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Question

Paid Parental Leave

"Please list how many staff in each portfolio department and agency are eligible to receive payments under the Government's Paid Parental Leave scheme? Please list which portfolio department and agencies are 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

The Family Assistance Office (FAO) is responsible for determining eligibility to receive payments under the Government's Paid Parental Leave scheme. It is thereforenot possible to provide aresponse to the first part of this question.

The following agencies in the DEEWR portfolio have registered for the Paid Parental Leave scheme and have opted to provide payments to eligible employees:

- Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations
- Australian Curriculum Assessment and Reporting Authority
- Australian Institute for Teaching and School Leadership
- Australian Learning and Teaching Council Limited
- Comcare
- Fair Work Australia
- Fair Work Ombudsman
- Office of the Australian Building and Construction Commissioner
- Safe Work Australia

As at 23 June 2011, no employee of these agencies is in receipt of Paid Parental Leave payments by these agencies.