QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 17 OCTOBER 2011

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(SE11/0331) Program 4.2: Onshore Detention Network

Senator Cash asked:

General questions onshore and offshore detention: How many mental health professionals are currently engaged permanently or temporarily at each of the detention facilities on the mainland and Christmas Island? Please provide details. Has this changed and if so by how much since the last update?

Answer.

The Detention Health Service Provider, IHMS, advises that as at 19 December 2011 it employed 117 mental health care professionals at detention facilities. As at 30 June 2011, this figure was 93.5. A breakdown by facility follows:

Number of Mental Health Care Professionals (full-time equivalent)

Facility	30 Jun 2011	19 Dec 2011
Brisbane ITA	2	1
Christmas Island (all facilities)	18	19
Curtin IDC	10	17
Darwin Airport Lodge APOD (incl DAL 2/3)	16	12
Inverbrackie APOD	8	8
Leonora APOD	3	2
Maribyrnong IDC	3	3
Melbourne ITA	4	4
Northern IDC	9.5	12
Perth IDC	2	3
Perth IRH	0	1
Pontville IDC	not open	9
Port Augusta IRH	2	2
Scherger IDC	9	9
Villawood IDC	7	7
Wickham Point IDC	not open	8
Total	93.5	117