

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

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

**Outcome 1 – Early Childhood, Working Age and Indigenous Participation**

**DEEWR Question No.** EW0362\_13

**Senator Nash asked on 30 May 2012 , Hansard page 62**

**Question**

***Long Day Care Centres***

Senator NASH: How many long day care centres nationally would have fewer than 30 places? Mr Kimber: I do not know whether we would have that information. Senator NASH: Would you mind taking that on notice. Mr Kimber: Usually the average is about 50 to 60. Senator NASH: Insofar as you can, could you take it on notice and perhaps try and provide that information? Could you do that on a state-by-state basis? I am interested in the comparative numbers across the states and territories. Where do the 24-hour long day care centres currently operate? Is there any consideration of having more 24-hour long day care centres?

**Answer**

Due to the uncapping of approved places in 2006, services are not required to report their places, therefore, the Department cannot provide this information.

***24 hour care***

The questions relating to 24 hour care were answered during the estimates hearing and are on page 62 of the draft Hansard.