

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 21 OCTOBER 2008

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(23) Output 1.1: Migration and Temporary Entry

Senator Ellison (L&CA 50) asked:

Still on labour agreements, the answer to question on notice No. 12 from the February estimates stated that, in 2006-07, 7.4 per cent of 457 visas were held by persons working under labour agreements. Can you give us the figures now for 2007-08? Can you give us an idea of whether or not it has increased?

Answer:

For the financial year 2007-08, 4.0 per cent of total Subclass 457 visa grants were for persons employed under a labour agreement.

This is a decrease from the 7.4 per cent you have referred to.