

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

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IMMIGRATION AND MULTICULTURAL AFFAIRS PORTFOLIO

(79) Output 1.1 Migration and Temporary Entry

Senator Crossin (L&CA written) asked:

With regard to 457 compliance staffing levels and costs in 2004-2005 and 2005-2006. Is it projected that compliance numbers staff will increase?

Answer:

Caseload staffing numbers fluctuate in response to programme use. On the 30/10/2006 the minister announced additional resources for Subclass 457 monitoring and compliance resulting in an additional 27 staff to be engaged in 2006-07 including 5 investigators.