

**Senate Standing Committee on Economics**

**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

**Treasury Portfolio**

Additional Estimates 2012

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**Question: AET 430 - 431**

**Topic: Paid Parental Leave (ABS)**

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**Senator BUSHBY asked:**

430. Please list how many staff in each portfolio department and agency are eligible to receive payments under the Government's Paid Parental Leave scheme?
431. For this financial year to date list which department/agency is providing its employees with payments under the Government's Paid Parental Leave scheme? Please list how many staff are in receipt of these payments.

**Answer:**

430. The Paid Parental Leave scheme is administered by the Family Assistance Office. Eligibility is based on a number of factors, including an individual's adjusted taxable income, the length of time a person has been employed, and whether or not that person is the primary carer. This information is not available within the agency for each employee.
431. As at 31 January 2012, twenty three staff in the ABS are currently receiving payments under the Paid Parental Scheme through the ABS.