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	1.1		Double Orphan Pension Family Tax Benefit
	"."	Family Assistance	Maternity Allowance Maternity Immunisation
			Austudy Payment
			Referral to Green Corps
	1.2	Youth & Student Support	JPET
			Youth Allowance Incapacitated
	-		Youth Allowance
	1.3	Child Support	Child Support registrations
	2.1	Childcare Support	Child Care Benefit
		Housing Support	Rent Assistance
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			Bereavement Allowance
			CDEP
			Crisis Payment
			Pensioner Education Supplement
FACS			Jobs Education and Training
	24	Labour Made and a	Newstart Mature Age Allowance
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			Parenting Payment (partnered)
2000年1000日			Parenting Payment (single) Partner Allowance
			Special Benefit
			Widow Allowance
			Disability Support Pension
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			Wife Pension DISABILITY
有其例是 图	3.3	Support for Carers	Carer Allowance
			Carer Payment
2000年			Age Pension
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ST. CHESTS			Widow B Pension
DEWR	1.2	Labour Market Program Management & Delivery	
ŀ	1.2	Assistance for School Students with Special Needs	Assistance for Isolated Children
	2.1	Infrastructure Funding for the Post Compulsory	Abstudy
DEST		Education System	ABSTUDY Pensioner Education
	2.2	New Apprenticeships	NAAP New Apprenticeships
	0.5		Career Counselling
	2.3	Skill Development and Transition Support	Jobs Pathway Programme
			Literacy and Numeracy
		Skill Development and Transition Support	

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Linking Australian Government services

Centrelink Funding Model
31 May 2004

Background

- In November 1998, the Prime Minister requested details of Centrelink's operating arrangements.
- The ensuing Centrelink Review reported that a key issue was the lack of transparency of the cost of Centrelink's services and recommended further costing analysis to provide purchasers with information linking costs, outputs and outcomes.
- Purchasing agencies should be formula funded for Centrelink demand driven outputs and the full costs of implementations be included in the price.

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CFM History

- Centrelink Review (Dec 1999) recommends that purchasing agencies be formula funded for demand driven outputs;
- Budget 2001/02: Government agrees to Output Pricing Reviews for APS undertaken for Centrelink with FaCS as lead agency
- Budget 2002/03: Government endorses the CFM and its underlying principles. After further refinement of the CFM and a pricing review, it is to be brought back to Budget 2003/04
- Completion of the Centrelink Output Pricing Review by the Boston Consulting Group. The review concluded that Centrelink's overall cost efficiency is comparable to that of other network businesses with 21% increase in productivity.
- Budget 2003/04: CFM to be brought back for 2004/05 Budget once financial implications and linkages between the CFM and BPAs are worked through.
- Budget 2004/05: CFM agreed to be implemented from 1 July 2004 on a cost neutral basis.

Pre-existing Funding Arrangements

- <u>FaCS</u> based on an agreement between DoFA and DSS prior to Centrelink's creation in 1997. This agreement takes into account changes in customer numbers, Budget measures and efficiency dividends.
- <u>DEWR</u> calculated using an Agreed Costing Framework (ACF) based on estimates of transaction volumes and negotiated transaction times.
- <u>DEST</u> based on a block of funding dating from Centrelink's creation which has been adjusted for budget measures and other government decisions.

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Purpose of the CFM

- CFM is a cost-based model designed to provide sufficient revenue to Centrelink so that, under efficient management, total operating expenses are covered.
- Uniform arrangements by which FaCS, DEWR and DEST will fund Centrelink for the delivery of their services.

Objectives of CFM

- Transparency of costs
- Increased accountability
- Certainty & stability of funding for Centrelink
- Simplicity of funding arrangements

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CFM Features

- Budget Initiatives handled separately
- Cost based model
- Focuses on Outputs (eg Claim) not Inputs (eg staff salary)
- Centrelink funded for <u>actual</u> workload via reconciliation process
- Improved transparency of Centrelink costs

Key differences between CFM and RFM

RFM

- Funding based on customer numbers for 4 broad groups: Unemployed, Families, Pensioners & Students.
 - Equates to about 20 payments.
- Uses an historic staffing factor for funding: the number of staff per 10,000 customers.
- Does not take into account any changes to work processes, customer behaviours and labour market dynamics.
- No transparency of the costs of service delivery.
- No specific adjustment for changes in requirements for infrastructure funding.
- No reconciliation of projected revenue except for Newstart and Youth Allowance unemployed customers.

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Key differences between CFM and RFM

CFM

- Funding based on demand driven workload for FaCS' service outputs (ie payment types).
- Funding reflects changes to work processes and customer complexities.
- Quarterly reporting on actual workload.
- Provides greater transparency of Centrelink's costs
- Reconciliation of projected to actual workload for all service outputs (payment types).

What is the Centrelink Funding Model

- The key components of the CFM are:
 - Transaction variable and
 - Infrastructure.
- Transaction variable is the primary cost driver, increasing or decreasing with demand driven activity within Centrelink's network.
- Infrastructure provides Centrelink with the resources required to support delivery of customer services.

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CFM Transaction Costs

- The transaction variable component is categorised into the following cost drivers which are essentially major tasks associated with each payment:
 - Claims
 - Notifiable events
 - Income Support Reviews
 - Participation Assessments
 - Participation Support activities
 - Debts
 - General Enquiry Contacts at Call Centres and
 - Operational Service Component which represents work not captured by one of the above primary cost drivers for example general enquiries, complaints, Original Decision Maker (ODM) reviews, privacy reviews, FOI requests, etc.

CFM Transaction Costs

- The transaction costs are the product of:
 - Work volumes (transactions);
 - Relative effort weightings (REWs) and
 - The unit cost.
- A process point represents a unit of 5 minutes of operational workload.
- The REW represents the work effort taken on average to complete a task. 1 REW = 5 minutes.
- Number of transactions x REW = process points
- Process points x unit cost = transaction cost

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Agreed Controls

- application of an annual upward reconciliation cap of 1.6 per cent on estimates:
- any savings from the reconciliation process comparing actual to projected workload would be returned to Budget;
- provision of quarterly data by Centrelink to client agencies for monitoring and estimate updates;
- a full year reconciliation of projected estimates with actual data every year;
- forward estimates to be adjusted for any change in projected customer numbers but with customer workloads held at 2002-03 level;
- a review of the CFM with the results to be considered in the 2006/07 Budget; and
- any proposed changes to the parameters of the CFM, such as changes to cost drivers and/or service standards, that potentially have a budgetary impact would be referred to Cabinet for approval.

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Output Group: Centrelink Question No:

Topic: Budget Measures - breakdown

Hansard Page: CA22

Senator Forshaw asked:

At page 278 of the PBS is an overview of the various budget measures. Can you give us a breakdown of where the costs for each measure will go and what the budget and impact of each measure will be on Centrelink's workload and systems?

Answer:

Please refer to the attachment.

Centre Reven	elink ue and ASL - Budget	2004-0)5														
Cost	Title	2004	-05			2005	-06			200	6-07			200	7-08		
Num ber		(Milli	ions)			(Milli	ions)			(Mil	lions)			(Mil	llions)		
		NS O	IT	NET WO RK	TO TA L	NS O	IT	NET WO RK	TO TA L	N S O	IT	NET WO RK	TO TA L	N S O	IT	NET WO RK	TO TA L
Carers				IKK				IKK				IKK				IKK	
1	Carer Allowance - Co-residency																
1/04/ 2005	REVENUE	0.3	0.6	2.4	3.2	0.0	0. 1	0.1	0.2	0. 0	0. 1	0.1	0.2	0. 0	0.1	0.1	0.2
5050	ASL	1.1	2.0	31.8	34. 9	0.0	0. 3	1.4	1.7	0. 0	0. 3	1.4	1.7	0. 0	0.3	1.4	1.7
Famili	es					_	_								_		
2	More Outside School Hours Care Places																
1/07/ 2004	REVENUE	0.0	0.0	0.9	0.9	0.0	0. 0	0.9	0.9	0. 0	0. 0	0.9	0.9	0. 0	0.0	0.9	0.9
5117	ASL	0.0	0.0	10.3	10. 3	0.0	0. 0	11.3	11. 3	0. 0	0. 0	11.3	11. 3	0. 0	0.0	11.3	11. 3
3	More Family Day Care Places																
1/07/ 2004	REVENUE	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0 4	0.0	0. 0	0.0	0.0 4	0. 00 1	0. 0	0.04	0.0 4	0. 0	0.0	0.0	0.0 4
5118	ASL	0.0	0.0	0.5	0.5	0.0	0. 0	0.6	0.6	0. 0	0. 0	0.6	0.6	0. 0	0.0	0.6	0.6
	TOTAL FAMILIES REVENUE	0.0	0.0	0.9	0.9	0.0	0. 0	0.9	0.9	0. 0	0. 0	0.9	0.9	0. 0	0.0	0.9	0.9
	TOTAL FAMILIES	0.0	0.0	10.8	10. 8	0.0	0.	11.9	11. 9	0. 0	0. 0	11.9	11. 9	0.	0.0	11.9	11. 9
Youth	& Students																
4	8 Homebase Services																
1/07/ 2004	REVENUE	0.2	0.1	0.5	0.8	0.2	0.	0.5	0.7	0. 2	0. 02	0.5	0.7	0.	0.0	0.5	0.7
4929	ASL	1.7	0.7	6.4	8.8	1.7	0. 1	6.4	8.2	1. 7	0. 1	6.4	8.2	1. 7	0.1	6.4	8.2
Compl	liance																
5	Review of PPs Customers' Marital Status when processing address changes - Option 2																

1/07/ 2005	REVENUE	0.1	0.5	0.6	1.1	0.0	0. 1	2.2	2.3	0. 0	0. 1	2.0	2.1	0. 0	0.1	2.0	2.0
4983	ASL	0.6	2.0	7.6	10. 2	0.2	0. 3	27.0	27. 5	0. 3	0. 3	25.1	25. 7	0. 2	0.3	25.1	25. 6
6	"Keeping It Fair" Campaign																
1/07/ 2004	REVENUE	1.3	2.2	8.3	11. 8	0.9	0. 1	6.7	7.8	0. 9	0. 1	6.0	7.1	0. 9	0.1	6.0	7.1
5066	ASL	8.0	12. 7	97.2	117 .9	6.1	1. 9	80.7	88. 7	6. 1	1. 9	72.1	80. 1	6. 1	1.9	72.1	80. 1
7	Exchange Tip Off Information with ATO (ceasing of one element of this initiative)																
1/07/ 2004	REVENUE	-0.4	0.0	-1.5	-1.9	-0.4	0. 0	-1.5	- 1.9	- 0. 4	0. 0	-1.5	- 1.9	- 0. 4	0.0	-1.5	1.9
3043	ASL	-0.6	-0.6	-23.6	- 24. 8	-0.6	- 0. 6	-23.6	- 24. 8	- 0. 6	- 0. 6	-23.6	- 24. 8	- 0. 6	- 0.6	-23.6	- 24. 8
8	Improve Service Profiling																
20/0 3/20 05	REVENUE	0.4	4.9	2.4	7.7	1.6	0. 6	8.6	10. 8	1. 6	0. 5	8.8	11. 0	1. 6	0.5	8.8	11. 0
5228	ASL	4.0	27. 7	28.9	60. 6	8.0	4. 2	107. 6	11 9.8	8. 0	4. 2	109. 6	12 1.8	8. 0	4.2	109. 6	12 1.8
9	Expand DEWR data matching																
1/07/ 2004	REVENUE	0.3	0.0	3.0	3.2	0.2	0. 0	2.7	2.8	0. 2	0. 0	2.7	2.8	0. 2	0.0	2.7	2.8
5165	ASL	2.6	0.2	34.2	37. 0	0.1	0. 03	33.7	33. 8	1. 1	0. 03	33.7	34. 8	1. 1	0.0	33.7	34. 8
	TOTAL COMPLIANCE REVENUE	1.6	7.6	12.8	22. 0	2.3	0. 8	18.7	21. 8	2. 4	0. 7	18.0	21. 1	2.	0.7	18.0	21. 1
	TOTAL COMPLIANCE ASL	14. 6	42. 0	144. 3	200 .9	13. 8	5. 8	225. 4	24 5.0	14 .9	5. 8	216. 9	23 7.6	1 4. 8	5.8	216. 9	23 7.5
CFM																	
10	Implementation of Funding Model - NIL IMPACT																
11	Call Centre																
1/07/ 2004	REVENUE	0	0	25.9	25. 9	0	0	25.9	25. 9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5176	ASL	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
12	Trust and Companies																
1/07/ 2004	REVENUE	0.0	0.0	9.3	9.3	0.0	0. 0	10.7	10. 7	0. 0	0. 0	12.0	12. 0	0. 0	0.0	13.1	13. 1
5177	ASL	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0. 0	0.0	0	0. 0	0. 0	0.0	0	0. 0	0.0	0.0	0.0
	TOTAL CFM REVENUE	0.0	0.0	35.2	35. 2	0.0	0. 0	36.6	36. 6	0. 0	0. 0	12.0	12. 0	0. 0	0.0	13.1	13. 1

	TOTAL CFM ASL	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0. 0	0.0	0.0	0. 0	0. 0	0.0	0.0	0. 0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Intern	ational																
13	Revised SS Agreement with Ireland (ABSORBED)																
1/01/ 2005	REVENUE	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0. 0	0.0	0.0	0. 0	0. 0	0.0	0.0	0. 0	0.0	0.0	0.0
4861	ASL	0.0	0.0	0.00	0.0	0.0	0. 0	0.00	0.0	0. 0	0. 0	0.00	0.0	0. 0	0.0	0.00	0.0
NON E	BUDGET URES																
Retire	ments																
14	Partial Reduction of Asset Test Exemption to 50% and Extension of 50% Asset Test Exemption to Market-Linked Products ("Growth Pensions")																
20/0 9/20 04	REVENUE	0.6	0.6	6.0	7.1	0.0	0. 1	0.7	0.7	0. 0	0. 1	0.3	0.4	0. 0	0.0	0.1	0.1
5067	ASL	1.5	2.5	71.7	75. 7	0.0	0. 4	8.0	8.4	0. 0	0. 4	3.0	3.4	0. 0	0.4	0.1	0.5
didn't hence	ng from AE's which make MYEFO and were in BPII										_						
15	Our Universities - Exempt Commonwealth Learning Scholarhips from the Social Security Income Test																
	REVENUE	0.0	0.0	0.05	0.1	0.0	0. 0	0.05	0.0 5	0. 0	0. 0	0.05	0.0 5	0. 0	0.0	0.05	0.0 5
	ASL			0.6	0.6			0.6	0.6			0.6	0.6			0.6	0.6
16	Youth Allowance - Waiver of Certain Debts																
	REVENUE	0.1	0.0	0.2	0.3	0.0	0. 0	0.0	0.0	0. 0	0. 0	0.0	0.0	0. 0	0.0	0.0	0.0
	ASL			2.4	2.4				0.0				0.0				0.0
17	Bushfires - Ex- Gratia Assistance to Certain Income Support Recipients																
	REVENUE	0.0 1	0.0 02	0.02	0.0 3	0.0	0. 0	0.0	0.0	0. 0	0. 0	0.0	0.0	0. 0	0.0	0.0	0.0
	ASL	0.1		0.2	0.3				0.0				0.0				0.0

	TOTAL AE's not in MYEFO REVENUE	0.1	0.0	0.3	0.4	0.0	0. 0	0.1	0.1	0. 0	0. 0	0.1	0.1	0. 0	0.0	0.1	0.1
	TOTAL AE's not in MYEFO ASL	0.1	0.0	3.2	3.3	0.0	0. 0	0.6	0.6	0. 0	0. 0	0.6	0.6	0. 0	0.0	0.6	0.6
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DIMIA																	
18	Two Stage Provisions and the Migration Program (RFM effect)																
1/07/ 2004	REVENUE	0.0	0.0	-0.1	-0.1	0.0	0. 0	-0.1	- 0.1	0. 0	0. 0	-0.2	0.2	0. 0	0.0	-0.2	0.2
5098	ASL	0.0	0.0	-1.0	-1.0	0.0	0. 0	-1.5	- 1.5	0. 0	0. 0	-3.1	- 3.1	0. 0	0.0	-3.3	3.3
19	Changes to the 2004-05 Migration and Humanitarian Program																
1/07/ 2004	REVENUE	0.2	0.0	0.5	0.7	0.0	0. 0	0.6	0.6	0. 0	0. 0	0.6	0.6	0. 0	0.0	0.7	0.7
5173	ASL	0.0	0.0	6.0	6.0	0.0	0. 0	8.6	8.6	0. 0	0. 0	9.1	9.1	0. 0	0.0	10.7	10. 7
	TOTAL DIMIA REVENUE	0.2	0.0	0.4	0.6	0.0	0. 0	0.5	0.5	0. 0	0. 0	0.4	0.4	0. 0	0.0	0.5	0.5
	TOTAL DIMIA ASL	0.0	0.0	5.0	5.0	0.0	0. 0	7.1	7.1	0. 0	0. 0	6.0	6.0	0. 0	0.0	7.4	7.4
DES T																	
20	Exempt Scholarship that waive or pay tuition fees or course charges from the income test																
1/04/ 2004	REVENUE	0.1	0.0	0.2	0.3	0.0	0. 00 2	0.05	0.0 5	0. 0	0. 00 2	0.1	0.1	0. 0	0.0 03	0.1	0.1
5241	ASL	0.8	0.0	2.8	3.6	0.0	0. 0	0.7	0.7	0. 0	0. 0	0.7	0.7	0. 0	0.0	0.8	0.8
DVA																	
21 part 1	Defence Force Income Support Allowance - DVA pays																
20/0 9/20 04	REVENUE	0.3	2.6	1.4	4.3	0.1	0. 4	0.3	0.8	0. 1	0. 4	0.3	0.8	0. 1	0.4	0.3	0.8
5113	ASL	2.6	17. 9	18.2	38. 7	1.1	2. 7	4.5	8.3	1. 1	2. 7	4.5	8.3	1. 1	2.7	4.5	8.3
21 part 2	Impose the disability rent test to Rent Assistance under the Social Security Act 1991																

20/0 9/20 04	REVENUE	0.8	0.5	0.3	1.6	0.0	0. 2	0.0	0.2	0. 0	0. 2	0.0	0.2	0. 0	0.2	0.0	0.2
4969	ASL	1.1	2.9	3.4	7.4	0.0	0. 9	0.0	0.9	0. 0	0. 9	0.0	0.9	0. 0	0.9	0.0	0.9
22	Indexation of DVA Disability Pension																
20/0 3/20 04	REVENUE	0.0 0	0.0 02	0.00	0.0 02	0.0	0. 00 2	0.0	0.0 02	0. 00	0. 00 2	0.00	0.0 02	0. 0 0	0.0 00 3	0.00	0.0 00 3
4915	ASL	0.0	0.0	0.00	0.0 1	0.0	0. 01	0.00	0.0 1	0. 00	0. 01	0.00	0.0 1	0. 0 0	0.0 01	0.00	0.0 01
	TOTAL DVA REVENUE	1.0	3.1	1.7	5.9	0.1	0. 5	0.3	1.0	0. 1	0. 5	0.3	1.0	0. 1	0.5	0.3	1.0
	TOTAL DVA ASL	3.7	20. 8	21.6	46. 1	1.1	3. 6	4.5	9.2	1. 1	3. 6	4.5	9.2	1. 1	3.6	4.5	9.2
DAF F																	
23	Intergenerational Transfer																
1/07/ 2004	REVENUE	0.6	0.1	0.6	1.3	0.2	0. 0	0.2	0.5	0. 2	0. 0	0.2	0.4	0. 0	0.0	0.0	0.1
5253	ASL	2.4	0.0	7.9	10. 3	1.2	0. 0	3.0	4.2	0. 9	0. 0	3.3	4.2	0. 0	0.0	0.8	0.8
OTHER MEASL	R PORTFOLIO JRES																
DEW R						_				-					_		_
28	Implementation of Funding Model - NIL IMPACT TO CENTRELINK																
DHA																	
29	Completing asset assessment for aged care residents																
1/07/ 2005	REVENUE	0.0	0.4	0.0	0.4	1.2	0. 1	3.9	5.2	1. 1	0. 1	3.6	4.8	1. 1	0.1	3.6	4.8
DHA 1	ASL	0.0	2.8	0.6	3.4	2.3	0. 5	47.5	50. 3	0. 6	0. 5	47.5	48. 6	0. 6	0.5	47.5	48. 6
DES T																	
30	Additional Language, Literacy and Numeracy Referrals																
1/07/ 2004	REVENUE	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0. 0	0.02	0.0 2	0. 0	0. 0	0.03	0.0 3	0. 0	0.0	0.03	0.0 3
9788	ASL	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0. 0	0.2	0.2	0. 0	0. 0	0.4	0.4	0. 0	0.0	0.4	0.4
DAF F																	
31	Farm Help - Case Management - Stage 2																
1/07/ 2004	REVENUE	0.2	0.0	0.4	0.7	0.3	0. 0	0.5	0.8	0. 2	0. 0	0.3	0.4	0. 1	0.0	0.1	0.1

9805 c	ASL	0.0	0.0	4.9	4.9	0.0	0. 0	5.9	5.9	0. 0	0. 0	3.4	3.4	0. 0	0.0	1.0	1.0
9807 c	Farm Help - Fixed Costs - Stage 2																
	REVENUE	0.5	0.1	3.2	3.9	0.4	0. 1	3.0	3.6	0. 4	0. 1	3.0	3.6	0. 4	0.1	3.0	3.6
	ASL	4.5	0.5	39.0	44. 0	4.0	0. 5	39.0	43. 5	4. 0	0. 5	39.0	43. 5	4. 0	0.5	39.0	43. 5
9803 c	Farm Help - Income Support - Stage 2																
	REVENUE	0.0	0.0	1.1	1.1	0.0	0. 0	1.2	1.2	0. 0	0. 0	0.7	0.7	0. 0	0.0	0.2	0.2
	ASL	0.0	0.0	12.7	12. 7	0.0	0. 0	15.3	15. 3	0. 0	0. 0	8.8	8.8	0. 0	0.0	2.7	2.7
9804 c	Farm Help - Professional Advice/ Training Scheme STAGE 2																
	REVENUE	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.2	0.0	0. 0	0.2	0.2	0. 0	0. 0	0.1	0.1	0. 0	0.0	0.03	0.0 4
	ASL	0.4	0.0	2.1	2.5	0.4	0. 0	2.5	2.9	0. 3	0. 0	1.4	1.7	0. 1	0.0	0.4	0.5
9806 c	Farm Help - Re Establishment Grant - Stage 2																
	REVENUE	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.0	0. 0	0.1	0.1	0. 0	0. 0	0.1	0.1	0. 0	0.0	0.02	0.0 2
	ASL	0.0	0.0	1.1	1.1	0.0	0. 0	1.3	1.3	0. 0	0. 0	0.8	0.8	0. 0	0.0	0.2	0.2
	FARM HELP REVENUE Total	0.8	0.1	5.0	5.9	0.8	0. 1	5.0	5.9	0. 6	0. 1	4.2	4.9	0. 5	0.1	3.4	4.0
	FARM HELP ASL Total	4.9	0.5	59.8	65. 2	4.4	0. 5	64.0	68. 9	4. 3	0. 5	53.4	58. 2	4. 1	0.5	43.3	47. 9
32	Sugar Industry Package - Income Support - VARIABLE																
1/04/ 2004	REVENUE	0.0	0.0	1.2	1.2	0.0	0. 0	0.0	0.0	0. 0	0. 0	0.0	0.0	0. 0	0.0	0.0	0.0
	ASL	0.0	0.0	15.5	15. 5	0.0	0. 0	0.0	0.0	0. 0	0. 0	0.0	0.0	0. 0	0.0	0.0	0.0
1/04/ 2004	Sugar Industry Package - Income Support and Restructuring Grant - FIXED																
	REVENUE	0.6	0.0	0.4	1.0	0.0 3	0. 02	0.00 00	0.0 4	0. 0	0. 02	0.0	0.0 2	0. 0	0.0	0.0	0.0
4/	ASL	5.8	0.0	4.6	10. 4	0.3	0. 0	0.0	0.3	0. 0	0. 0	0.0	0.0	0. 0	0.0	0.0	0.0
1/07/ 2004	Sugar Industry Package - Re- training Assistance																
	REVENUE	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.0	0. 0	0.03	0.0	0. 0	0. 0	0.02	0.0	0. 0	0.0	0.0	0.0
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	MEASURES ASL TOTAL	36. 7	71. 4	413. 6	521 .8	24. 9	11 .2	389. 4	42 5.5	23 .5	11 .2	358. 9	39 3.6	2 2. 3	11. 2	342. 0	37 5.5
	MEASURES REVENUE TOTAL	6.3	12. 7	69.8	88. 8	5.0	1. 7	68.2	75. 0	4. 5	1. 6	40.9	47. 1	4. 2	1.6	40.8	46. 6
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		2004	-05			2005	-06			200	6-07			200	7-08		
	ASL	8		5	.9		5	12.1	0	3	5	50.5	1	1		70.0	9
	TOTAL DAFF REVENUE	1.6	0.2	8.7	10. 5	0.9 4.8	0. 2	72.7	6.7 78.	0. 6 4.	0. 2 0.	4.4 56.3	5.2 61.	0. 5	0.1	3.4 43.3	4.0
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1/04/ 2004	REVENUE	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0. 0	0.0	0.0	0. 0	0. 0	0.0	0.0	0. 0	0.0	0.0	0.0
33	Ex Gratia Ashy Downs QLD			0.0				0.0				0.0				0.0	
	SUGAR INDUSTRY PACKAGE ASL Total	5.9	0.1	47.5	53. 5	0.4	0. 0	8.7	9.1	0. 0	0. 0	2.9	2.9	0. 0	0.0	0.0	0.0
	SUGAR INDUSTRY PACKAGE REVENUE Total	0.8	0.1	3.7	4.6	0.1	0.	0.7	0.8	0. 0	0. 0	0.2	0.3	0.	0.0	0.0	0.0
	ASL	0.0	0.0	11.8	11. 8	0.0	0. 0	0.8	0.8	0. 0	0. 0	0.0	0.0	0. 0	0.0	0.0	0.0
	REVENUE	0.0	0.0	0.9	0.9	0.0	0. 0	0.1	0.1	0. 0	0. 0	0.0	0.0	0. 0	0.0	0.0	0.0
1/05/ 2004	Sugar Industry Package - Business Planning				5		0			0	0			0			
	ASL	0.0	0.0	10.5	10.	0.0	0.	5.4	5.4	0.	0.	1.4	1.4	0.	0.0	0.0	0.0
	Grant REVENUE	0.0	0.0	0.8	0.8	0.0	0.	0.4	0.4	0.	0.	0.1	0.1	0.	0.0	0.0	0.0
1/07/ 2004	Sugar Industry Package - Restructuring																
	ASL	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.0	0. 01	0.0	0.0	0. 0	0. 01	0.0	0.0	0. 0	0.0	0.0	0.0
2004	Package - Exit Grants - Fixed Costs	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.2	0.1	0.	0.0	0.1	0. 0	0. 02	0.0	0.0	0. 0	0.0	0.0	0.0
1/07/	Sugar Industry						0			0	0			0			
	ASL	0.0	0.0	4.2	4.2	0.0	0.	2.1	2.1	0.	0.	1.2	1.2	0.	0.0	0.0	0.0
2004	Package - Exit Grants REVENUE	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.4	0.0	0.	0.2	0.2	0.	0.	0.1	0.1	0.	0.0	0.0	0.0

OTHER VARIA																	
24A	New Social Security Work with Croatia (Revenue in base)																
1/07/ 2004	REVENUE	0.1	0.0 3	0.4	0.5	0.0 4	0. 03	0.2	0.3	0. 03	0. 03	0.1	0.2	0. 0 3	0.0	0.1	0.2
5080	ASL	0.4	0.2	5.0	5.6	0.4	0. 2	2.5	3.1	0. 3	0. 2	1.9	2.4	0.	0.2	2.0	2.5
24B	New Social Security Work with Norway (Revenue in base)						_			Ü	_			Ü			
1/01/ 2005	REVENUE	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.4	0.0 4	0. 02	0.03	0.1	0. 03	0. 02	0.03	0.1	0. 0 3	0.0	0.03	0.1
5081	ASL	0.9	1.0	1.3	3.2	0.4	0. 2	0.5	1.1	0. 3	0. 1	0.5	0.9	0.	0.1	0.5	0.9
24C	New Social Security Work with Switzerland (Revenue in base)																
1/01/ 2005	REVENUE	0.3	0.1	0.2	0.6	0.0 4	0. 02	0.1	0.2	0. 03	0. 02	0.1	0.2	0. 0 3	0.0	0.1	0.2
5082	ASL	0.9	1.0	2.2	4.1	0.4	0. 2	0.9	1.5	0. 3	0. 2	0.9	1.4	0.	0.2	0.9	1.4
24D	New Social Security Work with Slovenia (Revenue in base)																
1/01/ 2004	REVENUE	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.2	0.0	0. 02	0.03	0.1	0. 03	0. 02	0.03	0.1	0.	0.0	0.03	0.1
5093	ASL	0.4	0.2	0.8	1.4	0.3	0. 2	0.4	0.9	0. 3	0. 2	0.4	0.9	3 0. 3	0.2	0.4	0.9
25 part 1	Further Simplification of International Payments (Revenue in base)																
1/01/ 2005	REVENUE	0.3	0.3	0.6	1.2	0.1	0. 04	0.2	0.3	0. 03	0. 04	0.1	0.2	0. 0 3	0.0 4	0.1	0.2
4975	ASL	2.2	2.0	7.5	11. 7	0.6	0. 3	2.8	3.7	0. 3	0. 3	1.3	1.9	0.	0.3	1.3	1.9
25 part 2	Comparable Foreign Pension																
1/07/ 2004	REVENUE	0.0	0.0	0.8	0.9	0.0	0. 00	0.7	0.7	0. 01	0. 00	0.7	0.8	0.	0.0 04	0.8	0.8
5257	ASL	0.0	0.2	10.8	11. 0	0.0	0. 0	9.3	9.3	0. 0	0. 0	9.6	9.6	0. 0	0.0	9.9	9.9
26	Disability Reform Bill (Revenue in base)																
1/07/ 2005	REVENUE	1.3	1.1	4.1	6.5	5.0	0. 7	11.4	17. 1	6. 7	1. 7	20.0	28. 4	9. 8	2.7	29.6	42. 1
5040	ASL	4.8	5.9	49.2	59. 9	3.7	0. 9	155. 5	16 0.1	0. 6	0. 9	297. 7	29 9.2	0. 0	0.9	446. 6	44 7.5

	TOTAL Other Resource Variations REVENUE	2.3	1.7	6.3	10. 3	5.3	0. 8	12.7	18. 8	6. 9	1. 8	21.1	29. 8	1 0. 0	2.8	30.7	43. 5
	TOTAL Other Resource Variations ASL	9.6	10.	76.8	96. 9	5.8	2.	171. 9	17 9.7	2.	1. 9	312. 3	31 6.3	1. 5	1.9	461. 6	46 5.0
	Not included in revenue count	200 3- 04	200 4- 05	2005 -06	200 6- 07	200 7- 08											
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Output Group: Centrelink Question No:

Topic: Call Centre Supplementation

Hansard Page: CA55

Senator Forshaw asked:

I want to go to the issue of call centre supplementation. As I understand it, there is \$67 million to be provided over three years. It is on page 73 of the PBS. Could you tell us what that money could be utilised for?

Answer:

The \$15.4million provided in the last Additional Estimates process has been used to recruit an additional 297 staff from December 2003. The \$25.9 million provided in 04-05 and 05-06 will enable the continuation of those staff. The distribution of the 297 new recruits by location and by Queue is set out in the attached table.

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Attachment: Call centre supplementation

		Attachment: Cal	l centre supplementation	
Recruitment January 2004			Recruitment January 2004	No. of recruits
Centre	No. of recruits	Queue	FAO	95
Adelaide	13	YAS	EMS	40
Bendigo	9	YAS	RET/DSC	64
Brisbane	12	YAS	YAS	86
Bunbury	35	FAO & EMS	CMC	7
Cairns	14	RET & DSC	INDIGENOUS	5
Coffs Harbour	0		Total	297
Darwin	5	INDIGENOUS		
Geelong	11	FAO		
Gosford	10	EMS		
Hobart	14	RET & DSC		
Illawarra	15	FAO		
Latrobe	13	YAS		
Launceston	0			
Liverpool	7	MULTILINGUAL		
Maryborough	12	RET & DSC		
Moorabbin	0			
Moreland	20	FAO		
Newcastle	35	FAO & YAS		
Perth	39	RET, DSC &		
Port August	0	YAS		
Port Macquarie	0			
Toowoomba	10	EMS		
Townsville	10	YAS		
Tweed Heads	13	FAO		
Wendouree	0			
Total	297			

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Output Group: Centrelink

Topic: KPIs and Costs and Numbers for Personal Advisors (PAs)

Hansard Page: CA10

Senator Moore asked:

Can we get a set of the KPIs for PAs?

Answer:

There are two internal Key Performance Indicators for Personal Advisers. These are:

- KPI 1 Each Personal Adviser and Jet Adviser is to conduct and record, on average, a minimum of 4 initial and/or annual interviews per day. This target does not include the follow up interviews.
- KPI 2 At least 80% of initial interviews are to result in an agreed, and recorded, Participation Plan.

Senator Collins asked:

Can you tell us the average cost, including on-costs, of employing a PA? Can you also provide the numbers, by salary level, of personal advisors and estimates for the out years?

Answer:

The position of Personal Adviser is classified as a Centrelink Band 2 (broadband APS 3 and APS 4). Staff performing this role are paid within the salary range \$37,755 to \$46,933.

New employees engaged as Personal Advisers are generally commenced at the base salary of the Centrelink Band 2 and are subject to a period of probationary employment. Individual performance and learning requirements dictate advancement through the band.

A Personal Adviser may be advanced to Centrelink 2 pay point 5 (\$42,077) where an agreed standard of performance has been achieved. Where the employee has completed a Certificate IV at the time of meeting the requirements for accelerated advancement, the employee is paid at Centrelink 2 pay point 6 (\$43,416). Based on individual performance they may progress classification points each year until they reach the Centrelink 2.9 level.

The majority of Personal Advisers are within the Centrelink 2.5 (\$42,077) and 2.9 (\$46,933) classification levels.

As at 2 June 2004 there are 678.2 PAs working on AWT. These are Full Time Equivalents.

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Output Group: Centrelink Question No: 122

Topic: Wages

Hansard Page: Written question on notice

Senator Collins asked:

What was the base and top (including performance pay) wages of APS 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 (or equivalent), Executive Level 1 and 2 (or equivalent), and SES band 1, band 2 and band 3 (or equivalent) in the Department of Family and Community Services and other portfolio agencies in 1996-97, 1997-98, 1998-99, 1999-00, 2000-01, 2001-02, 2002-03, 2003-04.

Answer: The attached table provides a breakdown of classification numbers and salaries for APS 1-6 and equivalent, and Executive levels 1-2 and equivalent. Note that the 1996-97 financial year

is not applicable to Centrelink. Centrelink has a salary range for all SES officers. This range for the requested years is as follows:

Financial	SES Base	SES Top
Year	salary	Salary
1996-97	Not	Not applicable
	applicable	
1997-98	\$68,228	\$122,136
1998-99	\$69,251	\$161,300
1999-00	\$76,044	\$171,500
2000-01	\$83,042	\$178,881
2001-02	\$85,280	\$178,881
2002-03	\$94,255	\$192,764
2003- March	\$107,603	\$200,475
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Generally Senior Executive Officers receive 1% performance pay quarterly (4% per annum). The total performance pay paid to Senior Executive Officer is as follows.

Financial Year	Total performance
	pay paid
1996-97	Not applicable
1997-98	\$201,294
1998-99	\$160,783
1999-00	\$204,816
2000-01	\$239,292
2001-02	\$276,671
2002-03	\$329,508
2003- 04	Not available until
	end of financial year

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Head Count - Centrelink APS Employees 1997 to 2003

	1997/98	86	1998/99	66	1999/00	00	2000/01	/01
	Salary Range Head Count	Head Count	Salary Range Head Count	Head Count	Salary Range Head Count	Head Count	Salary Range	Head Count
SES	68228-122136	54	69251-161300	63	76044-171500	09	83042-178881	80
C4	52729-70914	927	56283-76043	931	56283-76043	971	57690-77994	1,091
င္မ	39713-50636	5,213	40706-51902	4,550	40706-51902	4,535	41724-53200	5,224
C2	31946-39712	16,942	32745-40705	15,231	32745-40705	14,807	33564-41723	15,841
5	14870-31103	921	15242-31881	647	15242-31881	604	15623-32678	574
APIS								
Trainees/Cadets	8414-31103	9	8751-31881	12	8751-31881	14	8840-32678	278
Professional 2	52729-70914	322	54048-76043	298	54048-76043	288	57690-77994	285
Professional 1	29909-47935	465	30657-49133	426	30657-49133	416	31423-50361	449
IT Manager	52729-70914	220	54048-76043	224	54048-76043	230	57690-77994	1
IT Technical	52729-70914	-	54048-76043	7	54048-76043	4	57690-77994	1
Centrelink IT	34480-49271	246	35342-50503	235	35342-50503	232	36226-51766	519
Public Affairs 4								
Public Affairs 3	68511-72180	2	70224-77340	2	70224-77340	2	75420-79274	2
Public Affairs 2	55583-63515	-	56973-68422	9	56973-68422	7	60688-73572	10
Public Affairs 1	36737-50771	18	37655-53649	6	37655-53649	8	38696-54990	12
Total		25,336		22,641		22,178		24,365

	2001/02	02	2002/03	03	31-Mar-04	r-04
	Salary Range Head Count	Head Count	Salary Range Head Count	Head Count	Salary Range Head Count	Head Count
SES	85280-178881	98	94225-192764	98	107603-200475	94
25	59998-81062	1,280	62398-84304	1,499	64894-84837	1,555
ខ	43393-55328	5,290	45129-57541	5,808	46934-59854	5,476
C2	34907-43392	15,894	36303-45128	17,461	37755-46933	16,438
Ç	16248-33985	695	16898-35344	282	17574-36758	332
APIS			31872-39182		33147-40749	25
Trainees/Cadets	9194-33985	09	9562-35344	75	9944-36758	29
Professional 2	59998-81062	309	62398-84304	344	64894-87676	328
Professional 1	32680-53994	511	33987-56154	285	35346-58400	809
IT Manager	59998-81062	274	62398-84304	299	64894-87676	333
IT Technical	59998-81062	9	62398-84304	15	64894-87676	18
Centrelink IT	37675-53387	330	39182-55590	348	40749-58230	373
Public Affairs 4			81574-85743		84837-89173	4
Public Affairs 3	78437-82445	2	65641-79576	14	68267-82759	15
Public Affairs 2	63116-76515	14	50771-59478	14	52802-61857	20
Public Affairs 1	40140-57190	17	41746-47854	8	43416-49768	2
Total		24.645		27.137		25.685

Includes staff on paid and unpaid leave - by actual classification level
Source: Centrelink Annual Reports for financial year data and March 2004 Staffing Cube

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Output Group: Centrelink

Topic: Widening Data-matching

Hansard Page: CA 11-14 Senator Collins asked:

Question 14 (Additional Estimates, 19 February 2004) is about the widening datamatching pilot. Can we have a breakdown of reviews by payment type, debts raised and money recovered for each year of the pilot?

Further in this area, what is the average debt, and can you provide us with an idea of what the highest debt has been to date?

Has court action been taken against anyone who had a debt raised against them?

Answer:

The 2002-03 Budget measures included a pilot initiative relating to widening data-matching, which was undertaken only in the 2002-03 financial year – it was a one year pilot (accordingly, the answer given to Question on Notice 14 of 19 February 2004 provided data in relation to 2002-03 only). That pilot had a number of components, one of which related to data matching for non-customer partners (spousal matching).

The pilot included job placement matching for non-Newstart customers and income data-matching for non-customer partners [matching undertaken through both the Data-matching Program and Tax File Number Declaration Form matching]. Table 1 provides a breakdown of payment type by reviews completed, number of debts raised and the value of debts raised for the 2003-04 financial year to 30 April 2004, on the same basis as data was extracted in 2002-03 for the widening data-matching pilot (ie comparable with the information provided previously in answer to Question on Notice 14).

Table 1: Results of review activity from the widening data-matching pilot

2003-	04 financial year to		, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
Payment Type	Reviews Completed	Number of Debts Raised	Debts Amount
Age Pension	2,802	1,185	2,886,870
Austudy Payment	47	10	6,517
Carer Payment	1,298	561	1,233,695
Disability Support Pension	6,454	2,652	4,954,364
Family Tax Benefit	152	10	5,059
Newstart Allowance	4,029	1,395	1,255,084
Parenting Payment Partnered	21,550	7,848	7,621,483
Parenting Payment Single	1,538	466	307,308
Partner Allowance	859	314	310,449
Sickness Allowance	133	65	65,913
Special Benefit	67	28	39,991
Youth Allowance	124	21	13,517
Total	39,053	14,555	18,700,249

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In relation to the review activity shown in Table 1, the average debt raised was \$1,285 and the highest debt raised was \$53,247.

Precise data on court action in relation to the review activity provided in Table 1 was not able to be supplied in the time available. However, a number of cases have been referred to the Director of Public Prosecutions.

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Topic: Scripts for use by staff for Budget measures around Families and Carers

Hansard Page: CA 45

Senator Collins asked:

What scripts are being used for families who are inquiring about the measures? (This is in relation to the Families Budget measures) Can you provide us with a copy of the scripts?

Answer:

There is currently an option, available from the FAO IVR menu that enables customers to hear recorded information about the One Off Family Bonus. If this option is selected the customer hears the information detailed in the box below

Current IVR Message - Customers select option to hear this information.

A One Off Family Payment of \$600 per child in extra assistance will be paid to families. Families who were in receipt of Family Tax Benefit Part A fortnightly payments, or Youth Allowance at the dependent rate for a 16 or 17 year old, on the 11th May 2004, will receive this payment automatically.

Families who received Family Tax Benefit Part A as a lump sum for the 2002/2003 income year, prior to the 11th May 2004, will also receive this payment automatically.

The One Off Family Payment automatic payments are expected to be made between mid June and the end of June 2004.

Other Families in receipt of Family Tax Benefit Part A during the 2003/2004 income year may be eligible for the One Off Family Payment. More information is available from our customer service officers.

We are also able to play information about the More Help for Families measures to customers during wait time. The message is included on the five major business lines.

Customers hear these messages if they are waiting in queue

The following message has been drafted to play to customers while they are waiting on hold.

A number of changes were announced in the recent Budget to provide more help for families. The changes include:

- A One Off Payment of \$600 per child to families;
- A One Off Payment of \$1000 or \$600 to carers:
- A universal Maternity Payment that is not income tested;
- Changes to the income tests for FTB Part A and Part B that allow customers to keep more of their FTB as their earnings increase; and

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• An ongoing increase to FTB Part A of \$600 per child, with eligibility determined after the end of each financial year.

For more information ask the staff member who answers your call.

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Topic: Open Source Software

Hansard Page: CA41 (Tuesday, 1 June Hearing)

Senator Humphries asked:

I was wondering if I can be told what the policy of FaCS is with respect to open source software purchasing and acquisition and whether that has been seen as a successful policy from the point of view of the Department. Is it possible or desirable to expand open source approaches to software purchasing. Does the Department have a different policy in different areas? For example, is Centrelink on a separate platform for the purchase of software from the rest of the Department, and so on?

Answer:

What is Centrelink's policy on Open Source Solutions?

Centrelink considers open source solutions as part of its overall sourcing strategy. Open source solutions are evaluated on the same common criteria as closed source solutions ie fitness for purpose and value for money.

Has this been a successful Policy?

Yes, there has been the successful deployment of open source system utilities and applications on a number of the Agencys' network servers and the software has met the business requirements.

Is the Agency looking at expanding the use of Open Sourced Software?

Centrelink has developed a strategy to fully explore the potential of the Linux Operating System and has established a Linux Operating System laboratory for conducting proof of concept trials. The Agency has not taken a particular stance on the outcome, rather each opportunity will be examined on its relative merits.

What is Centrelink's Position on Open Sourced Software?

The Agency will maintain a watching brief on what options become available and open source solutions will be considered at that time.

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Output Group: Centrelink Question No: 27

Topic: Tweed Heads Call Centre

Hansard Page: Written question on notice

Senator Collins asked:

- a) Please provide the name of the firm chosen to conduct the initial recruitment of staff for the Centrelink Call Centre in Tweed Heads?
- b) Please provide details of the tender process used to select the recruitment firm?
- c) What was the initial staffing allocation for the call centre?
- d) Please provide a breakdown of the staffing allocation for the call centre each year since it opened?
- e) How many staff of those initially recruited were external appointments?
- f) How many were internal appointments?

Answer:

- a) Manpower Pty Ltd. was the firm chosen to conduct the initial recruitment of the Centrelink call centre staff at Tweed Heads.
- b) Centrelink Call uses a panel of contractors for the recruitment and selection of candidates consistent with Australian Government procurement guidelines.
- c) 36.31 ASL was the initial staffing allocation for the call centre.
- d) The breakdown of the average staffing allocation at Tweed Heads Call Centre for each year since opening is detailed below:

Period	Average ASL
Feb - June 2000	55.89
2000-2001	88.03
2001-2002	138.08
2002-2003	141.89
2003-2004	135.59

- e) 41 actual staff were external appointments.
- f) 9 actual staff were internal appointments.

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Output Group: Centrelink Question No: 28

Topic: Tweed Heads Call Centre

Hansard Page: Written question on notice

Senator Collins asked:

- a) How was the original manager of the Call Centre appointed?
- b) Please provide a copy of the job description and advertisement for the manager position?
- c) Please provide details of how many people have occupied the Manager position since the call centre first opened?
- d) Is Ms Judy Choat still the Manager?
- e) What is Ms Choat's current employment status?
- f) Did Ms Choat resign from her position as Manager?
- g) Please provide a breakdown of how many staff have resigned, transferred or been dismissed since the call centre opened?
- h) Please provide a copy of any independent reports into staffing or workplace issues conducted since the Call Centre opened?
- i) Please provide a copy of the report prepared with the assistance of Ms Christine Hagan into workplace issues in the call centre?
- j) How many Ministerial complaints have been made relating to staffing at the Tweed Heads call centre?
- k) Did all these complaints relate to the Manager of the centre?
- 1) What involvement has the Minister for Children and Youth had in this issue?
- m) Has the Minister had an involvement in any aspect of the day to day running of the call centre?
- n) How many times has the Minister visited the call centre?
- o) I understand that a temporary site has been used to house the call centre until a permanent site has been built/purchased?

Answer:

- a) A formal selection exercise was conducted to select the first permanent Manager. The position was advertised in the Commonwealth Gazette and in the press.
- b) A copy of the selection criteria and duty statement for the position is at attachment A.
- c) Three staff have occupied the position of Manager since the call centre first opened.
- d) No.
- e) Ms Choat is a full time ongoing Centrelink Band 4 employee.
- f) No.

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g) Please see below breakdown of staff who have resigned, transferred or been dismissed from Tweed Heads Call Centre.

Period	No. Of staff	Reasons
2000	9	6 Resigned, 2 Transferred, 1Dismissed
2001	12*	10 Resigned, 1 Transferred, *Info for 1 not available,
2002	13	13 Resigned
2003	12*	11 Resigned and *Info for 1 not available
2004	5	5 Resigned

^{*} System issues have resulted in this data being unavailable.

- h) i) Two independent reports have been produced however they contain sensitive and confidential information in relation to individuals and it is not appropriate for them to be publicly released.
- j) None.
- k) Not Applicable.
- 1) Not Applicable.
- m) The Minister is not involved in the day-to-day running of the call centre.
- n) As the local member, the Minister has visited the Tweed Heads Call Centre a number of times since its opening in February 2000.
- o) The current Tweed Heads Call Centre is located over two sites at Blundell Boulevard and also at Rivendell Drive. A single site at Lot 118, Enterprise Avenue will be operational from 23 August 2004.

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ATTACHMENT A

SELECTION DOCUMENTATION

Centrelink is an Equal Opportunity Employer

Reference No.(will be allocated by HART)	
Position No.	62004582
Classification:	Centrelink 4 (APS Exec 2)
Local title:	Manager
National Support Office:	Centrelink Call
Workplace/NSO Team:	
Location	Tweed Heads
Contact Person:	Graham Maloney
Telephone Number:	02 - 6212 0702
Fax Number:	02 - 6212 0897
Email Address:	CCN.Recruitment@centrelink.gov.au
Postal Address:	BOX 7788 Canberra Mail Centre 2610
Immediate Team Leader:	National Manager
Highest Subordinate:	Centrelink 4 (APS Exec 1)
Number of Subordinates:	Up to 250 (FTE)
Full-time/Part-time:	Full- time
Shift Work:	N/A
Restrictions:	
Duty Representing the highest function	Equal weight
Most Time consuming duty:	1 & 2

Duties:

Reporting to National Manager you will be required to:

- 1. Manage the day-to-day operations of the call centre to provide comprehensive Centrelink services:
- 2. Achieve outcomes required by Centrelink's client departments;
- 3. Deliver efficient, quality customer service, consistent with Centrelink's strategic directions;
- 4. Create an environment where teamwork and innovation are actively encouraged;
- 5. Monitor call centre industry best practice and integrate these initiatives within the context of a national network; and
- 6. Provide leadership within Centrelink Call.

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Position Profile

Applications are sought from people who have the ability to work in a dynamic, fast-paced and challenging environment. You must be able to work as part of a dedicated Team where changing priorities and pressing deadlines are part of your day-to-day work. A strong strategic focus coupled with attention to detail, will also be required.

We are looking for a manager who enjoys working in a team based environment, is innovative, motivated by new challenges, and wants to be recognised for their contribution to the achievement of the organisation's goals. We value a demonstrated record of achievement that indicates high level oral and written communication skills as well as the ability to manage multiple projects concurrently.

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Selection Criteria: Centrelink Band 4

Manager, Centrelink Call Tweed Heads

Customer Service Criterion: Demonstrated ability to create a customer and client- driven organisation and to manage customer and client expectations appropriately

This criterion includes the ability to:

- create an environment in which people are inspired, challenged and want to work to the best of their ability to achieve the desired results;
- encourage internal and external feedback, listen to and act upon information in a positive way;
- take into account a range of implications, including long-term ones, when making decisions about service delivery to customers, community groups and client agencies;
- take account of Centrelink's internal and external customer charters when developing and implementing strategies and policies;

Business Acumen Criterion: Demonstrated ability to link the strategic, tactical and operational aspects of Centrelink's business to deliver outcomes to customers, clients and government in a cost-effective manner

This criterion includes the ability to:

- communicate Centrelink's strategic directions and its role in implementing government policy;
- identify and act on business challenges and opportunities;
- assess the costs and benefits of various courses of action;
- broker strategies to improve business outcomes for customers, client agencies and government;
- work with team members to assess team performance and how it can be improved;
 and
- be innovative in responding to rapidly changing environments and business needs.

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Shared Behaviours Criterion: Demonstrated commitment and ability to take a leadership role in building a workplace culture which promotes Centrelink's Shared Behaviours

Centrelink has five Shared Behaviours which we believe are important for all employees to demonstrate in their work. The five behaviours are:

- listening to our customers and the community;
- mutual respect for our customers and for each other;
- exploring and putting in place innovative and cost effective ways to provide the right outcomes;
- solving problems and developing opportunities; and
- behaving with integrity and in an ethical manner.

This criterion includes the commitment to act in accordance with the Australian Public Service Code of Conduct. This criterion also includes the ability to:

- act as a role model and promote the Shared Behaviours;
- assist employees in learning how to apply the Shared Behaviours in everyday work situations; and
- take account of the Shared Behaviours when developing and implementing strategies and policies.

Call Centre Management Criterion: Demonstrated ability, or aptitude, to manage a Centrelink Call Centre.

- Ability or aptitude to manage a complex, high pressure call centre environment;
- Ability to lead and motivate a management team and operational staff, to achieve results:
- Ability to manage people effectively, including assessing strengths and weaknesses, providing development opportunities, delegating effectively and dealing with performance problems;
- Ability to understand and work within the technological framework that applies to the call centre industry;
- Ability to develop and implement strategic plans to enhance the call centre's outcomes and achievements;
- Ability to provide strong leadership and input to the Centrelink Call Leadership Team.

Endorsement

Approved by Delegate/Manager

Name:	Date:	Position:
Graham Maloney	27 April 2004	National Manager, Call Centre Operations,
-		Centrelink Call

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Output Group: Centrelink Question No: 29

Topic: Temporary location of the Tweed Heads Call Centre

Hansard Page: Written question on notice

Senator Collins asked:

- (a) How was this site chosen?
- (b) Is the site leased?
- (c) If the site is owned by Centrelink, when was it purchased and who was it purchased from?
- (d) If so how much is the lease?
- (e) Who is the site leased from?
- (f) What is the floorspace of the site?
- (g) Please provide details of the process used to select the temporary site?

Answer:

- a) The Tweed Heads Call Centre currently occupies two sites:
 - 1. 98-100 Blundell Boulevarde, Tweed Heads. This site was an ex-Commonwealth Employment Service site and was the only suitable premises identified in a market search undertaken by Centrelink's real estate service provider at the time, Knight Frank Price Waterhouse (KFPW).
 - 2. 13-17 Rivendell Street, Tweed Heads. This site was also chosen as a result of a market search undertaken by Centrelink's real estate service provider at the time, KFPW.
- b) Yes.
- c) The site is not owned by Centrelink.
- d) The rental for the lease at Blundell Boulevarde is \$281,610pa. The rental for the lease at Rivendell Street is \$67,320pa.
- e) The site at Blundell Boulevarde is leased from Clarance Valley Properties Pty Ltd. The site at Rivendell Street is leased from Tweed Newspaper Company Pty Ltd.
- f) The site at Blundell Boulevarde is 1043m². The site at Rivendell Street is 600m².
- g) Both sites were selected through an open market search undertaken by Centrelink's real estate service provider at the time, KFPW. In both instances, KFPW canvassed the Tweed Heads market for appropriate premises. The site at Blundell Boulevarde was the only site out of three sites identified which was considered suitable and available for immediate occupation. The site at Rivendell Street was the only site out of six sites identified which was considered suitable for call centre accommodation.

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Output Group: Centrelink Question No: 30

Topic: Permanent location of the Tweed Heads Call Centre

Hansard Page: Written question on notice

Senator Collins asked:

- (a) How was this site chosen?
- (b) Is the site to be leased or is it being purchased?
- (c) If the site is owned by Centrelink, when was it purchased and who was it purchased from?
- (d) Who was the land purchased from?
- (e) What is the name of the builder who is constructing the permanent call centre?
- (f) How was the builder chosen?
- (g) Please provide details of the tender or other process used to select the builder?
- (h) What was the cost of the land?
- (i) What was the cost of building?
- (j) What financial interest if any does the current Minister for Children and Youth have in the land?
- (k) What relationship does the current Minister for Children and Youth have with the builder either financial or familial?
- (1) What is the floorspace of the permanent site?
- (m) When will the permanent site be complete?
- (n) On what date will staff take up work in the new centre?
- (o) How much funding in respect of training certificates has been received by the call centre from DEST?
- (p) How many staff have completed certificates which have attracted training funds from any Government entity?
- (q) Has an independent audit of this process been conducted?

Answer:

- (a) The site was selected through an open market request for the provision of leased accommodation conducted by Centrelink's current real estate services provider Jones Lang Lasalle.
- (b) The site is to be leased.
- (c) The site is not owned by Centrelink.
- (d) Not applicable.
- (e) The builder is T & T Building Pty Ltd.
- (f) The developer advised in their proposal that they "..would invite four (4) reputable builders to tender on the Project, select the appropriate tender and engage under standard contract AS2124."

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(g) Centrelink had no involvement in the selection of the builder.
(h) Not known.
(i) Not known.
(j) Not known.
(k) Not known.
(l) 2900m ²
(m) The base building is due for handover to Centrelink on 1 July 2004.
(n) Staff are expected to commence work on Monday, 23 August 2004.
(o) \$263,450 has been received by Centrelink in respect to New Apprentices at this site. These monies are not directly allocated to the Call Centre itself.
(p) 63
(q) No.

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Output Group: Centrelink Question No: 76

Topic: Child Care Support - Systems changes

Hansard Page: CA23 31 May 2004

Senator Collins asked:

What would be the systems change that would be required for the family assistance outside school hours care places budget measure? Is the \$1.1million impact on Centrelink's revenue essentially CCB processing?

Answer:

No systems change is required for the measure to provide Additional Outside-Of-School Hours Care places. The \$1.1m is for Child Care Benefit as you suggested in your question.

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Output Group: Centrelink Question No: 82

Topic: Families

Hansard Page: CA66 31 May 2004

Senator Moore asked:

Could you provide a list of what changes are going to happen to the family system and when – including indexation?

Answer:

The following table indicates future family measures and implementation dates.

Measure	Implementation Date
One-off Payment to Families and Carers	System implementation 12/13 June 2004.
	Payments issued progressively from 16 June 2004.
Apply indexation increases to rates of Family Tax Benefit (FTB) and Child Care Benefit	System implementation 19/20 June 2004.
(CCB)	New rates apply from 1 July 2004 for FTB and 5 July 2004 for CCB.
Implement new taper rates and income limits for FTB:	System implementation 19/20 June 2004.
 Reduce lower income taper for FTB Part A from 30% to 20%. Reduce FTB Part B taper from 30% to 20%. Increase FTB Part B income threshold. Increase annual child income limit. 	New rates and income limits apply from 1 July 2004.
New Maternity Payment and modified Maternity Immunisation Allowance	System implementation 3/4 July 2004.
	New payments introduced 1 July 2004, applicable for children born or adopted on or after 1 July 2004 (Maternity Payment) and children turning 18 months on or after 1 July 2004 (modified Maternity Immunisation Allowance).
One-off Payment - Special Administrative Scheme	System implementation 24/24 July 2004.
	Payments issued progressively from 26 July 2004.

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FTB Part A Supplement	Scheduled system implementation 4/5 September 2004.
	Entitlement for the Supplement will be calculated as part of the end of year reconciliation process for the 2003/04 financial year.
Apply indexation increases to Maternity	System implementation 4/5 September 2004.
Payment and Maternity Immunisation	
Allowance.	New rates and income limits apply from
	20 September 2004.
Quarantining of FTB Part B upon return to	Implementation subject to introduction and
work.	passage of legislation.

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Output Group: Centrelink...... Question No: 272

Topic: Concession Cards

Hansard Page: CA 82 & 94 1 June 2004

Senator Moore asked:

What is the number of card holders and dependants in relation to each of the following concession cards: Health Care Card, low-income Health Care Card, foster child Health Care Card, Pensioner Concession Card and Commonwealth Seniors Health Card going back to 1996?

Answer:

The number of cardholders and dependants in relation to the following concession cards is provided at **Attachment A**:

- Health Care Card
- Low-income Health Care Card
- Foster child Health Care Card
- Pensioner Concession Card
- Commonwealth Seniors Health Card

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NUMBER OF CONCESSION CARDHOLDERS. BY CARD TYPE. AND DEPENDANTS

	Pensioner		Health Care	e Card (HCC)	(C)	Pensioner Health Care Card (HCC)			Commonwealth	ealth
	Concession Card	n Card		•					Seniors Health Card	alth Card
	(554) (554)		Auto-issue H	НСС	Low-Income HCC) HCC	Foster Child HCC	э нсс	(SHS)	
June	C'holder	Dep.s	C'holder	Dep.s	C'holder	Dep.s	C'holder	Dep.s	C'holder	Dep.s
2000-01	2,984,750	768,241	768,241 1,391,463	935,304	353,562	31,917	2,069	N/A	226,140	N/A
2001-02		3,060,105 1,048,998 1,328,389	1,328,389	906,389	368,910	28,940	4,261	N/A	277,681	N/A
2002-03	3,121,600	3,121,600 1,092,500 1,320,677	1,320,677	897,052	330,236	24,949	5,501	N/A	282,691	N/A
2003-04	3,171,574 1,128,250 1,230,611	1,128,250	1,230,611	818,749	315,194	19,945	6,617	N/A	287,326	A/N

Source: FaCS Annual Reports and Centrelink Superstar database.

NA: Not Applicable - dependants of these cardholders are not covered by the concession card.

Note: Data for periods prior to 1999-00 is not provided. This is because data pre and post 1999-00 is not comparable, due to

policy and systems changes.

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Output Group: Centrelink Question No: 273

Topic: Concession Cards

Hansard Page: CA83 1 June 2004

Senator Moore asked:

What strategies are in place to encourage the take-up of concessions cards?

Answer:

Centrelink applies a multifaceted strategy to raise the awareness of people who may be eligible for concession cards.

There are two types of concession cards – those that are provided automatically with some payment types, and those that must be specifically claimed. All Pensioner Concession Cards (PCCs) and most Health Care Cards (HCCs) are automatically issued. Low-income HCCs, foster child HCCs and Commonwealth Seniors Health Cards (CSHCs) must be claimed.

The key drivers for the promotion of these concession cards are:

- an awareness of the target customer groups; and
- an understanding of the needs of these customer groups.

A major avenue for Centrelink to promote awareness of concession cards and the payments and services it offers to the community is through its *Life Events* products. *Life Events* publications are designed to target the specific needs of customers at certain stages of their lives.

Because of the diversity of Centrelink's customer base, it is very important that Centrelink has a number of avenues through which customers can obtain the information they need. Customers can obtain information on possible entitlements and services through the Internet, by mail, call centres, in house publications, community agents and by visiting their local Centrelink office.

Centrelink conducts an extensive outreach service where Centrelink interacts with specific customer groups, such as Indigenous and remote communities, ethnic and religious communities and special interest groups, at their point of need, rather than leave the customer and any advocate to source the information for themselves. For example:

- working with the Australian Foster Carers Association (AFCA) and individual foster carers to better understand their particular needs and present them with the right information to facilitate their access to a HCC for foster children; and
- providing Universities and other student services with information relating to payments and services, such as Youth Allowance and the low-income HCC.

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Centrelink information is also presented to the public via the publications of various third party organisations that are involved in the delivery of concessions to the Australian community. Examples of these organisations are State Government Departments, Educational Institutions, and Utility Providers. These bodies include Centrelink information on their websites, in brochures and in other publications. Centrelink works with these organisations to ensure the currency and accuracy of this information.

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Output Group: Centrelink Question No: 274

Topic: Concession Cards

Hansard Page: CA85 1 June 2004

Senator Moore asked:

Please provide the Committee with a kit of Centrelink's state/territory brochures that indicate the range of concessions available with each card.

Answer:

State based Concession Card Brochures

Pensioner Concession Card and Health Care Card brochures are produced for each State and Territory, and a National brochure is produced for the Commonwealth Seniors Health Card.

Copies of the 17 brochures mentioned above are provided.

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Output Group: Centrelink Question No: 275

Topic: Job Network referrals

Hansard Page: CA 10 31 May 2004

Senator Collins asked:

- a) Let us move on to Job Network referrals. For the period 2003 to the present, what proportion of people who discontinued Newstart or Youth Allowance returned to claiming these benefits within—and there are four layers to this question—three months, four to six months, seven to 12 months, and 13 to 24 months?
- b) Could you also provide the number of Job Network referrals provided by Centrelink by payment type, by month, for the period 1 July 2003 to the present, and for the period 2002-03?

Answer:

- a) We are awaiting further information from Senator Collins who was to provide further clarification around the question.
- b) As above.

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- 1) Mr Sullivan to provide terms and conditions of the Director's Position. See <u>Attachment A.</u>
- 2) Mr Sullivan to provide the range of the Director's position as determined by the Remuneration Tribunal, and where the acting Director's position fits within that framework. See Attachment B.

Key points:

1)

- Terms and conditions of the Director's position not set by the Remuneration Tribunal as stated by Mark Sullivan.
- The Remuneration Tribunal is only responsible for the remuneration entitlements of the Director. Section 114F of the *Family Law Act* 1975 provides that the Remuneration Tribunal is responsible for the remuneration entitlements of the AIFS Board Members (this includes the Director). Section 114G (at Attachment A) provides that the Remuneration Tribunal determines the recreation leave entitlements of the Director.
- Final approval for a candidate and their remuneration package rests with Cabinet and the Governor-General.

2)

- The 29 May 2003 Remuneration Tribunal Determination 2003/10 determined that the Director's position should be classified as PEO Band B from August 2003, with a range from \$130 000 to \$216 300, but specific to this position, at a maximum Total Renumeration of \$184 335. This could be increased by up to 5% at the Minister's discretion.
- The current acting Director (Dr Sanson) is being paid a total renumeration of \$177
- Backpay for Dr Sanson to make up for the difference from August 2003 is under consideration.

General Information about position of Director:

- The AIFS Director is expected to fulfill four roles simultaneously, those of manager, promoter, academic, and liaison officer.
- The Director is responsible for managing AIFS' financial affairs (\$A3.5 million), its strategic direction, and the development of 42 FTE staff.
- He or she is also required to play a significant role in the international area of research into family matters, act as a spokesperson for these issues in the Australian context, promote AIFS as a Centre of Excellence in research and policy development, and establish and maintain strong communication links with various other constituencies.
- According to the *Family Law Act 1975* the Director, subject to the general direction of the Board, is responsible for the efficient and effective management of the entirety of AIFS' affairs by setting broad operational guidelines and establishing appropriate plans, policies and procedures.
- The Director's role is to ensure the overall viability, future development and growth of the organisation.

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Attachments

Part 2 - Remuneration Tribunal Determination 2003/10:

http://www.remtribunal.gov.au/determinationsReports/byyear/2003dets/2003-10Determination.pdf

Part 3 - Family Law Act a) Director and Board of Management

http://www.austlii.edu.au/au/legis/cth/consol_act/fla1975114/s114c.html Family Law Act b) Remuneration and allowances

http://www.austlii.edu.au/au/legis/cth/consol_act/fla1975114/s114f.html Family Law Act c) Leave of absence

http://www.austlii.edu.au/au/legis/cth/consol_act/fla1975114/s114g.html Family Law Act d) Acting Director

http://www.austlii.edu.au/au/legis/cth/consol act/fla1975114/s114k.html

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Output Group: Australian Institute of Family Studies Question No: 254

Topic: Minutes of AIFS Board Meetings

Hansard Page: CA4 1 June 2004

Senator Collins asked:

In relation to the Minutes of Board meetings can you:

- a) Make a copy available to the Committee?
- b) If for some reason they are not publicly available or indeed if it is considered that they are not available for this Committee for some reason, could I ask that the Board consider making them available to the Committee?

Answer:

- a) Papers and Minutes of Board meetings are considered to be for use of Board members only.
- b) At its meeting of 4 June 2004 the Board considered the Senator's request but did not feel able to accede to her request.

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Output Group: Australian Institute of Family Studies Question No: 255

Topic: Directors of the Australian Institute of Family Studies 1995-2004

Hansard Page: CA4 1 June 2004

Senator Collins asked:

Please provide the date of permanent appointment of each director from 1995 to date including:

- Their term of appointment;
- Their finish date; and
- Any temporary or acting arrangements

Answer:

Name	Title	Term Commenced	Term Expired	Reason for temporary appointment
Dr Harry McGurk	Director	14/6/94	17/4/98	
Mr John Shelton	Acting Director	5/4/95	17/4/95	Director on annual leave
Mr John Shelton	Acting Director	31/7/95	9/8/95	Director overseas
Dr David de Vaus	Acting Director	28/6/96	5/7/96	Director overseas
Mr John Shelton	Acting Director	12/8/96	30/8/96	Director on annual leave
Dr David de Vaus	Acting Director	23/9/96	30/9/96	Director overseas
Dr David de Vaus	Acting Director	4/11/96	11/11/96	Director overseas
Mr John Shelton	Acting Director	2/4/97	9/4/97	Director overseas
Dr David de Vaus	Acting Director	12/6/97	19/6/97	Director overseas
Dr David de Vaus	Acting Director	2/9/97	8/9/97	Director overseas
Dr David de Vaus	Acting Director	7/11/97	11/7/97	Director overseas
Mr John Shelton	Acting Director	19/1/98	23/1/98	Director overseas
Mr John Shelton	Acting Director	31/3/98	27/4/98	Director on Sick Leave
Mr John Shelton	Acting Director	28/4/98	29/6/98	
Mr John Shelton	Acting Director	30/6/98	13/5/99	
Mr David Stanton	Acting Director	31/5/99	31/7/99	
Mr David Stanton	Acting Director	1/8/99	30/9/99	
Mr David Stanton	Acting Director	1/10/99	13/11/99	
Mr David Stanton	Director	14/11/99	13/11/02	
Dr Peter Saunders	Acting Director	20/12/99	14/1/00	Director on annual leave
Mr David Stanton	Acting Director	14/11/02	14/1/03	

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Dr Ann Sanson	Acting Director	14/1/03	15/4/03	
Dr Ann Sanson	Acting Director	16/4/03	16/7/03	
Dr Ann Sanson	Acting Director	17/7/03	17/10/03	
Dr Ann Sanson	Acting Director	18/10/03	14/1/04	
Ms Gwenda Prince	Acting Director	14/1/04	21/1/04	
Dr Ann Sanson	Acting Director	22/1/04	30/4/04	
Dr Ann Sanson	Acting Director	1/5/04	30/6/04	
Dr Ann Sanson	Acting Director	1/7/04	30/7/04	

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Output Group: Australian Institute of Family Studies Question No: 256

Topic: Appointment of AIFS Research Manager 1999

Hansard Page: CA 4 1 June 2004

Senator Collins asked:

Can I get some details of how the selection process occurred for the appointment, for instance, of Mr Saunders to the position of research director of the institute?

Answer:

The AIFS Research Manager position was advertised in the national press and Government Gazette in August 1997. Interviews were conducted for the position on 31 October 1997. The interviews did not result in an appointment.

The position was subsequently readvertised in April 1998.

See answer to QON 257 for further details.

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Output Group: Australian Institute of Family Studies Question No: 257

Topic: Appointment of AIFS Research Manager 1999

Hansard Page: CA 4 1 June 2004

Senator Collins asked:

1.) Could I see the advertisement relating to that appointment;

- 2.) the job description;
- 3.) a summary of recruitment process, including any board decisions, recommendations or suggestions in relation to that appointment? The appointment of Peter Saunders to research manager; and
- 4.) the details of the contract of appointment.

Answer:

1.) The position was advertised in the Commonwealth of Australia Gazette of 23 April 1998. A copy of that advertisement is below.

Health and Family Services

AUSTRALIAN INSTITUTE OF FAMILY STUDIES

VICTORIA

Executive Division, Research, Service Review and Evaluation Program

Senior Executive Band 1 \$68228-82120, Melbourne (No. 3)

Duties: The Research Manager will be responsible to the Director for the management of the research program and providing high level leadership in the development and management of research projects. Promoting publication and dissemination of research findings, providing strategic and operational advice on the direction of the Institute's research to the Management team, of which the appointee will be a member. Representing the Institute as necessary at meetings and negotiations with government, academic, professional and community bodies.

Eligibility/other requirements: Demonstrated experience in the development and conduct of original research and management of research programs. Extensive record of refereed publications and relevant post graduate qualifications.

Contact officer: John Shelton (03) 9214 7888

Selection documentation may be obtained from Noelen Epstein (02) 9214 7814—Apply: AIF1

N.N.--100372352

2.) Duty Statement at May 1998 (preamble omitted here):

The research manager is specifically responsible for:

1.) Providing guidance and advice to the Director on the development and management of the research program, both now and in the future, including the associated financial resources.

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- 2.) Ensuring the work of the program is completed within time frames and budget allocations
- 3.) Providing creative leadership in research, and initiating, conducting and coordinating policy relevant research which addresses and anticipates significant issues affecting families in Australia.
- 4.) Providing for the ongoing development of research staff through regular performance reviews.
- 5.) Representing the Institute in the media and at conferences, seminars and other forums concerned with the wellbeing of Australian families
- 6.) Managing and liaising on all research tendering processes
- 7.) Ensuring that research findings are effectively disseminated as appropriate in collaboration with the Information and Marketing program.
- 3) Professor Saunders applied for the position of Research Manager advertised in April 1998. Professor Saunders was appointed following a selection process that met the requirements of the Public Service and Merit Protection Commission guidelines for appointment of SES officers.

Sixteen applications were received and five applicants interviewed on 17 August 1998, by a panel comprising two members of the AIFS Board, the Acting Director and a representative of the Public Service Commissioner.

Following the interviews, a detailed assessment report on the interviewed applicants was forwarded to the Public Service and Merit Protection Commissioner. Approval of the appointment was granted on 10 September 1998.

Professor Saunders was appointed to the Australian Public Service on 17 December 1999. He took up the position of Research Manager on 4 January 1999.

4.) Professor Saunders was appointed at the SES Band 1. He subsequently signed an Australian Workplace Agreement, the terms of which are confidential.

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Output Group: 1.1 Question No: 89

Topic: Australian Institute of Family Studies (AIFS) Director.

Hansard Page: CA 8 1 June 2004

Senator Collins asked:

- a) Can you provide me with a job description for the director's position?
- b) What scope is there to vary the contract offered to a potential director to attract a suitable candidate? What is the range?
- c) Could you indicate for us where the acting director's position fits within that framework as well?

Answer:

- a) According to the *Family Law Act* 1975, the AIFS Director, subject to the general direction of the Board, is responsible for the efficient and effective management of the entirety of AIFS' affairs by setting broad operational guidelines and establishing appropriate plans, policies and procedures. The AIFS Director ensures the overall viability, future development and growth of the organisation. He or she fills four roles simultaneously manager, promoter, academic and liaison officer. He or she is responsible for managing AIFS' financial affairs (\$A3.5 million), its strategic direction, and the development of 42 FTE staff. The Director is also expected to play a significant role in the international area of research into family matters, act as a spokesperson for these issues in the Australian context, promote AIFS as a Centre of Excellence in research and policy development, and establish and maintain strong communication links with other relevant stakeholders.
- b) General terms and conditions of the AIFS Director's position are governed by sections 114C, 114F, 114G, 114K of the *Family Law Act*. The Director's remuneration entitlements and recreation leave rests with the Remuneration Tribunal (RT) as outlined in sections 114F and 114G of the *Act*. However final approval for a candidate and the remuneration package rests with the Cabinet and the Governor-General, and reflects the status and experience of the applicant. The 29 May 2003 RT Determination 2003/10 determined that from August 2003 the Director's position should be classified as Principal Executive Office (PEO) Band B, with a range from \$130 000 to \$216 300, but specific to this position, at a maximum total remuneration of \$185 335. This may be increased by up to 5% at the Minister's discretion.

The current acting Director of AIFS is being paid within the range of PEO Band B.

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QUESTION FROM SENATOR COLLINS: VIDEO PRODUCTIONS

On Tuesday 1 June, Senator Collins asked about the department's involvement in the production of videos for Ministers. Since 1 July last year the following video segments have been produced for Ministers because they haven't been able to attend in person:

- Child Protection Awards National Conference Dinner, 26 November 2003 Minister Anthony
- Budget Broadcast, 13 May 2004 Minister Anthony

Both of these were filmed by Parliamentary Broadcast Services at no cost.

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What is FaCS' policy on Open Source Solutions?

FaCS considers open source solutions as part of its overall sourcing strategy. Open source solutions are evaluated on common criteria as proprietary solutions.

Has this been a successful Policy?

Yes, there has been the successful deployment of LINUX on a number of the Department's network servers and the software has met the business requirements.

Is the Department looking at expanding the use of Open Sourced Software?

The Department has not taken a particular stance on this matter, rather each opportunity is examined on its relative merits.

FaCS' Position on Open Sourced Software?

FaCS will need to upgrade the current version of Lotus Notes and Microsoft Desktop tools in the future. The Department is maintaining a watching brief on what options become available and open source solutions will be considered at that time.

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Mr Elton Humphery Secretary Senate Community Affairs Legislation Committee Parliament House CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Mr Humphery

LODGEMENT OF QUESTIONS ON NOTICE AND CLARIFICATION OF INFORMATION SUPPLIED AT BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING IN JUNE 2004

I wish to advise that answers to the majority of the Questions on Notice from the Budget Estimates Hearings 31 May to 4 June 2004 will be provided in PDF format later today. These answers will include questions 1-19 from Friday 4 June referred to in my letter of 30 June 2004 and Senator Murray's questions relating to advertising/public relations projects.

As indicated in my earlier letter, the issues raised in the written Questions on Notice are complex. For this reason, consideration by a number of portfolios took longer than anticipated and the department was unable to meet the 23 July deadline for lodgment to the Committee. I apologise for the delay.

At the Estimates hearings, there was a discussion in relation to the affect of the CPC benchmark over the forward estimates period. The information provided by departmental officials was believed to be correct at the time but subsequent analysis has shown that it is possible, under current assumptions on CPI and wages growth, that Family Tax Benefit Part A rates for children under 13 and for 13 to 15 year olds may increase under the Clause 7 (CPC benchmark) within the forward estimates period.

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The Hansard references in relation to this discussion are pages CA39 to CA44 of the Friday 4 June 2004 - Senate Legislation Draft Hansard.

I therefore ask that you take the appropriate steps to advise the Committee members of this clarification.

Yours sincerely

Mark Sullivan

4 August 2004

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Output Group: Cross Outcomes Question No: 20

Topic: Advertising and Public Information Products

Hansard Page: Written question on notice

Senator Murray asked:

A request to all department heads in the May 2004 Senate Estimates Hearings, as follows: Please provide a list of all advertising or public information projects currently being undertaken or expected to be undertaken by the department or agency in the course of 2004 where the cost of the project is estimated or contracted to be \$100 000 or more, indicating: (a) the purpose and nature of the project;

- (b) the intended recipients of the information to be communicated by the project;
- (c) who authorised or is to authorise the project;
- (d) the manner in which the project is to be carried out;
- (e) who is to carry out the project;
- (f) whether the project is to be carried out under a contract;
- (g) whether such contract was let by tender;
- (h) the estimated or contracted cost of the project.

Please provide this information by the next sitting of the Senate on 15 June 2004.

Answer:

See Attachment

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Question No: 20 Attachment

Response to May 2004 Senate Estimates Question from Senator Andrew Murray

Current advertising/public information projects (only include advertising projects over \$100,000)

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	project.	information to be		to be carried out.	project?		was let by	contracted cost
		communicated				a contract.	tender.	of the project.
		by the project.						
Not applicable –								
no advertising								
that meets this								
criteria.								

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Planned adve	rtising/public in	formation for 20	Planned advertising/public information for 2004 (advertising projects over \$100,000 approved by your Minister)	ects over \$100,00	0 approved by y	our Minister)		
Project title	(a) Purpose and	(b) Intended	(c) Who is to	(d) The manner in	(e) Who is to	(f) Whether the	(g) Whether	(h) The
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	project.	information to be		to be carried out.	project?	carried out under	was let by	contracted cost
		communicated				a contract.	tender.	of the project.
		by the project.						
More Help for	To ensure	Primary target	Minister for Family	Advertising (TV,	HMA Blaze and	Yes.	Yes.	\$16.8m
Families	families are	audiences	and Community	print, radio).	Universal			
education	aware of their	include families	Services	Distribution of	McCann			
campaign	entitlements	currently		information				
	announced in the	receiving family		materials.	Whybin/TBWA			
	2004-05 Budget;	assistance						
	and to educate	payments,						
	the community	families with						
	about the family	new babies,						
	accietosos	carers (and the						
	assistance	friends, partners						
	system.	and parents of						
		these audiences)						

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Keeping the	To encourage	People on	Minister for Family	Possibly	Universal	Yes.	This has not	\$4.5m a year
System Fair	income support	income	and Community	advertising (TV,	McCann.		yet been	over four years
Education	recipients to	support/Centrelin	Services	print, radio,			determined.	
Campaign				internet).				
	notify Centrelink	families and		Distribution of				
	nges in	friends.		information				
	their			materials.				
	circumstances.							
Campaign to	Encourage	Australian	Minister for Family	This has not yet	This has not yet	Yes.	This has not	This has not
encourage	philanthropy	community	and Community	been determined.	been determined.		yet been	yet been
giving			Services				determined.	determined.

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Output Group: Cross Outcomes Question No: 83

Topic: Compliance

Hansard Page: CA14 31 May 2004

Senator Forshaw asked:

Can the Committee be provided with a copy of the Allen Consulting Group Report?

Answer:

The Report is still under consideration by Government and cannot be released to the committee.

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Output Group: Cross Outcomes Question No: 84

Topic: Compliance - 'Keeping the System Fair' Education Campaign

Hansard Reference: CA52 31 May 2004

Senator Collins asked:

Do you have a report on the last 'Keeping the System Fair' campaign? -- Could that be made available?

Answer:

The report is currently being considered by Government.

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Output Group: Cross Outcomes Question No: 85

Topic: Compliance – 'Keeping the System Fair' Education Campaign

Hansard Reference: CA51 31 May 2004

Senators Collins asked:

Can you break the Keeping it Fair publicity campaign savings estimates into client groups?

Answer:

See answer to question 242.

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Output Group: Cross Outcomes Question No: 86

Topic: Compliance - 'Keeping the System Fair' Education Campaign'

Hansard Reference: CA52 31 May 2004

Senators Collins asked:

Can a copy of the tracking research for the last 'Keeping the System Fair' campaign be provided?

Answer:

See response to Question 84.

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Output Group: Cross Programs Question No: 87

Topic: Compliance - 'Keeping the System Fair' Education Campaign

Hansard Reference: CA 52 31 May 2004

Senators Collins asked:

How do the dollars being put into this campaign compare with the last?

Answer:

The Keeping It Fair campaign will cost approximately \$4.5 million per year over a four-year period. Costs include the media buy, creative consultancies, research and development and tracking research. The last campaign cost approximately \$5 million (one year).

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Output Group: Cross Outcomes Question No: 242

Topic: Compliance - 'Keeping the System Fair' Education Campaign

Hansard Reference: CA51 31 May 2004

Senator Moore asked:

I did not get the information (about dob-ins and tip-offs) across client groups. Is there any variation? Can we have data on that in terms of debts raised?

Answer:

Savings of \$67.5 million per annum from tip-offs, debts, people cancelling their payments and rate reductions are expected to be:

Newstart/Youth Allowance \$33.9m per annum Parenting Payment \$25.4m per annum Other payments \$8.2m per annum

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Output Group: Cross Outcomes Question No: 243

Topic: Compliance - 'Keeping the System Fair' Education Campaign

Hansard Reference: CA51 31 May 2004

Senators Collins asked:

The net savings resulting from terminating payments - can you provide these by actually breaking that up into client groups, other than the difference you mentioned before between Newstart and others?

Answer:

See answer to question 242.

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Output Group: Cross Outcomes Question No: 244

Topic: Compliance - 'Keeping the System Fair' Education Campaign

Hansard Reference: CA52 31 May 2004

Senator Collins asked:

Do you have a report on the last 'Keeping the System Fair' campaign? How do the dollars being put into this campaign compare with the last one?

Answers:

See answers to questions 84 and 87.

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Output Group: Cross Outcomes Question No: 252

Topic: Open Source Software

Hansard Page: CA41 1 June 2004

Senator Humphries asked:

I was wondering if I can be told what the policy of FaCS is with respect to open source software purchasing and acquisition and whether that has been seen as a successful policy from the point of view of the Department. Is it possible or desirable to expand open source approaches to software purchasing. Does the Department have a different policy in different areas? For example, is Centrelink on a separate platform for the purchase of software from the rest of the Department, and so on?

Answer:

What is FaCS's policy on Open Source Solutions?

The Department and Centrelink both have a similar policy on their open source solutions. However, it is important to note that the Department and Centrelink have different business requirements. The key principal that the Department and Centrelink have adopted is that open source solutions are evaluated on the same common criteria as closed source solutions, that is, fitness for purpose and value for money.

Has this been a successful Policy?

Department – Yes, open source solutions have been deployed to fill specific solutions, for example Linux as a server operating system.

Centrelink-Yes, there has been the successful deployment of open source system utilities and applications on a number of Centrelink network servers and the software has met the business requirements.

Is the Department looking at expanding the use of Open Sourced Software?

The Department does not have the complex requirements of Centrelink nor "the scales of economy" to research open sourced solutions. There is a process in place whereby learning and capability can be shared between the Department and Centrelink.

Centrelink - has developed a strategy to fully explore the potential of the Linux Operating System and has established a Linux Operating System laboratory for conducting proof of concept trials.

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Is Centrelink on a separate platform for the purchase of software from the rest of the Department?

Centrelink is not on a separate platform for purchasing software.

The requirements of the Department and Centrelink are so significantly different that there are often separate processes. For example, the Department does not use mainframe technology, whereas mainframe is the backbone of the Centrelink payments delivery.

Where there are efficiencies to be gained from a shared process the core Department and Centrelink will work together, the recent major office machines replacement program is such an example.

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Output Group: Cross Programs Question No: 281

Topic: Forward Estimates

Hansard Page: CA46 4 June 2004

Senator Collins asked:

Can you also take on notice to clarify for me whether in the consideration of this issue by your officers and Treasury there was actually a discussion about what the underlying assumptions were and that the particular underlying assumptions were regarded to be confidential?

Answer:

Yes, such a discussion took place.

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2. CCB Reconciliation Outcomes

11 th Mar 04	150,295 25 \$27m \$178	181.107 30 \$50m \$275	278.688 46 610.090			
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9 th Sep 03	149,792 25 \$27m \$178	181.667 30 \$50m \$274	277.619 46 609.078			
8 th Jun 03	149,776 25 \$27m \$178	181.454 30 \$50m \$274	277.364 46 608.594			
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5 th Sep 02	144,349 25 \$25m \$176	172.439 29 \$47m \$272	268.352 46 585.140	Sep 03 182.319	\$34m \$187 177.347 24	\$54m \$304 364.228
4 th Jun 02	135,169 24 \$23m \$167	162.171 29 \$43m \$266	260.018 47 557.358	Jun 03 175.059	\$32m \$182 168.779 24	\$50m \$299 357.984
3 rd Mar 02	119,625 24 \$19m \$162	146.050 29 \$37m \$250	242.477 48 508.152	3 rd Mar 03 159.494	\$28m \$173 147.027 23	\$42m \$283 340.568 53
2 nd Dec 01	99,835 22 \$15m \$154	128.173 29 \$30m \$238	218.780 49 446.490	2 nd Dec 02 144.181	\$24m \$165 128.902 22	\$35m \$271 321.932 54
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Total Customers	398.445	595.015	647.089	701.822	723.894	728.175	733.912
	1 st Sep 03	2 nd Dec 03	3 rd Mar 04				
	86.084	158.787 25	173.941				
	\$17m	\$33m	\$37m				
	\$198m	\$206	\$214				
	54,279 14	118,481	134,160				
	\$15m	\$32m	\$38m				
	\$269	\$271	\$284				
	242.680	356.915	376.333				
	63	26	22				
	383,043	634,183	684,434				

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1. FTB Reconciliation Outcomes

<i>Quarter</i> 2000-01 data at end of: Top-Up	1st Sep-01	2nd Dec-01	3rd Mar-02	4th Jun-02	5th Sep-02	6th Dec-02	7th Mar-03	8th Jun-03	9th Sep-03	10th Dec-03	11th Mar-04
Number %	4 ×	333,487	378,351	451,436	472,186	477,034	477,521	477,912	482,560	486,886	488,016
Total Amount	Z Z	\$249m	\$312m	\$403m	\$431m	\$436m	\$438m	\$438m	\$441m	\$445m	\$446m
Average Amount	A/N	\$746	\$826	\$892	\$912	\$915	\$916	\$917	\$915	\$913	\$914
Overpayment											
Number	Ϋ́	514,929	568,081	666,772	699,419	722,037	728,458	732,577	736,212	737,463	739,015
%	ďχ	36	35	35	34	33	34	8	8	33	33
Total Amount	۷/X	\$403m	\$473m	\$577m	\$616m	\$638m	\$645m	\$650m	\$652m	\$653m	\$655m
Average Amount	N/A	\$782	\$832	\$865	\$881	\$884	\$885	\$887	\$885	\$886	\$886
Nil Change											
Number	۷ X	600,411	660,298	795,438	857,368	966,487	963,923	965,272	978,367	982,435	987,542
%	ďχ	4	4	42	42	45	44	4	45	45	45
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Number	N/A	1,448,827	1,606,730	1,913,646	2,028,973	2,165,558	2,169,902	2,175,761	2,197,139	2,206,584	2,214,573
	1st quarter	data not availa	ble for 2000-01	l reconciliation	'n.						
	1st	2nd	3rd	4th		6th	7th				
1 of:	Sep-02	Dec-02	Sep-02 Dec-02 Mar-03 Jun-03	Jun-03	Sep-03	Dec-03	Mar-04				
Number	226,997	390,582	434,258	509,283	528,777	532,689	541,845				
%	25	25	26	26	26	26	25				
Total Amount	\$133m	\$289m	\$349m	\$439m	\$468m	\$472m	\$481m				
Average Amount	\$587	\$740	\$803	\$860	\$885	\$886	\$887				
Overpayment											
Number	266,753	492,966	542,940	643,524	671,944	679,221	693,319				
%	30	32	32	33	33	33	32				
Total Amount	\$190m	\$396m	\$462m	\$573m	\$611m	\$620m	\$632m				
Average Amount	\$712	\$803	\$851	\$890	606\$	\$913	\$912				
Nil Change											
Number	398,884	658,582	708,325	819,679	858,967	875,533	954,103				
%	45	43	42	42	42	45	4				
Total											
Number	892,634	1,542,130	1,685,523	1,972,486	2,059,688	2,087,443	2,189,267				

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Quarter	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
2002-03 data at end of: Top-Up	Sep-03	Dec-03	Mar-04		
Number	267,849	435,448	478,366		
%	29	28	28		
Total Amount	\$171m	\$342m	\$406m		
Average Amount	\$638	\$785	\$848		
Overpayment					
Number	231,222	424,593	469,904		
%	25	58	28		
Total Amount	\$154m	\$327m	\$382m		
Average Amount	\$668	\$770	\$814		
Nil Change					
Number	423,008	672,829	748,364		
%	46	4	44		
Total					
Number	922,079	1,532,870	1,532,870 1,696,634		

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Output Group: 1.1 Family Assistance Question No: 1

Topic: Indexation and adjustment of Family Tax Benefit

Hansard Page: Written question on notice

Questions 1 to 9 relate to indexation arrangements <u>prior</u> to the amendments made by the Family Assistance Legislation Amendment (More Help for Families – Increased Payments) Bill 2004:

Senator Collins asked:

Detail the components which are added to derive an individuals '*maximum rate*' of Family Tax Benefit A (In accordance with the method statement in Part 2 of Schedule 1 of the Family Assistance Act)?

Answer:

The components are as follows:

- the individual's standard rate under Division 2 of Part 2 of Schedule 1 (clauses 7 to 11);
- the individual's large family supplement (if any) under Division 1 of Part 5 of Schedule 1 (clauses 34 and 35);
- the individual's multiple birth allowance (if any) under Division 2 of Part 5 of Schedule 1 (clauses 36 to 38);
- the individual's rent assistance (if any) under Division 3 of Part 2 of Schedule 1 (clauses 12 to 16).

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Output Group: 1.1 Family Assistance Question No: 2

Topic: Indexation and adjustment of Family Tax Benefit

Hansard Page: Written question on notice

Questions 1 to 9 relate to indexation arrangements <u>prior</u> to the amendments made by the Family Assistance Legislation Amendment (More Help for Families – Increased Payments) Bill 2004:

Senator Collins asked:

How is the '*standard rate*' for children aged under 13, and 13 to 16 (items 1 and 2 of the table in clause 7 of Division 2 respectively) indexed?

Answer:

The method statement in subclause 4(2) of Schedule 4 to the *A New Tax System (Family Assistance) Act 1999* sets out how to work out the indexed amount of the standard rate for children aged under 13, and children aged 13 to under 16.

The indexation is in line with CPI (Consumer Price Index) increases, and occurs each 1 July. The indexation method uses a reference quarter (which is the most recent December quarter before the 1 July indexation day), and a base quarter (which is the highest December quarter before the reference quarter, but not earlier than the December quarter 1999).

The index number that is used in relation to a quarter is the All Groups Consumer Price Index number that is the weighted average of the 8 capital cities and published by the Australian Statistician in respect of that quarter.

There are four steps in the method statement. These can be summarised as follows:

- work out the indexation factor;
- work out the current figure immediately before the indexation day;
- multiply the current figure by the indexation factor: the result is the provisional indexed amount;
- round off the provisional indexed amount: the result is the indexed amount.

The indexed amount of the standard rate for children aged under 13, and children aged 13 to under 16, may be increased under clause 7 of Schedule 4.

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Output Group: 1.1 Family Assistance Question No: 3

Topic: Indexation and adjustment of Family Tax Benefit

Hansard Page: Written question on notice

Questions 1 to 9 relate to indexation arrangements <u>prior</u> to the amendments made by the Family Assistance Legislation Amendment (More Help for Families – Increased Payments) Bill 2004:

Senator Collins asked:

Is it the case that Schedule 4, Part 2, Clause 4(2) Step 4 allows the 'standard rate' outlined above as indexed by CPI to be further increased under clause 7 in certain circumstances (CPC formula)?

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Yes.

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Output Group: 1.1 Family Assistance Question No: 4

Topic: Indexation and adjustment of Family Tax Benefit

Hansard Page: Written question on notice

Questions 1 to 9 relate to indexation arrangements <u>prior</u> to the amendments made by the Family Assistance Legislation Amendment (More Help for Families – Increased Payments) Bill 2004:

Senator Collins asked:

If the rate derived via clause 7 (CPC formula) is greater than the 'standard rate' as indexed by CPI (clause 3 to clause 6) doesn't the product of the clause 7 formula prevail?

Answer:

The outcome of the clause 7 formula prevails.

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Output Group: 1.1 Family Assistance Question No: 5

Topic: Indexation and adjustment of Family Tax Benefit

Hansard Page: Written question on notice

Questions 1 to 9 relate to indexation arrangements <u>prior</u> to the amendments made by the Family Assistance Legislation Amendment (More Help for Families – Increased Payments) Bill 2004:

Senator Collins asked:

Isn't it the case the overall level of the 'maximum rate' rate of payment is dependent upon the level of the 'standard rate' as indexed above?

Answer:

The overall level of the maximum rate of payment is dependent upon the level of the standard rate.

2004-05 Budget Estimates, 31 May-4 June 2004

Output Group: 1.1 Family Assistance Question No: 6

Topic: Indexation and adjustment of Family Tax Benefit

Hansard Page: Written question on notice

Questions 1 to 9 relate to indexation arrangements <u>prior</u> to the amendments made by the Family Assistance Legislation Amendment (More Help for Families – Increased Payments) Bill 2004:

Senator Collins asked:

Provide a table showing the anticipated maximum 'standard rate' of FTB-A for children aged under 13 and 13 to 16 as at Jul 1 each year from 1 July 2004 and in each year of the forward estimates under CPI only indexation (use forward estimates of CPI provided by Treasury in Budget Paper # 1 2004-2005 or detail the CPI growth used in calculations)?

Answer:

FTB A is indexed each 1 July based on the 12 month CPI change to the December quarter in the previous year. Accordingly for the 1 July 2003 and 1 July 2004 years listed we have used actual December to December quarter CPI figures.

	FTB A	FTB A	
	Max	Max	
	0 – 12	13 – 15	CPI
			applied
1-Jul-03	\$3,401.8	\$4,314.3	
	0	0	
1-Jul-04	\$3,482.1	\$4,416.5	2 2/5
	0	0	

The Treasury estimates of CPI provided in Budget Paper No. 1 do not cover the correct time period used to adjust FTB A rates. The Treasury parameters for CPI change over the correct time period are not publicly available, so estimates for 1 July 2005, 1 July 2006 and 1 July 2007 cannot be provided.

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Output Group: 1.1 Family Assistance Question No: 7

Topic: Indexation and adjustment of Family Tax Benefit

Hansard Page: Written question on notice

Questions 1 to 9 relate to indexation arrangements <u>prior</u> to the amendments made by the Family Assistance Legislation Amendment (More Help for Families – Increased Payments) Bill 2004:

Senator Collins asked:

Provide a table showing the anticipated maximum 'standard rate' of FTB-A for children aged under 13 and 13 to 16 as at Jul 1 each year from 1 July 2004 and in each year of the forward estimates under the CPC benchmark only (clause 7) (using forward estimates of the anticipated combined couple pension as linked to MTAWE or detail the wages growth used in calculations)?

Answer:

Maximum FTB A for children 0-12 and 13 – 15 is indexed each 1 July (based on the 12 month CPI change to December in the previous year). It is then compared to the Combined Pensioner Couple benchmark as specified in schedule 4 clause 7 of the *Family Assistance Act* 1999.

Pensions are indexed 6 monthly using the Consumer Price Index and Male Total Average Weekly Earnings (MTAWE). MTAWE comes from ABS Cat 6302.0 Table 3 Original All Employees.

FTB A is indexed each 1 July based on the 12 month CPI change to the December quarter in the previous year. Accordingly for the 1 July 2003 and 1 July 2004 years listed we have used actual December to December quarter CPI figures.

	Combined	FTB A	FTB A
	Pensioner	Max	Max
	Couple	0 - 12	13 - 15
1-Jul-03	\$19,110.0	\$3,401.8	\$4,314.3
	0	0	0
1-Jul-04	\$20,155.2	\$3,482.1	\$4,416.5
	0	0	0

The Treasury estimates of CPI and wages provided in Budget Paper No. 1 do not cover the correct time period used to adjust FTB A rates. The Treasury parameters for CPI and wages change over the correct time period are not publicly available, so estimates for 1 July 2005, 1 July 2006 and 1 July 2007 cannot be provided.

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Output Group: 1.1 Family Assistance Question No: 8

Topic: Indexation and adjustment of Family Tax Benefit

Hansard Page: Written question on notice

Questions 1 to 9 relate to indexation arrangements <u>prior</u> to the amendments made by the Family Assistance Legislation Amendment (More Help for Families – Increased Payments) Bill 2004:

Senator Collins asked:

Does the Department still stand by its evidence at the 2004-05 Budget Estimates that in the absence of the budget changes the 'standard rate' for under 13's or 13 to 16 would not have been increased under Clause 7 (CPC benchmark) at any time during the forward estimates period?

Answer:

The view provided by the Department was considered to be correct at the time it was provided, however, subsequent analysis indicates that it is possible, under current assumptions on CPI and wages growth, that Family Tax Benefit Part A rates for children under 13 and for 13 to 15 year olds may increase under the Clause 7 (CPC benchmark) within the forward estimates period.

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Output Group: 1.1 Family Assistance Question No: 9

Topic: Indexation and adjustment of Family Tax Benefit

Hansard Page: Written question on notice

Questions 1 to 9 relate to indexation arrangements <u>prior</u> to the amendments made by the Family Assistance Legislation Amendment (More Help for Families – Increased Payments) Bill 2004:

Senator Collins asked:

What is the underlying policy rationale for the amendments to the CPC formula which were items 6 and 7 on pages 6-7 of the *Family Assistance Legislation Amendment (More Help for Families - Increased Payments) Bill 2004* and which agency proposed them?

Answer:

The policy intent was to provide a \$600 supplement, the value of which would be maintained in real terms. There was no intention to delay the possible introduction of the "benchmark" in the indexation arrangements associated with the new supplement.

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Output Group: 1.1 Family Assistance Question No: 10

Topic: Indexation and adjustment of Family Tax Benefit

Hansard Page: Written question on notice

Questions 10 to 17 relate to indexation arrangements <u>after</u> the amendments made by the Family Assistance Legislation Amendment (More Help for Families – Increased Payments) Bill 2004:

Senator Collins asked:

Detail the components which are added to derive an individuals '*maximum rate*' of Family Tax Benefit A (In accordance with the method statement in Part 2 of Schedule 1 of the Family Assistance Act as amended)?

Answer:

The components are as follows:

- the individual's standard rate under Division 2 of Part 2 of Schedule 1 (clauses 7 to 11);
- the individual's large family supplement (if any) under Division 1 of Part 5 of Schedule 1 (clauses 34 and 35);
- the individual's multiple birth allowance (if any) under Division 2 of Part 5 of Schedule 1 (clauses 36 to 38);
- the individual's FTB Part A supplement under Division 2A of Part 5 of Schedule 1 (clause 38A);
- the individual's rent assistance (if any) under Division 3 of Part 2 of Schedule 1 (clauses 12 to 16).

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Output Group: 1.1 Family Assistance Question No: 11

Topic: Indexation and adjustment of Family Tax Benefit

Hansard Page: Written question on notice

Questions 10 to 17 relate to indexation arrangements <u>after</u> the amendments made by the Family Assistance Legislation Amendment (More Help for Families – Increased Payments) Bill 2004:

Senator Collins asked:

How will the '*standard rate*' for children aged under 13, and 13 to 16 (items 1 and 2 of the table in clause 7 of Division 2 respectively) be indexed as amended?

Answer:

The method for calculating the indexed amount of the standard rate for children aged under 13, and children aged 13 to 15, is not changed by the *Family Assistance Legislation Amendment (More Help for Families – Increased Payments) Act 2004.*

See answer to question 2.

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Output Group: 1.1 Family Assistance Question No: 12

Topic: Indexation and adjustment of Family Tax Benefit

Hansard Page: Written question on notice

Questions 10 to 17 relate to indexation arrangements <u>after</u> the amendments made by the Family Assistance Legislation Amendment (More Help for Families – Increased Payments) Bill 2004:

Senator Collins asked:

Isn't it the case that as amended the overall level of the 'maximum rate' rate of payment is dependent upon the level of 'standard rate' as indexed?

Answer:

The overall level of the maximum rate of payment is dependent upon the level of the standard rate.

2004-05 Budget Estimates, 31 May-4 June 2004

Output Group: 1.1 Family Assistance Question No: 13

Topic: Indexation and adjustment of Family Tax Benefit

Hansard Page: Written question on notice

Questions 10 to 17 relate to indexation arrangements <u>after</u> the amendments made by the Family Assistance Legislation Amendment (More Help for Families – Increased Payments) Bill 2004:

Senator Collins asked:

Is it the case that as amended, the '*standard rate*' as derived under clause 7 (CPC) will be less than that yielded by the current clause 7 CPC formula?

Answer:

For both 1 July 2003 and 1 July 2004, the pre-amended and amended formula amounts in subclauses 7(1) and 7(3) of Schedule 4 do not exceed the indexed amounts under clause 4 of Schedule 4. Therefore, the formula amounts do not apply.

It is possible, under current assumptions on CPI and wages growth, that Family Tax Benefit Part A rates for children under 13 and for 13 to 15 year olds may have increased under the pre-amended Clause 7 (CPC benchmark) within the forward estimates period.

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Output Group: 1.1 Family Assistance Question No: 14

Topic: Indexation and adjustment of Family Tax Benefit

Hansard Page: Written question on notice

Questions 10 to 17 relate to indexation arrangements <u>after</u> the amendments made by the Family Assistance Legislation Amendment (More Help for Families – Increased Payments) Bill 2004:

Senator Collins asked:

Is it the case that as a consequence the CPI indexation only will continue to prevail into the forward estimates period?

Answer:

Yes, under currently enacted legislation and assumptions around CPI and MTAWE.

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Output Group: 1.1 Family Assistance Question No: 15

Topic: Indexation and adjustment of Family Tax Benefit

Hansard Page: Written question on notice

Questions 10 to 17 relate to indexation arrangements <u>after</u> the amendments made by the Family Assistance Legislation Amendment (More Help for Families – Increased Payments) Bill 2004:

Senator Collins asked:

Provide a table showing the anticipated maximum 'standard rates' of FTB-A for children aged under 13 and 13 to 16 as at Jul 1 each year from 1 July 2004 and in each year of the forward estimates under CPI only indexation (use forward estimates of CPI provided by Treasury in Budget Paper # 1 2004-2005 or detail the CPI growth used in calculations)?

Answer:

The current legislation, as enacted, did not change the method of CPI indexation.

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Output Group: 1.1 Family Assistance Question No: 16

Topic: Indexation and adjustment of Family Tax Benefit

Hansard Page: Written question on notice

Questions 10 to 17 relate to indexation arrangements <u>after</u> the amendments made by the Family Assistance Legislation Amendment (More Help for Families – Increased Payments) Bill 2004:

Senator Collins asked:

Provide a table showing the anticipated maximum 'standard rates' of FTB-A for children aged under 13 and 13 to 16 as at Jul 1 each year from 1 July 2004 and in each year of the forward estimates under the amended CPC benchmark only (clause 7) (using forward estimates of the anticipated combined couple pension as linked to MTAWE or detail the wages growth used in calculations)?

Answer:

The legislation, as currently enacted, provides for maximum FTB A for children 0 to 12 years and 13 to 15 years being indexed each 1 July (based on the 12 month CPI change to December in the previous year). The CPI indexed amount is then compared to the Combined Pensioner Couple benchmark as specified in schedule 4 clause 7 of the *Family Assistance Act* 1999.

Pensions are indexed 6 monthly using the Consumer Price Index and Male Total Average Weekly Earnings (MTAWE). MTAWE comes from ABS Cat 6302.0 Table 3 Original All Employees.

FTB A is indexed each 1 July based on the 12 month CPI change to the December quarter in the previous year. Accordingly for the 1 July 2003 and 1 July 2004 years listed we have used actual December to December quarter CPI figures.

	Combined	FTB A	FTB A
	Pensioner	Max	Max
	Couple	0 – 12	13 - 15
1-Jul-03	\$19,110.0	\$3,401.8	\$4,314.3
	0	0	0
1-Jul-04	\$20,155.2	\$3,482.1	\$4,416.5
	0	0	0

The Treasury estimates of CPI and wages provided in Budget Paper No. 1 do not cover the correct time period used to adjust FTB A rates. The Treasury parameters for CPI and wages change over the correct time period are not publicly available, so estimates for 1 July 2005, 1 July 2006 and 1 July 2007 cannot be provided.

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Output Group: 1.1 Family Assistance Question No: 17

Topic: Indexation and adjustment of Family Tax Benefit

Hansard Page: Written question on notice

Questions 10 to 17 relate to indexation arrangements <u>after</u> the amendments made by the Family Assistance Legislation Amendment (More Help for Families – Increased Payments) Bill 2004:

Senator Collins asked:

Provide a table showing the anticipated value of the "*FTB Supplement*" as at Jul 1 each year from 1 July 2004 and in each year of the forward estimates as indexed to CPI (use forward estimates of CPI provided by Treasury in Budget Paper # 1 2004-2005 or detail the CPI growth used in calculations)?

Answer:

The FTB A supplement will be indexed each 1 July based on the 12 month CPI change to the December quarter in the previous year. Accordingly for the 1 July 2003 and 1 July 2004 years listed we have used actual December to December quarter CPI figures.

	FTB A	
	Supplement	
		applied
1-Jul-03	\$600.00	
1-Jul-04	\$613.20	2 2/5

The Treasury estimates of CPI provided in Budget Paper No. 1 do not cover the correct time period used to adjust FTB A rates. The Treasury parameters for CPI change over the correct time period are not publicly available, so estimates for 1 July 2005, 1 July 2006 and 1 July 2007 cannot be provided.

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Output Group: 1.1 Family Assistance Question No: 18

Topic: Indexation and adjustment of Family Tax Benefit

Hansard Page: Written question on notice

Senator Collins asked:

What was the anticipated expenditure on Family Tax Benefit A in each year of the forward estimates after:

- i. Budget 2003-2004;
- ii. Additional Estimates 2003-2004
- iii. Budget 2004-2005?

Answer:

The forward estimates for Family Tax Benefit Part A are not disclosed in the 2004-05 Budget papers.

The published estimates for Family Tax Benefit Part A reflect the increased payments announced in the 2004-05 Budget.

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Output Group: 1.1 Family Assistance Question No: 19

Topic: Indexation and adjustment of Family Tax Benefit

Hansard Page: Written question on notice

Senator Collins asked:

What legislative action is being considered in light of Minister Patterson's press release of 6/6/2004 titled "Howard Government guarantees the real value of the new \$600 per child family payment to be maintained over time"?

Answer:

This is a policy question and a matter for Government.

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Output Group: 1.1 Family Assistance Question No: 32

Topic: Debts

Hansard Page: Written question on notice

Senator Harradine asked:

The publication "More Help for Families" states that "if required, the lump sum payment will be available to offset any overpayment of FTB that a family may have incurred during a previous year." What steps has the department taken to inform families that the lump sum payment will be used in this way? Has the department estimated the proportion and the dollar value of the funds allocated for the lump sum payments will not need to paid out because of debts incurred?

Answer:

The Family Tax Benefit Part A supplement measure, announced in mid-May, may be used to offset a Family Tax Benefit overpayment, if the family has an overpayment. The Family Assistance Office has made this information available through:

- Centrelink Call Centres; and
- the Family Assistance Office website www.familyassist.gov.au.

The Department cannot provide an estimate of the proportion and dollar value of the supplement used to offset overpayments at this stage.

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Output Group: 1.1 Family Assistance Question No: 33

Topic: Debts

Hansard Page: Written question on notice

Senator Collins asked:

I note that there is approximately \$15.5 million of FTB debt owed by Tasmanian families. How many families in Tasmania will have their lump sum payment reduced by debts incurred and what is the dollar value of this payment used to repay debt? How many will have their payment nullified by debts incurred and what is the dollar value of this payment used to repay debt? How many Tasmanian families in total would otherwise be eligible for the lump sum payment?

Answer:

The Department cannot provide an answer until the 2003-04 reconciliation process is complete.

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Output Group: 1.1 Family Assistance Question No: 77

Topic: Debts

Hansard Page: CA40 31 May 2004

Senator Collins asked:

- (a) Can you give us an estimate of what proportion of families at 4 September (in the absence of the next reconciliation to occur) will have outstanding debts that they are repaying through whatever means with Centrelink?
- (b) What is outstanding on that, come 4 September, will be taken from your \$600 payments, to the extent that that is possible, is that correct?

Answer:

- (a) The Department cannot provide an estimate at this stage.
- (b) Yes.

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Output Group: 1.1 Family Assistance Question No: 78

Topic: Debts

Hansard Page: CA43 31 May 2004 (refer CA 40)

Senator Collins asked:

How many families will have outstanding debts in excess of the \$600 from the previous year's reconciliation?

I am hoping we could have a further breakdown showing the outstanding reconciliation debt in, say, \$100 bands.

Answer:

The Department cannot provide a reliable estimate prior to the 2003-04 reconciliation occurring.

2004-05 Budget Estimates, 31 May-4 June 2004

Output Group: 1.1 Family Assistance Question No: 116

Topic: Debts

Hansard Page: CA44 31 May 2004, CA45 31 May 2004

Senator Collins asked:

What I am asking is: come this reconciliation, how many people will have outstanding debts that will then fall into the reconciliation?

You said that people's present debts will fall into this reconciliation with these additional \$600 payments per child, and I am asking you to quantify for me what the order of those previous debts will be.

You just need to tell me X number of families are likely to have this level of outstanding debt when they are then reconciled.

Answer:

The Department cannot provide a reliable estimate prior to the 2003-04 reconciliation occurring.

2004-05 Budget Estimates, 31 May-4 June 2004

Output Group: 1.1 Family Assistance Question No: 34

Topic: Income Estimates

Hansard Page: Written question on notice

Senator Harradine asked: "Can the department detail the steps taken in assisting families to correctly estimate their income, particularly where work is undertaken on a casual or irregular basis, making estimation difficult?"

Answer:

The Family Assistance Office (FAO) continues to help families who find it difficult to estimate their income including those working on a casual or irregular basis in a variety of ways, including:

- reminding customers to update their estimates at the start of each financial year and whenever customers contact the FAO;
- providing customers with information, including tips on how to estimate, in brochures, notes accompanying claim forms and via the FAO website;
- offering customers who are unsure about their working arrangements the choice to receive some of their family assistance during the year and the remainder at the end of the year once the family has lodged their tax returns; and
- targeting information and options to families who may be at risk of being overpaid for example, calling customers to discuss their income estimate and payment choices available and sending reminders to customers to update their income estimate (eg a postcard).

The new Family Assistance Office website, which was deployed on 1 July 2004, will specifically assist customers who have casual or irregular family income by advising them of payment options, steps to estimating irregular income (such as tips on what income to include, what changes customers may need to think about, to round up their estimate and to update income estimates regularly).

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Output Group: 1.1 Family Assistance Question No: 35

Topic: Maternity payments

Hansard Page: Written question on notice

Senator Harradine asked:

Are there families who would have been better off financially with the combination of the current Maternity Allowance and Baby Bonus, instead of the new Maternity Payment? If so, please provide details.

Answer:

A small number of high income families with specific characteristics and financial circumstances may be slightly better off in the first year. For example, dual earner couple families where one member of the couple (generally the female) earns over \$55,000 in the year before the baby was born, and has a low income in the first year of the baby's life, may be slightly better off. The family would also have had to qualify for Family Tax Benefit within 26 weeks of the birth of the child to be eligible to receive the Maternity Allowance.

The Baby Bonus has been grandfathered so that eligible families can continue to claim their full five year entitlement.

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Output Group: 1.1 Family Assistance Question No: 36

Topic: Maternity Payment Evaluation

Hansard Page: Written question on notice

Senator Harradine asked:

Has the department evaluated the efficacy of the Maternity Payment in alleviating financial stress due to loss of (usually material) income, as compared with a maternity leave payment? If so, please provide details of this evaluation.

Answer:

No. Maternity Payment is to assist parents with the costs incurred around the birth of a child.

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Output Group: 1.1 Family Assistance Question No: 37

Topic: Family payments for adoptive parents

Hansard Page: Written question on notice

Senator Harradine asked:

Do couples who have adopted children from overseas receive family payments?

Answer:

Yes, if they meet the usual eligibility criteria for family payments.

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Output Group: 1.1 Family Assistance Question No: 38

Topic: Family payments for adoptive parents—child age criteria when placed in care

Hansard Page: Written question on notice

Senator Harradine asked:

Are these family payments determined by the age of the child at placement? If so, at what age do families become ineligible for payments made to other new parents?

Answer:

Eligibility for Family Tax Benefit Part A or B is not determined by the age of the child when the child was placed in the adoptive parents' care. Adoptive parents may also qualify for Maternity Payment if the child is placed in their care before the child turns 26 weeks old. To be eligible for Maternity Immunisation Allowance the child must become fully immunised for an 18 month old child while in the adoptive parents' care and be claimed by the adoptive parent before the child turns two years of age.

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Output Group: 1.1 Family Assistance Question No: 39

Topic: Age of children when placed with Australian adoptive parents

Hansard Page: Written question on notice

Senator Harradine asked:

Could the Department provide a breakdown of the ages of children arriving in Australia through inter-country adoption? How many of these children are under the age of six months, and how many are over the age of six months?

Answer:

FaCS does not hold data on inter-country adoption. That is a matter for the Department of Immigration and Multicultural and Indigenous Affairs.

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Output Group: 1.1 Family Assistance Question No: 40

Topic: Cost of adopting children and eligibility for family payments

Hansard Page: Written question on notice

Senator Harradine asked:

Does the Department accept that denying family payments to parents whose children are older creates hardships for adoptive parents who have already had to outlay significant sums through adoption programs for their child?

Answer:

Adoptive parents may qualify for Family Tax Benefit Part A, Family Tax Benefit Part B, Maternity Payment, Maternity Immunisation Allowance, and Child Care Benefit. Adoptive parents can claim Maternity Payment for a baby who was 26 weeks or under when the baby came into their care.

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Output Group: 1.1 Family Assistance Question No: 41

Topic: Family payments and adoptions

Hansard Page: Written question on notice

Senator Harradine asked:

Who made the decision to deny family payments to families adopting children over the age of six months? What was the rationale for this decision?

Answer:

Families adopting children over the age of six months are not excluded from the majority of family payments. People who adopt children over the age of six months may qualify for Family Tax Benefit Part A, Family Tax Benefit Part B, Maternity Immunisation Allowance and Child Care Benefit. The intention of Maternity Payment is to assist with the costs around the time of birth of the baby. The eligibility criteria for Maternity Payment were contained in legislation passed by the Parliament.

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Output Group: 1.1 Family Assistance Question No: 42

Topic: HREOC recommendation

Hansard Page: Written question on notice

Senator Harradine asked:

Is the Department aware of the HREOC recommendation that adoptive families should qualify for family payments regardless of the age of the child at placement?

How does the Department respond to this recommendation?

Answer:

No. See response to Question 40.

It is not the role of the Department to respond to recommendations made by HREOC.

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Output Group: 1.1 Family Assistance Question No: 43

Topic: Inter-country adoption

Hansard Page: Written question on notice

Senator Harradine asked:

What is the Department doing to address this and other disincentives to couples seeking to form a family through inter-country adoption?

Answer:

Inter-country adoption is not the responsibility of this portfolio.

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Output Group: 1.1 Question No: 90

Topic: Family Tax Benefit Part A Hansard Page: CA16 4 June 2004

Senator Collins asked:

Can you provide an update for Table 5 on page 29 of the FaCS annual report 2002-03 using the latest available data?

Answer:

The table below is an update of Table 5 on page 29 of the 2002-03 FaCS Annual Report. The latest available data is as at 28 May 2004.

Family Tax Benefit — number of clients assisted fortnightly (as at 28 May 2004)

Payment	Families Families	Children
Family Tax Benefit Part A		
Maximum rate(with income		
support)	474,431	888,821
Maximum rate(without income		
support)	142,399	259,349
Broken rate	423,491	912,343
Base rate	718,660	1,326,577
Below base rate	45,430	103,017
Family Tax Benefit Part B		
Maximum rate (for sole parents)	593,845	1,003,034
Maximum rate (for couples)	299,525	637,713
Broken rate (for couples)	313,952	658,572

Note: Figures are customers paid on fortnightly basis, based on income estimates. Does not include clients claiming through tax system.

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Output Group: 1.1 Question No: 94

Topic: Family Tax Benefit Part A Hansard Page: CA18 4 June 2004

Senator Collins asked:

Can a similar table as Table 5 on page 29 of the FaCS annual report 2002-03 be prepared for Centrelink lump sum and ATO lump sum customers?

Answer:

The information is not currently available.

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Output Group: 1.1 Question No: 95

Topic: Family Tax Benefit Part A Hansard Page: CA18 4 June 2004

Senator Collins asked:

Using the latest available data for fortnightly customers and lump sum Centrelink and ATO customers, how many families receive Family Tax Benefit A, Family Tax Benefit B, Family Tax Benefit A only and Family Tax Fenefit B only for 2002-03?

Answer:

a) Centrelink fortnightly customers:

As at 28 May 2004, 1,806,157 customers were receiving FTB Part A and 1,207,435 were receiving FTB Part B. Of these, 629,400 customers received FTB Part A only and 30,678 received FTB Part B only.

b) ATO lump sum customers for 2002-03:

As at 28 May 2004, 92,922 customers were receiving FTB Part A and 47,582 were receiving FTB Part B. Of these, 57,208 customers received FTB Part A only and 11,868 received FTB Part B only.

c) Centrelink lump sum customers:

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Output Group: 1.1 Question No: 96

Topic: Family Tax Benefit Part A

Hansard Page: CA18 4 June 2004, CA19 4 June 2004

Senator Collins asked:

How many families receive Family Tax Benefit A for one child, two children, three children, four children, five children and six or more children for:

a) fortnightly customers as at the latest date;

b) lump sum Centrelink and lump sum ATO families for 2002-03, as well as fortnightly families corresponding to the same date of lump sum Centrelink and lump sum ATO families for 2002-03?

Answer:

(a) Centrelink fortnightly families

Number of FTB A children	Number of families receiving fortnightly instalment FTB A as at 28 May 2004
1	682,659
2	712,908
3	298,243
4	84,205
5	19,616
6 or more	8,526
Total	1,806,157

(b) ATO lump sum families

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Number of FTB A children	Number of families receiving FTB A for 2002-03 through ATO lump sum as at 28 May 2004
1	38,550
2	39,064
3	12,661
4	2,229
5	284
6 or more	88
Total	92,876

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Output Group: 1.1 Question No: 97

Topic: Family Tax Benefit Part A Hansard Page: CA19 4 June 2004

Senator Collins asked:

How many fortnightly, lump sum Centrelink and ATO customer's families receive Family Tax Benefit A for different child age groups: 0-5, 6-12, 13-15, 16-18, 19-21, 22, 23, 24?

Answer:

The table below shows the number of families receiving fortnightly instalment FTB A as at 28 May 2004 and ATO lump sum FTB A payment for 2002-03 as at 28 May 2004.

Age of FTB A children	Number of families receiving fortnightly instalment FTB A as at 28 May 2004 *	Number of families who received FTB A through ATO lump sum for 2002-03 as at 28 May 2004*
0-5	866,917	31,212
6-12	979,026	44,257
13-15	505,437	27,007
16-18	190,535	21,900
19-21	51,131	5,732
22	2,445	369
23	995	172
24	346	70
Total	1,806,157*	92,876*

^{*}The customer count is the number of customers with at least one child in that age group, thus a single customer may be counted in more than one category. However, the "Total" number of customers counts each customer once only.

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Output Group: 1.1 Question No: 98

Topic: Family Tax Benefit Part A

Hansard Page: CA19, CA20 4 June 2004

Senator Collins asked:

How many fortnightly, lump sum Centrelink and lump sum ATO families in total are eligible for the large family supplement? Of those receiving the large family supplement, how many families are receiving maximum rate of Family Tax A and the broken rate of Family Tax A?

Answer:

	Number of families receiving large family supplement	
	Fortnightly instalment as at 28 May 2004	ATO lump sum for 2002-03 as at 28 May 2004
FTB A payment type		
Maximum rate FTB A	46,669	210
Broken rate FTB A	41,521	254
Other payment types	23,308	1,963
Total	111,498	2,427

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Output Group:1.1 Question No: 99

Topic: Family Tax Benefit

Hansard Page: CA20, CA21 4 June 2004

Senator Collins asked:

For the 2002-03 year,

- (a) What was the average actual adjusted taxable income (ATI) of families who received Family Tax Benefit A via Centrelink lump sum, via ATO lump sum and Centrelink fortnightly payments?
- (b) What is the distribution of all Family Tax Benefit B and A customers ATIs in \$5,000 bands between \$0 and \$100,000 per annum; in \$10,000 bands between \$100,000 and \$200,000 per annum; and in \$100,000 bands between \$200,000 and \$1 million or more per annum?

Answer:

Data is currently unavailable but an answer will be provided as soon as possible.

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Output Group: 1.1 Question No: 100

Topic: Family Tax Benefit and Partnered Parenting Payment

Hansard Page: CA21 4 June 2004

Senator Collins asked:

- (a) How many families receive partnered parenting payment and no FTB B?
- (b) How many families receive partnered parenting payment and a broken rate of FTB B?
- (c) How many families received partnered parenting payment in respect to one parent and family tax benefit B in respect to the other parent and, of those families, how many receive the maximum rate of both payments?

Answer:

As at April 2004,

- (a) Around 60,000 families receive partnered parenting payment and no FTB B.
- (b) Around 111,000 families receive partnered parenting payment and a broken rate of FTB B
- (c) Around 8,000 families received partnered parenting payment in respect to one parent and family tax benefit B in respect to the other parent. None of these families would receive the maximum rate of both payments.

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Output Group: 1.1 Family Assistance Question No: 101

Topic: Family Allowance Debts and Top-ups

Hansard Page: CA25 4 June 2004

Senator Collins asked: Isn't this level of debt more than 1,000 percent greater than the number of debts that occurred under the family payment system in 1999-2000, which was 51,832?

Answer:

The FaCS 1999-2000 Annual Report reports a figure of 51, 824 debts for Family Allowance (page 48). This figure relates to debts arising from compliance activity. The total number of debts identified for both Family Allowance and Family Tax Payment is estimated to be in excess of 240,000 for the 1999-2000 financial year.

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Output Group: 1.1 Family Assistance Question No: 113

Topic: FTB Part B Quarantine

Hansard Page: CA120 31 May 2004

Senator Collins asked:

What source data has been used to determine the figure of 130,000 for FTB part B Quarantine winners?

Answer:

The figure was broadly based on NATSEM modelling, largely using ABS data adjusted to take account of total actual births.

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Output Group: 1.1 Family Assistance Question No: 114

Topic: Family Tax Benefit effective marginal tax rates

Hansard Page: CA118 31 May 2004

Senator Collins asked:

Can you look at preparing a table showing the pre- and post-budget effective marginal tax rates for dual income families with family incomes of \$20,000, \$25,000, \$27,000, \$30,000, \$40,000, \$50,000, \$60,000 and a 70 to 30 income split with two children and one under five?

Answer:

Families with a family income of \$20,000 with 2 children, one aged under five and a 70/30 income split (representing 0.0002% of total FTB families) would experience an EMTR of 77% for the one extra dollar earned between \$19,999 to \$20,000 compared with a pre budget EMTR of 74% over the same extra dollar.

Families with a family income of \$25,000 with 2 children, one aged under five and a 70/30 income split (representing 0.0004% of total FTB families) would experience an EMTR of 67% for the one extra dollar earned between \$24,999 to \$25,000 compared with a pre budget EMTR of 75% over the same extra dollar.

Families with a family income of \$27,000 with 2 children, one aged under five and a 70/30 income split (representing 0.0003% of total FTB families) would experience an EMTR of 67% for the one extra dollar earned between \$26,999 to \$27,000 compared with a pre budget EMTR of 63% over the same extra dollar.

Families with a family income of \$30,000 with 2 children, one aged under five and a 70/30 income split (representing 0.0007% of total FTB families) would experience an EMTR of 67% for the one extra dollar earned between \$29,999 to \$30,000 compared with a pre budget EMTR of 63% over the same extra dollar.

Families with a family income of \$40,000 with 2 children, one aged under five and a 70/30 income split (representing 0.001% of total FTB families) would experience an EMTR of 53% for the one extra dollar earned between \$39,999 to \$40,000 compared with a pre budget EMTR of 57% over the same extra dollar.

Families with a family income of \$50,000 with 2 children, one aged under five and a 70/30 income split (representing 0.001% of total FTB families) would experience an EMTR of 53% for the one extra dollar earned between \$49,999 to \$50,000 compared with a pre budget EMTR of 27% over the same extra dollar.

Families with a family income of \$60,000 with 2 children, one aged under five and a 70/30 income split (representing 0.0143% of total FTB families) would experience an EMTR of 34% for the one extra dollar earned between \$59,999 to \$60,000 compared with a pre budget EMTR of 28% over the same extra dollar.

Notes:

These families have 2 children, one under 5, and one under 13.

Family Tax Benefit rates used to model pre-budget EMTR are as at 20 March 2004.

Family Tax Benefit rates used to model post-budget EMTR are as at 1 July 2004.

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Output Group: 1.1 Question No: 115

Topic: Family Tax Benefit effective marginal tax rates

Hansard Page: CA119 31 May 2004

Senator Collins asked:

I will read you the full scenario again. Can you confirm that a dual income family with two children, one under five, on \$23,000 per annum will experience an effective marginal tax rate of 93 per cent if the secondary income earner increases their earnings from \$8,000—presumably that is 35 per cent of \$23,000 per annum—an increase of six per cent over the pre-budget EMTR of 87 per cent.

Answer:

No. That is not correct.

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Output Group: 1.1 Question No: 91

Topic: Double Orphan Pension Hansard Page: CA16 4 June 2004

Senator Collins asked:

How many families receive Double Orphan Pension by each state and territory?

Answer:

The table below shows the number of families receiving double orphan pension as at 28 May 2004.

	Families
Australian Capital Territory	14
New South Wales	335
Northern Territory	31
Queensland	239
South Australia	103
Tasmania	34
Victoria	243
Western Australia	141
Unknown	1
Total	1.141

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Output Group: 1.1 Question No: 92

Topic: Double Orphan Pension Hansard Page: CA16 4 June 2004

Senator Collins asked:

How many claims for Double Orphan Pension were lodged during 2002-03 and in the 2003-04 year to date, and how many were granted?

Answer:

428 claims for double orphan pension were lodged during 2002-03 and 299 were granted. 445 claims for double orphan pension were lodged during 2003-04 (until 11 June) and 345 were granted.

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Output Group: 1.1 Question No: 93

Topic: Double Orphan Pension Hansard Page: CA17 4 June 2004

Senator Collins asked:

- a) How many Double Orphan Pension recipients also receive the age pension?
- b) What is the percentage of those Double Orphan Pension recipients aged over 60 who are also age pensioners?

Answer:

- a) 140 Double Orphan Pension recipients also received the Age Pension as at 11 June 2004.
- b) 62% of Double Orphan Pension recipients aged over 60 are also Age Pensioners.

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Output Group: 1.1 Family Assistance Question No: 118

Topic: Funding for Kid's Help Line in Queensland

Hansard Page: CA15 4 June 2004

Senator Collins asked:

Is the Kids Help Line in Queensland funded by FaCS and, if so, under which program?

Answer:

The Australian Government provides funding to Kids Help Line under the Stronger Families and Communities Strategy to facilitate "peer skills" workshops across Australia.

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Output Group: 1.1 Family Assistance Question No: 102

Topic: CPI/MTAWE Indexation Hansard Page: CA314 June 2004

Senator Collins asked:

Can you confirm that CPI was ascendant due to the \$140 per child increase introduced at the time of ANTS?

Answer:

Yes, the CPI was ascendant due to the \$140 per child increase introduced at the time of ANTS.

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Output Group: 1.1 Family Assistance Question No: 105

Topic: MIA

Hansard Page: CA126 31 May 2004

Senator Forshaw asked:

What component of the new spending can be attributed to removing the means test from the Maternity Immunisation Allowance?

Answer:

\$17 million over four years can be attributed to removing the means test from the Maternity Immunisation Allowance.

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Output Group: 1.1 Family Assistance Question No: 106

Topic: Maternity Immunisation Allowance

Hansard Page: CA127 31 May 2004

Senator Forshaw asked:

Can you break down the suggested savings figure of \$770 million into the outlays for each of the years of the forward estimates—that is, how much saving over each of those forward years per year?

Answer:

Savings included in the Budget Papers for the abolition of Maternity Allowance are:

2004-05	\$182 million
2005-06	\$191 million
2006-07	\$196 million
2007-08	\$201 million
Total	\$770 million

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Output Group: 1.1 Family Assistance Question No: 107

Topic: Maternity Immunisation Allowance

Hansard Page: CA128 31 May 2004

Senator Forshaw asked:

What was the annual cost to the Government of the Maternity Immunisation Allowance prior to this year's budget changes?

Answer:

The annual cost of the Maternity Immunisation Allowance prior to this year's budget changes is around \$43 million in 2003-04.

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Output Group: 1.1 Family Assistance Question No: 108

Topic: Maternity Immunisation Allowance

Hansard Page: CA129 31 May 2004

Senator Forshaw asked:

Can you provide us with the forward estimates post the budget changes for the immunisation allowance?

Answer:

No. This is not available.

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Output Group: 1.1 Family Assistance Question No: 109

Topic: MIA

Hansard Page: CA129 31 May 2004

Senator Forshaw asked:

How much more per year will it cost the Government to make the immunisation allowance universal?

Answer:

It will cost around \$7 million to make the immunisation allowance universal.

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Output Group: 1.1 Family Assistance Question No: 110

Topic: Maternity Immunisation Allowance

Hansard Page: CA129 31 May 2004

Senator Forshaw asked:

How many claims per year for the maternity immunisation allowance were rejected as a result of the means test? [Mr Sullivan—We will find out for you how many people were refused maternity immunisation allowance and for what reason.]

Answer:

Data is currently unavailable but an answer will be provided as soon as possible.

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Output Group: 1.1 Family Assistance Question No: 110

Topic: Maternity Immunisation Allowance

Hansard Page: CA129 31 May 2004

Senator Forshaw asked:

How many claims per year for the maternity immunisation allowance were rejected as a result of the means test? [Mr Sullivan—We will find out for you how many people were refused maternity immunisation allowance and for what reason.]

Answer:

The information requested is not readily available and to provide such information would require the expenditure of significant resources.

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Output Group: 1.1 Family Assistance Question No: 112

Topic: Maternity Immunisation Allowance

Hansard Page: CA130 31 May 2004

Senator Forshaw asked:

Can you provide the income distribution of rejected Maternity Immunisation Allowance claims?

Answer:

That information is not available.

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BUDGET ESTIMATES 2004/05 – GREEN CORPS ADDITIONAL ADVICE

HOW MANY PARTICIPANTS RECEIVED ACCREDITED TRAINING UNDER THE GREEN CORPS PROGRAM?

- Under the current delivery arrangement for the Green Corps program approximately 3,400 young people have had the opportunity to participate in the program. All of these participants received accredited training in First Aid and Occupational Health and Safety prior to starting on a project.
- The Funding Recipient is required to provide a minimum of 134 hours of accredited training to each Green Corps participant.
- The Funding Recipient is required to use the Conservation and Land Management Training Package. Currently Green Corps aims to provide participants with a Certificate Level 1 or 2 in this package.
- The accredited training provided to each Green Corps participant must include core-accredited training in First Aid, Occupational Health and Safety and Career Counselling.
- In addition to the core training, the Funding Recipient is also required to provide accredited training and on the project training to equip participants with the skills to enable them to undertake project tasks.
- All participants that complete their placement in the program receive accredited Career Counselling from the Conservation and Land Management Training Package.
- There is no data currently available on the number of participants obtaining Certificate 1 or 2 in the Conservation and Land Management Training Package.

COULD YOU PROVIDE THE ACCREDITED TRAINING OUTCOMES DELIVERED PER PARTICIPANT FOR EACH YEAR SINCE ITS COMMENCEMENT INCLUDING THE LEVEL OF QUALIFICATION?

- Responsibility for the Green Corps program from March 1997 to November 2001 was with the former Department of Education, Training and Youth Affairs, now DEST. The Green Corps program was transferred to FaCS in November 2001. No data is available on accredited training outcomes per participant including level of qualification for this period.
- There is also no data currently available on the number of participants obtaining Certificate 1 or 2 in the Conservation and Land Management Training Package under the current Green Corps delivery arrangements.

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GREEN CORPS FUNDING 2003/04 & 2004/05

FINANCIAL YEAR	Administration Allowance	Estimated Participants Allowance	TOTAL
2003/04	13,296,540	10,223,460	\$23,520,000 (estimate)
2004/05	13,322,740	10,621,260	\$23, 944,000 (estimate)

Administration Allowance – Advanced by the Department to the Funding Recipient in instalments. The Administration Allowance covers all costs to the Funding Recipient in delivering the program and includes such items as formal training costs, supervision, travel to and from sites and costs directly associated with practical placements.

Estimated Participant Allowance – Advanced by the Department to the Funding Recipient for Payment to Green Corps Participants

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INNOVATIVE AND COLLABORATIVE YOUTH SERVICING PILOTS

- The ICYS pilots were advertised in September 2001, with most projects commencing in the 2002 calendar year;
- Expenditure on the 26 ICYS projects was \$0.350 million in 2001-02 and \$2.948 million in 2002-03, as per the answer to QON 88 in November 2003;
- There was also an additional \$100,000 spent during the 2003-04 financial year on the ICYS project in Rockhampton delivered by Wahroonga Family Counselling Centre (part of QLD Baptist Care);
- The Evaluation of the ICYS pilot program is expected to be complete by late July 2004;
- At this point we are unable to provide data regarding the sustainability or continuation of individual projects.

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OUTCOME 1.2 YOUTH AND STUDENT SUPPORT QUESTIONS FROM SENATOR COLLINS

1. How many young Australians are on Youth Allowance (other) because they are unemployed?

As at 21 May 2004, there were 84 563 young people receiving Youth Allowance (other). Centrelink system allows identification of full-time students or Youth Allowance (other) only. Youth Allowance (other) includes job seekers and young people undertaking combined activities to meet the Youth Allowance activity test requirements eg part-time study and part-time work.

2. Are most of these unemployed Youth Allowance recipients aged under 18? If not what age are the majority of unemployed Youth Allowance recipients?

No. As at 21 May 2004, there were 84 563 customers receiving Youth Allowance (other). Of these 64 970 were aged 18 and over.

3. How many unemployed job seekers on Youth Allowance have been unemployed for more than a year? Are most of these under the age of 18? What age did most of these long-term unemployed youth first go on Youth Allowance (other)?

As at 21 May 2004 there were 20 855 non-full-time students (including CDEP participants who get a nil basic rate of Youth Allowance) who have been in receipt of Youth Allowance for more than one year. Of these 10.9% were aged under 18.

The age that this group was first granted Youth Allowance is in the following table.

Age when first on YA (other)	Number
15	1 270
16	7 984
17	6 027
18	4 251
19	1 323
20	2

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4. Which state has the highest level of unemployed Youth Allowance recipients? Can we have a list?

Youth Allowance (Other) as at 21 May 2004

State	Under 18	18+	Total
A COT	1.64	(20)	70.4
ACT	164	630	794
NSW	6 048	19 483	25 531
NT	782	1 837	2 619
QLD	4 913	14 734	19 647
SA	1 579	5 727	7 306
TAS	649	2 602	3 251
VIC	3 068	13 790	16 858
WA	2 389	6 167	8 556

5. Which regional areas have the highest number of unemployed Youth Allowance recipients? Can we have a copy of this for each age group? Can we also have it by SLA and also by postcodes?

Please see Attachment A for Youth Allowance (other) recipients by postcode. This data is not collected for SLAs.

6. Can you get this document to us by the end of the estimates hearing? If not why Not?

See answer 5

7. What is the average length of time unemployed youth spend on Youth Allowance? Can we have a copy of this for each age group? Can we also have it by SLA and also by postcodes?

The median duration of continuous receipt of Youth Allowance in the 2003 calendar year was 99 days. This includes periods as a YA full-time student.

We do not have readily available data for the duration of unemployment by age group and postcode. Data is not collected for SLAs.

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8. What percentage unemployed Youth Allowance recipients have been on Youth Allowance continuously and transferred to Newstart Allowance when they turned 21? What was the average age of this group when they first received Youth Allowance?

Of the young people who exited Youth Allowance in the 2003 calendar year and were non-full-time students at exit date, there were 30 366 customers who turned 21 years and commenced to receive Newstart Allowance from Youth Allowance exit date plus one day.

The age of when this group first received Youth Allowance, either as a student or unemployed.

Age when first granted YA	Number
15	487
16	16 018
17	3 565
18	3 538
19	3 216
20	3 542

9. How many unemployed Youth Allowance recipients have been on Youth Allowance (other) more than once before the age of 21?

Of the 84 563 customers who were current Youth Allowance (other) at 21 May 2004, there were 40 370 who had had a previous period of receipt of Youth Allowance (either as a full-time student or as unemployed).

10. Can we also have a list of the number of long term unemployed on Youth Allowance over 1 year by state, SLA and postcode? Can you break this down further into age groups and gender?

As at 21 May 2004 there were 20 855 non-full-time student customers (including CDEP participants who get a nil basic rate of Youth Allowance) who had been in receipt of Youth Allowance for more than one year. The state breakdown is in the following table.

State	Number
ACT	163
NSW	5 732
NT	1 175
QLD	4 567
SA	1 871
TAS	1 180
VIC	3 996

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WA	2 017
Unknown	154
Total	20 855

Please see Attachment B for postcode data. This data is not collected for SLAs.

State, age group and gender

	Under 18			18+	
State	Female	Male	Female	Male	
ACT	< 20	<20	76	76	
NSW	275	330	2 353	2 774	
NT	85	104	367	619	
QLD	261	259	2 016	2 031	
SA	87	107	752	925	
TAS	47	56	445	632	
VIC	159	179	1 909	1 749	
WA	160	133	857	867	
Unknown	< 20	<20	52	91	

11. How many young employed people do you refer to the Job Network each year? Of this group how many are still on benefits after a year? How many of those that get an off benefit outcomes, return to claim Youth Allowance?

Centrelink has advised it is not in a position to identify and report on Youth Allowance customers referred to see Job Network. This information is held by the Department of Employment and Workplace Relations.

[Note: the attachments have not been included in the electronic/printed volume]

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Output Group: 1.2 Youth and Student Support Question No: 31

Topic: Video Production

Hansard Reference: Written

Senators Collins asked:

In relation to the video production for Ministers, further to the asked questions in relation to in-house or external production, cost and number of occasions, please provide the dates of the functions and the date of the production of videos for each.

Answer:

The Child Protection Awards National Conference Dinner was held on 26 November 2003. Minister Anthony's office organised the video which was filmed by Parliamentary Broadcast Services. The Department is not aware of the date the filming took place.

The Budget Community Broadcast was held on 13 May 2004. Minister Anthony's office organised the video which was filmed by Parliamentary Broadcast Services on the morning of the 13 May.

2004-05 Budget Estimates, 31 May-4 June 2004

Output Group: 1.2 Youth and Student Support Question No: 44

Topic: Student Loans

Hansard Page: Written question on notice

Senator Stott Despoja asked:

From the analysis of loans offered by financial institutions and student organisations carried out by FaCS,

- a) How many loans were available from student organisations?
- b) What were the average costs of the commercially available loans?
- c) What were the current acceptance/usage rates for the commercial loans (please include an average interest rate for the commercial loans)?

Answer:

This information is not available.

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Output Group: 1.2 Youth and Student Support Question No: 45

Topic: Students living below poverty line Hansard Page: Written question on notice

Senator Stott Despoja asked:

[Transferred from Employment, Workplace Relations and Education Committee]

How many students receiving Federal Government income support payments are living below the Henderson poverty line?

Answer:

This data is not available.

2004-05 Budget Estimates, 31 May-4 June 2004

Output Group: 1.2 – Youth and Student Support Question No: 124

Topic: Green Corps

Hansard Page: CA23 1 June 2004

Senator Collins asked:

Can a copy of Green Corps evaluation be provided upon its conclusion?

Answer:

This evaluation has not yet been completed and the Government will decide arrangements for its release.

2004-05 Budget Estimates, 31 May-4 June 2004

Output Group: 1.2 Youth and Student Support Question No: 153

Topic: Green Corps

Hansard Page: CA22 1 June 2004

Senator Collins asked:

- a) Of the 1,700 participants in Green Corps, roughly what proportion would stay the appropriate length of time as opposed to moving into employment or onto other training?
- b) Could you provide the accredited training outcomes delivered to participants for each year since the commencement of Green Corps, including the level of certification? Could you check with the department formally responsible for Green Corps whether they have retained that information?

Answer:

- a) Seventy per cent of participants in 2002/2003 completed projects through to graduation. 2003/2004 data is currently not available, as all projects in this financial year have not been completed.
- b) Responsibility for the Green Corps program from March 1997 to November 2001 was with the former Department of Employment, Education, Training and Youth Affairs, now the Department of Education, Science and Training. No data is available on accredited training outcomes per participant including level of qualification for this period.

2004-05 Budget Estimates, 31 May-4 June 2004

Output Group: 1.2 Youth and Student Support Question No: 125

Topic: Youth Bureau – Policy and Promotions Branch

Hansard Page: CA23 1 June 2004

Senator Collins asked:

Could you provide the final estimate for 2003-04 and the forward estimates for 2004-05 under the **Youth Bureau Policy & Promotions Branch** broken down into line items for each program?

Answer:

With the recent Departmental restructure, the Youth Bureau – Policy and Promotions Branch ceased to exist on 1 July 2004.

The majority of functions previously managed by the Youth Bureau – Policy and Promotions Branch have been consolidated in the context of a new Youth Bureau, which also includes the functions of the former Youth Bureau – Programs Branch.

Attachment A provides the final estimate broken down into line items for 2003-04 under the former Youth Bureau – Policy and Promotions Branch for which we have information. Note National Youth Affairs Research Scheme (NYARS) 2003-04 expenditure drew upon the 2003-04 annual contributions from jurisdictions (\$120,000 from the Australian Government, and a matching \$120,000 provided collectively by the states and territories) and from financial reserves in the NYARS Special Account that had carried over from previous financial years.

Forward estimates for 2004-05 under the new Youth Bureau are currently being finalised in the context of available funds within the Department.

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Question No: 125 Attachment A 2003-04 Final Estimates – Policy and Promotions Functions -Breakdown of line items where available

PROJECT	ITEM		2003-2004 Actual
National Youth Roundtable	Travel & Accommodation	\$	216,569.00
	Catering & Venue Hire	\$	15,734.00
	Publicity & Promotion	\$	53,696.00
	Contract Payments to		
	Facilitators	\$	131,312.00
	Program Planning & Support for Members	\$	44,298.00
National Indigenous Youth Leadersh		Ť	,
Group	Travel & Accommodation	\$	56,952.00
	Catering & Venue Hire	\$	6,978.00
	Publicity & Promotion ¹	\$	35,295.00
	Contract Payments to Facilitators ²	\$	11,651.00
	Program Planning & Support for Members	\$	4,660.00
ANTA (Skills Recognition)	Travel Related	\$	41.38
	Contractors	\$	27,765.94
	Publishing & Printing	\$	81,002.39
	Other	\$	927.23
Positive Portrayal of Young People ³	Travel Related	\$	41,351.67
-	Consultants	\$	277,791.70
	Contractors	\$	77,982.56
	Training	\$	5,590.00
	Publishing & Printing	\$	79,562.02
	Sponsorship (eg, YMCA Youth Parliament)	\$	473,431.06
National Youth Affairs Research	Consultants	\$	360,188.08
Scheme (NYARS)	Other	\$	49,534.53
Australian Clearinghouse for Youth Studies	Contractors	\$	209,377.78
Commonwealth Youth Program	Travel Related	\$	13,919.99
Commonwealth Fouth Frogram	Other	\$	1,274.73
YACF	Travel Related	\$	4,515.31
17.01	Other ⁴	\$	5,529.29
AFOYO	Travel Related	\$	18,377.60
AI UI U	Training	\$	227.27
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	Other	\$	1,515.06

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¹ Includes production costs of *Fresh Footprints*, a booklet profiling young Indigenous Australians as role models and leaders in their communities and supporting government and non-government programs.

² Does not include payments made in 2002/2003 for services that contributed to the June 2003 NIYLG meeting. ³ Positive Portrayal of Young People includes: Rostrum Voice of Youth Final; YMCA Youth Parliament; The Source; Rock Eisteddfod; Young Australian of the Year; Kool Skools; Step to the Future; and National Awards for Local Governments.

⁴ 'Other' for YACF includes: hospitality and sitting fees for members.

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PROJECT	ITEM	2003-2004 Actual	
National Youth Week	Travel Related	\$ 32,499.83	
	Consultants	\$ 214,423.65	
	Contractors	\$ 222,901.44	
	Training	\$ 7,204.82	
	Publishing & Printing	\$ 89,014.05	
	Other ⁵	\$ 261,113.79	
Youth for the Future ⁶	Travel & Accommodation	\$ 254,075.00	
	Catering & Venue Hire for delegates	\$ 270,910.00	
	Publicity & Promotion	\$ 70,825.00	
	Contractors	\$ 108,966.00	
_	Other	\$ 36.00	

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⁵ 'Other' for National Youth Week includes: hire of motor vehicles; postage costs for national distribution of posters/broadsheets/promotional materials; mobile phone costs; internet licenses; and hospitality costs.
⁶ Youth for the Future was a joint initiative with the Commonwealth Heads of Government Secretariat

2004-05 Budget Estimates, 31 May-4 June 2004

Output Group: 1.2 Youth and Student Support Question No: 126

Topic: Reconnect and JPET Funding

Hansard Page: CA23 1 June 2004

Senator Collins asked:

Please provide final estimate for Reconnect services for 2003-04, broken up, and also for JPET.

Answer:

The final estimates for Reconnect and JPET services for 2003–04 are as follows:

Reconnect \$20.079 million JPET \$19.400 million

Breakdown by line item is not available.

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Output Group: 1.2 – Youth and Student Support Question No: 127

Topic: Mentor Marketplace

Hansard Page: CA24 1 June 2004

Senator Collins asked:

Please provide the Mentor Marketplace final estimate for 2003-04, broken up by budget estimate and forward estimate.

Answer:

The expenditure for Mentor Marketplace for the 2003-04 year met the budget estimate of \$1.372 million. The budget estimate for 2004-05 is \$2.250 million.

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Output Group: 1.2 Youth and Student Support Question No: 128

Topic: Youth Activity Services

Hansard Page: CA24 1 June 2004

Senator Collins asked:

Please provide a break up of the 2003-04 final estimate for Youth activities services, budget into line items?

Answer:

The final estimate for the Youth Activities Services and Family Liaison Worker Program services for 2003–04 is as follows is \$6.923 million. Breakdown by line item is not available.

2004-05 Budget Estimates, 31 May-4 June 2004

Output Group: 1.2 Youth and Student Support Question No: 129

Topic: Evaluation – Youth Activities and Family Liaison Worker programs

Hansard Page: CA24 1 June 2004

Senator Collins asked:

Can you provide results of evaluation of Youth Activities Services and Family Liaison Worker programs?

Answer:

The Department has received the report from the consultant engaged to undertake the evaluation. This report is currently being considered by Government.

2004-05 Budget Estimates, 31 May-4 June 2004

Output Group: 1.2 – Youth and Student Support Question No: 130

Topic: Innovative and Collaborative Youth Servicing (ICYS) pilots

Hansard Page: CA26 1 June 2004

Senator Collins asked:

Please provide information on the Innovative and Collaborative Youth Servicing pilot programs that attracted other Commonwealth funding to continue, particularly any that have occurred with stronger families?

Answer:

With the exception of the Queensland Baptist Care project in Rockhampton, QLD, which was extended until 26 June 2004, no funding was provided to extend the ICYS pilots. The Innovative and Collaborative Youth Servicing pilot was a pilot program with no commitment to ongoing funding. No Stronger Families and Communities Strategy funding was provided to continue Innovative and Collaborative Youth Servicing pilot projects.

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Output Group: 1.2 – Youth and Student Support Question No: 131

Topic: Innovative and Collaborative Youth Servicing (ICYS) pilots

Hansard Page: CA27 1 June 2004

Senator Collins asked: Can you

- a) Provide information on how many Innovative and Collaborative Youth Servicing pilots will be continuing;
- b) Which pilots have gained funding from other sources?

Answer:

- a) No Innovative and Collaborative Youth Servicing pilot projects will be continuing beyond 26 June 2004.
- b) The Department does not have details of non-Commonwealth funding that may have been made available to organisations involved in the Innovative and Collaborative Youth Servicing pilot projects.

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Output Group: 1.2 Youth and Student Support Question No: 133

Topic: National Youth Week 2004

Hansard Page: CA29 1 June 2004

Senator Collins asked:

Please provide a break up of the National Promotional activity for National Youth Week.

Answer:

- 50,000 broad-sheets distributed to libraries, schools, Centrelink and FaCS youth officers around Australia, youth organisations, members of the National Planning Group and event organisers.
- 20,000 white space posters to schools, youth organisations, Centrelink and FaCS youth officers around Australia, members of the National Planning Group and event organisers.
- 150,000 stickers to schools, youth organisations, Centrelink and FaCS youth officers around Australia, members of the National Planning Group and event organisers.
- 50,000 pens to schools, youth organisations, Centrelink and FaCS youth officers around Australia, members of the National Planning Group and event organisers.
- National promotion was provided via bus advertising (inside of bus) and distribution of Avant cards.
- National promotion was also provided through Community Service Announcements on both television and radio.

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Output Group: 1.2 Youth and Student Support Question No: 134

Topic: National Youth Week 2004

Hansard Page: CA29 1 June 2004

Senator Collins asked:

Could you please provide something that elaborates on the theme of National Youth Week being launched in the most easterly point of Australia?

Answer:

The Department recommended that National Youth Week should be launched in Byron Bay as the location aligned with the strategic theme of the Australian Government events in celebration of National Youth Week – Coast, Capital, Centre.

The location of Byron Bay was determined as it is the most easterly point in Australia and therefore the place in which the sun first dawns on National Youth Week.

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Output Group: 1.2 Youth and Student Support Question No: 135

Topic: National Youth Week 2004

Hansard Page: CA30 1 June 2004

Senator Collins asked:

Please provide detail as to how much of the FaCS dollar is left to the Minister's discretion for the type of event as the launch of National Youth Week.

Answer:

Nil during 2004.

2004-05 Budget Estimates, 31 May-4 June 2004

Output Group: 1.2 Youth and Student Support Question No: 136

Topic: National Youth Week 2004

Hansard Page: CA30 1 June 2004

Senator Collins asked:

Can you confirm that the costs of attendance came out at \$17,000 for the National Youth Week event at Byron Bay?

Answer:

Yes, this is confirmed.

2004-05 Budget Estimates, 31 May-4 June 2004

Output Group: 1.2 Youth and Student Support Question No: 137

Topic: National Youth Week 2004

Hansard Page: CA31 1 June 2004

Senator Collins asked:

Were departmental travel costs included in the \$17,000 allocated to the launch of National Youth Week at Byron Bay?

Answer:

Yes.

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Output Group: 1.2 Youth and Student Support Question No: 138

Topic: National Youth Week 2004

Hansard Page: CA30 1 June 2004

Senator Collins asked:

Who was invited to the opening?

Answer:

- All State and Territory representatives of the National Planning Group were invited to attend.
- Minister Carmel Tebbutt, NSW Minister for Community Services, Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services and Minister for Youth, was invited but was not able to attend.
- The young people and general community of Byron Bay and surrounds.

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Output Group: 1.2 Youth and Student Support Question No: 139

Topic: National Youth Week 2004 Hansard Page: CA31/32 1 June 2004

Senator Collins asked:

- a) Why was the local MHR in Alice Springs not invited to the Yulara Event?
- b) Please provide information on the costs of Yulara event and;
- c) How many departmental offices went?

Answer:

- a) An invitation was sent to Chief Minister Clare Martin, Minister for Young Territorians. The Chief Minister was unable to attend.
- b) The cost to the Department of the Yulara event was \$12,178.10.
- c) Five Departmental staff travelled to Yulara.

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Output Group: 1.2 Youth and Student Support Question No: 140

Topic: National Youth Week 2004

Hansard Page: CA32 1 June 2004

Senator Collins asked:

Can you explain why the Step to the Future was not in any promotional material for National Youth Week.

Answer:

The Step to the Future leadership forum was a *complementary* event to National Youth Week and therefore not an official National Youth Week event. As such, this event did not appear in any promotional material for National Youth Week.

This forum was complementary as it was provided by Step to the Future in addition to their contractual requirements.

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Output Group: 1.2 Youth and Student Support Question No: 141

Topic: National Youth Week 2004

Hansard Page: CA33 1 June 2004

Senator Collins asked:

Please provide a copy of Minister Anthony's speech for the launch of National Youth Week.

Answer:

We have not been able to obtain a verbatim record of the Minister's speech.

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Output Group: 1.2 Youth and Student Support Question No: 145

Topic: National Youth Week 2004

Hansard Page: CA29 1 June 2004

Senator Collins asked:

Why is Minister Anthony's speech for the launch of National Youth Week not on the FaCS website?

Answer:

Not all Ministers' speeches are posted on the FaCS website. Only those for which we have an accurate record are posted. There was no recording of Minister Anthony's speech on this occasion.

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Output Group: 1.2 Youth and Student Support Question No: 146

Topic: National Youth Week 2004

Hansard Page: CA29 1 June 2004

Senator Collins asked:

Please provide a breakdown of what makes up the \$242,000 grants to States & Territories for National Youth Week.

Answer:

State / Territory	\$
ACT	\$11,000.00
NT	\$11,000.00
TAS	\$11,000.00
SA	\$16,511.00
QLD	\$42,218.00
VIC	\$54,758.00
WA	\$22,572.00
NSW	\$72,941.00
TOTAL	\$242,000.00

These figures are based on ABS statistics on youth populations in each State / Territory and a minimum amount for each State and Territory of \$11,000. These amounts are GST exempt.

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Output Group: 1.2 Youth and Student Support Question No: 147

Topic: National Youth Week 2004 Hansard Page: CA29 1 June 2004

Senator Collins asked:

Can you provide a breakdown of what makes up the \$408,000 for promotional activities/items for National Youth Week.

Answer:

\$408,000 was budgeted for promotional activities/items for National Youth Week 2004. Of this budget, \$406,693 was spent as detailed below:

•	Horizon Public Relations agency ¹	\$172,636
•	Production of Community Service Announcements	\$ 25,000
•	Advertising (bus advertising and avant cards)	\$ 44,258
•	Printing & premiums ²	\$ 46,352
•	Australian Performing Right Association (APRA) fees ³	\$ 17,000
•	National Planning Group meetings ⁴	\$ 8,674
•	Young members meetings and training	\$ 18,226
•	Distribution ⁵	\$ 14,547
•	Contractor staff salaries	\$ 60,000
	TOTAL	\$406,693

LEGEND:

- 1. Work undertaken included:
 - Sponsorship negotiation and management (for corporate sponsors, media partners, talent competition and win-free-stuff sponsors);
 - Management of National Youth Week media releases;
 - Coordination of National Youth Week celebrity supporters and their involvement with National Youth Week activities; and
 - Management of chat rooms on the National Youth Week website.
- 2. Printing of 50,000 broadsheets; 20,000 white space posters; 150,000 stickers and 50,000 pens.
- 3. Licence fees for the playing of copyright music at live National Youth Week events.
- 4. Costs included venue hire, travel and accommodation.
- 5. Distribution of promotional materials, mailouts and media releases.

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Output Group: 1.2 Youth and Student Support Question No: 148

Topic: National Youth Week 2004

Hansard Page: CA29 1 June 2004

Senator Collins asked:

Why did we move the launch of NYW from Canberra to Byron Bay?

Answer:

The Department recommended that National Youth Week should be launched in Byron Bay as it tied in with the general theme of the Government events of Youth Week – Coast, Capital, Centre.

Byron Bay was chosen as the 'coast' location as this is the first part of Australia to greet the start of National Youth Week.

The Minister also held a reception in Canberra (Capital) during National Youth Week that was in celebration of young Australian leaders.

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Output Group: 1.2 Youth and Student Support Question No: 149

Topic: National Youth Week 2004 Hansard Page: CA30 1 June 2004

Senator Collins asked:

Which State Representatives attended Byron and what was the full guest/invitation list for Byron Bay?

Answer:

• Three National Planning Group representatives, one each from South Australia, Tasmania and the Australian Capital Territory attended.

The full guest/invitation list was as follows:

- All State and Territory representatives of the National Planning Group were invited to attend. Those unable to attend had launches taking place in their own States and Territories on this day.
- Minister Carmel Tebbutt, NSW Minister for Community Services, Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services and Minister for Youth, was invited but was not able to attend.
- The young people and general community of Byron Bay and surrounds were invited through the following mechanisms:
 - An advertisement in the local newspaper;
 - Poster distribution to schools, cafes and other community outlets;
 - The Byron Bay Surf Life Saving Club; and
 - A Community Service Announcement on a local radio station.

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Output Group: 1.2 Youth and Student Support Question No: 150

Topic: National Youth Week 2004 Hansard Page: CA32 1 June 2004

Senator Collins asked:

Who was invited to the Step to the Future Event?

Answer:

Participation was by students in the Canberra region that had not previously had the opportunity to attend Step to the Future forums.

The following schools were invited to attend:

- Lyneham High School
- Gold Creek High
- The Canberra College
- Lake Tuggeranong College
- Alfred Deakin High
- Bega High School
- Telopea Park School
- Caroline Chisholm High
- Melba High School
- Goulburn High School
- Boorowa High School
- Dickson College
- Stromlo High School
- Monaro High School
- Queanbeyan High School
- Canberra Grammar School
- Karabar High School
- Calwell High School
- Yass High School
- Kaleen High School

Members of the 2004 National Youth Roundtable and 2003 National Indigenous Youth Leadership Group were also invited and attended on the day.

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Output Group: 1.2 Youth and Student Support Question No: 248

Topic: National Youth Week 2004 Hansard Page: CA29 1 June 2004

Senator Collins asked:

A) Is that simply because the site is not up to date?

B) How do you select which speeches you put up and which ones you do not?

Answer:

- A) The FaCS website is continually updated.
- B) Only those speeches for which we have an accurate record are posted.

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Output Group: 1.2 Youth and Student Support Question No: 249

Topic: National Youth Week 2004 Hansard Page: CA29-32 1 June 2004

Senator Collins asked:

- a) The approximate cost of the National Youth Week event was \$17,000. Does that include the airfares for the state and territory representatives that were flown to Byron Bay?
- b) Are you able to tell me how many of them ultimately did go to Byron Bay, as opposed to the originally planned event in Canberra?
- c) Will you confirm with me whether the costs of attendance in Byron Bay came out of that \$17,000?
- d) How did *Girlfriend* magazine come to be involved?

Answer:

- a) Yes.
- b) Three members, one from each of South Australian, Tasmania and the Australian Capital Territory attended the event at Byron Bay.
 - Plans for holding the event in Canberra were never finalised; as such no invitations were sent for a Canberra-based launch event.
- c) Yes.

Girlfriend magazine has been a media partner of National Youth Week for four years. The magazine provides extensive editorial coverage, is a Talent Competition sponsor and their editor has been a celebrity supporter for the past two years as well as acting as a spokesperson for National Youth Week.

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Output Group: 1.2 Youth and Student Support Question No: 142

Topic: National Youth Roundtable Hansard Page: CA27 1 June 2004

Senator Jacinta Collins asked:

Can you please provide the final cost estimate for the National Youth Roundtable for 2003-04 broken up into line items?

Answer:

National Youth Roundtable 2003/2004 – final estimate (GST Exclusive)

Travel and Accommodation	\$216,569
Catering and Venue Hire	\$15,734
Publicity and Promotion	\$53,696
Contract Payments to Facilitators	\$131,312
Program Planning and Support for Members	\$44,298
Total	\$461,609

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Output Group: 1.2 Youth and Student Support......Question No: 143

Topic: National Indigenous Youth Leadership Group (NIYLG)

Hansard Page: CA27 1 June 2004

Senator Jacinta Collins asked:

Could you please provide the final estimate, the budget estimate and the forward estimate, to line items for the National Indigenous Youth Leadership Group?

Answer:

NIYLG – Estimated budget 2003/2004

The estimated budget for NIYLG 2003/2004 was \$100,000 (GST Exclusive).

NIYLG – Final expenditure 2003/2004 (GST Exclusive)

Line item	Final estimate
Travel and Accommodation	\$56,952
Catering and Venue Hire	\$6,978
Publicity and Promotion	\$35,295 ⁷
Contract Payments to Facilitators	\$11,6518
Program Planning and Support for Members	\$4,660
Total	\$115,536

NIYLG –Estimated budget 2004/2005 (GST Exclusive)

The estimated budget for NIYLG 2004/2005 is \$100,000 (GST Exclusive).

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⁷ Includes production costs of Fresh Footprints, a booklet profiling young Indigenous Australians as role models and leaders in their communities and supporting government and non-government programs. The booklet was a recommendation of the NIYLG 2001/2002. This resulted in the final expenditure being more than the estimated budget.

⁸ Does not include payments made in 2002/2003 for services that contributed to the June 2003 NIYLG meeting.

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Output Group: 1.2 Youth and Student Support Question No: 144

Topic: Australian Forum of Youth Organisations

Hansard Page: CA28 1 June 2004

Senator Collins asked:

On AFOYO, could you provide me with the final estimate 2003-04, the budget estimate and the forward estimates and, again, a break-up of catering, printing, design, editing, travel, accommodation, consultancies, postage et cetera?

Answer:

Expenditure on these items (where applicable) is as presented below:

AFOYO Meeting Expenses 2003/2004 Financial Year

Reimbursement TOTAL	\$28050.00
Taxis & Petrol	\$ 3250.00
Airfares	\$17720.00
Accommodation	\$ 4320.00
Catering	\$ 2760.00

There was no expenditure on external printing, design, editing or consultancy services. There is no discrete allocation for postage as most communication is done by email or in the meetings of the forum and any day-to-day postage needs are considered part of Departmental running costs.

AFOYO is funded from Departmental funds and as such there are no Budget or Forward Estimates.

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Output Group: 1.2 Youth and Student Support Question No: 155

Topic: Youth Bureau Programs and Youth Bureau Policy and Promotions Branch

Hansard Page: CA23 1 June 2004

Senator Collins asked:

- a) What programs will the Youth Bureau Programs Branch and Youth Bureau Policy and Promotions Branch be administering in 2004–05?
- b) Can you provide your best estimate broken down into line items?
- c) Can you provide the forward estimate?
- d) Can you provide us with the final estimate for Reconnect services for 2003–04 broken up?

Answer:

a) The Budget Estimates for the programs that will be administered by the Youth Bureau in 2004–05 are as follows:

Program	2004–05 Budget Estimate \$'000
Reconnect	\$20,909 *
JPET	\$20,138 *
YAS/FLW	\$ 6,863
TILA	\$ 2,710
Green Corps	\$23,944
Mentor Marketplace	\$ 2,250

^{*} Includes the new budget measure for combined Reconnect and JPET services for newly arrived young people.

- b) Breakdown by line item is not available.
- c) Refer to table in a)
- d)The final estimate for the Reconnect program for 2003–04 is \$20.079 million. In relation to the break up of Reconnect services for 2003–04, the Department funded 98 non-government organisations to deliver these services.

Information related to Youth Bureau Policy and Promotions is answered at QON 125.

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Output Group: 1.2 Youth and Student Support Question No: 251

Topic: Expansion of Families Cluster

Hansard Page: CA 35-36 1 June 2004

Senator Collins asked:

Can you explain what structural changes have occurred in the department?

Answer:

In recognition of the need to organise the Department to be responsive to workload pressures and emerging policy agendas the following restructure was implemented between April and June 2004.

The Families and Children's cluster was expanded to ensure it met increasing demands, including in relation to the Stronger Families and Communities Strategy. A second Executive Director, Ms Virginia Mudie, joined the cluster to form a "group" to enable this to happen. This further allows a focus on strong links between the participation, family and children's and community's policy agendas.

Five copies of the latest FaCS organisation chart have been attached.

[Note: the attachment has not been included in the electronic/printed volume]

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Output Group: 1.3 Child Support Question No: 88

Topic: Compliance trusts

Hansard Page: CA112 31 May 2004

Senator Moore asked:

Are trusts included in Centrelink data matching?

Answer:

Yes.

Trust data matching is undertaken to ensure the risk posed to Centrelink programs by undeclared assets is controlled. The initiative involves the matching of Australian Taxation Office trust beneficiary data with Centrelink customer records to detect undeclared interests in trusts.

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Child Support Debt As at 30 December 2003

Senator Jacinta Collins requested information on the average debt per case by CSA's twelve debt categories. In addition we have also provided a statement clarifying a comment made by Ms Argall.

- 1. Since CSA was formed in 1988 more than 95 per cent of all child support has been collected and transferred for the benefit of children. CSA in the last 4 years has increasingly supported self-reliance amongst parents and now over 51 per cent of parents transfer their child support privately. The majority of parents do the right thing and pay their child support. The remaining 5 per cent (\$858.8 million) in debt has accumulated over the life of the Scheme. Table 1 below provides information on the average debt per case by each of the twelve debt categories for debt great than \$260.
- 2. Ms Argall made a statement that the Gross Maintenance Debt fell by \$0.9 million overall and that this was due to a reduction in domestic debt of \$2.9 million and an increase in international debt of \$2.0 million. The clarification relates to the fact that these figures relate to March 2004 results.

Table 1: Debt category for active cases with	> \$260 (debt	
Debt category		Dec-03	
	No.	\$GMDm	\$ debt/case
Tax Return Lodger, Stage 1 Court Order, Wages and Salary, Linked to an Employer	345	1.9	5,507
2. Tax Return Lodger, Stage 1 Court Order, Wages and Salary, Not Linked to an Employer	904	9.9	10,951
3. Tax Return Lodger, Stage 1 Court Order, Centrelink Benefits Recipient	153	1.4	9,150
4. Tax Return Lodger, Stage 1 Court Order, Non-Salary and Wages Income	1,885	15.3	8,117
5. Tax Return Lodger, Stage 2 Assessment, Wages and Salary, Linked to an Employer	12,523	45.9	3,665
6. Tax Return Lodger, Stage 2 Assessment, Wages and Salary, Not Linked to Employer	29,782	114.4	3,841
7. Tax Return Lodger, Stage 2 Assessment, Centrelink Benefits Recipient	5,287	14.2	2,686
8. Tax Return Lodger, Stage 2 Assessment, Non-Salary and Wages Income	52,451	233.1	4,444
9. Non Lodger of Tax Returns, Stage 1 Court Order	2,819	42.9	15,218
10. Non Lodger of Tax Return, Stage 2 Assessment, Median Default Income ¹	11,968	67.3	5,623
11. Non Lodger of Tax Return, Stage 2 Assessment, Derived Default Income ²	4,536	24.7	5,445
12. Non Lodger of Tax Return, Stage 2 Assessment, Deemed Default Income ³	43,594	140.4	3,221
Total	166,247	711.2	4,278
1. "Median Default Income" is based on the median of child support incomes held on the Child	Support Con	nputer syste	em.
2. "Derived Default Income" is income information from employers, group certificates, Centrelink benefits etc.			
"Deemed Default Income" has been inflated from previous or deflated from subsequent taxable income.			

Nav	v South Wales	
INCV	V South Wates	Cost of
	Service Name	project
1.	Tullamore Pre School and Childcare	project
	Centre	\$7,200
2.	Lithgow Rural Multi Purpose Child	
	Care Centre 'Gumnut House'	\$16,736
3.	Warners Bay Early Learning Centre	\$12,150
4.	KU Greenacre Children's Centre	\$27,240
5.	Clipper Road Children's Centre	\$7,159
6.	Clipper Road Children's Centre	\$14,650
7.	Clipper Road Children's Centre	\$13,670
8.	St Agnes Preschool Long Day Care	\$5,050
9.	Short Street Occasional Care	\$8,230
10.	Greek Orthodox Community Child Care	
	C.	\$22,579
11.	Murawina Redfern Long Day Care &	
	Preschool	\$30,000
12.		\$9,875
	Noogaleek Children's Centre	\$5,000
14.	\mathcal{E}	\$5,380
	Awabakal MACS	\$14,929
	Awabakal MACS	\$7,067
17.	Campbelltown Presbyterian Community	
1.0	Child Care Centre	\$5,451
18.	1	\$9,840
	Campsie Child Care Centre	\$7,409
20. 21.	Katoomba Children's Cottage Leeton Child Care Centre	\$10,432 \$5,400
	Merindah Children's Centre	\$21,822
23.	Possum's Patch Child Care Centre	\$10,500
24.		\$5,620
	Bourke & District Multipurpose Child	\$3,020
23.	Care C.	\$47,490
26	Bourke & District Multipurpose Child	ψ + 7, + 20
20.	Care C.	\$5,875
27.	Bourke & District Multipurpose Child	\$2,072
	Care C.	\$6,545
28.	Wiradjuri MACS	\$6,480
	Bandara Children's Services	\$5,127
	Beresfield Community Children's	. , .
	Education C	\$16,050
31.	Cavendish St Child Care Centre	\$24,062

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New South Wales			
		Cost of	
	Service Name	project	
32.	Concord Children's Centre	\$9,250	
33.	Ellerman Child Care Centre	\$7,150	
34.	SDN Marrickville Early Learning		
	Centre	\$30,000	
35.	Rainbow Cottage Child Care Centre	\$23,490	
36.	Revesby Uniting Church Child Care		
	Centre	\$5,432	
37.	SDN Surry Hills Child & Family		
	Learning C.	\$7,570	
38.	3	\$15,036	
39.	3	\$6,160	
40.	Alunga Child Care Centre	\$17,164	
41.	\mathcal{E}	\$17,508	
42.	Fairfield Nursery School	\$14,200	
43.	3		
4.4	Centre	\$6,168	
44.		\$14,072	
	Clipper Road Children's Centre	\$10,316	
46.	1 1	\$16,072	
47.	1	\$6,409	
48.	1 &	\$11,200	
49.	1 &	\$8,810	
50. 51.	Hampden Bridge Child Care Centre Hurlstone Park Children's Centre	\$13,500 \$29,212	
52.			
53.	3 6	\$13,172 \$5,784	
54.	C	\$40,000	
	Campsie Child Care Centre	\$8,091	
	Elm Street Early Learning Centre	\$6,500	
	Leeton Child Care Centre	\$7,273	
	Joey's House Occasional Care	\$6,560	
	Ulladulla Child Care Centre	\$12,547	
60.		\$14,633	
61.	Merrydays Kindergarten	\$5,217	
62.	2 2	•	
	Family C.	\$12,443	
63.	Jim Lynch Child Care Centre	\$7,200	
64.	Kelly's Place Child Care Centre	\$23,210	
65.	Vardy's Road Child Care Centre	\$11,330	
	Euroka Children's Centre	\$23,744	
67.	Euroka Children's Centre	\$6,364	
68.	Hazelwood Child Care Centre	\$8,700	
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New South Wales			
		Cost of	
	Service Name	project	
69.	Gamumbi Early Childhood Education		
	Centre	\$19,491	
70.	5		
	Centre	\$12,057	
71.	Huz 'n' Buz Child Care	\$18,121	
72.	Kenny Street Long Day Care Centre	\$7,991	
73.	Kenny Street Long Day Care Centre	\$10,791	
74.	Corrimal Children's Centre	\$5,800	
	KU Macquarie Park Child Care Centre	\$14,735	
76.	Clipper Road Children's Centre	\$9,958	
77.	Keymer Child Care Centre	\$14,187	
	SDN Riverwood Early Learning Centre	\$21,509	
79.	Kurung Child Care Centre	\$9,000	
80.	Gudjagahmiamia MACS	\$12,182	
81.	Allira MACS Child Care Centre	\$16,769	
82.	Kubby House Child Care Centre	\$13,694	
83.	Kubby House Child Care Centre	\$6,475	
84.	Campsie Childcare Centre	\$8,580	
85.	Kintaiba Child Care Centre	\$29,367	
86.	ε ε ε ,		
	C.	\$6,745	
87.			
	C	\$15,180	
	Toddlers Junction Occasional Care	\$8,955	
	Rozelle Child Care Centre	\$28,900	
90.	5		
	CareCentreInc	\$5,335	
91.	e ; e	\$23,135	
	Jumbunna Children's Centre	\$5,218	
	Jumbunna Children's Centre	\$28,600	
94.	West Ryde Neighbourhood Children's		
o =	Centre	\$16,824	
95.	West Ryde Neighbourhood Children's		
0.6	Centre	\$7,400	
96.	Styles Street Children's Community		
07	Long Day Care Centre	\$5,350	
	Dapto Children's Centre	\$8,850	
	Dapto Children's Centre	\$20,039	
	Dapto Children's Centre	\$6,636	
	Balmain Children's Centre	\$9,545	
	Dapto Children's Centre	\$5,673	
102.	Presbyterian Child Care Centre of	\$5,682	

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New South Wales			
	Cost of		
Service Name	project		
Wollondilly			
103. Kiama Downs Children's Centre	\$17,037		
104. Kiama Downs Children's Centre	\$6,700		
105. Cringila Children's House	\$25,009		
106. Cringila Children's House	\$6,733		
107. Barrack Heights Children's Centre	\$22,555		
108. Guyra Preschool Inc	\$17,335		
109. Smith Street Child Care Centre	\$10,196		
110. Keiraview Child Care Centre	\$7,618		
111. Short Street Occasional Care	\$16,848		
112. Nought to Five Early Childhood Centre	\$11,563		
113. Elermore Vale Early Learning Centre	\$11,739		
114. Kindilan Child Care Centre	\$18,880		
115. Galloway Children's Centre	\$18,568		
116. Kindilan Child Care Centre	\$20,589		
117. Clovelly Childcare Centre	\$16,970		
118. Maurice O'Sullivan Child Care Centre	\$11,864		
119. Brewarrina Child Care Centre	\$5,745		
120. Coolamon Cottage Child Care and			
Preschool	\$11,739		
121. Coolamon Cottage Child Care and			
Preschool	\$9,890		
122. SDN Surry Hills Child & Family			
Learning C.	\$16,333		
123. Eurambie Park Childcare Centre	\$7,109		
124. SDN Forest Lodge Child & Family			
Learning C	\$7,696		
125. Sandhills Early Childhood Centre	\$5,645		
126. Hobartville Long Day Preschool Inc	\$6,206		
127. Hobartville Long Day Preschool Inc	\$11,773		
128. Fauna Place Child Care Centre	\$14,031		
129. Fauna Place Child Care Centre	\$12,829		
130. Erskine Park Children's Centre	\$16,758		
131. Werrington County Children's Centre	\$8,330		
132. Revesby Uniting Church Child Care			
Centre	\$8,690		
133. Greenhills Child Care Centre Inc	\$13,200		
134. The Sometime Centre	\$5,882		
135. Huz 'n' Buz Child Care Centre	\$8,805		
136. The Infant's Home	\$10,460		
137. The Infant's Home	\$5,837		
138. Dee Why Children's Centre	\$30,000		

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New South Wales	
	Cost of
Service Name	project
139. The Infant's Home	\$8,673
140. Erina Occasional Child Care	\$5,997
141. Karinya Preschool and Childrens Centre	\$5,770
142. Lakehaven Preschool and Children's	
Centre	\$8,630
143. SDN Mosman Early Learning centre	\$6,000
144. Kariong Child Care Centre	\$14,247
145. Lakehaven Preschool and Children's	
Centre	\$12,870
146. Lakehaven Preschool and Children's	
Centre	\$9,517
147. Karinya Preschool and Childrens Centre	\$11,728
148. Erina Occasional Child Care	\$18,150
149. Niagara Park Children's Centre	\$9,000
150. Karinya Preschool and Childrens Centre	\$6,817
151. Niagara Park Children's Centre	\$24,727
152. Lakehaven Preschool and Children's	
Centre	\$7,781
153. Niagara Park Children's Centre	\$27,727
154. SDN Mosman Early Learning centre	\$5,014
155. SDN Northern Suburbs Early Learning	
Centre	\$20,870
156. Westfield Occasional Care Centre	\$18,480
157. Corrimal Children's Centre	\$11,997
158. Corrimal Children's Centre	\$6,750
159. Cobblers Hill Children's Centre	\$6,868
160. Alunga Child Care Centre	\$6,850
161. Holsworthy Children's Centre	\$13,039
162. Magic Pudding Child Care Centre	\$8,545
163. Mudgee Child Care Centre	\$19,916
164. Greystanes Uniting Church Child Care	
Centre	\$25,136
165. Yoorami Children's Centre	\$13,180
166. Holroyd Children's Centre, Gumnut Grove	00 (== 1
	\$26,774
167. Wenty Children's Centre	\$9,500
168. Catherine Campbell Centre	\$27,537
169. Koonawarra Children's Centre	\$7,100
170. Stewart Street Children's House	\$6,340
171. Koonawarra Children's Centre	\$18,224
172. Koonawarra Children's Centre	\$17,068
173. Cobblers Hill Children's Centre	\$9,245

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New South Wales	
	Cost of
Service Name	project
174. Kings Langley Child Care Centre	\$23,340
175. Lucas Street Child Care Centre	\$6,880
176. Kindilan Child Care Centre	\$6,765
177. Macedonian Community Child Care	
Centre	\$26,520
178. Macedonian Community Child Care	
Centre	\$10,000
179. Batlow Apple Tree Learning Centre	\$5,354
180. Maurice O'Sullivan Child Care Centre	\$25,850
181. Maurice O'Sullivan Child Care Centre	\$11,290
182. Gum Tree Glen Children's Centre	\$17,605
183. Bathurst Child Care Centre	\$8,150
184. Janice Crosio Early Leaning Centre	\$13,830
185. Janice Crosio Early Leaning Centre	\$5,400
186. Jim Lynch Child Care Centre	\$5,255
187. Maria Howie Child Care Centre	\$13,320
188. Maria Howie Child Care Centre	\$26,450
189. Narrabeen Children's Centre	\$12,680
190. Penshurst Long Day Care Centre	\$6,600
191. Penshurst Long Day Care Centre	\$15,000
192. SDN Redfern Child & Family Learning	
Centre	\$11,000
193. SDN Hurstville Early Learning Centre	\$21,171
194. Vardys Road Child Care Centre	\$6,055
195. Vardys Road Child Care Centre	\$5,490
196. Wakeley Early Learning Centre	\$21,090
197. SDN Woolloomooloo Child & Family	
Learning Centre	\$7,000
198. SDN Forest Lodge Child & Family	
Learning C	\$16,548
199. Warilla Child Care Centre	\$8,905
200. Hassall Grove Child Care Centre	\$9,626
201. Stewart Street Children's House	\$7,040
202. Koala Child Care Centre	\$8,550
203. SDN Erskineville Early Learning Centre	\$5,000
204. Tottenham Preschool & Kindergarten	\$7,018
205. Coonamble Multifunctional Centre	\$8,708
206. Kindalin Child Care Centre	\$7,864
207. Mikayla Children's Centre	\$13,970
208. Abbotsford Long Day Care Centre	\$5,162
209. Toddlers Junction Occasional Care	\$10,810
210. Murawina Mt Druitt MACS	\$5,786

New South Wales			
THE STATE OF THE S	Cost of		
Service Name	project		
211. Hobbit New England Preschool &			
ChildCareC	\$5,990		
212. Hobbit New England Preschool &			
ChildCareC	\$8,176		
213. Hobbit New England Preschool &			
ChildCareC	\$7,695		
214. SDN Lois Barker Child & Family			
Learning C.	\$7,500		
215. SDN Lois Barker Child & Family			
Learning C.	\$14,818		
216. SDN North Parramatta Early Learning	****		
Centre	\$14,000		
217. Parkes Early Childhood Centre	\$12,910		
218. Penshurst Long Day Care Centre	\$8,096		
219. SDN Pyrmont Early Learning Centre	\$11,725		
220. SDN Pyrmont Early Learning Centre	\$10,780		
221. SDN Hamilton St Early Learning Centr	re \$13,744		
222. SDN Linthorpe Street Child & Family Learning Centre	ф 7 00 2		
223. SDN Paddington Early Learning Centre	\$7,982		
224. SDN Redfern Child & Family Learning			
Centre			
225. St John's Park Early Learning Centre	\$12,278 \$5,117		
226. St John's Park Early Learning Centre	\$5,117 \$6,030		
227. Amy Hurd Child Care Centre	\$5,920		
228. Blue Gum Cottage	\$5,920 \$6,682		
229. Blinky Bill Portland Child Care Centre			
230. Blinky Bill Portland Child Care Centre			
231. Kids of the Castle Occasional Care	\$10,007		
Centre	\$25,509		
232. KU Macquarie Park Child Care Centre			
233. Woy Woy Community Child Care	Ψ10,200		
Centre Central Care	\$5,636		
234. Koala Child Care Centre	\$6,718		
235. Westmeadow Child Care Centre	\$5,090		
236. Mitchell Child Care Centre	\$18,124		
237. Rainbow Cottage Occasional Child Car			
C.	\$16,448		
Total for NSV			

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		Cost of
	Service Name	project
1.	Yappera Children's Service Co-	
	operative	\$10,955
2.	Nara Community Child Care Centre	\$7,455
3.	Kensington Community Children's	
	Co-op	\$21,025
4.	Sherwood Park Child Care Centre	\$7,990
5.	Matron Swinton Child Care Centre	\$8,124
6.	Bung Yarnda MACS	\$10,922
7.	Meruka Child Care Co-operative	\$12,780
8.	Bung Yarnda MACS	\$5,200
9.	Sth Melbourne Child Care Co-	
	operative	\$10,404
10.	Annie Dennis Children's Centre	\$6,850
11.	Mossfiel Child Care Centre	\$15,400
12.	Merri Community Child Care Centre	\$7,590
13.	Mill Park Heights Child Care Centre	\$24,439
14.	Frank R Pullar Children's Centre	\$5,000
15.	Upper Yarra Community House	
	Children's C.	\$20,965
16.	Florence Collins Children's Services	* 1 0
1.5	Complex	\$7,718
17.	Fawkner Park Children's Centre	\$8,357
18.	Yarra Park Children's Centre	\$5,427
19.	Virginia Park Child Care Centre	\$18,783
20.	Apollo Bay Children's Centre	\$8,693
21.	Nara Community Child Care Centre	\$6,546
22.	Durham Road Day Care Centre	\$9,200
23.	Gumnuts Early Learning Centre	\$7,360
24.	Merri Community Child Care Centre	\$10,800
25.	Girrabanya Children's Centre	\$6,400
26.	Wendouree Children's Centre	\$8,710
27.	City of Casey Child Care Complex	
	(Narre Warren Occasional Care)	\$6,550
28.	Dawson Street Child Care Co-	
	operative	\$5,474
29.	Elizabeth Hildebrand Childcare Centre	\$5,429
30.	Greensborough Campus Child Care	\$22,355
31.	Yarra Park Children's Centre	\$9,788
32.	Blackburn Child Care Centre	\$7,370
33.	Highgate Early Childhood Centre	\$10,990
34.	Annie Dennis Children's Centre	\$10,400

Victoria		
		Cost of
	Service Name	project
35.	Dandenong Day Nursery	\$7,159
36.	Broadmeadows Multicultural Early	
	Learning C	\$9,109
37.	Durham Road Day Care Centre	\$12,140
38.	City Learning & Care – Belmont	\$6,220
39.	City Learning & Care – Ocean Grove	\$8,970
40.	City Learning & Care – Trudy Moritz	\$8,991
41.	Amaroo Child Care Centre	\$6,350
42.	The Range Children's Centre	\$9,000
43.	Highgate Early Childhood Centre	\$7,138
44.	Fifth Avenue Day Care Centre	\$5,350
45.	Antonine Sisters Child Care Centre	\$13,112
46.	Frank R Pullar Children's Centre	\$6,325
47.	Hoppers Crossing Occasional Care	
	Centre	\$8,118
48.	The Playhouse	\$10,000
49.	Rupert St Child Care Centre &	
	Kindergarten	\$7,840
50.	Swinburne Prahan Community	
	Children's C.	\$24,388
51.	Killeen Street Child Care Centre	\$8,840
52.	Hoppers Crossing Occasional Care	
	Centre	\$6,988
53.	Deer Park Children's Community	
	Centre	\$5,050
54.	Reservoir Child Care Centre	\$9,609
55.	Merrrilands Children's Centre	\$18,155
56.	Altona Meadows Child Care Centre	\$9,200
	Total for VIC	\$559,501

Que	ensland	C , •
	Service Name	Cost of project
1.	Nash Street Child Care Centre	\$30,000
2.	City Occasional Child Care Centre	\$13,537
3.	Mackay Child Care Centre	\$13,953
4.	QUT Student Guild CCC –	Ψ15,755
٠.	Carseldine Campus	\$30,000
5.	North Caloundra Child Care Centre	\$10,682
6.	Tambo Child Care Centre	\$37,603
7.	Kookaburra Corner Children's Centre	\$10,939
8.	Mothercraft Children's Centre	\$6,556
9.	Julia Creek Kindergarten and Long	\$ 0,000
,	Day Care	\$7,140
10.	Murilla Child Care Centre	\$9,364
11.	Mooloolaba Early Childhood Centre	\$7,882
12.	Karumba Children's Centre	\$8,038
13.	Swallow Street Child Care	. ,
	Association	\$8,609
14.	Stradbroke Early Learning Centre	\$8,410
15.	Brassall Child Care Centre	\$23,700
16.	Kath Dickson Occasional Care	\$5,767
17.	West End Child Care Centre	\$11,420
18.	Martin St Community Child Care	
	Centre	\$12,937
19.	Musgrave Hill Community Child	
	Care	\$12,760
20.	West End Child Care Centre	\$5,164
21.	Kath Dickson Long Day care	\$13,815
22.	JCU Student Union Child Care	
	Centre	\$6,560
23.	Stepping Stones Child Care Centre	\$14,065
24.	Lady Gowrie Love St Child Care	
	Centre	\$25,844
25.	Stepping Stones Child Care Centre	\$9,575
26.	Gatton Child Care Centre	\$15,606
27.	South Burnett Child Care Centre	\$10,427
28.	Nambour Occasional Care	\$16,325
29.	Coolum Early Childhood Centre	\$7,650
30.	Galbiri Child Care and Preschool	
	Centre	\$5,900
31.	Cotton Tree Early Childhood Centre	\$9,320
32.	Carcoola Preschool and Child Care	\$5,669
33.	Hughenden Child Care Centre	\$30,270

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		Cost of
	Service Name	project
34.	Withcott Early Childhood Centre	\$10,081
35.	Children @ Bay Terrace	\$5,610
36.	Children @ Bay Terrace	\$7,900
37.	Sandgate Child Care Centre	\$11,781
38.	Bulimba Child Care Centre	\$5,750
39.	Illoura Child Care Centre	\$6,545
40.	Illoura Child Care Centre	\$24,721
41.	Mooloolaba Early Childhood Centre	\$16,000
42.	Nambour (Windsor Road) Early	
	Childhood C	\$12,783
43.	C & K Mt Gravatt West Community	**
	CCC	\$16,955
44.	Hughenden Child Care Centre	\$22,127
45.	Waratah Drive Child Care Centre	\$24,336
46.	Cotton Tree Early Childhood Centre	\$16,972
47.	Cotton Tree Early Childhood Centre	\$21,600
48.	Bindarra Children's Centre	\$17,068
49.	Charleville Multifunctional Child	¢11.026
50	Care Centre	\$11,836
50.	South Burnett Child Care Centre	\$18,154
51.	Maryborough Child Care Centre	\$20,000
52.	Mothercraft Children's Centre	\$26,570
53.	Water Street Occasional Care Centre	\$20,410.90
54.	Agnes Water Child Care Centre	\$13,397
55.	Kurilpa Community Child Care Centre	\$11,225
56.	C VII.V. C	•
57.	Amaroo Early Childhood Centre JCU Student Union Child Care centre	\$6,320 \$9,525
57. 58.	Julia Cumming Community Child	\$9,323
36.	Care Centre	\$23,182
59.	Windsor Neighbourhood Child Care	Ψ23,102
57.	Centre	\$26,598
60.	Jahjumbeen Occasional Care Centre	\$11,460
61.	Toowong Child Care Centre	\$21,400
62.	Gatton Child Care Centre	\$6,335
63.	Goodna Community Child Care	ψ σ,2 2 2
	Centre	\$10,682
64.	City Y Child Care Centre	\$11,235
65.	Nambour Occasional care	\$26,250
66.	Coolum Early Childhood Centre	\$9,045
67.	Birralee Child Care Centre	\$24,800
68.	Galbiri Child Care and Preschool	\$7,095

Queensland		
	Service Name	Cost of project
	Centre	
69.	Gympie Uniting Church Child Care	
	Centre	\$17,770
70.	Hayes Street Child Care Centre	\$7,980
71.	Hayes Street Child Care Centre	\$7,980
72.	Agnes Water Child Care Centre	\$13,204
73.	Undoonoo Child Care Centre	\$31,378
74.	Yulangi Child Care Centre	\$9,176
75.	Thursday Island Child Care Centre	\$43,625
	Total for QLD	\$1,112,351

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South Australia		
		Cost of
	Service Name	project
1.	Golden Grove Homestead Child Care	
	Centre	\$10,351
2.	Port Lincoln Children's Centre	\$5,100
3.	District Council of Cooper Pedy –	
	Minigems Child Care Centre	\$5,000
4.	Anglicare - Dahne Street Child Care	
	Centre	\$26,000
5.	Salisbury Campus Child Care Centre	\$18,500
6.	Salisbury Campus Child Care Centre	\$9,000
7.	Kura Yerlo Childrens Centre	\$16,830
8.	Kura Yerlo Childrens Centre	\$7,295
9.	Port Augusta Children's Centre	\$16,350
10.	Renmark Children's Centre	\$9,447
11.	Margaret Ives children's Centre	\$30,000
12.	LeFevre Child care Centre	\$30,000
13.	Catholic Womens League CCC	\$5,949
14.	Il-Nido child Care Centre	\$5,000
15.	Gawler Community Child Care Centre	\$15,000
16.	Emu Childrens Centre	\$9,000
17.	Naracoorte Child Day care Centre	\$16,725
18.	Unmoona Council - Unmoona MACS	\$11,660
19.	Unmoona Council – Unmoona MACS	\$6,600
20.	Unmoona Council – Unmoona MACS	\$69,400
21.	Port Lincoln Children's Centre	\$17,159
22.	Mackinnon Parade Child Care Centre	\$11,000
23.	Para West Community Child Care	
	Centre	\$5,830
24.	Catholic Womens League CCC	\$17,597
25.	LeFevre Child Care Centre	\$30,000
26.	Warradale Child Care Centre _	
	Parkholme	\$24,280
27.	Campbelltown Children's Centre	\$15,334
28.	Parkside Community Child Care	
	Centre	\$16,000
29.	Mawson Lakes Child Care Centre	\$5,300
30.	Prospect Community Child Care	.
	Centre	\$5,779
31.	Noarlunga Community Child Care	
	Centre	\$15,000
32.	Lady Gowrie Child Centre	\$8,980
33.	Renmark Children's Centre	\$8,676
34.	Mackinnon Parade Child Care Centre	\$6,000

Sout	h Australia	
		Cost of
	Service Name	project
35.	Adelaide Eastern Child Care Centre	\$5,550
36.	Kura Yerlo Childrens Centre	\$5,445
37.	Lefevre Child Care Centre	\$25,000
38.	Port Lincoln Children's Centre	\$48,260
39.	Prospect Community Child Care	
	Centre	\$5,900
40.	Pooraka Child Care Centre	\$6,700
41.	Mawson Lakes Child Care Centre	\$16,500
42.	Para West Community Child Care	
	Centre	\$10,800
43.	Diagonal Road Child Care Centre	\$10,600
44.	Emu Childrens Centre	\$6,040
45.	Kesters Road Child Care Centre	\$6,380
46.	North East Community Child Care	
	Centre	\$13,000
47.	Lady Gowrie Child Centre	\$14,000
48.	Noarlunga Community Child care	
	Centre	\$10,000
49.	Murray Bridge Child Care Centre	\$7,690
50.	Brompton Parent Child Centre	\$18,900
51.	Salisbury Campus Child Care Centre	\$24,200
52.	Unley Community Child Care Centre	\$5,000
53.	Brompton Parent Child Centre	\$22,990
54.	Hindmarsh Community Child Care	
	Centre	\$9,940
55.	Mackinnon Parade Child Care Centre	\$18,000
56.	Campbelltown Children's Centre	\$10,960
57.	Campbelltown Children's Centre	\$8,523
58.	Campbelltown Children's Centre	\$13,950
59.	Unley Community Child Care Centre	\$20,000
60.	Mt Barker Community Child Care	
	Centre	\$10,000
61.	North East Community Child Care	44.8 000
	Centre	\$12,000
62.	Adelaide Eastern Child Care Centre	\$5,980
63.	Flinders University Child Care Centre	\$30,000
64.	Parkside Community Child Care	* 4 * • • •
<i>.</i> -	Centre	\$15,000
65.	RAH Community Child Care Centre	\$22,754
66.	Hindmarsh Community Child Care	45.5 00
<i>(</i> =	Centre	\$7,700
67.	North East Community Child Care	\$20,000

South	n Australia		
	Service Name		Cost of project
	Centre		
		Total for SA	\$977,904

Wes	Western Australia		
	Service Name	Cost of	
1.	Salvation Army Balga Child Care	project \$19,932	
1.	Centre	\$19,932	
2.	Wickham Day Care Centre	\$17,320	
3.	Jalygurr-Guwan Multicultural	\$7,939	
Ο.	Aboriginal Serv.	47,505	
4.	Leinster Community Day Care Centre	\$7,928	
5.	Leinster Community Day Care Centre	\$14,759	
6.	Bernice McLeod Child Care Centre	\$20,000	
7.	Bernice McLeod Child Care Centre	\$20,546	
8.	Jalygurr-Guwan Multicultural Aboriginal Serv.	\$12,315	
9.	Kondinin Community Child Care Centre	\$5,725	
10.	Riverdale Child Care Centre	\$17,018	
11.	Scallywags Day Care Centre	\$19,948	
12.	Milligan House	\$29,950	
13.	City of Bayswater Neighbourhood Centre	\$6,465	
14.	Collie Child Care Centre	\$30,000	
15.	Wickham Day Care Centre	\$11,581	
16.	Bulgarra Day Care Centre	\$20,000	
17.	Bulgarra Day Care Centre	\$50,000	
18.	Gurlongga Njininj MACS	\$7,037	
19.	Padbury Education and Child Care Centre	\$15,400	
20.	Rockingham Child Care Centre	\$8,175	
21.	Girrawheen Child Care Centre	\$27,424	
22.	Scallywags Day Care Centre	\$28,679	
23.	Coolabaroo Neighbourhood Centre MACS	\$22,291	
24.	Gurlongga Njininj MACS	\$5,878	
25.		\$9,280	
26.	Kondinin Community Child Care Centre	\$16,521	
27.		\$10,000	
28.	Kondinin Community Child Care	\$5,067	
_	Centre		
29.	Nintirri Day Care Centre	\$20,117	
30.	Coastal Kids Care	\$6,220	

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Western Australia		
1		Cost of
	Service Name	project
31.	Wickham Day Care Centre	\$26,006
32.	Wickham Day Care Centre	\$6,113
33.	Northam Child Care Centre	\$7,033
34.	Treasure island Child Care Centre	\$25,000
35.	Lady Gowrie Child Care Centre	\$5,692
36.	Quarry Street Child Care Centre	\$12,000
37.	Quarry Street Child Care Centre	\$11,035
38.	Quarry Street Child Care Centre	\$28,224
39.	Wind in the Willows Child Care Centre	\$31,000
40.	Fred Notley Child Care Centre	\$5,503
41.	Narrogin Multifunctional Child Care	\$7,688
	Centre	Ψ7,000
42.	Goldfields Child Care Centre Kalgoorlie	\$41,626
43.	Granny Glasgow Day Care Centre	\$25,497
44.	Granny Glasgow Day Care Centre Granny Glasgow Day Care Centre	\$5,400
45.	Goldfields Child Care Centre Boulder	\$21,780
46.	Girrawheen Child Care Centre	\$29,170
47.	Morawa Kida Care Centre	\$5,800
48.	Coastal Kids Care	\$24,402
49.	Winterford Child Care Centre	\$15,453
50.	Lady Gowrie Child Care Centre	\$13,985
51.	Fred Notley Child Care Centre	\$6,698
52.	Coastal Kids Care	\$6,890
53.	Granny Glasgow Day Care Centre	\$13,515
54.	City of Bayswater Neighbourhood	\$6,200
55.	Centre City of Bayswater Neighbourhood Centre	\$7,904
56.	Sudbury Community House	\$11,516
57.	Sudbury Community House	\$7,380
58.	Mirrabooka Multicultural Child Care	\$19,955
	Centre	
59.	Mt Lawley Child Care Centre	\$15,000
60.	Fred Notley Child Care Centre	\$7,545
61.	Fred Notley Child Care Centre	\$17,326
62.	Wind in the Willows Child Care Centre	\$9,470
63.	Wind in the Willows Child Care Centre	\$19,882
64.	Timber Tots Child Care Centre	\$6,341

Western Australia		
	Service Name	Cost of project
65.	Timber Tots Child Care Centre	\$10,295
66.	Granny Glasgow Day Care Centre	\$16,955
67.	Salisbury Child Care Centre	\$35,000
68.	Marjorie Mann Lawley Day Care Centre	\$23,409
69.	Marjorie Mann Lawley Day Care Centre	\$16,845
70.	Silverwood Child Care Centre	\$5,250
71.	Nintirri Day Care Centre	\$8,309
	Total for WA	\$1,113,607

Australian Capital Territory		
		Cost of
	Service Name	project
1.	Gordon Early Childhood Centre	\$14,000
2.	Fyshwick Early Childhood Centre	\$30,000
3.	Kaleen Occasional Care	\$19,250
4.	Ngunnawal Children's Service	\$8,778
5.	Kirinari Early Childhood Centre	\$10,000
6.	St Phillips Kindergarten Association	
	Inc	\$22,700
7.	Illoura Early childhood Centre	\$16,845
8.	Bunyarra Children's Centre	\$5,000
9.	Bruce Children's Centre	\$23,500
10.	Greenway Early Childhood Centre	\$11,820
11.	Heritage Early Childhood Centre	\$2,760
12.	Heritage Early Childhood Centre	\$25,016
	Total for ACT	\$207,018

Tasmania				
	Service Name	Cost of project		
1.	King Island Childcare & Early			
	Learning Inc	\$28,985		
2.	King Island Childcare & Early			
	Learning Inc	\$13,333		
3.	King Island Childcare & Early			
	Learning Inc	\$7,027		
4.	Ulverstone Child Care Centre	\$11,625		
5.	Campbell St Child Care Centre	\$17,510		
6.	Malunna Child Care Centre	\$14,799		
7.	Ulverstone Child Care Centre	\$9,785		
8.	Elanora Child Care Centre	\$46,790		
9.	Elanora Child Care Centre	\$15,063		
10.	Childrens' Playhouse	\$13,486		
11.	Gordon Square Early Learning Centre	\$14,184		
12.	Malangenna Child Care Centre	\$9,610		
13.	Ulverstone Child Care Centre	\$6,610		
14.	Child Care Connections	\$13,893		
15.	Toddle Inn Child Care Centre	\$6,327		
16.	Wynyard Child Care Centre	\$39,091		
17.	Campbell St Child Care Centre	\$30,000		
18.	Child Care Connections	\$8,200		
19.	Little Friends Child Care Centre	\$8,847		
20.	Little Friends Child Care Centre	\$8,458		
	Total for TAS	\$323,623		

Northern Territory				
		Cost of		
	Service Name	project		
1.	Jinami Childcare Centre	\$46,674		
2.	Ewin Children Services	\$6,905		
3.	Casuarina Childcare Centre	\$35,519		
4.	Mt Liebig Pipirriku Childcare Centre	\$6,710		
5.	Mt Liebig Pipirriku Childcare Centre	\$8,195		
6.	Casuarina Childcare Centre	\$6,490		
7.	Casuarina Childcare Centre	\$14,300		
8.	Nightcliff Family Centre	\$29,091		
9.	Woodroffe Child Care Centre	\$16,470		
10.	Scallywags Child Care Centre	\$5,727		
11.	Yulara Childcare Centre	\$10,923		
12.	Dripstone Children's Centre	\$17,200		
13.	Dripstone Children's Centre	\$6,138		
14.	Dripstone Children's Centre	\$6,290		
15.	Eastside Child Care Centre	\$15,697		
16.	Eastside Child Care Centre	\$7,449		
17.	Parap Family Centre	\$16,567		
18.	Parap Family Centre	\$8,800		
19.	Stuart Park Neighbourhood & Child			
	Care C.	\$7,948		
20.	Top End Early Learning Centre	\$20,457		
21.	YMCA of Central Australia	\$21,020		
22.	YMCA of Central Australia	\$44,250		
23.	Woodroffe Child Care Centre	\$7,940		
24.	Eastside Child Care Centre	\$9,880		
25.	Humpty Doo Community & Child Care			
	Centre	\$16,120		
26.	Humpty Doo Community & Child Care			
	Centre	\$6,325		
27.	Casuarina Childcare Centre	\$16,567		
28.	Malak Family Centre	\$30,000		
29.	Na Wulg Wulg Family Care Service	\$40,000		
30.	Alice Springs Child Care Centre	\$23,153		
31.	Alice Springs Child Care Centre	\$5,359		
	Total for NT	\$514,164.00		

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Output Group: 1.4 Question No:

Topic: PPI - Areas of high, unmet demand

Hansard Page: CA 53

Senator Collins asked:

In your answer to my question on notice No. 85(c), you state that for PPI the Department, through the National Planning System, identifies areas of high, unmet demand. Could you please identify those areas?

Answer:

The following areas were identified as areas of high, unmet demand for the private provider incentive scheme:

ACT

• No areas identified

NSW

- Crookwell
- Gilgandra
- Narromine
- Kyogle
- Narrabri
- Coonabaraban
- Quirindi
- Manilla
- Lachlan

NT

• No areas identified

QLD

- Cook
- Warwick
- Gayndah
- Eacham
- Chinchilla

SA

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- Tatiara
- Barossa
- Goyder
- Kapunda and Light

VIC

Moorabool

WA

- Shire of Harvey
- Shire of Waroona
- Shire of Augusta-Margaret River
- Shire of Meekatharra
- City of Bunbury
- Shire of Northampton

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Output Group: 1.4 Question No:

Topic: Children's Week Funding

Hansard Page: CA 66 – CA 67

Senators Collins and Moore asked:

- A) What is the expenditure this year for Children's Week?
- B) What is the estimate for next year?
- C) I want a state-by-state break-up and the basis on which it is funded.
- D) Explain what Commonwealth Funded events occurred, if there were any events under the national funding?
- E) Does the information about the event have the FaCS logo on it?

Answer:

- A) \$16,000 in 2003-04
- B) Each year FaCS provides a small contribution to the cost of Children's Week. The annual \$2000 contribution is a flat amount and is not indexed. The estimate for the 2004-05 financial year is \$16,000
- C) ACT \$2000

NSW \$2000

NT \$2000

TAS \$2000

QLD \$2000

SA \$2000

VIC \$2000

WA \$2000

- D) The types of events/ products funded in 2003/04 included an official opening (including a free breakfast and stage performances), a Children's Week concert, a kite event, the National Bank Awards of Recognition, newsletters, a sports fun day and closing ceremony. These were provided from the overall bucket of available funding from a range of sources. In no state or territory was there a specific event/product which could be seen to be specifically funded from FaCS funding.
- E) Information about the event does not have the FaCS logo on it. The FaCS contribution is a small portion of the total funding for Children's Week.

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Output Group: 1.4 Child Care Support Question No:

Topic: Eligibility Criteria for Disadvantaged Area Subsidy

Hansard Page: CA 43

Senator Collins asked: Have you previously given me the disadvantaged area subsidy areas?

Answer: Yes. The following was provided in response to Question on Notice No 86 from the Additional Estimates hearing held in February 2004.

The Disadvantaged Area Subsidy (DAS) is a recurrent grant for eligible community-based long day care services or outside school hours care services to assist with general operational costs. A long day care service receiving the subsidy must be the sole provider of centre-based care in a community in a rural or remote area, or on the fringe of an urban area.

Some isolated outside school hour care services on the fringe of urban areas may also be eligible for DAS funding. Services on the fringe of an urban area are only eligible for DAS funding if:

- they are a considerable distance from another outside school hours care service and not within another school's catchment area
- there are limited transport links from one service to another.

New Outside School Hours Care (OSHC) services are eligible for establishment funding and, if they meet the eligibility criteria, may be considered for DAS at the end of the two-year establishment-funding period. All OSHC services approved for DAS funding will be funded for two years.

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Output Group: 1.4 Question No:

Topic:

Hansard Page: CA44-45

Senator Collins asked: Amount of capital funding over the last three years and the date of the last major capital funding.

Answer:

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	2001	2002		2003	
	TOTAL	TOT	AL	TOT	ΓAL
TOTAL	\$ 3,153,512	\$	2,917,404	\$	2,980,854

The program finished in 2002-2003

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Output Group: 1.4 Question No:

Topic: JET child care Hansard Page: CA 60

Senator Colinns asked: Update on the number of children, families, parents and services receiving JET child care assistance by state and territory for 2003-04.

Answer:

1 June 2004 Additional Information – JET Child Care

Jobs, Education and Training Child Care (JETCC) provides extra child care assistance to parents who are receiving particular income support payments from Centrelink and who wish to improve their employment prospects through education and training.

JETCC assists parents with finding child care and may assist with the cost of child care, by paying most or all of the "gap fee" (the difference between the fee charged by the child care service and the Child Care Benefit). In addition, JET crèches are run alongside training courses for targeted groups, for example teenage parents, and in rural and remote areas where child care is not otherwise available.

Funding Allocation:

2003-2004	\$ 14.969m
2004-2005	\$ 15.264m
2005-2006	\$ 15.597m
2006-2007	\$ 15.953m

Number of participants utilising JET Child Care 2003/2004

State	Parent	Childre	
	S	n	
ACT	220	286	
QLD	1802	2343	
NSW	1219	1593	
NT	509	700	
SA	999	1325	
TAS	391	508	
VIC	2560	3328	
WA	1761	2305	
Total	*9462	*12388	

^{*} Approximate number of children/families assisted during 2003/04

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Number of Services providing child care to families assisted by JET Child Care 2003/2004.

Number of Child Care Services
107
815
560
84
332
140
979
542
*3559

^{*} Approximate number of services participating in 2003/04

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Output Group: 1.4 Question No:

Topic:

Hansard Page: CA 63

Senator Collins asked: Names of good MAC centres in Victoria and South Australia.

Answer:

Name: Yappera MACS

Postal Address: PO Box 123, Northcote 3070 Address: (2B Watts St, Thornbury)

Telephone: 03 9416 8787 Contact: Stacey Brown

Sponsor: Kura Yerlo Council Inc

Manager: Tania King

MACS: Kura Yerlo Children's Centre

Director :Tina Couzens

Address: 208 Lady Gowrie Drive, Largs Bay SA 5016

Telephone: 8449 7367 Fax: 8341 7006

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Output Group: 1.4 Question No:

Topic: Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander innovative services and playgroups

Hansard Page: CA 68

Senator Collins asked:

I am told that Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander innovative services and playgroups comes under 1.1. I am seeking the expenditure estimate for 2003-04 and the estimate for 2004-05 with a state by state breakdown.

Answer:

Estimated expenditure for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander (ATSI) innovative services and playgroups for 2003-04 is outlined in the table below.

	2003-04	Finan	cial Ye	ar					
Annual Fo	recast E	•		s at N	lay 20	04			
		(\$'000)						
	Total	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA
ATSI Innovative	868	0	0	0	850	0	0	0	18
ATSI Playgroups	1,226	0	223	180	571	0	0	176	76

It is important to note that ATSI Innovative child care programs are also coded under other categories such as ATSI long day care and ATSI outside school hours care.

FaCS does not as yet have an estimate for 2004-05 expenditure for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander (ATSI) innovative services and playgroups because the recently announced increases to the Child Care Support will result in changes to estimated expenditures for 2004-05.

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Output Group: 1.4 Question No:

Topic:

Hansard Page: CA 54-55

Senator Collins asked: In relation to those areas of unmet need, where it has been assessed it is significant, are there other areas that you would regard in present-day terms as being similar level of unmet need?

Answer:

Levels of unmet need are continually changing. Areas where there was unmet demand some time ago may now be well supplied.

There has been substantial growth in all kinds of child care in recent times.

The 40,000 OSHC places and 4000 FDC places provided in the Budget are sufficient to fully meet current confirmed needs for both new and additional OSHC and FDC places in all States and Territories.

There are no limits on the number of long day care centre places that can attract Child Care Benefit. Any operator who wants long day care centre places can access them.

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Topic: Corporate child care providers

1. Breakdown by **service type by ownership** (i.e. community based, private, multi-owned private) as at May 2004.

Service type	Owners (No.)
CLD	892
PLD (1 or 2 services)	2055
Mulit-PLD (3 or more)	62

CLD: Community Based Long Day Care (not for profit): PLD: Private Long Day Care (for profit)

Note: Multi-PLD is defined as a sponsor recorded as owning 3 or more services on COS.

Source: Centrelink Administrative Data at 07-05-04.

2. Number of places and services run by corporate child-care providers that are listed on the Stock Exchange.

The number of approved places in services run by corporate child-care providers listed on the stock exchange at May 7 2004 was 38,743. The number of services was 578. This information is based on recorded sponsorship information from the Child Care Operator System.

3. The amount of the child care budget paid to corporate child care providers that are listed on the Stock Exchange.

For corporate child care providers that were listed on the stock exchange at the end of the September 2003 quarter, the total amount of CCB expenditure for this quarter was \$34,298,000. This figure is based on the amount of Child Care Benefit claimed by families using services that are sponsored by these organisations during the financial year regardless of the date that the corporate child care service was listed on the stock exchange. Information on expenditure based on the date of stock exchange listing is not available.

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State Tota	als- Popul	State Totals- Population and Places	Places									
State or	Child			PLACES								Places/100
Territory	Population 0-4	5-12	Total	BSC	ASC	VAC	Total OSHC	LDC	FDC	Other	Total All	Population
NSN	422345	716351		14775	30067	21857		× 72259	23643	2060		14.5
VIC	299611	516801	** ** ** **	13729	31189	16680		×× 44331	15635	1711		15.1
QLD	242538	418434		8602	24040	21469	**************************************	×× 65317	14980	2167	*	20.7
SA	89522	158109	Š	5106	11126	2086	9	×× 10812	6188	573	<u>.</u>	17.6
WA	122708	214534		1582	5339	6933	**************************************	19053	4905	1107	*	11.5
TAS	30261	53603	3	360	2633	2248	¥	××××× 2956	2411	273	ž Ž	13.3
F	16385	26778	<u>.</u>	123	2003	1864	8	2545	1013	785		19.3
ACT	20328	36316	¥ \$	1044	3409	1603		4648	2480	187		23.6
Australia	1243698	2140926	3	45321	109806	82461		×× 221921	71255	8863		19.3

DEFINITIONSBSC- Before School Hours Care
ASC - After School Hours Care

OSHC - Outside School Hours Care VC - Vacation Care

LDC - Long Day Care FDC - Family Day Care

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COMPARATIVE SUPPLY
DATA - ALL CHILD CARE
PLACES - NEW SOUTH
WALES
(March 2004)

NEW SOUTH WALES												
Planning Area	Populati on			PLACES							•	Places/100
	4	5-12	Total	BS	AS	VAC	Total OSHC	**LDC	FDC	Other *	Total All	Population
Albury	2972	5106	8078		185	205	430	517	344	43	1334	16.5
Armidale Dumaresq		2799	4268		45	130	175	271	220	0	999	15.6
Ashfield		3265	5367		513	340	1118	617	244	0	1979	96.9
Auburn		6230	10446		233	170	497	576	200	0		12.2
Ballina		4182	6283		09	06	150	442	174	0		12.2
Balranald		356	267		0	0	0	0	33	0		8.2
Bankstown		19348	31190		520	385	1090	1953	415	28		11.2
Barraba		204	327		0	0	0	0	10	0		3.1
Bathurst		3430	5406		45		06	356	233	0		12.6
Baulkham Hills		16739	25617		1120	475	2207	1964	333	20	4	17.7
Bega Valley		3723	5494		65	_	170	246	170	0		10.7
Bellingen	9	1627	2336		30	45	06	06	120	10	310	13.3
Berrigan		889	1347		0		0	30	64	0	94	0.7
Bingara		194	299		0	0	0	0	28	0	28	9.4

Blacktown			56773	\$ 1427	818		3526				12.9
Bland		≫ 815	1296	0	0		42		!		0.0
Blayney		829 829	1292	0	0		41		}		3.2
Blue Mountains		×× 8965	13815	× 461	375		570		!		5.1
Bogan		※ 429	693	0	0		0		!		ن .
Bombala		×× 296	438	0	0		26		}		3.7
Boorowa		311	474	0	0		0		}		7.5
Botany Bay		3435 343 35 343 36	2209	\$ 280	150		482		}		21.6
Bourke			931	0	0		39		}		3.3
Brewarrina		≫ 315	521	0	0		22		!		7.
Broken Hill		※ 2259	3556	0	25		29		<u> </u>		.2
Burwood		※ 2707	4253	\$ 255	110		328		!		33.0
Byron		3445 ≪	5122	2115	120		379		}		5.1
Cabonne		≫ 1544	2343	0	0		20		!		6.6
Camden		∞ 6240	10243	× 180	150		787				4.3
Campbelltown		≫ 21006	32614	\$ 535	350		2602		!		3.1
Canada Bay		≫ 5062	8549	× 437	245		579		!		9.03
Canterbury		※ 14043	23791	\$ 562	417	1272	1771	250	38	3331	14.0
Carrathool		××× 434	705	0	0		33				1.0
Central Darling	***	××× 293	479	0	0		25				2.5
Cessnock		×× 5594	8801	× 135	150		192				ω.
Cobar		≫ 715	1171	0	0		20				9.6
Coffs Harbour		× 7397	11235	× 170	275		810				4.3
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Coolah		≫ 487	774	0	0		0				<u>რ</u>
Coolamon		≫ 574	298	0	0		32				0.0
Cooma-Monaro		≫ 1374	1963	30	30		58				2.8
Coonabarabran		≫ 876	1325	0 ××	0	0	0				3.0

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Coonamble	703	1079	0	65	65		38	0		12.3
Cootamundra	918	1403	15	25	55		10			10.2
Copmanhurst	\$553	802	0	0	0		12			5.
Corowa	868 898	1414	15	15	45		80			12.1
Cowra	1576	2483	30	45	06		86			13.5
Crookwell	552	808	20	25	09		10			3.7
Culcairn	202 202	292	0	0	0		25			3.3
Deniliquin	886 ****	1563	20	30	50		86			13.4
Dubbo	5107	8193	230	180	410		270			12.6
Dungog	1033	1544	45	35	80		25			8.9
Eurobodalla	3604	5371	20	115	185		120			14.0
Evans	641	296	0	0	0	! ! !	30			3.1
Fairfield	22529	35567	445	338	1003	! ! !	464			7.6
Forbes	1178	1869	15	0	15		133			18.2
Gilgandra	809 808	902	0	0	0		20			9.
Glen Innes	069 ****	1059	30	30	75		29			23.8
Gloucester	294	833	0	0	0		25			3.5
Gosford	18353	28425	805	880	2055		486			17.2
Goulburn	2303	3668	80	195	325		158			20.2
Grafton	2066	3149	30	09	06		229			21.2
Great Lakes	3176	4726	20	06	190		115			13.4
Greater Lithgow	2358	3654	45	45	06		72			6.0
Greater Taree	5441	8128	125	125	295		196			12.6
Griffith	3135	5131	09	85	170		125			1.6
Gundagai	471	737	0	20	20	! ! !	55			24.4
Gunnedah	1609	2521	0	30	30	0	135	49	214	8.5
Gunning	277	436	30	0	30		10			9.2
Guyra	557	867	0	0	0		20			9.

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Hastings		≫ 7154	10692		× 180	150	365	 		!		3.8
Hawkesbury		8359	13273		380	338	984	 		!		17.2
Нау		479 ***	768		0	0	0	! !				1.7
Holbrook		≈ 298	457		0	0	0	! !		!		15.3
Holroyd		≫ 9175	15312		× 610	285	1339	! ! !				6.5
Hornsby		※ 16740	25711		× 1583	760	3378	 		!		20.2
Hume		3 1085	1555		0	0	0	! !				6.3
Hunter's Hill		3 1249 3	1942		× 65	35	130	 				10.1
Hurstville		∞ 6933	11303		× 330	230	775	! !				6.4
Inverell		₩ 1984	2984		0	30	30					3.8
Jerilderie		248	403		0	0	0					3.7
Junee		≈ 726	1085		0	0	0					3.7
Kempsey		3402	5183		09 ××	20	155					13.7
Kiama		≈ 2366	3482		× 45	30	105	! !				10.7
Kogarah		≫ 4914	8015		300	255	760					9.71
Ku-ring-gai		※ 12177	17564		× 810	410	1645					14.2
Kyogle		≫ 1347	1916		% %	25	70	! !				7.7
Lachlan		≫ 982	1541		32	47	79					13.5
Lake Macquarie			32496		× 590	585	1510					10.5
Lane Cove		※ 2778	4533		× 250	195	575	 				23.1
Leeton		 1498 ≪	2411		40	50	06					9.6
Leichardt	88	3788 3788	9889		× 755	360	1400					35.0
Lismore		** 4984	7809		06 ***	135	240					9.4
Liverpool		≈ 20871	34390		§ 775	360	1535					12.3
Lockhart		*** 456	692		0	0	0					<u>4</u> .
Lord Howe Island		35 35	54	▓	0	0	0		0		0	:
Maclean		≫ 1837	2818		% 30 ××	06	150	108		10		12.2

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Manilla		371	565		0	0		! !				3.7
Manly		3134	5454	8	× 160	271		! !				17.3
Marrickville		※ 5272	9315	***	***	225		! !		:		18.0
Merriwa		※ 257	423		× 20	20		! !		:		9.6
Moree Plains		≈ 2046	3419		0	45		! !				9.3
Mosman		※ 2307	3795	8	<u>%</u> 175	180		! !		:		20.2
Mudgee		※ 2396	3618		30	30		! !		:		9.8
Mulwaree		≫ 822	1226		0.00	0		! !		:		2.4
Murray		≫ 674	1061		0	0		! !				3.8
Murrumbidgee		347 347	536		0	0		! !				9.0
Murrurundi		≫ 215	355		0	0		! !				4.
Muswellbrook			3201		× 30	30				! !		9.6
Nambucca		※ 2127	3100		0	30						9.6
Narrabri		≫ 1804	2824		% 25 8	25		! !				11.2
Narrandera		851 851	1300		% %	30						16.2
Narromine		068 ××	1410		0	0		! !				7.7
Newcastle			21159		× 840	340		! !				15.7
North Sydney		≈ 2443	4592		§ 295	160	540	641	112	0	1293	28.2
Nundle		××× 133	210		• ***	0						
Oberon		≈ 611	696		0	0						3.5
Off-Shore Areas & Migratory		××× 104	125		• ***	0						
Orange		×× 4466	7186	8	× 85	135						13.7
Parkes		∞ 1931	3075		0	30						13.8
Parramatta		≫ 15100	25112	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	× 695	460						17.0
Parry		≫ 1619	2369		0	0	0					1.7
Penrith		3 22667	36583	8	% 870	612						4.4
Pittwater		※ 5592	8937		× 260	215				;		13.3
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		3738	6198	※ 225	260	525				
		≫ 570	988	0	0	0				
		8870	15160	£ 797	440	1635				
Richmond Valley		≈ 2684	4088	0	35	35	141	82		
		7985	13739	※ 325	290	765				
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		386	630	30	30	70				
		≫ 1158	1798	30	30	09				
		340	510	o ***	0	0	! !			
Shellharbour		₹ 7573	12045	× 150	165	395				
		₹ 10365	15555	※ 215	285	550				
		2790	4379	≈ 45	09	135				
Snowy River		≫ 2147	2962		20	165				
South Sydney		3809	6849	≫ 613	195	1011				
		6£0£ ₩	4497	×× 140	100	276				
Sutherland Shire		 22640	35624	※ 1735	765	3785				
		1749	3011	0	30	30				
		≈ 287	441	×× 20	0	20				
		≪ 4388	6847	06 ***	06	225				
	9	782	1222	0	30	30				
	▓	≫ 758	1182	o ***	73	73	! !			
Tumbarumba		431	640	30	45	06				
		≫ 1455	2222	% %	30	09				
		8082	12228	×× 195	285	535				
Unincorp. Far West		% %	140		0	0		<u> </u>	0	: 0
		731	1113	• ***	0	0	15	16		

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Urana		184	295		0	0	0	0				1.7
Wagga Wagga		6748	10813		245	255	630			:		17.4
Wakool		646	983		0	0	0			:		1.0
Walcha		409	657		0	0	0	i !				5.0
Walgett		666	1604		0	0		34	45	0		6.4
Warren		;	672		0	20				:		9.7
Warringah			20757		784	430				:		17.2
Waverly			7204		290	255	099			:		21.7
Weddin		444	999		0	0				:		10.5
Wellington		1113	1730		0	30				:		7.5
Wentworth		837	1283		0	0				:		9.8
Willoughby	*	5189	9003		360	225				:		19.1
Windouran		62	66		0	0				:		
Wingecarribee	80	5386	8146		95	100				1		3.4
Wollongong		19952	31799		629	635				:		13.1
Wolondilly		5345	8180		120	125				:		13.0
Woollahra		3760	6029		450	308				:		19.2
Wyong		16406	25825		285	425				:		13.3
Yallaroi		431	662	***	0	0				:		2.7
Yarrowlumla		1586	2222		20	0				:		9.0
Yass		1226	1879	***	0	0				:		3.4
Young		1530	2423		15	30				:		3.2
Unspecified				0	0	0				;		
STATE TOTAL	422345	716351	1138696	14775	30067	21857	67342	72259	23643	2060	16530 . 4	14.5
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^{* &#}x27;Other' includes IHC, OCC.
** LDC includes places under Private Provider Incentive.

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Unspecified' is : 643 (state pool for OSHC) ; 250 HC places (State wide) : 15 (state pool for FDC)

DEFINITIONS
OSHC - Outside School Hours Care
ASC - After School Hours Care
BSC- Before School Hours Care
VC - Vacation Care
LDC - Long Day Care
FDC - Family Day Care

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COMPARATIVE SUPPLY DATA - ALL CHILD CARE PLACES - VICTORIA
(at March 2004)

VICTORIA												
Planning Area	Total Populatio n			PLACES								Places/ 100 Populatio
	40	5-12	Total	BS	AS	VAC	Total OSHC	rpc	FDC	Other *	Total	
Alpine	266	2078	3075	15	75	09	150	20	20	30	280	9.1
Ararat	651	1296	1947	15	09	30	105	20	20	0	205	10.5
Ballarat	5401	9408	14809	25	260	375	099	649	340		1691	11.4
Banyule	6820	11712	18532	269	1241	360	2196	1240	275	20	3761	20.3
Bass Coast	1383	2563	3946	0	110	09	170	09	140	0	370	9.4
Baw Baw	2322	4642	6964	89	160	0	228	164	215	0	209	8.7
Bayside	4992	9026	14018	360	820	525	1705	711	177	65	2658	19.0
Boroondara	7891	14999	22890	969	1465	512	2672	920	175		3811	16.6
Brimbank	11411	19675	31086	529	1023	513	2065	1399	200	7	3971	12.8
Buloke	413	827	1240	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Campaspe	2515	4388	6903	15	20	120	185	186	260	25	929	9.5
Cardinia	3527	6625	10152	210	335	210	755	256	350		1811	17.8
Casey	15378	25673	41051	806	1137	069	2735	2693	828	30	6286	15.3
Central Goldfields	902	1366	2072	0	0	30	30	65	20	0	165	8.0
Colac-Otway	1296	2487	3783	0	45	92	110	09	89	0	259	6.8
Corangamite	1207	2259	3466	0	0	0	0	20	130	45	195	5.6
Darebin	7497	10489	17986	868	1005	383	1786	1379	160	40	3365	18.7
Delatite	1204	2571	3775	0	40	20	09	236	203	30	529	14.0
East Gippsland	2147	4397	6544	0	100	145	245	200	252		762	11.6
Frankston	7601	13313	20914	225	570	525	1320	1268	378	20	2986	14.3
Gannawarra	798	1382	2180	0	0	0	0	0	149	8	157	7.2

Glen Eira	7001	10781	17782	902	1113	895	2613	1400	240	0	4253	23.9
Glenelg	1328	2527	3855	30	45	45	120	123	92	20	358	9.3
Golden Plains	966	2015	3011	0	25	0	25	0	20	0	75	2.5
Greater Bendigo	5734	10294	16028	49	595	372	1031	830	412	45	2318	14.5
Greater Dandenong	1860	12957	20817	305	485	325	1115	1312	286	65	3078	14.8
Greater Geelong	11826	20730	32556	310	026	495	1775	1586	366	0		11.5
Greater Shepparton	4186	7084	11270	0	120	06	210	259	155	22		9.6
Hepburn	787	1674	2461	0	0	0	0	20	32	40		3.9
Hindmarsh	365	743	1108	25	45	30	100	0	0	0		9.0
Hobsons Bay	2637	8783	14420	130	430	190	750	287	270	0		1.7
Horsham	1209	2151	3360	0	45	45	06	125	195	54		13.8
Hume	10972	18961	29933	202	1165	220	2640	1264	200	20		14.9
Indigo	864	1918	2782	20	80	9	195	130	0	0		11.7
Kingston	2992	12757	20420	350	782	375	1507	1276	356	0	3139	15.4
Knox	9883	17842	27725	720	1290	725	2735	1872	256	35		17.7
Latrobe	4617	8725	13342	0	09	140	200	473	322	20		8.1
Loddon	487	953	1440	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		0.0
Macedon Ranges	2522	5146	2668	80	222	30	332	504	210	0	1046	13.6
Manningham	5673	10808	16481	375	865	310	1550	1024	125	30		16.6
Maribyrnong	3820	5140	8960	165	365	250	780	226	279	15		18.2
Maroondah	9629	10881	17476	390	898	357	1615	1108	175	96	2994	17.1
Melbourne	2090	2316	4406	09	175	215	450	1422	0	25	1897	43.1
Melton	4225	7229	11454	105	225	240	570	512	225	0	1307	11.4
Mildura	3668	6278	9946	85	275	155	515	253	445	40	1253	12.6
Mitchell	2124	3946	0209	85	105	105	295	206	258	0	759	12.5
Moira	1738	3176	4914	0	30	30	09	124	140	10	334	8.9
Monash	2196	13565	21361	857	1603	673	3133	1405	275	0	4813	22.5
Moonee Valley	6225	9985	16210	503	1147	310	1960	730	272	46	3008	18.6
Moorabool	1823	3393	5216	65	140	110	315	102	200	0	617	1.8
Moreland	7954	11542	19496	431	932	405	1771	1390	338	0	3499	17.9
Mornington Peninsula	7716	14591	22307	235	545	435	1215	1415	281	0	2911	13.0
Mount Alexander	875	1961	2836	0	40	25	65	93	20	0	208	7.3

Moyne	1032	2064	3096	15	30	20	65	38	0	10	113	3.6
Murrindindi	807	1603	2410	15	75	0	06	64	72	0	226	9.4
Nillumbik	4175	8122	12297	305	715	290	1310	829	137	15		17.4
Northern Grampians	853	1566	2419	15	09	09	135	40	82	15	268	11.1
Port Phillip	3360	3954	7314	195	909	285	1085	1079	125	0	2289	31.3
Pyrenees	349	741	1090	0	0	0	0	0	20	0	20	4.6
Queenscliffe	126	325	451	15	45	0	09	09	0	0	120	26.6
South Gippsland	1502	3076	4578	0	45	0	45	98	150	0		6.3
Southern Grampians	1009	1961	2970	0	0	0	0	20	145	0		9.9
Stonnington	4060	6221	10281	132	612	280	1024	780	20	92	1919	18.7
Strathbogie	474	1017	1491	0	30	0	30	0	0	0		2.0
Surf Coast	1395	2515	3910	09	185	09	305	45	92	0		11.4
Swan Hill	1570	2718	4288	0	20	145	215	71	150	20	486	11.3
Towong	351	726	1077	0	0	0	0	32	0	0		3.2
Wangaratta	1588	3085	4673	0	06	180	270	209	240	0		15.4
Warnambool	2069	3624	5693	0	45	22	120	168	280	0	268	10.0
Wellington	2545	4941	7486	45	85	02	200	143	250	0		6.7
West Wimmera	273	222	850	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		0.0
Whitehorse	8662	12643	21305	902	1165	535	2305	1628	320	71		20.3
Whittlesea	8498	14302	22800	480	820	380	1680	966	230	0	2906	12.7
Wodonga	2418	4037	6455	92	160	265	520	629	275	100		24.4
Wyndham	6752	12279	19031	254	961	520	1735	1123	490	45		17.8
Yarra	3153	3860	7013	225	825	305	1355	1134	180	0		38.1
Yarra Ranges		17819	27506	485	1280	375	2140	808	320	11	3309	12.0
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#Target population is defined as children aged 0-12 whose parent/s (both working/training/studying. Data provided by ABS from parents in couple families or lone parent) are 2001 Census.

Innovative, multifunctional, Special Services and Occasional Care Neighbourhood model. available at SLA level, include place numbers in the 'unspecified' * 'Other' includes IHC, OCC, flexibles/innovatives, block grant funded etc. If a breakdown is not Qualifier: Other includes IHC, * Queenland

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s (C) - East	Adelaide/Hindmarsh			2871	61	179	115	355	447		4	858	29.9
ıs (C) - West	Hindmarsh	_		3542	98	175	143	404	265		25	745	21.0
	Grey			4249		55	99	115	108		33	460	10.8
Yankalilla (DC)	Barker 177			563	12	15	25	52	21			101	17.9
ısula (DC) - North	Wakefield			1201	0	0	0	0	0			22	1.8
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STATE TOTAL				247631	5106	11126	9807	26039	108	6188	573	43612	17.6
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COMPARATIVE SUPPLY DATA
- ALL CHILD CARE PLACES WESTERN AUSTRALIA

(May 2004)

100 Population

WESTERN AUSTRALIA												
Planning Area	POPULATI ON			PLACES								Places/ 100 Popu
	0-4	5-12	Total	BS	AS	VAC	Tot OSHC	CDC	FDC	Other *	Total	
Albany	1988	3656	5644	0		65	104	319	367	42	832	14.7
Armadale	4394	8315	12709	92	212	308		929	264	0	1808	14.2
Bassendean (T)	870	1399	2269	 		90	140	299	17	0	456	20.1
Bayswater (C)	3119	4623	7742			314		364	52	38	1023	13.2
Belmont (C)	1850	2584	4434	0	75	130	205	228			483	10.9
Bunbury (C)	1771	3361	5132			105	145	387			582	11.3
Busselton (S)	1563	2970	4533			82		256			575	12.7
Cambridge (T)	1381	2544	3925			85		291			643	16.4
Canning (C)	4344	7995	12339			434		1254			2458	19.9
Cockburn (C)	5189	8155	13344	40		150	350	547			1146	9.8
East Kimberley	1210	1763	2973			40		20		0	92	3.2
Esperance (S)	992	1809	2801			30		97		0	261	9.3
Fremantle	1662	2524	4186			144		496		0	739	17.7
Geraldton (C)	1433	2439	3872			50		378	62	10	552	14.3
Goldfields	396	603	666			0				0	42	4.2
Gosnells (C)	6131	10171	16302	09	06	190	340	1001	4	22	1592	8.6
Greenough	1513	2839	4352	0	0	0	0	76	97	0	173	4.0
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Joondalup	9043	18294	27967	100	681	992	1547	1508	457	28	3540	12.7
Kalamunda (S)	2746	5574		92	134	154	364	302	108	0	774	9.3
Kalgoorlie	3134	4759		20	80	150	250	290	92	28	099	8.4
Kwinana (T)	1680	2900		25	25	150	200	148	151	30	529	11.6
Lower Great Southern	1613	2506	4119	0	30	30	09	26	42	0	128	3.1
Lower South West			8040	0	30	117	147	232	91	0	470	5.8
Mandurah (C)	2768			50	20	140	260	261	175	0	969	8.3
Melville (C)	4636			85	165	300	550	661	181	56	1448	10.3
Midlands	3850		10907	0	0	0	0	256	170	47	473	4.3
Mundaring (S)	2127			0	8	190	274	284	118	44	720	11.0
Murchison	829		-	0	0	0	0	23	41	0	37	1.7
Off Shore Areas & Migratory	34			0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	:
Perth	2381	4955		0	192	140	332	528		33	912	12.4
Pilbara	3493	 		52	136	121	309	456		150	1015	1.1
Rockingham (C)	5290	9856	9	105	201	190	496	853		33	1621	10.7
South Perth (C)	1542	2548	4090	30	135	140	305	202	0	0	207	12.4
Stirling	9570	14907	2	110	543	569	1222	1786	196	180	3384	13.8
Subiaco (C)	820	1111	1931	30	105	105	240	198	7	0	445	23.0
Swan (C)	6883	11570	3	285	505	616	1406	1079	282	0	2767	15.0
Upper Gascoyne	844	1320	2164	0	0	0	0	65	7	0	72	3.3
Upper Great Southern	1074	1940		0	0	0	0	94	62	25	181	0.9
Upper South West	3919	7602	11521	0	85	141	226	480	104	0	810	7.0
Victoria Park (T)	1313	1690		71	217	214	502	432	7	0	941	31.3
Vincent (T)	1329	1643		20	104	138	262	326	0	24	612	20.6
Wanneroo	7081	11616	18697	15	222	330	267	1360	341	34	2302	12.3
West Kimberley	2072	3070	5142	0	45	45	06	219	75	31	415	8.1
Unspecified							0		0		0	:
STATE TOTAL	122708	214534	337872	1582	5339	6933	13854	19053	4905	1107	38919	11.5

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DATA - ALL CHILD
CARE PLACES TASMANIA
(April 2004)

TASMANIA													
Planning Area	Populati on			PLAC ES									Places/100 Population
	0-4	5-12	Total	BS	AS	VAC	Total OSHC	LDC	FDC	Other * IHC	90	Total	•
Break O'Day (M)	364	009	964	0	0	0	0	39	9	4		49	5.1
Brighton (M)	1341	1914	3255	0	75	30	105	34	165	_	14	319	9.8
Burnie (C) - Pt A	1171	1907	3078	30	100	125	255	125	53	2		435	14.1
Burnie (C) - Pt B	139	283	422	0	0	0	0	0	41.2	ည		44	10.5
Central Coast (M) - Pt A	1052	1994	3046	20	105	115	240	101	19	_∞		368	12.1
Central Coast (M) - Pt B	214	466	089	0	0	0	0	0	39			39	5.7
Central Highlands (M)	161	283	444	0	0	0	0	0	0			0	:
Circular Head (M)	262	1042	1637	0	30	35	65	45	47	9		163	6.6
Clarence (C)	2980	5487	8467	20	520	170	710	228	205	26	32	1201	14.2
Derwent Valley (M) - Pt A	468	771	1239	0	30	30	09	41	100			201	16.2
Derwent Valley (M) - Pt B	190	366	556	0	0	0	0	0	0			0	:
Devonport (C)	1566	2666	4232	0	190	192	382	149	116	53	25	725	17.1
Dorset (M)	477	884	1361	0	0	0	0	20	24	က		47	3.4
Flinders (M)	29	93	152	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	29	31	20.1
George Town (M) - Pt A	411	999	1077	0	0	0	0	30	28	2		63	5.8
George Town (M) - Pt B	81	140	221	0	0	0	0	0	0			0	:
Glamorgan/Spring Bay (M)	245	391	636	0	0	0	0	28	2.4	2	17	49	7.7

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4678	26	3844	1828	747	198	3254	331	852	87	20	6225	388	1021	1226	911	577	1222	141	818	253	1422	386	902	2263	226
2827	41	2228	1010	385	91	1651	131	457	54	6	3752	167	629	602	504	329	758	02	395	106	889	195	454	1097	117
Glenorchy (C)	Hobart (C) - Inner	Hobart (C) - Remainder	Huon Valley (M)	Kentish (M)	King Island (M)	Kingborough (M) - Pt A	Kingborough (M) - Pt B	Latrobe (M) - Pt A	Latrobe (M) - Pt B	Launceston (C) - Inner	Launceston (C) - Pt B	Launceston (C) - Pt C	Meander Valley (M) - Pt A	Meander Valley (M) - Pt B	Northern Midlands (M) - Pt A	Northern Midlands (M) - Pt B	Sorell (M) - Pt A	Sorell (M) - Pt B	Southern Midlands (M)	Tasman (M)	Waratah/Wynyard (M) - Pt A	Waratah/Wynyard (M) - Pt B	West Coast (M)	West Tamar (M) - Pt A	West Tamar (M) - Pt B

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COMPARATIVE
SUPPLY DATA - ALL
CHILD CARE PLACES NORTHERN
TERRITORY
(At April 2004)

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NORTHERN TERRITORY												
Planning Area	Populati			PLACES								Places/100
	4	5-12	Total	BS	AS	VAC	VAC Tot OSHC	LDC	LDC FDC	Other *	Total	Population
Alawa	133	228	361					200		20	220	6.09
Alice Springs (T) - Charles	414	635	1049	30	147	210	387	242	281	51	961	91.6
Alice Springs (T) - Heavitree	141	333	474								0	:
Alice Springs (T) - Larapinta	736	1332	2068		40		40				40	1.9
Alice Springs (T) - Ross	629	1017	1646								0	:
Alice Springs (T) - Stuart	148	155									0	
Anula	185	373	558								0	:
Bakewell	329	350	629		20	20	140				140	20.6

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261	11	118	329	149	79	71	423	306	298	0	816	232	132	334	278	308	109	141	391	810	199	386	29	46	1020	155	293	114	173	144	419
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COMPARATIVE SUPPLY
DATA - ALL CHILD CARE
PLACES - AUSTRALIAN
CAPITAL TERRITORY
(At June 2003)

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	Place	Population	19.6	19.3	36.1	15.9	24.9	26.0	18.2	0.0	15.8	£.	23.6
		Total	1104	1344	1836	1871	1772	1759	1488	0	552	1645	13371
		Other *		34	50			35	34		34		187
		FDC	177	358	122	526	180	121	526	0	235	235	2480
		CDC	190	392	824	452	009	1039	364		62	725	4648
		Tot OSHC	737	260	840	893	365	564	564	0	221	685	9509
		VAC	141	122	328	207	257	92	155		45	253	1603
		AS	363	334	427	470	518	420	304		151	422	3409
	PLACES	BS	233	104	85	216	217	49	105		25	10	1044
		Total	3 5647	6975	2091	3 11742	7115	3143	8184	××× 417	3499	4831	56644
		5-12									2294		36316
	Populatio n	0-4	2517	2527	1797	3823	2512	1011	3091	102	1205	1743	20328
AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY				 								 	
AUSTRALIAN C	Region		Gungahlin	Nth Belconnen	Nth Canberra	Nth Tuggeranonc	Sth Belconnen	Sth Canberra	Sth Tuggeranong	Unspecified	Weston Creek	Woden Valley	STATE TOTAL

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Allocation of Outside School Hours Care Places December 2003 - April 2004				
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	BS	AS	\/A.C	
Armidale Dumaresq	DO	AS	VAC 20	
Ballina		15	15	
Balranald		10	10	
Bankstown		10		
Baulkham Hills	10	10		
Bega Valley	10		5	
Blacktown	15	30	80	
Blue Mountains	10	10	15	
Botany		15	15	
Burwood		15	10	
Byron	5	5	5	
Camden	20	<u>5</u> 15		
Campbelltown	5	5	5	
Canterbury	<u>5</u>	25		
Cessnock	4			
Coffs Harbour	-	10	35	
Dubbo		25		
Dungog		25	25	
Eurobodalla			10	
Gosford	15	20	5	
Goulburn	5	5		
Greater Lithgow	J	<u>5</u> 15	15	
Holroyd	2	5	30	
Hornsby	45	65	15	
Hurstville	40	25	10	
Kogarah	30	35	5	
Ku-ring-ai	5	10	15	
	J	. =	10	
Lismore Liverpool	10	15 40		
Maitland	50	85	10	
Manly	20	20	10	
Marrickville	20	30	20	
Mosman	5	15	30	
Newcastle	<u>5</u> 25	15 55	30	
Parramatta	10	15		
Penrith	15	30	10	
Port Stephens	5	5	15	
Randwick		25	15	
Ryde		160	15	
South Sydney	12	25	5	
Sutherland	15	25 25	<u> </u>	
Tweed	5	20	10	
			10	
Wagga Wagga	15	15	15	

Warringah	10	35	10
Waverley	10		
Wollongong	10		20
Woollahra		5	13
NSW Total	468	980	513
Victoria			
	BS	AS	VAC
Banyule	15		
Bass Coast		15	
Boroondara		30	20
Brimbank	15	15	
Cardinia	5	10	15
Casey		22	5
Darebin	38	60	
East Gippsland		15	
Glen Eira	25	25	90
Greater Bendigo		5	5
Greater Dandenong	5	10	10
Greater Geelong	10	45	
Hume	35	70	
Kingston			15
Knox	18		
Manningham	10	10	
Maribyrnong	10	15	40
Maroondah	12	16	15
Melton			60
Mitchell	10	5	
Monash	55	65	10
Moonee Valley		20	
Moreland	20	31	
Mornington Peninsula	10	10	
Nillumbik	15	15	
Port Phillip	15	45	
Stonnington		15	
Whitehorse	30	15	
Whittlesea	15	35	25
Wyndham	18	95	15
Yarra		10	
Victoria Total	386	724	325
Queensland			
	BS	AS	VAC
Albert	10	35	20
Aspley	55	135	100

Beaudesert	10		10
Bowen			10
Bundaberg	5		20
Caboolture	25	35	40
Cairns	20	110	90
City Core			25
Clayfield			20
Enoggera	60	70	140
Fraser	30	25	
Gladstone	10		30
Hinterland	60	173	120
Inner Brisbane South	15		90
Ipswich	55	75	90
Johnstone		15	35
Kedron	120	161	115
Kenmore	40	45	110
Kilcoy	5	10	20
Logan	90	80	90
North West Darling Downs	15		30
Nudgee	37	50	45
Outer Brisbane South	170	263	170
Pine Rivers	50	101	99
Redcliffe	15	50	22
Red Hill	15	30	20
Redlands	80	105	180
Rockhampton		5	
Sandgate	10		5
South Burnett	10		
South East Darling Downs		30	30
South Coast North	57	30	65
South Coast South	20	45	40
South West Brisbane	85	115	105
Sunshine Coast	135	90	155
Toowoomba	35	15	20
Townsville	102	94	145
	4440	4000	
Queensland Total	1446	1992	2306
South Australia			
	BS	AS	VAC
Adelaide Hills - Central			30
Adelaide Hills - Ranges	22	37	50
Burnside - South West			30
Campbelltown - West	20		
Charles Sturt - North East			5
Gawler	30	5	
Marion - Central	8	4	30
Marion - South	20		50
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Mitcham - Hills	15	25	
Mitcham - North East	15	50	5_
Mitcham - West	10	10	
Mount Barker - Central			20
Nrwd Pynhm St Ptrs - West		5	
Onkaparinga - Morphett			12
Onkaparinga - North Coast		5	55
Onkaparinga - Reservoir	23	28	30
Onkaparinga - Woodcroft	35	80	15
Playford - West Central	20		30
Port Adelaide Enfield - East	10	15	22
Port Adelaide Enfield - Inner		10	
Port Adelaide Enfield - Port	10	20	
Port Adelaide Enfield Coast	10		50
Robe	12	20	_
Salisbury - Bal	5	15	2
Salisbury - Central	10	25	10
Salisbury - South East			5
Tea Tree Gully - Central			30
Tea Tree Gully - Hills	8	5	
Tea Tree Gully - North	5	45	
Tea Tree Gully - South	30	25	10
Unley - East	5	10	10
Unley - West	8	35	
Walkerville	20	25	_
West Torrens - East	3	19	_
West Torrens - West			30
South Australia Total	354	518	531
Western Australia			
	BS	AS	VAC
Canning	6	19	19
Esperance	13		
Fremantle		2	
Joondalup	3		38
Swan	10		
Wanneroo		6	4
Western Australia Total	32	27	61
Tasmania			
	BS	AS	VAC
Central Coast			20
Circular Head			10
Clarence		35	
Devonport		19	29
Hobart	10	65	38
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Kingborough	15	25	15
Launceston			24
Sorell		3	2
West Tamar			10
Tasmania Total	25	147	148
Northern Territory			
	BS	AS	VAC
Northern Suburbs	10	35	
Palmerston		15	150
Alice Springs			10
Petermann	3		
Northern Territory Total	13	50	160
Australian Capital Territory	BS	AS	VAC
Gungahlin	38	45	17
Nth Belconnen	20	90	20
South Belconnen	59	111	54
North Canberra	45	85	64
South Canberra	20	67	10
North Tuggeranong	42	79	50
South Tuggeranong	10	112	10
Weston Creek		39	
Woden	5	76	9
Australian Capital Territory Total	239	704	234
AUSTRALIA TOTAL	2963	5142	4278
All OSHC TOTAL		12383	

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Allocation of FDC Places December 2003 to April 2004

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Eastside	25
Eastern Districts	52
Metro South West	100
North West Country	40
Northern Country	70
Northern Districts	125
Northside	152
Southern Country	75
Southern Districts	64
Southern Vales	38
Total	741
Taamania	
Tasmania	
Brighton	10
Coastal	25
Northern Tasmania	20
Glenorchy	20
Kingborough	20
Mersey Leven	10
Total	105
Total WA	105
WA	
WA Cockburn	20
WA	
WA Cockburn	20
WA Cockburn Kwinana	20 39
WA Cockburn Kwinana	20 39
WA Cockburn Kwinana Total Qld	20 39 59
WA Cockburn Kwinana Total Qld Atherton	20 39 59
WA Cockburn Kwinana Total Qld Atherton Bayside	20 39 59 30 145
WA Cockburn Kwinana Total Qld Atherton Bayside Bowen	20 39 59 30 145 10
WA Cockburn Kwinana Total Qld Atherton Bayside Bowen Bundaberg	20 39 59 30 145 10 75
WA Cockburn Kwinana Total Qld Atherton Bayside Bowen Bundaberg Burdekin	20 39 59 30 145 10 75 35
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Cooloola	10
Fraser	60
Gladstone	15
Inner Brisbane South	10
Ipswich	145
Kenmore	20
Logan	30
Mackay & Sariuna Sarina	50
Mt Isa	10
Near South West	10
North Burnett	35
Nudgee & Sandgate	40
Outer Brisbane South	50
Redcliffe	10
Redland	20
Rockhampton	50
South Burnett	40
South East Darling Downs	25
South Coast North, South & Hinterland	50
South West Brisbane	35
Sunshine Coast	60
Townsville	90
Western Darling Downs	5
Whitsunday	20
Total	1385
	1385
Total NSW	1385
NSW	
NSW Bankstown	30
NSW Bankstown Baulkham Hills	30 40
NSW Bankstown Baulkham Hills Berrigan	30 40 11
NSW Bankstown Baulkham Hills Berrigan Bingara	30 40 11 10
NSW Bankstown Baulkham Hills Berrigan Bingara Canada Bay	30 40 11 10 35
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NSW Bankstown Baulkham Hills Berrigan Bingara Canada Bay Coonamble Copmanhurst Corowa Cowra Deniliquin	30 40 11 10 35 3 2 5 5
NSW Bankstown Baulkham Hills Berrigan Bingara Canada Bay Coonamble Copmanhurst Corowa Cowra Deniliquin Dubbo	30 40 11 10 35 3 2 5 5 9
Bankstown Baulkham Hills Berrigan Bingara Canada Bay Coonamble Copmanhurst Corowa Cowra Deniliquin Dubbo Fairfield	30 40 11 10 35 3 2 5 5 9 40 30
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NSW Bankstown Baulkham Hills Berrigan Bingara Canada Bay Coonamble Copmanhurst Corowa Cowra Deniliquin Dubbo Fairfield Grafton Greater Taree Holroyd Hornsby Inverell	30 40 11 10 35 3 2 5 5 9 40 30 20 30 50 25 30

Parramatta	15
Pristine Waters	5
Shoalhaven	10
Wakool	11
Wollondilly	19
Wollongong	20
Wyong	26
Total	544
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Australia Total	2834

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Applications for new services - Outside School Hours Care

	A	pplications	Potent	Potentially Approved		
	Private	Not-for-Profit	Private	Not-for-Profit		
NSW	78	104	42	75		
VIC	43	177	31	137		
QLD	50	153	36	147		
SA	2	71	2	71		
WA	11	27	6	17		
TAS	4	18	4	18		
NT	3	7	2	2		
ACT	0	0	6	5		
Total	191	557	129	472		

Applications for new services – Family Day Care

	A	pplications	Potent	tially Approved
	Private	Not-for-Profit	Private	Not-for-Profit
NSW	3	1	0	0
VIC	6	2	0	2
QLD	6	3	0	1
SA	0	0	0	0
WA	2	0	0	0
TAS	0	1	0	0
NT	1	0	0	0
ACT	0	1	0	0
Total	18	8	0	3

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Topic:

Hansard Page: CA 64

Senator Collins asked for disaggregated broadband estimates for 2004-05.

Answer:

Summary of old model to eventual new model:

Program Element	2003-2004	Eventual	Increase
		new model	
	(\$m)	(\$m)	(\$m)
Quality Support			
Professional Support Program	14	16	2
Quality Assurance	7	10	3
	21	26	5
Inclusion Support			
Inclusion Support Program	23	25	2
Inclusion Support Subsidy	34	35	1
	57	60	3
Community Support	121	138	17
Program Support	2	2	-
Total Child Care Support			
Program	201	226	25

Features of the increase

- No elements of the Broadband have reduced i.e. no area has lost a level of funding in order to increase the funding in another area
- The new model figures represent the outcome when the new model is <u>fully</u> implemented.
- Next financial year is a transition year. The funding will be <u>combination</u> of old and new arrangements.
- At this stage, we can't provide line item break ups of next year's expenditure. When the funding agreements have been renegotiated, and the final details of the new places are known, full forecasts for the year will be available. We would expect to have a good indication of the year's forecast by the end of July.

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Topic:

Hansard Page: CA 63

Senator Collins asked: State by state funding of IST and R&As for this financial year plus

services.

Answer:

2003-04 Financial Year Inclusion Professional Support CURRENT REPORTING FORMAT (\$'000)

Service Type	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	TOTAL
In Service Training (ISTs)	37	887	*	*	200	35	580	200	1939
Resource & Advisory Services (R&As) Supplementary Resource & Advisory Services (SUPS	166	1,275	728	534	851	185	2,171	432	6,342
R&As)	535	1,038		810	636	43	1,343	966	5,371
	738	3200	728	1344	1687	263	4094	1598	13,652
		deliver IST							

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Output Group: 1.4 Child Care Support Question No: 46

Topic: Child Care

Hansard Page: Written question on notice

Senator Harradine asked:

Has the department undertaken an evaluation of where these new child care and family day care places are most needed? What steps has it taken to ensure that the 40,000 new child care and 4000 new family day care places will be in areas of most acute need? If so, please provide a copy of this evaluation and the steps taken.

Answer:

The department allocates available places through a national child care planning system. This system seeks to ensure that places are allocated where they are most needed. It currently identifies needs in two main ways.

The first is through existing or prospective services applying for places. The department then confirms that places are required and that they will be used if they are allocated. If the number of places required is more than the number of places available, the needs of different areas are prioritised, taking account of advice received from State and Territory Planning Advisory Committees. These committees include representatives from the various child care sectors.

The second is through the department seeking to identify areas where families have a need for child care but no services have applied to operate.

At the time that 10,000 Outside School Hours Care (OSHC) and 2,500 Family Day Care (FDC) places were made available in December 2003, the department already had a substantial number of expressions of interest and applications for OSHC and FDC places. These applications were treated as a first priority. Places were allocated to services that had applied for places and could demonstrate both a need and a capacity to use additional places immediately. This first allocation met the confirmed immediate needs of existing services.

To help gauge the extent of further demand for FDC and OSHC places, in February 2004 the department invited applications from both prospective operators and existing operators needing additional places. Applications closed on 2 April 2004. Applications received were assessed to confirm needs.

The 2004-05 Budget delivered a further 30,000 OSHC and 1500 FDC places. This was sufficient to meet in full the confirmed need for OSHC and FDC places identified through the application process. Because there were sufficient places to meet all the confirmed demand there was no requirement to prioritise areas of need.

Having dealt with the expressed needs of services the department will now be looking to identify if there are other areas where there is an unmet demand from families for child care, but no services operating or seeking to operate in those areas. State and Territory Planning Advisory Committees will be heavily involved in identifying these areas.

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Output Group: 1.4 Child Care Support Question No: 47

Topic: Child Care Benefit expenditure

Hansard Page: Written question on notice

Senator Collins asked:

Please provide details of the CCB expenditure under each of the percentage levels set by the Government, and how many families/children are assisted at each level.

- a. Breakdown numbers on maximum, partial and minimum CCB rates
- b. can you also advise the proportion of CCB that goes to each of the different types of care (i.e. Family Day Care, Long Day Care, Outside School Hours Care, etc)
- c. can you advise of the level of CCB entitlements to parents/children using FDC and LDC (ie do lower income groups or higher dominate in particular service types?)
- d. Could you please supply the detail of the amount of CCB that goes to children by age (i.e. how many dollars go to children in each age bracket under 6)?

What proportion of the CCB budget is paid to corporate child care providers that are listed on the stock exchange?

Answer:

a. The number and percentage of families and children under each Child Care Benefit rate, for the December 2003 quarter is as follows:

	Cust	omers	Children				
Rate	No.	%	No.	%			
Max	185,356	35.5	259,162	35.3			
Min	84,991	16.3	116,948	15.9			
Partial	251,073	48.1	358,955	48.8			
Total (a)	521,490	100.0	735,161	100.0			

(a) Includes customers with undetermined rate type. The number of customers with undetermined rate type has decreased from those in previous reports due to an enhancement in the counting methodology.

Notes:

- 1. Excludes CCB received as a lump sum payment.
- 2. The information in this table is based on prereconciliation amounts paid to families during the quarter. These figures do not take into account Centrelink CCB advance/acquittals to services.
- 3. Weighted data.

Source: Centrelink administrative data as at 04-06-04.

b. The amount and percentage of Child Care Benefit for each of the different types of care for the December quarter 2003 is as follows:

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Service type	CCB (\$)	%
Outside School Hours Care	18,493,205	5.3
Family Day Care	63,746,705	18.4
Long Day Care	256,598,533	73.9
Community LDC	62,013,994	17.9
Private LDC	194,584,539	56.0
Occasional Care	1,524,502	0.4
Vacation Care	6,800,935	2.0
TOTAL	347,163,880	100.0

Notes:

- 1. Excludes CCB received as a lump sum payment and CCB paid for informal care.
- 2. In-home-care expenditure is included in the Family Day Care amount.
- 3. The information in this table is based on pre-reconciliation amounts paid to families during the quarter. These figures do not take into account Centrelink CCB advance/acquittal processes to services.
- 4. Weighted data.

Source: Centrelink administrative data as at 04-06-04.

c. The number and proportion of families under each Child Care Benefit rate for Family Day Care and Long Day Care for the December 2003 quarter is as follows:

	Family d	ay care	Long day care			
Rate	No.	%	No.	%		
Max	28,060	36.6	118,691	35.7		
Min	9,632	12.6	52,907	15.9		
Partial	39,024	50.9	160,859	48.4		
Total (a)	76,724	100.0	332,495	100.0		

(a) Includes customers with undetermined rate type. The number of customers with undetermined rate type has decreased from those in previous reports due to an enhancement in the counting methodology.

Notes:

- 1. Family day care numbers include in-home-care.
- 2. Weighted data.

Source: Centrelink administrative data as at 04-06-04.

d. The amount of Child Care Benefit expenditure for children by age of child up to the age of six for the December quarter 2003 is as follows:

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Age of child	CCB (\$)
Less than 1 Year	5,739,682
1 Year	33,043,965
2 Years	59,421,853
3 Years	78,942,012
4 Years	81,670,458
5 Years	47,499,504
6 Years	9,214,588

Notes:

- 1. Excludes CCB received as a lump sum payment.
- 2. The information in this table is based on pre-reconciliation amounts paid to families during the quarter. These figures do not take into account Centrelink CCB advance/acquittals to services.
- 2. Age of child taken at the end of the quarter.
- 3. Weighted data.

Source: Centrelink administrative data as at 04-06-04.

For the December quarter 2003, 10.6% of Child Care Benefit (CCB) fee reduction expenditure was advanced to approved Long Day Care services owned by providers listed on the Australian Stock Exchange. Notes: excludes CCB received as a lump sum payment, weighted data, based on pre-reconciliation amounts paid during the quarter.

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Output Group: 1.4 Child Care Support Question No: 48

Topic: Child Care Benefit

Hansard Page: Written question on notice

Senator Collins asked:

Please provide the most recently available data/information in the following areas, broken down by State/Territory for all Commonwealth funded child care related activities: (i.e. ASC, BSC, FDC, LDC, OCC, VAC)

- a. Numbers of approved and registered services (by service type)
- b. Breakdown by service type by ownership (i.e. community based, private, multi-owned private (i.e. 3 or more services owned by single operator)
- c. Places allocated by service type
- d. Utilisation rates by service type
- e. Children assisted by service type
- f. Families assisted by service type
- g. Number of staff/carers by service type
- h. Number of openings and closures by services type by electorate and by State and LGA

Number of places and services run by corporate child care providers that are listed on the stock exchange?

Answer:

General note on data by service type: Since 2001, Centrelink has counted co-located and comanaged After School Care and Before School Care services as a single administered Outside School Hours Care service. Data are not separately available for After School Care and Before School Care.

- a) Data for September 2003, the most recent available, were supplied at the 2003-04 Additional Estimates hearing, 19 February 2004. The date of the next update is post July 2004.
- b) The number of owners by State and Territory by type of child care service as at 4 June 2004 is as follows:

Ownership	LDC	FDC	occ	OSHC	VAC
NSW					
Community Based (not for profit)- all owners	290	94	42	457	330
Private (for profit)- owning 3 or more services	17	1	0	5	2
Private (for profit)- owning 1 or 2 services	1,040	9	0	37	27
VIC					
Community Based (not for profit)- all owners	185	69	20	613	228
Private (for profit)- owning 3 or more services	17	1	0	4	2
Private (for profit)- owning 1 or 2 services	345	7	1	16	9
QLD					
Community Based (not for profit)- all owners	130	64	12	293	269
Private (for profit)- owning 3 or more services	31	1	0	0	0
Private (for profit)- owning 1 or 2 services	400	1	0	12	10
SA					

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103	3	3	230	192
5	0	0	1	1
47	1	0	3	2
92	19	12	81	89
13	0	0	1	1
183	0	0	18	16
34	12	4	34	41
4	0	0	3	0
13	0	0	7	6
30	7	1	37	30
3	0	0	0	0
11	0	0	2	3
38	5	4	35	24
3	0	0	0	0
24	0	0	4	4
892	271	96	1,771	1,198
59	1	0	11	4
2,055	18	1	99	77
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FDC: Family day care, LDC: Long day care, OCC: Occasional care, OSHC: Outside school hours care (includes After School Hours Care and Before School Hours Care), VAC: Vacation Care.

Note: Service types and State cannot be summed as an owner may own more than one type of service in more than one State or Territory.

Source: Centrelink administrative data at 04-06-04.

- c) Data for September 2003, the most recent available, were supplied at the 2003-04 Additional Estimates hearing, 19 February 2004. The date of the next update is post July 2004.
- d) Data for May 2002, the most recent available, were supplied at the 2003-04 Additional Estimates hearing, 19 February 2004. Data for March 2004 are expected to be available in December 2004.
- e) Children using approved care services by service type and State/Territory during the December 2003 quarter

Service	NSW	VIC	QLD	SA	WA	TAS	NT	ACT	AUST ^a
type									
FDC	36,424	27,211	23,609	11,821	8,595	6,066	1,258	2,151	116,807
LDC	137,881	80,882	125,603	25,303	39,540	7,445	3,207	7,099	426,583
OCC	4,170	3,188	1,990	298	1,275	262	1	222	11,356
OSHC	50,750	59,257	54,023	29,918	12,727	5,257	2,299	5,404	219,922
TOTAL ^b	221,659	173,921	196,410	63,755	59,678	18,781	6,566	14,564	754,513

FDC: Family day care (including in-home-care), LDC: Long day care, OCC: Occasional care, OSHC: Outside school hours care (includes ASC, BSC and VAC).

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(a) Australian total does not represent an aggregation of State and Territory data as children may have used services in more than one State/Territory during the quarter.

(b) Total count does not represent an aggregation of service type data as children may have used more than one type of service during the quarter.

Note: Weighted data.

Source: Centrelink administrative data as at 02-01-04

f) Families using approved care services by service type and State/Territory during the December 2003 quarter.

Service	NSW	VIC	QLD	SA	WA	TAS	NT	ACT	AUST ^a
type									
FDC	25,937	18,086	15,761	7,136	5,924	4,050	923	1,493	79,111
LDC	115,751	65,690	94,282	20,385	30,820	5,967	2,641	5,890	341,075
OCC	3,471	2,614	1,605	241	1,050	234	1	190	9,367
OSHC	36,737	42,206	36,295	19,926	8,800	3,677	1,630	4,042	153,350
TOTAL ^b	167,081	123,671	134,165	42,198	43,251	13,024	4,636	10,435	537,769

FDC: Family day care (including in-home-care), LDC: Long day care, OCC: Occasional care, OSHC: Outside school hours care (includes ASC, BSC and VAC).

- (a) Australian total does not represent an aggregation of State and Territory data as some families used services in more than one State/Territory during the quarter.
- (b) Total count does not represent an aggregation of service type data as families may have used more than one type of service during the quarter.

Note: Weighted data.

Source: Centrelink administrative data as at 02-01-04.

- g) Data for May 2002, the most recent available, were supplied at the 2003-04 Additional Estimates hearing, 19 February 2004. Data for March 2004 are expected to be available in December 2004.
- h) The tables below show openings and closures of Commonwealth funded child care centres by service type, electorate and local government area for the December 2003 quarter. Note that current openings and closures information does not take into account transfers of service ownership. When the ownership of a service is transferred Centrelink is required to close the service on the Child Care Operator system and to create a new service record to affect the transfer. This means that any transfer of ownership will be recorded as both an opening and a closure. Additionally, Centrelink is combining co-located and co-managed After School Care and Before School Care services into single administrated outside school hours care services. This means that most Before School Care service closures will in fact be a result of this process and should not be regarded as closures. Therefore the information in the following table is not comparable with previous information provided on openings and closures.

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Openings and closures by Commonwealth electoral division and service type (December 2003 quarter)

	Service Type											
Electoral Division	ASC		BSC		FDC		LDC		OCC		VAC	
	Closed	Opened	Closed	Opened	Closed	Opened	Closed	Opened	Closed	Opened	Closed	Opened
Adelaide	-	-		-			1	2		-		
Banks	-					-	1	1		-		
Barton	-	1		-				-		-		
Batman	1	2	1				1	1				
Bendigo							1	1				
Berowra							1	1				
Blair								2				
Blaxland	1											
Braddon		3										1
Bradfield							1	1				1
Brand				-			2	3				
Brisbane								-		-]
Bruce	1	1		-			1	1				
Calwell		-					1	1		-		
Canberra		1										
Canning							2	2			1	1
Capricornia							1	1				
Casey							1	1				
Chifley							1	1				
Chisholm							1	1				
Cowan											1	
Cowper							1	1				
Curtin							1	1				
Dawson	1	1					3	3				
Denison]
Dickson								2				
Fadden							4	4				
Farrer								1				
Fisher								1				
Flinders								1				
Forde					<u> </u>		1	1			<u> </u>	
Forrest					<u> </u>		1	2				
Fraser		3			<u> </u>			1				
Fremantle	1 .							1				
Gilmore					<u>.</u>		1	1			1	
Goldstein	1	4	1									
Grayndler	+ -				-		 	1	<u> </u>			
Greenway	+ :		1		<u> </u>		 		<u> </u>			
Grey	<u> </u>					1						
Griffith	<u> </u>	1	1		<u> </u>		<u> </u>	·		-		1

	Service Type											
Electoral Division	ASC		BSC		FDC		LDC		OCC		VAC	
	Closed	Opened	Closed	Opened	Closed	Opened	Closed	Opened	Closed	Opened	Closed	Opened
Groom				-			1	2				
Hasluck				-			3	3				
Herbert	1	1		-				2				
Higgins	1										1	1
Hindmarsh							1	1				
Holt	1											
Hume						-	1	1				
Hunter							1	1				
Isaacs		1										
Jagajaga	1	1	1									
Kalgoorlie	1	1					2	2	1	1	1	1
Kennedy	1											
Kooyong		1										
La Trobe											1	•
Lalor	2	2									1	1
Leichhardt								2				
Lilley								2				•
Lindsay						-	1	1		٠		
Lingiari								1				
Longman						-	2	3				
Lowe							1					
Lyne						-	1	2		٠		
Macarthur							2	2				
Makin							1	3				•
Mayo							1	1				•
Memillan							1					
Mcpherson								1			1	
Melbourne	1	3	1	1								
Melbourne Ports		3										
Menzies		1										1
Moncrieff	1		1									
Moore							2	2		•		
New England								3				
Newcastle							2	2				1
O'Connor							1	1				
Oxley								1				
Page								1				
Parkes							2	3				
Parramatta							1					
Pearce						1	1	1			1	1
Perth	1	1					3	3			1	1
Petrie							1	1				
Prospect											1	
Rankin								1				

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	Service Type											
Electoral Division	ASC		BSC		FDC		LDC		OCC		VAC	
	Closed	Opened	Closed	Opened	Closed	Opened	Closed	Opened	Closed	Opened	Closed	Opened
Reid							1	1				
Richmond								2				
Riverina		-				-		1		-		
Ryan		-				-	1	2		-		-
Scullin		1					1	1				
Shortland							2	2				
Solomon							1	1				
Stirling							1	2				1
Swan								1				
Tangney	2	1					1	1			1	1
Throsby							1	2				
Werriwa							1	1				
Wide Bay		-				-				-	1	
Wills	1	1										

ASC: After school hours care, BSC: Before school care, FDC: Family day care, LDC: Long day care, OCC: Occasional care, VAC: Vacation care

Note: This table excludes Commonwealth Electoral Divisions where no openings or closures occurred during the quarter.

Source: Centrelink administrative data as at 04-06-04.

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Openings and closures by Local Government Area (LGA) and service type (December 2003

quarter).

quarter).												
Local	ASC	ASC BSC			FDC		LDC		OCC		VAC	
Government												
Area	Closed	Opened	Closed	Opened	Closed	Opened	Closed	Opened	Closed	Opened	Closed	Opened
	Closed	Opened	Closed	Opened	Cioseu	Opened	Cioseu	Opened	Cioseu	Opened	Ciosed	Opened
Albany (C)							1	1				
Armadale (C)	•	•	•	•	•	•	1	1	•	•	1	1
Armidale (C)	-	-	-	-	•	-	1	1	-	-	1	1
Dumaresq (A)				•				1	•	•	•	•
Ballina (A)								1				
Bankstown (C)	1						1	1				
Banyule (C)	1	1	1									
Bassendean (T)	1	1					2	2			1	1
Baw Baw (S)							1					
Bayside (C)	1	4	1									
Bayswater (C)			_				1	1				
Blacktown (C)			1				1	1				
Bland (A)							1	1				
Boroondara (C)	1	1	_				_	_			1	1
Brimbank (C)			-				1	1				
Brisbane (C)		1	1				2	5				2
Bunbury (C)							1	1				
Byron (A)								1				
Caboolture (S)				•			2	3		•		
Cairns (C)	1			•				2	•	•	•	
Caloundra (C)	-			•			•	1	•	•	•	
Cambridge (T)	•			•			1	1	•	•	•	
Camden (A)	•	•	•			•	1	1	•		•	•
Campbelltown	•		•				1	2				•
(C)	·	·	·			·	1					
Canning (C)	2	1					1	1			1	1
Canterbury (C)		-	-	-		-		1	-	-	-	-
Capel (S)		-	-	-		-		1	-	-	-	-
Central Coast (M)		2										1
Cleve (DC)						1						
Coffs Harbour (C)		-	-	-	-	-	1	1		-		
Darebin (C)	1	2	1				1	1				
Darwin (C)							1	1				
Devonport (C)		1										
Dubbo (C)							1	1				
Fairfield (C)											1	
Fitzroy (S)							1	1				
Forbes (A)								1				
Fremantle (C)								1				
Gayndah (S)											1	
Glen Eira (C)		1										
Glen Innes (A)								1				
Glenorchy (C)			_	_	_					_		1
Gold Coast (C)	1		1				2	3			1	
Gosnells (C)							1	1				
Grafton (C)		·				·	1	1	•		•	
	<u>.</u>		<u> </u>	<u> </u>						<u> </u>		•

Local Government Area			BSC		FDC		LDC		OCC		VAC	
	Closed	Opened	Closed	Opened	Closed	Opened	Closed	Opened	Closed	Opened	Closed	Opened
Greater Bendigo (C)			-		•	-	1	1	•			•
Greater	1	•					1	1				
Dandenong (C)												
Hastings (A)		•					1	1				
Hornsby (A)							1	1				
Inverell (A)		•						1				
Ipswich (C)		•						2				
Jondaryan (S)		•						1				
Joondalup (C)							2	2			1	
Kalamunda (S)							1	1				
Kempsey (A)								1				
Kingston (C)		1										
Ku-ring-gai (A)		•					1	1				1
Lake Macquarie (C)			-		•		1	1				•
Liverpool (C)							1					
Logan (C)							1	2				
Mackay (C)	•	•		-	-	-	1	1		-		
Maitland (C)							1	1				
Manningham (C)	•	1	٠						•			1
Maroondah (C)	•	•	•				1	1				
Melbourne (C)	•	1		1								
Monash (C)	1	1					1	1				
Moonee Valley (C)		1										•
Moreland (C)	2	2	1									
Mornington Peninsula (S)		•					-	1				•
Nanango (S)	•	•	•					1				
Narrogin (T)						1						
Newcastle (C)							2	2				1
Onkaparinga (C)							1	1				
Parramatta (C)							2	1				
Penrith (C)							1	1				
Pine Rivers (S)	٠	•	•					2				
Port Adelaide Enfield (C)								1				
Port Phillip (C)		2					-					
Redland (S)							2	2				-
Rockdale (C)		1										-
Rockingham (C)							2	3				
Roebourne (S)	1	1					2		1	1	1	1
Salisbury (C)					-		-	2	-			-
Serpentine- Jarrahdale (S)					•		1	1	٠	٠		•
Shellharbour (C)					-			1				
Shoalhaven (C)							1	1			1	
Stirling (C)							1	2				1
Strathfield (A)							1			·		
Swan (C)					<u> </u>		1	1				
Tea Tree Gully							1	1				

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Local Government Area	ASC		BSC		FDC		LDC		OCC		VAC	
	Closed	Opened										
(C)												
Toodyay (S)							1	1				
Toowoomba (C)						-	1	1				-
Townsville (C)	1	1				-		2				-
Unincorp. Other Territories								1				
Unincorporated ACT		4	-					1				
Unley (C)							1	1				
Victoria Park (T)						-		1				-
Wagga Wagga (C)						-		1	٠			-
Wanneroo (C)											1	1
Wentworth (A)								1				
West Torrens (C)							1	1				
Whitsunday (S)	1	1					2	2				
Whittlesea (C)		1					1	1				
Wingecarribee (A)					-	-	1	1				
Wollongong (C)							1	1	-			
Wyndham (C)	2	2		•		-		-	-		1	1
Wyong (A)							1	1				
Yarra Ranges (S)										-	1	

ASC: After school hours care, BSC: Before school care, FDC: Family day care, LDC: Long day care, OCC: Occasional care, VAC: Vacation care.

Note: This table excludes Local Government Areas where no openings or closures occurred during the quarter.

Source: Centrelink administrative data as at 04-06-04.

The number of Long Day Care places and services owned by companies listed on the Australian Stock Exchange at 4 June 2004 is as follows:

	NSW	VIC	QLD	SA	WA	TAS	NT	ACT	Australia
Services	140	115	271	34	46	3	6	3	618
Places	7458	8270	20,023	2,115	2,752	129	411	258	41,416

Source: Centrelink administrative data at 04-06-04.

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Output Group: 1.4 Child Care Support Question No: 176

Topic: Child Care Benefit

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Senator Collins asked:

We sought some similar and some different information on a question we put on the *Notice Paper (Senate Question on Notice 2826, 7 April 2004)* but unfortunately the answer we got back on that question was that that task was insurmountable for the department. Will you review that?

Question on Notice 2826 asked of the Minister representing the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs on 7 April 2004, is as follows:

For each of the financial years 2001-02 and 2002-03 and for 2003-04 to date:

- (1) For each of the following types of childcare: outside school hours care; family day care; long day care; occasional care; and in-home care, can the following information be provided: (a) average Child Care Benefit payment received per child; (b) the number of children for whom there was paid the Child Care Benefit minimum payment; the maximum payment; or a partial payment; (c) the number of families who received the Child Care Benefit minimum payment; the maximum payment; or a partial payment; (d) the total Child Care Benefit expenditure for the minimum payment; the maximum payment; or a partial payment; (e) the share of Child Care Benefit payments fund places in registered care; and (f) the share of Child Care Benefit payments fund places in approved care.
- (2) For each type of care, can a breakdown be provided for each subset type of care (for example, under outside school hours care, provide a breakdown of after school care, before school care and vacation care) showing the following: (a) average Child Care Benefit payment received per child; (b) the number of children for whom there was paid the Child Care Benefit minimum payment; the maximum payment; or a partial payment; (c) the number of families who received the Child Care Benefit minimum payment; the maximum payment; or a partial payment; (d) the total Child Care Benefit expenditure for the minimum payment; the maximum payment; or a partial payment; (e) the share of Child Care Benefit payments fund places in registered care; and (f) the share of Child Care Benefit payments fund places in approved care.
- (3) Can the information requested in (2) also be provided, further broken down for private, community-based and corporate care, where applicable.

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Answer:

The following tables provide data that have been able to be compiled in response to the request. Please note that:

- 2003-04 data are not yet available.
- Separate data for Before School Hours Care and After School Hours Care services are not available.
- Separate data for community-based and private Long Day Care have been provided where available data at this level of disaggregation are not available for corporate child care provision.

1a: The average amount of Child Care Benefit per child by Child Care Service type for the financial years 2001-02 and 2002-03 is as follows:

Service type	2002-03	2001-02
LDC	\$1,749.32	\$1,654.48
PLDC	\$1,775.49	\$1,664.47
CLDC	\$1,480.81	\$1,423.77
FDC (a)	\$1,460.33	\$1,405.55
OCC	\$302.10	\$278.01
OSHC (b)	\$294.72	\$278.21
VAC	\$232.28	\$229.73
TOTAL	\$1,400.94	\$1,352.94

- (a) Includes in-home care
- (b) Includes after and before school care

Notes: 1. Excludes CCB received as a lump sum payment.

- 2. The information in this table is based on pre-reconciliation amounts paid to families during the financial year/quarter. These figures do not take into account Centrelink CCB advance/acquittals to services.
- 3. Weighted data.

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1b The number of children by rate type and service type for the financial years 2001-02 and 2002-03 is as follows:

Period/				
Service type	Maximum	Partial	Minimum	Total (a)
2002-03				
Long day care (b)	212,096	266,449	83,387	575,016
Community	59,353	83,050	31,746	177,878
Private	161,880	192,319	54,546	418,575
Family day care (c)	64,332	83,704	19,578	170,895
Occasional care	8,172	9,588	2,622	21,052
Outside school hours care (d)	78,199	114,481	48,296	246,208
Vacation care	76,760	91,212	28,280	200,488
TOTAL (e)	355,780	457,634	147,322	983,625
2001-02				
Long day care (b)	219,428	266,752	68,262	559,183
Community	63,193	83,782	26,391	174,975
Private	166,062	192,501	44,281	406,104
Family day care (c)	66,046	85,274	15,973	168,383
Occasional care	8,932	10,306	2,242	21,768
Outside school hours care (d)	74,953	109,404	37,585	224,770
Vacation care	71,603	86,491	21,639	181,409
TOTAL (e)	359,035	452,133	117,671	938,049

- (a) Includes cases where a child's rate of CCB could not be determined.
- (b) Community and Private Long Day Care figures may not add to total as children may have used more than one type of Long Day Care service during the period.
- (c) Includes in-home care.
- (d) Includes After and Before School Care.
- (e) Total count does not represent an aggregation of service type data as children may have used more than one type of service during the period.
- *Notes:* 1. Excludes CCB received as a lump sum payment.
 - 2. The information in this table is based on pre-reconciliation amounts paid to families during the period. These figures do not take into account Centrelink CCB advance/acquittals to services.
 - 3. Weighted data.

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1c: The number of customers by rate type and service type for the financial years 2001-02 and 2002-03 is as follows:

Period/		Rate type		
Service type	Maximum	Partial	Minimum	Total (a)
2002-03				_
Long day care (b)	162,521	203,795	66,217	443,812
Community	48,093	65,900	25,631	142,914
Private	122,515	145,972	43,326	320,224
Family day care (c)	41,292	54,583	13,863	112,079
Occasional care	6,598	7,525	2,040	16,714
Outside school hours care (d)	54,029	78,102	33,263	169,116
Vacation care	50,276	59,910	19,256	132,281
TOTAL (e)	244,656	310,446	101,106	673,598
2001-02				
Long day care (b)	166,890	203,103	54,346	428,859
Community	51,084	66,618	21,387	140,647
Private	124,384	145,087	35,261	307,792
Family day care (c)	42,368	55,460	11,391	110,120
Occasional care	7,071	7,987	1,766	17,085
Outside school hours care (d)	51,450	73,841	25,717	153,329
Vacation care	46,474	56,030	14,588	118,387
TOTAL (e)	246,099	305,437	80,744	640,184

- (a) Includes cases where a customer's rate of CCB could not be determined.
- (b) Community and Private Long Day Care figures may not add to total as customers may have used more than one type of Long Day Care service during the period.
- (c) Includes in-home care.
- (d) Includes After and Before School Care.
- (e) Total count does not represent an aggregation of service type data as customers may have used more than one type of service during the period.

Notes: 1. Excludes customers who received CCB as a lump sum payment.

- 2. The information in this table is based on pre-reconciliation amounts paid to families during the period. These figures do not take into account Centrelink CCB advance/acquittals to services.
- 3. Weighted data.

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1d: Child Care Benefit expenditure by rate type and service type for the financial years 2001-02 and 2002-03 is as follows:

Period/		Rate type		
Service type	Maximum	Partial	Minimum	Total (a)
2002-03				
Long day care	\$521,619,949	\$420,900,944	\$50,861,452	\$1,004,674,813
Community	\$124,576,956	\$117,739,515	\$17,679,546	\$262,601,397
Private	\$397,042,993	\$303,161,429	\$33,181,906	\$742,073,416
Family day care	\$127,500,230	\$108,589,603	\$10,206,745	\$248,710,134
Occasional care	\$3,360,380	\$2,533,732	\$271,863	\$6,274,600
After School Hours Care	\$27,524,277	\$31,344,217	\$4,720,864	\$64,432,047
Before School Hours Care	\$2,795,624	\$4,145,495	\$685,433	\$7,708,351
Vacation care	\$24,341,806	\$19,370,037	\$1,833,046	\$46,195,182
TOTAL (b)	\$707,149,446	\$586,951,917	\$68,519,344	\$1,377,995,127
2001-02				
Long day care	\$492,922,568	\$393,687,090	\$34,842,347	\$923,938,506
Community	\$119,821,323	\$110,591,259	\$12,973,907	\$244,076,264
Private	\$373,101,244	\$283,095,831	\$21,868,439	\$679,862,241
Family day care	\$120,878,065	\$107,261,343	\$7,221,460	\$235,756,647
Occasional care	\$216,858,404	\$162,789,919	\$12,362,656	\$5,961,836
After School Hours Care	\$22,606,476	\$26,226,552	\$3,071,156	\$52,116,747
Before School Hours Care	\$3,558,351	\$5,725,480	\$724,163	\$10,049,416
Vacation care	\$21,981,967	\$17,924,520	\$1,242,215	\$41,296,565
TOTAL (b)	\$665,340,335	\$553,190,934	\$47,279,750	\$1,269,119,717

- (a) Total includes expenditure where a customer's rate type could not be determined
- (b) Total does not equate to the sum of expenditure by service type due to different weighting.

Notes: 1. Excludes CCB received as a lump sum payment.

- 2. The information in this table is based on pre-reconciliation amounts paid to families during the period. These figures do not take into account Centrelink CCB advance/acquittals to services.
- 3. Weighted data.

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1e, f: The proportion of CCB expenditure for approved care and registered care for the financial years 2001-02 and 2002-03 is as follows:

Financial year	Approved care (a)	Registered care
2001-02	99.4%	0.6%
2002-03	99.4%	0.6%

(a) Excludes CCB received as a lump sum payment.

Notes:

- 3. The information in this table is based on pre-reconciliation amounts paid to families during the period. These figures do not take into account Centrelink CCB advance/acquittals to services.
- 2. Weighted data.

Source: Centrelink administrative data as at 01-11-02, 03-10-03, 02-07-04.

Child Care Benefit for Registered Care is paid at the minimum rate and claims can be made up to 12 months after the use of care. Data on the year to date for 2003-04 are not complete.

- **2.** Since 2001, Centrelink has counted co-located and co-managed After School Care (ASC) and Before School Care (BSC) service into single administrated Outside School Hours Care services. Data are not separately available for ASC and BSC. Vacation Care data have been included in responses to question 1 above.
- **3.** Data have been included on community and private Long Day Care in the tables above where applicable.

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Output Group: 1.4 Child Care Support Question No: 49

Topic: Registered Training organisations that operate Child Care Centres

Hansard Page: Written question on notice

Senator Collins asked:

Could you please provide an updated list of the number of child care services that are also registered training organisations state by state?

Answer:

The department does not collect or have information of this nature.

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Output Group: 1.4 Child Care Support Question No: 50

Topic: Corporate Child Care

Hansard Page: Written question on notice

Senator Collins asked:

Could you provide the data to show what number and percentage of places, families and services are administered or owned by companies listed on the stock exchange, by State/Territory, LGA and Federal Electoral Division?

Answer:

The number and percentage of child care services and places owned by companies listed on the Australian Stock Exchange as at 7 May 2004 by State/Territory is as follows:

Stock Exchange Listed Companies

Location	Ser	vices	Places		
State/Territory	No.	%	No.	%	
NSW	136	7.7	7,255	10.1	
VIC	99	12.1	7,057	15.9	
QLD	257	25.5	19,142	29.4	
SA	31	15.4	1,915	17.0	
WA	43	11.5	2,576	14.9	
TAS	3	4.8	129	4.4	
ACT	3	3.4	258	5.3	
NT	6	12.2	411	16.2	
Australia	578	13.2	38,743	17.6	

Source: Centrelink Administrative data as at 07-05-04

The number and percentage of child care services and places owned by companies listed on the Australian Stock Exchange as at 7 May 2004 by Local Government Area is as follows:

Stock Exchange Listed Companies

Local Government Area	Ser	vices	Place	es
(2001)	No.	%	No.	%
Adelaide Hills (DC)	1	20.0	60	28.7
Albany (C)	1	20.0	50	23.5
Albury (C)	4	33.3	199	38.5
Armidale Dumaresq (A)	1	20.0	75	27.7
Ashfield (A)	2	14.3	103	16.7
Ballarat (C)	4	33.3	239	42.4
Ballina (A)	3	33.3	168	38.0
Banyule (C)	2	11.8	180	17.0
Bassendean (T)	1	20.0	56	23.0
Bathurst (C)	2	33.3	156	43.8
Baulkham Hills (A)	3	6.8	167	8.5
Bayside (C)	4	26.7	203	28.6

Local Government Area	Services		Places	
(2001)	No.	%	No.	%
Beaudesert (S)	5	62.5	389	
Blacktown (C)	7	8.2	361	10.5
Blue Mountains (C)	2	15.4	102	18.8
1	2	10.0	126	13.7
Boroondara (C)	3			
Brimbank (C)		12.5	190	
Brisbane (C)	50	21.9	4,010	
Bunbury (C)	1	14.3	38	13.0
Bundaberg (C)	5	31.3	366	
Burnett (S)	1	50.0	75	51.4
Burnside (C)	1	14.3	37	11.5
Busselton (S)	1	20.0	28	15.1
Byron (A)	2	22.2	91	25.3
Caboolture (S)	18	42.9	1,329	44.6
Cairns (C)	10	26.3	756	
Caloundra (C)	2	10.5	127	11.2
Camden (A)	2	11.8	143	18.2
Campaspe (S)	1	25.0	50	26.9
Campbelltown (C)	3	4.8	197	7.0
Canning (C)	2	15.4	171	24.0
Canterbury (C)	1	2.2	25	1.4
Cardinia (S)	1	12.5	42	7.6
Casey (C)	8	18.2	638	23.7
Charles Sturt (C)	1	8.3	70	11.6
Charters Towers (C)	1	100.0	42	100.0
Cockburn (C)	2	20.0	124	24.6
Coffs Harbour (C)	1	4.2	51	6.3
Coolamon (A)	1	100.0	32	100.0
Cooloola (S)	1	14.3	75	18.0
Cootamundra (A)	1	50.0	39	50.0
Corowa (A)	1	100.0	46	100.0
Crow's Nest (S)	1	50.0	75	
Dalby (T)	1	33.3	74	35.7
Dardanup (S)	2	66.7	161	71.9
Darebin (C)	2	8.0	130	9.7
Darwin (C)	2	8.3	150	12.5
Delatite (S)	2	50.0	111	47.0
Deniliquin (A)	<u>-</u> 1	33.3	23	31.9
Douglas (S)	1	25.0	62	35.4
Dubbo (C)	3	42.9	169	48.0
Eurobodalla (A)	2	18.2	92	22.9
Fairfield (C)	3	5.9	97	5.0
` ′	ა 1		75	
Fitzroy (S)	<u>1</u> 1	33.3		44.1
Forbes (A)		33.3	75	38.9
Frankston (C)	5	20.8	285	22.5
Fremantle (C)	1	11.1	75	15.6
Gatton (S)	1	20.0	74	25.6

Local Government Area	Ser	vices	Places	
(2001)	No.	%	No.	%
Gawler (M)	1	50.0	55	49.5
Geraldton (C)	1	20.0	57	24.5
Gilgandra (A)	1	100.0	49	100.0
Gladstone (C)	5	71.4	388	74.6
Glen Innes (A)	1	50.0	75	68.2
Gold Coast (C)	49	32.0		34.9
Goondiwindi (T)	1	33.3	74	38.9
Gosford (C)	1	2.0	54	2.4
Gosnells (C)	2	10.5	176	18.1
Grafton (C)		20.0	90	28.8
Greater Bendigo (C)	2	16.7	285	34.3
Greater Dandenong (C)	3	11.5	131	10.3
Greater Geelong (C)	2	8.7	150	9.5
Greater Shepparton (C)		8.3	69	10.8
Greater Taree (C)	2	15.4	113	19.8
Greenough (S)	<u>-</u> 1	100.0	49	100.0
Griffith (C)	3	75.0	145	66.5
Gunnedah (A)	1	100.0	66	100.0
Harden (A)	1	100.0	29	100.0
Hastings (A)	1	5.9	61	8.2
Hervey Bay (C)	7	58.3		62.0
Hobart (C)	2	12.5	93	9.9
Holdfast Bay (C)	<u>_</u>	33.3	70	39.1
Holroyd (C)	2	10.0	70	8.8
Hornsby (A)	2	5.1	93	6.8
Hume (C)	2	8.7	180	14.2
Indigo (S)		33.3	45	34.6
Inverell (A)	1	33.3		46.9
Ipswich (C)	10	21.7	682	24.5
Irwin (S)	1	100.0	38	100.0
Isis (S)	1	100.0		100.0
Jondaryan (S)	1	33.3	75	29.1
Joondalup (C)	4	17.4	171	14.2
Junee (A)	1	100.0	44	100.0
Kalamunda (S)	2	25.0		23.3
Kalgoorlie/Boulder (C)	2	50.0	98	55.1
Kempsey (A)	1	16.7	36	17.6
Kingborough (M)	1	25.0	36	15.0
Kingston (C)	4	16.0	278	21.0
Knox (C)	5	15.2	361	19.5
Laidley (S)	2	50.0	150	51.7
Lake Macquarie (C)	2	5.6		5.7
Lane Cove (A)		14.3		18.9
Latrobe (C)	2	22.2	140	29.6
Leeton (A)	<u>-</u> 1	50.0		50.0
Light (DC)	1	50.0		60.0

Local Government Area	Ser	vices	Place	s
(2001)	No.	%	No.	%
Lismore (C)	2	22.2	131	29.0
Liverpool (C)	1	1.8	36	1.6
Logan (C)	16	21.6	1,256	24.3
Macedon Ranges (S)	3	42.9	284	56.3
Mackay (C)	2	12.5	148	14.3
Maitland (C)	3	27.3	155	26.5
Mandurah (C)	2	20.0	132	32.4
Manningham (C)	3	13.6	222	20.7
Marion (C)	3	20.0	155	17.9
Maroochy (S)	5	16.1	333	16.0
Maroondah (C)	3	15.0	180	16.4
Marrickville (A)	1	7.1	72	12.0
Maryborough (C)	5	83.3	364	85.0
Melbourne (C)	1	4.8	105	8.2
Melton (S)	2	22.2	158	27.6
Mitcham (C)	3	27.3	187	26.3
Moira (S)	1	25.0	50	30.7
Monash (C)	3	10.0	203	13.5
Moonee Valley (C)	1	7.7	180	23.2
Moreland (C)	2	7.4	108	7.8
Mornington Peninsula (S)	5	22.7	365	25.8
Mosman (A)	1	12.5	39	14.3
Mundaring (S)	1	20.0	94	30.6
Muswellbrook (A)	1	50.0	38	55.9
Narrabri (A)	1	25.0	51	32.5
Narrandera (A)	1	33.3	85	58.2
Newcastle (C)	3	10.0	163	12.6
Nillumbik (S)	3	21.4	245	32.8
Noosa (S)	1	7.7	75	11.0
North Sydney (A)	1	5.3	48	7.1
Norwood Payneham St	'	5.5	70	7.1
Peters (C	2	40.0	135	37.7
Onkaparinga (C)	3	16.7	220	19.6
Orange (C)	3	37.5	231	45.9
Palmerston (C)	4	40.0	261	45.9
Parkes (A)	1	25.0	70	42.4
Parramatta (C)	4	6.3	172	6.9
Penrith (C)	2	3.1	131	4.8
Perth (C)	1	33.3	70	48.3
Pine Rivers (S)	17	50.0	1,285	52.1
Pittwater (A)	2	15.4	138	28.3
Port Adelaide Enfield (C)	1	12.5	70	11.4
Port Phillip (C)	1	3.8	60	5.3
Port Stephens (A)	2	15.4	87	17.6
Prospect (C)	1	33.3	54	29.3
Randwick (C)	1	2.8	64	4.4
Redcliffe (C)	2	11.8	113	10.4

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Local Government Area	Ser	vices	Places	
(2001)	No.	%	No.	%
Redland (S)	5		438	
Richmond Valley (A)	3		141	100.0
Rockingham (C)	7	33.3	420	39.5
Roma (T)	1	25.0	74	38.1
Ryde (C)	1	3.7	35	
Salisbury (C)	4	23.5	310	30.0
Scone (A)	1	100.0	46	100.0
Serpentine-Jarrahdale (S)	1	50.0	38	42.2
Shoalhaven (C)	2	8.0	85	9.7
Stirling (C)	1	2.7	100	6.4
Stonnington (C)	1	5.9	39	4.8
Sutherland Shire (A)	3	4.3	143	5.7
Swan (C)	2	10.5	119	
Swan Hill (RC)	1	50.0	35	49.3
Sydney (C)	2	12.5	116	15.6
Tamworth (C)	4	44.4	210	52.2
Tea Tree Gully (C)	3	25.0	146	
Thuringowa (C)	8	53.3	443	50.7
Toowoomba (C)	11	37.9	815	41.2
Townsville (C)	8	23.5	628	29.1
Tumut (A)	2	66.7	111	81.6
Tweed (A)	4	23.5	277	30.9
Unincorporated ACT	3	3.4	258	5.3
Unley (C)	2	22.2	104	27.8
Wagga Wagga (C)	5		291	50.2
Wangaratta (RC)	1	33.3	64	30.6
Wanneroo (C)	4	21.1	230	23.4
Wellington (A)	1	100.0	49	100.0
West Torrens (C)	2	20.0	127	17.8
Whitehorse (C)	3		236	14.5
Whitsunday (S)	2		109	
Whittlesea (C)	3		245	21.9
Willoughby (C)	2	9.5	84	10.5
Wingecarribee (A)	1	11.1	53	16.4
Wodonga (RC)	2	22.2	162	23.9
Wollondilly (A)	1	7.7	72	14.1
Woollahra (A)	1	16.7	21	8.3
Wyndham (C)	3		235	
Wyong (A)	4	9.1	248	
Yarra Ranges (S)	1	5.0	48	5.7
Yass (A)	1	100.0	39	
Total	578		38,743	17.6
A: Area, C: City, CGC: Community				

A: Area, C: City, CGC: Community Government Council, DC: District Councils, M: municipality, RC: Rural Cities, S: Shires, T: Towns.

Source: Centrelink Administrative data as at 07-05-04

The number and percentage of child care services and places owned by companies listed on the Australian Stock Exchange as at 7 May 2004 by Federal Electoral Division is as follows:

2001 Commonwealth	Sei	vices	Places	
Electoral Division	No.	%		%
Adelaide	4			12.5
Aston	5		361	23.1
Ballarat	4		239	37.1
Banks	1	2.5	25	1.7
Batman	2		130	9.8
Bendigo	2		285	28.8
Bennelong	1	2.6		2.2
Berowra	2		93	7.6
Blair	4		298	15.3
Bonython	3		180	16.6
Boothby	4			17.7
Bowman	5			19.2
Bradfield	1	4.2	41	4.4
Brand	9	28.1	552	35.2
Brisbane	3	6.5	225	7.8
Bruce	1	5.9	35	4.6
Burke	6	24.0	502	33.2
Calare	5	23.8	387	34.2
Calwell	4	14.8	310	19.9
Canberra	1	2.6	83	4.0
Canning	4	13.3	299	19.4
Capricornia	1	3.8	75	5.1
Casey	3	14.3	133	13.2
Charlton	1	4.2	39	4.3
Chifley	3	7.1	126	7.8
Chisholm	3		259	14.5
Cook	2	5.7	77	6.0
Corio	2		150	13.2
Cowan	3		148	12.5
Cowper	2		87	7.6
Dawson	4	13.8	257	15.3
Deakin	2		106	10.5
Denison	2		93	8.8
Dickson	16		1,233	45.5
Dobell	2	5.3	164	8.6
Dunkley	4		223	16.4
Eden-Monaro	2		92	7.9
Fadden	9		652	25.6
Fairfax	3		224	12.4
Farrer	8			39.0
Fisher	5			13.9
Flinders	3			19.7
Forde	18			38.8
Forrest	4	15.4	227	20.9
Franklin	1	7.7	36	5.9

2001 Commonwealth	Ser	vices	Places		
Electoral Division	No.	%	No.	%	
Fraser	2	3.8	175	6.2	
Fremantle	3	13.0	199	17.1	
Gilmore	2	5.9	85	7.3	
Goldstein	4	19.0	203	19.5	
Grayndler	2	6.7	118	9.6	
Greenway	4	7.7	235	10.8	
Griffith	8	23.5	634	26.0	
Groom	13		965	39.9	
Gwydir	5	31.3	261	38.2	
Hasluck	4	14.8		18.2	
Herbert	16	32.7	1,071	35.3	
Higgins	1	4.0	39	3.3	
Hindmarsh	3	20.0	197	20.6	
Hinkler	12	40.0	904	46.5	
Holt	4	13.8	277	16.7	
Hotham	4	14.8		19.0	
Hughes	1	2.2	66	3.7	
Hume	4	12.1	193	16.0	
Hunter	3	16.7	154	18.3	
Indi	7	31.8		31.2	
Isaacs	7	23.3		26.9	
Jagajaga	4	16.7	357	23.6	
Kalgoorlie	2	7.1	98	9.5	
Kennedy	1	4.0	42	3.5	
Kingsford Smith	1	2.2	64	3.4	
Kingston	4	21.1	245	21.7	
Kooyong	2	14.3			
La Trobe	3		300	17.1	
Lalor	3			16.3	
Leichhardt	11	25.0	818	29.4	
Lilley	7	24.1			
Lindsay	2			6.4	
Longman	18				
Lowe	1	2.8	57	3.7	
Lyne	3			11.8	
Macarthur	2	3.8		6.3	
Mackellar	2	5.9	138		
Macquarie	2	4.9		6.4	
Makin	3				
Mallee	1	12.5	35	7.8	
Maranoa	3	11.1	222	16.4	
Mayo	3		230	30.0	
Mcmillan	3			20.9	
	16				
Mcpherson	16	35.6	1,056	36.3	

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Output Group: 1.4 Child Care Support Question No: 117

Topic: Playgroups

Hansard Page: CA19/20 1 June 2004

Senator Collins asked:

Please provide a line by line run-down of how the cost of playgroups is broken up in the existing ones (the playgroups that are currently running).

Answer:

Mainstream Playgroups

On-going funding to the Playgroups Association in each state and territory support the delivery of mainstream playgroups. Playgroup Associations have not been able to quantify how much mainstream playgroups cost to deliver. FaCS' view is that a playgroup tends to cost on average around \$400 per year to deliver, of which FaCS contribution is \$198. The additional funding comes from membership fees.

Intensive Support Playgroups

The Caravan Park Pilot supports disadvantaged families with young children, living in caravan parks, housing estates or 'long grass' communities.

There are 4 intensive playgroups currently operating in QLD, NSW, SA and NT.

Program	2004-05		
Intensive Support Playgroups*	Estimate		
Salaries:			
1 welfare worker (full-time)			
1 social worker (part-time)			
1 playgroup worker (part-time)	103,500		
(Costings include administrative			
time)			
Operating costs:			
Recruitment and Training	5,000		
Equipment	2,500		
Vehicle Lease	10,000		
Operational	20,000		
Research and Evaluation	10,000		
Additional Costs ie; NT program	5,000		
required shelter for their facility			
TOTAL	\$156,000**		

The indicative costings for Intensive Support Playgroups is based on the action research findings of the Caravan Park Pilot, renamed Intensive Support Playgroups.

^{*} The concept of the playgroups is mobile.

^{**}Indicative Costing

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Output Group: 1.4 Child Care Support Question No: 186

Topic: Playgroups

Hansard Page: CA68 1 June 2004

Senator Collins asked:

Can you provide the amount of funding available in the Playgroups allocation and what they are doing in them?

Answer:

2004/2005 Playgroup Funding

- \$1.9 million on-going funding to the playgroups associations in each state and territory for the delivery of mainstream playgroups
- \$0.62 million funding (lapsing in 05/06) for the delivery of 4 intensive support playgroups in QLD, NSW, SA. NT.
- \$0.1 million funding (lapsing in 04/05) for the Tangentyere Families Crisis Project in remote NT. A mobile playgroup targeted at indigenous communities.
- \$0.035 million funding (lapsing in 06/07) for the Turkey Bore Community playgroups in remote SA. A playgroup targeted at indigenous communities.
- \$11.03 million over 4 years (04/05 \$2.487m) to expand mainstream playgroups and establish additional supported and intensive playgroups.

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Output Group: 1.4 Child Care Support Question No: 161

Topic: Disadvantaged Area Subsidy

Hansard Page: CA76 31 May 2004

Senator Collins asked:

Can you clarify for me whether it will have an impact on Disadvantaged Area Subsidy (DAS)?

Can I clarify what you mean by 'have an impact on DAS'?

In the past, subsidies for not-for-profit centres were available through DAS.

Now, subsidies for not-for-profit services will be available through this scheme. You are able to be quite clear that PPI will no longer be available. I am asking whether DAS will be.

Answer:

DAS will continue to be available to eligible services until July 2005, when it will be replaced by Sustainability Assistance. DAS provides **ongoing** supplementary funding to community based long day care and out of school hours care centres in identified (mainly geographic) disadvantaged areas. DAS funding is provided to the sole providers of community centre-based child care in rural and remote areas of Australia. Other centres meeting strict eligibility criteria, including some urban fringe services, may also be eligible for DAS.

The Private Provider Incentive Scheme was designed to encourage private operators into providing rural long day care in areas of high unmet demand. All centres funded under PPI were expected to be fully viable within 2 years.

For the period that PPI operated (2000 to 2004) it did not have an impact on DAS because only private operators were eligible for PPI and only community based operators were eligible for DAS.

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Output Group: 1.4 Child Care Support Question No: 278

Topic: Disadvantaged Area Subsidy (DAS)

Hansard Page: CA62 1 June 2004

Senator Collins asked:

What was actual expenditure on DAS in 2001-02 and 2002-03, by State.

Answer:

DAS Expenditure (\$000)									
2001-02	Total	NSW	VIC	QLD	SA	WA	TAS	NT	ACT
OSHC	7,033	1,677	1,263	1,242	1,231	537	131	936	17
Cty Based LDC	7,364	955	1,152	1,165	1,024	733	315	2,020	0
Total 2001-02	14,397	2,632	2,415	2,407	2,255	1,270	446	2,956	17
2002-03									
OSHC	6,260	1,723	1,288	1,216	1,227	469	148	178	11
Cty Based LDC	8,026	1,108	1,215	1,283	1,090	784	370	2,176	0
Total 2002-03	14,286	2,831	2,503	2,499	2,317	1,253	518	2,354	11

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Output Group: 1.4 Child Care Support Question No: 163

Topic: Child Care Benefit for In Home Care

Hansard Page: CA95 31 May 2004

Senator Collins asked:

What methodology did the Department use to estimate in-home care CCB allocation of \$73.008 million (over 4 years)?

Answer:

The Department examined the average CCB for in-home care for the first years of the program. This amount was then built into the funding formula and used to calculate the estimated CCB for 7,700 places for 2003-04. This amount was then indexed using standard indexing formula for CCB for the out-years, resulting in a 4 year estimated expenditure of \$73.008 million.

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Output Group: 1.4 Child Care Support Question No: 164

Topic: Outside School Hours Care places

Hansard Page: CA66 1 June 2004

Senator Collins asked:

Outside School Hours Care places that were block funded in 1998 - does that mean that 27% of those places were not counted as places in earlier figures?

Answer:

The response submitted to Question on Notice 38 at the Additional Estimates Hearings, 19 February 2004, stated that in 1998, 27% of the 134,354 Outside School Hours Care places were block funded under the Child Care Support Broadband. After further detailed investigation it has been found that the assumptions used in delivering this figure were incorrect.

Prior to 1998 block funded places were not included in Commonwealth data as these places were administered by state and territory governments. In a number of these jurisdictions, vacation care funding from all sources was pooled, and it was not possible to disaggregate the number of services/places funded under block grant arrangements. Reconciliation of state and territory data with Commonwealth data was not possible because of differences in the scope and coverage of data collections and in respective data definitions.

2004-05 Budget Estimates, 31 May-4 June 2004

Output Group: 1.4 Child Care Support Question No: 165

Topic: Outside School Hours Care places

Hansard Page: CA66 1 June 2004

Senator Collins asked:

In 1996, how many outside school hours care places were block funded?

Answer:

This data is not available.

Prior to 1998 block funded places were not included in Commonwealth data as these places were administered by state and territory governments. In a number of these jurisdictions, vacation care funding from all sources was pooled, and it was not possible to disaggregate the number of services/places funded under block grant arrangements. Reconciliation of state and territory data with Commonwealth data was not possible because of differences in the scope and coverage of data collections and in respective data definitions.

2004-05 Budget Estimates, 31 May-4 June 2004

Output Group: 1.4 Child Care Support Question No: 166

Topic: Child Care Benefit and Salary Sacrificing

Hansard Page: CA 59 1 June 2004

Senator Jacinta Collins asked:

Can you provide data on applicants for CCB who have indicated that they have a salary sacrificing arrangement or have treated the income test in a particular way?

Answer:

The data is not currently available.

This matter was discussed with Senator Collins in a private briefing on CCB compliance issues on 23 June 2004.

2004-05 Budget Estimates, 31 May-4 June 2004

Output Group: 1.4 Child Care Support Question No: 167

Topic: Number of Employer-Sponsored Child Care Centres Within Public Sector

Hansard Page: CA59 1 June 2004

Senator Collins asked:

How many child care centres are provided within the public sector, Commonwealth and state/territory?

Answer:

Public Sector employer sponsored child care centres are not identified in data collected. Therefore the Department is unable to provide this information.

2004-05 Budget Estimates, 31 May-4 June 2004

Output Group: 1.4 Child Care Support Question No: 168

Topic: Child Care Benefit and Compliance

Hansard Page: CA 56-57 1 June 2004

Senator Collins asked:

What data and information can the Department provide on its risk and compliance strategy around CCB?

Answer:

It was agreed during the hearing that the public release of details on the Department's risk and compliance strategy may compromise the effectiveness of the work being undertaken in this area. The Department provided Senator Collins with a private briefing covering these issues on 23 June 2004.

2004-05 Budget Estimates, 31 May-4 June 2004

Output Group: 1.4 Child Care SupportQuestion No: 172

Topic: Concerns Raised About Long Day Care Sector in Hotline Calls

Hansard Page: CA54 1 June 2004

Senator Collins asked:

What is the breakdown of concerns raised about the long day care sector in departmental and ministerial correspondence and hotline calls?

Answer:

The Child Care Access Hotline does not deal with concerns raised about a particular child care sector, or child care centre. Such calls are referred to the Family Assistance Office. A search of our departmental and ministerial correspondence system is unable to breakdown child care correspondence into specific issues.

2004-05 Budget Estimates, 31 May-4 June 2004

Output Group: 1.4 Child Care Support Question No: 173

Topic: Child Care – Unmet Need

Hansard Page: CA 54/55 1 June 2004

Senator Collins asked:

Please provide any locations of high unmet need in child care services for 2002-03 as well as 2003-04.

Answer:

For child care planning purposes, unmet need is primarily a measure of demand from services rather than from families. Comprehensive figures on demand for family day care and outside school hours care were provided in response to questions on notice numbers 64 and 68 from the Budget Estimates hearings of 4-5 June 2003. These figures showed the number of family day care and outside school hours care places requested in every planning area in Australia at that time.

Because the Australian Government does not limit long day care centre places, similar demand figures for long day care are not available.

In the 2004-05 Budget, the Government provided another 4,000 family day care places and 40,000 outside school hours care places. These additional places have met all the current confirmed demand for both family day care and outside school hours care.

2004-05 Budget Estimates, 31 May-4 June 2004

Output Group: 1.4 Child Care Support Question No: 174

Topic: CCB Hours

Hansard Page: CA 56 1 June 2004

Senator Jacinta Collins asked:

Why is the proportion of children using formal child care in QLD 10% higher than the national average? What is the take up across service types (Family Day Care, Outside School Hours Care and Long Day Care)?

Answer:

The 10% difference in children using formal child care in Queensland is explained by a relatively larger proportion of children attending Long Day Care services in the 0-5 year age range.

One contributing factor is that Queensland has one less year of full time formal schooling than the other states and territories and Queensland children start full time schooling up to 7 months later than children in other states and territories. Queensland also has a greater number of long day care centres per resident child compared with other states and territories.

The take up rates of children by formal child care service type, in Queensland, the rest of Australia and total Australia, are shown in the table below:

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Children attending formal child care services as a proportion of resident population, May 2002						
			Rest of			
		Queensland	Australia	Australia		
		%	%	%		
Family Day	Age of child					
Care	0 - 5 yrs	4.8	5.0	4.9		
	6 - 12 yrs	1.2	0.9	1.0		
	Total	2.8	2.7	2.8		
Long Day Care	Age of child					
	0 - 5 yrs	31.0	21.0	22.9		
	6 - 12 yrs	2.0	0.5	0.8		
	Total	14.8	9.6	10.7		
Outside	Age of child					
School Hours	0 - 5 yrs	1.7	1.2	1.3		
Care	6 - 12 yrs	7.6	6.4	6.7		
	Total	5.0	4.1	4.3		
Vacation Care	Age of child					
	0 - 5 yrs	0.9	0.7	0.7		
	6 - 12 yrs	6.1	4.4	4.8		
	Total	3.8	2.8	3.0		
Other Care	Age of child					
	0 - 5 yrs	0.7	1.1	1.0		
	6 - 12 yrs	0.1	0.1	0.1		
	Total	0.4	0.5	0.5		
	Age of child					
	0 - 5 yrs	39.2	28.9	30.9		
	6 - 12 yrs	17.0	12.4	13.3		
Total	Total	26.8	19.8	21.2		

source:2002 Australian Government Census of Child Care Services, 2003 Report on Government Services

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Output Group: 1.4 Child Care Support Question No: 264

Topic: Joint Funding of Child Care with State Governments

Hansard Page: CA44 1 June 2004

Senator Jacinta Collins asked:

Can you tell me how many services have joint funding arrangements similar to St Arnaud?

Answer:

Since July 2002, FaCS has provided capital funding to 5 multifunctional child care services that are joint funded with the state government or another organisation. These services are as follows:

NSW

Murawina Redfern Multipurpose Education Centre

QLD

Hopevale Child Care Centre

Richmond Early Learning Centre

VIC

Mallee Minors Child Care

WA

Balga Senior High School LDC