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DATE April 3, 2003

TO Gwendolyn L. Harris  
Commissioner

FROM Pearl Elias, Acting Director  
Division of Family Development

SUBJECT CURRENT PROGRAM STATISTICS



Attached please find *Current Program Statistics* for December 2002. Included are TANF-oriented and Food Stamps data, General Assistance data, and the WFNJ Statistical Summary.

Some items of interest include:

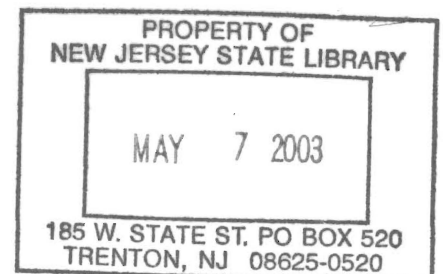
- The TANF caseload continues to decline. Since December of 2001 there has been a decrease of 4.4%.
- Food Stamp households increased by 6,790 since December 2001.
- For GA, recipient figures reported are for December 2002, which are 15.1% above December 2001.

Should you have any questions regarding this report, please do not hesitate to call me at 6-2000, David Karwoski at 6-2273, or Janet Taylor at 6-2277.

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**CURRENT PROGRAM STATISTICS**

December 2002

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## Highlights of **CURRENT PROGRAM STATISTICS**

### **WFNJ/TANF**

(Tables 1 and 5, Graphs 1 and 4)

As of December 2002, 42,158 eligible families in New Jersey were receiving WFNJ/TANF cash assistance:

- 40,631 single head of household families
- 1,527 two-parent families.

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

Essex — 11,854, Hudson — 5,914, Camden — 4,558, Passaic — 3,212, Union — 2,560

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

- 40 families in Hunterdon County to 2,380 in Mercer County,  
with ten counties below 1000 families

There were 6,138 fewer eligible WFNJ/TANF families receiving cash assistance in December 2002 than in December 2000, a decline of 12.7 percent.

- **Single head families:** 6,088 below two years ago in December 2000, a drop of 13.0%.
- **Two parent families:** decreased by 50 or 0.3 percent from December 2000.

### **FOOD STAMP PROGRAM**

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

As of report month of December 2002, 141,930 households participated in the Food Stamp Program.

- **TANF:** 31,056 households with 96,061 persons.
- **Other low income:** 110,874 households with 205,974 persons.
- **Total persons:** 302,035, including 147,681 adults and 154,354 children
- **By County:** 54.4 percent of the households were in:
 

Essex	29,172
Hudson	20,339
Passaic	15,189
Camden	12,500

Two years ago in December 2000, 135,583 households participated in Food Stamps in New Jersey. Over the next two years the number increased by 6,347 or 4.7 percent, to 141,930 by December 2002.

- **TANF(FS)** households steadily declined by **4,309** from **35,365** in December 2000 to **31,056** two years later. There were **100,218 Other Low Income** households in December 2000 and **10,656** more two years later.
- **Total FS Recipients:** were **296,742** in December 2000, and increased to **302,035** by December 2002, an increase of **5,293, or 1.8 percent.**
- **Adult FS Recipients:** increased from **145,037** in December 2000 to **147,681** in December 2002, an increase of **2,644 (1.8 percent).**
- **Recipient FS Children:** increased by **2,649 (1.7 percent),** from **151,705** in December 2000 to **154,354** in December 2002.

## **EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE**

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

In December 2002 Emergency Assistance (EA) payments were made for 3,169 eligible TANF families and 668 SSI recipients in New Jersey. For TANF families this included payments for:

- **Temporary Rental Assistance (TRA)** for **436** families
- **Motel** placements for **577** families and **emergency shelter** placements for **450** families
- **All other TANF-EA** for **1,706** families (including back rent, back utilities, security deposits, furnishings, clothing and food allowance, or transitional housing)
- **798** families in **Essex** County, **458** in **Mercer** County, **304** in **Monmouth** County, **194** in **Passaic**.

In the past two years, the number of EA payments for TANF families increased from 1,841 in December 2000 to 3,169 in December 2002.

- TRA payments were **13.8 %** of the total EA Families in December 2002.
- Motel payments were up from two years ago.; **272** to **577**.

## **TANF PARTICIPATION RATES**

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(Table 8, Graph 8)

The TANF participation rate for December 2002 was 33.32% for the State as a whole. This is an increase of 1.38 percentage points from November 2002.

Participation rates by county:

- Seven counties had a participation rate greater than 40 percent: Mercer, Monmouth, Morris, Salem, Somerset, Sussex, and Warren.

## **GENERAL ASSISTANCE**

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(Table 9, Graph 9)

There were 27,473 GA recipients in December 2002, up from 23,861 in December 2001.

- There were 14,963 Employable GA and 12,510 Unemployable GA recipients in December 2002.

## **CHILD SUPPORT AND PATERNITY**

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(Table 10)

For FFY 2003, the **total collection** of the Child Support and Paternity Program was **\$216,015,904**, an increase of over **11 percent** over the same period for **FFY 2002**.

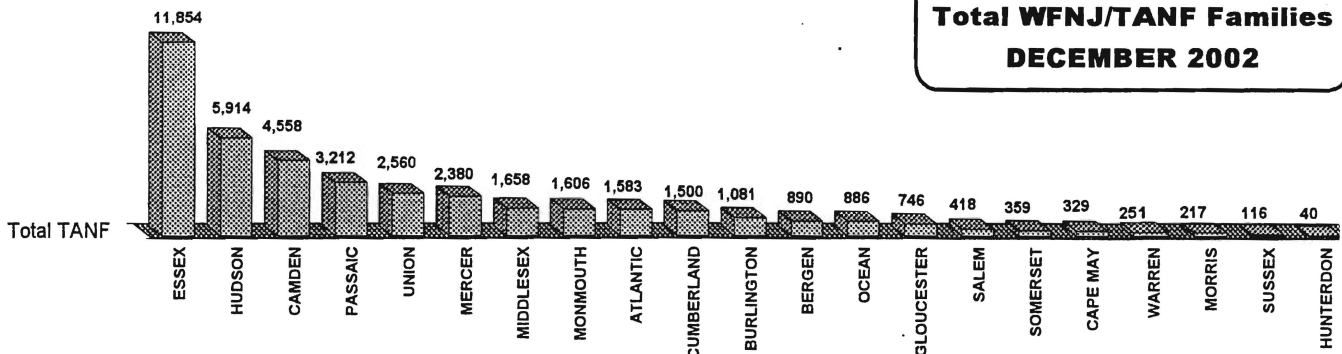
**Table 1**  
**WFNJ/TANF**  
**PROGRAM**

**NUMBER OF APPLICATIONS AND TERMINATIONS DURING REPORT MONTH, AND**  
**NUMBER OF ELIGIBLE FAMILIES RECEIVING WFNJ/TANF FOR THE REPORT MONTH**

**DECEMBER 2002**

County	Applications Approved	Terminations	Single Head Families	Two Parent Families	Total WFNJ/TANF
ATLANTIC	182	103	1,531	52	1,583
BERGEN	82	72	823	67	890
BURLINGTON	139	85	1,038	43	1,081
CAMDEN	464	362	4,359	199	4,558
CAPE MAY	51	39	301	28	329
CUMBERLAND	242	113	1,410	90	1,500
ESSEX	1,036	752	11,557	297	11,854
GLOUCESTER	82	72	707	39	746
HUDSON	340	348	5,710	204	5,914
HUNTERDON	6	4	38	2	40
MERCER	201	178	2,295	85	2,380
MIDDLESEX	186	159	1,603	55	1,658
MONMOUTH	163	128	1,554	52	1,606
MORRIS	22	23	204	13	217
OCEAN	100	86	842	44	886
PASSAIC	259	242	3,098	114	3,212
SALEM	74	35	398	20	418
SOMERSET	43	38	346	13	359
SUSSEX	20	4	112	4	116
UNION	225	174	2,479	81	2,560
WARREN	28	30	226	25	251
<b>NJ TOTAL</b>	<b>3,945</b>	<b>3,047</b>	<b>40,631</b>	<b>1,527</b>	<b>42,158</b>

**GRAPH 1**  
**Total WFNJ/TANF Families**  
**DECEMBER 2002**



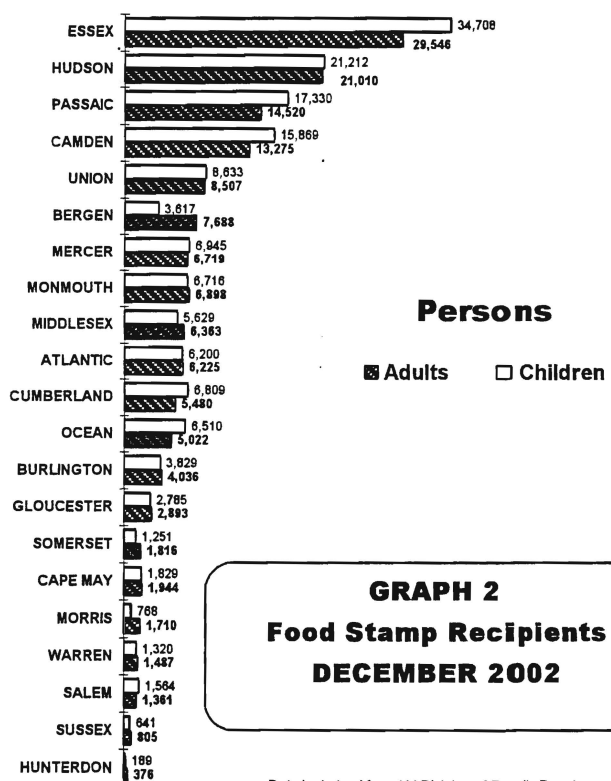
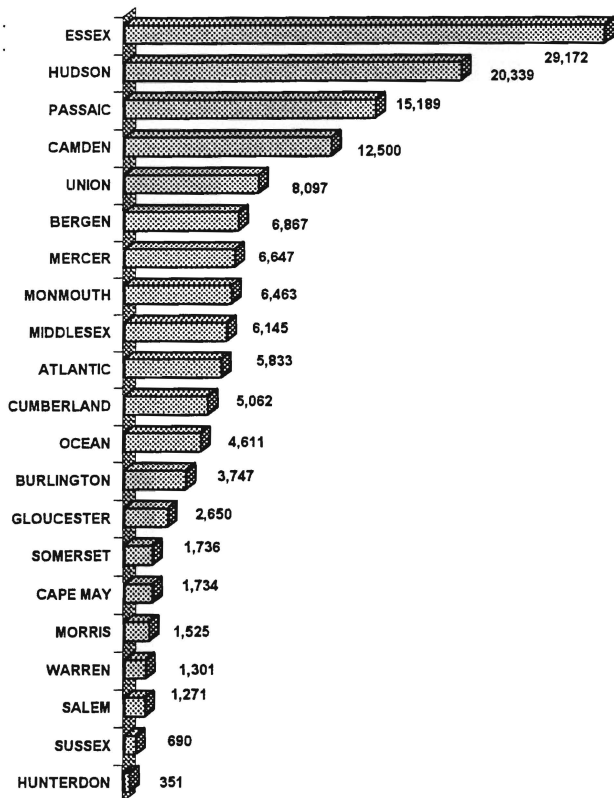
Applications Approved are derived from NJ DFD FAMIS report #FF-012 and Terminations are derived from NJ DFD FAMIS report #0037US, while Single Head Families and Two Parent Families are derived from NJ DFD Ad Hoc Group Special Reports

**Table 2** NUMBER OF PARTICIPATING HOUSEHOLDS, PERSONS, ADULTS AND CHILDREN FOR THE REPORT MONTH

**FOOD STAMP PROGRAM**

**DECEMBER 2002**

County	HOUSEHOLDS			PERSONS				
	WFNJ/TANF	Other low income	TOTAL	TOTAL	WFNJ/TANF	Other low income	Adults	Children
ATLANTIC	990	4,843	5,833	12,425	3,081	9,344	6,225	6,200
BERGEN	600	6,267	6,867	11,305	1,689	9,616	7,688	3,617
BURLINGTON	616	3,131	3,747	7,865	1,889	5,976	4,036	3,829
CAMDEN	3,267	9,233	12,500	29,144	10,590	18,554	13,275	15,869
CAPE MAY	247	1,487	1,734	3,773	748	3,025	1,944	1,829
CUMBERLAND	1,096	3,966	5,062	12,289	3,542	8,747	5,480	6,809
ESSEX	9,317	19,855	29,172	64,254	28,964	35,290	29,546	34,708
GLOUCESTER	493	2,157	2,650	5,678	1,538	4,140	2,893	2,785
HUDSON	4,674	15,665	20,339	42,222	13,958	28,264	21,010	21,212
HUNTERDON	20	331	351	565	54	511	376	189
MERCER	1,664	4,983	6,647	13,664	5,118	8,546	6,719	6,945
MIDDLESEX	1,186	4,959	6,145	11,992	3,384	8,608	6,363	5,629
MONMOUTH	1,241	5,222	6,463	13,614	3,921	9,693	6,898	6,716
MORRIS	123	1,402	1,525	2,478	354	2,124	1,710	768
OCEAN	554	4,057	4,611	11,532	1,716	9,816	5,022	6,510
PASSAIC	2,479	12,710	15,189	31,850	7,662	24,188	14,520	17,330
SALEM	285	986	1,271	2,925	897	2,028	1,361	1,564
SOMERSET	192	1,544	1,736	3,067	606	2,461	1,816	1,251
SUSSEX	80	610	690	1,446	220	1,226	805	641
UNION	1,739	6,358	8,097	17,140	5,501	11,639	8,507	8,633
WARREN	193	1,108	1,301	2,807	629	2,178	1,487	1,320
NJ TOTAL	31,056	110,874	141,930	302,035	96,061	205,974	147,681	154,354



**GRAPH 2**  
**Food Stamp Recipients**  
**DECEMBER 2002**

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

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

County	WFNJ/TANF Families Receiving Emergency Assistance					SSI Recipients Receiving EA*
	TOTAL WFNJ/TANF-EA	Temporary Rental Assist.	Motel Housing	Emergency Shelter	Other WFNJ/TANF-EA	
ATLANTIC	105	1	47	10	47	30
BERGEN	141	12	39	28	62	76
BURLINGTON	87	0	9	31	47	22
CAMDEN	166	20	36	29	81	22
CAPE MAY	29	5	11	0	13	18
CUMBERLAND	46	3	2	4	37	13
ESSEX	798	110	73	227	388	97
GLOUCESTER	21	1	5	3	12	9
HUDSON	282	35	54	16	177	27
HUNTERDON	1	0	0	0	1	5
MERCER	458	161	28	1	268	91
MIDDLESEX	180	8	26	19	127	67
MONMOUTH	304	49	151	0	104	28
MORRIS	9	1	1	2	5	3
OCEAN	69	11	36	5	17	20
PASSAIC	194	1	8	27	158	62
SALEM	81	5	13	2	61	11
SOMERSET	45	0	7	11	27	29
SUSSEX	26	3	1	5	17	12
UNION	116	10	26	28	52	22
WARREN	11	0	4	2	5	4
<b>NJ TOTAL</b>	<b>3,169</b>	<b>436</b>	<b>577</b>	<b>450</b>	<b>1,706</b>	<b>668</b>

\*SSI-EA now includes pay code 24

**GRAPH 3**  
**WFNJ/TANF Families Receiving**  
**Emergency Assistance**  
**DECEMBER 2002**

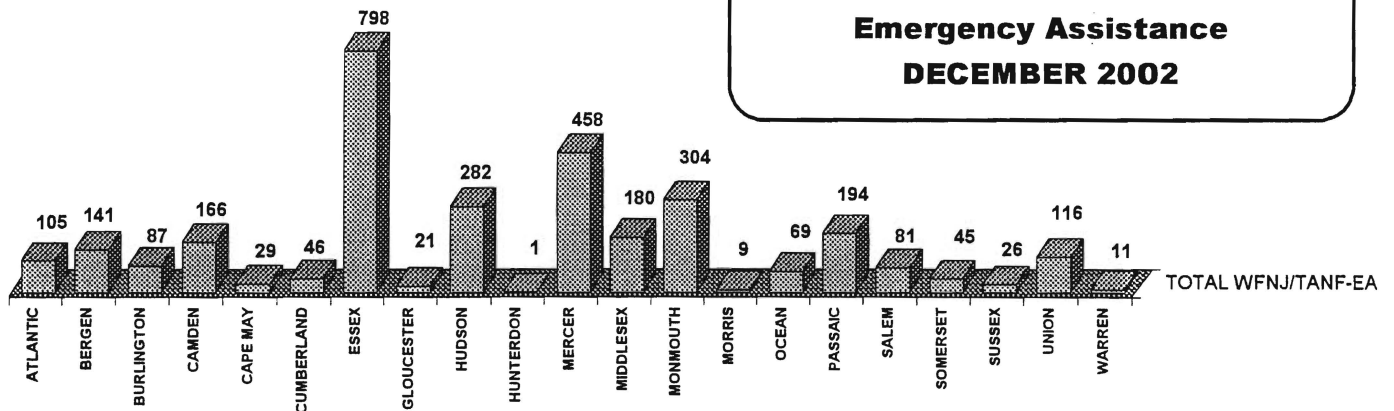


Table 4

## WORK FIRST NEW JERSEY STATISTICAL SUMMARY

## WFNJ

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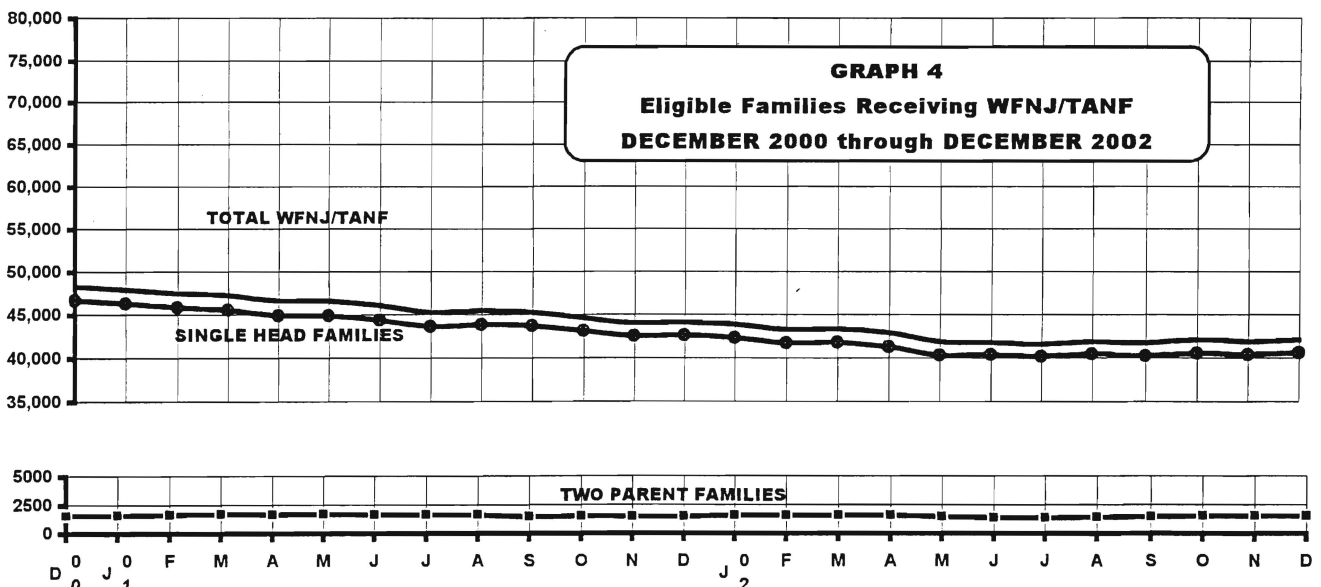
COUNTY	CASES REQUIRED TO PARTICIPATE	EMPLOYMENT DIRECTED ACTIVITIES			EMPLOYED OPEN (WFNJ RECIPIENT)	SUPPORT SERVICES ON ACTIVE CASE		EMPLOYED CLOSED	POST ASSISTANCE CHILD CARE
		CWEP	ALL OTHER TRAINING	JOB SEARCH		CHILD CARE	TRAINING REL. EXPENSES		
ATLANTIC	718	1	173	18	109	104	135	43	242
BERGEN	414	30	190	44	98	96	92	26	145
BURLINGTON	481	78	49	115	112	84	120	34	214
CAMDEN	2,338	567	485	56	484	480	624	99	748
CAPE MAY	151	4	28	26	32	20	80	10	60
CUMBERLAND	714	2	259	106	82	82	122	46	229
ESSEX	7,081	170	2,440	733	1,621	1,777	1,877	154	946
GLOUCESTER	341	20	27	21	43	44	0	17	131
HUDSON	3,230	32	1,760	182	676	815	1,182	131	740
HUNTERDON	16	0	0	8	2	2	0	4	15
MERCER	1,309	94	930	135	231	255	279	72	276
MIDDLESEX	757	0	134	101	195	82	147	60	206
MONMOUTH	880	23	437	71	238	290	312	56	273
MORRIS	84	48	22	20	23	30	25	7	43
OCEAN	364	21	49	85	75	7	43	22	187
PASSAIC	1,768	53	944	127	276	281	432	71	305
SALEM	207	65	40	43	42	45	57	7	73
SOMERSET	162	17	29	50	53	29	29	2	73
SUSSEX	50	28	3	36	15	18	12	2	42
UNION	1,258	15	616	124	151	222	310	49	274
WARREN	148	1	85	6	32	14	19	12	23
STATE	22,471	1,269	8,700	2,107	4,590	4,777	5,897	924	5,245

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

**Table 5**  
**WFNJ/TANF**  
**PROGRAM**

**NUMBER OF APPLICATIONS AND TERMINATIONS DURING REPORT MONTH, AND**  
**NUMBER OF ELIGIBLE FAMILIES RECEIVING WFNJ/TANF FOR THE REPORT MONTH**  
**DECEMBER 2000 THROUGH DECEMBER 2002**

		Applications Approved	Terminations	Single Head Families	Two Parent Families	Total WFNJ/TANF
<b>2000</b>	DEC	3,505	3,554	46,719	1,577	<b>48,296</b>
<b>2001</b>	JAN	3,767	4,135	46,340	1,578	<b>47,918</b>
	FEB	3,581	3,597	45,912	1,614	<b>47,526</b>
	MAR	3,961	4,422	45,581	1,665	<b>47,246</b>
	APR	3,545	4,099	44,958	1,657	<b>46,615</b>
	MAY	3,588	4,017	44,960	1,659	<b>46,619</b>
	JUN	4,239	4,887	44,426	1,644	<b>46,070</b>
	JUL	3,568	3,862	43,676	1,642	<b>45,318</b>
	AUG	4,674	4,618	43,898	1,604	<b>45,502</b>
	SEP	3,575	4,096	43,207	1,459	<b>44,666</b>
	OCT	4,118	4,515	43,147	1,496	<b>44,643</b>
	NOV	3,692	3,694	42,572	1,482	<b>44,054</b>
	DEC	3,792	3,982	42,615	1,483	<b>44,098</b>
<b>2001 AVERAGE</b>		<b>3,842</b>	<b>4,160</b>	<b>44,274</b>	<b>1,582</b>	<b>45,856</b>
<b>2002</b>	JAN	4,210	4,872	42,369	1,547	<b>43,916</b>
	FEB	3,979	4,061	41,749	1,545	<b>43,294</b>
	MAR	4,737	4,976	41,822	1,587	<b>43,409</b>
	APR	3,746	4,251	41,339	1,566	<b>42,905</b>
	MAY	3,809	3,005	40,400	1,478	<b>41,878</b>
	JUN	4,210	2,824	40,469	1,373	<b>41,842</b>
	JUL	3,754	3,345	40,212	1,371	<b>41,583</b>
	AUG	4,983	2,720	40,479	1,428	<b>41,907</b>
	SEP	3,863	3,230	40,263	1,471	<b>41,734</b>
	OCT	4,215	2,786	40,585	1,526	<b>42,111</b>
	NOV	4,855	2,881	40,412	1,516	<b>41,928</b>
	DEC	3,945	3,047	40,631	1,527	<b>42,158</b>
<b>2002 AVERAGE</b>		<b>4,192</b>	<b>3,500</b>	<b>40,894</b>	<b>1,495</b>	<b>42,389</b>



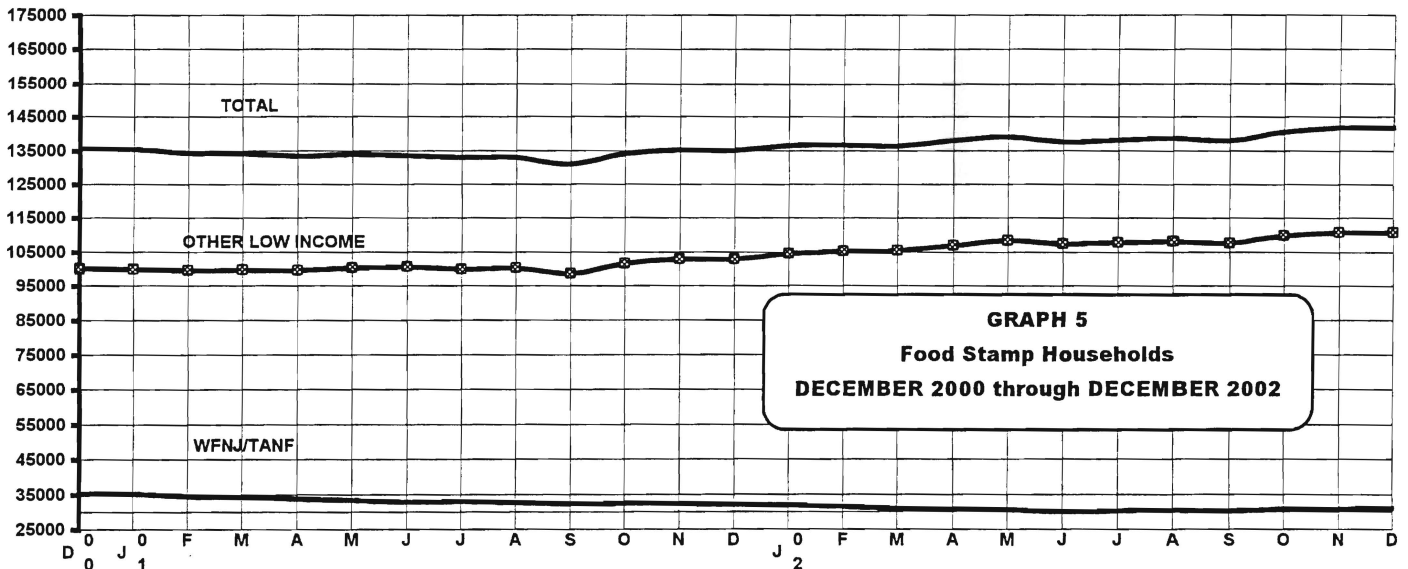
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**Table 6**  
**FOOD STAMP**  
**PROGRAM**

**NUMBER OF PARTICIPATING HOUSEHOLDS, PERSONS, ADULTS**  
**AND CHILDREN FOR THE REPORT MONTH**

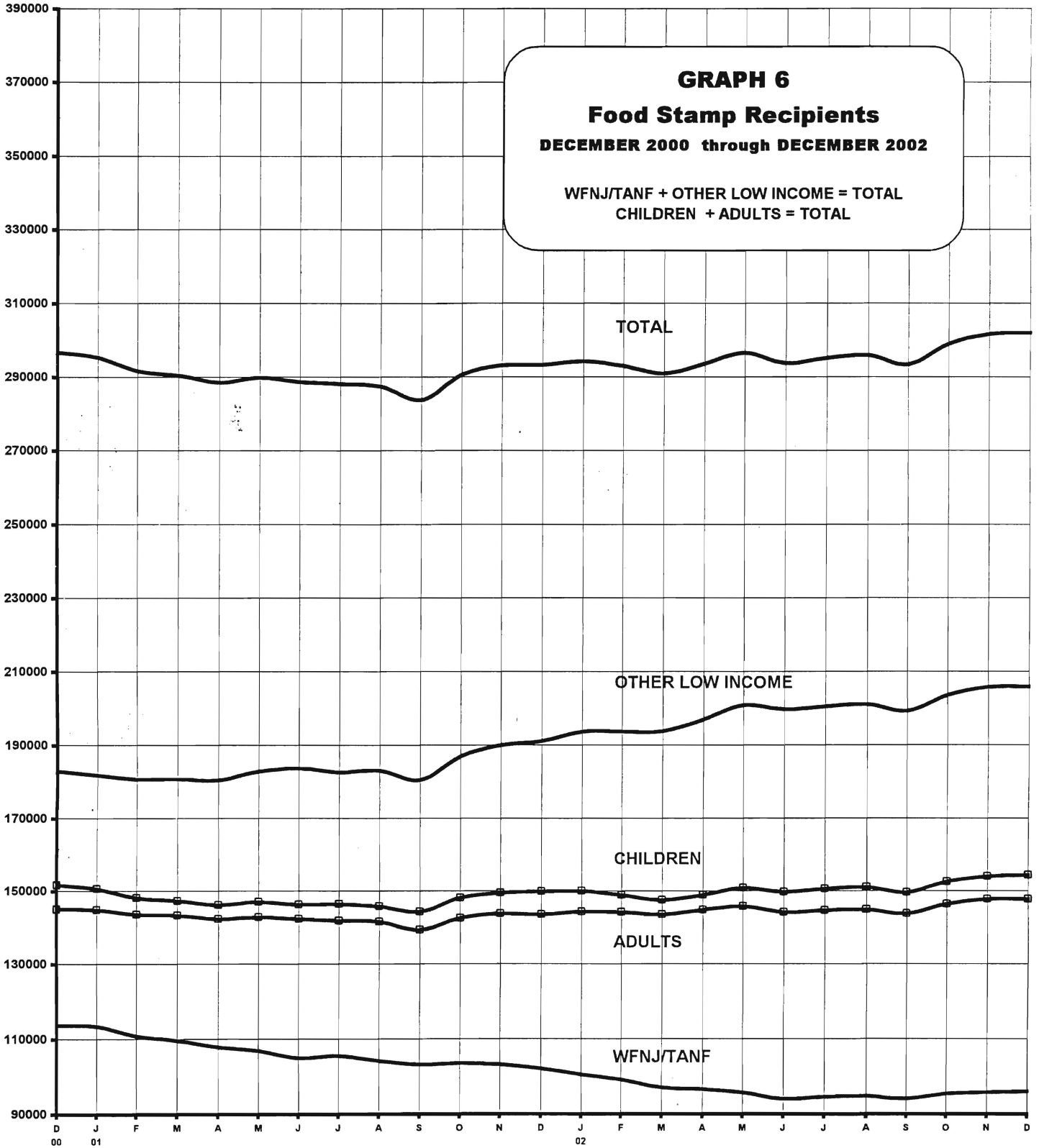
**DECEMBER 2000 THROUGH DECEMBER 2002**

		HOUSEHOLDS			PERSONS				
		WFNJ/TANF	Other low income	TOTAL	TOTAL	WFNJ/TANF	Other low income	Adults	Children
2000	DEC	35,365	100,218	135,583	296,742	113,712	183,030	145,037	151,705
2001	JAN	35,356	100,076	135,432	295,371	113,478	181,893	144,826	150,545
	FEB	34,645	99,641	134,286	291,739	110,908	180,831	143,600	148,139
	MAR	34,300	99,817	134,117	290,519	109,606	180,913	143,294	147,225
	APR	33,764	99,643	133,407	288,516	107,963	180,553	142,389	146,127
	MAY	33,526	100,398	133,924	289,820	107,006	182,814	142,858	146,962
	JUN	32,870	100,720	133,590	288,667	104,982	183,685	142,368	146,299
	JUL	33,035	100,080	133,115	288,205	105,542	182,663	141,811	146,394
	AUG	32,635	100,437	133,072	287,409	104,260	183,149	141,585	145,824
	SEP	32,318	98,729	131,047	283,732	103,226	180,506	139,427	144,305
	OCT	32,548	101,588	134,136	290,663	103,684	186,979	142,571	148,092
	NOV	32,429	102,902	135,331	293,219	103,209	190,010	143,806	149,413
	DEC	32,202	102,938	135,140	293,365	102,203	191,162	143,566	149,799
<b>2001 AVERAGE</b>		<b>33,302</b>	<b>100,581</b>	<b>133,883</b>	<b>290,102</b>	<b>106,339</b>	<b>183,763</b>	<b>142,675</b>	<b>147,427</b>
2002	JAN	31,916	104,672	136,588	294,255	100,609	193,646	144,352	149,903
	FEB	31,545	105,266	136,811	293,013	99,154	193,859	144,150	148,863
	MAR	30,992	105,455	136,447	290,969	97,107	193,862	143,514	147,455
	APR	30,963	106,998	137,961	293,635	96,674	196,961	144,741	148,894
	MAY	30,714	108,426	139,140	296,627	95,727	200,900	145,815	150,812
	JUN	30,154	107,564	137,718	293,857	93,996	199,861	144,132	149,725
	JUL	30,361	107,961	138,322	295,127	94,561	200,566	144,609	150,518
	AUG	30,502	108,327	138,829	295,977	94,794	201,183	144,878	151,099
	SEP	30,353	107,774	138,127	293,409	94,073	199,336	143,850	149,559
	OCT	30,819	109,875	140,694	298,991	95,413	203,578	146,413	152,578
	NOV	30,941	110,923	141,864	301,641	95,829	205,812	147,684	153,957
	DEC	31,056	110,874	141,930	302,035	96,061	205,974	147,681	154,354
<b>2002 AVERAGE</b>		<b>30,860</b>	<b>107,843</b>	<b>138,703</b>	<b>295,795</b>	<b>96,167</b>	<b>199,628</b>	<b>145,152</b>	<b>150,643</b>





**GRAPH 6**  
**Food Stamp Recipients**  
**DECEMBER 2000 through DECEMBER 2002**  
 WFNJ/TANF + OTHER LOW INCOME = TOTAL  
 CHILDREN + ADULTS = TOTAL



**Table 7**  
**TANF**  
**EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE**  
**NUMBER OF ELIGIBLE FAMILIES RECEIVING EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE PAYMENTS**  
**(UNDUPLICATED CASES)**

**DECEMBER 2000 THROUGH DECEMBER 2002**

		Total Families Receiving EA	Temporary Rental Assistance	Motel Housing	Emergency Shelter	Other TANF-EA
2000	DEC	1,841	216	272	349	1,004
2001	JAN	1,954	229	314	387	1,024
	FEB	1,804	226	289	354	935
	MAR	2,052	241	337	356	1,118
	APR	1,843	228	325	270	1,020
	MAY	2,133	236	328	412	1,157
	JUN	2,102	232	368	371	1,131
	JUL	2,188	269	305	394	1,220
	AUG	2,347	245	396	418	1,288
	SEP	2,174	244	357	454	1,119
	OCT	2,636	246	422	474	1,494
	NOV	2,327	268	356	479	1,224
	DEC	2,543	298	452	432	1,361
<b>2001 AVERAGE</b>		<b>2,175</b>	<b>247</b>	<b>354</b>	<b>400</b>	<b>1,174</b>
2002	JAN	2,651	282	542	410	1,417
	FEB	2,265	311	366	338	1,250
	MAR	2,595	296	544	402	1,353
	APR	2,812	330	548	426	1,508
	MAY	2,769	342	419	417	1,591
	JUN	2,615	347	516	406	1,346
	JUL	2,779	351	459	519	1,450
	AUG	2,889	353	515	505	1,516
	SEP	3,030	348	587	466	1,629
	OCT	3,324	380	633	494	1,817
	NOV	3,008	389	482	422	1,715
	DEC	3,169	436	577	450	1,706
<b>2002 AVERAGE</b>		<b>2,826</b>	<b>347</b>	<b>516</b>	<b>438</b>	<b>1,525</b>

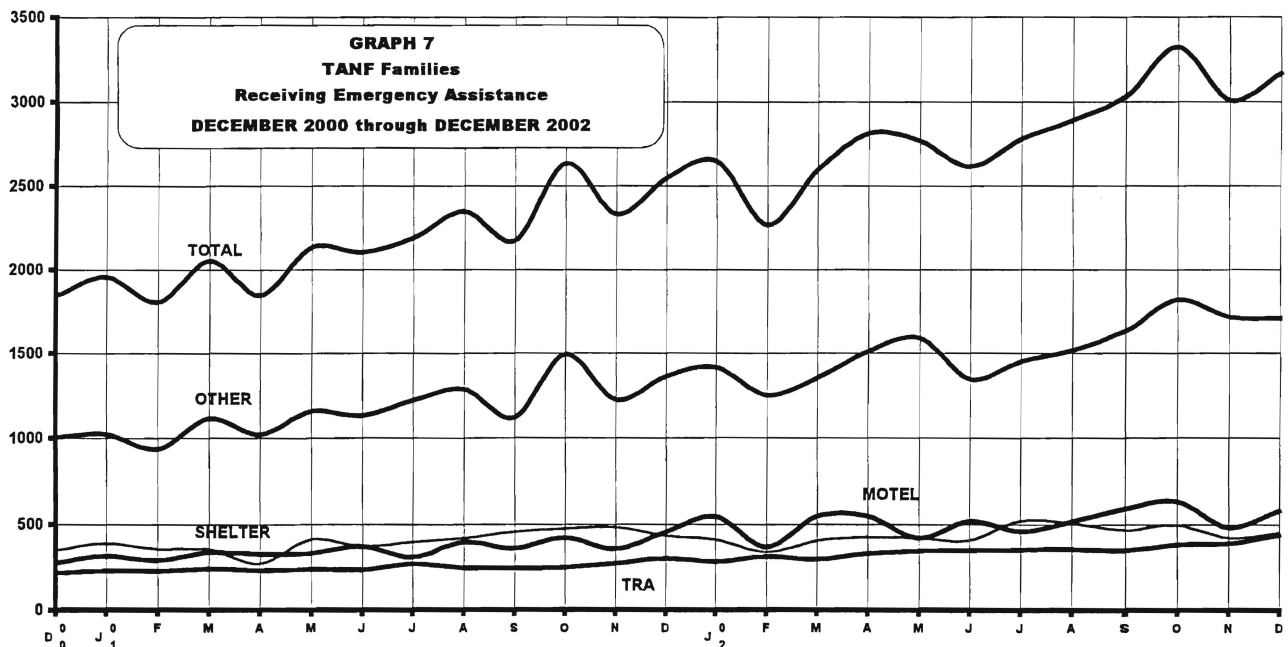


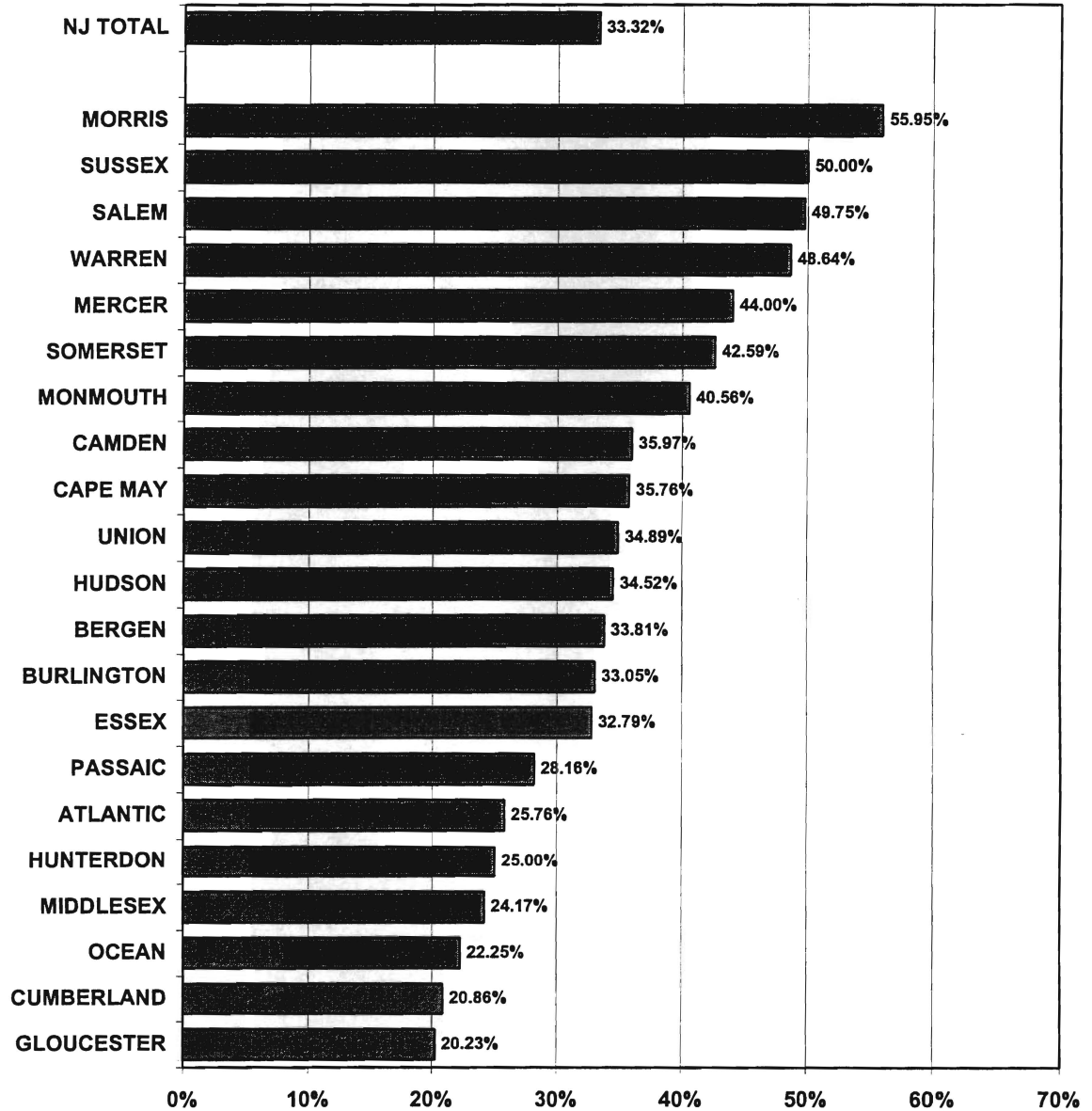
Table 8

<b>TANF PARTICIPATION RATES</b>			
<b>OCTOBER - DECEMBER 2002</b>			
County	October	November	December
ATLANTIC	27.59%	26.43%	25.76%
BERGEN	39.67%	39.28%	33.81%
BURLINGTON	34.81%	35.68%	33.05%
CAMDEN	37.05%	35.63%	35.97%
CAPE MAY	29.10%	33.77%	35.76%
CUMBERLAND	22.76%	21.85%	20.86%
ESSEX	33.92%	34.07%	32.79%
GLOUCESTER	25.21%	20.72%	20.23%
HUDSON	36.83%	35.70%	34.52%
HUNTERDON	20.00%	36.36%	25.00%
MERCER	42.46%	44.59%	44.00%
MIDDLESEX	26.73%	27.07%	24.17%
MONMOUTH	47.70%	42.23%	40.56%
MORRIS	54.54%	54.21%	55.95%
OCEAN	26.06%	28.27%	22.25%
PASSAIC	30.53%	29.05%	28.16%
SALEM	44.00%	47.95%	49.75%
SOMERSET	48.69%	50.83%	42.59%
SUSSEX	35.29%	41.50%	50.00%
UNION	37.64%	38.12%	34.89%
WARREN	40.64%	52.94%	48.64%
<b>NJ TOTAL</b>	<b>35.04%</b>	<b>34.70%</b>	<b>33.32%</b>

Graph 8

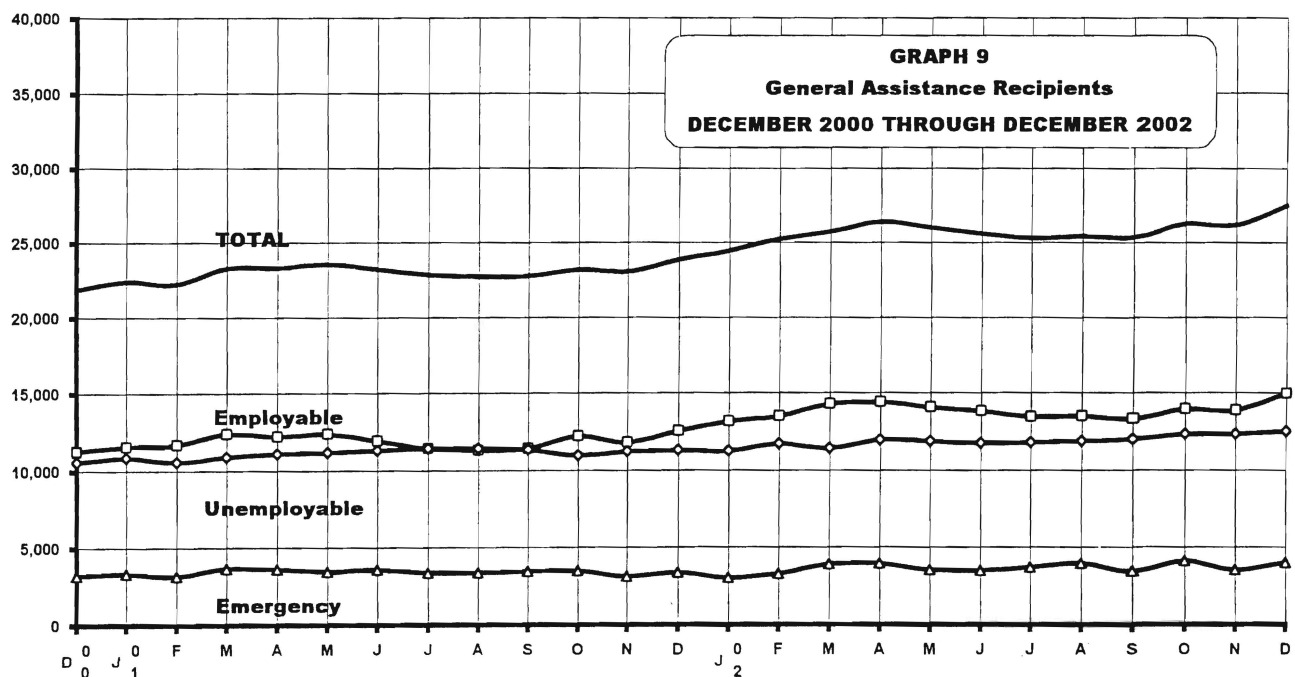
TANF PARTICIPATION RATES

DECEMBER 2002



**TABLE 9** NUMBER OF EMPLOYABLE AND UNEMPLOYABLE RECIPIENTS  
**GENERAL** AND EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE PAYMENTS DURING REPORT MONTH  
**ASSISTANCE** DECEMBER 2000 THROUGH DECEMBER 2002  
**PROGRAM**

PROGRAM	All Persons Aided			Emergency Assistance Payments		
	Employable	Unemployable	Total	Temporary Rental Assistance	Other GA-EA	Total
2000 DEC	11,284	10,568	21,852	1,515	1,701	3,216
2001 JAN	11,572	10,851	22,423	1,426	1,881	3,307
FEB	11,664	10,573	22,237	1,472	1,688	3,160
MAR	12,395	10,891	23,286	1,589	2,076	3,665
APR	12,216	11,107	23,323	1,506	2,098	3,604
MAY	12,404	11,165	23,569	1,472	1,996	3,468
JUN	11,948	11,294	23,242	1,535	2,027	3,562
JUL	11,436	11,428	22,864	1,421	1,949	3,370
AUG	11,320	11,427	22,747	1,397	1,989	3,386
SEP	11,444	11,354	22,798	1,365	2,084	3,449
OCT	12,218	10,979	23,197	1,360	2,118	3,478
NOV	11,823	11,236	23,059	1,363	1,763	3,126
DEC	12,561	11,300	23,861	1,217	2,136	3,353
<b>2001 AVERAGE</b>	<b>11,917</b>	<b>11,134</b>	<b>23,051</b>	<b>1,427</b>	<b>1,984</b>	<b>3,411</b>
2002 JAN	13,197	11,261	24,458	1,428	1,610	3,038
FEB	13,514	11,734	25,248	1,464	1,805	3,269
MAR	14,322	11,430	25,752	1,479	2,433	3,912
APR	14,425	11,982	26,407	1,607	2,348	3,955
MAY	14,115	11,909	26,024	1,548	1,987	3,535
JUN	13,858	11,766	25,624	1,495	1,995	3,490
JUL	13,483	11,820	25,303	1,499	2,208	3,707
AUG	13,533	11,898	25,431	1,517	2,415	3,932
SEP	13,352	12,016	25,368	1,536	1,912	3,448
OCT	13,952	12,332	26,284	1,545	2,575	4,120
NOV	13,880	12,331	26,211	1,595	1,935	3,530
DEC	14,963	12,510	27,473	1,645	2,363	4,008
<b>2002 AVERAGE</b>	<b>13,883</b>	<b>11,916</b>	<b>25,799</b>	<b>1,530</b>	<b>2,132</b>	<b>3,662</b>



**TABLE 10****CHILD SUPPORT  
AND PATERNITY****CHILD SUPPORT AND PATERNITY COLLECTIONS****State Summary****Comparison of FFY 2002 and FFY 2003**

<b>COLLECTION SOURCE</b>	<b>10/01-12/01</b>	<b>10/02-12/02</b>	<b>% change</b>
Federal Tax	\$2,129,651	\$1,028,175	-51.72%
State Tax	2,646,111	1,893,977	-28.42%
Unempl. Ins. Ben.	6,044,612	9,935,747	64.37%
Income Withholding	129,809,780	145,592,934	12.16%
From Other States	9,556,191	10,946,477	14.55%
Other/Own Behalf	44,192,719	46,618,594	5.49%
Admin Enforce			
<b>TOTAL COLLECTION</b>	<b>\$194,379,064</b>	<b>\$216,015,904</b>	<b>11.13%</b>
<b>TOTAL DISTRIBUTION*</b>	<b>\$187,321,329</b>	<b>\$207,260,594</b>	<b>10.64%</b>

\* Includes money sent to other states

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

**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** – Individuals with open "empl" activity on OMEGA. Ad hoc report.

**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).

**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 11**

**GENERAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM**      **EMPLOYABLE AND UNEMPLOYABLE RECIPIENTS AND EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE RECIPIENTS**

**DECEMBER 2002**

County	Employable	Total Persons Aided		Emergency Assistance Payments		
		Unemployable	Total	Temporary Rental Assist.	Other GA-EA	Total
ATLANTIC	742	635	1,377	67	68	135
BERGEN	421	570	991	102	53	155
BURLINGTON	296	420	716	23	63	86
CAMDEN	1,323	1,340	2,663	115	174	289
CAPE MAY	190	155	345	29	29	58
CUMBERLAND	701	524	1,225	0	39	39
ESSEX	3,746	1,698	5,444	290	904	1,194
GLOUCESTER	269	334	603	4	16	20
HUDSON	1,816	1,524	3,340	217	220	437
HUNTERDON	54	72	126	14	26	40
MERCER	1,387	1,007	2,394	178	97	275
MIDDLESEX	339	536	875	61	99	160
MONMOUTH	373	572	945	129	161	290
MORRIS	96	155	251	8	12	20
OCEAN	279	400	679	17	78	95
PASSAIC	1,538	1,204	2,742	206	105	311
SALEM	162	192	354	4	58	62
SOMERSET	98	134	232	34	49	83
SUSSEX	62	74	136	13	34	47
UNION	951	883	1,834	95	65	160
WARREN	120	81	201	39	13	52
TOTAL NJ	14,963	12,510	27,473	1,645	2,363	4,008

Source: NJ Division of Family Development, GA Fiscal Unit

**TABLE 12**

**CHILD SUPPORT  
AND PATERNITY**

**NUMBER OF CASES REMAINING OPEN**

**QUARTER ENDING SEPTEMBER 2002**

	CASES WITH ORDERS			OTHER CASES (1)		TOTAL TANF AND FOSTER CARE	TOTAL NON- TANF	TOTAL ALL CASES
	TANF AND FOSTER CARE	TANF AND FOSTER CARE ARREARS (2)	NON- TANF	TANF AND FOSTER CARE	NON- TANF			
Atlantic	1,085	3,327	8,365	1,313	1,519	5,725	9,884	15,609
Bergen	534	1,616	9,300	524	972	2,674	10,272	12,946
Burlington	839	3,169	10,785	803	1,519	4,811	12,304	17,115
Camden	4,129	13,141	20,187	3,275	4,652	20,545	24,839	45,384
Cape May	226	1,008	2,900	138	177	1,372	3,077	4,449
Cumberland	1,546	5,718	8,932	325	487	7,589	9,419	17,008
Essex	6,297	15,936	30,697	13,012	6,840	35,245	37,537	72,782
Gloucester	587	2,470	6,745	360	814	3,417	7,559	10,976
Hudson	3,054	8,344	19,793	4,216	5,175	15,614	24,968	40,582
Hunterdon	54	216	1,366	36	69	306	1,435	1,741
Mercer	2,359	5,976	11,117	2,053	1,785	10,388	12,902	23,290
Middlesex	1,177	4,589	13,802	1,488	2,291	7,254	16,093	23,347
Monmouth	1,700	4,924	11,323	1,165	1,944	7,789	13,267	21,056
Morris	223	644	4,620	147	312	1,014	4,932	5,946
Ocean	919	3,653	10,544	856	1,339	5,428	11,883	17,311
Passaic	2,634	5,888	15,103	2,743	2,942	11,265	18,045	29,310
Salem	512	1,670	2,889	179	148	2,361	3,037	5,398
Somerset	335	852	4,208	247	317	1,434	4,525	5,959
Sussex	177	363	1,882	76	147	616	2,029	2,645
Union	1,714	6,512	16,262	2,727	4,642	10,953	20,904	31,857
Warren	270	899	2,350	119	108	1,288	2,458	3,746
<b>NJ TOTAL</b>	<b>30,371</b>	<b>90,915</b>	<b>213,170</b>	<b>35,802</b>	<b>38,199</b>	<b>157,088</b>	<b>251,369</b>	<b>408,457</b>

Data Sources: Automated Child Support Enforcement System #CS199-3

(1) - Needing location, paternity, or other services to establish an obligation

(2) - Cases with arrears *only*