Senate Standing Committee on Education Employment and Workplace Relations

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE Supplementary Budget Estimates 2012-2013

Outcome 1 – Early Childhood, Working Age and Indigenous Participation

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Question

JETCCFA – average cost and usage

Senator NASH: What is the average cost per place? Ms Taylor: I would have to take that on notice. I do not have an average cost for JET. Senator NASH: If you could do that, that would be great. Is there an average duration that a parent-child will utilise a JET place? Do you have any sense of that sort of figure? Ms Taylor: Senator, it is available. We probably can get that on notice to you. Senator NASH: That is fine, and any that are not too much detail at the moment. I am happy for you to take them on notice rather than guess.

Answer

Jobs, Education and Training Child Care Fee Assistance (JETCCFA) Average Cost For the 2011-12 financial year, JETCCFA expenditure was \$101.4 million and assisted 37 200 parents. This equates to an average of \$2725.81 JETCCFA expenditure per parent.

JETCCFA average usage

For the 2011-12 financial year, the average number of weeks per child in care funded by JETCCFA was 20.9 weeks.