Senate Standing Committee on Education Employment and Workplace Relations

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE Additional Estimates 2012-2013

Outcome 1 - Early Childhood, Working Age and Indigenous Participation

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Question

Child Care Benefit and Child Care Rebate

Senator BILYK: I want to ask about the childcare benefit and childcare rebate in program 1.2. Are you able to provide the revised figures on the number of families and children supported by those payments in the 2012-13 financial year? Mr Maynard: On childcare benefit, following additional estimates, the revised number of families expected to be receiving childcare benefit would be—I am just adding a couple of numbers in my head—780,000. In relation to the childcare rebate, the number of families expected to be receiving childcare rebate following additional estimates will be 797,000. Senator BILYK: Is there a state breakdown of the expected number of children and families supported through these two programs? Ms Taylor: We will take that on notice as to a state breakdown.

Answer

The Department does not have a state/territory breakdown of the expected number of children and families using Child Care Benefit and Child Care Rebate for 2012-13 at this stage.