

Hello, I heard a report that there was a investigation into availability of child care places. I think I may have a solution to some of the problem. Remove children from child care when there is one parent at home. As a stay home dad I can not understand that people, that stay home need to put children in to care. Then they also get money hand outs to put the child in to care. I have had this argument with many mothers over the years and some of the lame excuses have been, and I quote" I need to go shopping, or i need to get my hair done(where do they get the money to do that, that's right they don't pay for child care,)" and such dribble. I used to go shopping with a new born and a 2 1/2 year old, thank goodness they are both now school aged. But I did that until they went to school. That is what is called parenting. I worked hard and busted my back, my wife had to take up full time nursing and we get bugger all. It is unfair on those who do need to work to make ends meet. Shore those's people may have over extended there finances but at least they are doing something and have a true reason to need child care. It is about time that Australia as a whole got their act together. We hand out to much to those whom don't deserve it and those who do make an effort get brick walls put in front of them. If we had a third child and I claimed disability(both a financial stain on the public purse) and my wife claimed unemployment (another public purse)we would be no worse off financially. What incentive have these stay at home families got to work? Stop the stay at home parents from child care and stop the hand outs and I bet there would be child care places.

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