

## Senate Standing Committee on Economics

### ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

#### Treasury Portfolio

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16 February 2012

**Question No:** AET 434 - 435

**Topic:** Paid parental leave (ATO)

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#### Senator Bushby asked:

434. Please list how many staff in each portfolio department and agency are eligible to receive payments under the Government's Paid Parental Leave scheme?
435. For this financial year to date list which department/agency is providing its employees with payments under the Government's Paid Parental Leave scheme? Please list how many staff are in receipt of these payments.

#### Answer:

434. All employees with more than 12 months service who earn less than \$150,000 per annum and are the primary care giver of the child are eligible to receive payment under the Government's Paid Parental Leave Scheme. As eligibility is based on primary caring responsibility, the number of staff cannot be identified.
435. For the period 01 July 2011 to 31 January 2012, 185 staff received payments:
- 90 ATO employees commenced and finished receiving paid parental leave payments.
  - 95 ATO employees commenced and are receiving paid parental leave payments.