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Information requested under FOI

On 17 February 2025, the applicant submitted an FOI request to the Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet (Department) in the following terms:

I request under the FOI Act the number of visits by PM&C devices to the deepseek.com domain for the period 1-12-24 to 15-2-25

Response

In response to the applicant's request, the Department can provide the following information:

The Department operates a shared services arrangement for IT services, and is not able to readily distinguish web traffic of PM&C devices, from that of other shared service entities. The information available represents the combined number of visits to the domain for the relevant period from both PM&C and APSC devices.

There were 389 hits attributed to the domain deepseek.com during the period 1 December 2024 to 15 February 2025 inclusive. As a general matter, a hit is a request for a file such as a web page, image, javascript, or CSS hosted on a web server. A single visit to a website may result in many hits depending on the complexity of a particular webpage, and how many resources it requires to be downloaded in order to display.

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