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# Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations

# Office of Early Childhood Education and Child Care

Child Care Summary Data:
Financial year 2010-11

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| **Table 1: Australia child care summary data: Financial year time series** |
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| **Financial year** | **Child Care Benefit (CCB) estimated entitlement\*('000)** | **Child Care Rebate (CCR) estimated entitlement\* ('000)** | **Number of families using approved child care** | **Number of children using approved child care** | **Number of approved child careservices\*\*** |
| 2006 – 07 | $1,452,379 | $521,366 | 749,500 | 1,078,710 | 11,266 |
| 2007 – 08 | $1,723,839 | $561,418 | 794,210 | 1,142,960 | 11,709 |
| 2008 – 09 | $1,621,515 | $1,262,225 | 773,350 | 1,108,510 | 13,516 |
| 2009 – 10 | $1,819,218 | $1,297,011 | 806,550 | 1,158,690 | 15,245 |
| 2010 – 11 | $1,960,225  | $1,586,193  | 865,070  | 1,250,770  | 15,336  |

\* Estimated entitlement does not include any adjustments for accrued expenses relating to reconciliation of a family’s entitlement. For this reason the estimated entitlement should not be compared with data reported in the Annual Report or Portfolio Budget Statements.

\*\*Number of services for FY 2006 – 07, FY 2007 – 08, FY 2008 – 09 are only those with attendances in June quarter. Number of services for FY 2009 – 10 and FY 2010 – 11 includes all services with attendances at any time in the year.

| **Table 2A: Australia child care summary data by state and territory: Financial year 2010–11** |
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| **State and territory** | **Child Care Benefit (CCB) estimated entitlement\*('000)** | **Child Care Rebate (CCR) estimated entitlement\* ('000)** | **Number of families using approved child care\*\*** | **Number of children using approved child care\*\*** | **Number of approved child careservices** | **Number of families receiving CCR\*\*** | **Estimated****30% to 50%CCR increase ('000)** |
| NSW | $615,990 | $565,094 | 286,780  | 402,350  | 5,211  | 256,880  | $226,037 |
| Vic. | $453,761 | $363,806 | 196,720  | 288,740  | 3,561  | 178,480  | $145,522 |
| Qld | $554,457 | $355,521 | 212,530  | 314,110  | 3,331  | 192,900  | $142,208 |
| SA | $134,700 | $81,986 | 63,550  | 95,100  | 1,206  | 57,610  | $32,794 |
| WA | $126,414 | $120,217 | 68,910  | 95,710  | 1,147  | 61,740  | $48,087 |
| Tas. | $42,959 | $25,573 | 20,110  | 29,870  | 382  | 18,260  | $10,229 |
| NT | $14,128 | $18,733 | 7,720  | 11,190  | 190  | 7,120  | $7,493 |
| ACT | $17,816 | $55,264 | 17,650  | 25,260  | 308  | 16,140  | $22,105 |
| **Total Australia** | **$1,960,225** | **$1,586,193** | **865,070**  | **1,250,770**  | **15,336**  | **782,040**  | **$634,477** |

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\*\*As families and children may use services in more than one state and due to rounding, the sum of the component parts may not equal the Total.

| **Table 2B: Australia child care summary data by region: Financial year 2010–11** |
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| **Region\*** | **Child Care Benefit (CCB) estimated entitlement\*\*('000)** | **Child Care Rebate (CCR) estimated entitlement\*\* ('000)** | **Number of families using approved child care\*\*\*** | **Number of children using approved child care\*\*\*** | **Number of approved child careservices** | **Number of families receiving CCR\*\*\*** | **Estimated****30% to 50%CCR increase ('000)** |
| Major cities | $1,380,394 | $1,257,192 | 637,850 | 912,080 | 11,306 | 577,210 | $502,877 |
| Inner regional | $406,797 | $217,916 | 169,850 | 250,520 | 2,680 | 151,850 | $87,167 |
| Outer regional | $157,260 | $94,995 | 68,490 | 101,060 | 1,151 | 61,230 | $37,998 |
| Remote & Very remote | $15,774 | $16,090 | 9,260 | 13,320 | 199 | 8,100 | $6,436 |
| **Total Australia** | **$1,960,225** | **$1,586,193** | **865,070**  | **1,250,770**  | **15,336**  | **782,040**  | **$634,477** |

\*Region is classified according to the Accessibility/Remoteness Index of Australia (ARIA) classification.

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\*\*\*As families and children may use services in more than one region and due to rounding, the sum of the component parts may not equal the Total.

Explanatory notes

General counting rules

Use of child care services is counted for each individual child using approved child care services. An instance of child care usage is defined as at least one child care attendance per child care service for the year irrespective of duration or frequency. For example, a single hour at an Occasional care centre as well as 40 hours per week throughout the year at a Long day care centre, are both counted as an instance of child care usage.

Children and families using more than one service type during the financial year are counted only once.

Note that prior to June quarter 2009, Outside school hours care services that were co-located and co-managed were generally counted as a single service. With the introduction of the Child Care Management System, Before and After school hours care services are now counted as separate services. This has had the effect of increasing the total number of services.

Data sources

Data included in this report is extracted from the Centrelink Mainframe. Supplementary data is sourced from the FaHCSIA Online Funding Management System (FOFMS).

Estimated 30% to 50% Child Care Rebate (CCR) increase

This data represents the estimated additional assistance for families as a result of the increase in the CCR from 30 to 50 per cent of out-of-pocket expenses.

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