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Question

Family Centred Employment Project (FCEP) - Number who have left the program

Senator CASH: I have some questions on the Family Centred Employment Project. How many families are currently part of this pilot, and have any since left the pilot?

Ms Hosking: Two hundred and one families have worked as part of the pilot. Of those families, 174 have signed a family care plan and are actively working as part of the program at the moment. Of the remainder, a small number have left the program but there are also some who are working with the provider to develop their plan. We are not able to break those down today. Mr Kovacic: We will take on notice how many have formally left the program. To add to what Ms Hosking said, those numbers are as at end of March.

Answer

As at 31 March 2012, the Family Centred Employment Project (FCEP) providers had worked with a total of 201 families. Of these, two families reached their identified goals in their family care plan and are no longer working with their FCEP provider.

If a family decides to stop working with their FCEP provider, they may return at any time to develop a family care plan with a case manager and progress towards meeting their employment, education or social related goals.