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Outcome Number: 1.1 Family Tax Benefit

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Topic: Family Tax Benefit

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Senator Murray Watt asked:

1. What is the income distribution for families in Australia?
2. Where does:
 - a) \$80,000 a year sit in the income distribution?
 - b) \$100,000 a year sit in the distribution?

Answer:

1. The table below shows an estimated income distribution for families with children in 2016-17, based on Australian Bureau of Statistics survey data.

Percentiles	Adjusted Taxable Income in annual terms in 2016-17\$*
10th percentile	24,954
20th percentile	39,669
30th percentile	56,166
40th percentile	77,788
50th percentile	99,306
60th percentile	120,047
70th percentile	141,872
80th percentile	174,748
90th percentile	232,534
100th percentile	2,791,407

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics Survey of Income and Housing 2013-14 confidentialised unit record file (documentation: catalogue number 6541.0.30.001 released 06/11/2015); uprated by Department of Social Services.

Note: includes families (Australian Bureau of Statistics income units) with children aged under 15 or older children still in school.

Uprating factor is average weekly earnings growth from November 2013 to November 2016 (around 4.425 per cent). Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics catalogue number 6302.0 – Average Weekly Earnings, Australia, Nov 2016 Table 3, Series: A85002157R.

2. a.) A family income of \$80,000 in 2016-17 is estimated to be between the 40th and 50th percentile.
b.) A family income of \$100,000 in 2016-17 is estimated to be between the 50th and 60th percentile.