

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 21 OCTOBER 2008

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(11) Output: Portfolio Tribunals (MRT-RRT)

Senator Barnett (L&CA 17) asked:

Provide the number of unconstituted MRT cases for the last two years.

Answer:

The number of unconstituted MRT cases at the end of 2007-08 was 3,296; for 2006-07 it was 1,803; and for 2005-06 it was 2,362. A breakdown by visa category is provided in the table below. As at 30 September 2008, the MRT had 2,908 unconstituted cases.

Visa category	Number of cases as at		
	30/06/2006	30/06/2007	30/06/2008
Bridging refusal	7	6	15
Visitor refusal	78	102	189
Student refusal	125	138	463
Temporary business refusal	121	100	407
Permanent business refusal	82	67	125
Skill linked refusal	381	242	642
Partner refusal	968	668	891
Family refusal	269	239	253
Student cancellation	154	99	30
Sponsor approval refusal	46	17	79
Other	131	125	202
Total	2,362	1,803	3,296