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TO Michele K. Guhl
Commissioner

FROM David C. Heins 
Director

SUBJECT CURRENT PROGRAM STATISTICS

Attached please find CURRENT PROGRAM STATISTICS for April 1999. Included are TANF-oriented data, and the WFNJ Statistical Summary. Some items of interest include:

- The TANF caseload continues to decline. Since January of 1999 there has been a decrease of 6.4%.
- The TANF program has been delinked from the Medicaid program, therefore, Medicaid Only cases will no longer be reported.
- Food Stamp households decreased approximately 2,000 from March 1999.
- Due to manual reporting from a number of municipalities, General Assistance recipient numbers are not as current as TANF and Food Stamp data. Recipient figures reported are for January 1999.

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

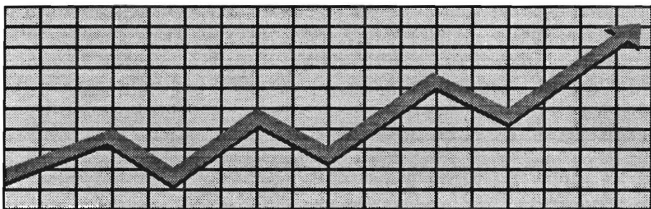
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**April 1999
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Highlights of CURRENT PROGRAM STATISTICS

TANF

(Tables 1 and 5, Graphs 1 and 4)

[The number of single parent families is reduced by the number of companion cases listed for payment on the source table FF-012, to avoid double counting.]

As of the end of April 1999, 60,173 eligible families in New Jersey were receiving TANF cash assistance:

- **58,633** single head of household families
- **1,540** two-parent families.

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

Essex — 18,622, Hudson — 10,246, Camden — 6,331, Passaic — 4,549, Union — 3,771

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

- **37** families in Hunterdon County to **2,686** in Mercer County,
with eight counties below **1000** families

Nearly 1,250 fewer eligible TANF families were receiving cash assistance in April 1999 than in March 1999, with a decline of approximately 36,300, or 38 percent, compared to the number of families receiving cash assistance two years ago in April 1997.

- **Single head families:** over **1,100** fewer were eligible in April 1999 than in March 1999, and **32,800** below two years ago in April 1997, a drop of **36%**.
- **Two parent families:** declined by over **3,500** or **69 percent** from about **5,000** in April 1997.

FOOD STAMP PROGRAM

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

At the end of April 1999, over 155,000 households were authorized to participate in the Food Stamp Program.

- **TANF:** about **54,100** households with **175,100** persons.
- **Other low income:** over **101,100** households with **172,600** persons.
- **Total persons 347,700**, including **167,000** adults and **180,800** children
- **By County:** **58 percent** of the households were in:

Essex	39,500
Hudson	21,800
Camden	14,500
Passaic	14,300

Two years ago in April 1997, 200,853 households were authorized to participate in Food Stamps in New Jersey. Over the next two years the number declined by nearly 45,000, or 22.6 percent, to 155,258 by April 1999.

- **TANF(FS) households steadily declined by over 39,000 from about 93,800 in April 1997 to 54,100 two years later. There were approximately 107,000 Other Low Income households in April 1997 and approximately 5,900 less two years later.**
- **Total FS Recipients Authorized to Participate:** were **462,300** in April 1997, and declined to **347,700** by April 1999, a drop of **114,600, or 24.8 percent.**
- **Adult FS Recipients:** declined from about **221,500** in April 1997 to **167,000** in April 1999, a drop of **54,500 (24.6 percent).**
- **Recipient FS Children:** declined by **60,000 (24.9 percent),** from about **240,800** in April 1997 to **180,800** in April 1999.

EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE

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

In April 1999 Emergency Assistance (EA) payments were made for 1,963 eligible TANF families and 201 SSI recipients in New Jersey. For TANF families this included payments for:

- **Temporary Rental Assistance (TRA) for 327 families**
- **Motel placements for 263 families and emergency shelter placements for 299 families**
- **All other TANF-EA for 1,074 families (including back rent, back utilities, security deposits, furnishings, clothing and food allowance, or transitional housing)**
- **683 families in Essex County, 252 in Passaic County, 174 in Middlesex County and less than 150 TANF families in each of the other counties.**

In the past two years, the average number of EA payments for TANF families was about 3,547 in 1997 and 2,437 for 1998. Payments were made to nearly 45% fewer families in April 1999 as compared to April 1997.

- **TRA payments were approximately 23% of the number in April 1997 .**
- **Motel payments were approximately equal to the number two years ago.**
- **Emergency Shelter payments were approximately equal to the number in April 1997.**
- **Other TANF-EA payments declined by approximately 55 percent from 2,342 in April 1997.**

For 1997 there were an average of 6,700 GA EA recipients, 5,600 for 1998 and 4,083 for January 1999. Of those, GA TRA payments were made to an average of 4,000 recipients in 1997, 3,300 in 1998 and 2,237 for January 1999.

TANF PARTICIPATION RATES

(Table 8, Graph 8)

(Not updated)

The TANF participation rate for September 1998 was 28.67% for the State as a whole. This is an increase of about 1.5 percentage points from August 1998.

Participation rates by county:

- Three counties, **Essex, Gloucester, and Mercer**, were between **22** and **25** percent.
- Eight counties, **Atlantic, Camden, Cape may, Hudson, Hunterdon, Ocean, Union and Warren**, were clustered between **28** and **32** percent.
- Six counties, **Bergen, Burlington, Cumberland, Middlesex, Morris, and Passaic**, were between **33** and **36** percent.
- The four highest counties were **Monmouth, Salem, Somerset and Sussex**, which ranged from **41** to **45** percent.

GENERAL ASSISTANCE

(Table 9, Graph 9)

There were 25,986 GA recipients in January 1999. Total recipients were 30,371 in January 1997 and 26,975 in January 1998.

- There were 15,764 **Employable GA** recipients in January 1999.
- With about 10,200 in January 1999, **Unemployable GA** recipients remained in the 10,000 to 11,000 range over the past two years.

CHILD SUPPORT AND PATERNITY

(Table 10)

(Not updated.)

During FFY 1999, the total distribution of collections of the Child Support and Paternity Program was \$324 million, an increase of 9.1 percent over FFY 1998.

Table 1 NUMBER OF APPLICATIONS AND TERMINATIONS DURING REPORT MONTH, AND
TANF NUMBER OF ELIGIBLE FAMILIES RECEIVING TANF AT END OF REPORT MONTH
PROGRAM **APRIL 1999**

County	Applications Approved	Terminations *	Single Head Families	Two Parent Families	Total TANF
ATLANTIC	136	343	1,498	20	1,518
BERGEN	103	227	1,210	68	1,278
BURLINGTON	187	427	1,206	30	1,236
CAMDEN	573	1,563	6,120	211	6,331
CAPE MAY	84	159	476	37	513
CUMBERLAND	168	731	1,501	109	1,610
ESSEX	1,026	2,163	18,436	186	18,622
GLOUCESTER	158	473	952	31	983
HUDSON	439	1,527	9,916	330	10,246
HUNTERDON	6	43	37	0	37
MERCER	186	737	2,642	44	2,686
MIDDLESEX	200	545	2,112	73	2,185
MONMOUTH	184	256	2,085	38	2,123
MORRIS	29	80	287	12	299
OCEAN	143	480	1,051	62	1,113
PASSAIC	301	488	4,347	202	4,549
SALEM	76	167	355	4	359
SOMERSET	54	150	370	14	384
SUSSEX	29	63	128	3	131
UNION	292	865	3,715	56	3,771
WARREN	28	56	189	10	199
TANF Closings		4,943			
Medicaid Only Closings		6,600			
NJ TOTAL	4,402	11,543*	58,633	1,540	60,173

* During March FAMIS mass change approximately 6600 cases previously identified as Medicaid only are now shown as terminated due to delinking of Medicaid and TANF.

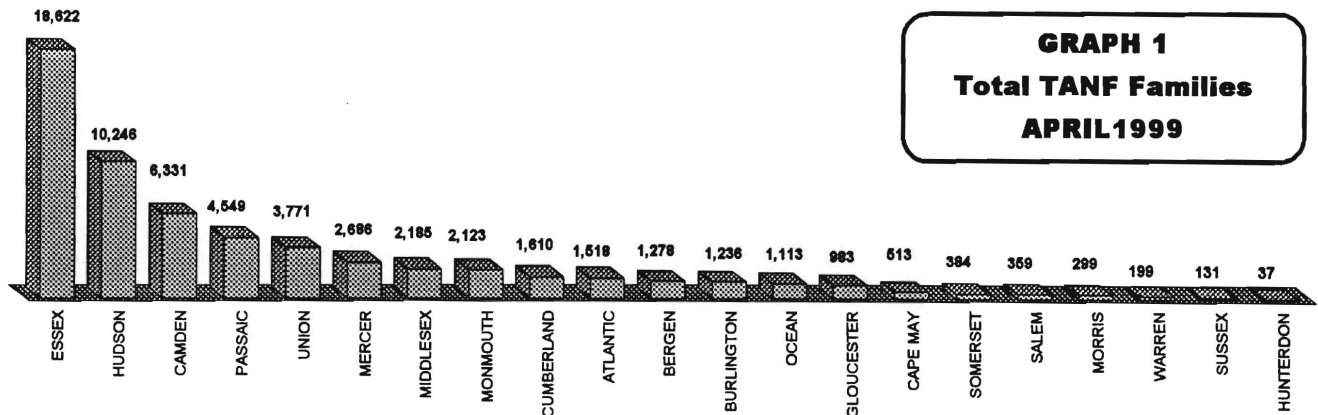
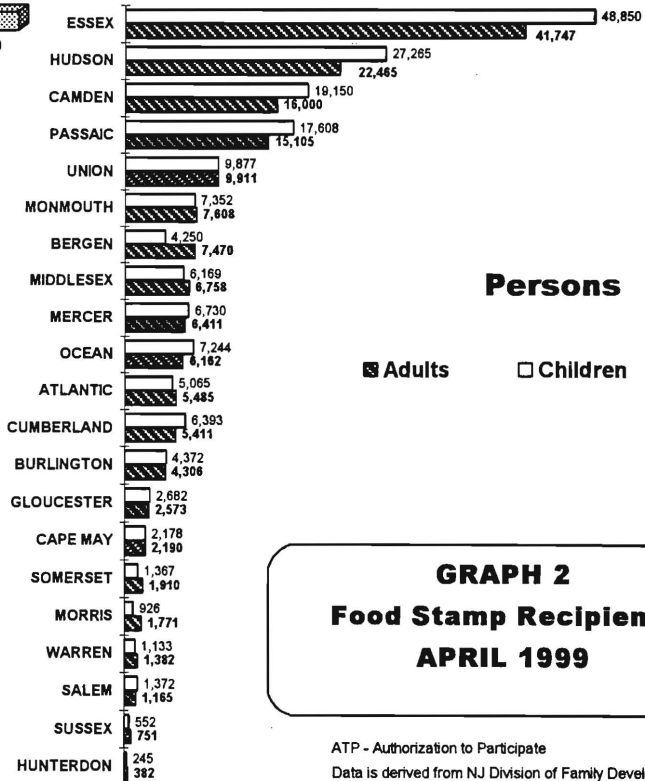
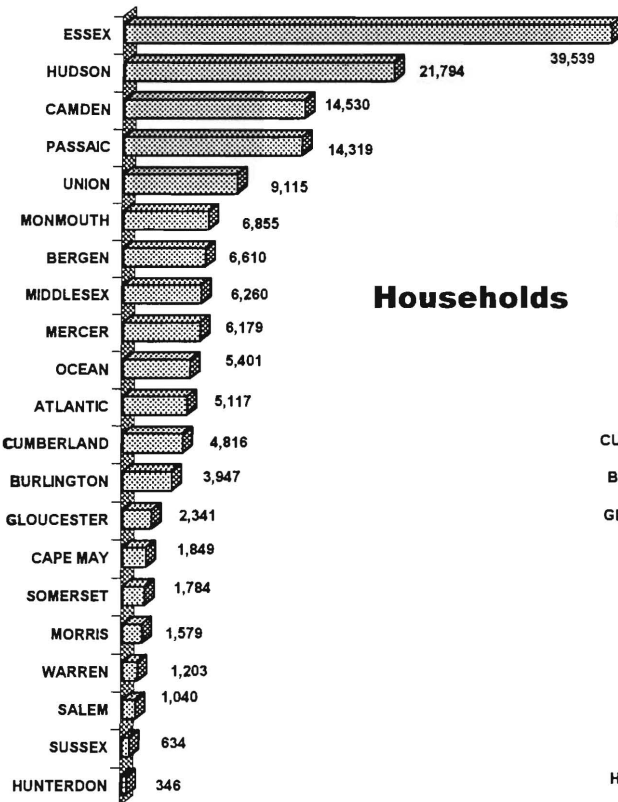


Table 2 NUMBER OF ATP'S ISSUED TO HOUSEHOLDS, PERSONS, ADULTS AND CHILDREN AT THE END OF THE REPORT MONTH

FOOD STAMP PROGRAM

APRIL 1999

County	HOUSEHOLDS			TOTAL	PERSONS			Adults	Children
	TANF	Other	TOTAL		TANF	Other	TOTAL		
		low income				low income			
ATLANTIC	1,202	3,915	5,117	10,550	4,085	6,465	5,485	5,065	
BERGEN	1,134	5,476	6,610	11,720	3,430	8,290	7,470	4,250	
BURLINGTON	993	2,954	3,947	8,678	3,183	5,495	4,306	4,372	
CAMDEN	5,639	8,891	14,530	35,150	19,218	15,932	16,000	19,150	
CAPE MAY	445	1,404	1,849	4,368	1,514	2,854	2,190	2,178	
CUMBERLAND	1,540	3,276	4,816	11,804	5,181	6,623	5,411	6,393	
ESSEX	17,574	21,965	39,539	90,597	56,455	34,142	41,747	48,850	
GLOUCESTER	718	1,623	2,341	5,255	2,282	2,973	2,573	2,682	
HUDSON	9,859	11,935	21,794	49,730	30,728	19,002	22,465	27,265	
HUNTERDON	33	313	346	627	105	522	382	245	
MERCER	2,114	4,065	6,179	13,141	6,741	6,400	6,411	6,730	
MIDDLESEX	1,795	4,465	6,260	12,927	5,659	7,268	6,758	6,169	
MONMOUTH	1,728	5,127	6,855	14,960	5,626	9,334	7,608	7,352	
MORRIS	197	1,382	1,579	2,697	605	2,092	1,771	926	
OCEAN	1,038	4,363	5,401	13,406	3,381	10,025	6,162	7,244	
PASSAIC	4,140	10,179	14,319	32,713	13,860	18,853	15,105	17,608	
SALEM	322	718	1,040	2,537	1,063	1,474	1,165	1,372	
SOMERSET	309	1,475	1,784	3,277	965	2,312	1,910	1,367	
SUSSEX	100	534	634	1,303	304	999	751	552	
UNION	3,067	6,048	9,115	19,788	10,114	9,674	9,911	9,877	
WARREN	195	1,008	1,203	2,515	633	1,882	1,382	1,133	
NJ TOTAL	54,142	101,116	155,258	347,743	175,132	172,611	166,963	180,780	



GRAPH 2
Food Stamp Recipients
APRIL 1999

ATP - Authorization to Participate
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)

TANF/SSI
EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE

APRIL 1999

County	TANF Families Receiving Emergency Assistance					SSI Recipients Receiving EA
	TOTAL TANF-EA	Temporary Rental Assist.	Motel Housing	Emergency Shelter	Other TANF-EA	
ATLANTIC	18	0	1	3	14	11
BERGEN	134	20	29	35	50	26
BURLINGTON	52	1	1	38	12	3
CAMDEN	85	16	1	10	58	13
CAPE MAY	38	18	5	0	15	3
CUMBERLAND	25	0	0	7	18	6
ESSEX	683	193	117	100	273	15
GLOUCESTER	21	8	0	11	2	4
HUDSON	83	14	10	9	50	6
HUNTERDON	2	0	1	0	1	0
MERCER	102	30	7	4	61	8
MIDDLESEX	174	4	28	24	118	30
MONMOUTH	96	8	16	3	69	0
MORRIS	10	0	3	0	7	4
OCEAN	61	3	28	0	30	17
PASSAIC	252	0	3	23	226	34
SALEM	14	0	6	0	8	2
SOMERSET	28	1	3	13	11	3
SUSSEX	17	5	3	2	7	6
UNION	63	6	1	16	40	10
WARREN	5	0	0	1	4	0
NJ TOTAL	1,963	327	263	299	1,074	201

GRAPH 3
TANF Families Receiving
Emergency Assistance
APRIL 1999

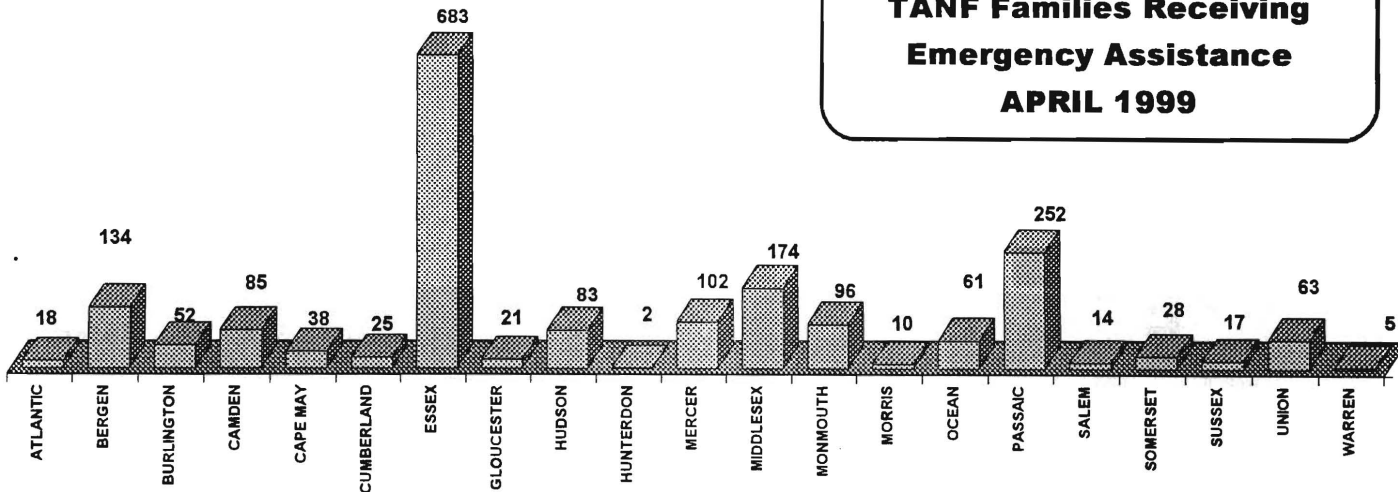


Table 4

WORK FIRST NEW JERSEY STATISTICAL SUMMARY**WFNJ****APRIL 1999**

COUNTY	RECIPIENTS REQUIRED TO PARTICIPATE	EMPLOYMENT DIRECTED ACTIVITIES			EMPLOYED OPEN (TANF RECIPIENT)	SUPPORT SERVICES ON ACTIVE CASE		EMPLOYED CLOSED	POST TANF CHILD CARE
		CWEP	ALL OTHER TRAINING	JOB SEARCH		CHILD CARE	TRAINING REL. EXPENSES		
ATLANTIC	*	3	263	157	**	146	56	65	279
BERGEN	*	27	322	95	**	121	163	40	196
BURLINGTON	*	139	105	287	**	133	128	50	308
CAMDEN	*	230	846	352	**	577	541	145	929
CAPE MAY	*	19	45	98	**	32	8	24	58
CUMBERLAND	*	0	571	554	**	185	261	86	316
ESSEX	*	507	3,690	2,455	**	1,627	2,846	253	606
GLOUCESTER	*	30	55	28	**	54	1	24	185
HUDSON	*	349	2,634	843	**	1,026	1,171	161	773
HUNTERDON	*	2	1	7	**	2	1	2	19
MERCER	*	63	268	537	**	263	150	64	366
MIDDLESEX	*	10	274	187	**	166	280	52	412
MONMOUTH	*	26	442	92	**	380	382	47	469
MORRIS	*	16	22	6	**	35	29	13	80
OCEAN	*	6	93	44	**	85	42	27	346
PASSAIC	*	126	2,115	181	**	480	800	66	311
SALEM	*	50	38	75	**	49	54	23	100
SOMERSET	*	18	43	56	**	28	37	17	99
SUSSEX	*	21	20	16	**	24	17	5	58
UNION	*	191	775	360	**	285	360	87	331
WARREN	*	20	41	4	**	14	7	14	31
STATE	*	1,853	12,663	6,434	**	5,712	7,334	1,265	6,272

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

* Not yet updated ** Not available -- under revision

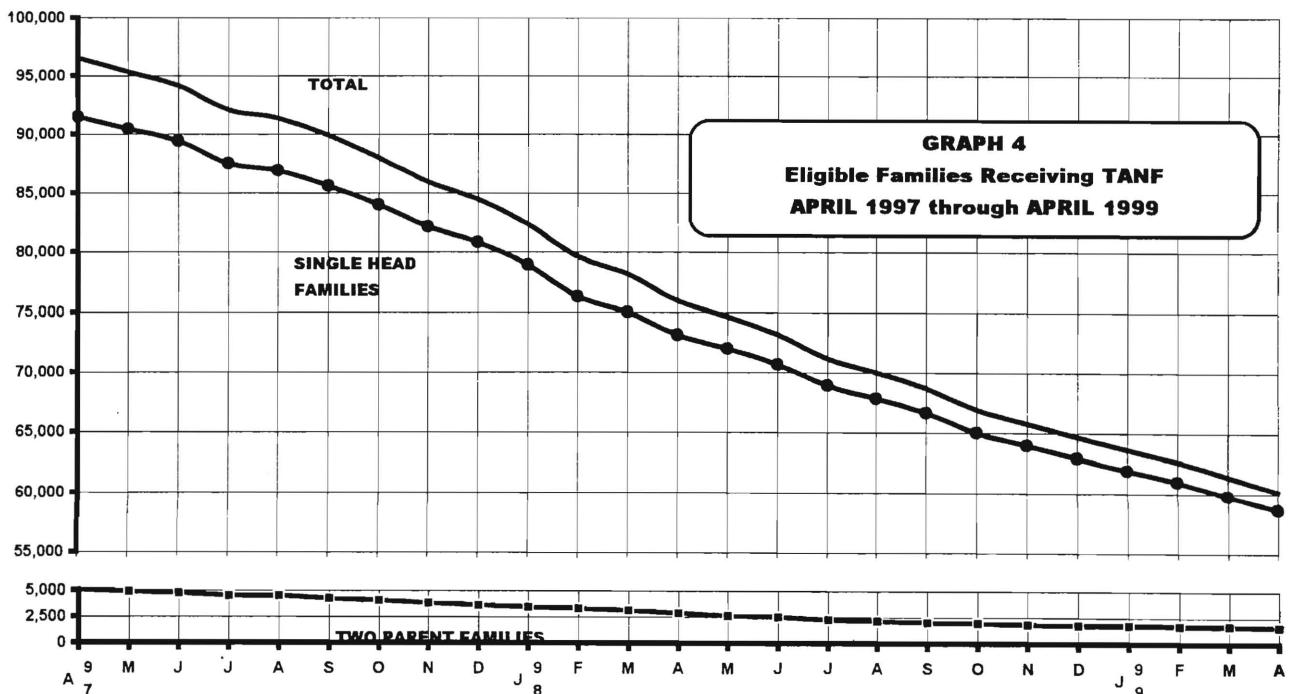
**Table 5
TANF
PROGRAM**

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

APRIL 1997 THROUGH APRIL 1999

	Applications Approved	Terminations	Single Head Families	Two Parent Families	Total TANF	Medicaid Only
1997						
APR	5,172	6,034	91,451	5,049	96,500	4,828
MAY	4,882	6,121	90,445	4,893	95,338	4,851
JUN	4,620	5,760	89,409	4,748	94,157	4,856
JUL	5,240	7,344	87,517	4,522	92,039	4,811
AUG	4,637	5,388	86,880	4,484	91,364	4,860
SEP	5,542	6,982	85,605	4,263	89,868	5,014
OCT	4,488	6,276	83,957	4,045	88,002	5,138
NOV	5,655	7,385	82,097	3,825	85,922	5,554
DEC	3,735	5,113	80,823	3,632	84,455	5,728
12 Mo AVERAGE	5,042	6,279	88,043	4,548	92,591	5,028
1998						
JAN	5,593	7,193	78,898	3,440	82,338	6,313
FEB	4,311	6,924	76,295	3,304	79,599	6,561
MAR	4,875	6,255	75,007	3,127	78,134	6,649
APR	5,646	7,696	73,118	2,862	75,980	6,795
MAY	4,555	5,882	71,955	2,641	74,596	6,845
JUN	4,815	6,156	70,658	2,480	73,138	6,893
JUL	5,403	7,372	68,904	2,261	71,165	6,955
AUG	5,262	6,536	67,846	2,153	69,999	6,969
SEP	4,819	6,271	66,649	2,020	68,669	6,819
OCT	4,337	6,282	64,988	1,922	66,910	6,714
NOV	5,577	6,749	63,944	1,824	65,768	6,773
DEC	4,812	6,105	62,921	1,755	64,676	6,684
AVERAGE	5,000	6,618	70,099	2,482	72,581	6,748
1999						
JAN	4,697	5,832	61,894	1,732	63,626	6,583
FEB	4,369	5,497	60,974	1,711	62,685	6,484
MAR	4,254	5,454	59,760	1,659	61,419	6,642
APR	4,402	11,543*	58,633	1,540	60,173	
AVERAGE	4,431	5,594	60,315	1,661	61,976	6,570

* During March FAMIS mass change approximately 6600 cases previously identified as Medicaid only are now shown as terminated due to delinking of Medicaid and TANF.



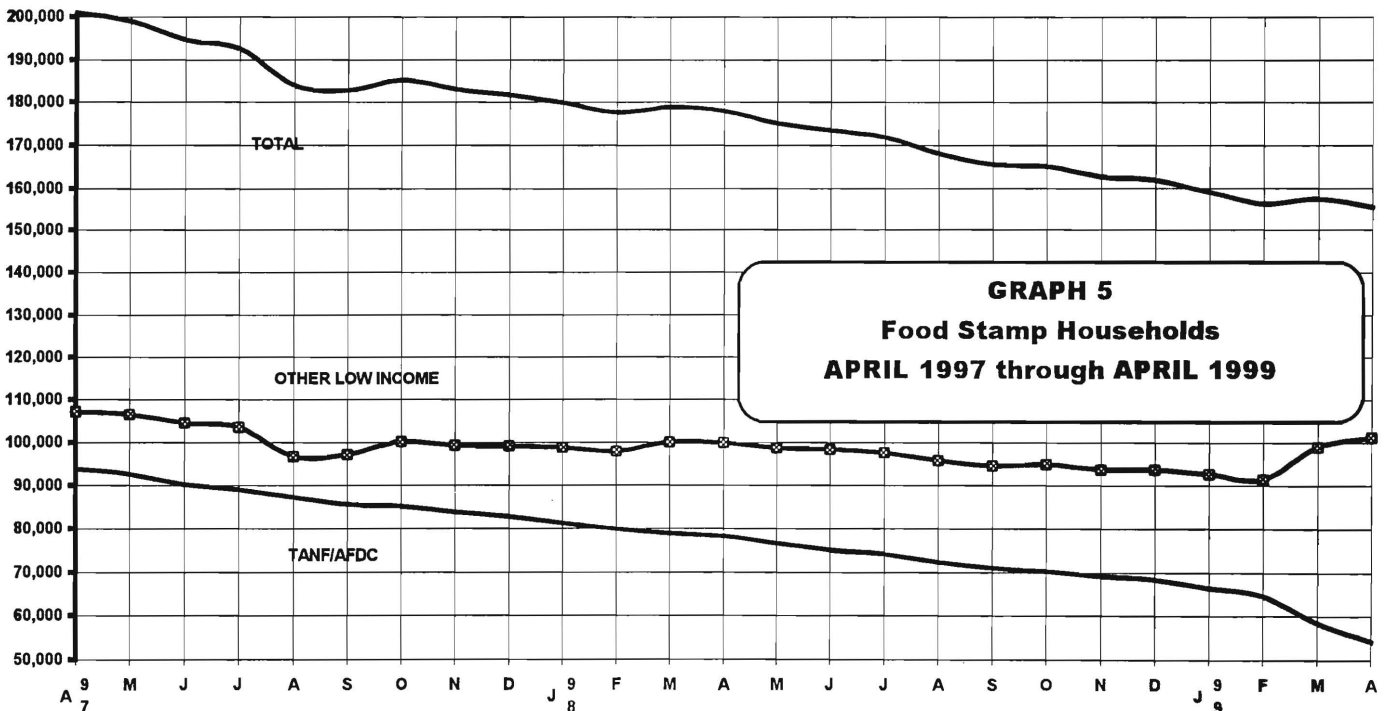
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Table 6
FOOD STAMP
PROGRAM

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

APRIL 1997 THROUGH APRIL 1999

	HOUSEHOLDS			PERSONS				
	TANF	Other low income	TOTAL	TOTAL	TANF	Other low income	Adults	Children
1997								
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
12 MO AVERAGE	89,886	103,185	193,071	442,475	286,617	155,858	210,406	232,069
1998								
JAN	81,137	98,716	179,853	407,812	258,851	148,961	192,412	215,400
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
SEP	70,961	94,555	165,516	371,135	227,718	143,417	175,996	195,139
OCT	70,198	94,817	165,015	369,966	225,450	144,516	175,490	194,476
NOV	68,990	93,595	162,585	365,339	222,224	143,115	173,472	191,867
DEC	68,298	93,592	161,890	364,200	220,428	143,772	173,203	190,997
AVERAGE	74,544	96,927	171,472	385,726	238,918	146,808	182,936	202,790
1999								
JAN	66,293	92,638	158,931	356,851	214,394	142,457	170,388	186,463
FEB	64,593	91,435	156,028	349,747	209,154	140,593	167,648	182,099
MAR	58,380	98,903	157,283	352,558	189,514	163,044	169,279	183,279
APR	54,142	101,116	155,258	347,743	175,132	172,611	166,963	180,780
AVERAGE	60,852	96,023	156,875	351,725	197,049	154,676	168,570	183,155



ATP - Authorization to Participate

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

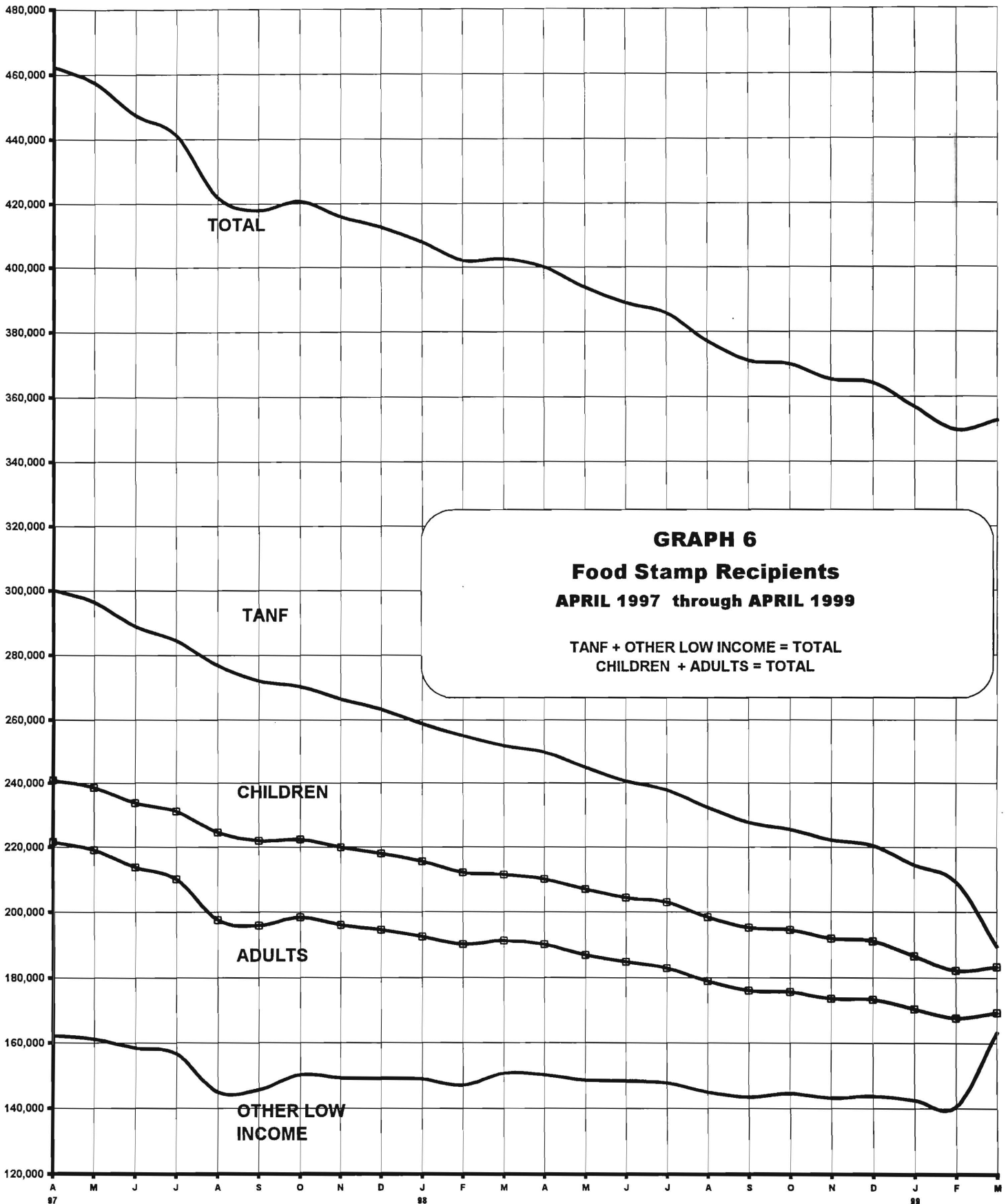


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NUMBER OF ELIGIBLE FAMILIES RECEIVING EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE PAYMENTS

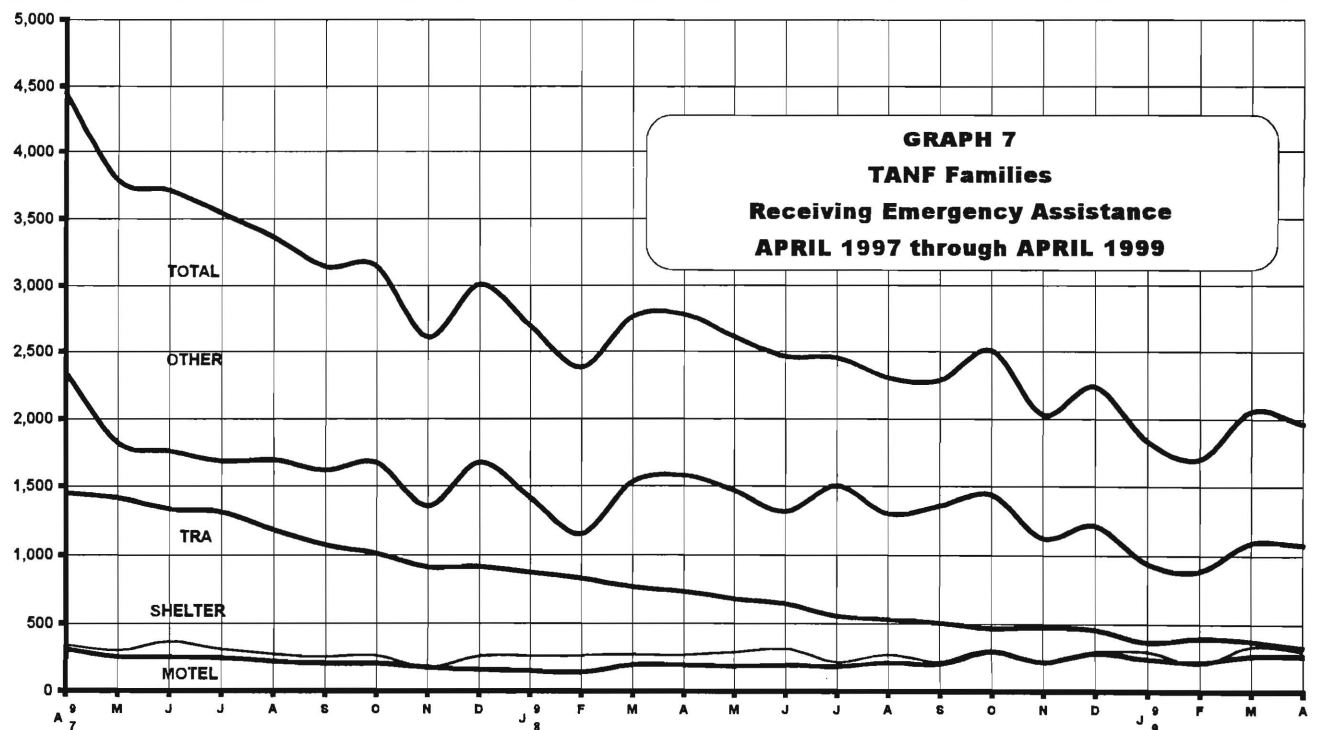
TANF

(UNDUPLICATED CASES)

EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE

APRIL 1997 THROUGH APRIL 1999

		Total Families Receiving EA	Temporary Rental Assistance	Motel Housing	Emergency Shelter	Other TANF-EA	
1997	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	
	12 MO 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		2,611	676	184	284	1,467	
JUN		2,464	644	191	313	1,316	
JUL		2,452	554	183	215	1,500	
AUG		2,305	528	209	268	1,300	
SEP		2,283	502	201	220	1,360	
OCT		2,505	466	295	306	1,438	
NOV		2,030	473	216	216	1,125	
DEC		2,237	454	281	287	1,215	
AVERAGE		2,437	602	209	264	1,362	
1999	JAN	1,834	363	241	293	937	
	FEB	1,699	394	217	203	885	
	MAR	2,055	372	265	329	1,089	
	APR	1,963	327	263	299	1,074	
AVERAGE		1,888	364	247	281	996	



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

Table 8**TANF PARTICIPATION RATES****July - September 1998**

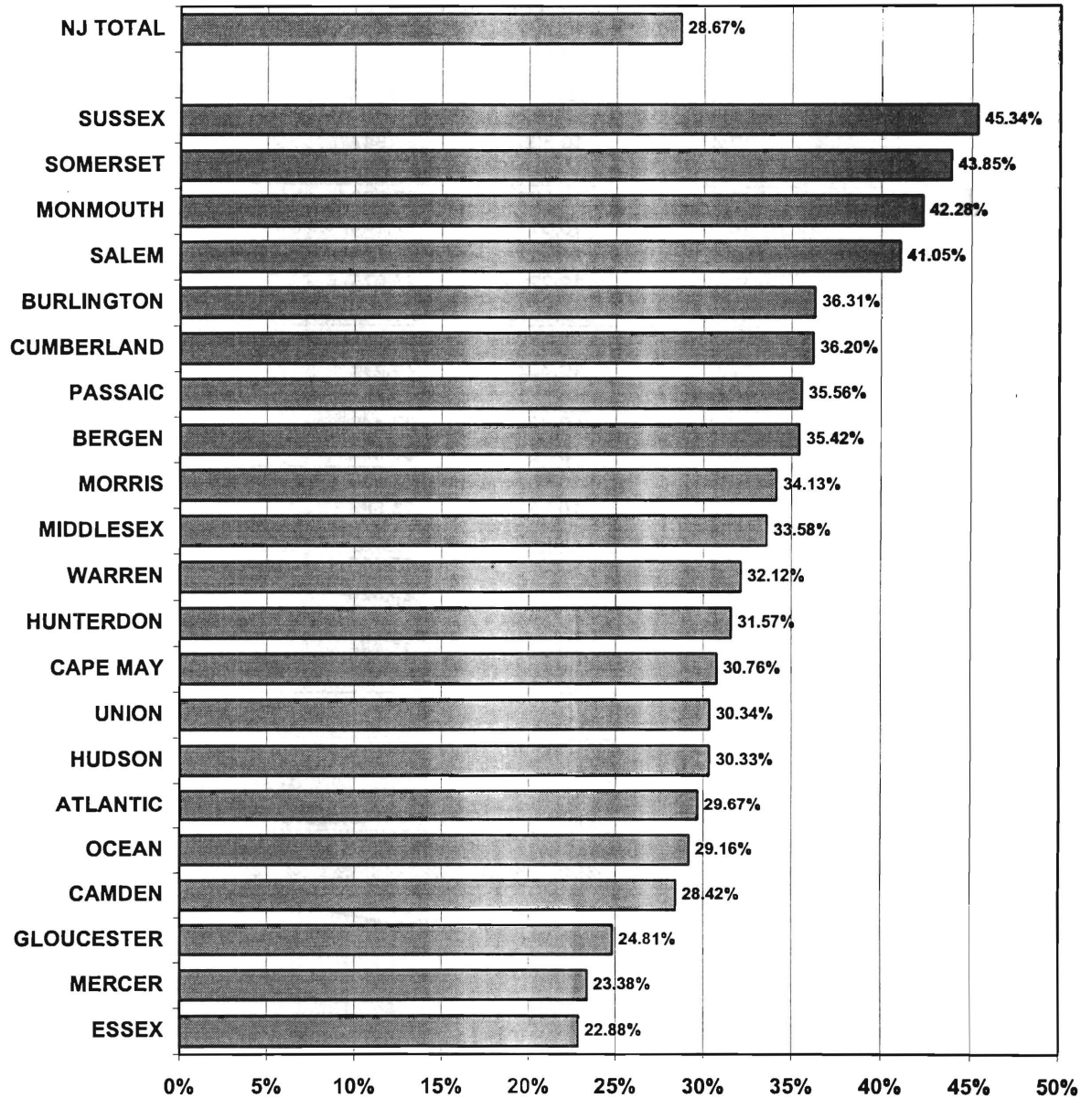
County	July	August	September
ATLANTIC	28.48%	26.45%	29.67%
BERGEN	32.26%	33.54%	35.42%
BURLINGTON	35.37%	31.16%	36.31%
CAMDEN	29.86%	27.16%	28.42%
CAPE MAY	30.21%	33.71%	30.76%
CUMBERLAND	34.15%	34.13%	36.20%
ESSEX	20.41%	21.70%	22.88%
GLOUCESTER	28.40%	26.48%	24.81%
HUDSON	29.64%	29.20%	30.33%
HUNTERDON	38.23%	34.21%	31.57%
MERCER	20.96%	20.49%	23.38%
MIDDLESEX	31.22%	30.40%	33.58%
MONMOUTH	40.38%	38.59%	42.28%
MORRIS	42.59%	39.82%	34.13%
OCEAN	32.56%	29.88%	29.16%
PASSAIC	34.13%	36.09%	35.56%
SALEM	38.78%	38.09%	41.05%
SOMERSET	40.34%	36.11%	43.85%
SUSSEX	38.75%	38.35%	45.34%
UNION	29.57%	27.24%	30.34%
WARREN	21.34%	21.73%	32.12%
NJ TOTAL	27.43%	27.20%	28.67%

The Work First New Jersey participation rate
(mandated by PRWORA, 1996 federal welfare reform legislation establishing TANF)
has been revised based on new Federal clarification of the formula

Graph 8

TANF PARTICIPATION RATES

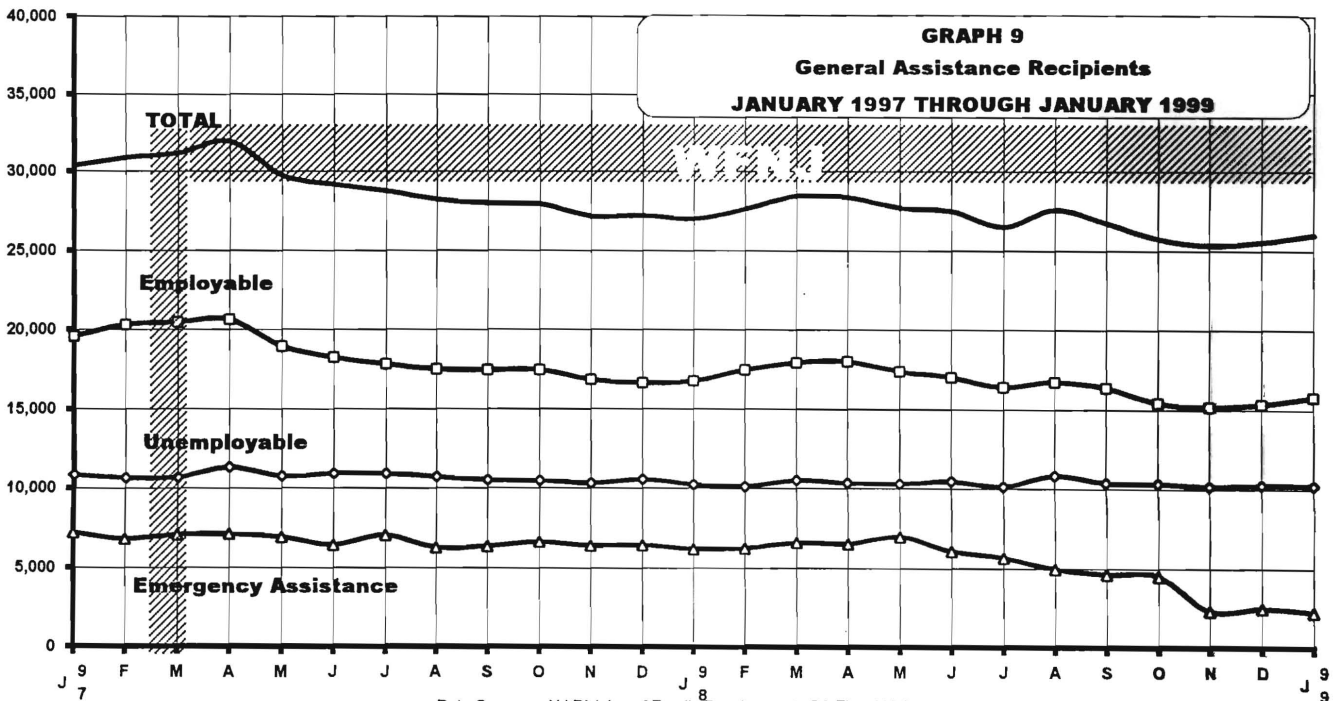
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TABLE 9 **NUMBER OF EMPLOYABLE AND UNEMPLOYABLE RECIPIENTS**
GENERAL **AND EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE PAYMENTS DURING REPORT MONTH**
ASSISTANCE **JANUARY 1997 THROUGH JANUARY 1999**
PROGRAM

	<u>All Persons Aided</u>			<u>Emergency Assistance Payments</u>		
	Employable	Unemployable	Total	Temporary Rental Assistance	Other GA-EA	Total
1997 JAN	19,562	10,809	30,371	4,182	3,029	7,211
WFNJ 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
MAY	17,346	10,306	27,652	3,942	3,003	6,945
JUN	17,010	10,436	27,446	3,755	2,310	6,065
JUL	16,369	10,103	26,472	3,185	2,460	5,645
AUG	16,714	10,821	27,535	2,758	2,194	4,952
SEP	16,321	10,367	26,688	2,572	2,027	4,599
OCT	15,390	10,315	25,705	2,558	1,908	4,466
NOV	15,131	10,184	25,315	2,298	1,787	4,085
DEC	15,297	10,231	25,528	2,463	1,930	4,393
AVERAGE	16,641	10,325	26,966	3,279	2,275	5,554
1999 JAN	15,764	10,222	25,986	2,237	1,846	4,083
AVERAGE	15,764	10,222	25,986	2,237	1,846	4,083



Data Sources: NJ Division of Family Development, GA Fiscal Unit

TABLE 10**CHILD SUPPORT
AND PATERNITY****CHILD SUPPORT AND PATERNITY COLLECTIONS****State Summary**Comparison of FFY 1998 and FFY 1999

COLLECTION SOURCE	10/97-3/98	10/988-3/99	% change
Federal Tax	\$6,030,572	\$7,450,673	23.55%
State Tax	1,228,925	834,846	-32.07%
Unempl. Ins. Ben.	10,335,387	10,294,660	-0.39%
Income Withholding	167,697,793	214,977,231	28.19%
Other/Own Behalf	17,405,771	18,270,200	4.97%
From Other States	78,017,553	83,206,324	6.65%
For Other States	19,467,163	20,005,735	2.77%
TOTAL COLLECTION	\$300,183,164	\$355,039,669	18.27%
TOTAL DISTRIBUTION	\$297,033,849	\$323,959,612	9.06%

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 - 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 no longer receive AFDC/TANF financial assistance but remain eligible for Medicaid under applicable provisions which extend coverage beyond the period of assistance. These are shown separately 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 11**GENERAL
ASSISTANCE****EMPLOYABLE AND UNEMPLOYABLE RECIPIENTS
AND EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE RECIPIENTS****PROGRAM****JANUARY 1999**

County	Employable	Total Persons Aided		Emergency Assistance Payments		Total
		Unemployable	Total	Temporary Rental Assist.	Other GA-EA	
ATLANTIC	888	505	1,393	51	101	152
BERGEN	305	476	781	161	65	226
BURLINGTON	312	333	645	86	25	111
CAMDEN	1,337	1,418	2,755	131	61	192
CAPE MAY	192	112	304	43	11	54
CUMBERLAND	657	172	829	4	29	33
ESSEX	4,946	1,840	6,786	448	867	1,315
GLOUCESTER	133	157	290	7	26	33
HUDSON	803	803	1,606	32	37	69
HUNTERDON	41	52	93	11	25	36
MERCER	1,048	910	1,958	216	167	383
MIDDLESEX	355	492	847	52	57	109
MONMOUTH	357	496	853	155	28	183
MORRIS	92	165	257	20	11	31
OCEAN	379	317	696	72	66	138
PASSAIC	1,628	1,021	2,649	378	137	515
SALEM	104	82	186	3	26	29
SOMERSET	74	73	147	13	19	32
SUSSEX	30	45	75	24	2	26
UNION	1,984	672	2,656	298	86	384
WARREN	99	81	180	32	0	32
TOTAL NJ	15,764	10,222	25,986	2,237	1,846	4,083

Source: NJ Division of Family Development, GA Fiscal Unit