Senate Standing Committee on Education and Employment - Education

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE Supplementary Budget Estimates 2014-2015

Outcome 1 - Early Childhood Education and Care

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Question

Child Care Benefit (CCB) receipients

Can the department provide the percentage of Child Care Benefit (CCB) recipients receiving the maximum rate and partial rate of CCB over the last five years?

Answer

The following table provides the requested information apart from the 2013-14 financial year as this data is not yet available.

Proportion of families who received a Child Care Benefit (CCB) reduction, by CCB rate type, 2009-10 to 2012-13

Child Care Benefit	Financial year				
payment method	2009–10	2010–11	2011–12	2012–13	2013-14
Fee reduction maximum	42.1	40.0	41.3	41.0	Not yet available
Fee reduction partial	71.7	70.5	65.5	71.8	Not yet available

Source: Department of Education administrative data

Note: Families may receive different CCB rates within a financial year. If they received maximum fee reduction at some time, and partial fee reduction at another time in the same financial year, then they will be counted in both rows (maximum and partial). As a result, the sum of the component parts is greater than 100 per cent.