

**Senate Community Affairs Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
**SOCIAL SERVICES PORTFOLIO**  
**2015-16 Budget Estimates Hearings**

**Outcome Number: 2.4 Support for Child Care System      Question No: SQ15-000436**

**Topic: Child care shortages - places**

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**Senator Lines, Sue asked:**

Has the Department conducted any analysis of locations facing a shortage of child care places? If so, please provide this analysis. Please also provide a list of geographic areas identified as facing a shortage of child care places. Please provide this information for Long Day Care, Outside School Hours Care and Family Day Care.

**Answer:**

The Department collects child care vacancy data, which is available on the MyChild website ([www.mychild.gov.au](http://www.mychild.gov.au)). The Department does not collect data on the number of child care places in each service.