

**Senate Standing Committee on Education Employment and Workplace  
Relations**

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE  
Additional Estimates 2011-2012**

**Outcome 1 - Early Childhood Education and Child Care**

**DEEWR Question No. EW1179\_12**

**Senator Back asked on 16 February 2012, Hansard page 18**

**Question**

**Family day care educators**

Senator BACK: Do they advise family day carers if English is their second language? Is that information you collate? Mr De Silva: I am not entirely sure we do collect that information from family day care educators. Ms Taylor: But it may be in the national workforce census. Senator BACK: It would be interesting to know. It would be interesting to know the proportion of carers that might have a language other than English as well.

**Answer**

The 2010 Early Childhood Education and Care (ECEC) National Workforce Census did not collect information on the Language Other Than English (LOTE) status of ECEC staff and carers.