

**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: SQ15-000540**

**Topic: Activity Test**

**Hansard page: Written**

**Senator Lines, Sue** asked:

How many families and children (those earning less than around \$65,000 in 2017-18) will have their access to subsidised child care reduced from 24 hours per week to 12 hours per week as a result of changes to the activity test? Please break this down by state and electorate.

**Answer:**

The Child Care Subsidy does not start until July 2017. In 2017-18 families with incomes less than approximately \$65,000 per year who do not meet the activity test will have access to 24 hours of subsidised care per fortnight.