

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 15 October 2012

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(SE12/0305) PROGRAM – Internal Product

Senator Cash () asked:

How much did this cost in 2011-12? How much additional cost has been budgeted for 2012-13?

Answer:

It is not possible to separate out the cost of administering the single assessment regime from 24 March 2012 – 30 June 2012 as many of the resources attributable to it were simultaneously engaged in transitional activities between the two regimes.

The Annual Report (<http://www.immi.gov.au/about/reports/annual/2011-12/pdf/report-on-performance.pdf>) indicates on page 37 the cost of the program.

Projected costs of the program for 2012-2013 can be found in the DIAC budget statements (<http://www.immi.gov.au/about/reports/budget/budget12/pbs/2012-13-pbs-full.pdf>) on page 31.