

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

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

Outcome 1 – Early Childhood, Working Age and Indigenous Participation

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Senator Nash asked on 18 October 2012, Hansard page 109

Question

Special Child Care Benefit Appeals

Senator NASH: How many appeals have been lodged? Mr Maynard: Unfortunately, I do not have that but I can take that on notice and seek information from the Department of Human Services. Senator NASH: That would be great, thank you. Ms Taylor: That would be from the Department of Human Services.

Answer

The Department of Human Services has provided the following response.

The Department of Human Services is unable to separate Special Child Care Benefit appeals data from Child Care Benefit appeals data.

With regard to Child Care Benefit (including Special Child Care Benefit), the Authorised Review Officer for the Department of Human Services received 166 appeals for the quarter 1 July 2012 – 30 September 2012, and 87 appeals for the quarter 1 April 2012 – 30 June 2012.