

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. SQ15-000920

Senator Lines, Sue provided in writing

Child Care Rebate cap

Question

In relation to the CCR cap:

- a. How many families and children are projected to hit the \$7,500 CCR cap in the current year and future years? How many of these families also receive CCB in full or in part?
- b. How many families and children have hit the \$7,500 CCR cap in each of the last five years?
- c. How many families that are projected to hit the current CCR cap have an income of more than \$185,000 per annum? How many have an income of more than \$165,000? How many have an income of more than \$230,000?

Answer

- a. It is estimated that 84,400 families and 96,000 children will reach the CCR cap in 2015-16, and that 107,800 families and 123,400 children will reach the CCR cap in 2016-17. To provide an answer on how many families also receive CCB would require an unreasonable diversion of resources.
- b. Table 1 contains the number of families and children that have hit the CCR cap in the past 5 years.

Table 1: Families and children reaching the CCR cap, by Financial Year

Financial Year	Families	Children
2010-11	11,060	11,950
2011-12	24,330	26,480
2012-13	34,960	38,300
2013-14	51,110	56,940
2014-15	57,300	64,360

Source: Department of Education and Training administrative data (unpublished)

- c. To answer this question would require an unreasonable diversion of resources.