

Senate Committee: Education and Employment

QUESTION ON NOTICE

Supplementary Budget Estimates 2015 - 2016

Outcome: Early Childhood and Child Care

Department of Education and Training Question No. SQ15-000911

Senator Lines, Sue provided in writing

Budget Based Funded Centres

Question

What is the current average operating expenditure of Budget Based Funded Centres? What is the maximum annual operating expenditure? What is the minimum annual operating expenditure?

Answer

The Department of Education and Training provides a contribution to the operational costs of the Budget Based Funded (BBF) services.

While we have good information on our grants allocated to BBF centres, our information holdings on their operational expenditure are of a commercial-in-confidence nature and are aggregated to the organisational level. As a result, the department is not able to readily calculate the average annual operating expenditure of BBF centres.