Senate Standing Committee on Education and Employment - Education

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE Supplementary Budget Estimates 2013-2014

Outcome 1 - Early Childhood Education and Child Care

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Question

JET - No of parents

ACTING CHAIR: In relation to JET, which is under this heading as well, can the department confirm how many families have accessed JET funding this year. Ms Pearce: You spoke about families. My numbers are in terms of parents and children. A colleague has just handed me some information: as of March this year, the figure is 16,020. That is the number of families. ACTING CHAIR: You said you had the number in terms of parents and children. How is that different? Mr T Cook: There might be more children in one family. ACTING CHAIR: So you are saying that there are 16,020 families. Ms Pearce: Yes, that is correct. Mr T Cook: We have information on families, parents and children. We can give you all of those. ACTING CHAIR: Thank you, Mr Cook.

Answer

There were 19,140 parents who accessed Jobs Education Training Child Care Fee Assistance in the March quarter 2013.