

Senate Standing Committee on Economics

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Treasury Portfolio

Budget Estimates

17 October –18 October 2012

Question: SBT 1524-1526

Topic: Paid Parental Leave (PC)

Written: Received from Committee – 26 October 2012

Senator BUSHBY asked:

1524. Please list how many staff in each portfolio department and agency are eligible to receive payments under the Government's Paid Parental Leave scheme?
1525. For this financial year to date, list which department/agency is providing its employees with payments under the Government's Paid Parental Leave scheme? Please list how many staff and their classification are in receipt of these payments.
1526. For 2011-12, which department/agency provided its employees with payments under the Government's Paid Parental Leave scheme? Please list how many staff and their classification are in receipt of these payments.

Answer:

1524. All employees with more than twelve months service who earn less than \$150,000 per annum and are the primary care giver of the child are eligible to receive payment under the government's Paid Parental Leave Scheme. As eligibility is based on primary caring responsibility, the number of eligible staff in the Productivity Commission cannot be identified.
1525. For the financial year to 26 October, one employee (EL1) of the Productivity Commission was in receipt of payments under the Government's Paid Parental Leave scheme.
1526. For the financial year 2011-12, three employees (1 x APS4, 1 x APS6, 1 x EL1) of the Productivity Commission received payments under the Government's Paid Parental Leave scheme.