

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. SQ15-000963

Senator Lines, Sue provided in writing

Updated figures on out of pocket costs

Question

Can you please provide updated figures on the out of pocket costs as per figure 6 on page 12 of the Childhood and Child Care in Summary (attached). Please provide the most up-to-date out of pocket percentages for each of the income brackets as listed in the table.

a. Why have these figures not been updated for the past two quarterly reports?

Answer

The data on a family's disposable income is only available in the March quarter each year, and so the out-of-pocket calculations only apply to the March quarter each year.

The latest data can be found at <http://www.education.gov.au/child-care-update>