

**Eligibility of mothers for maternity and parental benefits and duration of leave**

	<b>2007</b>	<b>CV (%)</b>
Mothers with child aged 12 months or less	376,814	9.27
<b>As a proportion of total</b>		
<b>With insurable employment (%)</b>	<b>77.2</b>	1.97
Received maternity or parental benefits (%)	66.3	3.09
- Received benefits from EI	45.8	4.81
- Received benefits from RQAP	20.5	11.03
Did not claim or receive maternity or parental benefits (%)	10.9	13.56
<b>Without insurable employment (%)</b>	<b>22.8</b>	6.65
Not worked in two years (%)	14.6	13.12
Other (includes self-employed) (%)	8.2	22.84
<b>Mothers who received maternity or parental benefits as a proportion of mothers with insurable employment (%)</b>	<b>85.9</b>	2.23
<b>Mothers with known return plans or already returned to work<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>238,753</b>	10.11
Average duration of planned leave (in months)	12	5.38
Median duration of planned leave (in months)	11	7.83
0 to 4 months (%)	6.1	50.89
5 to 8 months (%)	11.2	22.82
9 to 12 months (%)	61.2	6.57
More than 12 months (%)	21.4	13.01
<b>Spouse or partner claiming or intending to claim parental benefits</b>	<b>88,703</b>	12.58
Percentage of mothers with spouse claiming or intending to claim benefits (%)	26.8	8.66

<sup>1</sup> Contrary to the EI Program, self employed workers are eligible.

<sup>2</sup>Excludes mothers who have not worked in 2 years and self-employed mothers.