

COMMUNITIES — EDUCATION AND CARE REGULATORY UNIT

1644. Hon Donna Faragher to the minister representing the Minister for Early Childhood Education:

I refer to the Education and Care Regulatory Unit within the Department for Communities and the number of childcare facilities and I ask, will the Minister provide a breakdown (by category) of the total number of outside school hours care, family day care and long day care centres operating in Western Australia in the following financial years:

- (a) 2021–22;
- (b) 2022–23; and
- (c) 2023–24 (to date)?

Hon Jackie Jarvis replied:

The Department of Communities advises:

(a)–(c)

Financial Year	Outside School Hours Care	Family Day Care	Long Day Care	Total
2021–22	481	38	779	1, 298
2022–23	492	34	814	1, 340
2023–24 (as at 31 October 2023)	496	31	827	1, 354

Notes

A service can offer more than one category of care (for example, a Long Day Care can also offer Outside School Hours Care) but is only counted against the predominant care category.