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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 October 2000. Included are TANF-oriented data, and the WFNJ Statistical Summary. Some items of interest include:

- The TANF caseload continues to decline. Since October of 1999 there has been a decrease of 16.8%.
- Food Stamp households decreased by over 8,500 since October 1999.
- For GA, recipient figures reported are for December 1999, which are 6.4% below December 1998.

Should you have any questions regarding this report, please do not hesitate to call David Karwoski at 588-2273 or Janet Taylor at 588-2277.

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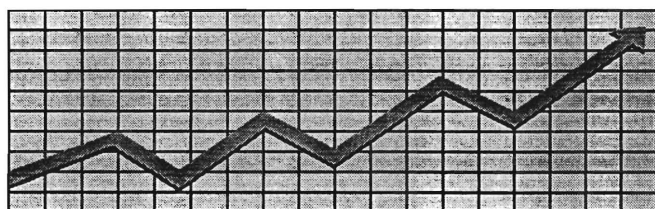
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# **CURRENT PROGRAM STATISTICS**



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**October 2000**  
**David C. Heins, Director**

## CURRENT PROGRAM STATISTICS

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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 October 2000, 45,651 eligible families in New Jersey were receiving TANF cash assistance:

- 44,776 single head of household families
- 875 two-parent families.

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

Essex — 15,247, Hudson — 7,289, Camden — 4,780, Passaic — 3,495 Union — 2,712

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

- 57 families in Hunterdon County to 2,023 in Mercer County,  
with eleven counties below 1000 families

There were 21,259 fewer eligible TANF families receiving cash assistance in October 2000 than in October 1998, a decline of 31.8 percent.

- **Single head families:** 20,212 below two years ago in October 1998, a drop of 31.1%.
- **Two parent families:** declined by 1,047 or 54.5 percent from October 1998.

### **FOOD STAMP PROGRAM**

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

At the end of October 2000, 136,827 households participated in the Food Stamp Program.

- **TANF:** 35,655 households with 114,971 persons.
- **Other low income:** 101,172 households with 186,096 persons.
- **Total persons:** 301,067, including 146,531 adults and 154,536 children
- **By County:** 57.3 percent of the households were in:
 

Essex	31,862
Hudson	20,268
Passaic	13,858
Camden	12,466

Two years ago in October 1998, 165,015 households participated in Food Stamps in New Jersey. Over the next two years the number declined by 28,188, or 17.1 percent, to 136,827 by October 2000.

- **TANF(FS)** households steadily declined by **34,543** from **70,198** in October 1998 to **35,655** two years later. There were **94,817 Other Low Income** households in October 1998 and **6,355 more** two years later.
- **Total FS Recipients:** were **369,966** in October 1998, and declined to **301,067** by October 2000, a drop of **68,899, or 18.6 percent.**
- **Adult FS Recipients:** declined from **175,490** in October 1998 to **146,531** in October 2000, a drop of **28,959 (16.5 percent).**
- **Recipient FS Children:** declined by **39,940 (20.5 percent),** from **194,476** in October 1998 to **154,536** in October 2000.

## **EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE**

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

In October 2000 Emergency Assistance (EA) payments were made for 2,019 eligible TANF families and 378 SSI recipients in New Jersey. For TANF families this included payments for:

- **Temporary Rental Assistance (TRA)** for **205** families
- **Motel** placements for **280** families and **emergency shelter** placements for **395** families
- **All other TANF-EA** for **1,139** families (including back rent, back utilities, security deposits, furnishings, clothing and food allowance, or transitional housing)
- **559** families in **Essex County**, **214** in **Passaic County**, **171** in **Middlesex County**, **158** in **Monmouth.**

In the past two years, the average number of EA payments for TANF families was 2,257 in 1998, and 1,861 for the twelve months of 1999. Payments were made to 8.1% more families in October 2000 as compared to September 2000.

- TRA payments were **10.2 %** of the number in October 2000.
- Motel payments were down from two years ago.; **295** to **280.**

## **TANF PARTICIPATION RATES**

(Table 8, Graph 8)

The TANF participation rate for October 2000 was 40.51% for the State as a whole. This is an increase of 5.65 percentage points from September 2000.

Participation rates by county:

- Nine counties had a participation rate greater than 40 percent, Burlington, Essex, Monmouth, Morris, Salem, Somerset, Sussex, Union and Warren.

## **GENERAL ASSISTANCE**

(Table 9, Graph 9)

There were 23,895 GA recipients in December 1999, up from 23,274 in November.

- There were 14,165 Employable GA and 9,730 Unemployable GA recipients in December 1999.

## **CHILD SUPPORT AND PATERNITY**

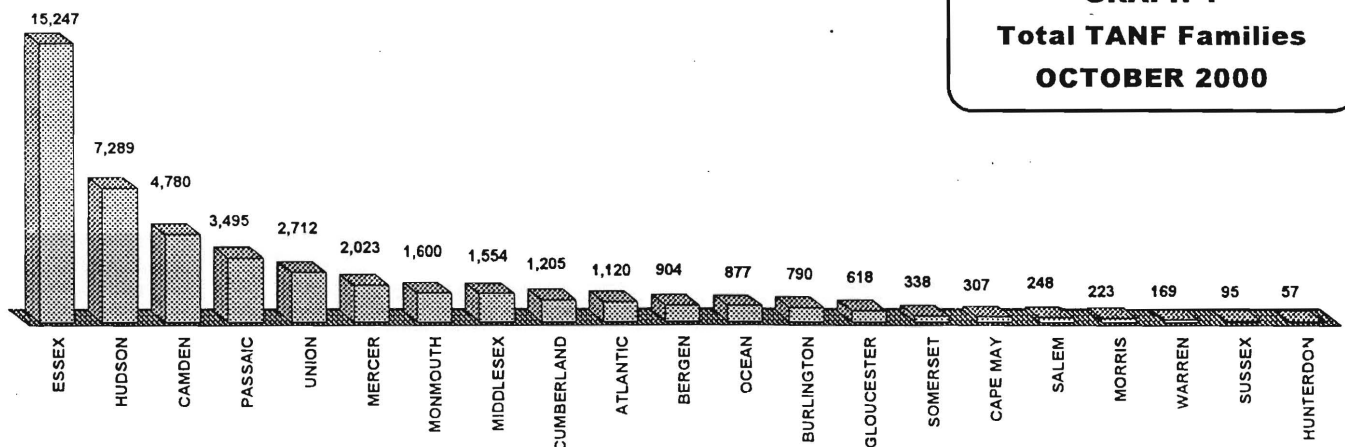
(Table 10)

For FFY 2000, the total collections of the Child Support and Paternity Program was about \$758,256,000, an increase of over 7 percent over the same period for FFY 1999.

**Table 1**  
**TANF**  
**PROGRAM**

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

County			<b>OCTOBER 2000</b>		
	Applications Approved	Terminations	Single Head Families	Two Parent Families	Total TANF
ATLANTIC	142	97	1,115	5	1,120
BERGEN	72	74	859	45	904
BURLINGTON	139	148	779	11	790
CAMDEN	438	492	4,642	138	4,780
CAPE MAY	44	58	298	9	307
CUMBERLAND	198	206	1,138	67	1,205
ESSEX	1,007	1,162	15,123	124	15,247
GLOUCESTER	83	107	608	10	618
HUDSON	342	442	7,132	157	7,289
HUNTERDON	7	6	55	2	57
MERCER	236	213	1,998	25	2,023
MIDDLESEX	178	170	1,505	49	1,554
MONMOUTH	140	167	1,589	11	1,600
MORRIS	24	19	216	7	223
OCEAN	99	137	850	27	877
PASSAIC	268	314	3,369	126	3,495
SALEM	50	66	246	2	248
SOMERSET	25	36	323	15	338
SUSSEX	18	13	94	1	95
UNION	232	299	2,681	31	2,712
WARREN	13	20	156	13	169
<b>NJ TOTAL</b>	<b>3,755</b>	<b>4,246</b>	<b>44,776</b>	<b>875</b>	<b>45,651</b>

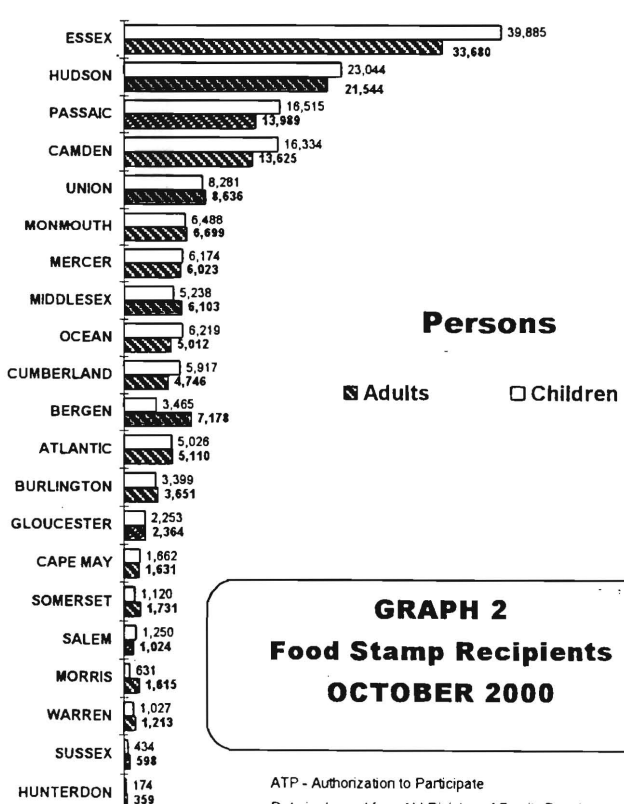
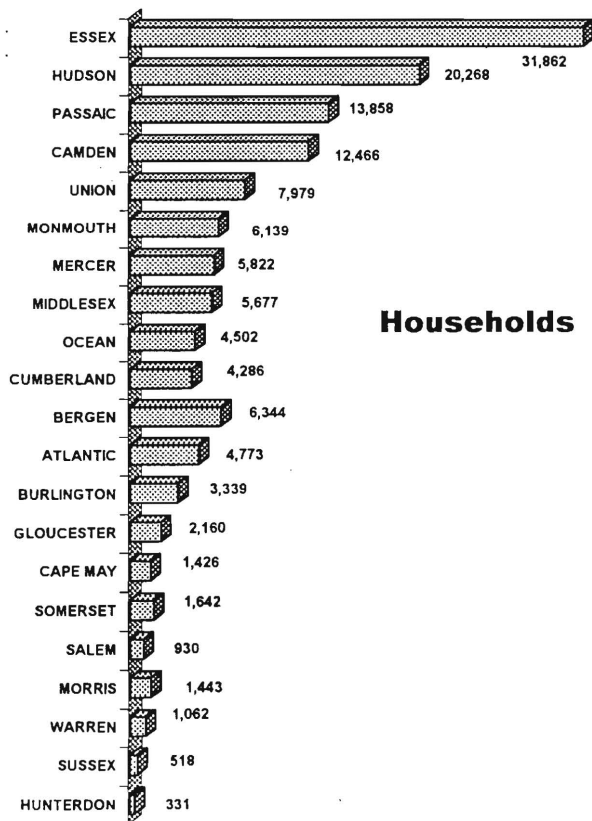


**Table 2** NUMBER OF PARTICIPATING HOUSEHOLDS, PERSONS, ADULTS AND CHILDREN AT THE END OF THE REPORT MONTH

**FOOD STAMP PROGRAM**

**OCTOBER 2000**

County	HOUSEHOLDS			PERSONS				
	TANF	Other	TOTAL	TOTAL	TANF	Other	Adults	Children
		low income				low income		
ATLANTIC	751	4,022	4,773	10,136	2,405	7,731	5,110	5,026
BERGEN	672	5,672	6,344	10,643	2,017	8,626	7,178	3,465
BURLINGTON	452	2,887	3,339	7,050	1,487	5,563	3,651	3,399
CAMDEN	3,642	8,824	12,466	29,959	12,189	17,770	13,625	16,334
CAPE MAY	248	1,178	1,426	3,293	815	2,478	1,631	1,662
CUMBERLAND	908	3,378	4,286	10,663	3,039	7,624	4,746	5,917
ESSEX	12,600	19,262	31,862	73,565	40,903	32,662	33,680	39,885
GLOUCESTER	427	1,733	2,160	4,617	1,308	3,309	2,364	2,253
HUDSON	6,071	14,197	20,268	44,588	19,094	25,494	21,544	23,044
HUNTERDON	32	299	331	533	91	442	359	174
MERCER	1,522	4,300	5,822	12,197	4,742	7,455	6,023	6,174
MIDDLESEX	1,147	4,530	5,677	11,341	3,460	7,881	6,103	5,238
MONMOUTH	1,199	4,940	6,139	13,187	3,924	9,263	6,699	6,488
MORRIS	110	1,333	1,443	2,246	311	1,935	1,615	631
OCEAN	621	3,881	4,502	11,231	1,888	9,343	5,012	6,219
PASSAIC	2,755	11,103	13,858	30,504	9,049	21,455	13,989	16,515
SALEM	195	735	930	2,274	625	1,649	1,024	1,250
SOMERSET	205	1,437	1,642	2,851	653	2,198	1,731	1,120
SUSSEX	63	455	518	1,032	197	835	598	434
UNION	1,917	6,062	7,979	16,917	6,398	10,519	8,636	8,281
WARREN	118	944	1,062	2,240	376	1,864	1,213	1,027
<b>NJ TOTAL</b>	<b>35,655</b>	<b>101,172</b>	<b>136,827</b>	<b>301,067</b>	<b>114,971</b>	<b>186,096</b>	<b>146,531</b>	<b>154,536</b>



**GRAPH 2**  
**Food Stamp Recipients**  
**OCTOBER 2000**

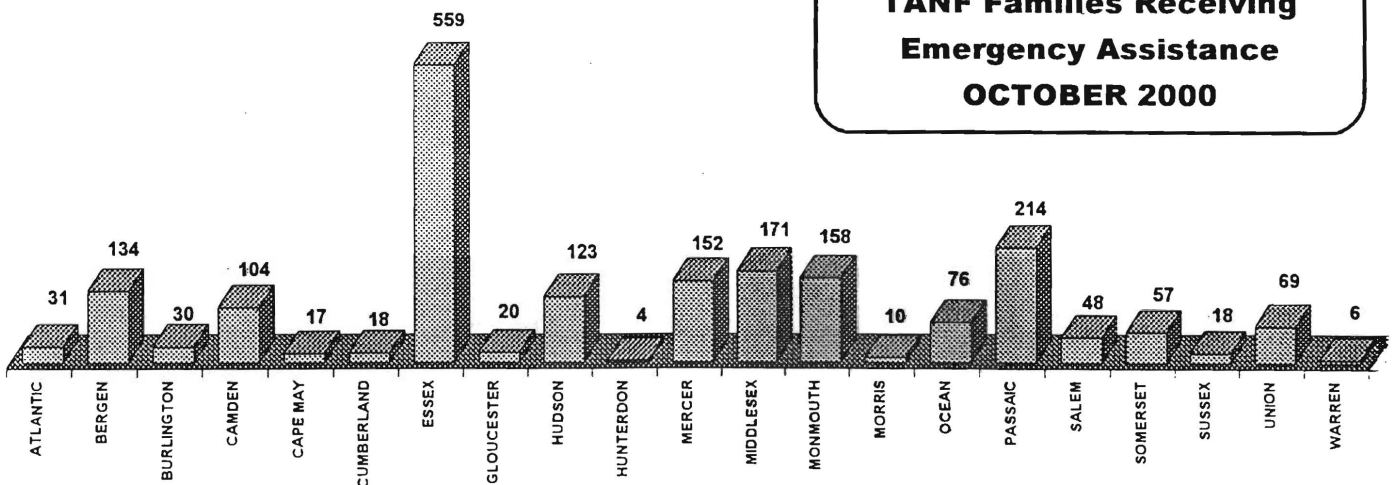
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**Table 3** NUMBER OF ELIGIBLE FAMILIES RECEIVING EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE PAYMENTS (UNDUPLICATED CASES)

County	TANF Families Receiving Emergency Assistance					SSI Recipients Receiving EA*
	TOTAL TANF-EA	Temporary Rental Assist.	Motel Housing	Emergency Shelter	Other TANF-EA	
ATLANTIC	31	3	2	7	19	16
BERGEN	134	11	22	30	71	48
BURLINGTON	30	1	0	23	6	12
CAMDEN	104	15	6	21	62	25
CAPE MAY	17	2	5	0	10	10
CUMBERLAND	18	0	0	8	10	4
ESSEX	559	101	8	153	297	36
GLOUCESTER	20	1	0	8	11	3
HUDSON	123	13	30	38	42	2
HUNTERDON	4	0	0	2	2	7
MERCER	152	34	17	3	98	44
MIDDLESEX	171	5	24	21	121	35
MONMOUTH	158	7	70	2	79	15
MORRIS	10	0	5	3	2	7
OCEAN	76	6	55	2	13	31
PASSAIC	214	1	2	22	189	38
SALEM	48	2	20	0	26	1
SOMERSET	57	1	4	15	37	23
SUSSEX	18	0	5	5	8	12
UNION	69	2	2	30	35	7
WARREN	6	0	3	2	1	2
<b>NJ TOTAL</b>	<b>2,019</b>	<b>205</b>	<b>280</b>	<b>395</b>	<b>1,139</b>	<b>378</b>

\*SSI-EA now includes pay code 24

**GRAPH 3**  
**TANF Families Receiving**  
**Emergency Assistance**  
**OCTOBER 2000**



**Table 4**  
**WFNJ****WORK FIRST NEW JERSEY STATISTICAL SUMMARY****OCTOBER 2000**

COUNTY	CASES 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	447	2	136	77	43	68	160	36	300
BERGEN	463	6	198	199	159	105	98	25	201
BURLINGTON	312	52	67	97	104	80	103	39	256
CAMDEN	2,689	466	588	968	826	542	526	136	907
CAPE MAY	164	9	26	56	64	11	17	13	80
CUMBERLAND	612	10	421	198	123	77	105	47	307
ESSEX	9,949	430	4,860	907	2,441	2,053	2,706	186	733
GLOUCESTER	253	18	23	34	70	40	2	24	177
HUDSON	4,442	72	2,355	644	1,315	921	975	155	763
HUNTERDON	26	0	0	14	9	3	2	2	15
MERCER	1,093	115	485	315	307	206	124	58	442
MIDDLESEX	708	4	198	91	259	101	177	51	295
MONMOUTH	869	5	450	55	309	239	282	53	460
MORRIS	89	38	12	9	26	23	13	8	79
OCEAN	348	4	68	73	103	62	37	34	252
PASSAIC	1,994	45	1,542	107	464	334	519	60	310
SALEM	130	59	15	19	29	30	48	14	86
SOMERSET	171	20	50	62	78	36	19	8	93
SUSSEX	43	9	4	21	17	14	7	4	48
UNION	1,376	16	667	183	366	300	393	87	406
WARREN	97	4	48	9	25	6	3	7	47
STATE	26,275	1,384	12,213	4,138	7,137	5,251	6,316	1,047	6,257

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

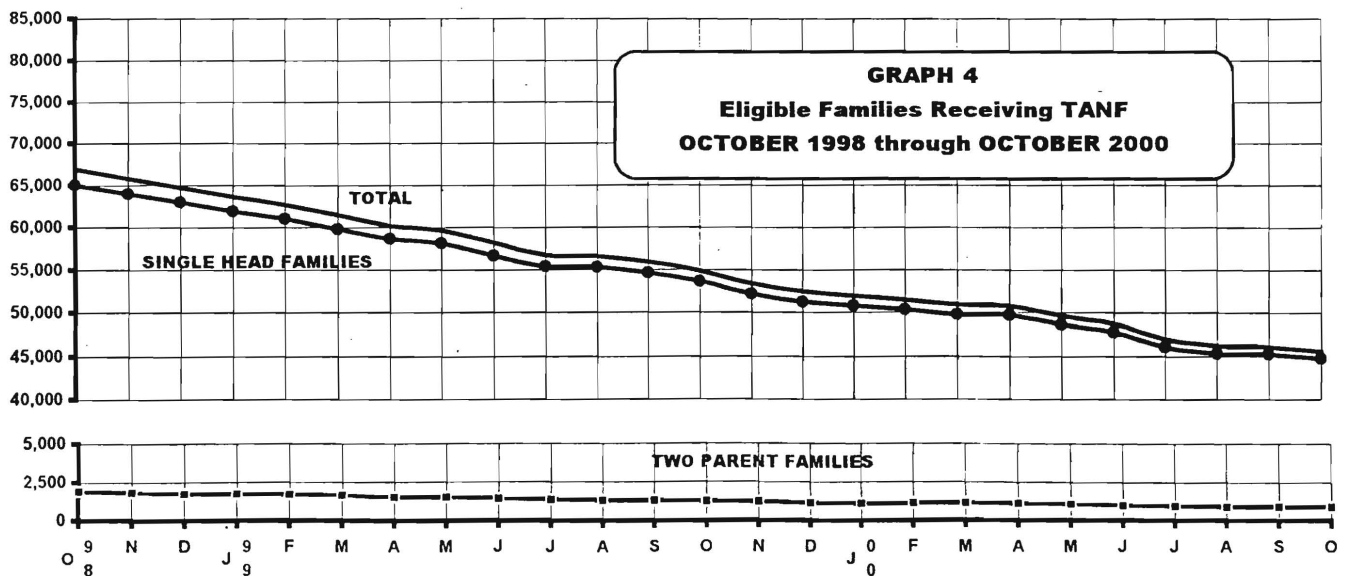
**Table 5  
TANF  
PROGRAM**

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

**OCTOBER 1998 THROUGH OCTOBER 2000**

		Applications Approved	Terminations	Single Head Families	Two Parent Families	Total TANF	Medicaid Only
1998	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
<b>1998 AVERAGE</b>		<b>4,909</b>	<b>6,379</b>	<b>63,951</b>	<b>1,834</b>	<b>65,785</b>	<b>6,724</b>
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	
	MAY	4,896	5,877	58,061	1,520	59,581	
	JUN	4,084	5,735	56,684	1,448	58,132	
	JUL	3,950	5,409	55,330	1,366	56,696	
	AUG	4,835	5,064	55,273	1,320	56,593	
	SEP	4,143	4,866	54,563	1,303	55,866	
	OCT	4,380	5,425	53,578	1,280	54,858	
	NOV	4,222	5,369	52,173	1,216	53,389	
	DEC	3,815	4,857	51,283	1,162	52,445	
<b>1999 AVERAGE</b>		<b>4,337</b>	<b>5,399</b>	<b>56,517</b>	<b>1,438</b>	<b>57,955</b>	<b>6,570</b>
2000	JAN	3,847	4,543	50,810	1,121	51,931	
	FEB	4,023	4,478	50,351	1,127	51,478	
	MAR	3,485	4,106	49,809	1,159	50,968	
	APR	4,523	4,781	49,695	1,110	50,805	
	MAY	3,366	4,363	48,650	1,039	49,689	
	JUN	3,444	4,352	47,769	977	48,746	
	JUL	4,150	5,546	46,094	930	47,024	
	AUG	3,675	4,434	45,342	908	46,250	
	SEP	4,848	5,247	45,219	896	46,115	
	OCT	3,755	4,246	44,776	875	45,651	
<b>2000 AVERAGE</b>		<b>3,912</b>	<b>4,610</b>	<b>47,852</b>	<b>1,014</b>	<b>48,866</b>	

\* During March FAMIS mass change approximately 6,600 cases previously identified as Medicaid only are now shown as terminated due to delinking of Medicaid and TANF.

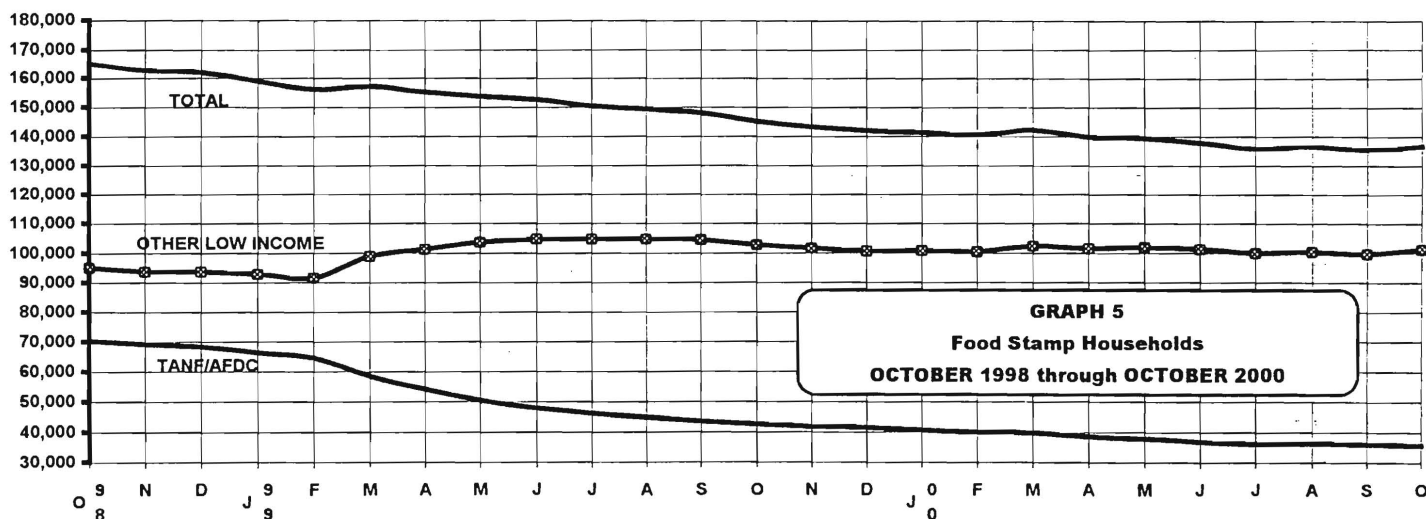


**Table 6**  
**FOOD STAMP**  
**PROGRAM**

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

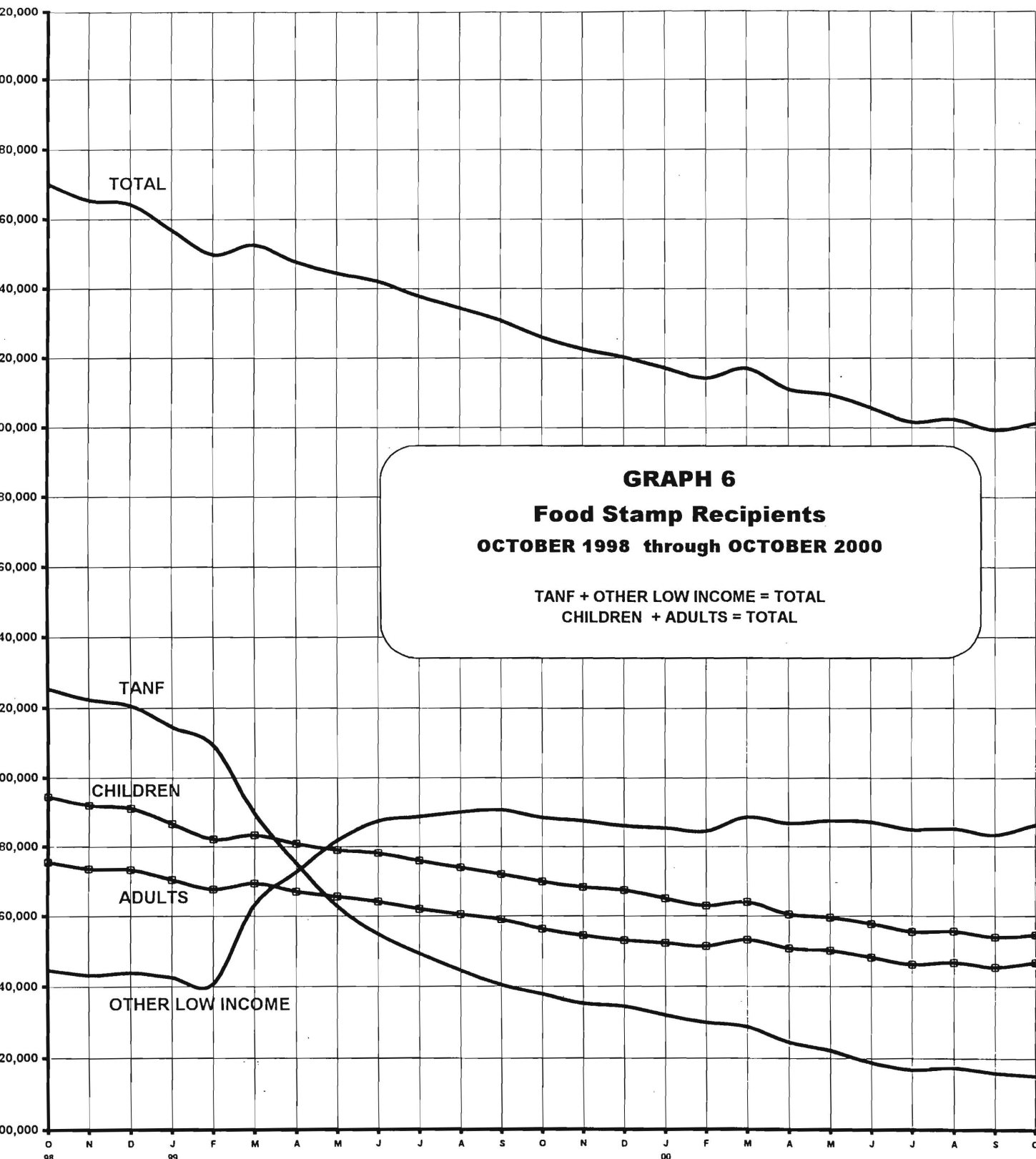
**OCTOBER 1998 THROUGH OCTOBER 2000**

	HOUSEHOLDS			PERSONS				
	TANF	Other low income	TOTAL	TOTAL	TANF	Other low income	Adults	Children
1998 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
1998 AVERAGE	69,162	94,001	163,163	366,502	222,701	143,801	174,055	192,447
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
MAY	50,338	103,502	153,840	344,474	162,815	181,659	165,467	179,007
JUN	47,870	104,699	152,569	342,088	154,833	187,255	164,107	177,981
JUL	45,990	104,582	150,572	337,845	149,205	188,640	162,033	175,812
AUG	44,697	104,597	149,294	334,324	144,418	189,906	160,464	173,860
SEP	43,448	104,543	147,991	330,897	140,290	190,607	158,996	171,901
OCT	42,582	102,757	145,339	326,063	137,669	188,394	156,214	169,849
NOV	41,677	101,728	143,405	322,601	135,098	187,503	154,392	168,209
DEC	41,444	100,609	142,053	320,341	134,288	186,053	152,961	167,380
1999 AVERAGE	50,121	100,926	151,047	338,794	162,234	176,560	162,409	176,385
2000 JAN	40,648	100,705	141,353	317,214	131,804	185,410	152,219	164,995
FEB	40,071	100,435	140,506	314,200	129,699	184,501	151,301	162,899
MAR	39,771	102,365	142,136	317,053	128,571	188,482	153,071	163,982
APR	38,494	101,394	139,888	311,045	124,332	186,713	150,572	160,473
MAY	37,738	101,747	139,485	309,401	122,022	187,379	149,926	159,475
JUN	36,645	101,151	137,796	305,706	118,628	187,078	148,071	157,635
JUL	36,065	99,962	136,027	301,537	116,745	184,792	146,058	155,479
AUG	36,216	100,401	136,617	302,235	117,167	185,068	146,578	155,657
SEP	35,831	99,745	135,576	299,145	115,846	183,299	145,239	153,906
OCT	35,655	101,172	136,827	301,067	114,971	186,096	146,531	154,536
2000 AVERAGE	37,713	100,908	138,621	307,860	121,979	185,882	148,957	158,904



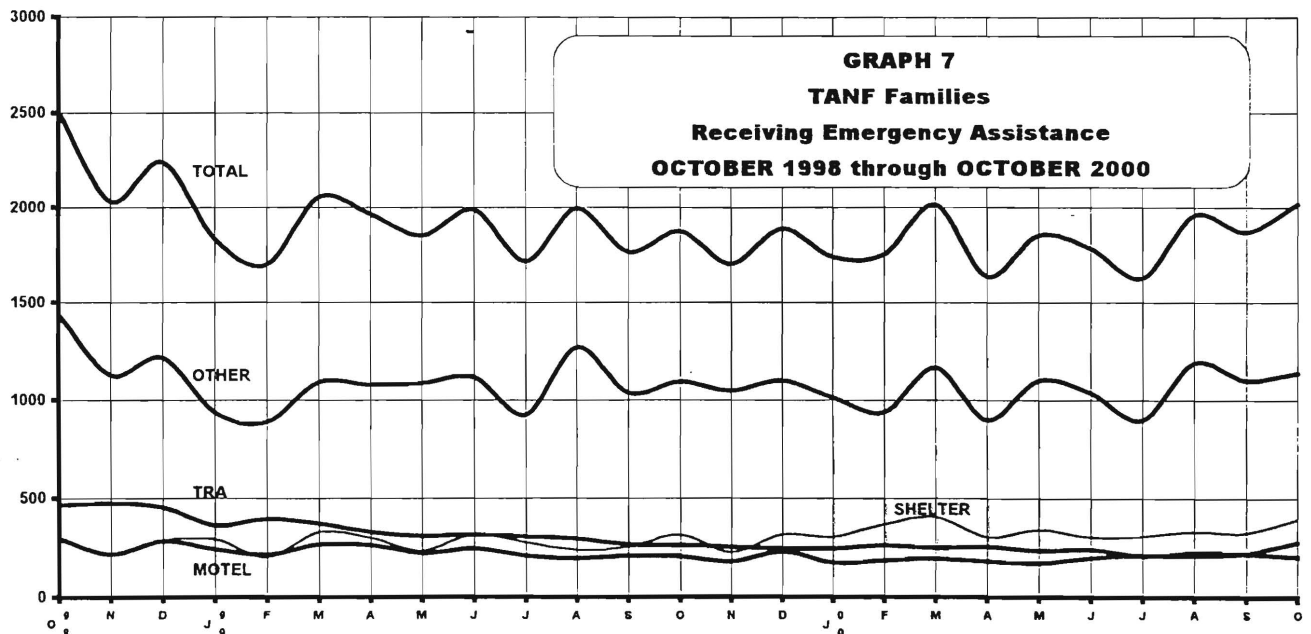
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**Table 7** NUMBER OF ELIGIBLE FAMILIES RECEIVING EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE PAYMENTS  
**TANF** (UNDUPLICATED CASES)

		<b>OCTOBER 1998 THROUGH OCTOBER 2000</b>				
<b>EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE</b>		<b>Total Families Receiving EA</b>	<b>Temporary Rental Assistance</b>	<b>Motel Housing</b>	<b>Emergency Shelter</b>	<b>Other TANF-EA</b>
1998	OCT	2,505	466	295	306	1,438
	NOV	2,030	473	216	216	1,125
	DEC	2,237	454	281	287	1,215
<b>1998 AVERAGE</b>		<b>2,257</b>	<b>464</b>	<b>264</b>	<b>270</b>	<b>1,259</b>
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
	MAY	1,853	309	224	235	1,085
	JUN	1,989	314	245	315	1,115
	JUL	1,716	306	210	276	924
	AUG	1,995	294	195	239	1,267
	SEP	1,765	267	210	252	1,036
	OCT	1,876	263	207	315	1,091
	NOV	1,702	251	180	226	1,045
	DEC	1,888	245	230	314	1,099
<b>1999 AVERAGE</b>		<b>1,861</b>	<b>309</b>	<b>224</b>	<b>275</b>	<b>1,054</b>
2000	JAN	1,739	247	175	306	1,011
	FEB	1,753	261	185	370	937
	MAR	2,015	248	197	406	1,164
	APR	1,636	255	181	304	896
	MAY	1,853	237	173	343	1,100
	JUN	1,781	241	199	305	1,036
	JUL	1,626	208	211	310	897
	AUG	1,957	225	213	332	1,187
	SEP	1,867	220	223	324	1,100
	OCT	2,019	205	280	395	1,139
<b>2000 AVERAGE</b>		<b>1,825</b>	<b>235</b>	<b>204</b>	<b>340</b>	<b>1,047</b>



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

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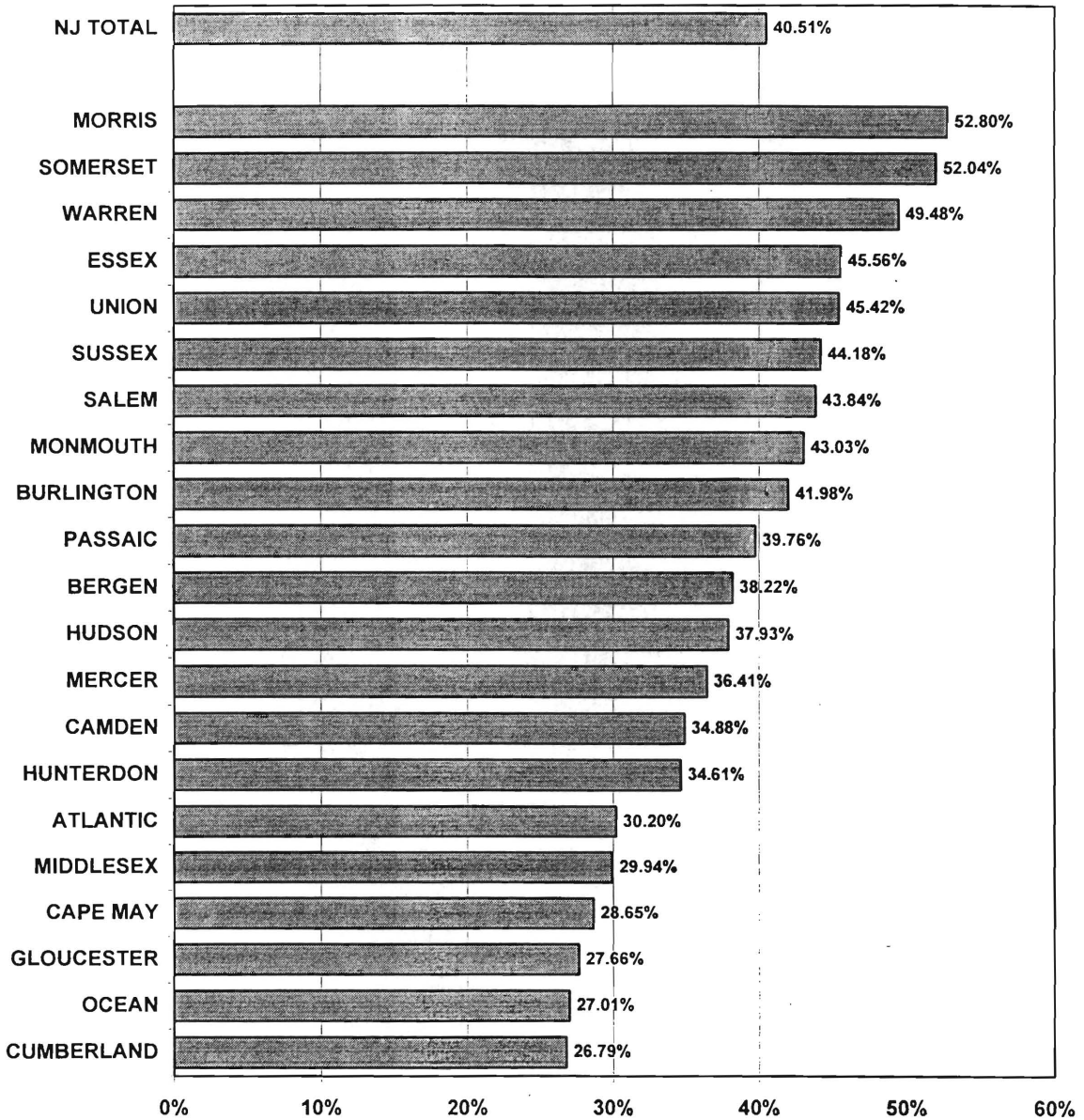
<b>TANF PARTICIPATION RATES</b>			
<b>August - October 2000</b>			
County	August	September	October
ATLANTIC	33.41%	34.86%	30.20%
BERGEN	35.34%	28.06%	38.22%
BURLINGTON	36.94%	38.33%	41.98%
CAMDEN	29.70%	35.90%	34.88%
CAPE MAY	31.57%	25.56%	28.65%
CUMBERLAND	25.67%	21.05%	26.79%
ESSEX	43.67%	38.17%	45.56%
GLOUCESTER	23.80%	24.48%	27.66%
HUDSON	34.72%	28.89%	37.93%
HUNTERDON	25.92%	27.58%	34.61%
MERCER	33.71%	31.13%	36.41%
MIDDLESEX	24.10%	21.82%	29.94%
MONMOUTH	37.95%	37.58%	43.03%
MORRIS	58.24%	52.80%	52.80%
OCEAN	25.89%	22.19%	27.01%
PASSAIC	37.52%	38.48%	39.76%
SALEM	35.57%	37.60%	43.84%
SOMERSET	37.41%	46.54%	52.04%
SUSSEX	30.95%	28.88%	44.18%
UNION	40.09%	41.01%	45.42%
WARREN	39.44%	52.08%	49.48%
<b>NJ TOTAL</b>	<b>37.47%</b>	<b>34.86%</b>	<b>40.51%</b>

The Work First New Jersey participation rate  
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Graph 8

TANF PARTICIPATION RATES

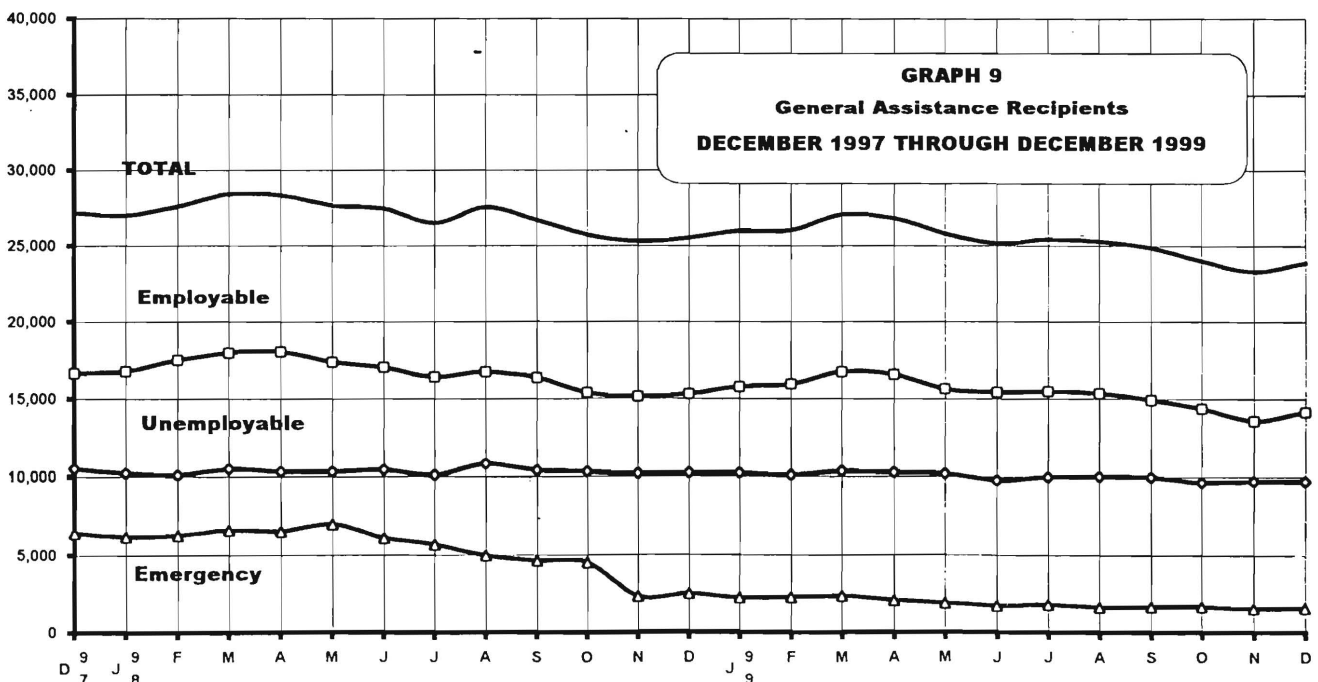
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**TABLE 9** NUMBER OF EMPLOYABLE AND UNEMPLOYABLE RECIPIENTS  
**GENERAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM** AND EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE PAYMENTS DURING REPORT MONTH  
**DECEMBER 1997 THROUGH DECEMBER 1999**

PROGRAM	All Persons Aided			Emergency Assistance Payments		
	Employable	Unemployable	Total	Temporary Rental Assistance	Other GA-EA	Total
1997 DEC	16,627	10,517	27,144	4,046	2,362	6,408
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
<b>1998 AVERAGE</b>	<b>16,641</b>	<b>10,325</b>	<b>26,966</b>	<b>3,279</b>	<b>2,275</b>	<b>5,554</b>
1999 JAN	15,764	10,222	25,986	2,237	1,846	4,083
FEB	15,935	10,081	26,016	2,274	1,782	4,056
MAR	16,705	10,344	27,049	2,326	1,817	4,143
APR	16,542	10,246	26,788	2,051	1,845	3,896
MAY	15,623	10,182	25,805	1,891	2,178	4,069
JUN	15,419	9,757	25,176	1,723	1,591	3,314
JUL	15,451	9,972	25,423	1,814	1,665	3,479
AUG	15,317	9,992	25,309	1,648	1,629	3,277
SEP	14,912	9,966	24,878	1,668	1,579	3,247
OCT	14,361	9,650	24,011	1,676	1,612	3,288
NOV	13,566	9,708	23,274	1,543	1,227	2,770
DEC	14,165	9,730	23,895	1,607	1,307	2,914
<b>1999 AVERAGE</b>	<b>15,313</b>	<b>9,988</b>	<b>25,301</b>	<b>1,872</b>	<b>1,673</b>	<b>3,545</b>



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

COLLECTION SOURCE	Comparison of FFY 1999 and FFY 2000		
	10/98-9/99	10/99-9/00	% change
Federal Tax	\$33,239,903	\$35,700,273	7.40%
State Tax	3,554,620	4,766,862	34.10%
Unempl. Ins. Ben.	19,521,554	20,242,225	3.69%
Income Withholding	437,151,918	488,793,746	11.81%
Other/Own Behalf	37,480,673	39,376,954	5.06%
From Other States	173,892,807	169,375,961	-2.60%
For Other States			
<b>TOTAL COLLECTION</b>	<b>\$704,841,475</b>	<b>\$758,256,021</b>	<b>7.58%</b>
<b>TOTAL DISTRIBUTION*</b>	<b>\$675,924,322</b>	<b>\$721,716,202</b>	<b>6.77%</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).

**MEDICAID ONLY FAMILIES** no longer receive 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  
PROGRAM****EMPLOYABLE AND UNEMPLOYABLE RECIPIENTS  
AND EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE RECIPIENTS****DECEMBER 1999**

County	Employable	Total Persons Aided		Emergency Assistance Payments		Total
		Unemployable	Total	Temporary Rental Assist.	Other GA-EA	
ATLANTIC	794	468	<b>1,262</b>	52	35	87
BERGEN	241	458	<b>699</b>	109	44	153
BURLINGTON	243	263	<b>506</b>	40	70	110
CAMDEN	1,760	1,344	<b>3,104</b>	149	83	232
CAPE MAY	168	104	<b>272</b>	25	29	54
CUMBERLAND	654	187	<b>841</b>	2	10	12
ESSEX	3,954	1,681	<b>5,635</b>	302	628	930
GLOUCESTER	168	169	<b>337</b>	5	11	16
HUDSON	1,219	886	<b>2,105</b>	129	18	147
HUNTERDON	39	41	<b>80</b>	10	10	20
MERCER	1,044	765	<b>1,809</b>	47	3	50
MIDDLESEX	238	482	<b>720</b>	55	68	123
MONMOUTH	311	442	<b>753</b>	124	45	169
MORRIS	81	120	<b>201</b>	3	10	13
OCEAN	313	341	<b>654</b>	13	46	59
PASSAIC	1,441	1,058	<b>2,499</b>	304	90	394
SALEM	56	55	<b>111</b>	2	17	19
SOMERSET	59	84	<b>143</b>	11	26	37
SUSSEX	36	38	<b>74</b>	24	2	26
UNION	1,277	683	<b>1,960</b>	183	62	245
WARREN	69	61	<b>130</b>	18	0	18
<b>TOTAL NJ</b>	<b>14,165</b>	<b>9,730</b>	<b>23,895</b>	<b>1,607</b>	<b>1,307</b>	<b>2,914</b>

Source: NJ Division of Family Development, GA Fiscal Unit

**TABLE 12**  
**CHILD SUPPORT**  
**AND PATERNITY**  
**NUMBER OF CASES REMAINING OPEN**  
**QUARTER ENDING SEPTEMBER 2000**

	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	916	4,056	8,155	1,419	2,947	6,391	11,102	17,493
Bergen	635	1,960	9,396	779	1,502	3,374	10,898	14,272
Burlington	898	3,644	10,496	971	2,382	5,513	12,878	18,391
Camden	4,451	13,046	19,039	3,886	5,401	21,383	24,440	45,823
Cape May	287	1,192	3,055	215	237	1,694	3,292	4,986
Cumberland	1,590	5,854	8,471	335	408	7,779	8,879	16,658
Essex	8,646	17,231	30,162	13,524	11,278	39,401	41,440	80,841
Gloucester	684	2,720	6,656	469	1,206	3,873	7,862	11,735
Hudson	4,105	8,758	18,950	5,261	5,486	18,124	24,436	42,560
Hunterdon	68	241	1,479	55	59	364	1,538	1,902
Mercer	2,439	6,465	10,638	1,867	2,196	10,771	12,834	23,605
Middlesex	1,176	5,556	14,294	1,656	2,925	8,388	17,219	25,607
Monmouth	1,780	5,094	10,729	1,499	2,166	8,373	12,895	21,268
Morris	258	663	4,039	267	374	1,188	4,413	5,601
Ocean	1,018	3,795	10,124	998	1,508	5,811	11,632	17,443
Passaic	3,074	6,355	14,459	3,542	4,081	12,971	18,540	31,511
Salem	472	1,820	3,237	185	201	2,477	3,438	5,915
Somerset	295	798	3,393	311	420	1,404	3,813	5,217
Sussex	164	446	1,755	88	130	698	1,885	2,583
Union	1,743	6,324	14,272	2,946	6,694	11,013	20,966	31,979
Warren	291	982	2,141	89	117	1,362	2,258	3,620
<b>NJ TOTAL</b>	<b>34,990</b>	<b>97,000</b>	<b>204,940</b>	<b>40,362</b>	<b>51,718</b>	<b>172,352</b>	<b>256,658</b>	<b>429,010</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*