## Senate Community Affairs Committee ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE SOCIAL SERVICES PORTFOLIO

## 2015-16 Budget Estimates Hearings

Outcome Number: 2.2 Paid Parental Leave Question No: SQ15-000672

**Topic: Paid Parental Leave** 

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**Senator Collins, Jacinta** asked:

Can you give me the end date for the analysis drawn on the PPL evaluation data?

## **Answer:**

The Paid Parental Leave (PPL) evaluation was conducted over a four-year period from 2010 to 2014. The modelling for the PPL Budget measure drew on the Family and Work Cohort Study (FaWCS) that was undertaken as part of the evaluation. FaWCS analysis was based on responses from a two wave survey of over 4,000 mothers who had a baby in October or November 2011. Surveys were undertaken when the babies were about seven months old and again when the babies were 13 months old. For the modelling work undertaken for the Budget measure, parameters in FaWCS, such as incomes, were increased to 2014-15 values.