QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 19 OCTOBER 2010

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(151) Program 1.1: Visa and Migration

Senator Cash asked:

- (1) How many 457 applications were there?
- (2) In what industries?

Answer.

- (1) The number of subclass 457 primary visa applications lodged in 2009-10 was 38,900 and in 2010-11 to 31 October 2010, 16,250 applications were lodged.
- (2) The number of subclass 457 primary visa applications lodged by sponsor industry in 2009-10 and in 2010-11 to 31 October 2010 is shown in the following table:

Sponsor Industry	2009-10	2010-11 to 31/10/2010
Accommodation and Food Services	1 510	710
Administrative and Support Services	330	130
Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing	700	160
Arts and Recreation Services	640	180
Construction	3 880	2 020
Education and Training	2 260	780
Electricity, Gas, Water and Waste Services	510	250
Financial and Insurance Services	2 150	840
Health Care and Social Assistance	6 710	2 100
Information Media and Telecommunications	4 010	1 840
Manufacturing	2 190	760
Mining	2 580	1 100
Other Services	3 590	1 900
Professional, Scientific and Technical	1 110	730
Public Administration and Safety	890	250
Rental, Hiring and Real Estate Services	2 250	1 120
Retail Trade	1 120	460
Transport Postal and Warehousing	500	190
Wholesale Trade	800	330
Not Specified	1 160	410
Total	38 900	16 250

Note 1: Figures rounded to the nearest 10

Note 2: The industry is self-identified by the sponsor