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Outcome Number: 2.4 Support for Child Care System Question No: SQ15-000789

Topic: Child Care Fee Increases

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Senator Lines, Sue asked:

What I am after in the costed model is what the assumed childcare fee growth is in each year between the base year and 2017-18, when the new subsidy will start. What will the mean price of child care be in each of these years?

Answer:

The following table provides the estimated fee growth between the base year and 2017-18.

Table 1: Forecast growth in fees as at Budget 2015-16, per cent

	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Fee growth	8.2	6.4	6.8	6.4

Source: Department of Social Services.

The Department has not modelled the mean price of child care for each year.