

**QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE**

**SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 15 October 2012**

**IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO**

**(SE12/0683) PROGRAM – 5.1: Settlement Services for Migrants and Refugees**

Senator Cash (written) asked:

What levels of achievement were attained by exiting clients broken down into CSWE Levels 1, 2 and 3 and Certificates of Attainment for 2011/12?

*Answer:*

Clients enter the Adult Migrant English Program (AMEP) with a wide range of capabilities and achieve different levels of English proficiency at different rates. A number of factors may contribute to a client's level of attainment on exit from the program, including age, intensity of learning, pre-migration experience, personal circumstances, previous educational achievement and practice outside of class.

The following table shows the Certificate in Spoken and Written English (CSWE) levels attained by the 2054 clients who exited the AMEP in 2011-12.

<b>Reason for exiting AMEP</b>	<b>CSWE Level</b>			
	<i>Pre-CSWE</i>	<i>CSWE Level I</i>	<i>CSWE Level II</i>	<i>CSWE Level III</i>
Completed exactly 510 hours	13	39	21	6
Reached five years	33	16	10	10
Reached Functional English	-	-	-	1906