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SUBJECT CURRENT PROGRAM STATISTICS

Attached please find CURRENT PROGRAM STATISTICS for August 1998. Included are TANF-oriented data, and the WFNJ Statistical Summary. Some items of interest include:

- The TANF caseload continues to decline. Since January of this year there has been a 15% decrease.
- Food Stamp households also continue to decline. Since January of this year there has been a 6.5% decrease.
- Due to manual reporting from a number of municipalities, General Assistance caseload numbers are not as current as TANF and Food Stamp data. The most current caseload data, April 1998, shows an increase of 5% from January of this year.

Should you have any questions regarding this report, please do not hesitate to call me.

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CURRENT PROGRAM STATISTICS



**August 1998
David C. Heins, Acting Director**

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August 1998

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Highlights of **CURRENT PROGRAM STATISTICS**

TANF

(Tables 1 and 5, Graphs 1 and 4)

As of the end of August 1998, 69,999 eligible families in New Jersey were receiving TANF cash assistance:

- 68,200 single head of household families
- 1800 two-parent families.

In addition, there were almost 7000 families receiving Medicaid Only assistance.

The largest number of TANF families receiving cash assistance, by county:

Essex — 21,448, Hudson — 11,547, Camden — 7,544, Passaic — 5,173, Union — 4,329

The number of TANF cash assistance families in the other 16 counties ranged from:

- 55 families in Hunterdon County to 3,241 in Mercer County,
- with seven counties below 1000 families

There were almost 1200 fewer eligible TANF families receiving cash assistance in August 1998 than in July, with a decline of more than 34,000, or 33 percent, compared to the number of AFDC families receiving cash assistance two years ago in August 1996.

- **Single head families:** 1100 fewer were eligible in August 1998 than in July, and more than 31,000 below two years ago in August 1996, a drop of more than 31 percent.
- **Two parent families:** declined by nearly 3000, or 62 percent from about 4700 in July 1996.

FOOD STAMP PROGRAM

(Tables 2 and 6, Graphs 2, 5, and 6)

At the end of August 1998, more than 168,000 households were authorized to participate in the Food Stamp Program.

- **TANF:** About 72,000 households with about 232,000 persons.
- **Other low income:** less than 96,000 households with almost 145,000 persons.
- **Total persons:** less than 377,000, including 179,000 adults and 198,000 children
- **By County:** 49 percent of the households were in:

| | |
|---------------|---------------|
| Essex | 44,100 |
| Hudson | 23,000 |
| Camden | 16,000 |

Two years ago in August 1996, 216,000 households were authorized to participate in Food Stamps in New Jersey. Over the next two years the number declined by 48,000, or 22 percent, to 168,000 by August 1998, which was the first month below 170,000 this year.

- **TANF(FS)** households steadily declined from about **105,000** in August 1996 to about **72,000** two years later. There were more than **111,000 Other Low Income** households in August 1996 and **100,000 or less** since August 1997.
- **Total FS Recipients Authorized to Participate:** exceeded **497,000** in August 1996, and declined to **377,000** by August 1998, a drop of more than **120,000, or 24 percent**.
- **Adult FS Recipients:** were nearly **239,000** in August 1996, and were down by **60,000 (25 percent)** to **179,000** in August 1998.
- **Recipient FS Children:** also declined by about **60,000 (23 percent)**, from about **258,600** in August 1996 to **198,300** in August 1998.

EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE*

(Tables 3, 7 and 9, Graphs 3, 7 and 9)

In August 1998 Emergency Assistance (EA) payments were made for 2305 eligible TANF families and 237 SSI recipients in New Jersey. For TANF families this included payments for:

- **Temporary Rental Assistance (TRA)** for **528** families
- **Motel** placements for **209** families and **emergency shelter** placements for **268** families
- **All other TANF-EA** for **1300** families (including back rent, back utilities, security deposits, furnishings, clothing and food allowance, or transitional housing)
- **922** families in **Essex** County, **245** in **Passaic** County, and **less than 200** TANF families in each of the other counties.

In the past two years, the average number of EA payments for TANF/AFDC families was about 4750 in 1996, 3550 for 1997, and 2550 for the first eight months of 1998. Payments were made for less than half as many families in August 1998 as in August 1996.

- TRA payments were less than **one third** of the number in August 1996 .
- Motel payments declined by **40 percent** from 346 in August 1996.
- Emergency Shelter payments declined by more than **20 percent** from 339 in August 1996.
- Other TANF-EA payments declined by **47 percent** from **2444** in August 1996.

* Revisions for Table 3 and Graph 3 for May, June and July 1998 are included in the supplement, pages 18, 19 and 20, as well as on Table 7. These corrections reflect exclusion of payments coded as "78", previously included as an "other" EA code, and now used for CWEP supplemental payments.

For 1996 there were an average of 6800 GA EA recipients, 6700 for 1997, and 6400 for the first four months of 1998 . Of those, GA TRA payments were made to an average of 4100 recipients in 1996, and 4000 in both 1997 and the first four months of 1998.

TANF PARTICIPATION RATES

(Table 8, Graph 8)

(Because of new Federal clarification of the participation rate formula, participation rates are being recalculated and are currently unavailable.)

GENERAL ASSISTANCE

(Table 9, Graph 9)

There were 28,312 GA recipients in April 1998, virtually unchanged from March 1998. The GA total was about 2000 below April 1997 and almost 6500 below April 1996.

- **Employable GA** recipients reached a peak in March 1996 of more than **23,500**. They remained around **20,000** from June 1996 through April 1997, and less than **18,000** since July 1997.
- **Unemployable GA** recipients remained in the **10,000** to **11,000** range over the past two years.

CHILD SUPPORT AND PATERNITY

(Table 10)

In the nine months of FFY 1998, October 1997 - June 1998, the total distribution of collections of the Child Support and Paternity Program increased to almost \$463 million, compared to less than \$445 million in the comparable period of FFY 1997, October 1996 - June 1997.

Table 1
TANF
PROGRAM**NUMBER OF APPLICATIONS AND TERMINATIONS DURING REPORT MONTH, AND**
NUMBER OF ELIGIBLE FAMILIES RECEIVING TANF AT END OF REPORT MONTH**AUGUST 1998**

| County | Applications Approved | Terminations | Single Head Families | Two Parent Families | Total TANF* | Medicaid Only |
|-----------------|--------------------------|--------------|-------------------------|------------------------|----------------|------------------|
| ATLANTIC | 153 | 205 | 1,827 | 36 | 1,863 | 179 |
| BERGEN | 118 | 160 | 1,521 | 94 | 1,615 | 89 |
| BURLINGTON | 227 | 249 | 1,407 | 42 | 1,449 | 259 |
| CAMDEN | 743 | 953 | 7,293 | 251 | 7,544 | 1,038 |
| CAPE MAY | 55 | 100 | 463 | 21 | 484 | 96 |
| CUMBERLAND | 268 | 325 | 1,900 | 108 | 2,008 | 531 |
| ESSEX | 875 | 1,072 | 21,267 | 181 | 21,448 | 795 |
| GLOUCESTER | 227 | 276 | 1,152 | 24 | 1,176 | 328 |
| HUDSON | 552 | 666 | 11,123 | 424 | 11,547 | 1,051 |
| HUNTERDON | 9 | 16 | 54 | 1 | 55 | 31 |
| MERCER | 324 | 334 | 3,183 | 58 | 3,241 | 470 |
| MIDDLESEX | 336 | 407 | 2,645 | 104 | 2,749 | 494 |
| MONMOUTH | 188 | 279 | 2,387 | 36 | 2,423 | 188 |
| MORRIS | 39 | 51 | 352 | 12 | 364 | 65 |
| OCEAN | 158 | 271 | 1,201 | 52 | 1,253 | 437 |
| PASSAIC | 378 | 471 | 4,947 | 226 | 5,173 | 144 |
| SALEM | 89 | 109 | 448 | 9 | 457 | 71 |
| SOMERSET | 76 | 95 | 426 | 19 | 445 | 94 |
| SUSSEX | 38 | 32 | 121 | 3 | 124 | 51 |
| UNION | 361 | 412 | 4,250 | 79 | 4,329 | 533 |
| WARREN | 48 | 53 | 234 | 18 | 252 | 25 |
| NJ TOTAL | 5,262 | 6,536 | 68,201 | 1,798 | 69,999 | 6,969 |

*Note: Historically, total TANF cases have included Medicaid only. However, under federal welfare reform cash assistance and Medicaid have been de-linked and this total now includes only those cases receiving cash assistance.

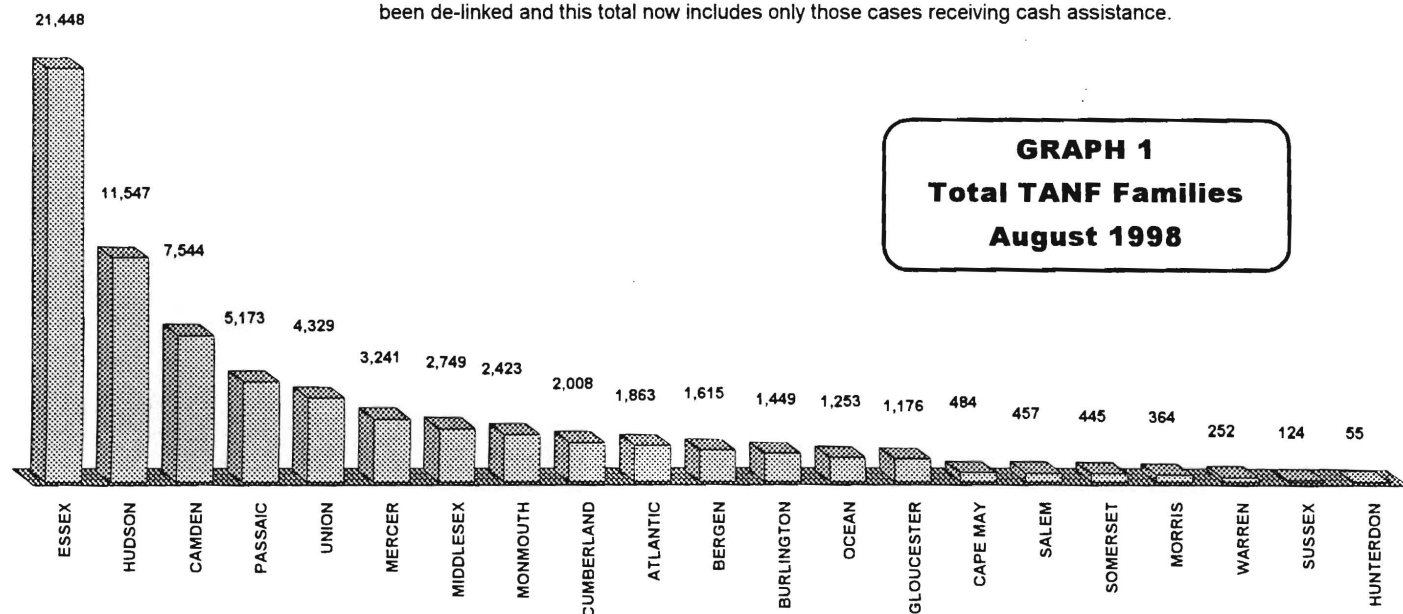
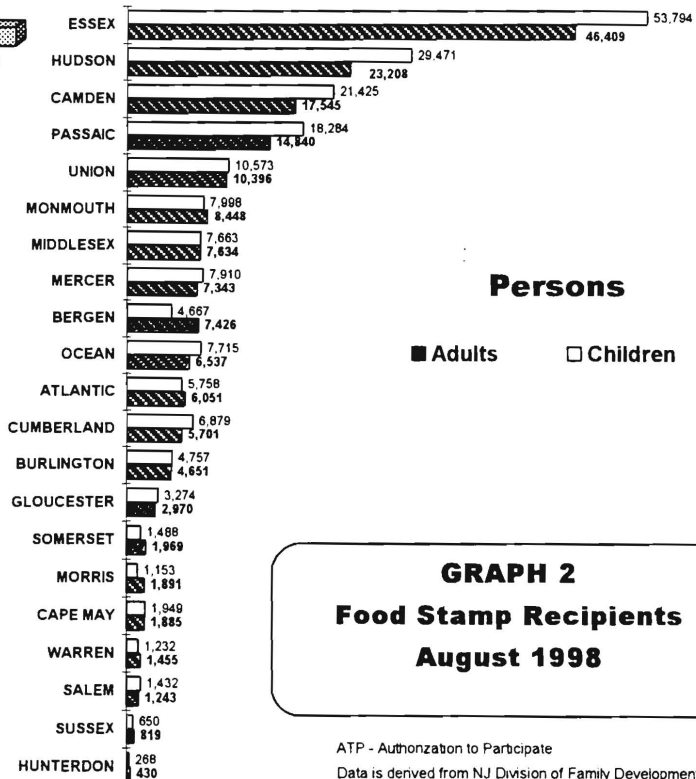
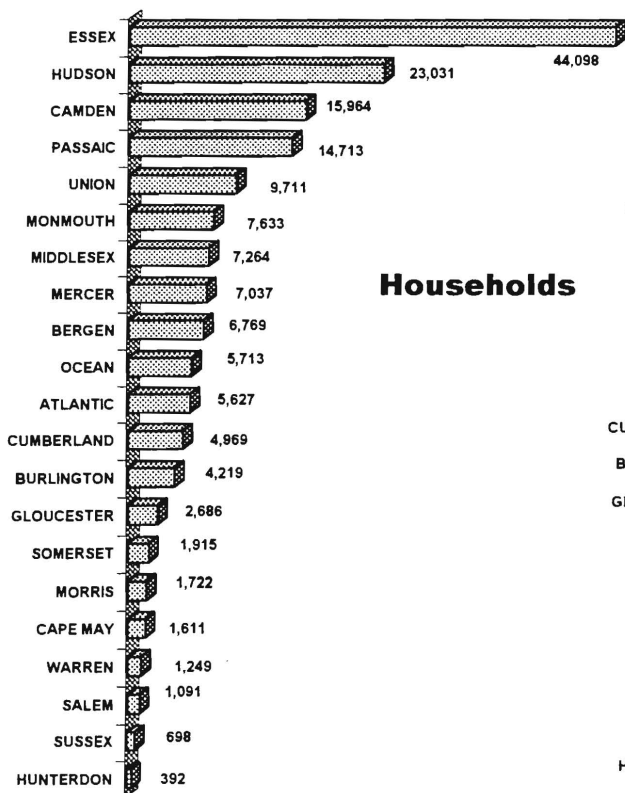


Table 2 **NUMBER OF ATP'S ISSUED TO HOUSEHOLDS, PERSONS, ADULTS AND CHILDREN AT THE END OF THE REPORT MONTH**
FOOD STAMP PROGRAM **AUGUST 1998**

| County | HOUSEHOLDS | | | TOTAL | PERSONS | | | |
|------------|------------|------------------|---------|---------|---------|------------------|---------|----------|
| | TANF | Other low income | TOTAL | | TANF | Other low income | Adults | Children |
| ATLANTIC | 1,807 | 3,820 | 5,627 | 11,809 | 6,089 | 5,720 | 6,051 | 5,758 |
| BERGEN | 1,540 | 5,229 | 6,769 | 12,093 | 4,591 | 7,502 | 7,426 | 4,667 |
| BURLINGTON | 1,627 | 2,592 | 4,219 | 9,408 | 5,128 | 4,280 | 4,651 | 4,757 |
| CAMDEN | 8,165 | 7,799 | 15,964 | 38,970 | 27,456 | 11,514 | 17,545 | 21,425 |
| CAPE MAY | 607 | 1,004 | 1,611 | 3,834 | 2,082 | 1,752 | 1,885 | 1,949 |
| CUMBERLAND | 2,573 | 2,396 | 4,969 | 12,580 | 8,625 | 3,955 | 5,701 | 6,879 |
| ESSEX | 21,260 | 22,838 | 44,098 | 100,203 | 67,576 | 32,627 | 46,409 | 53,794 |
| GLOUCESTER | 1,286 | 1,400 | 2,686 | 6,244 | 4,107 | 2,137 | 2,970 | 3,274 |
| HUDSON | 11,820 | 11,211 | 23,031 | 52,679 | 36,063 | 16,616 | 23,208 | 29,471 |
| HUNTERDON | 64 | 328 | 392 | 698 | 201 | 497 | 430 | 268 |
| MERCER | 3,105 | 3,932 | 7,037 | 15,253 | 9,907 | 5,346 | 7,343 | 7,910 |
| MIDDLESEX | 3,034 | 4,230 | 7,264 | 15,297 | 9,386 | 5,911 | 7,634 | 7,663 |
| MONMOUTH | 2,531 | 5,102 | 7,633 | 16,446 | 8,370 | 8,076 | 8,448 | 7,998 |
| MORRIS | 344 | 1,378 | 1,722 | 3,044 | 1,041 | 2,003 | 1,891 | 1,153 |
| OCEAN | 1,873 | 3,840 | 5,713 | 14,252 | 6,587 | 7,665 | 6,537 | 7,715 |
| PASSAIC | 5,289 | 9,424 | 14,713 | 33,124 | 17,537 | 15,587 | 14,840 | 18,284 |
| SALEM | 486 | 605 | 1,091 | 2,675 | 1,644 | 1,031 | 1,243 | 1,432 |
| SOMERSET | 477 | 1,438 | 1,915 | 3,457 | 1,479 | 1,978 | 1,969 | 1,488 |
| SUSSEX | 156 | 542 | 698 | 1,469 | 488 | 981 | 819 | 650 |
| UNION | 3,958 | 5,753 | 9,711 | 20,969 | 12,783 | 8,186 | 10,396 | 10,573 |
| WARREN | 343 | 906 | 1,249 | 2,687 | 1,144 | 1,543 | 1,455 | 1,232 |
| NJ TOTAL | 72,345 | 95,767 | 168,112 | 377,191 | 232,284 | 144,907 | 178,851 | 198,340 |



GRAPH 2
Food Stamp Recipients
August 1998

ATP - Authorization to Participate
 Data is derived from NJ Division of Family Development's
 FAMIS report # FB-160.

Table 3
TANF/SSI**NUMBER OF ELIGIBLE FAMILIES RECEIVING EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE PAYMENTS**
(UNDUPLICATED CASES)**EMERGENCY**
ASSISTANCE**AUGUST 1998**

| County | <u>TANF Families Receiving Emergency Assistance</u> | | | | | SSI Receipts Receiving EA |
|-----------------|---|-----------------------------|------------------|----------------------|------------------|---------------------------------|
| | TOTAL TANF-EA | Temporary Rental Assist. | Motel Housing | Emergency Shelter | Other TANF-EA | |
| ATLANTIC | 32 | 2 | 0 | 5 | 25 | 8 |
| BERGEN | 155 | 45 | 10 | 34 | 66 | 23 |
| BURLINGTON | 17 | 1 | 0 | 14 | 2 | 1 |
| CAMDEN | 128 | 19 | 2 | 14 | 93 | 13 |
| CAPE MAY | 22 | 4 | 2 | 0 | 16 | 2 |
| CUMBERLAND | 31 | 1 | 3 | 9 | 18 | 5 |
| ESSEX | 922 | 334 | 81 | 109 | 398 | 12 |
| GLOUCESTER | 30 | 9 | 1 | 11 | 9 | 8 |
| HUDSON | 82 | 14 | 4 | 8 | 56 | 9 |
| HUNTERDON | 3 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 2 |
| MERCER | 151 | 48 | 14 | 3 | 86 | 13 |
| MIDDLESEX | 197 | 15 | 29 | 19 | 134 | 46 |
| MONMOUTH | 78 | 16 | 18 | 0 | 44 | 1 |
| MORRIS | 12 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 9 | 8 |
| OCEAN | 48 | 2 | 27 | 0 | 19 | 23 |
| PASSAIC | 245 | 2 | 1 | 13 | 229 | 45 |
| SALEM | 13 | 3 | 5 | 0 | 5 | 1 |
| SOMERSET | 44 | 5 | 2 | 4 | 33 | 6 |
| SUSSEX | 22 | 2 | 6 | 4 | 10 | 4 |
| UNION | 72 | 6 | 4 | 17 | 45 | 6 |
| WARREN | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| NJ TOTAL | 2,305 | 528 | 209 | 268 | 1,300 | 237 |

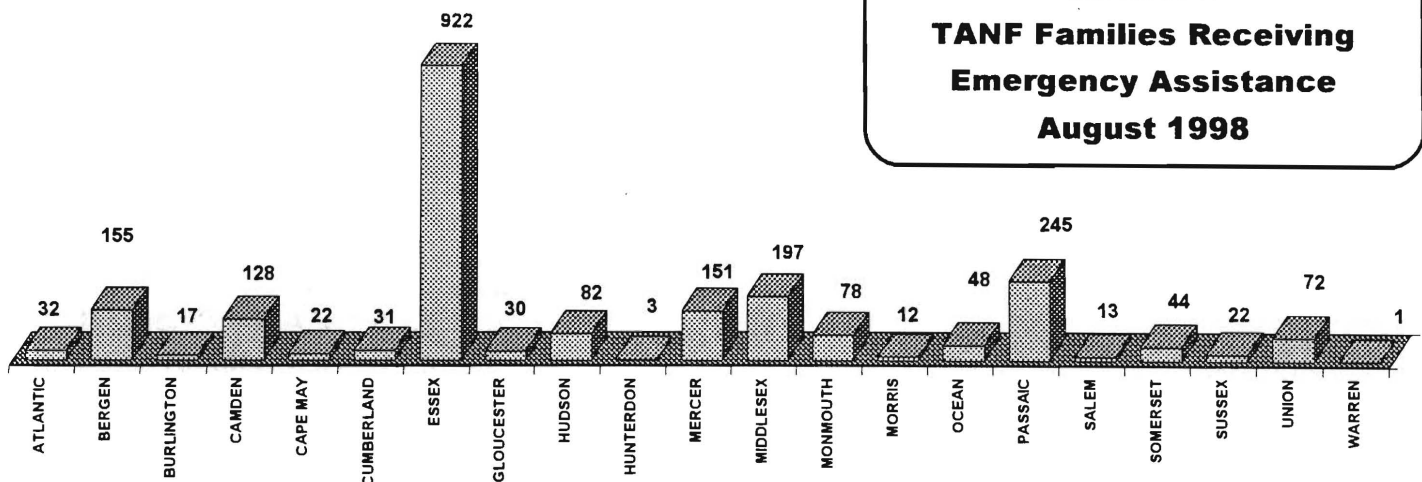
GRAPH 3
TANF Families Receiving
Emergency Assistance
August 1998

Table 4**WORK FIRST NEW JERSEY STATISTICAL SUMMARY****WFNJ****August 1998**

| COUNTY | RECIPIENTS REQUIRED TO PARTICIPATE | EMPLOYMENT DIRECTED ACTIVITIES | | | EMPLOYED OPEN (TANF RECIPIENT) | CHILD CARE ON ACTIVE CASE | EMPLOYED CLOSED | POST TANF CHILD CARE |
|------------|---|--------------------------------|--------------------------|---------------|---|------------------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------|
| | | CWEP | ALL OTHER TRAINING | JOB SEARCH | | | | |
| ATLANTIC | * | 2 | 240 | 252 | 379 | 134 | 77 | 244 |
| BERGEN | * | 60 | 240 | 129 | 334 | 160 | 49 | 148 |
| BURLINGTON | * | 227 | 94 | 218 | 305 | 139 | 62 | 278 |
| CAMDEN | * | 353 | 522 | 979 | 1,792 | 595 | 226 | 646 |
| CAPE MAY | * | 10 | 36 | 71 | 170 | 25 | 38 | 66 |
| CUMBERLAND | * | 69 | 561 | 712 | 394 | 207 | 105 | 274 |
| ESSEX | * | 293 | 3,141 | 4,627 | 1,681 | 1,259 | 243 | 371 |
| GLOUCESTER | * | 64 | 25 | 260 | 194 | 52 | 64 | 128 |
| HUDSON | * | 870 | 1,925 | 485 | 1,202 | 1,228 | 189 | 642 |
| HUNTERDON | * | 5 | 0 | 33 | 26 | 6 | 8 | 20 |
| MERCER | * | 87 | 111 | 187 | 334 | 302 | 88 | 280 |
| MIDDLESEX | * | 0 | 245 | 373 | 710 | 277 | 74 | 331 |
| MONMOUTH | * | 112 | 583 | 234 | 582 | 455 | 93 | 398 |
| MORRIS | * | 79 | 29 | 102 | 75 | 44 | 11 | 70 |
| OCEAN | * | 2 | 97 | 147 | 227 | 111 | 107 | 327 |
| PASSAIC | * | 472 | 1,548 | 1,715 | 556 | 533 | 106 | 261 |
| SALEM | * | 41 | 53 | 132 | 96 | 81 | 27 | 81 |
| SOMERSET | * | 9 | 39 | 27 | 100 | 57 | 30 | 91 |
| SUSSEX | * | 25 | 14 | 19 | 49 | 27 | 10 | 56 |
| UNION | * | 119 | 741 | 434 | 474 | 380 | 84 | 251 |
| WARREN | * | 15 | 8 | 73 | 43 | 19 | 12 | 35 |
| STATE | * | 2,914 | 10,252 | 11,209 | 9,723 | 6,091 | 1,703 | 4,998 |

Data is derived from NJ Division of Family Development's FAMIS reports

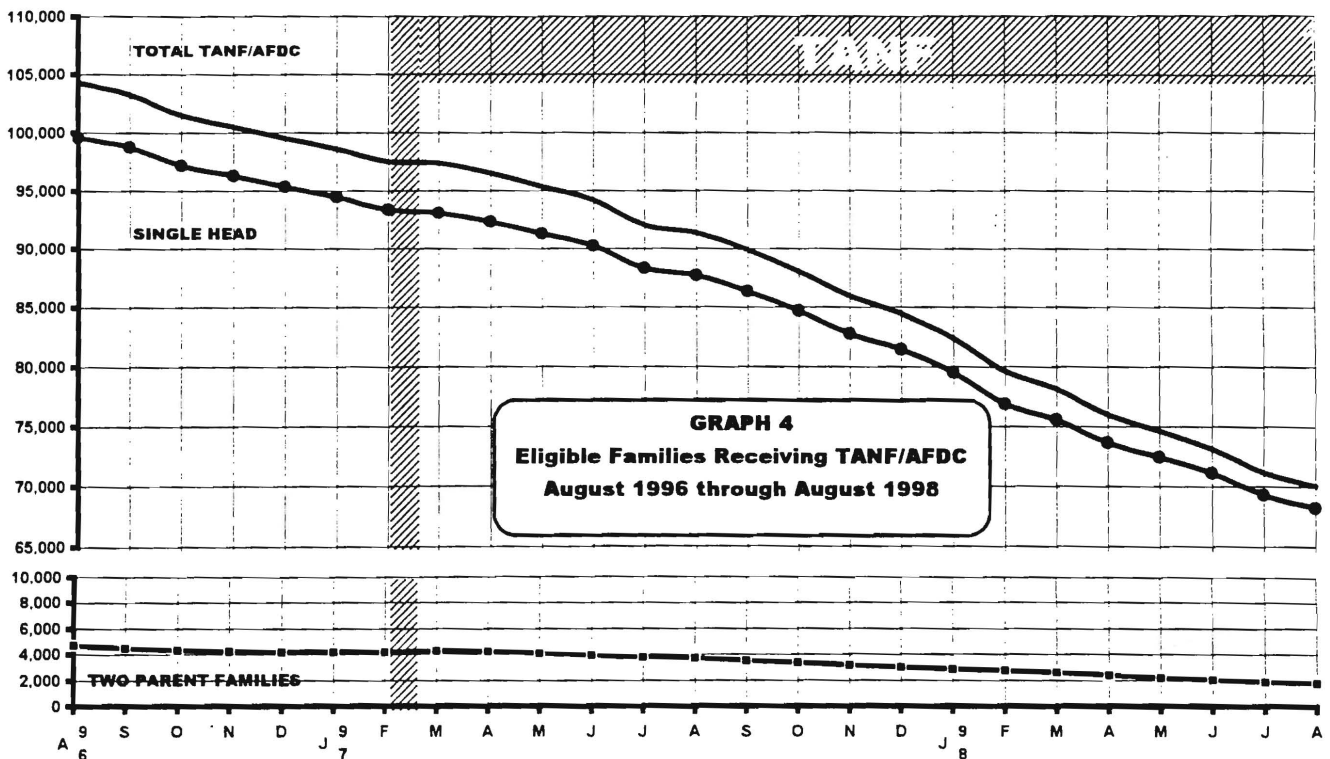
* Currently unavailable pending recalculation of participation rates based on new Federal clarification

Table 5
TANF/AFDC
PROGRAM

NUMBER OF APPLICATIONS AND TERMINATIONS DURING REPORT MONTH, AND
NUMBER OF ELIGIBLE FAMILIES RECEIVING TANF AT END OF REPORT MONTH

August 1996 through August 1998

| | | Applications Approved | Terminations | Single Head Families | Two Parent Families* (revised) | Total TANF/AFDC* (revised) | Medicaid Only |
|-----------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------|-------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------|
| AFDC 1996 | AUG | 5,014 | 6,789 | 99,567 | 4,713 | 104,280 | 5,053 |
| | SEP | 6,311 | 7,440 | 98,744 | 4,489 | 103,233 | 5,097 |
| | OCT | 5,213 | 7,015 | 97,152 | 4,333 | 101,485 | 5,026 |
| | NOV | 5,374 | 6,549 | 96,238 | 4,230 | 100,468 | 5,034 |
| | DEC | 5,018 | 6,137 | 95,322 | 4,157 | 99,479 | 4,992 |
| | AVERAGE (12 mos.) | 5,602 | 6,608 | 100,623 | 4,893 | 105,516 | 5,060 |
| TANF 1997 | JAN | 5,933 | 6,803 | 94,429 | 4,148 | 98,577 | 4,994 |
| | FEB | 4,410 | 5,728 | 93,359 | 4,141 | 97,500 | 4,862 |
| | MAR | 6,184 | 6,416 | 93,104 | 4,264 | 97,368 | 4,835 |
| | APR | 5,172 | 6,034 | 92,300 | 4,200 | 96,500 | 4,828 |
| | MAY | 4,882 | 6,121 | 91,290 | 4,048 | 95,338 | 4,851 |
| | JUN | 4,620 | 5,760 | 90,223 | 3,934 | 94,157 | 4,856 |
| | JUL | 5,240 | 7,344 | 88,306 | 3,733 | 92,039 | 4,811 |
| | AUG | 4,637 | 5,388 | 87,670 | 3,694 | 91,364 | 4,860 |
| | SEP | 5,542 | 6,982 | 86,346 | 3,522 | 89,868 | 5,014 |
| | OCT | 4,488 | 6,276 | 84,669 | 3,333 | 88,002 | 5,138 |
| | NOV | 5,655 | 7,385 | 82,764 | 3,158 | 85,922 | 5,554 |
| | DEC | 3,735 | 5,113 | 81,452 | 3,003 | 84,455 | 5,728 |
| | AVERAGE | 5,042 | 6,279 | 88,826 | 3,765 | 92,591 | 5,028 |
| 1998 | JAN | 5,593 | 7,193 | 79,496 | 2,842 | 82,338 | 6,313 |
| | FEB | 4,311 | 6,924 | 76,845 | 2,754 | 79,599 | 6,561 |
| | MAR | 4,875 | 6,255 | 75,523 | 2,611 | 78,134 | 6,649 |
| | APR | 5,646 | 7,696 | 73,603 | 2,377 | 75,980 | 6,795 |
| | MAY | 4,555 | 5,882 | 72,411 | 2,185 | 74,596 | 6,845 |
| | JUN | 4,815 | 6,156 | 71,087 | 2,051 | 73,138 | 6,893 |
| | JUL | 5,403 | 7,372 | 69,287 | 1,878 | 71,165 | 6,955 |
| | AUG | 5,262 | 6,536 | 68,201 | 1,798 | 69,999 | 6,969 |
| | AVERAGE | 5,058 | 6,752 | 73,307 | 2,312 | 75,619 | 6,748 |



Data is derived from NJ Division of Family Development's FAMIS report #FF-012

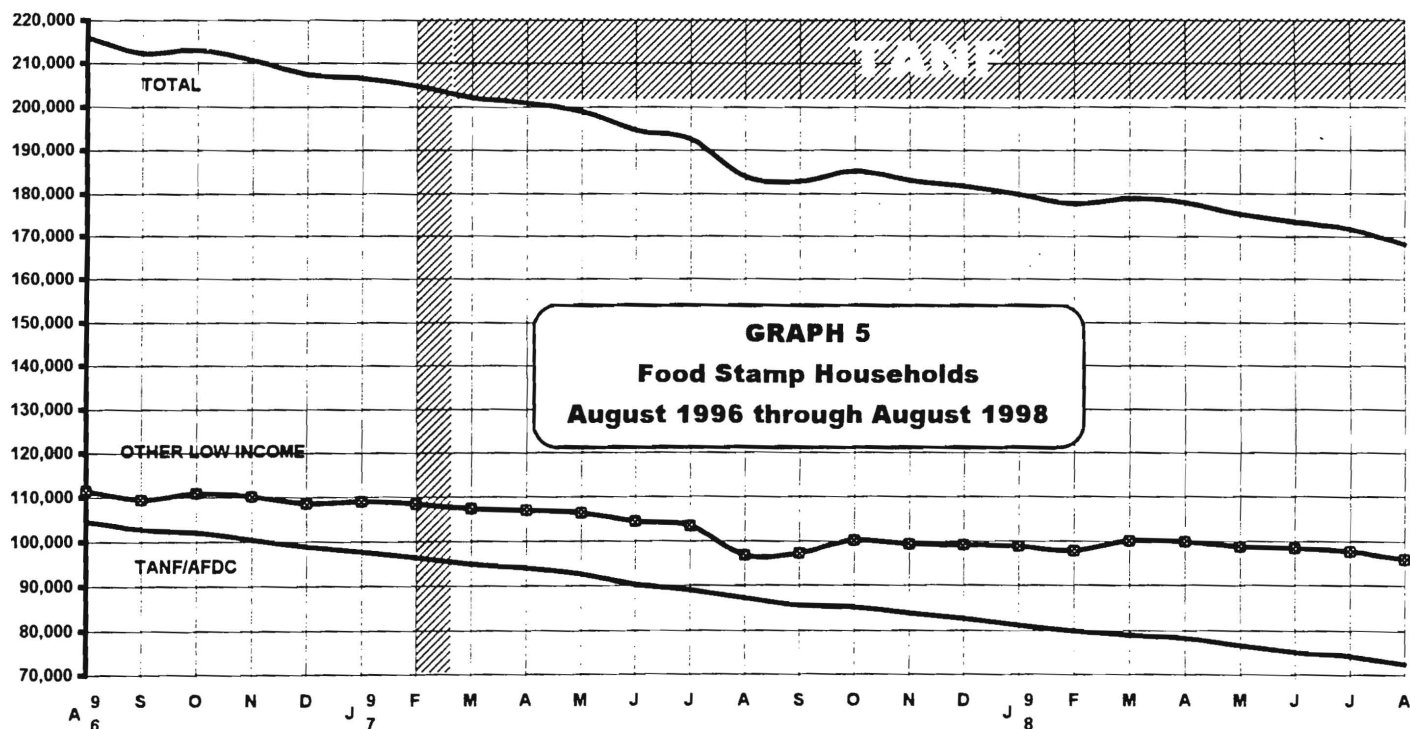
*Note: Revised through May 1998 and continuing thereafter, with the number of two parent families reduced by the number of companion cases listed for payment on the source table FF-012, to avoid double counting

Table 6
FOOD STAMP
PROGRAM

NUMBER OF ATP'S ISSUED TO HOUSEHOLDS, PERSONS, ADULTS
AND CHILDREN AT THE END OF THE REPORT MONTH

August 1996 through August 1998

| | | HOUSEHOLDS | | | PERSONS | | | | |
|-------------------|-----|------------|------------------|---------|---------|-----------|------------------|---------|----------|
| | | TANF/AFDC | Other low income | TOTAL | TOTAL | TANF/AFDC | Other low income | Adults | Children |
| 1996 | AUG | 104,568 | 111,473 | 216,041 | 497,436 | 328,055 | 169,381 | 238,804 | 258,632 |
| | SEP | 102,827 | 109,441 | 212,268 | 488,765 | 322,572 | 166,193 | 234,442 | 254,323 |
| | OCT | 102,088 | 111,008 | 213,096 | 489,991 | 321,226 | 168,765 | 235,401 | 254,590 |
| | NOV | 100,411 | 110,254 | 210,665 | 484,378 | 317,163 | 167,215 | 232,756 | 251,622 |
| | DEC | 98,729 | 108,617 | 207,346 | 477,693 | 312,869 | 164,824 | 229,191 | 248,502 |
| AVERAGE (12 mos.) | | 105,559 | 111,850 | 217,409 | 501,448 | 331,312 | 170,136 | 240,718 | 260,730 |
| 1997 | JAN | 97,555 | 108,961 | 206,516 | 475,374 | 310,342 | 165,032 | 228,388 | 246,986 |
| TANF | FEB | 96,279 | 108,462 | 204,741 | 471,576 | 307,066 | 164,510 | 226,570 | 245,006 |
| | MAR | 94,787 | 107,331 | 202,118 | 465,920 | 303,052 | 162,868 | 223,576 | 242,344 |
| | APR | 93,845 | 107,008 | 200,853 | 462,303 | 300,073 | 162,230 | 221,538 | 240,765 |
| | MAY | 92,593 | 106,369 | 198,962 | 457,430 | 296,327 | 161,103 | 219,003 | 238,427 |
| | JUN | 90,218 | 104,441 | 194,659 | 447,417 | 288,957 | 158,460 | 213,692 | 233,725 |
| | JUL | 89,029 | 103,449 | 192,478 | 441,141 | 284,541 | 156,600 | 210,029 | 231,112 |
| | AUG | 87,165 | 96,714 | 183,879 | 421,881 | 276,940 | 144,941 | 197,418 | 224,463 |
| | SEP | 85,609 | 97,112 | 182,721 | 417,728 | 272,043 | 145,685 | 195,800 | 221,928 |
| | OCT | 85,116 | 100,077 | 185,193 | 420,626 | 270,376 | 150,250 | 198,347 | 222,279 |
| | NOV | 83,803 | 99,197 | 183,000 | 415,821 | 266,436 | 149,385 | 196,009 | 219,812 |
| | DEC | 82,635 | 99,098 | 181,733 | 412,483 | 263,246 | 149,237 | 194,507 | 217,976 |
| AVERAGE | | 89,886 | 103,185 | 193,071 | 442,475 | 286,617 | 155,858 | 210,406 | 232,065 |
| 1998 | JAN | 81,137 | 98,716 | 179,853 | 407,812 | 258,851 | 148,961 | 192,412 | 215,400 |
| TANF | FEB | 79,846 | 97,788 | 177,634 | 402,068 | 255,022 | 147,046 | 190,032 | 212,036 |
| | MAR | 78,857 | 99,967 | 178,824 | 402,543 | 251,862 | 150,681 | 191,205 | 211,338 |
| | APR | 78,131 | 99,750 | 177,881 | 400,060 | 249,800 | 150,260 | 190,045 | 210,015 |
| | MAY | 76,522 | 98,620 | 175,142 | 393,686 | 244,991 | 148,695 | 186,848 | 206,838 |
| | JUN | 75,111 | 98,356 | 173,467 | 388,980 | 240,547 | 148,433 | 184,800 | 204,180 |
| | JUL | 74,135 | 97,604 | 171,739 | 385,732 | 237,835 | 147,897 | 182,874 | 202,858 |
| | AUG | 72,345 | 95,767 | 168,112 | 377,191 | 232,284 | 144,907 | 178,851 | 198,340 |
| AVERAGE | | 77,011 | 98,686 | 176,363 | 397,269 | 248,415 | 148,853 | 188,317 | 208,952 |



ATP - Authorization to Participate

Data is derived from NJ Division of Family Development's FAMIS report # FB-160

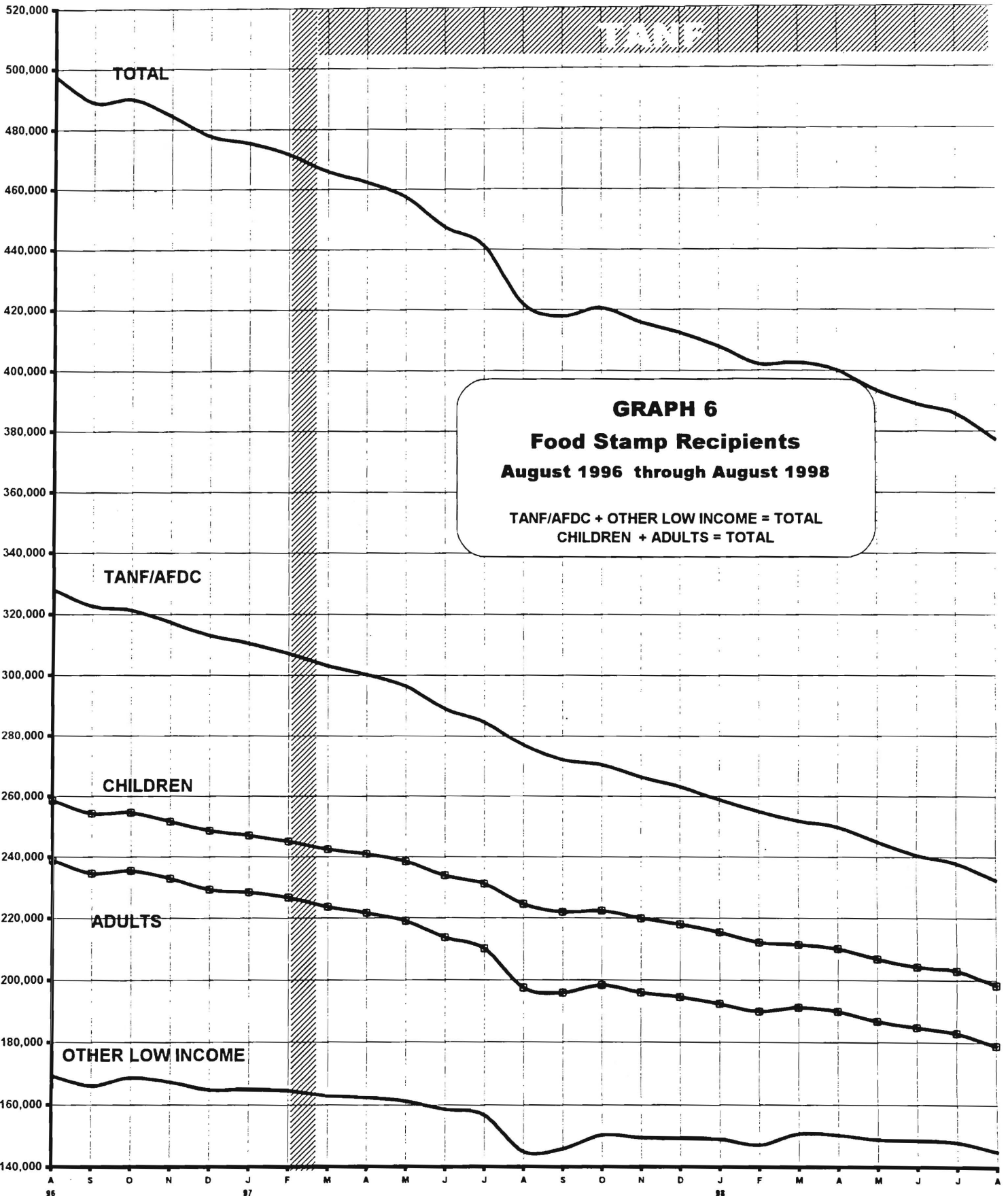


Table 7

NUMBER OF ELIGIBLE FAMILIES RECEIVING EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE PAYMENTS

TANF/AFDC

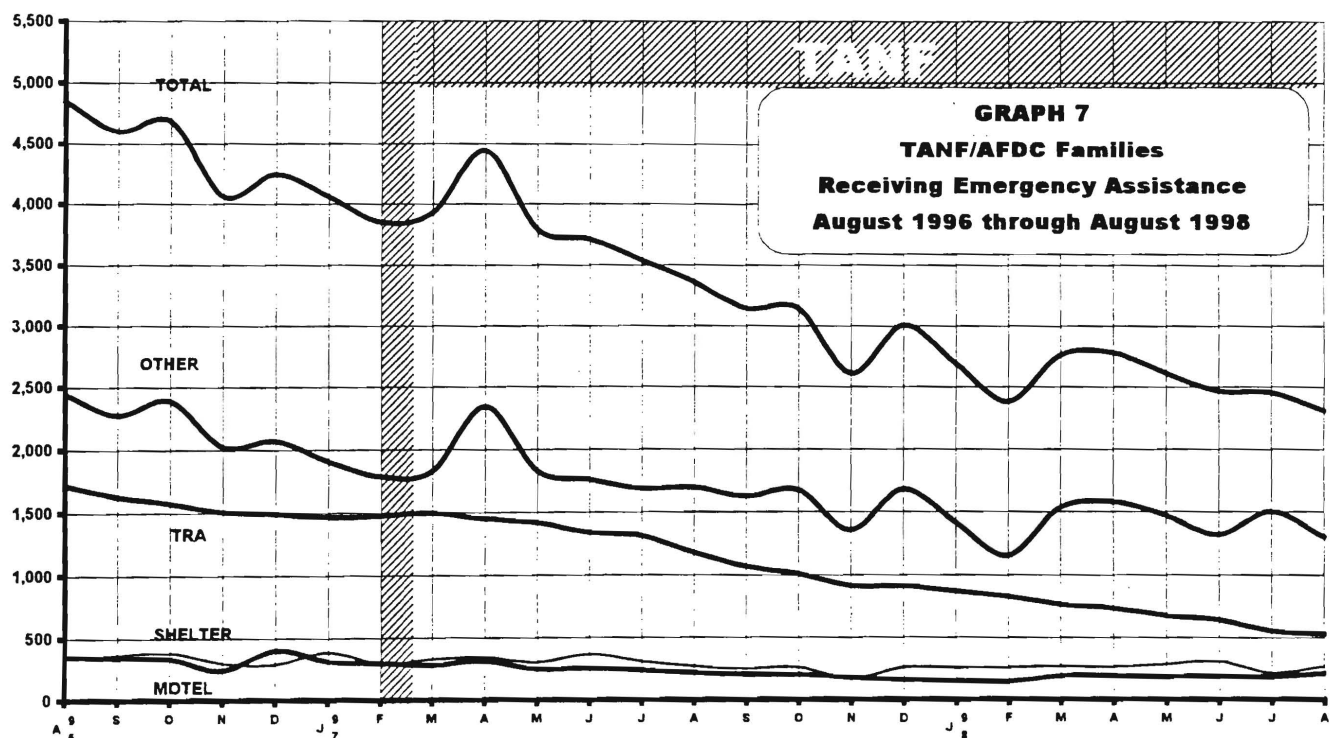
(UNDUPLICATED CASES)

EMERGENCY
ASSISTANCE

August 1996 through August 1998

| | | Total Families Receiving EA | Temporary Rental Assistance | Motel Housing | Emergency Shelter | Other TANF/AFDC-EA |
|--------------|--------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|
| AFDC 1996 | AUG | 4,845 | 1,716 | 346 | 339 | 2,444 |
| | SEP | 4,600 | 1,625 | 337 | 362 | 2,276 |
| | OCT | 4,683 | 1,576 | 334 | 385 | 2,388 |
| | NOV | 4,059 | 1,507 | 237 | 294 | 2,021 |
| | DEC | 4,244 | 1,492 | 400 | 286 | 2,066 |
| | AVERAGE (12 mos.) | 4,751 | 1,698 | 320 | 345 | 2,388 |
| TANF 1997 | JAN | 4,059 | 1,462 | 310 | 382 | 1,905 |
| | FEB | 3,847 | 1,473 | 296 | 292 | 1,786 |
| | MAR | 3,926 | 1,494 | 278 | 327 | 1,827 |
| | APR | 4,440 | 1,447 | 309 | 342 | 2,342 |
| | MAY | 3,788 | 1,416 | 250 | 298 | 1,824 |
| | JUN | 3,711 | 1,336 | 251 | 365 | 1,759 |
| | JUL | 3,538 | 1,308 | 238 | 306 | 1,686 |
| | AUG | 3,360 | 1,181 | 217 | 269 | 1,693 |
| | SEP | 3,140 | 1,069 | 202 | 250 | 1,619 |
| | OCT | 3,142 | 1,009 | 201 | 259 | 1,673 |
| | NOV | 2,606 | 909 | 172 | 171 | 1,354 |
| | DEC | 3,003 | 910 | 160 | 256 | 1,677 |
| | AVERAGE | 3,547 | 1,251 | 240 | 293 | 1,762 |
| 1998 | JAN | | | Not Available | | |
| | FEB | 2,378 | 826 | 140 | 259 | 1,153 |
| | MAR | 2,758 | 765 | 191 | 271 | 1,531 |
| | APR | 2,779 | 730 | 203 | 265 | 1,581 |
| | MAY | <u>2,611</u> | 676 | 184 | 284 | <u>1,467</u> |
| | JUN | <u>2,464</u> | 644 | 191 | 313 | <u>1,316</u> |
| | JUL | <u>2,452</u> | 554 | 183 | 215 | <u>1,500</u> |
| | AUG | 2,305 | 528 | 209 | 268 | 1,300 |
| | AVERAGE | 2,535 | 675 | 186 | 268 | 1,407 |

Note: Data underlined and in italics is revised



Data derived from NJ Division of Family Development FAMIS Report #FM457 and #FM430-03a.

Table 8

TANF PARTICIPATION RATES

Rates Are Currently Unavailable

Participation rates are being recalculated based
on new Federal clarification of the formula to be
utilized.

Graph 8

TANF PARTICIPATION RATES

Currently Unavailable Pending Revision of Participation Rates

TABLE 9 **NUMBER OF EMPLOYABLE AND UNEMPLOYABLE RECIPIENTS**
GENERAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM **AND EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE PAYMENTS DURING REPORT MONTH**
April 1996 through April 1998

| PROGRAM | | All Persons Aided | | | Emergency Assistance Payments | | |
|---------|---------|-------------------|--------------|--------|-------------------------------|-------------|-------|
| | | Employable | Unemployable | Total | Temporary Rental Assistance | Other GA-EA | Total |
| 1996 | APR | 23,028 | 11,221 | 34,249 | 4,490 | 2,944 | 7,434 |
| | MAY | 22,657 | 11,054 | 33,711 | 4,064 | 2,947 | 7,011 |
| | JUN | 20,785 | 10,667 | 31,452 | 4,283 | 2,716 | 6,999 |
| | JUL | 20,546 | 10,282 | 30,828 | 3,754 | 2,922 | 6,676 |
| | AUG | 20,416 | 10,552 | 30,968 | 3,958 | 2,448 | 6,406 |
| | SEP | 19,895 | 10,741 | 30,636 | 3,905 | 2,597 | 6,502 |
| | OCT | 19,310 | 10,514 | 29,824 | 3,894 | 2,728 | 6,622 |
| | NOV | 20,019 | 10,508 | 30,527 | 3,662 | 2,166 | 5,828 |
| | DEC | 19,582 | 10,369 | 29,951 | 3,725 | 2,574 | 6,299 |
| | AVERAGE | 21,291 | 10,678 | 31,969 | 4,100 | 2,723 | 6,823 |
| 1997 | JAN | 19,562 | 10,809 | 30,371 | 4,182 | 3,029 | 7,211 |
| | FEB | 20,274 | 10,607 | 30,881 | 3,994 | 2,807 | 6,801 |
| | MAR | 20,467 | 10,678 | 31,145 | 4,167 | 2,907 | 7,074 |
| | APR | 20,612 | 11,305 | 31,917 | 4,184 | 2,930 | 7,114 |
| | MAY | 18,938 | 10,758 | 29,696 | 4,137 | 2,789 | 6,926 |
| | JUN | 18,218 | 10,913 | 29,131 | 3,850 | 2,580 | 6,430 |
| | JUL | 17,823 | 10,908 | 28,731 | 4,174 | 2,872 | 7,046 |
| | AUG | 17,505 | 10,685 | 28,190 | 3,884 | 2,377 | 6,261 |
| | SEP | 17,441 | 10,506 | 27,947 | 3,906 | 2,415 | 6,321 |
| | OCT | 17,441 | 10,442 | 27,883 | 3,889 | 2,722 | 6,611 |
| | NOV | 16,827 | 10,272 | 27,099 | 3,851 | 2,535 | 6,386 |
| | DEC | 16,627 | 10,517 | 27,144 | 4,046 | 2,362 | 6,408 |
| | AVERAGE | 18,478 | 10,700 | 29,178 | 4,022 | 2,694 | 6,716 |
| 1998 | JAN | 16,749 | 10,226 | 26,975 | 3,951 | 2,219 | 6,170 |
| | FEB | 17,460 | 10,102 | 27,562 | 3,936 | 2,295 | 6,231 |
| | MAR | 17,914 | 10,492 | 28,406 | 4,009 | 2,581 | 6,590 |
| | APR | 17,990 | 10,322 | 28,312 | 3,925 | 2,583 | 6,508 |
| | AVERAGE | 17,528 | 10,286 | 27,814 | 3,955 | 2,420 | 6,375 |

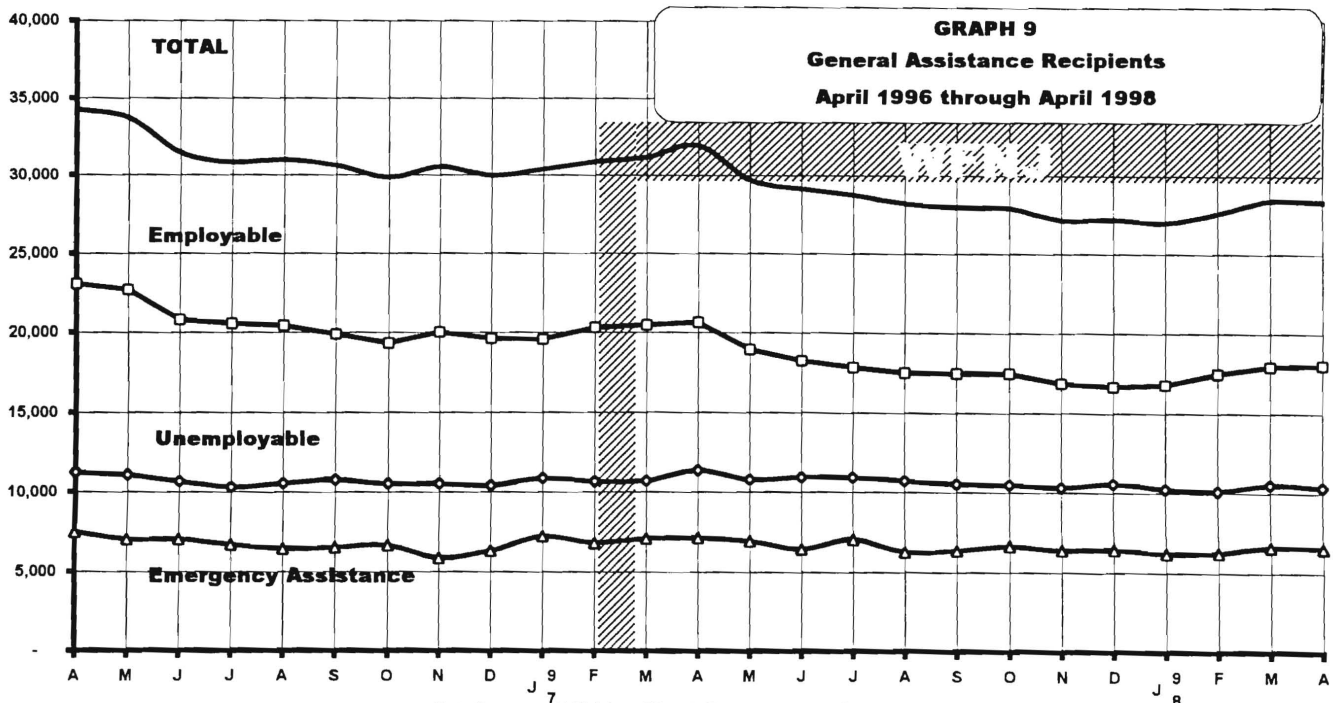


TABLE 10**CHILD SUPPORT
AND PATERNITY****CHILD SUPPORT AND PATERNITY COLLECTIONS****State Summary**

Comparison of FFY 1997 and FFY 1998

| COLLECTION SOURCE | 10/96-6/97 | 10/97-6/98 | % change |
|-------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------|
| AFDC & FOSTER CARE | | | |
| Federal Tax | \$18,992,137 | \$16,763,222 | -11.74% |
| State Tax | 1,113,887 | 650,116 | -41.64% |
| Unempl. Ins. Ben. | 4,167,256 | 3,121,375 | -25.10% |
| Income Withholding | 30,830,260 | 26,005,016 | -15.65% |
| Other/Own Behalf | 14,238,422 | 12,762,382 | -10.37% |
| From Other States | 3,192,076 | 3,041,256 | -4.72% |
| For Other States | 6,484,438 | 5,587,375 | -13.83% |
| TOTAL COLLECTION | \$79,018,476 | \$67,930,742 | -14.03% |
| TOTAL DISTRIBUTION | \$76,849,532 | \$66,435,267 | -13.55% |
| NON- AFDC | | | |
| Federal Tax | \$8,533,287 | \$8,151,770 | -4.47% |
| State Tax | 1,582,807 | 1,224,590 | -22.63% |
| Unempl. Ins. Ben. | 13,331,787 | 12,140,612 | -8.93% |
| Income Withholding | 208,719,286 | 228,942,606 | 9.69% |
| Other/Own Behalf | 101,154,836 | 104,676,459 | 3.48% |
| From Other States | 18,846,181 | 23,174,187 | 22.96% |
| For Other States | 22,679,339 | 23,961,318 | 5.65% |
| TOTAL COLLECTION | \$374,847,523 | \$402,271,542 | 7.32% |
| TOTAL DISTRIBUTION | \$367,805,594 | \$396,385,225 | 7.77% |
| TOTAL | | | |
| Federal Tax | \$27,525,424 | \$24,914,992 | -9.48% |
| State Tax | \$2,696,694 | \$1,874,706 | -30.48% |
| Unempl. Ins. Ben. | \$17,499,043 | \$15,261,987 | -12.78% |
| Income Withholding | \$239,549,546 | \$254,947,622 | 6.43% |
| Other/Own Behalf | \$115,393,258 | \$117,438,841 | 1.77% |
| From Other States | \$22,038,257 | \$26,215,443 | 18.95% |
| For Other States | \$29,163,777 | \$29,548,693 | 1.32% |
| TOTAL COLLECTION | \$453,865,999 | \$470,202,284 | 3.60% |
| TOTAL DISTRIBUTION | \$444,655,126 | \$462,820,492 | 4.09% |

Distributed amount represents collections reported and recognized by the Federal Office of
 Child Support Enforcement for calculating incentives and annual report to Congress
 Source: DFD Office of Child Support and Paternity Programs

Explanatory Notes

The Department of Human Services Division of Family Development provides basic income and an opportunity to achieve self-sufficiency for individuals and families served by the Division's programs. The Division provides leadership, direction and supervision to those public agencies responsible for administering those programs and plans for and develops policies to promote self-sufficiency.

WORK FIRST NEW JERSEY (WFNJ) - Fully implemented July 1, 1997, this is New Jersey's welfare reform program which responds to the requirements of the Federal Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act (PRWORA) of 1996. PRWORA establishes Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (**TANF**) as the replacement for AFDC cash assistance. WFNJ includes two segments, WFNJ/TANF for families with children, and WFNJ/GA (General Assistance) for single adults and couples without dependent children. The emphasis is on achieving self-sufficiency and limits lifetime receipt of financial assistance to a total of five years.

WFNJ Statistical Summary (Table 4)

Recipients Required to Participate - Calculation of the number of mandatory individuals (FAMIS report # FB304).

Employment Directed Activities (EDA) - From Activities Summary Report (OMEGA report # RM064). Unduplicated count of persons participating in Community Work Experience Program (**CWEP**), **All Other Training, or Job Search**.

Number of Persons Employed This Month, Still Receiving TANF - From Activities Summary Report (OMEGA report # RM064).

Participants Receiving Child Care Services - From Issuance Disbursement Summary (OMEGA report # RM703). Total number of active participants who show receipt of **Child Care**.

Number of Persons Closed on FAMIS Due to Employment- From FAMIS report # FM463.

Post TANF and Receiving Child Care - Persons no longer in receipt of TANF but still receiving child care. From Issuance Disbursement Summary (OMEGA report # RM703).

AID TO FAMILIES WITH DEPENDENT CHILDREN (AFDC) - Replaced by WFNJ/TANF July 1, 1997, AFDC provided financial assistance for dependent children and their natural or adoptive parents, or certain other relatives recognized as taking the place of a parent.

Regular AFDC (C Segment) - assistance when only one parent is in the home due to death or absence, or both parents are in the home but at least one is incapacitated.

Two-parent Families:

Unemployed Parents (F Segment) - assistance when both parents are in the home, neither is incapacitated and the primary wage earner meets the federally defined criteria for unemployment.

State AFDC (N Segment) - assistance when both parents are in the home, neither is incapacitated, and the primary wage earner does not meet the federal definition of unemployment.

[Medicaid Only families, who had no longer received AFDC financial assistance but remained eligible for Medicaid under applicable provisions which extended coverage beyond the period of AFDC assistance, are no longer shown in these tables because cash assistance and Medicaid have been de-linked.]

FOOD STAMP PROGRAM (FS) - Authorized by Congress as a nutritional supplement program to provide low income households with more food of greater variety and better nutrition. Program eligibility is based on household income, resources, and expenses for medical, shelter, and dependent care. CWA staff refer certain recipients to the New Jersey Department of Labor for participation in the Food Stamp Employment and Training Program.

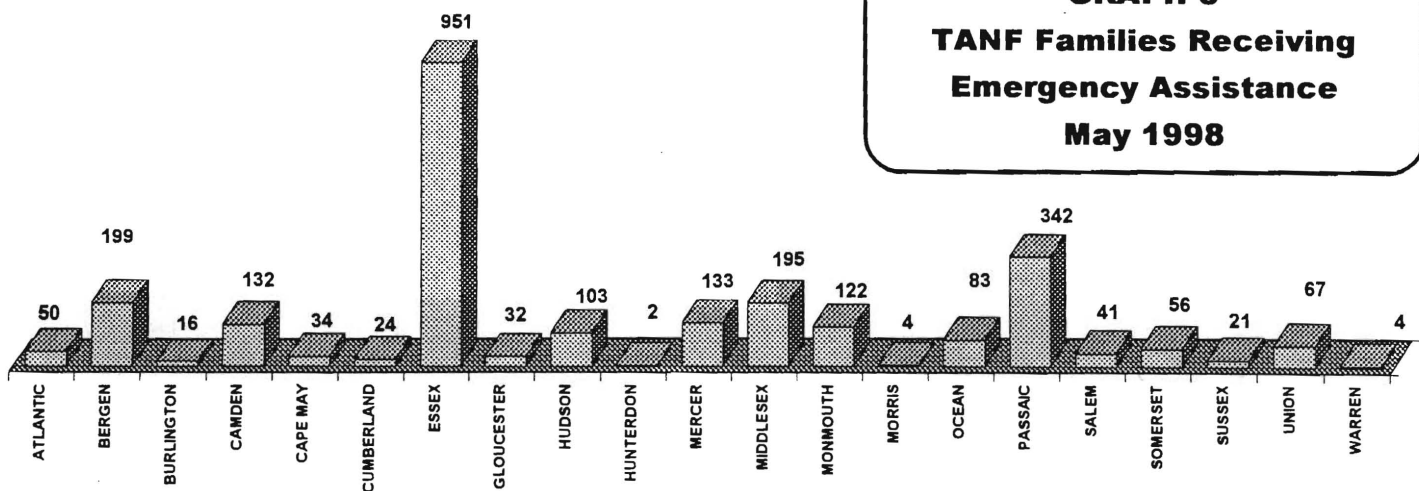
EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE (EA) - Payments to those eligible for WFNJ/TANF or WFNJ/GA, authorized during the 30 consecutive days immediately following the emergency (defined as a substantial loss of shelter, food, clothing, or household furnishings by fire, flood or other similar disaster) or if the eligible individual or family is in an imminent or actual state of homelessness.

Table 3
TANF/SSI**NUMBER OF ELIGIBLE FAMILIES RECEIVING EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE PAYMENTS**
(UNDUPLICATED CASES)**EMERGENCY**
ASSISTANCE

MAY 1998 (revised)

TANF Families Receiving Emergency Assistance**SSI**

| County | TOTAL TANF-EA | Temporary Rental Assist. | Motel Housing | Emergency Shelter | Other TANF-EA | Receipts Receiving EA |
|------------|------------------|-----------------------------|------------------|----------------------|------------------|--------------------------|
| ATLANTIC | 50 | 15 | 7 | 14 | 14 | 13 |
| BERGEN | 199 | 91 | 19 | 28 | 61 | 21 |
| BURLINGTON | 16 | 0 | 1 | 12 | 3 | 1 |
| CAMDEN | 132 | 26 | 1 | 14 | 91 | 16 |
| CAPE MAY | 34 | 9 | 4 | 0 | 21 | 1 |
| CUMBERLAND | 24 | 0 | 2 | 10 | 12 | 4 |
| ESSEX | <u>951</u> | 353 | 18 | 88 | <u>492</u> | 26 |
| GLOUCESTER | <u>32</u> | 18 | 0 | 11 | <u>3</u> | 8 |
| HUDSON | 103 | 23 | 6 | 7 | 67 | 6 |
| HUNTERDON | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| MERCER | 133 | 53 | 14 | 6 | 60 | 3 |
| MIDDLESEX | <u>195</u> | 20 | 24 | 23 | <u>128</u> | 34 |
| MONMOUTH | <u>122</u> | 36 | 12 | 4 | <u>70</u> | 1 |
| MORRIS | <u>4</u> | 0 | 0 | 0 | <u>4</u> | 7 |
| OCEAN | 83 | 8 | 44 | 5 | 26 | 26 |
| PASSAIC | 342 | 3 | 5 | 26 | 308 | 31 |
| SALEM | 41 | 5 | 13 | 2 | 21 | 3 |
| SOMERSET | 56 | 4 | 2 | 17 | 33 | 4 |
| SUSSEX | 21 | 4 | 8 | 3 | 6 | 0 |
| UNION | 67 | 8 | 2 | 12 | 45 | 18 |
| WARREN | 4 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| NJ TOTAL | <u>2,611</u> | 676 | 184 | 284 | <u>1,467</u> | 225 |

GRAPH 3
TANF Families Receiving
Emergency Assistance
May 1998

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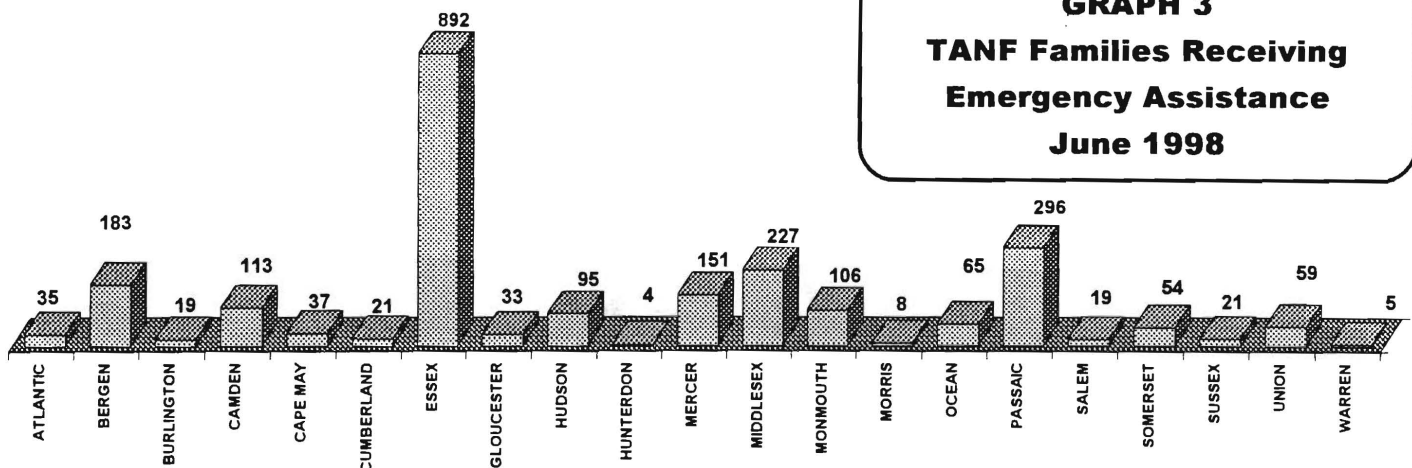
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(UNDUPLICATED CASES)**EMERGENCY**
ASSISTANCE

JUNE 1998 (revised)

TANF Families Receiving Emergency Assistance**SSI**

| County | TOTAL TANF-EA | Temporary Rental Assist. | Motel Housing | Emergency Shelter | Other TANF-EA | Recipients Receiving EA |
|-----------------|---------------------|-----------------------------|------------------|----------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|
| ATLANTIC | <u>35</u> | 4 | 8 | 4 | <u>19</u> | 7 |
| BERGEN | <u>183</u> | 70 | 15 | 26 | <u>72</u> | 28 |
| BURLINGTON | <u>19</u> | 0 | 0 | 11 | <u>8</u> | 2 |
| CAMDEN | <u>113</u> | 21 | 2 | 13 | <u>77</u> | 19 |
| CAPE MAY | <u>37</u> | 10 | 4 | 1 | <u>22</u> | 6 |
| CUMBERLAND | <u>21</u> | 1 | 1 | 7 | <u>12</u> | 5 |
| ESSEX | <u>892</u> | 363 | 43 | 133 | <u>353</u> | 9 |
| GLOUCESTER | <u>33</u> | 16 | 0 | 10 | <u>7</u> | 11 |
| HUDSON | <u>95</u> | 21 | 8 | 17 | <u>49</u> | 12 |
| HUNTERDON | <u>4</u> | 0 | 0 | 2 | <u>2</u> | 3 |
| MERCER | <u>151</u> | 57 | 10 | 4 | <u>80</u> | 5 |
| MIDDLESEX | <u>227</u> | 25 | 33 | 13 | <u>156</u> | 36 |
| MONMOUTH | <u>106</u> | 33 | 16 | 0 | <u>57</u> | 3 |
| MORRIS | <u>8</u> | 0 | 0 | 1 | <u>7</u> | 8 |
| OCEAN | <u>65</u> | 4 | 28 | 3 | <u>30</u> | 22 |
| PASSAIC | <u>296</u> | 3 | 1 | 22 | <u>270</u> | 55 |
| SALEM | <u>19</u> | 3 | 6 | 0 | <u>10</u> | 5 |
| SOMERSET | <u>54</u> | 4 | 5 | 22 | <u>23</u> | 2 |
| SUSSEX | <u>21</u> | 4 | 8 | 6 | <u>3</u> | 2 |
| UNION | <u>59</u> | 5 | 1 | 18 | <u>35</u> | 10 |
| WARREN | <u>5</u> | 0 | 2 | 0 | <u>3</u> | 1 |
| NJ TOTAL | <u>2,464</u> | 644 | 191 | 313 | <u>1,316</u> | 251 |

GRAPH 3
TANF Families Receiving
Emergency Assistance
June 1998

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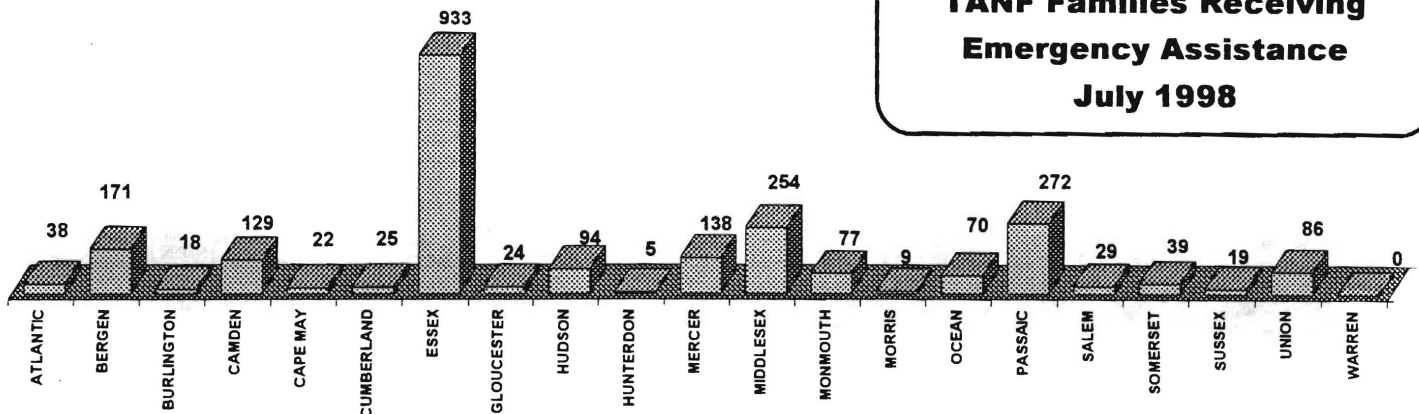
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(UNDUPLICATED CASES)**EMERGENCY**
ASSISTANCE

JULY 1998 (revised)

TANF Families Receiving Emergency Assistance**SSI**

| County | TOTAL TANF-EA | Temporary Rental Assist. | Motel Housing | Emergency Shelter | Other TANF-EA | Receipients Receiving EA |
|-----------------|---------------------|-----------------------------|------------------|----------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------|
| ATLANTIC | 38 | 4 | 8 | 7 | 19 | 2 |
| BERGEN | <u>171</u> | 51 | 14 | 27 | <u>79</u> | 19 |
| BURLINGTON | 18 | 0 | 0 | 11 | 7 | 3 |
| CAMDEN | <u>129</u> | 20 | 2 | 16 | <u>91</u> | 25 |
| CAPE MAY | 22 | 8 | 3 | 0 | 11 | 6 |
| CUMBERLAND | <u>25</u> | 1 | 0 | 8 | <u>16</u> | 4 |
| ESSEX | 933 | 343 | 69 | 37 | 484 | 19 |
| GLOUCESTER | 24 | 6 | 0 | 10 | 8 | 17 |
| HUDSON | 94 | 16 | 1 | 10 | 67 | 8 |
| HUNTERDON | 5 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 4 | 3 |
| MERCER | 138 | 43 | 8 | 2 | 85 | 20 |
| MIDDLESEX | 254 | 25 | 23 | 30 | 176 | 50 |
| MONMOUTH | 77 | 17 | 0 | 0 | 60 | 1 |
| MORRIS | <u>9</u> | 0 | 0 | 5 | <u>4</u> | 7 |
| OCEAN | 70 | 4 | 31 | 4 | 31 | 24 |
| PASSAIC | <u>272</u> | 2 | 2 | 13 | <u>255</u> | 40 |
| SALEM | 29 | 3 | 9 | 0 | 17 | 2 |
| SOMERSET | 39 | 3 | 1 | 14 | 21 | 3 |
| SUSSEX | 19 | 3 | 8 | 1 | 7 | 5 |
| UNION | 86 | 5 | 4 | 19 | 58 | 12 |
| WARREN | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| NJ TOTAL | <u>2,452</u> | 554 | 183 | 215 | <u>1,500</u> | 270 |

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TANF Families Receiving
Emergency Assistance
July 1998

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