

**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: SQ15-000457**

**Topic: Workforce Participation**

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**Senator Lines, Sue asked:**

What change in the female workforce participation rate reported by the ABS does the Department expect to occur as a result of the costed child care changes? Please provide this information both taking into account, and not taking into account, other proposed Government policy changes, including changes to the Family Tax Benefit?

**Answer:**

It is estimated that 240,000 families will be encouraged to increase their involvement in paid employment because of the new child care measures.