Borders: Personal Records

Mr. Evans: To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department if she will provide a breakdown by offence of the arrests made under Project Semaphore of the e-Borders programme. [203607]

Mr. Byrne [holding answer 6 May 2008]: Alerts issued by e-Borders have resulted in over 1,700 arrests. A breakdown of arrests by offence is as follows:

Offence type	Number over period January 2005 to March 2008
Murder	18
Kidnapping	6
Rape	7
Sexual offences	49
Missing person found	0
Registered sex offender	8
Deserter from armed forces	1
Threatening behaviour	14
Harassment	10
Threats to kill	6
Violence against the person	77
Assault	110
Robbery	31
Burglary	38
Theft	82
Handling stolen goods	63
Criminal damage	29
Rioting	6
Offensive weapons/firearms	20
Road traffic offences	176
Drink driving	3
Arson	2
Fraud	66
Deception	28
Blackmail	1
Perverting the course of justice	6
Breach of court order	187
Prison absconder	7
Recall to prison	22

Failure to attend court	132
Bail offences	271 16 May 2008 : Column 1825W
Non-payment of fines	154
Obstruction of police at court	1
Money laundering	35
Drug offences	60
Bigamy	1
Breach of the peace	2
Deserting the army	7
Copyright offences	1
Prostitution	1
Bankruptcy	1
Travelling on lost/stolen/cancelled passport	1
Fraudulently obtained document	1
Previous adverse immigration history/RLE	3
Facilitator	5
Total	1,749

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Mr. Evans: To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department if she will provide a breakdown by category of the alerts raised under Project Semaphore of the e-Borders programme. [203608]

Mr. Byrne [holding answer 6 May 2008]: Alerts issued by e-Borders are now in excess of 23,000. A breakdown of alert categories is listed as follows:

	Alerts
Police	10,438
HMRC (HMRC Detection now part of UK Border Agency)	2,218
Border and Immigration Agency (now UK Border Agency)	10,156
UKvisas (now part of UK Border Agency)	573

Mr. Evans: To ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department from which highrisk countries travellers are subject to compulsory watch-list checks under the e-Borders programme. [203942]

Mr. Byrne [holding answer 7 May 2008]: e-Borders currently receives data on 30 million passengers' movements per annum from 102 carriers serving 182 non-UK departure points. We cannot disclose greater detail of these routes as it could potentially prejudice our ability to maintain the integrity of the control.

http://www.publications.parliament.uk/pa/cm200708/cmhansrd/cm080516/text/80516w0006.htm