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Question: SBT 1542-1544

Topic: Paid Parental Leave (ATO)

Written: Received from Committee – 26 October 2012

Senator BUSHBY asked:

- 1542. Please list how many staff in each portfolio department and agency are eligible to receive payments under the Government's Paid Parental Leave scheme?
- 1543. For this financial year to date (26 October 2012) 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.
- 1544. 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:

1542. All employees who are the primary carer of a newborn, or recently adopted, child and have more than 12 months of service, with a taxable income of less than \$150,000 per annum are eligible to receive payments under the Government's paid parental leave scheme.

Given the broad eligibility for the parental leave scheme, the definitive number of eligible staff cannot be identified.

1543. In 2012-13 to 26 October 2012, 209 employees (including the Australian Valuation Office, Australian Charities and Not-for-Profits Commission, Tax Practitioners Board and Australian Business Register) were in receipt of these payments.

Classification	Number of employees
APS 1	2
APS 2	4
APS 3	37
APS 4	25
APS 5	21
APS 6	50
EL1	53
EL2.1	9
EL2.2	6
SES	1
AVO	1
Total	209

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1544. In 2011-12, 330 employees (including Australian Valuation Office, Australian Charities and Not-for-Profits Commission, Tax Practitioners Board and Australian Business Register) were in receipt of these payments.

Classification	No of employee
APS 1	4
APS 2	11
APS 3	56
APS 4	40
APS 5	42
APS 6	78
EL1	74
EL2.1	19
EL2.2	5
SES	0
AVO	1
Total	330