

Senate Community Affairs Committee
ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
FAMILIES, HOUSING, COMMUNITY SERVICES AND
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Question No: 142

Topic: Supporting women back into the workplace

Hansard Page: Written

Senator Cash asked:

With reference to Prime Minister Gillard's commitment to increase workforce participation as set out in her CEDA speech: what is the Department doing to specifically support women back into the workplace who make up the majority of the part time workforce?

Answer:

The Office for Women (OfW) has particular responsibility for the reform of the *Equal Opportunity for Women in the Workplace Act 1999*, which is designed to increase workforce participation of women.

This work supports broader Government initiatives to increase workforce participation, such as Paid Parental Leave.