

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

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
Additional Estimates 2012-2013**

Outcome 1 - Early Childhood, Working Age and Indigenous Participation

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Question

Number of Certified Supervisors under the National Quality Framework

Senator NASH: I will move on to the certified supervisors. Have there been any complaints to the department about any problems centres are facing in having their supervisors approved at all? Mr De Silva: There have been issues raised in terms of trying to get the number of certified supervisors approved. There is a process by which they get assessed by state and territory regulatory authorities, and that process is continuing. There has been a large demand. There has actually been a very large demand from staff in the sector to actually get a supervisor certificate. Senator NASH: How many supervisors are there approved nationally currently? Mr De Silva: I would have to take that on notice.

Answer

The Australian Children's Education and Care Quality Authority advise that there were 50 553 approved Certified Supervisors in the National Quality Agenda IT System as at 25 March 2013. State and Territory Regulatory Authorities are responsible for approving supervisor certificate applications and are the most appropriate source for information on the number of Certified Supervisors within their jurisdiction.