border Management	Hanson-Young	Screening in/out process	Senator HANSON-YOUNG: Mr Bowles, if we could pick up where we left off. Where did the idea for this new enhanced screening process originate? Was it from within your department? [...] At what point was it put to the minister for a decision?	28/05/2013	L&CA 42
BE13/0116	3.1: Border Management	Hanson-Young	IMA legal representation	Senator HANSON-YOUNG: The reason I am asking is that you are locked up and told that you are being removed and somebody then comes and asks you whether you have sought legal advice without even being told that perhaps you have a right to. You could understand why somebody would feel pretty intimidated by that. So I think this is a pretty important question. Are people told they have a right to legal assistance?	28/05/2013	L&CA 45
BE13/0117	3.1: Border Management	Hanson-Young	Unaccompanied minors	Ms Larkins: We would not be applying an interview process to a six-year-old but we may apply it to someone who is 17. Senator HANSON-YOUNG: Is it applied to unaccompanied minors? Ms Larkins: I would have to take that on notice.	29/05/2013	L&CA 46
BE13/0118	3.1: Border Management	Marshall	Unaccompanied minors	Senator HANSON-YOUNG: Can I go to the question of minors. Are minors given the screening-in, screening-out interview? [...] Mr Bowles: If there were an unaccompanied minor aged six they would fit the vulnerability criteria. Generally speaking, younger children come in family groups—so the mother and father would be interviewed, for instance, and the— Senator MARSHALL: Just tell me: what is the age cut-off that you apply this process to? Ms Larkins: We will get that.	28/05/2013	L&CA 46
BE13/0119	3.1: Border Management	Hanson-Young	Screening in/out process	Senator HANSON-YOUNG: Where does this vulnerability criteria exist? Is there a list of vulnerability criteria? [...] Is there a specific criterion that is used to determine who is subjected to this screening-in, screening-out process?	28/05/2013	L&CA 46
BE13/0120	3.1: Border Management	Hanson-Young	Screening in/out process	Senator HANSON-YOUNG: Is it correct that the decision about whether an unaccompanied minor has been screened in or out has changed? Mr Bowles: I would have to check, but— Ms Larkins: I know of at least one case. Senator HANSON-YOUNG: So the answer is yes. What was the purpose of that change? Ms Larkins: I would have to go and have a look. You asked whether it had ever happened, and I am aware of one case, but I do not have the details.	28/05/2013	L&CA 46
BE13/0121	3.1: Border Management	Hanson-Young	Unaccompanied minors	Senator HANSON-YOUNG: Ms Larkins, how long ago was this? Ms Larkins: As I said, I do not have the details of the case with me—and I don't know if we are talking about the same case. But I do not know. Senator HANSON-YOUNG: Would that unaccompanied minor still be being held in detention? Ms Larkins: I don't know, Senator—I don't have the details. Senator HANSON-YOUNG: Ms Larkins, you know of one case. If you do not know whether this is the only one, who would? Ms Larkins: We can take that on notice, but I do not have it with me at this point. Senator HANSON-YOUNG: Mr Bowles, were you aware of this? Mr Bowles: I did not know of the specific case, no.	28/05/2013	L&CA 47
BE13/0122	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status Resolution	Hanson-Young	Unaccompanied minors	Senator HANSON-YOUNG: How many UAMs have been removed? Mr Bowles: I would have to get you that number, Senator.	28/05/2013	L&CA 48
BE13/0123	3.1: Border Management	Hanson-Young	Screening in/out process	Senator HANSON-YOUNG: I am still asking for the wording, the script, that is used in these interviews. Mr Bowles: I think I said earlier that we will take that on notice and then determine how we can actually provide information that is not going to compromise the operations that we undertake.	28/05/2013	L&CA 49

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BE13/0124	3.1: Border Management	Hanson-Young	Screening in/out process	Senator HANSON-YOUNG: Ms Larkins has already agreed to give me the information that the people are told at the front of the interview. Ms Larkins: The interview preamble, yes.	28/05/2013	L&CA 49
BE13/0125	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status Resolution	Cash	reintegration package	Senator CASH: The reintegration package, yes. I just need to be sure about what I have asked you. How many people has the department recorded as having previously arrived in Australia by boat seeking asylum who have been rejected and then returned, outside those that I have already asked you for, which is those who received the integration package? There will be two separate statistics.	28/05/2013	L&CA 55
BE13/0126	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Cash	Disturbance at Villawood IDC	Senator CASH: Have any of the asylum seekers involved in those disturbance been charged? Mr Cahill: I am not sure all of them were asylum seekers. The site has both IMA and non-IMA. Sixteen clients were investigated in relation to the disturbance. These individuals have been charged with a range of offences including riot, affray and destroying property. Of the 16, one has been removed to Iran, four are serving sentences in state correctional facilities, five were found not guilty of the charges, one remains in immigration detention under a good behaviour bond and five are to be sentenced next month. Senator CASH: Five are to be sentenced next month? Mr Cahill: That is what we have been advised. Senator CASH: So that is three. There were two more, then. Mr Cahill: I am just looking at the context. Unfortunately, I do not have the context of the question on notice, because it is a supplementary question. I have more than five incidents but I think it was a follow on to a specific question. When I look at the actual question that was taken, it says in the report 'The department noted', and refers to a certain report—it might be Christmas Island or something. I do not know which five it is. There are more than five and I am happy to expand on those, but that would be referring to a narrower— Senator CASH: Okay. Mr Cahill: I can come back in the next hour and confirm. Senator CASH: That would be appreciated, thank you very much.	28/05/2013	L&CA 56
BE13/0127	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Cash	Excision Bill	Senator CASH: Were there any further arrivals in the days after the passage of the bill—in other words, prior to it receiving royal ascent?	28/05/2013	L&CA 57
BE13/0128	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Cash	Excision Bill	Senator CASH: I missed a figure in the questions I asked on the excision bill. There are 699 arrivals this financial year before the passage of the excision bill and that consequently will not be able to be processed onshore, and 585 this calendar year. Do you have the figure of how many arrived between the time the bill passed the House of Representatives and the time it passed the Senate?	28/05/2013	L&CA 58
BE13/0129	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Cash	Maintenance cost of IDCs	Senator CASH: Are we able to have a unit cost breakdown across all facilities provided to us? What information do you have? [...] Can we also have a look, if you have the information, at the specific maintenance costs for each immigration detention centre for the financial years 2010-11, 2011-12 and 2012-13 to date.	28/05/2013	L&CA 59
BE13/0130	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Cash	Detention Network	Senator CASH: And how many are in transit? Literally how many have flowed through the network to 30 April? Mr Bowles: Largely, you would say that at least the people who have arrived in the 2012-13 year since 1 July to now, which is the 22,000 figure, have flowed through the detention network. We could have had people in there before, and they could have moved through and we have replaced them with others. Again, it is quite complicated; but that is how it works. Mr Cahill: We can follow that up—we have something on that—but it is complicated, so we will have to outline the methodology. Senator CASH: Because it is complicated, I will just confirm that you will still attempt to provide the per unit costs on notice.	28/05/2013	L&CA 63
BE13/0131	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Cash	Detention Network	Senator CASH: Do you have a figure of the number of people who have gone through the network to 30 April?	28/05/2013	L&CA 63

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BE13/0132	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Cash	Community detention	<p>Senator CASH: Are you able to table what is expected of the clients you just referred to?</p> <p>Ms Pope: I will take that on notice, Senator. I do not know whether we have it in written form. We may have to prepare that for you. I am not sure.</p> <p>Senator CASH: If it is not in a written form, how do you know that each client is told the same thing?</p> <p>Ms Pope: There is a discussion between the caseworker and the client upon entering community detention.</p> <p>Senator CASH: I assume that discussion is based on a set document.</p> <p>Ms Pope: It probably is. I cannot recall the document in my head right at the moment, so I do not want to promise something I may not have, but, if we have it, it can be made available.</p> <p>... In terms of the instructions that are given to the case officers regarding the behaviours that are expected, are you able to see whether you could have that information, if it is in written form, tabled after the dinner break?</p>	28/05/2013	L&CA 64
BE13/0133	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Cash	Community detention	<p>Senator CASH: Mr Bowles, are decisions of revocation, in relation to AE13/0300, appealable?</p>	28/05/2013	L&CA 65
BE13/0134	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status Resolution	Cash	Residence determination	<p>Senator CASH: If the minister is able to revoke a residence determination, why is it that there are not clear standards for what are noncriminal offences?</p> <p>Mr Bowles: Within CD? I think Ms Pope said there are.</p> <p>Ms Pope: There are. I have confirmed that there is a piece of paper provided to unaccompanied minors, to single adult men and to family adults setting out the expectations. We will have that available for you shortly.</p> <p>Senator CASH: Mr Callanan, did you say that a booklet was provided to bridging visa holders?</p> <p>Mr Callanan: That is right. I think that it is called Living in Australia.</p> <p>Senator CASH: Are you able to table a copy of that booklet?</p>	28/05/2013	L&CA 66
BE13/0135	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status Resolution	Cash	Review of status	<p>Senator Cash: How many have failed at all stages of review and have been returned to detention?</p>	28/05/2013	L&CA 69
BE13/0136	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status Resolution	Cash	Bridging visas - women and children	<p>Senator Cash: Do you have the figures on how many women and children have been released on bridging visas in 2012-13?</p>	28/05/2013	L&CA 70
BE13/0137	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status Resolution	Cash	Revoked Bridging visas	<p>Senator Cash: I go back to the person who was on a bridging visa who had the bridging visa revoked for security reasons. [...] How did you manage to locate the person?</p>	28/05/2013	L&CA 71
BE13/0138	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Cash	IMA BE	<p>Senator Cash: Could I take you now to answer AE13/0061, which states: <i>For IMA BVE holders all accommodation sourced by the service provider is in accordance with operational guidelines that require the service provider to comply with relevant legislation and standards, including State government requirements relating to tenancies and boarding houses.</i> What are the operational guidelines referred to and are you able to table them?</p>	28/05/2013	L&CA 71
BE13/0139	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status Resolution	Cash	IMA BVE	<p>Senator Cash: Is there a standard reporting requirement for IMAs released into the community bridging visas? If so, what is it? If not, why not? [...] Is there a standard that you could table?</p>	28/05/2013	L&CA 72
BE13/0140	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Cash	Community detention	<p>Senator Cash: You say you have provided the general information and some on the CD to the various state governments. When we say 'general', how general are we talking? Are we talking just a postcode or areas within a postcode?</p>	28/05/2013	L&CA 73
BE13/0141	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Cash	Community detention	<p>Senator Cash: Would it be possible, purely because there may be a line of questioning flying from the particular dates, for you to check during the dinner break to see when the phone conversation four to six weeks ago occurred, when the teleconference occurred and the date that the meeting with the deputy commissioners occurred?</p>	28/05/2013	L&CA 74
BE13/0142	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status Resolution	Cash	Asylum seekers - criminal charges	<p>Senator Cash: I now take you to the answer that was provided to AE13/0504 which states: <i>'During the period of November 2011 to 31 December 2012, service providers have reported five incidents of assault involving asylum seekers on bridging visas where the police attended the situation.'</i> Have any charges been laid in relation to these incidents? If so, have any of the charges been laid against asylum seekers?</p>	28/05/2013	L&CA 76

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BE13/0143	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status Resolution	Cash	Asylum seekers - criminal charges	Senator Cash: Where did this offence occur? [...] I want to know whether it occurred in a public place, at shops, outside a school.	28/05/2013	L&CA 77
BE13/0144	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status Resolution	Cash	Asylum seekers - criminal charges	Senator Cash: And in relation to the number of people who were involved in the 17 incidents?	28/05/2013	L&CA 79
BE13/0145	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status Resolution	Cash	Bridging Visas	Senator Cash: Have the two men charged with offences in relation to an alleged incident at a concert in Parramatta had their bridging visas revoked? [...] If not, why not?	28/05/2013	L&CA 79
BE13/0146	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status Resolution	Cash	Charges laid against Sri Lankan BV holders	<p>Senator CASH: So there are three Sri Lankans and one has had his bridging visa cancelled, two have not but my understanding is that all three are being charged.</p> <p>... Senator CASH: What are the differing circumstances in the three cases, given that two men have not had their visas cancelled and one man has, and what are the charges they are facing? ...</p> <p>Dr Southern: We will get the details of those charges. The third Sri Lankan was charged with indecent assault in relation to the Macquarie University incident.</p> <p>... Senator CASH: ... in relation to the other two the charges are for indecent behaviour?</p> <p>Dr Southern: We will check that for you, because we are not sure.</p>	28/05/2013	L&CA 80
BE13/0147	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status Resolution	Cash	Charges laid against Sri Lankan BV holders	Senator Cash: In relation to the three Sri Lankan men, where did you provide the submissions to the minister?	28/05/2013	L&CA 81
BE13/0148	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status Resolution	Cash	Appeal of BV cancellation	Senator Cash: There is a gentleman by the name of Daxchan Selvarajah. My understanding is that he is appealing his bridging visa cancellation. Do we know the outcome of his appeal?	28/05/2013	L&CA 81
BE13/0149	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Cash	Status resolution	Senator Cash: Could I take you to the answer to AE130304. It states: 'Departmental policy requires that DIAC case managers complete a case review for each of their clients at least monthly to ensure the client is progressing towards status resolution.' How are these monthly reviews conducted for people on bridging visas? Is it by phone? Is it in person? [...] In relation to those on bridging visas, is it similar?	28/05/2013	L&CA 81-82
BE13/0150	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Cash	Adverse security assessments	<p>Senator Cash: I refer back to answer AE13/0300. I want to ask about another aspect of it. It states that, as at December 2012, eight clients were brought back into detention after being released into the community, because they were subject to adverse security assessments. How long was each of these people in the community before they were found to have adverse security assessments? [...]</p> <p>Could you also get for me how long these people remained in the community after they were found to have an adverse assessment before they were recalled into detention, and where they are presently housed in the detention network?</p>	28/05/2013	L&CA 85
BE13/0151	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Cash	Asylum seekers - criminal charges	Senator Cash: I will go to the answer to AE13/0357 [...] In relation to these particular people, have any of these persons appeared before the court? [...] Where are these particular people now? Are they still in the community or have they been returned to detention? [...] Could you also then take these on notice: in relation to the answer to 0357, were these people taken into police custody, were they granted bail and have any of these asylum seekers been granted a visa?	28/05/2013	L&CA 85
BE13/0152	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Cash	MOU	Senator Cash: How long has that negotiation been going on for?	28/05/2013	L&CA 87
BE13/0153	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Cash	Red Cross	Senator Cash: In relation to the subcontracts for community detention do you know what the value of those subcontracts are? Is there a requirement for the Red Cross to notify the department?	28/05/2013	L&CA 89

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BE13/0154	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Cash	Community detention	<p>Senator CASH: Okay, give me that figure: how many were approved for community detention in 2011-12?</p> <p>Ms Pope: Now I have to see whether I have that, Senator. I can certainly give it to you on notice, but I am not sure that I have it at the moment. I will just have a look. Senator CASH: Thank you.</p> <p>Ms Pope: No, I am pretty sure all my figures cover the full period of the program from October 2010 right through. It will be easy to get by financial year on notice—we will have that.</p> <p>Senator CASH: What does your figure have in relation to the full figure?</p> <p>Ms Pope: The total number of approvals to date is 7,528.</p> <p>Senator CASH: Okay. I will need that broken down, obviously, by financial year.</p> <p>Ms Pope: Yes.</p>	28/05/2013	L&CA 91
BE13/0155	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Abetz	Asylum seekers	<p>Senator ABETZ: Thank you, Chair. Can I be advised whether people in detention centres are given a daily or a weekly sum of money for personal expenses.</p> <p>... Mr Douglas: The points can be accumulated, but there is a ceiling on the carry-over, so you cannot keep carrying over and over.</p> <p>Senator ABETZ: So what is the maximum?</p> <p>Mr Douglas: I think it is two weeks.</p> <p>Mr Cahill: Two weeks, I think, Senator. We will clarify and come back if that is incorrect.</p> <p>Senator ABETZ: So, all things going exceptionally well, you can get up to \$100 in a fortnight, but that would be your maximum bank, if I can use that term?</p> <p>Mr Douglas: Yes. I would need to check that figure, but in general.</p> <p>Senator ABETZ: Yes, take that on notice.</p>	28/05/2013	L&CA 93
BE13/0156	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Abetz	Pontville IDC	<p>Senator ABETZ: There was a story in the Hobart Mercury of 9 April 2013 which was said: A plan to have volunteers work with young detainees at the Pontville Detention Centre has been scrapped after intervention by the Federal Government. The Department has forced the Tasmanian Polytechnic to stop advertising for classroom volunteers ... What happened there?</p> <p>Mr Douglas: I would need to check further. I think the issue may well be whether those volunteers could meet the tests associated with working with minors, but I would like to take that on notice and get back to you.</p>	28/05/2013	L&CA 94
BE13/0157	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Abetz	Pontville IDC	<p>Senator ABETZ: Was the Tasmanian Polytechnic trying to get unqualified teachers to teach these young people, to your knowledge?</p> <p>Mr Douglas: I am not aware of that. I would need to check that.</p>	28/05/2013	L&CA 94
BE13/0158	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Abetz	Pontville IDC	<p>Senator ABETZ: The article also informs me that the DIAC spokeswoman said the department was working with the polytechnic 'to incorporate volunteers into the education programs'. So is that happening? Or has it happened?</p> <p>Mr Douglas: I would need to take that on notice, but it would only be in the context of support workers and not the providers of education.</p>	28/05/2013	L&CA 94
BE13/0159	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Abetz	Pontville IDC	<p>Senator ABETZ: What is the total cost of educating the asylum-seekers at Pontville? Do we have a weekly or monthly figure?</p> <p>Mr Douglas: I am not sure that I have that figure, I am afraid, Senator.</p> <p>Senator ABETZ: If you could take that on notice, that would be fine.</p>	28/05/2013	L&CA 94
BE13/0160	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Abetz	Pontville IDC	<p>Senator ABETZ: Given the fracas, disturbance or whatever we want to call it at Pontville detention centre this past week are we now reviewing the assessment process?</p> <p>Mr Cahill: The incident I think you are referring to was a volleyball match. [...]</p> <p>Mr Douglas: A number of Serco offices received some cuts and lacerations.</p> <p>Senator ABETZ: Do we know how many?</p> <p>Mr Douglas: I would need to take that on notice</p>	28/05/2013	L&CA 95

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BE13/0161	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Abetz	Pontville IDC	<p>Senator ABETZ: So you still get your 50 points, even if you do muck up?</p> <p>Mr Douglas: But you may lose your right to earn additional points into the future for a period of time.</p> <p>Senator ABETZ: But you still get the base rate no matter what?</p> <p>Mr Douglas: I will have to confirm that but I believe so.</p>	28/05/2013	L&CA 96
BE13/0162	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Abetz	Pontville IDC	<p>Senator ABETZ: Surely you must know by now how many police were there. Sure, the media try to guess at these things from time to time, but we have got the officials here who know the exact number who were in the detention centre as of last night.</p> <p>Mr Cahill: I will have to take that on notice. I do not have the specific number but the police were on site.</p> <p>Senator ABETZ: That is fairly obvious. Was it one officer, 10 officers?</p> <p>Mr Cahill: I do not have that figure with me.</p> <p>Senator ABETZ: We do not have any feeling for it at all?</p> <p>Mr Cahill: I would not want to speculate. I will take it on notice.</p>	28/05/2013	L&CA 96
BE13/0163	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Abetz	MOUs at IDCs	<p>Senator ABETZ: But does that MOU say that there is a base fee and then an extra payment is to be made for every disturbance, for every police call-out or for the number of police called? It would be easier if we could just get a copy of the MOU.</p> <p>Mr Cahill: My understanding is that the MOU has a provision for them to be able to respond to incidents at the detention centre. That is my understanding, but I will take that on notice.</p>	28/05/2013	L&CA 96
BE13/0164	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Abetz	MOUs at IDCs	<p>Senator ABETZ: All right. Could you please take that on notice and let us know the actual amount Tasmania Police are getting—per annum, per month or whatever—under this MOU.</p>	28/05/2013	L&CA 96
BE13/0165	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Abetz	Pontville IDC	<p>Senator ABETZ: Yes. Do we have any figures for Tasmania? Is it applicable in Tasmania given that we are only dealing with youths, or are there adults that have been sent to Tasmania for this program?</p> <p>Ms Pope: I do not have the figure broken down by state. I would have to check that. A chapter of the CPN was established in Tasmania but I do not know how many clients have taken it up.</p> <p>Senator ABETZ: If you could take that on notice and provide me with appropriate details, I would be much obliged.</p>	28/05/2013	L&CA 97
BE13/0166	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Abetz	Rental properties	<p>Senator ABETZ: I think it is agreed that we have a highly competitive rental market in Tasmania and therefore, if new players come into the market, one assumes that prices get driven up. I was just wondering how many rental houses the department was involved in.</p> <p>Ms Pope: Sorry, I cannot tell you the figure for Tasmania. It is not a very large number but I would have to take it on notice.</p>	28/05/2013	L&CA 97
BE13/0167	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status Resolution	Cash	Charter flights	<p>Senator CASH: What was the cost of the charter flights to get them to Christmas Island and then return them back to Colombo?</p> <p>Mr Cahill: I do not have the specific amount. As a rule of thumb, a charter return to Colombo is about \$160,000. I will have to confirm that.</p>	28/05/2013	L&CA 97-98
BE13/0168	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Cash	Charter flights	<p>Senator CASH: Can I confirm how many people were on board the boat that arrived at Geraldton? [...]</p> <p>Senator CASH: I would also like to know the charter costs. How much did it cost to take the 66 of them to Christmas Island?</p> <p>Mr Bowles: We will take that on notice.</p>	28/05/2013	L&CA 97-98
BE13/0169	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Cash	Lodged claims	<p>Senator CASH: In relation to the other 28, have they lodged claims?</p> <p>Mr Bowles: Not at this stage.</p> <p>Senator CASH: Are they in the process of—</p> <p>Mr Bowles: They are screened in.</p> <p>Senator CASH: Where are they now?</p> <p>Mr Bowles: We will take that on notice. They were obviously on Christmas Island for a period.</p>	28/05/2013	L&CA 98

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BE13/0170	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Cash	Contraband at Detention centres	<p>Mr Cahill: The detention service provider has proactive measures in place appropriate to the legal limitations that they have for screening visitors and when they are doing the detainee monitoring. The facilities are routinely searched to manage the risk of prohibited items being brought into the immigration detention centres.</p> <p>Senator CASH: What are the types of contraband that have been detected inside detention centres?</p> <p>Mr Cahill: I do not have the specifics with me at the moment. I know that at times we have found suspicious substances, which we are obviously not experts in. We refer any suspicious substance to the AFP.</p> <p>Senator CASH: Have any charges or other penalties been applied to those found possessing or ingesting such contraband?</p> <p>Mr Cahill: I will have to take that on notice.</p>	28/05/2013	L&CA 99
BE13/0171	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Cash	PBS	<p>Senator CASH: Thank you. The other issue, while Mr Douglas is trying to find the information, is that a matter has been raised with me in relation to the availability of non-PBS drugs for those within the detention networks—obviously drugs that are not on the Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme. Asylum seekers are entitled or able to get drugs prescribed to them—for example, an antidepressant. Are they entitled to get drugs prescribed to them that are not on the PBS?</p> <p>Mr Douglas: No.</p> <p>Senator CASH: You are 100 per cent sure?</p> <p>Mr Douglas: I am not a medical expert, but my understanding of the contract is that they only have the ability to prescribe medications that are on the PBS.</p> <p>Senator CASH: Could you confirm that for me, please.</p> <p>Mr Douglas: I will confirm that for you. The answer I will be seeking to confirm is that no medications not on the PBS have been prescribed.</p> <p>Senator CASH: That is actually not the question I asked, but could you provide that information as well.</p> <p>Mr Douglas: It is the assurance I am looking to give you, but I will pick up the question you asked.</p> <p>Senator CASH: What I would also like is: is there the ability to provide to asylum seekers drugs that are not on the PBS?</p> <p>Mr Douglas: I am fairly confident that that is the case, but I will take it on notice to confirm it for you.</p>	28/05/2013	L&CA 99-100
BE13/0172	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Cash	Specialist medical treatment	<p>Senator CASH: Thank you. Do you have the information in relation to the specialist medical treatments?</p> <p>Mr Douglas: No, I am afraid I do not have with me any numbers of health services provided.</p> <p>Senator CASH: Are you able to obtain that information?</p> <p>Mr Douglas: I will endeavour to answer questions that you might put on notice.</p> <p>Senator CASH: Thank you. We have previously put it on notice, but it just has not been answered.</p> <p>Mr Douglas: I believe that we have some of that data. There is a process of extracting it from a range of different sources, and we are now just trying to calibrate all that information.</p>	28/05/2013	L&CA 100
BE13/0173	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Cash	Specialist medical treatment	<p>Senator CASH: Could you also, in retaking this question on notice, look to provide the total cost of providing the specialised medical services and surgeries.</p> <p>Mr Douglas: We will see what we can do. Would you like to specify the time period in which you are interested?</p> <p>Senator CASH: This financial year and the last financial year.</p> <p>Mr Douglas: So 2011-12 and the 2012-13 year to date.</p> <p>Senator CASH: Yes, or as to when you end up providing the information.</p> <p>Mr Douglas: It will go to 30 April.</p>	28/05/2013	L&CA 100
BE13/0174	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Cash	Adverse security assessments	<p>Senator CASH: Is the department aware of allegations that a Sri Lankan couple in detention at Villawood—and I understand that they may have been subject to an adverse ASIO assessment—were taken to a jewellery store in Wentworthville because they claimed that they had lost jewellery. The allegation is that they were given \$5,000 to reimburse them for their items. This possibly occurred as early as 2011.</p> <p>Mr Cahill: I will have to take that one on notice. That is some time ago.</p> <p>Senator CASH: We think that it may have occurred in 2011, but this appears to be the first time this information has come to light.</p> <p>Mr Cahill: I will take it on notice.</p>	28/05/2013	L&CA 100-101

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BE13/0175	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status Resolution	Cash	Escapees from Scherger	Senator CASH: The information that I had been given was that the escape from Scherger by the seven Vietnamese nationals occurred at approximately five am on the Thursday morning and the Queensland police, either at Cairns or Weipa, were not informed until three pm, some 10 hours later. Mr Cahill: I would have to check the timing. It would relate to the timing of the identification notification and when we told the AFP and in what order. I will take that on notice.	28/05/2013	L&CA 101
BE13/0176	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status Resolution	Cash	Scherger escapees	Senator CASH: Were any of those arrested and charged with aiding and abetting the scheme on a visa? Mr Cahill: I understand that there are some clients who have been arrested and charged with that. Senator CASH: And they were on visas? Mr Cahill: That is my understanding. I will have to confirm that.	28/05/2013	L&CA 102
BE13/0177	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status Resolution	Cash	Scherger escapees	Senator CASH: They all arrived this year. In relation to the arrests, were any of those arrested and charged with aiding and abetting the escape on a visa? Mr Bowles: That is what we said we could confirm. Senator CASH: You will confirm that—okay. If so, you will also tell me whether they have had their visas cancelled and if not why not. Mr Bowles: We will take those on notice.	28/05/2013	L&CA 102
BE13/0178	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Cash	Curtin Detention Centre	Senator CASH: On what date did children begin moving into Curtin? Mr Cahill: I think it was only a couple of days later. I would have to confirm that.	28/05/2013	L&CA 104
BE13/0179	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Cash	Curtin Detention Centre	Senator CASH: What has been the cost of operating the detention facility at Curtin in 2011-12 and 2012-13 to date? Mr Cahill: I have to take that on notice, consistent with what the secretary said earlier today. Senator CASH: Could I get you to break down those costs in relation to capital and repair costs? Mr Cahill: We will look to do that as best we can. As mentioned earlier today, some of them are captured in capital and some of them are part of the maintenance element of the Serco contract. We will do our best endeavours.	28/05/2013	L&CA 105
BE13/0180	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Cash	Christmas Island	Senator CASH: That is okay. In terms of the current capacity, is the activity program on CI still being maintained? Mr Cahill: It has been upscaled and increased commensurate with the increased numbers we have there recently. So we are in the process of being proactive in ensuring that access to programs and activities is made available to all clients in detention, regardless of population size. So we have been increasing those programs, and we have agreed to the deployment of an additional 21 program and activity officers by the service provider. Senator CASH: And they will be flown from the mainland up to CI? Mr Cahill: It is up to the service provider how they are actually bringing them to bear. Senator CASH: Was the service provider given additional funding for those 21 activity officers? Mr Douglas: We have agreed for them to employ another 21 people. In time they will invoice us for the costs of those additional workers. Senator CASH: Okay. What period of time are they given to employ the additional 21 activity officers? Twelve months? Mr Douglas: We need to take that on notice. Usually it is for a month or three months at a time, pending further information. We would obviously keep a close eye on the population on Christmas Island. If the number decreased then we would seek to terminate that arrangement.	28/05/2013	L&CA 106
BE13/0181	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Cash	North West Point	Mr Cahill: It was a spare room that was used for storage, but if we had wanted to we could have used it for a classroom. But we have very good facilities at the detention centre at North West Point. Senator CASH: Are any of the activity rooms currently being used for contingency? Mr Cahill: I will have to take that on notice.	28/05/2013	L&CA 107
BE13/0182	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Cash	North West Point	Senator CASH: If they are, what is the configuration of the room? Double bunking? Mr Cahill: I will take that.	28/05/2013	L&CA 107
BE13/0183	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Cash	Charter Flights	Senator CASH: Do you know what that would equate to as a cost for seven or eight charter flights from Christmas Island to the mainland? Mr Cahill: I will have to take that on notice. Those aircraft in general take up to 100.	28/05/2013	L&CA 107

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BE13/0184	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Cash	Christmas Island	Senator CASH: What is the average stay on Christmas Island in days for a person? Mr Cahill: We do not have the specifics. In the main, it is only a matter of weeks for clients, so three weeks is a broad rule of thumb. But I will take that on notice to make sure I am correct.	28/05/2013	L&CA 107
BE13/0185	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Cash	Christmas Island	Senator CASH: My understanding is that there was a brawl reported on Christmas Island on Sunday, 21 April. Mr Cahill: Sorry? Senator CASH: A brawl—a fight—on Sunday, 21 April. Do you have any details in relation to what occurred? Mr Cahill: I will have to take that on notice.	28/05/2013	L&CA 107
BE13/0186	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Cash	Maribyrnong Detention centre	Senator CASH: Thank you for that. I will now go briefly to the Maribyrnong detention centre allegations. An article in The Herald Sun on 22 May 2012 said detention centre staff alleged that a convicted Vietnamese drug smuggler and a New Zealand bikie are operating a drug ring inside the Maribyrnong detention centre. [...] Senator CASH: When was drug testing last conducted at this particular centre? Mr Douglas: I don't know. I would have to take that on notice.	28/05/2013	L&CA 108
BE13/0187	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Cash	Bullying and intimidation	Senator CASH: I take you now to the answer given to AE13/0093, in which I asked: Provide detail of what the reports of bullying and intimidation amongst asylum seekers on Nauru entail. Have detainees reported being bullied or intimidated to the service providers that the department oversees? The answer that was provided was: Two types of bullying and intimidation have been reported to service providers: i. transferees being bullied into participating in protest activity, anti-social behaviour and self-harm; and ii. transferees who allegedly owe money to people smugglers being threatened by other transferees who are suspected agents for the people smuggler. How many reports of bullying and intimidation amongst asylum seekers have been made to service providers on Nauru? Mr Bowles: I would have to take that on notice. I do not believe it to be a significant number, but I will take it on notice.	28/05/2013	L&CA 109
BE13/0188	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Cash	People smugglers	Senator CASH: Given that there were some, how many were in relation to protest activity and how many were in relation to money owed to people smugglers? Mr Bowles: We can take that on notice.	28/05/2013	L&CA 109
BE13/0189	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Cash	Bullying and intimidation	Senator CASH: Could you also take on notice how many asylum seekers on Nauru are suspected agents of people smugglers, and how many reports of bullying and intimidation amongst asylum seekers have been made to service providers on Manus Island—unless you have the information.	28/05/2013	L&CA 109
BE13/0190	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Cash	People smugglers	Senator CASH: How many were in relation to protest activity and how many in relation to money owed to people smugglers? How many asylum seekers on Manus Island are suspected agents of people smugglers, and how many asylum seekers in the detention network itself are suspected agents of people smugglers? Mr Bowles: We will take that on notice. Mr Cahill: I might take the opportunity to clarify that it is the Queensland police who are leading the investigation into the escapes at Scherger, not AFP.	28/05/2013	L&CA 109
BE13/0191	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Cash	Nauru	Senator CASH: Is it lawful for transferees found to be refugees to be accommodated at the current permanent facility on Nauru upon conclusion of their assessment? If so, on what basis? Mr Bowles: I suppose it is a little hypothetical at the moment because we have not got there. We expect to get some outcomes from the refugee determination process happening on Nauru in coming months. My understanding—and I am happy to take this on notice to confirm—is that they can stay within Manus as long as they have a valid visa.	28/05/2013	L&CA 110
BE13/0192	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Cash	Nauru	Senator CASH: What are the capital costs of the facilities on Nauru in 2012-13 and in the out years? Mr Douglas: For Nauru, total capital expenditure to 30 April 2013 is \$99.3 million. Senator CASH: In terms of the out years? Mr Douglas: I think that I may have to take that on notice.	28/05/2013	L&CA 110

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BE13/0193	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status Resolution	Cash	Nauru	Senator CASH: That is particularly in relation to those found to be refugees—not asylum seekers but those found to be refugees. Dr Southern: I would have to take that on notice to be absolutely correct, but my understanding is that the current arrangement, where they have a visa waiver and are directed to live at a particular place, would continue. But I will confirm that on notice.	28/05/2013	L&CA 112
BE13/0194	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Cash	Sri Lankan IMAs	Senator CASH: How many IMAs have arrived from Sri Lanka in the calendar year 2013? Mr Bowles: There were very few in the early months but there has been a bit of a spike in the last couple of months—in the hundreds as opposed to anything like we saw in the past. We can take the exact number on notice. Once we saw things starting to move we wanted to make sure we had that dialogue with Sri Lanka.	28/05/2013	L&CA 115
BE13/0195	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Cash	Sri Lankan IMAs	Senator CASH: How does our acceptance rate of Sri Lankan IMAs claiming protection compare internationally? Mr Bowles: We will have to take that on notice specifically but my understanding, from some of the research I have done in the past, is that it has varied but it has always been about the same as the internationals. The last time I saw our primary decision rates on Sri Lankans for this financial year they were very low. I do not have a further update on the broader data through merits and the like. We can take it on notice and see where that is all up to. There has been quite a change in acceptance rates, again based on changing country information. That will move up and down depending on what we know and what are the claims, obviously.	28/05/2013	L&CA 115
BE13/0196	3.1: Border Management	Cash	Sri Lankan IMAs	Senator CASH: Do we have a breakdown of how many Sri Lankans departed port in Indonesia for Australia? Mr Bowles: We would have an understanding of direct arrivals from Sri Lanka and of those who came via Indonesia. Some of this is managed through Border Protection but we will take that on notice and provide it in the context that we deal with things.	28/05/2013	L&CA 115
BE13/0197	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status Resolution	Boyce	Voluntary/Involuntary removals	Mr Bowles: In the 2012-13 year to date there are 162 voluntary and 966 involuntary. In the 2011-12 year there were two voluntary and none involuntary. Senator BOYCE: On notice, could you give us the breakdown of Tamil and Sinhalese.	28/05/2013	L&CA 115
BE13/0198	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status Resolution	Cash	Temporary visa applications	Senator CASH: So this is for temporary visa applicants, and 'affected' is the temporary visas that are affected by this. Who has to sign an Australian Values Statement? Mr Callanan: As I see it—I have not looked at this for a while—this applies to provisional and permanent visa applicants. Dr Southern: We could take on notice which of the temporary visas are required—	28/05/2013	L&CA 116
BE13/0199	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status Resolution	Boyce	Asylum Seeker assistance scheme	Senator BOYCE: How many asylum seekers are there currently in Australia who have lost their asylum seeker assistance scheme payments at that seven-day cut-off point? Mr Callanan: I think we would have to take that on notice to be precise. Mr Bowles: It would be some hundreds. I think from memory that it was in the high hundreds the last time I saw those numbers. Dr Southern: Around 1,000, I think. Mr Bowles: Yes, I think it is just less than 1,000. Senator BOYCE: And in every state? Mr Bowles: It would be speculation, but we can take that on notice.	28/05/2013	L&CA 117
BE13/0200	5.1: Settlement Services for Migrants and Refugees	Cash	Resettlement program	Senator CASH: In relation to outcome 5, does the department have a ballpark figure for the number of providers who are now assisting with sourcing housing and support services for asylum seekers released under the bridging visa program and genuine refugees entering refugees resettlement program? Ms Finney: In relation to the second part of your question on resettlement, we have providers who under the IHSS scheme provide accommodation assistance for all entrants who hold a permanent visa. As to the number of providers, we have 27 contract areas and 18 providers. I will take that on notice and confirm that. It might be 19 providers covering a large number of areas—about 27—but that is the ballpark figure of providers.	28/05/2013	L&CA 118
BE13/0201	5.1: Settlement Services for Migrants and Refugees	Cash	Resettlement program	Senator CASH: What would be the weekly average of the number of genuine refugees the department refers to resettlement services? Ms Finney: I would take that on notice. We do not have a weekly average.	28/05/2013	L&CA 120

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BE13/0202	5.1: Settlement Services for Migrants and Refugees	Cash	Settlement Services International	Senator CASH: Okay. I turn now to Settlement Services International. What was the funding provided to Settlement Services International in 2011-12 and 2012-13 to date? Ms Finney: We would have to take that on notice. I do not have that level of detail with me. And that is under HSS.	28/05/2013	L&CA 121
BE13/0203	5.1: Settlement Services for Migrants and Refugees	Cash	Settlement Services International	Senator CASH: Okay. What regions are SSI contracted to provide services for? Ms Finney: It would be in the Sydney area. Again, I can get the exact region for you.	28/05/2013	L&CA 121
BE13/0204	5.1: Settlement Services for Migrants and Refugees	Cash	Settlement Services International	Senator CASH: Unless you have it on you now, could you also get information in relation to when those contracts commenced, the value of the contracts and how long those contracts are in place for? Ms Finney: Yes.	28/05/2013	L&CA 122
BE13/0205	5.1: Settlement Services for Migrants and Refugees	Cash	Settlement Services International	Senator CASH: How many clients do they assist? Ms Finney: Again, I would have to take that on notice.	28/05/2013	L&CA 122
BE13/0206	5.1: Settlement Services for Migrants and Refugees	Cash	Settlement Services International	Senator CASH: Do you know how many people are SSI employees and in what areas? For example, how many caseworkers or office workers are there? Ms Finney: We can take that on notice.	28/05/2013	L&CA 122
BE13/0207	5.1: Settlement Services for Migrants and Refugees	Cash	CAS and ASAS	Senator CASH: Can I get similar information on those contracts. What regions are they contracted to provide the services for? When did the contracts commence? What is the value of the contracts? How long are those contracts in place for? Ms Pope: I will take it on notice.	28/05/2013	L&CA 122
BE13/0208	5.1: Settlement Services for Migrants and Refugees	Cash	Refugee humanitarian entrants	Senator CASH: That is fine. I appreciate that. In relation to health tests for children, I refer you to the answer to AE130126 which states that: 'Refugee humanitarian entrants, including school-aged children, are referred for an initial health assessment within four weeks of entry into the Humanitarian Settlement Services program.' Does that assessment include a mandatory sight or hearing test? Ms Finney: Yes, I believe it does. Senator CASH: Both? Ms Finney: I would have to check to be certain. I will take that on notice.	28/05/2013	L&CA 122
BE13/0209	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Cash	Unaccompanied humanitarian minors	Senator CASH: What is the status of the tender previously published on the AusTender website on accommodation, care, welfare and other services for unaccompanied humanitarian minors? Ms Pope: This is the procurement process that flows from the pilot arrangements and for services to children under 16 years of age. It is in pretender release at the moment and we are expecting to be in a position to release the tender in the not too distant future, but I cannot put an exact time frame on it at the moment. Senator CASH: The question I was asking was in response to a question that Ms Gambaro asked of Minister O'Connor, who gave a similar answer unfortunately. That was back in February of this year. In fact, he said that the anticipated release date was the third quarter of 2012-13. That has clearly lapsed as well unfortunately. So we are still waiting. What is the delay? Ms Pope: I am not sure if I could say. Dr Southern: It is really that there are some probity issues. Ms Pope: Government processes and probity issues to be resolved. Senator CASH: What are those government processes and probity issues that need to be resolved? Ms Pope: Those are weasel words, Senator; you are not supposed to ask what they are! Senator CASH: You thought I wouldn't pick up on them five minutes before we are about to close! Ms Pope: I could take that on notice, Senator.	28/05/2013	L&CA 123
BE13/0210	5.1: Settlement Services for Migrants and Refugees	Cash	AMEP	Senator CASH: Do you have on you the number of AMEP clients? Ms Finney: Yes. The 55,207 is the number of clients currently enrolled year to date. Senator CASH: Do you have the number as at 30 September 2012? Dr Southern: Probably not, not for 30 September. Ms Finney: We can take that on notice, Senator.	28/05/2013	L&CA 124

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BE13/0211	Internal Product	Cash	MRT/RRT	What is the current set aside rate? Is this an increase or decrease on previous numbers?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0212	Internal Product	Cash	MRT/RRT	In the financial year to date, what percentage of RRT cases have been completed within the 90 day requirement? What are the reasons that they haven't?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0213	Internal Product	Cash	MRT/RRT	What is the current average number of days for cases to be allocated to a member?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0214	Internal Product	Cash	MRT/RRT	For the MRT and RRT, how many lodgements and decisions have there to date in this financial year, and what percentage increase or decrease are those figures based on the same period in the previous year?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0215	Internal Product	Cash	MRT/RRT	How many tribunal decisions have been overturned on judicial review in the financial year to date? How does this compare with 2011-12?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0216	Internal Product	Cash	MRT/RRT	What is the set aside rate for spouse and prospective spouse visas? What is the absolute number of those cases? I.e. how many spouse visas were reviewed and how many were set aside?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0217	Internal Product	Cash	MRT/RRT	How many complaints have been received in relation to the MRT and RRT in the financial year to date? What is the basis of those complaints?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0219	Internal Product	Cash	MRT/RRT	How many Principal Member Directions were issued in the 2012-13 financial year? And on what subjects were they issued? How does that compare with 2011-12?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0220	Internal Product	Cash	Contracts and Tenders	What is the total value of the Serco contract for 2013-14 and for each of the financial years in the forward estimates?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0221	Internal Product	Cash	Contracts and Tenders	What is the value of IHMS contract for 2013-14 and for each of the financial years in the forward estimates? What are the elements of that contract?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0222	Internal Product	Cash	Contracts and Tenders	What is the value of the Transfield contract to provide services on Nauru? How long does the government anticipate that Transfield will be required to provide these services to people on Nauru? Where is this reflected in the forward estimates?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0223	Internal Product	Cash	Contracts and Tenders	What is the value of the contract the government has with the Salvation Army to provide services on Nauru and Manus Island? For how long? What happens after that date? How long does the government anticipate that the Salvation Army will be required to provide these services to people on Nauru? Where is this reflected in the forward estimates?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0224	Internal Product	Cash	Contracts and Tenders	What is the value of the contract the government has with Save the Children to provide services on Manus Island? How long does the government anticipate that Save the Children will be required to provide these services on Manus? Where is that reflected in the forward estimates?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0225	Internal Product	Cash	Litigation Cost	Does the Department have any outstanding litigation against it relating to IMA operations? What is the value of any outstanding liability? I.e. anticipated cost of cases currently afoot or potential litigation against the Department?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0226	Internal Product	Cash	Litigation Cost	What was the total cost to the department of advice and assistance to IMAs to prepare their claims and pursue any appeals on their claims in 2012-13?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0227	Internal Product	Cash	Litigation Cost	What has been the cost to the department of defending and funding protection claims from asylum seekers who are IMA's in 2012-13?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0228	Internal Product	Cash	Litigation Cost	What is the budgeted cost for 2013-14? At what stage of the process does the legal funding to IMA's cease? Do they have access to funding to pursue claims through the RRT? The courts? If not, who funds these cases?	31/05/2013	Written

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BE13/0229	Internal Product	Cash	Litigation Cost	How much has the government paid out in compensation to IMA's and for what reasons in 2010-11, 2011-12 and 2012-13 to date?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0230	Internal Product	Cash	Litigation Cost	What is the total amount of litigation, internal and external legal costs accrued by the Department in the 2012-13 financial year? Give a breakdown on what the services were for and the cost attached to each of those services.	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0231	Internal Product	Cash	Staffing - IMA	How many staff has the department recruited in the financial year 2012-13 to date? At what cost?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0232	Internal Product	Cash	Staffing - IMA	How many of those positions were newly created positions?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0233	Internal Product	Cash	Staffing - IMA	How many staff from DIAC have been involved in processing irregular maritime arrivals at various locations in 2012-13? How have these staffing numbers changed from 2011-12 and 2010-11? If there has been an increase, what were the reasons for the increase?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0234	Internal Product	Cash	Staffing - IMA	What is the total number of DIAC staff involved in processing and detention roles at various locations both on shore and off-shore?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0235	Internal Product	Cash	Staffing - IMA	How many DIAC staff are involved in processing and detention roles at each of these locations? What is the cost of these personnel in total and by location?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0236	Internal Product	Cash	Staffing - IMA	How many DIAC staff are involved in processing and detention roles on Nauru and Manus Island?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0237	Internal Product	Cash	Staffing - Non IMA	What is the total number of DIAC staff currently involved in processing visa and citizenship applications in Australia?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0238	Internal Product	Cash	Staffing - Non IMA	How many staff from DIAC have been involved in processing visa and citizenship applications in Australia at each office location?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0239	Internal Product	Cash	Staffing - Non IMA	If there has been a decrease in staff, what has been the reason for that decrease? Are fewer visa applications being received?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0240	Internal Product	Cash	Staffing - Non IMA	Which areas have these staff been transferred into and why?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0241	Internal Product	Cash	Staffing - Non IMA	How many DIAC staff work in each of the Parliamentary and Ministerial Liaison Units, broken down by location? What is the cost of these personnel in total and by location?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0242	Internal Product	Cash	Staffing - Non IMA	How many of these positions at each location are frontline Ministerial Contact Officers (Parliamentary Liaison Officers)? How have frontline staff numbers changed from 2010-11 and 2011-12? What have been the reasons for this change? What have been the consequences of these changes?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0243	1.1: Visa and Migration	Cash	Visa Application Charge	In 2011-12, how much did the department actually raise from the increase in the VAC from some visa classes which took effect in January 2012?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0244	1.1: Visa and Migration	Cash	Visa Application Charge	What is the cost of issuing a visa by visa class and by offshore post? What is the cost of issuing a visa by class onshore? Does the VAC meet the cost of visa services provided?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0245	1.1: Visa and Migration	Cash	Electronic Lodgement of	How many visas are issued on the basis of electronic lodgements?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0246	1.1: Visa and Migration	Cash	Electronic Lodgement of	What plans are there to increase electronic lodgement?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0247	1.1: Visa and Migration	Cash	Electronic Lodgement of	For how many visa subclasses is the option of electronic lodgement currently available?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0248	1.1: Visa and Migration	Cash	457 Visas	What revenue is the Department expecting to raise from the increased 457 application charge announced in the budget over the forward years?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0249	1.1: Visa and Migration	Cash	458 Visas	How many 457 visas were granted in 2012-13 to date and in what industries? How many do you anticipate will be granted in 2013-14?	31/05/2013	Written

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BE13/0250	1.1: Visa and Cash Migration		Visa Processing Times	For which visas and subclasses are Processing Time service standards currently not being met? What is the reason for the delays in these cases?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0251	1.1: Visa and Cash Migration		Visa Processing Times	For those that aren't being met, what is the actual current processing time for each visa? What is the reason for this delay? How does these compare with DIAC's processing time service standards advised on their website?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0252	1.1: Visa and Cash Migration		Visa Processing Times	What are the current Visitor Visa Processing Times? How does these compare with the Processing Time Service Standards?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0253	1.1: Visa and Cash Migration		Visa Processing Times	What are the current Working Holiday and Work and Holiday Processing Times? How do these compare with the Processing Time Service Standards?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0254	1.1: Visa and Cash Migration		Visa Processing Times	What are the current Student Visa Processing Times? How do these compare with the Processing Time Service Standards?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0255	1.1: Visa and Cash Migration		Visa Processing Times	What impact have the Streamlined Visa Processing measures introduced on 24 March 2012 had on the processing times for Student Visas? Have processing times been reduced since 24 March 2012? By how many days?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0256	1.1: Visa and Cash Migration		Visa Processing Times	What are the current Temporary Work Visa Processing Times? How do these compare with the Processing Time Service Standards?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0257	1.1: Visa and Cash Migration		Visa Processing Times	What are the current Business Innovation and Investment Visa Processing Times? How do these compare with the Processing Time Service Standards?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0258	1.1: Visa and Cash Migration		Visa Processing Times	What are the current Skilled Migration Visa Processing Times? How do these compare with the Processing Time Service Standards?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0259	1.1: Visa and Cash Migration		Visa Processing Times	What are the current Family Visa Processing Times? How do these compare with the Processing Time Service Standards?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0260	1.1: Visa and Cash Migration		Visa Processing Times	What is the current expected wait time before visa grant consideration for a new Contributory Parent Visa applicant?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0261	1.1: Visa and Cash Migration		Visa Processing Times	What is the current expected wait time before visa grant consideration for a new Parent (Non-Contributory) Visa applicant?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0262	1.1: Visa and Cash Migration		Visa Processing Times	What are the current Resident Return Visa Processing Times? How do these compare with the Processing Time Service Standards?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0263	1.1: Visa and Cash Migration		Visa Processing Times	What are the current Offshore Humanitarian Visa Processing Times, broken down by post? How do these compare with the Processing Time Service Standards?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0264	1.1: Visa and Cash Migration		Processing Times - as at 31 December 2012	With reference to the answer given to AE13/0029 which includes a table as an attachment. What is meant by "75th Percentile Processing Times (days)"?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0265	1.1: Visa and Cash Migration		Processing Times - as at 31 December 2013	With reference to the answer given to AE13/0029 which includes a table as an attachment. The answer states that student visa standards are not being met because of "the large number of incomplete applications being lodged and the high seasonal workload which places significant strain on available resources". How many student applications have been lodged in 2012-13? Of these, how many we're incomplete - both as a percentage and raw figure?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0266	1.1: Visa and Cash Migration		Processing Times - as at 31 December 2014	With reference to the answer given to AE13/0029 which includes a table as an attachment. What is meant by the "high seasonal workload which places significant strain on available resources"? If the workload is seasonal, why aren't additional resources brought on board each season to cope with the demand?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0268	1.1: Visa and Cash Migration		Family Migration Program	Skill Select - By how many places did the Family Migration program exceed annual planning levels in 2012-13?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0269	1.1: Visa and Cash Migration		Skill Select	Skill Select - How many Expressions of Interest (EOIs) have been lodged per month via SkillSelect since 1 July 2012? In what visa categories?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0270	1.1: Visa and Cash Migration		Skill Select	Skill Select - How many "Invitation to Apply" (ITAs) have been issued to prospective skilled migrants who have lodged EOIs via SkillSelect?	31/05/2013	Written

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BE13/0271	1.1: Visa and Cash Migration		Skill Select	Skill Select - How many ITAs have been turned into applications?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0272	1.1: Visa and Cash Migration		Skill Select	Skill Select - How many prospective skilled migrants who have been invited to apply, have NOT taken up the invitation to apply?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0273	1.1: Visa and Cash Migration		Skill Select	Skill Select - How many EOIs are currently on hand?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0274	1.1: Visa and Cash Migration		Skill Select	Skill Select - How many visa applications have been granted?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0275	1.1: Visa and Cash Migration		Skill Select	Skill Select - What are the top ten nationalities for EOIs submitted and granted?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0276	1.1: Visa and Cash Migration		Skill Select	Skill Select - What are the top ten occupation groups for EOIs submitted?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0277	1.1: Visa and Cash Migration		Skill Select	Skill Select - What are the most popular visa subclasses for EOIs lodged each month from July 2012 to current?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0278	1.1: Visa and Cash Migration		Significant Investor Visas	How many applications does the Department expect to receive and grant in 2013-14?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0279	1.1: Visa and Cash Migration		Significant Investor Visas	For those visas granted, how many secondary applicants have travelled to Australia with the primary applicant?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0280	1.1: Visa and Cash Migration		Significant Investor Visas	What is the application charge for a primary Significant Investor Visa? What is the charge for a secondary applicant?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0281	1.1: Visa and Cash Migration		Significant Investor Visas	What are the visa conditions for secondary applicants of the Significant Investor Visa?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0282	1.1: Visa and Cash Migration		Significant Investor Visas	In which DIAC office are Significant Investor visas processed?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0283	1.1: Visa and Cash Migration		General Questions	In 2012-13, how many visas have been granted by visa category?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0284	1.1: Visa and Cash Migration		General Questions	How many onshore applications have there been in 2012-13 by visa category?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0285	1.1: Visa and Cash Migration		General Questions	How many onshore grants for permanent residence have been made in 2012-13 by visa category? What visa did onshore applicants previously hold?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0286	1.1: Visa and Cash Migration		General Questions	How many offshore applications have there been in 2012-13 by visa category?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0287	1.1: Visa and Cash Migration		General Questions	Please provide a schedule of fees for the Visa Application Charge for each visa sub-class for 2012-13 and the proposed schedule for 2012/13 to 2015/16, by year?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0288	1.1: Visa and Cash Migration		General Questions	What is the amount collected from the Visa Application Charge (VAC), for each visa category, in the financial year 2011-12? What is the expected revenue from the VAC for 2012-13 – 2015-16 for each visa category by year? What were the department's total expenses in 2011-12 and the expected expense in 2012-13?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0289	1.1: Visa and Cash Migration		General Questions	What was the amount collected and received by the Government from the ETA service fee in 2011/12 and 2012-13 to date. How many individual transactions did this involve?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0290	1.1: Visa and Cash Migration		General Questions	What is the turnaround time for tourist visa applications by post for (a) individuals and (b) groups? How does this turnaround time compare internationally with, for example, countries such as the USA, Singapore and the UK.	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0291	1.1: Visa and Cash Migration		General Questions	How many multi-entry tourist visas have been granted in 2011-12 and 2012-13 to date, by nationality of applicant and post?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0292	1.1: Visa and Cash Migration		Pacific Seasonal Worker Pilot Scheme	What is the status of this scheme? Have any additional countries been included in these arrangements?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0293	1.1: Visa and Cash Migration		Pacific Seasonal Worker Pilot Scheme	In 2012-13 how many projects were funded and managed under the Pacific Seasonal Worker Pilot Scheme? Provide details.	31/05/2013	Written

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BE13/0294	1.1: Visa and Migration	Cash	Pacific Seasonal Worker Pilot Scheme	How many visa holders were involved in each project?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0295	1.1: Visa and Migration	Cash	Pacific Seasonal Worker Pilot Scheme	What was the value of each project?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0296	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Cash	General Questions	How many of the 4,000 refugees from Malaysia that the Minister agreed to resettle as part of his failed Malaysia solution have already been resettled in Australia? How many are you planning to resettle in 2012-13? How have these refugees been chosen? Have they been referred to Australia by the UNHCR? What are their countries of origin? Has Australia resettled any that have come from outside our region such as Afghanistan, Iran, Iraq, and Syria?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0297	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Cash	General Questions	How many of the 400 additional refugees from Indonesia that the Minister announced he would resettle in August have been resettled in Australia in 2012-13?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0298	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Cash	General Questions	I refer to answer AE13/0040 which states "There is no fixed resettlement cost per head for those resettled under the Humanitarian Program". How does the department anticipate costing across the cohort then? Is there an average cost per head?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0299	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Cash	General Questions	How many offshore refugee and humanitarian visas have been granted in 2012-13 for the following visas sub classes – 200, 201, 202, 203, 204? How many are planned for 2013-14 for each of these sub classes by country of origin, gender and age.	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0300	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Cash	General Questions	How many onshore protection visas have been granted in 2012-13 for the IMAs and? How many are planned for 2013-14 for IMAs and non-IMAs by country of origin, gender and age.	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0301	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Cash	General Questions	How many applications for onshore protection visas have been made in 2012-13 by non-IMAs, broken down by subclass of initial entry visa including student visas? How many are planned for 2013-14 for IMAs and non-IMAs by country of origin, gender and age.	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0302	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Cash	General Questions	How many onshore protection visas were granted in 2012-13 to non-IMAs, broken down by subclass of initial entry visa?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0303	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Cash	General Questions	How many applications for onshore protection visas have been made in 2012-13 to date by student visa holders?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0304	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Cash	General Questions	How many onshore protection visas were granted in 2012-13 to student visa holders?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0305	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Cash	General Questions	Had the 45 day rule been applied by the government, would any of those have been eligible to apply?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0306	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Cash	General Questions	Please provide a breakdown of all offshore applications for humanitarian and refugee visas by post, country of origin, nationality, age and gender in 2012-13 to date	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0307	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Cash	General Questions	Please provide a breakdown of all offshore grants for humanitarian and refugee visas by post, country of origin, nationality, age and gender and visa class in 2012-13 to date? What is the average time taken to process these visas from application to grant at each of the posts?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0308	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Cash	General Questions	For each post, please provide a breakdown by nationality of all offshore applications for humanitarian and refugee visas received in 2012-13 to date?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0309	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Cash	General Questions	For each post, please provide a breakdown by nationality of all offshore grants for humanitarian and refugee visas in 2012-13 to date?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0310	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Cash	General Questions	Broken down by financial year since 2007-08, how many people who have been given Protection Visas from the IMA caseload since August 2008 have applied for some form of family reunion under the Special Humanitarian Visa? How many visas were granted? What were the sub-classes of those visas that were granted?	31/05/2013	Written

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BE13/0311	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Cash	Refugee Status Decisions - Legal Costs and review	2013-14 Budget paper Two notes that "Currently in Australia, a significant number of negative decisions on asylum claims at primary assessment are overturned on review." For 2012-13, how many primary claims were overturned on review?"	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0312	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Cash	Afghan/UNHCR/Australia MOU	In respect of the Memorandum of Understanding between the Australian Government and the Government of Afghanistan that was signed on 17 January 2011: How many failed Afghan asylum seekers have been returned to Afghanistan (a) voluntarily (b) involuntarily in 2012-13 to date?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0313	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Cash	Afghan/UNHCR/Australia MOU	How many injunctions are there outstanding against the government to prevent the removal of failed asylum seekers?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0314	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Cash	Afghan/UNHCR/Australia MOU	Have any failed asylum seekers taken advantage of the reintegration package in 2012-13? To which countries have they returned? What has been the cost of the reintegration package in 2010-11, 2011-12 and in the year to date?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0315	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Cash	Women at Risk Visas	Can you provide a breakdown of applications and grants by region... i.e. how many women at risk (subclass 204) visas have been applied for in 2012-13 to date by region (Africa/Middle East/Asia). How many of those were granted by region ((Africa/Middle East/Asia)?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0316	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Cash	General Questions	How much has the department paid to the IOM and UNHCR in 2012-13 and how much will it pay them in the forward estimates? What are these payments for?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0317	3.1: Border Management	Cash	Combating People Smuggling - Disruption Activities	Budget Paper 2 at page 198 indicates an additional \$1.9 million will be provided in 2013-14 to "moderate and reduce the inflow and movement to Australia of irregular maritime arrivals from source countries, predominately the Middle East....This funding will enhance passenger screening, engagement strategies, response capabilities, and capacity building throughout the Gulf and Middle East region." Why has this funding only been allocated in 2013-14; will these activities not be required post 2013-14?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0318	3.1: Border Management	Cash	Destruction of Documents	In 2012-13, how many IMA's arriving in Australia did so by flying into Indonesia?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0319	3.1: Border Management	Cash	Destruction of Documents	How many of those IMA's that arrived by plane to Indonesia subsequently did not have passports to present to Australian authorities? Is it possible to break that down by country of origin?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0320	3.1: Border Management	Cash	Destruction of Documents	How many onshore visa applications have been lodged by people (not IMA's) who arrived without visas or documentation in 2012-13?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0321	3.1: Border Management	Cash	Destruction of Documents	How many air arrivals presented as undocumented at the time of lodgement either (a) at airports or (b) after immigration clearance in 2012-13?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0322	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status Resolution	Cash	Visa compliance	How many staff work in compliance roles in DIAC in 12/13? How does this compare with previous years?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0323	Internal Product	Cash	Visa compliance	How many staff worked in the Risk, Fraud and Integrity Division of the Department in 2012-13? How does this compare with previous years?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0324	Internal Product	Cash	Visa compliance	How many staff worked in the National Investigations Section in 2012-13? How does this compare with 2011-12?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0325	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status Resolution	Cash	Visa compliance	How many compliance raids were carried out by DIAC officers either individually or in partnership with other federal government or state/territory government authorities in 12/13?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0326	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status Resolution	Cash	Visa compliance	How much was spent conducting compliance raids in 12/13?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0327	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status Resolution	Cash	Visa compliance	How much has been budgeted for conducting compliance raids in 2013-14?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0328	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status Resolution	Cash	Visa compliance	How many people were apprehended for immigration offences in compliance raids in 12/13?	31/05/2013	Written

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BE13/0329	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status Resolution	Cash	Visa compliance	How many fines and/or prosecutions were directed at businesses/individuals as a result of compliance raids in 12/13 and every year since 07/08?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0333	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status Resolution	Cash	Visa compliance	How many reports did the DIAC Dob-IN hotline receive in 2012-13? Of those reports, how many investigations were launched?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0334	1.1: Visa and Migration	Cash	Visa compliance	How many request for labour agreements for semi-skilled occupations were received in the financial year to date? What industries were these requests received in? How many were approved?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0335	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Cash	Surge Capacity of Network	What is the current capacity and surge capacity of each facility across the network?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0336	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Cash	Surge Capacity of Network	Have those been exceeded in any centres at any time in 2013-14? When and for how long on each occasion?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0337	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Cash	Surge Capacity of Network	Where in the network has tent accommodation been used to expand capacity? For how long have tents been in place?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0338	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Cash	Surge Capacity of Network	What is the average occupancy of the detention network predicted for 2013-14?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0339	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Cash	Surge Capacity of Network	How many people does the Department anticipate to be in the community and on bridging visas?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0340	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Cash	Surge Capacity of Network	How many escapes have been recorded from the detention network in 2012-13? From which facilities? How many taken back into custody?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0341	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Cash	Surge Capacity of Network	How many minors have been granted bridging visas and released into the community? How many families have been released?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0342	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Cash	Curtin Detention Centre	Can the department confirm there will be no single adult males held at Curtin at the same time as families and children are held in the same facility? If the answer is no, how does the Department propose o house two different cohorts in close proximity?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0343	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Cash	Curtin Detention Centre	What was the cost of transporting asylum seekers (including the use of charter aircraft and buses, cars etc.) to and from the centre, including as a result of transfer from another centre, transfers for health and other appointments an outings? Please provide a breakdown of costs including the number of people involved for 2011-12 and 2012-13 to date. What were the budgeted costs for 2012-13?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0344	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Cash	Chritmas Island	What is the current operating capacity of each of the detention centre compounds and facilities on Christmas Island? What is the current spare capacity?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0345	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Cash	Chritmas Island	When did Christmas Island's population first exceed 3,000?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0346	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Cash	Chritmas Island	What is the latest data on the number of critical incidents in 2012-13?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0347	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Cash	Chritmas Island	On how many occasions have local police been notified of incidents?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0348	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Cash	Chritmas Island	What has been the cost of operating Christmas Island detention facilities in 2012-13 to date? Please provide a breakdown of those costs.	31/05/2013	Written

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BE13/0349	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Cash	Christmas Island	What was the cost of transporting asylum seekers (including the use of charter aircraft and buses, cars etc.) to and from the centre, including as a result of transfer from another centre, transfers for health and other appointments and outings? Please provide a breakdown of costs including the number of people involved for 2011-12. What are the budgeted costs for 2012-13?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0350	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Cash	Christmas Island	Please provide the breakdown of cohorts in each of the compounds. How long have individuals been in each of those compounds? Which compounds are being used to accommodate women and children and families?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0351	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Cash	Christmas Island	How many asylum seekers are currently detained there by length of time, age, gender and country of origin? How many have been released on a bridging visa; into community detention or given a permanent visa? What is the budgeted cost to maintain and operate the centre in 2012-13?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0352	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Cash	Darwin vs Christmas Island	How many asylum seekers have had initial identity and health checks undertaken at Darwin as opposed to Christmas Island in 2012-13? Why - on what basis was this decision made?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0353	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Cash	Leonora - Budget Questions	What is the cost of extending the lease at Leonora? How long has this lease been extended until? What does the department anticipate the average occupancy at Leonora will be?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0354	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Cash	Leonora - Budget Questions	When will the upgrade of the Melbourne Immigration Transit Accommodation facility begin and when will it be completed?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0355	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Cash	Leonora - Budget Questions	Will there be IMAs accommodated there [Melbourne Immigration Transit Accommodation] in the meantime while this work is undertaken or will it be taken temporarily offline?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0356	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Cash	Villawood	How many IMAs are currently at Villawood, in which facilities?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0357	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Cash	Villawood	How many non-IMAs are currently at Villawood?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0358	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Cash	Villawood	What has been the cost of operating the detention facilities at Villawood, in 2012-13? Please provide a breakdown of those costs. How many asylum seekers are currently detained there, by length of time, age, gender and country of origin? How many have been released on a bridging visa; into community detention or given a permanent visa? What is the budgeted cost to maintain and operate the centre in 2012-13?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0359	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Cash	Villawood	What is the current operational and contingency capacity of at Villawood, by compound? Has capacity been exceeded in 2012-13? If so, when and for how long?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0360	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Cash	Villawood	What was the cost of transporting asylum seekers (including the use of charter aircraft and buses, cars etc.) to and from the centre, including as a result of transfer from another centre, transfers for health and other appointments and outings? Please provide a breakdown of costs including the number of people involved for 2011-12 and 2012-13 to date? What were the budgeted costs for 2012-13?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0361	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Cash	Inverbrackie	What has been the cost of operating the detention facilities at Inverbrackie, in 2011-12 and 2012-13 to date? Please provide a breakdown of those costs including capital costs.	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0362	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Cash	Inverbrackie	What was the administration cost of running the Inverbrackie detention facility during the 2010-11, 2011-12, and financial year to date?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0363	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Cash	Inverbrackie	How many asylum seekers are currently detained there by length of time, age, gender and country of origin? How many have been released on a bridging visa; into community detention or given a permanent visa? What was the budgeted cost to maintain and operate the centre in 2012-13?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0364	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Cash	Inverbrackie	How many asylum seekers are currently accommodated at the Inverbrackie facility? Can you provide a breakdown of the number accommodated at the facility at the end of each month since it was operational in late 2010?	31/05/2013	Written

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BE13/0365	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Cash	Inverbrackie	What is the current operational and contingency capacity at Inverbrackie? Has capacity been exceeded in 2012-13? If so, when and for how long?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0366	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Cash	Inverbrackie	What was the cost of transporting asylum seekers (including the use of charter aircraft and buses, cars etc) to and from the centre, including as a result of transfer from another centre, transfers for health and other appointments and outings? Please provide a breakdown of costs including the number of people involved for 2011-12 and 2012-13 to date. What were the budgeted costs for 2012-13?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0367	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Cash	Inverbrackie	Have there been any reported security breaches at the Inverbrackie detention facility since 1 July 2011? If so, please provide details as to the nature of the security breach.	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0368	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Cash	Inverbrackie	Have there been any reported incidences or disturbances at the Inverbrackie facility involving asylum seekers since 1 July 2011? If so, please provide details as to the nature of these.	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0369	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Cash	Jandakot Airport	What has been the cost of operating the detention facilities at Jandakot, in 2011-12 and 2012-13 to date? please provide a breakdown of those costs including capital and repair costs. How many asylum seekers are currently detained there by age, gender and country of origin? How many have been released on a bridging visa; into community detention or given a permanent visa? What was the budgeted cost to maintain and operate the centre in 2012-13?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0370	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Cash	Jandakot Airport	What is the current operational and contingency capacity at Jandakot? Has capacity been exceeded in 2012-13? If so, when and for how long?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0371	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Cash	Jandakot Airport	What was the cost of transporting asylum seekers (including the use of charter aircraft and buses, cars etc) to and from the centre, including as a result of transfer from another centre, transfers for health and other appointments and outings? Please provide a breakdown of costs including the number of people involved for 2011-12 and 2012-13. What are the budgeted costs for 2012-13?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0372	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Cash	Scherger Air Force Base	What has been the cost of operating the detention facilities at Scherger, in 2011-12 and 2012-13 to date? Please provide a breakdown of those costs including capital and repair costs. How many asylum seekers are currently detained there by length of time, age, gender and country of origin? How many have been released on a bridging visa; into community detention or given a permanent visa? What was the budgeted cost to maintain and operate the centre in 2012-13?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0373	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Cash	Scherger Air Force Base	What is the current operational and contingency capacity at Scherger? Has capacity been exceeded in 2012-13? If so, when and for how long?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0374	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Cash	Scherger Air Force Base	What was the cost of transporting asylum seekers (including the use of charter aircraft and buses, cars etc) to and from the centre, including as a result of transfer from another centre, transfers for health and other appointments and outings? Please provide a breakdown of costs including the number of people involved for 2011-12 and 2012-13 to date? What are the budgeted costs for 2012-13?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0375	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Cash	Northam	What has been the cost of operating the detention facilities at Northam, in 2011-12 and 2012-13 to date? Please provide a breakdown of those costs, including capital and repair costs. How many asylum seekers are currently detained there by length of time, age, gender and country of origin? How many have been released on a bridging visa; into community detention or given a permanent visa?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0376	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Cash	Northam	What is the current operational and contingency capacity at Northam? Has capacity been exceeded in 2012-13? If so, when and for how long?	31/05/2013	Written

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BE13/0377	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Cash	Northam	What was the cost of transporting asylum seekers (including the use of charter aircraft and buses, cars etc) to and from the centre, including as a result of transfer from another centre, transfers for health and other appointments and outings? Please provide a breakdown of costs including the number of people involved for 2011-12 and in 2012-13 to date. What were the budgeted costs for 2012-13?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0378	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Cash	Darwin Immigration Detention Centres	What has been the cost of operating the detention facilities in the Northern Territory by centre, in 2011-12 and 2012-13 to date? Please provide a breakdown of those costs. How many asylum seekers are currently detained in each of the facilities by length of time, age, gender and country of origin? How many have been released on a bridging visa; into community detention or given a permanent visa? What was the budgeted cost to maintain and operate the centre in 2012-13?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0379	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Cash	Darwin Immigration Detention Centres	What is the current operational and contingency capacity at Darwin? Has capacity been exceeded in 2012-13? If so, when and for how long?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0380	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Cash	Darwin Immigration Detention Centres	What was the cost of transporting asylum seekers (including the use of charter aircraft and buses, cars etc) to and from the centre, including as a result of transfer from another centre, transfers for health and other appointments and outings? Please provide a breakdown of costs including the number of people involved for 2011-12 and 2012-13 to date. What were the budgeted costs for 2012-13?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0381	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Cash	Leonora	What has been the cost of operating the centre in 2011-12 and 2012-13 to date? Please provide a breakdown of those costs.	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0382	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Cash	Leonora	How many asylum seekers are currently detained there by length of time, age, gender and country of origin? How many have been released on a bridging visa; into community detention or given a permanent visa? What is the budgeted cost to maintain and operate the centre in 2012-13?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0383	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Cash	Leonora	What is the current operational and contingency capacity at Leonora? Has capacity been exceeded in 2012-13? If so, when and for how long?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0384	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Cash	Leonora	What was the cost of transporting asylum seekers (including the use of charter aircraft and buses, cars etc) to and from the centre, including as a result of transfer from another centre, transfers for health and other appointments and outings? Please provide a breakdown of costs including the number of people involved for 2011-12 and 2012-13. What were the budgeted costs for 2012-13?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0385	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Cash	Broadmeadows	What has been the cost of operating the detention facilities at Broadmeadows, in 2011-12 and 2012-13 to date? Please provide a breakdown of those costs including capital costs. How many asylum seekers are currently detained there by length of time, age, gender and country of origin? How many have been released on a bridging visa; into community detention or given a permanent visa? What was the budgeted cost to maintain and operate the centre in 2012-13?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0386	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Cash	Broadmeadows	What is the current operational and contingency capacity at Broadmeadows? Has capacity been exceeded in 2012-13? If so, when and for how long?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0387	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Cash	Broadmeadows	What was the cost of transporting asylum seekers (including the use of charter aircraft and buses, cars etc) to and from the centre, including as a result of transfer from another centre, transfers for health and other appointments and outings? Please provide a breakdown of costs including the number of people involved for 2011-12 and 2012-13. What are the budgeted costs for 2012-13?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0388	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Cash	Pontville	What is the current operational and contingency capacity at Pontville? Has capacity been exceeded in 2012-13? If so, when and for how long?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0389	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Cash	Pontville	What was the budgeted cost to maintain and operate the centre in 2012-13? What revised costs were sought to maintain and operate the centre in MYEFO and the Appropriations Bill?	31/05/2013	Written

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BE13/0390	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Cash	Pontville	What was the cost of transporting asylum seekers (including the use of charter aircraft and buses, cars etc) to and from the centre, including as a result of transfer from another centre, transfers for health and other appointments and outings? Please provide a breakdown of costs including the number of people involved for 2011-12 and 2012-13.	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0391	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status Resolution	Cash	Asylum Seeker Assistance Scheme and Centrelink	How many people on bridging visas and in community detention are currently accessing the ASAS? How does that compare with the same time last year i.e. May 2012? How many people are anticipated to be accessing ASAS in 2013-14?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0392	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status Resolution	Cash	Asylum Seeker Assistance Scheme and Centrelink	What is the total cost of providing ASAS to the current caseload?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0393	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Cash	Onshore Arrangements - Community Detention	How many asylum seekers have been released under community detention arrangements in total in 2012-13 thus far? How many asylum seekers being released under community detention arrangements is the budget for 2012-13 based on?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0394	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Cash	Onshore Arrangements - Community Detention	What is the cost per person per day for families and unaccompanied minors in community detention? What is the health cost and who meets those costs? What about pharmaceuticals? Who pays for them? What about transport costs and taxis, for example? Who pays for them? At what cost? What are these costs for the 2011-12 financial year and 2012-13 to date?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0395	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Cash	Onshore Arrangements - Community Detention	In relation to community detention, provide a figure for the health costs, dental and other specialist costs and pharmaceuticals for 2011-12 and the year to date?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0396	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Cash	Onshore Arrangements - Community Detention	Please provide a full list of government departments, not for profit agencies, charity groups etc that have been approached or have been considered as candidates for housing asylum seekers in community detention and on bridging visas.	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0397	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Cash	Onshore Arrangements - Community Detention	Are immigration case workers assigned to unaccompanied minors live with unaccompanied minors where they are placed in community detention? If so, who pays their rental costs? How many case workers are accommodated in this way?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0398	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status Resolution	Cash	Onshore Arrangements - Community Detention	What was the estimated unemployment rate for IMA's on bridging visas used to estimate the costs of the new bridging visa programme for MYEFO? What estimate of unemployment was used for the 2012/13 Budget, and what estimate was used of the period of time taken for a person to find employment?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0399	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status Resolution	Cash	Onshore Arrangements - Community Detention	What was the average processing time for IMAs during the year to date, by age, gender and country of origin?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0400	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Cash	Detention Network	What is the current population of the formal detention network? How many people are on Christmas Island? How many in IDCs? How many in APODs on the mainland and on Christmas Island?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0401	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Cash	Detention Network	What is the average occupancy of the detention network modelled for 2012-13? 2013-14?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0402	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Cash	Detention Network	What was the actual average occupancy in 2011-12?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0403	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Cash	Detention Network	Have the 700 additional beds announced by the Minister in November now come online?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0404	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status Resolution	Cash	General Questions - Data	How many failed asylum seekers from the IMA caseload have been removed from Australia since August 2008?	31/05/2013	Written

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BE13/0405	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status Resolution	Cash	General Questions - Data	How many failed asylum seekers from the non- IMA caseload have been removed from Australia since August 2008?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0406	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status Resolution	Cash	General Questions - Data	How many crew members of SIEVs have been removed from Australia and to where? (breakdown by financial year since 07-08)	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0407	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status Resolution	Cash	General Questions - Data	How many subclass 866 protection visas have been cancelled since November 2011 and why?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0408	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Cash	General Questions - Data	How many protection visas have been granted to IMAs since the change of Government in November 2007 by year and nationality? How many of these cases had received a negative decision on their primary RSA – by year and nationality? How many of these cases had their negative primary RSAs confirmed by the IMR/RRT process – by year and nationality, and on what grounds were they subsequently provided visas?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0409	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Cash	General Questions - Data	How many IMR decisions, and what percentage of the total number of IMR decisions, were appealed to the Federal Magistrates Court in 2011/12 and 2012-13 to date?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0410	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Cash	General Questions - Data	How many primary negative RSA decisions had been handed down for IMAs prior to March 24, that were still being reviewed by the IMR process, in short – how many cases were still in the IMR system? How many have been resolved since that time? How long will it take to resolve the outstanding cases? Will those IMAs who have negative decisions confirmed by the IMR process be able to appeal these to the RRT? Will they receive taxpayer assistance to make these appeals? What is the expected cost of providing this support in 2011/12 and 2012/13?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0411	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Cash	General Questions - Data	How many IMAs had not received a primary RSA decision prior to March 24? How many IMAs have turned up since March 24? How many primary negative RSA decisions have been handed down for IMAs since March 24? How many of the cases have resulted in appeals being lodged with the RRT? Will these appeals be funded by the taxpayer?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0412	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Cash	General Questions - Data	Given that failed asylum seekers will now have access to the RRT and the courts, what provision has been made in the budget to provide legal services to failed asylum seekers through IAAAS or any other funding arrangement to pursue appeals in the RRT? What is the expected cost of funding RRT appeals for IMAs in 2012/13, 2013/14, 2014/15 and 2015/16?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0413	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status Resolution	Cash	General Questions - Data	How many children have arrived as IMAs since 2008 to the current date? How many have been unaccompanied minors? How many of those were subject to an age determination process? How many were found to be older than 18 years of age as a result of that process or other information?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0414	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Cash	General Questions - Data	Why did the Department not publish a November Detention Statistics Report in 2012?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0415	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Cash	General Questions - Data	Of those who have been released into the community on bridging visas - how many have received a negative primary RSA? - how many have had their negative primary RSA confirmed by their IMR/RRT Review? – how many are single males? – how many have presented with some form of mental illness or symptoms of a mental illness?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0416	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status Resolution	Cash	General Questions - Data	How many IMAs who have had their asylum claims rejected and have completed their IMR/RRT review remain in Australia and how many have been removed from Australia?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0417	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status Resolution	Cash	General Questions - Data	How many IMA's who have completed their IMR review and have a negative RSA are seeking further review in the courts or the RRT? Who is paying their legal expenses?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0418	Internal Product	Cash	General Questions - Data	How many additional applications have been made for judicial review of IMR assessments since Dec 11? Please break down between FMC and FC. How many applications have been decided in the courts since Dec 11? Of all matters decided in the FMC and FC, how many have reversed the decision by the IMR and how many have confirmed? What were the main reason for decisions being reversed? Who paid the IMAs costs of these applications. What have been the costs to date for the DIAC to defend these cases?	31/05/2013	Written

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BE13/0419	3.1: Border Management	Cash	General Questions - Data	Can we have a breakdown of arrivals, by date, boat, age, gender and country of origin of passengers, and crew, since September 2008? (i.e. the DIAC equivalent of our boat list).	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0420	Internal Product	Cash	New Single Assessment Regime	Given that failed asylum seekers will now have access to the RRT and the courts, what provision has been made in the budget to provide legal services to failed asylum seekers through IAAAS or any other funding arrangement?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0421	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Cash	New Single Assessment Regime	How many IMA's, if any, have already applied for ministerial intervention? Are only those that arrived after 24 March 2012 able to access ministerial intervention or those who arrived prior to that date? Can you clarify exactly which cohorts will be eligible for access to the RRT and subsequently the courts and ministerial discretion? How many people do you expect that will entail? If each of them utilises every form of review, how long do you think they will remain in Australia? Are these costs reflected in the budget?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0422	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Cash	New Single Assessment Regime	How much did this cost in 2011-12 and 2012-13 to date? How much additional cost has been budgeted for 2013-14?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0423	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Cash	New Single Assessment Regime	Has the department assessed any applications from IMA's for complementary protection? How many have satisfied that criteria and been given a permanent protection visa and over what period of time? Have any assessments against complementary protection criteria been refused?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0424	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Cash	New Single Assessment Regime	How many complementary protection visas have been decided by the department? The RRT? The Minister?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0425	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Cash	New Single Assessment Regime	Has the department prepared plans for the closure of detention centres? If so, which ones will be closed and when? How many detention places will the department keep open for new arrivals? At what projected cost? Isn't this an admission that the government's policy is now to accept unlawful arrivals as a permanent part of the migration program?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0426	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Cash	New Single Assessment Regime	How much has been spent on cigarettes/tobacco for people in immigration detention?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0427	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Cash	New Single Assessment Regime	Are cigarettes/tobacco provided or offered to IMAs in community detention or have cigarettes/tobacco been provided to or are available to IMAs from DIAC or any DIAC service provider to those who have been released into the community on bridging visas? If so at what cost?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0428	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Cash	New Single Assessment Regime	How many instances of communicable diseases have been found on those who have arrived illegally by boat this financial year? What diseases have been found? How does that compare to last financial year?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0429	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Cash	New Single Assessment Regime	How many people currently in immigration detention have been charged with a criminal offence? What are those offences?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0430	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Cash	New Single Assessment Regime	How many people currently in community detention or released into the community on bridging visas have been charged with a criminal offence? What are those offences?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0431	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Cash	New Single Assessment Regime	What and how many specialist medical treatments have been provided to people in immigration detention including community detention and to those on bridging visas living in the community, including dental, podiatry, plastic and other specialist surgeries?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0432	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Cash	Community detention	How many people removed from community detention or who had their bridging visas revoked were subsequently reissued bridging visas or placed back into community detention?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0433	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Cash	Implementation of Hawke Williams	To date, how many MOUs have been finalised between the Department, the AFP and local police?	31/05/2013	Written

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BE13/0434	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Cash	Implementation of Hawke Williams	What is the current status of negotiations with police in each state?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0435	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Cash	Implementation of Hawke Williams	Has the Minister sought an update or briefing from the Department on the progress of these MOUs?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0436	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Cash	Implementation of Hawke Williams	The report notes that "further procedures [are] being developed to assist departmental staff during critical incidents" (pg. 4). Are critical incident response plans in place at every IDC?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0437	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Cash	Implementation of Hawke Williams	The report refers to a "computerised tool" that Serco has implemented to ensure monitor security risk assessments. What is this computerised tool - how does this work? What sort of information does it process? How are staff alerted to risk assessments produced by the computer? Has this system been rolled out to all IDCs? (pg. 12)	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0438	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Cash	Implementation of Hawke Williams	The report notes that "IMAs are now better educated about the importance of providing identifying documentation and its value in aiding the timely processing of claims. This has been reflected by a significant increase in the number of clients providing identity documentation" pg. 18. Please elaborate on that statement – what has been the actual increase in statistical terms in clients providing identity documentation?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0439	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Cash	Section 501	During 2012/2013 how many visas have been cancelled due to Section 501 Character considerations? Are there any cases where people subject to Section 501 consideration or non- Australian citizens who have completed custodial sentences for serious crimes (eg murder, rape, major drug offences) are currently residing in the community without consideration of cancellation of their visas? How does the department know of such cases? In what sort of accommodation are they being housed?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0440	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Cash	Nauru	What were the reasons behind the site selection for the permanent facilities at Nauru selected?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0441	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Cash	Nauru	Is it an open centre on Nauru?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0442	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Cash	Nauru	What are the capital and running costs for 2012-13 and the out-years in the forward estimates for the processing centres on Nauru and Manus?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0443	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Cash	Nauru	What has been the total cost of services and contracts for the government's processing centres in Nauru and Manus Island, including the provision of legal advice?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0444	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Cash	Nauru	What level of security is currently in place and what is planned? Has that been done in consultation with the government of Nauru? What access will asylum seekers have to the rest of the Island? What is their status on the Island at the moment? Do they have visas, for example? If so, what kind?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0445	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Cash	Nauru	Can you provide an update in relation to how Refugee Status Assessments will be conducted and by whom and what the appeal regime will be? What is the status of Australian officials on Nauru – will they be seconded to the Nauru public service or be contracted individuals? What about Australian officials or individuals who are making the RSA and conducting the review? What is their status?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0446	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Cash	Nauru	What has the Australian government promised to provide Nauru and PNG in addition to the construction of the processing centres? Are there arrangements to increase our Ausaid commitments? Is there a commitment to build schools, hospitals, medical centres, desalination plants; electricity generators etc? If so at what cost and where would that appear in the budget?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0447	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Cash	Nauru	Are any items associated with the establishment and running of either processing centre, including accommodation that is being funded by other agencies, including from the Ausaid budget? If so, how much and what is it for.	31/05/2013	Written

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BE13/0448	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Cash	Nauru	Has any of the DIAC funding been assessed as constituting aid funding and being counted against Australia's contribution to its Millennium goals?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0449	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Cash	Nauru	Has the agreement with Transfield been finalised? Have any other agreements been finalised? Can you provide the committee with the Heads of Agreement that it has.	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0450	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Cash	Manus	What level of security is currently in place and what is planned? Has that been done in consultation with the government of PNG? What access will asylum seekers have to the rest of the Island? What is their status on the Island at the moment? Do they have visas, for example? If so, what kind?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0451	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Cash	Manus	Are any items associated with the establishment and running of the processing centre, including accommodation that is being funded by other agencies, including from the Ausaid budget? If so, how much and what is it for.	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0452	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Cash	Manus	Has any of the DIAC funding been assessed as constituting aid funding and being counted against Australia's contribution to its Millennium goals?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0453	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Cash	Manus	Has there been a tender process for the provision of goods and services on Manus? Has Transfield been asked to tender for the provision of similar services on Manus? What was their response? Have they provided a tender? What is the value of that tender? Who else is providing services on Manus and what are they? What about the provision of goods and health services? Please go through what facilities will be provided on Manus and the full cost.	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0454	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Cash	Tenders - Charter Flights	What has been the cost of charter flights to transport asylum seekers overseas to Nauru, Manus Island and Sri Lanka, broken down by month in 2012-13 to date?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0455	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Cash	Tenders - Charter Flights	What has been the cost of domestic charter flights for asylum seekers, broken down by month in 2012-13 to date?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0456	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Cash	Sri Lanka	When did the Department first receive instructions to return IMAs to Sri Lanka?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0457	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Cash	Sri Lanka	When were the first IMAs actually returned by the Department to Sri Lanka?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0458	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Cash	Sri Lanka	How many Tamils have involuntarily been sent back?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0459	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Cash	Sri Lanka	What is the profile of those who have been returned – how many, for example are Tamils and how many are Sinhalese? If that breakdown is not possible, Tamil and non-Tamil? What part of Sri Lanka did they come from and return to?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0460	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Cash	Sri Lanka	Why have the Country Guidance Notes on Sri Lanka not been updated since November 2010, as confirmed in SE12/0266?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0461	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Cash	Sri Lanka	Is the department aware of the recent efforts by the UN to repatriate and resettle Tamils? Is this information available to decision makers? Does this indicate to the department that perhaps their acceptance rates of Sri Lankans is too high?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0462	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Cash	General	What airline has been contracted to move freight to Nauru and Manus for the establishment of the centres? What is this contract worth? Have any other airlines been contracted to provide other transport services? What are they and what is the cost? On what basis were these airlines given those contracts? How did the department establish value for money?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0463	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Cash	The 'no advantage' test	Will the No Advantage test be different for different cohorts?	31/05/2013	Written

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BE13/0464	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Cash	The 'no advantage' test	How would the department determine how long a pregnant Afghani woman who arrived via a boat she boarded in Indonesia would have to wait on Nauru – how does the no advantage test apply to her? What if she were also travelling with a minor? Or an Iranian man with a heart condition who flew into Malaysia before boarding a boat to Australia? What if he already had a relative living in the country?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0465	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Cash	Malaysia	Has the department or the minister met with or had discussions with Malaysian officials since the release of the Houston Report? Has there been any correspondence or any contact at all? At what level? Have there been any side meetings at international conferences with Malaysian officials to progress the previously failed five for one swap been resurrected? If so when, if not, why not?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0466	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Cash	Malaysia	Has Minister O'Connor contacted the Malaysian government since his appointment to the portfolio? Has he had any contact with the Malaysian minister at all?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0467	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Cash	Malaysia	Is the Malaysian people swap deal in or out of the budget?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0468	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Cash	Malaysia	Has the Malaysian government indicated that they will agree to implement binding legal arrangements as required by the High Court decision? Has it agreed to pass legislation to that effect? Has the Malaysian government been asked if they will agree to an open-ended agreement rather than be restricted to 800?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0469	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Cash	Malaysia	What efforts have been made with the Malaysians to implement the recommendations of the Houston Report?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0470	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Cash	Family Reunion Restrictions	How does the department see the new restrictions in relation to the sponsorship of family members by IMA's working? What is the cost of an application for a partner and child visa under the family reunion program as opposed to the refugee and humanitarian program? Are there any differences in the level of welfare and other support between family reunion through the humanitarian program and through the family reunion program? What are they?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0471	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Cash	Amount charged by People Smuggler	What is the current cost charged by people smugglers to smuggle one adult to Australia?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0472	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Cash	Amount charged by People Smuggler	What is the current cost charged by people smugglers to smuggle one family of four to Australia?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0473	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Cash	Amount charged by People Smuggler	Does the Department expect more women and children to be getting on boats and making the treacherous journey to Australia?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0474	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Cash	Cocos and Keeling Islands	How many asylum seekers have arrived on Cocos/Keeling Islands since November 2007?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0475	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Cash	Cocos and Keeling Islands	How many IMAs are currently on Cocos and Keeling Islands?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0476	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Cash	Cocos and Keeling Islands	How are IMAs detained on Cocos and Keeling Islands?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0477	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Cash	Cocos and Keeling Islands	How many Departmental staff are currently on Cocos and Keeling Island assisting with IMAs and in what capacity?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0478	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Cash	Cocos and Keeling Islands	What is the average time spent by IMAs detained on Cocos and Keeling Islands before transfer?	31/05/2013	Written

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BE13/0479	5.1: Settlement Services for Migrants and Refugees	Cash	UHM	How much funding has been allocated for provision of care to Unaccompanied Humanitarian minors in 2013-14? How does this compare to previous years?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0480	5.1: Settlement Services for Migrants and Refugees	Cash	UHM	How many UHMs are currently in the cohort?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0481	5.1: Settlement Services for Migrants and Refugees	Cash	AMEP	Provide a breakdown of the cost of delivering the Adult Migrant English Program in 2010-11, 2011-12 and 2012-13 to date by contract region.	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0482	5.1: Settlement Services for Migrants and Refugees	Cash	AMEP	Provide a breakdown of the predicted cost of delivering the Adult Migrant English Program in 2013-14 and the forward years by contract region.	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0483	5.1: Settlement Services for Migrants and Refugees	Cash	AMEP	Provide a breakdown of the number of enrolled participants in the Adult Migrant English Program in 2010-11, 2011-12 and 2012-13 to date by contract region.	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0484	5.1: Settlement Services for Migrants and Refugees	Cash	AMEP	How many migrants are currently involved in trialling the virtual English Language tuition program?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0485	5.1: Settlement Services for Migrants and Refugees	Cash	AMEP	Provide a reach rate of AMEP registrations as a percentage of eligible entrants by financial year from 2007-08 to 2012-13 to date, broken down by migration stream (humanitarian, family, skill and national)?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0486	5.1: Settlement Services for Migrants and Refugees	Cash	AMEP	Provide the AMEP retention rate (average number of hours an entrant remains in the program), broken down by migration stream, for each financial year 2007-08 to 2012-13?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0487	5.1: Settlement Services for Migrants and Refugees	Cash	AMEP	How does DIAC explain the fall in the AMEP registration rate from 73% in 2006-07 to 59% in 2011-12? (Sources: DIAC website http://www.immi.gov.au/living-in-australia/help-with-english/amep/facts-figures/program-statistics.htm) and 2011-12 DIAC Annual Report pg 249)	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0488	5.1: Settlement Services for Migrants and Refugees	Cash	AMEP	Has DIAC provided funding to Intensive English Language Centres run by state or territory Departments of Education to assist English language development for school-aged entrants of the Refugee and Humanitarian program in 2010-11, 2011-12 and 2012-13 to date? If so, provide a cost breakdown by centre and state/territory?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0489	6.1: Multicultural and Citizenship Services	Cash	Multicultural and Citizenship Services	How many people sat the Australian citizenship test in 2012-13? How many passed?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0490	6.1: Multicultural and Citizenship Services	Cash	Multicultural and Citizenship Services	Is it possible to get a breakdown of the visa subclasses held by each person before they became a citizen in 2012-13?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0491	6.1: Multicultural and Citizenship Services	Cash	Multicultural and Citizenship Services	What has been the actual revenue raised from Australian Citizenship application fees in 2010-11, 2011-12 and 2012-13 to date?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0492	6.1: Multicultural and Citizenship Services	Cash	Multicultural and Citizenship Services	What is the expected revenue from Australian Citizenship application fees in 2012-13, 2013-14 and the forward years?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0493	6.1: Multicultural and Citizenship Services	Cash	Multicultural and Citizenship Services	What is the average wait from the time a person is granted citizenship to the time of their ceremony? (in days)	31/05/2013	Written

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BE13/0494	6.1: Multicultural and Citizenship Services	Cash	Multicultural and Citizenship Services	What is the average time taken to process citizenship application? How does this compare with the department's advised processing times? If the standard times are not being met, what is the reason for this delay?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0495	6.1: Multicultural and Citizenship Services	Cash	Multicultural and Citizenship Services	How many applications for Australian Citizenship has DIAC received since 1 January 2013 to date seeking an exemption from the Residence Requirement under accelerated provisions for families and spouses of Lateral Transfers in the Australian Defence Force? Of these, how many applications have been successful to date?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0496	6.1: Multicultural and Citizenship Services	Cash	Multicultural and Citizenship Services	How many people applied using Form 119 for an Evidence of Australian citizenship certificate in 2012-13? How does this compare to previous years; do you have figures for 2011-12? What about 2010-11?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0497	6.1: Multicultural and Citizenship Services	Cash	Harmony Day	What is DIAC's annual financial year expenditure on Harmony Day? How does this compare with previous years?	31/05/2013	Written
BE13/0498	Internal Product	Humphries	Staffing	How many ongoing staff recruited this financial year to date? What classification are these staff? How many non-ongoing positions exist or have been created this financial year to date? What classification are these staff? This financial year to date, how many employees have been employed on contract and what is the average length of their employment period?	12/06/2013	Written
BE13/0499	Internal Product	Humphries	Staffing	How many ongoing staff left the department/agency this financial year to date? What classification were these staff? How many non-ongoing staff left department/agency this financial year to date? What classification were these staff? How many contract staff left department/agency in the year this financial year to date? What classification were these staff?	12/06/2013	Written
BE13/0500	Internal Product	Humphries	Staffing	How many staff reductions/voluntary redundancies have occurred this financial year to date? What was the reason for these reductions? Were any of these reductions involuntary redundancies? If yes, provide details. Are there any plans for further staff reductions/voluntary redundancies? If so, please advise details including if there is a reduction target, how this will be achieved, and if any services/programs will be cut. If there are plans for staff reductions, please give the reason why these are happening. Are there any plans for involuntary redundancies? If yes, provide details.	12/06/2013	Written
BE13/0501	Internal Product	Humphries	Public Service Efficiencies	Please provide details of the amended operational efficiencies your agency will make as per 2013-14 Budget Measure 'Public Service efficiencies' (see 2013-14 Budget Paper No 2 p108). In addition, please provide the following detail: Can you quantify the estimated savings for each year over the forward estimates for savings achieved by implementing more efficient management structures, through a reduction in expenditure on staff across the Executive Level (EL) 1 and 2, and Senior Executive Service (SES) levels? Can you quantify the estimated savings for each year over the forward estimates for savings achieved by revising down the occupational density target for all new leases, buildings and major fit-outs undertaken by agencies from 16 square metres per occupied workpoint down to 14 square metres?	12/06/2013	Written
BE13/0502	Internal Product	Humphries	Public Service Efficiencies	Has there been a reduction in business flights? What are the estimated savings for each year over the forward estimates? Has there been a reduction in the use of external consultants and contractors? Has this impacted on the Department/agency, and how? What are the estimated savings for each year over the forward estimates? Provide an update of moving recruitment advertising online. Is any recruitment still in printed materials, and if yes, why? What are the estimated savings for each year over the forward estimates? Has the department/agency reduced its printing costs? If no, why not? Have printing costs increased, and if yes why and how much? Has the five per cent savings target been achieved – if yes, how, or if it will not, why not? What are the estimated savings for each year over the forward estimates?	12/06/2013	Written
BE13/0503	Internal Product	Humphries	Printing Costs	How many documents (include the amount of copies) have been printed this financial year to date? How many of these printed documents were also published online?	12/06/2013	Written

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BE13/0504	Internal Product	Humphries	Graduate Recruitment	Provide an update on expenditure for 2014 Graduate Recruitment to date? Please itemise and detail costs. Has any travel been incurred for 2014 Graduate Recruitment? Please itemise and detail costs.	12/06/2013	Written
BE13/0505	Internal Product	Humphries	Advertising	What was the total cost of all advertising for the financial year to date? Is the advertising campaign or non-campaign advertising? Provide details of each advertising, including the program the advertising was for, the total spend and the business that provided the advertising services. Has the Department of Finance and Deregulation provided any advice about the advertising? Provide details of each advertising item. Has the Peer Review Group (PRG) and/or Independent Communications Committee (ICC) provided any advice about the advertising? Provide details of each advertising item. Did the Advertising comply with the Guidelines on Information and Advertising Campaigns by Australian Government Departments and Agencies? Provide the details for each advertising item. Provide details for any other communications program, including details of the program, the total spend and the business that provided the communication services. What advertising – Campaign and Non-Campaign – and other communications programs is the Department/Agency undertaking, or are planning to undertake?	12/06/2013	Written
BE13/0506	Internal Product	Humphries	Hospitality and Entertainment	What is the Department/Agency's hospitality spend for this financial year to date? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs. For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, please detail total hospitality spend for this financial year to date. Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs. What is the Department/Agency's entertainment spend for this financial year to date? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs. For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, please detail total entertainment spend for this financial year to date. Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs. What hospitality spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs. For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, what hospitality spend is currently being planned for? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs. What entertainment spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs. For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, what entertainment spend is currently being planned for? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs. Is the Department/Agency planning on reducing any of its spending on these items? If so, how will reductions be achieved and what are the estimated savings over each year of the forward estimates?	12/06/2013	Written
BE13/0507	Internal Product	Humphries	Meeting Costs	What is the Department/Agency's meeting spend for this financial year to date? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events, including any catering and drinks costs. For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, please detail total meeting spend for this financial year to date. Detail date, location, purpose and cost of each event including any catering and drinks costs. What meeting spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs. For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, what meeting spend is currently being planned for? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of each event including any catering and drinks costs.	12/06/2013	Written
BE13/0508	Internal Product	Humphries	Program Launch	What is the Department/Agency's program launch spend for this financial year to date? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events, including any catering and drinks costs. For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, please detail total program launch spend for this financial year to date. Detail date, location, purpose and cost of each event including any catering and drinks costs. What program launch spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs. For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, what program launch spend is currently being planned for? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of each event including any catering and drinks costs.	12/06/2013	Written
BE13/0509	Internal Product	Humphries	Board Appointments	Provide an update of the boards within this portfolio, including: board title, terms of appointment, tenure of appointment and members. What is the gender ratio on each board and across the portfolio? Please detail any board appointments for this financial year to date.	12/06/2013	Written
BE13/0510	Internal Product	Humphries	Freedom of Information	Has the department/agency received any updated advice on how to respond to FOI requests? What is the total cost to the department to process FOI requests for this financial year to date? How many FOI requests has the Department received for this financial year to date? How many requests have been denied and how many have been granted? Has the department failed to meet the processing times outlined in the FOI Act for any requests? If so, how many and why? Do any of these requests remain outstanding? If so, how many and why?	12/06/2013	Written
BE13/0511	Internal Product	Humphries	Community Cabinet Meetings	Provide an update of how many Community Cabinet meetings has the Minister attended this financial year to date? List date and location. How many Departmental Officers travelled with the Minister for the Community Cabinet meetings for this financial year to date? What was the total cost of this travel? List travel type, accommodate and any other expenses. Which Community Cabinet meetings did the Departmental Officers attend? List date and location. What was the total cost to the Department and the Ministers office for the Community Cabinet meetings for this financial year to date?	12/06/2013	Written

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BE13/0512	Internal Product	Humphries	Reviews	For this financial year to date: How many Reviews are being undertaken? What reviews have concluded, and for those that are still ongoing, when will those reviews be concluded? Which of these reviews has been provided to Government? When will the Government be responding to the respective reviews that have been completed? Has the Government responded to all reviews within the timeframe? If not, why not? What is the estimated cost of each of these Reviews? What reviews are planned? When will each of these reviews be concluded?	12/06/2013	Written
BE13/0513	Internal Product	Humphries	Consultancies	How many consultancies have been undertaken this financial year to date? Identify the name of the consultant, the subject matter of the consultancy, the duration and cost of the arrangement, and the method of procurement (ie. open tender, direct source, etc). Also include total value for all consultancies. How many consultancies are planned for this calendar year? Have these been published in your Annual Procurement Plan (APP) on the AusTender website and if not why not? In each case please identify the subject matter, duration, cost and method of procurement as above, and the name of the consultant if known.	12/06/2013	Written
BE13/0514	Internal Product	Humphries	Media Monitoring	What is the total cost of media monitoring services, including press clippings, electronic media transcripts etcetera, provided to the Minister's office for this financial year to date? Which agency or agencies provided these services? What is the estimated budget to provide these services for the year 2012-13? What has been spent providing these services this financial year to date? What was the total cost of media monitoring services, including press clippings, electronic media transcripts etcetera, provided to the department/agency for this financial year to date? Which agency or agencies provided these services? What is the estimated budget to provide these services for the year 2012-13? What has been spent providing these services this financial year to date?	12/06/2013	Written
BE13/0515	Internal Product	Humphries	Social Media	Has there been any changes to department and agency social media or protocols about staff access and useage of Youtube; online social media, such as Facebook, MySpace and Twitter; and access to online discussions forums and blogs since May 2012 Budget Estimates? If yes, please explain and provide copies of any advice that has been issue. Does the department/agency monitor usage of social media? If yes, provide details of the useage (for example details could include average hours per employee, hours when useage peaks). Has there been a change to the department/agency protocols due to staff useage? If no, why not? Will the department/agency monitor useage in the future? Does social media impact on employee productivity? Provide details (details could include increased internet usage in general or increased internet usage in standard business hours)	12/06/2013	Written
BE13/0516	Internal Product	Humphries	Internet	Has the Department experienced any internet problems, such as but not limited to slow internet, or internet blackouts? If yes, what was the reason for this? Did it impact the Minister's office?	12/06/2013	Written
BE13/0517	Internal Product	Humphries	Staff Amenities	What amenities are provided to staff? Provide a list, including any costs and the reason for providing the amenity.	12/06/2013	Written
BE13/0518	Internal Product	Humphries	Coffee Machines	Has the department/agency purchased coffee machines for staff useage? If yes, provide a list that includes the type of coffee machine, the cost, the amount, and any ongoing costs such as purchase of coffee or coffee pods and when the machine was purchased. Why were coffee machines purchased? Has there been a noticeable difference in staff productivity since coffee machines were purchased? Are staff leaving the office premises less during business hours as a result? Where did the funding for the coffee machines come from? Who has access? Who is responsible for the maintenance of the coffee machines? How much was spent on maintenance in this financial year to date, include a list of what maintenance has been undertaken. Where does the funding for maintenance come from? What are the ongoing costs of the coffee machine, such as the cost of coffee? Does the department/agency rent coffee machines for staff useage? If yes, provide a list that includes the type of coffee machine, the cost, the amount, and any ongoing costs such as purchase of coffee or coffee pods and when the machine was purchased. Why are coffee machines rented? Has there been a noticeable difference in staff productivity since coffee machines were rented? Are staff leaving the office premises less during business hours as a result? Where does the funding for the coffee machines come from? Who has access? Who is responsible for the maintenance of the coffee machines? How much was spent on maintenance in this financial year to date, include a list of what maintenance has been undertaken. Where does the funding for maintenance come from? What are the ongoing costs of the coffee machine, such as the cost of coffee?	12/06/2013	Written

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BE13/0519	Internal Product	Humphries	Contractors	For this financial year to date: Has the department/agency ever employed Hawker Britton in any capacity or is it considering employing Hawker Britton? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost). Has the department/agency ever employed Shannon's Way in any capacity or is it considering employing Shannon's Way? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost). Has the department/agency ever employed John Utting & UMR Research Group in any capacity or is it considering employing John Utting & UMR Research Group? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost). Has the department/agency ever employed McCann-Erickson in any capacity or is it considering employing McCann-Erickson? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost). Has the department/agency ever employed Cutting Edge in any capacity or is it considering employing Cutting Edge? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost). Has the department/agency ever employed Ikon Communications in any capacity or is it considering employing Ikon Communications? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost). Has the department/agency ever employed CMAX Communications in any capacity or is it considering employing CMAX Communications? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost). Has the department/agency ever employed Boston Consulting Group in any capacity or is it considering employing Boston Consulting Group? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost). Has the department/agency ever employed McKinsey & Company in any capacity or is it considering employing McKinsey & Company? If yes, provide details. What contractors have been employed by the department/agency? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost).	12/06/2013	Written
BE13/0520	Internal Product	Humphries	Grants	Could the department/agency provide an update list of all grants, including ad hoc and one-off grants for this financial year to date? Please provide details of the recipients, the amount, the intended use of the grants and what locations have benefited from the grants. Have all grant agreement details been published on its website within the required timeframe? If not, provide details.	12/06/2013	Written
BE13/0521	Internal Product	Humphries	Commissioned Reports	How many Reports have been commissioned by the Government in your department/agency this financial year to date? Please provide details of each report including date commissioned, date report handed to Government, date of public release, Terms of Reference and Committee members. How much did each report cost/or is estimated to cost? How many departmental staff were involved in each report and at what level? What is the current status of each report? When is the Government intending to respond to these reports?	12/06/2013	Written
BE13/0522	Internal Product	Humphries	Government Payment of Accounts	For this financial year to date, has the department/agency paid its accounts to contractors/consultants etc in accordance with Government policy in terms of time for payment (i.e. within 30 days)? If not, why not? Provide details, including what has been the timeframe for payment of accounts? Please provide a breakdown, average statistics etc as appropriate to give insight into how this issue is being approached). For accounts not paid within 30 days, is interest being paid on overdue amounts and if so how much has been paid by the portfolio/department agency for the current financial year and the previous financial year? Where interest is being paid, what rate of interest is being paid and how is this rate determined?	12/06/2013	Written
BE13/0523	Internal Product	Humphries	Stationery requirements	How much was spent by each department and agency on the government (Ministers/Parliamentary Secretaries) stationery requirements in your portfolio (i.e. paper, envelopes, with compliments slips) this financial year to date? What are the department/agency's stationery costs for the financial year to date?	12/06/2013	Written
BE13/0524	Internal Product	Humphries	Media Subscriptions	What pay TV subscriptions does your department/agency have? Please provide a list of what channels and the reason for each channel. What is the cost for this financial year to date? What newspaper subscriptions does your department/agency have? Please provide a list of newspaper subscriptions and the reason for each. What is the cost for this financial year to date? What magazine subscriptions does your department/agency have? Please provide a list of magazine subscriptions and the reason for each. What is the cost for this financial year to date?	12/06/2013	Written
BE13/0525	Internal Product	Humphries	Travel Costs	For the financial year to date, please detail all travel for Departmental officers that accompanied the Minister and/or Parliamentary Secretary on their travel. Please include a total cost plus a breakdown that include airfares (and type of airfare), accommodation, meals and other travel expenses (such as incidentals). For the financial year to date, please detail all travel for Departmental officers. Please include a total cost plus a breakdown that include airfares (and type of airfare), accommodation, meals and other travel expenses (such as incidentals). Also provide a reason and brief explanation for the travel. What travel is planned for the rest of this financial year? Also provide a reason and brief explanation for the travel. What travel is planned for the rest of this calendar year? Also provide a reason and brief explanation for the travel. What is the policy for business class airfare tickets? Is there still a reduction in business flights as per the media release by the Minister for Finance and Deregulation and the Special Minister of State dated 25 September 2012? Are lounge memberships provided to any employees? If yes, what lounge memberships, to how many employees and their classification, the reason for the provision of lounge membership and the total costs of the lounge memberships. When SES employees travel, do any support or administrative staff (such as an Executive Assistant) travel with them? If yes, provide details of why such a staff member is needed and the costs of the support staff travel. Does the department/agency elect to offset emissions for employees work related travel? If yes, what is the cost?	12/06/2013	Written

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BE13/0526	Internal Product	Humphries	Legal Costs	What sum did each portfolio department and agency spend on legal services for this financial year to date within the department/agency? Please provide a list of each service and costs. What sum did each portfolio department and agency spend on legal services this financial year to date from the Australian Government Solicitor? Please provide a list of each service and costs. What sum did each portfolio department and agency spend on legal services this financial year to date from private firms? Please provide a list of each service and costs. What sum did each portfolio department and agency spend on legal services this financial year to date from other sources? Please provide a list of each service and costs.	12/06/2013	Written
BE13/0527	Internal Product	Humphries	Education expenses	What is the department/agency's guidelines on study? For this financial year to date, detail all education expenses (i.e. in house courses and tertiary studies) for each portfolio department and agency. Include what type of course, the total cost, cost per participant, the employment classification of each participant, how many participants and the amount of study leave granted to each participant (provide a breakdown for each employment classification). Also include the reason for the study and how it is beneficial for the department/agency.	12/06/2013	Written
BE13/0528	Internal Product	Humphries	Executive Coaching and Leadership Training	In relation to executive coaching and/or other leadership training services purchased by each department/agency, please provide the following information for this financial year to date: (1) Total spending on these services; (2) The number of employees offered these services and their employment classification; (3) The number of employees who have utilised these services, their employment classification and how much study leave each employee was granted (provide a breakdown for each employment classification); (4) The names of all service providers engaged. For each service purchased from a provider listed under (4), please provide: (a) The name and nature of the service purchased; (b) Whether the service is one-on-one or group based; (c) The number of employees who received the service and their employment classification; (d) The total number of hours involved for all employees (provide a breakdown for each employment classification); (e) The total amount spent on the service; (f) A description of the fees charged (i.e. per hour, complete package). Where a service was provided at any location other than the department or agency's own premises, please provide: (1) The location used; (2) The number of employees who took part on each occasion (provide a breakdown for each employment classification); (3) The total number of hours involved for all employees who took part (provide a breakdown for each employment classification); (4) Any costs the department or agency's incurred to use the location.	12/06/2013	Written
BE13/0529	Internal Product	Humphries	Media Training	In relation to media training services purchased by each department/agency, please provide the following information for this financial year to date: (1) Total spending on these services; (2) The number of employees offered these services and their employment classification; (3) The number of employees who have utilised these services, their employment classification and how much study leave each employee was granted (provide a breakdown for each employment classification); (4) The names of all service providers engaged. For each service purchased from a provider listed under (4), please provide: (a) The name and nature of the service purchased; (b) Whether the service is one-on-one or group based; (c) The number of employees who received the service and their employment classification (provide a breakdown for each employment classification); (d) The total number of hours involved for all employees (provide a breakdown for each employment classification); (e) The total amount spent on the service; (f) A description of the fees charged (i.e. per hour, complete package). Where a service was provided at any location other than the department or agency's own premises, please provide: (1) The location used; (2) The number of employees who took part on each occasion; (3) The total number of hours involved for all employees who took part (provide a breakdown for each employment classification); (4) Any costs the department or agency's incurred to use the location.	12/06/2013	Written
BE13/0530	Internal Product	Humphries	Paid Parental Leave	Please list how many staff in each department and agency are eligible to receive payments under the Government's Paid Parental Leave scheme? For this financial year to date list which department/agency is providing its employees with payments under the Government's Paid Parental Leave scheme? Please list how many staff and their classification are in receipt of these payments. What is the paid parental scheme offered by each department and agency? How many staff have used the scheme this financial year to date.	12/06/2013	Written
BE13/0531	Internal Product	Humphries	Training for Portfolio Minister and Parliamentary Secretaries	For this financial year to date, how much has been spent on training for Ministers and Parliamentary Secretaries in your portfolio? Itemise each training, cost and for which Minister and/or Parliamentary Secretary the training was for. For this financial year to date, how much has been spent on training for staff of Ministers and Parliamentary Secretaries in your portfolio? Itemise each training, cost and for which Minister and/or Parliamentary Secretary the training was for. For this financial year to date, how much has been spent on training for designed to better suit the needs of Ministers and Parliamentary Secretaries in your portfolio? Itemise each training, cost and for which Minister and/or Parliamentary Secretary the training was for, and how many employees attended and their classification.	12/06/2013	Written
BE13/0532	Internal Product	Humphries	Corporate Cars	How cars are owned by each department/agency? Where is the car/s located? What is the car/s used for? What is the cost of each car for this financial year to date? How far did each car travel this financial year to date?	12/06/2013	Written

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BE13/0533	Internal Product	Humphries	Taxi Costs	How much did each department/agency spend on taxis this financial year to date? Provide a breakdown for each business group in each department/agency. What are the reasons for taxi costs?	12/06/2013	Written
BE13/0534	Internal Product	Humphries	Hire Cars	How much did each department/agency spend on hire cars this financial year to date? Provide a breakdown of each business group in each department/agency. What are the reasons for hire car costs?	12/06/2013	Written
BE13/0535	Internal Product	Humphries	Credit Cards	Provide a breakdown for each employment classification that has a corporate credit card. Please update details of the following? What action is taken if the corporate credit card is misused? How is corporate credit card use monitored? What happens if misuse of a corporate credit card is discovered? Have any instances of corporate credit card misuse have been discovered? List staff classification and what the misuse was, and the action taken. What action is taken to prevent corporate credit card misuse?	12/06/2013	Written
BE13/0536	Internal Product	Humphries	Provision of Equipment	For departments/agencies that provide mobile phones to Ministers and/or Parliamentary Secretaries and/or their offices, what type of mobile phone is provided and the costs? For departments/agencies that provide electronic equipment to Ministers and/or Parliamentary Secretaries and/or their offices, what are the ongoing costs for this financial year to date? Is electronic equipment (such as ipad, laptop, wireless card, vasco token, blackberry, mobile phone (list type if relevant), thumb drive) provided to department/agency staff? If yes provide details of what is provided, the purchase cost, the ongoing cost and a breakdown of what staff and staff classification receives it. Does the department/agency provide their Ministers and/or Parliamentary Secretaries and/or their offices with any electronic equipment? If yes, provide details of what is provided, the cost and to who it is provided.	12/06/2013	Written
BE13/0537	Internal Product	Humphries	Purchase of electricity	What are the details of the department/agency electricity purchasing agreement? What are the department/agency electricity costs for this financial year to date?	12/06/2013	Written
BE13/0538	Internal Product	Humphries	Briefings for the Australian Greens and Independents	Have any briefings and/or provision of information s been provided to the Australian Greens? If yes, please include: How are briefings requests commissioned? What briefings have been undertaken? Provide details and a copy of each briefing. Provide details of what information has been provided and a copy of the information. Have any briefings request been unable to proceed? If yes, provide details of what the requests were and why it could not proceed. How long is spent preparing and undertaking briefings/information requests for the Australian Greens? How many staff are involved and how many hours? Provide a breakdown for each employment classification. Have any briefings and/or provision of information been provided to Independents? If yes, please include: How are briefings requests commissioned? What briefings have been undertaken? Provide details and a copy of each briefing. Provide details of what information has been provided and a copy of the information. Have any briefings request been unable to proceed? If yes, provide details of what the requests were and why it could not proceed. How long is spent preparing and undertaking briefings/information requests for the Independents? How many staff are involved and how many hours? Provide a breakdown for each employment classification. Which Independents have requested briefings and/or information?	12/06/2013	Written
BE13/0539	Internal Product	Humphries	Shredders	Has the department/agencies purchased any shredders this financial year? If yes, provide details of how many shredders were purchased, the cost of each shredder, why each new shredder was needed and the purpose for which the shredder is to be used.	12/06/2013	Written
BE13/0540	Internal Product	Humphries	Protective security policy framework	Provide an update for your department/agency, including what is your current compliance level, what are you doing to manage risk, what is being done to comply with the mandatory requirements and details of any department/agency specific policies and procedures.	12/06/2013	Written
BE13/0541	Internal Product	Humphries	Office locations	Please provide a list of all office locations for all departments and agencies within the portfolio by: (a) Department/Agency; (b) Location; (c) Leased or Owned; (d) Size; (e) Number of Staff at each location and classification; (f) If rented, the amount and breakdown of rent per square metre; (g) If owned, the value of the building; (h) Depreciation of buildings that are owned; (i) Type of functions and work undertaken.	12/06/2013	Written
BE13/0542	Internal Product	Humphries	Communications staff	For all departments and agencies, please provide – in relation to all public relations, communications and media staff – the following: (a) By Department or agency: (i) How many ongoing staff, the classification, the type of work they undertake and their location. (ii) How many non-ongoing staff, their classification, type of work they undertake and their location (iii) How many contractors, their classification, type of work they undertake and their location iv. How many are graphic designers? v. How many are media managers? (vi) How many organise events? (b) Do any departments/agencies have independent media studios? If yes, why? When was it established? What is the set up cost? What is the ongoing cost? How many staff work there and what are their classifications?	12/06/2013	Written

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BE13/0543	Internal Product	Humphries	Alternative Policy Costings	Has the Department undertaken any alternative policy costings or advice? If yes, provide details of what these costings or advice were, including provision of costings or advice documents and assumptions used, and who made the request and when.	12/06/2013	Written
BE13/0544	Internal Product	Humphries	Pre-election appointments	Provide a list of any appointments made in your portfolio that will commence after the announced election date of 14 September 2013. Provide details of the appointment including position and length.	12/06/2013	Written
BE13/0545	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Hanson-Young	MOUs	How is DIAC proceeding with renegotiating MOUs with the States and Territories around guardianship arrangements for unaccompanied minors and unaccompanied humanitarian minors (UHMs?)	12/06/2013	Written
BE13/0546	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Hanson-Young	Unaccompanied minors	Will the Department of Immigration forge an agreement with the NSW Government so that unaccompanied minors do not have to move interstate once they receive humanitarian status? What happens if that agreement is not forged?	12/06/2013	Written
BE13/0547	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Hanson-Young	Unaccompanied minors	Have there, thus far, been instances of UAMs having to be relocated due to the lack of agreement with the NSW Government? How many times has this happened and which states received the UHMs?	12/06/2013	Written
BE13/0548	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Hanson-Young	Families in detention	Can the Minister provide more details on the release of families in to the communities on the bridging visa class E? What funding will they receive? Will the funding level be affected by how many children are in the family or is it a flat rate per family?	12/06/2013	Written
BE13/0549	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Hanson-Young	Families in detention	How many families are expected to be released per cohort, in what timeframe, and in which States, Territories, towns and cities?	12/06/2013	Written
BE13/0550	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Hanson-Young	Families in detention	How does the Department intend to continue the roll-out of families in to the community on bridging visas? Is there a plan with a set number and idea of geographical distribution and what is this plan?	12/06/2013	Written
BE13/0551	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Hanson-Young	Families in detention	Given the extensive crisis in housing affordability, particularly in the private rental market in Australian capital cities, has the Department done any modelling on the likely geographic distribution of families based on availability of properties and affordable rental prices?	12/06/2013	Written
BE13/0552	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Hanson-Young	Families in detention	What economic modelling the Department done on the level of funds left to families should they decide to stay in cities and towns with higher rental prices that are closer to services and supports, and what were the conclusions of that modelling?	12/06/2013	Written
BE13/0553	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Hanson-Young	BVEs	Can the Department reveal details of any research done on the likely impacts of releasing families into the community on the bridging visa class E? Particularly the predicted day to day living expenses of families and the likelihood of homelessness?	12/06/2013	Written
BE13/0554	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Hanson-Young	Families in detention	What kind of monitoring and evaluation will the Department be undertaking of families released on the bridging visa class E? Will they be intending to monitor the number and age of children with parents released on this visa and also the level of homelessness and need amongst this group ?	12/06/2013	Written
BE13/0555	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Hanson-Young	Mandatory detention	Could DIAC provide for the year 2012-13 and for each year in the forward estimates period the numbers of (a) adults and (b) children, and the unit cost of processing and supporting: (a) People seeking asylum in Australia who are in mandatory detention in offshore processing centres, (b) People seeking asylum in Australia who are in mandatory detention on Nauru, (c) People seeking asylum in Australia who are in mandatory detention on Manus Island, (d) People seeking asylum in Australia who are in the Community Detention Program with disaggregated unit costs for unaccompanied minors, families with children, and individual adults, (e) People seeking asylum in Australia who have been granted bridging visas with disaggregated unit costs for unaccompanied minors, families with children, and individual adults	12/06/2013	Written

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BE13/0556	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Hanson-Young	Community detention program	With respect to the management of contracts and payments for the Community Detention Program, could DIAC provide for the year 2012-13 and projections for the forward estimates period of: (a) The average number of (i) care plan amendments, and (ii) invoices and individual invoice items submitted for processing disaggregated for unaccompanied minors, families with children, and individual adults. (b) The average time taken to (i) approve care plan amendments, and (ii) invoices and individual invoice items submitted for processing disaggregated for unaccompanied minors, families with children, and individual adults. (c) The average and total number of Community Detention Program expense requests – and value in dollar terms - submitted by program providers that have been contested by DIAC and the bases for contesting or refusing payment. (d) The cost to DIAC of administering the Community Detention Program	12/06/2013	Written
BE13/0557	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Hanson-Young	Community detention program	For the Community Detention Program, why does DIAC require community service organisations to meet program expenses up front and then seek reimbursement from the Department as opposed to the standard process in government contracts for the provision of social services in which providers are funded and provided with guidelines on the purposes for which funding may be used? Has DIAC done any analysis of the relative efficiency of these contracting options? Will there be any variations in the administration of contracts in the next Community Detention Program tender to minimise administrative imposts on providers (sub-contractors and lead agencies) and DIAC?	12/06/2013	Written
BE13/0558	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Hanson-Young	Medical treatment	How much money has been spent so far on flying people back from either Manus Island or Nauru for medical reasons, as at the date of the Department answering this question? How many people have had to be flown back, at the date of the Dept's answering of this question? How long did each of them stay in Australia, as at the date of the Department answering this question? How many of the people were then returned back to either Manus or Nauru once their medical treatment was deemed finished?	12/06/2013	Written
BE13/0559	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Hanson-Young	Manus Island hospital	Please provide an update as to the status of the Manus Island hospital – what has been done to improve its expert staff levels and equipment since the government started moving people from Australia to offshore detention in Manus? Is the hospital currently being used by IHMS or Australian-Commonwealth contracted agencies for the care of asylum seekers living in the nearby detention centre? If not, what is the proposed date when it will be in a state that is able to be used?	12/06/2013	Written
BE13/0560	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Hanson-Young	Medical treatment	Please provide a list of all the ailments and illnesses that have caused men, women and children to be flown back to Australia for medical treatment since the opening of the Manus Island detention centre "RPC" (no personal identifiers).	12/06/2013	Written
BE13/0561	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status Resolution	Rhiannon	Involuntary Removal	At any time prior to being involuntarily returned, are Irregular Maritime Arrivals (IMAs) who have been "screened out" specifically made aware by the Department of the availability of free legal services?	12/06/2013	Written
BE13/0562	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status Resolution	Rhiannon	Screening in/out process	The Department has said that the screening process does not involve any assessment of the credibility of claims. If that's the case, can the Department confirm that any IMA who notifies the Department that they fear significant harm if returned and that they seek to invoke Australia's protection obligations is automatically screened in?	12/06/2013	Written
BE13/0563	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Rhiannon	Mistreatment of returned Sri Lankans	In May 2013 Senate Estimates Ms Larkins from DIAC told Senator Rhiannon that DIAC is aware of three cases of returned asylum seekers from Australia being mistreated in Sri Lanka since 2009. In May 2013 Senate Estimates Ms Rawson from DFAT told Senator Rhiannon there were four allegations of such mistreatment since 2010. (a) Is DIAC aware of those 4 cases since 2010? Please provide details. (b) Can you please clarify how many allegations of mistreatment of asylum seekers refouled from Australia DIAC is aware of, including those returned to Sri Lanka? (c) Please provide any details, including any resolutions to those allegations.	12/06/2013	Written
BE13/0564	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Cash	Community detention program	Senator CASH: Are you able to say what states they have been released into and the suburbs and the postcodes, if possible? Ms Pope: We would have data—I do not have it with me—around the service provider that they were assigned to upon release, and that gives an indication of the state of their first residence. But then, as you know, people are free to move provided they let us know where they move to. So tracking place of residence beyond that first period is quite difficult. We can certainly give you an indication of where they start out and how many go to each state on the basis of where we release them.	28/05/2013	L&CA 70

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BE13/0565	4.2: Onshore Cash Detention Network	Cash	Community detention program	Senator CASH: Do you know where they were living, in which state they were living and how long they had been there? Ms Pope: I believe we know, but I do not know right at the moment. I will check over the dinner break and see if I can advise you.	28/05/2013	L&CA 71
BE13/0569	4.2: Onshore Cash Detention Network	Cash	Contracts and Tenders	Senator CASH: So, what other contracts are in place for this financial year? Mr Callanan: I am going to have to get that figure for you.	28/05/2013	L&CA 89
BE13/0570	4.2: Onshore Cash Detention Network	Cash	Household formation packages	Senator CASH: Thank you for that. Can I go now to the budget for household formation packages, which we have spoken about at previous estimates hearings. What was the budget for household formation packages for the 2012-13 financial year, and what has been the actual spend to date? Ms Pope: We do not have a budget, because it is demand driven. The cost of the household formation packages are included in the rental figure. I would have to take on notice whether we can split that out. Senator CASH: And just remind me: what was the rental figure? Ms Pope: For this financial year to date it is \$18.5 million and for last year it was \$16.5 million. The difference in the number reflects an overall larger number of people in community detention this financial year as compared with last year. Senator CASH: Okay. So from those figures can you separate out the component of household packaging? Ms Pope: I believe I can, Senator, but I am sorry I do not have that with me at the moment.	28/05/2013	L&CA 91
BE13/0571	4.2: Onshore Cash Detention Network	Cash	Community detention	Senator CASH: Do you have a list of those items that a client is entitled to take with them when they exist community detention? I know you have said they can take their bed sheets and their linen et cetera. Does that include their towels, their tea towels, their doonas? Ms Pope: I don't think it includes the doona, but it includes sheets and towels primarily—things they have used for personal use that you would not expect the next person to 'inherit'. Senator CASH: Do you have a cost for the replacement of items? Ms Pope: I think that is within the household formation package figures. If I can separate that out from the rental cost, which I believe I can—I am not sure I can separate out replacement of items as opposed to purchases of full formation packages. I will take it on notice.	28/05/2013	L&CA 92
BE13/0572	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status Resolution	Hanson-Young	Screening in/out process	CHAIR: Mr Bowles, Senator Hanson-Young asked if you could get for her two documents by five o'clock today relating to the enhanced screening process. The two documents she was after are the statement read out at the screening interview and the questions that are part of the screening process. Have you had any luck? Mr Bowles: I said I would take the questions on notice to determine the best way to handle those sensitive questions in the public arena. But we do have a copy of the preamble and I am happy to table it. CHAIR: So you will get back to her with that? Mr Bowles: I will answer the second one on notice. CHAIR: Thank you very much.	28/05/2013	L&CA 97
BE13/0573	4.2: Onshore Cash Detention Network	Cash	Charter Flights	Senator CASH: Could you take on notice the cost of the charter flight to Christmas Island, if anyone was brought back to Perth or Yongah Hill, what the costs were to get them back onto the mainland and confirm the cost of the charter to Colombo. We believe it was about \$160,000. ...	28/05/2013	L&CA 98
BE13/0575	4.2: Onshore Cash Detention Network	Cash	Curtin Detention Centre	Senator CASH: Perhaps I could go back now to the enhanced accommodation capacity at the Curtin detention centre. What are the capital costs of transforming Curtin into an APOD? And what work has been undertaken to date to do that? Mr Douglas: The electronic fences have been disabled. There is a range of adjustments being made to, for example, increase covered areas, walkways and dining rooms and to make sure the centre is safe for children—avoiding tripping hazards and the like. That work is underway. At this stage we do not have enough information in to give an estimate of the expenditure that is going to be incurred for that. Senator CASH: Is there any form of estimate as to what the expenditure might be? Mr Douglas: I would prefer to take that on notice.	28/05/2013	L&CA 104

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BE13/0576	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Cash	Christmas Island	<p>Mr Cahill: ... I note that there are some Indonesian crew in some elements of the APODs on Christmas Island. There are 13 crew. That might be because they are unaccompanied minors. My understanding is that they are kept in an element, but I would have to confirm it. Yes, according to these statistics, I have 13 Indonesian crew spread across a couple of different compounds at the alternative places of detention.</p> <p>Senator CASH: Could you take a question on notice in relation to those 13 crew. I wanted to know why crew members are being housed at Christmas Island in the same section as families. You said it may well be because some of them are minors. Could you take it on notice to tell me who they are and how old they are?</p> <p>Mr Cahill: I will endeavour to get whatever information I can. I will do that as of certain date, because obviously clients move.</p>	28/05/2013	L&CA 107
BE13/0577	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Boyce	CAS	<p>Senator BOYCE: Could you perhaps on notice tell me how many people have been given the CAS.</p> <p>Mr Callanan: Yes.</p>	28/05/2013	L&CA 118
BE13/0578	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status Resolution	Cash	Code of conduct booklet	<p>Senator CASH: In this booklet that we are going to be getting a copy of, are breaches of the types of behaviour outlined in the booklet subject to sanction?</p> <p>Mr Callanan: My recollection is that it kind of exhorts people to behave well. It talks about standards and some of the things that Ms Pope mentioned, such as behaviour on the street and in the community—those kinds of things.</p> <p>Senator CASH: But is it subject to departmental sanction?</p> <p>Mr Callanan: We will have to refresh our memories, but I think that there is a reference to a sanction. But we will need to check.</p>	28/05/2013	L&CA 66