

**Senate Standing Committee on Education Employment and Workplace
Relations**

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
Additional Estimates 2009-2010**

Outcome 1 - Early Childhood

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Senator Fifield provided in writing.

Question

CHILD CARE FEE ASSISTANCE

How many parents currently utilise Registered Care for children aged: 0 – 4; 5 – 9; 10 – 15 years? How many of those parents utilising Registered Carer are doing so for a child with disability aged: 0-4; 5-9; 10 – 15years? How many parents currently utilise Registered Nurse for children aged: 0 – 4; 5 – 9; 10 – 15 years? How many of those parents utilising Registered Nurse are doing so for a child with disability aged: 0-4; 5-9; 10 – 15years?

Answer

The number of families using registered care for children aged:0 – 4; 5 – 9; and 10 – 15 yearsareas follows:

Number of families using registered care by selected age groups, 2007-08

Age of child in years	Number of Families
0-4	24,297
5-9	39,091
10-15	2,784

Notes:

- 1) Centrelink Administrative data,financial year 2007-08.
- 2) As a family may have more than one child using registered care, the same family may be counted in more than one age group.

The department does not collect information on whether or not children using registered care have a disability, nor about families using registered nurses.