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OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

NEW JERSEY RELIEF CENSUS

NOVEMBER 30, 1937

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There were 6,568 persons 65 years of age and over - not receiving Old Age Assistance - reported in the New Jersey Census of local relief dated November 30, 1937.

60.9% are eligible for Old Age Assistance. 1/  
39.1% are not eligible for Old Age Assistance. 1/

ELIGIBLE - 3,999 persons - 60.9%

1,398 or 21.3% applications made to O.A.A. and pending.  
551 or 8.4% applications have been rejected. 2/  
2,050 or 31.2% applications have not been made.

NOT ELIGIBLE - 2,569 persons - 39.1%

2,496 or 38 % Aliens not eligible under State Law.  
73 or 1.1% Do not meet residence requirements under State Law.

Change in the State Law governing Old Age Assistance to include aliens, and the transfer of all eligible persons to Old Age Assistance, would relieve the local governments of both the administrative and relief costs incident to the care of these persons.

In addition, if such change were made, only 50% of the cost would be borne by the State and the remainder would be paid by the Federal Government.

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1/ Eligibility for Old Age Assistance is based on the information on the census card which covers age, citizenship and residence.

2/ These persons are eligible by age, residence and citizenship according to the information on the census card. They are considered as eligible in this study until cleared with the local relief office to determine why the case was rejected.

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Area Covered	Total Persons 65 yrs. & over No. (100%)	Persons Not Eligible O.A.A.				Persons Eligible Not Receiving O.A.A.					
		Aliens		Not Qualified by residence		Application Pending		Application Rejected		Application Never Made	
		No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
State of New Jersey	6,568	2,496	38.0	73	1.1	1,398	21.3	551	8.4	2,050	31.2
Atlantic Co.	375	81	21.6	7	1.9	176	46.9	29	7.7	82	21.9
Bergen Co.	334	185	55.4	-	-	45	13.5	19	5.7	85	25.4
Burlington Co.	67	6	9.0	-	-	33	49.3	7	10.4	21	31.3
Camden Co.	160	23	14.4	-	-	58	36.2	9	5.6	70	43.8
Cape May Co.	62	3	4.8	2	3.2	21	33.9	9	14.5	27	43.6
Cumberland Co.	118	32	27.1	5	4.3	23	19.5	7	5.9	51	43.2
Essex Co.	1,594	717	45.0	-	-	317	19.9	248	15.5	312	19.6
Gloucester Co.	67	7	10.4	9	13.4	22	32.9	10	14.9	19	28.4
Hudson Co.	2,160	604	28.0	36	1.7	402	18.6	130	6.0	988	45.7
Hunterdon Co.	12	2	16.7	-	-	4	33.3	-	-	6	50.0
Mercer Co.	289	128	44.3	7	2.4	68	23.5	31	10.7	55	19.1
Middlesex Co.	223	137	61.4	-	-	37	16.6	3	1.4	46	20.6
Monmouth Co.	109	20	18.4	1	0.9	33	30.3	8	7.3	47	43.1
Morris Co.	105	57	54.3	-	-	29	27.6	3	2.9	16	15.2
Ocean Co.	22	8	36.4	-	-	7	31.8	1	4.5	6	27.3
Passaic Co.	471	288	61.1	-	-	44	9.3	5	1.1	134	28.5
Salem Co.	9	-	-	-	-	4	44.45	1	11.1	4	44.45
Somerset Co.	62	44	71.0	-	-	3	4.8	3	4.8	12	19.4
Sussex Co.	10	7	70.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	30.0
Union Co.	300	136	45.3	6	2.0	71	23.7	28	9.3	59	19.7
Warren Co.	19	11	57.9	-	-	1	5.3	-	-	7	36.8

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MUNICIPALITIES IN THE STATE  
AND  
CASES RECEIVING DIRECT RELIEF  
NOVEMBER 30, 1937

Area Covered	MUNICIPALITIES			RELIEF CASES NOVEMBER 30, 1937		
	Total	Reported	Not Reported	Total	Reported	Not Reported
State	566	407	159	51,991	44,400	7,591
Atlantic Co.	22	22	-	1,792	1,792	-
Bergen Co.	70	39	31	2,157	1,529	628
Burlington Co.	39	26	13	727	605	122
Camden Co.	36	26	10	4,683	859	3,824
Cape May Co.	18	18	-	390	390	-
Cumberland Co.	15	15	-	682	682	-
Essex Co.	22	20	2	14,402	14,397	5
Gloucester Co.	24	18	6	675	558	117
Hudson Co.	12	11	1	13,664	12,325	339
Hunterdon Co.	26	26	-	85	85	-
Mercer Co.	13	9	4	2,551	2,492	59
Monmouth Co.	52	18	34	1,002	583	419
Middlesex Co.	25	17	8	3,080	1,525	1,555
Morris Co.	38	30	8	612	563	49
Ocean Co.	34	18	16	183	127	56
Passaic Co.	16	12	4	3,791	3,549	242
Salem Co.	15	15	-	113	113	-
Somerset Co.	22	22	-	301	301	-
Sussex Co.	24	11	13	77	57	20
Union Co.	20	16	4	1,829	1,743	86
Warren Co.	23	18	5	195	125	70

NOT REPORTED

	<u>MUNICIPALITIES</u>	<u>RELIEF CASES</u>
PARTICIPATING	59	7,099 *
NON PARTICIPATING	100	492

\* 3,255 census cards received since this report was prepared.

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