

Senate Committee: Education and Employment

**QUESTION ON NOTICE
Additional Estimates 2015 - 2016**

Outcome: Early Childhood and Child Care

Department of Education and Training Question No. SQ16-000139

Senator Lines, Sue provided in writing

modelling prices

Question

In relation to the Minister's media release from 30 January 2016 "One million families to benefit from child care reforms".

How have the prices in comparison been modelled? Have the prices families currently pay been rolled forward? What methodology has been used to do that?

Answer

The actual fees in the administrative data for 2013–14 have been grown by the Finance agreed growth rates to estimate the actual fee paid in 2017-18 terms. The fee growth rates have been provided at previous Estimates hearings (please refer to SQ15-000440 from the Department of Social Services 2015-16 Budget estimates hearings).