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You requested information relating to subsidized childcare and maternity leave at the Office of the Secretary of State for Wales for 2016-2017, 2017-2018 and 2018-2019:

We have handled your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and our responses to your questions are set out below:

Q1: The overall amount spent running a crèche.

A1: Nothing. The Office of the Secretary of State for Wales does not provide on-site childcare facilities on its estate.

Q2: The overall amount spent on approved childcare.

A2: The Department is not an employer in its own right. The Ministry of Justice (MoJ) provide employment services on our behalf including childcare schemes, payments and salaries. As such, the Office does not hold the information requested and you may wish to approach MoJ directly.

Q3: The average percentage of total salary paid for the first six weeks of maternity leave in 2016-2017, 2017-2018 and 2018-2019.

A3: See A2

Q4: The average amount paid for the next 33 weeks of maternity leave.

A4: See A2

Q5: The average percentage paid for the next 33 weeks of maternity leave.

A5: See A2

Q6: The total salary disbursement for staff that went on leave.

A6: See A2