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TO Michele K. Guhl
Acting Commissioner

FROM Karen Highsmith
Director



SUBJECT CURRENT PROGRAM STATISTICS

Attached please find CURRENT PROGRAM STATISTICS for June 1998. Included are TANF-oriented data, and the WFNJ Statistical summary. Should you have any questions, please feel free to call me.



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Division of Family Development**

CURRENT PROGRAM STATISTICS



**June 1998
Karen Highsmith, Director**

CURRENT PROGRAM STATISTICS

June 1998

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Highlights of **CURRENT PROGRAM STATISTICS**

TANF

(Tables 1 and 5, Graphs 1 and 4)

As of the end of June 1998, 73,138 eligible families in New Jersey were receiving TANF cash assistance:

- about 71000 single head of household families
- about 2000 two-parent families.

In addition, there were almost 6900 families receiving Medicaid Only assistance.

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

Essex — 21,802, Hudson — 11,887, Camden — 8,053, Passaic — 5,374, Union — 4,481

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

- 64 families in Hunterdon County to 3,318 in Mercer County,
- with seven counties below 1000 families

There were about 1500 fewer eligible TANF families receiving cash assistance in June 1998 than in May, with a decline of 34,000, or 32 percent, over the number of AFDC families receiving cash assistance two years ago in June 1996.

- **Single head families:** 1300 fewer were eligible in June 1998 than in May, and almost 31,000 below two years ago in June 1996, a drop of 30 percent.
- **Two parent families:** declined by over 3000, or 60 percent from 5100 in June 1996.

FOOD STAMP PROGRAM

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

At the end of June 1998, about 173,500 households were authorized to participate in the Food Stamp Program.

- **TANF:** About 75,000 households with about 240,000 persons.
- **Other low income:** more than 98,000 households with over 148,000 persons.
- **Total persons:** 389,000, including 185,000 adults and 204,000 children
- **By County:** 49 percent of the households were in:

Essex	45,200
Hudson	24,000
Camden	16,300

Two years ago in June 1996, nearly 220,000 households were authorized to participate in Food Stamps in New Jersey. Over the next two years the number declined by over 46,000, or 21 percent, to less than 174,000 by June 1998, and was below 180,000 each month in 1998.

- **TANF(FS)** households steadily declined from about **107,000** in June 1996 to about **75,000** two years later. **Other Low Income** households were close to **113,000** in June 1996 and have been down to **100,000 or less** since August 1997.
- **Total FS Recipients Authorized to Participate:** in the last two years, were about **507,000** in June 1996, and declined to **389,000** by June 1998, a drop of almost **118,000**, or **23.3 percent**.
- **Adult FS Recipients:** were about **243,400** in June 1996, and were down by **58,600 (24.1 percent)** to **184,800** in June 1998.
- **Recipient FS Children:** also declined by **59,300 (22.5 percent)**, from about **263,500** in June 1996 to **204,200** in June 1998.

EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE

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

In June 1998 Emergency Assistance (EA) payments were made for 2891 eligible TANF families and 251 SSI recipients in New Jersey. For TANF families this included payments for:

- **Temporary Rental Assistance (TRA)** for 644 families
- **Motel** placements for 191 families and **emergency shelter** placements for 313 families
- **All other TANF-EA** for 1743 families (including back rent, back utilities, security deposits, furnishings, clothing and food allowance, or transitional housing)
- 1042 families in **Essex County**, 317 in **Passaic County**, 238 in **Middlesex County**, and for 200 or less 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 2690 for the first half of 1998. 40 percent fewer payments were made for families in June 1998 than in June 1996.

- **TRA** payments were about one third of the number in June 1996 .
- **Motel payments** were made for an average of 320 families per month in 1996, 240 in 1997, and an average of 182 for the first half of 1998.
- Families receiving **Emergency Shelter** payments averaged 345 in 1996, and less than 300 in 1997 and the first half of 1998.
- Families receiving **Other EA** payments averaged under 2400 per month in 1996, under 1800 in 1997, and about 1500 in the first half of 1998

For 1996 there were an average of 6800 GA EA recipients, 6700 for 1997, and 6300 for the first three 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 three 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 28,406 GA recipients in March 1998, about 800 more than February 1998. The GA total was about 2700 below March 1997 and 6400 below March 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 NUMBER OF APPLICATIONS AND TERMINATIONS DURING REPORT MONTH, AND
TANF NUMBER OF ELIGIBLE FAMILIES RECEIVING TANF AT END OF REPORT MONTH
PROGRAM **JUNE 1998**

County	Applications Approved	Terminations	Single Head Families	Two Parent Families*	Total TANF*	Medicaid Only
ATLANTIC	180	159	1,958	43	2,001	178
BERGEN	111	163	1,623	98	1,721	96
BURLINGTON	196	244	1,504	41	1,545	274
CAMDEN	754	879	7,770	283	8,053	1,043
CAPE MAY	72	85	557	43	600	85
CUMBERLAND	237	314	2,053	131	2,184	502
ESSEX	921	980	21,573	229	21,802	740
GLOUCESTER	199	260	1,232	32	1,264	322
HUDSON	451	575	11,440	447	11,887	1,027
HUNTERDON	12	14	61	3	64	29
MERCER	258	349	3,259	59	3,318	468
MIDDLESEX	246	430	2,850	139	2,989	490
MONMOUTH	158	265	2,555	43	2,598	165
MORRIS	31	46	361	12	373	97
OCEAN	132	273	1,430	64	1,494	466
PASSAIC	340	371	5,137	237	5,374	139
SALEM	86	114	491	9	500	80
SOMERSET	91	80	466	24	490	88
SUSSEX	18	31	120	2	122	47
UNION	296	471	4,394	87	4,481	518
WARREN	26	53	253	25	278	39
NJ TOTAL	4,815	6,156	71,087	2,051	73,138	6,893

21,802

*Note: Beginning this month the number of two parent families has been reduced by the number of companion cases listed for payment on the source table FF-012, to avoid double counting

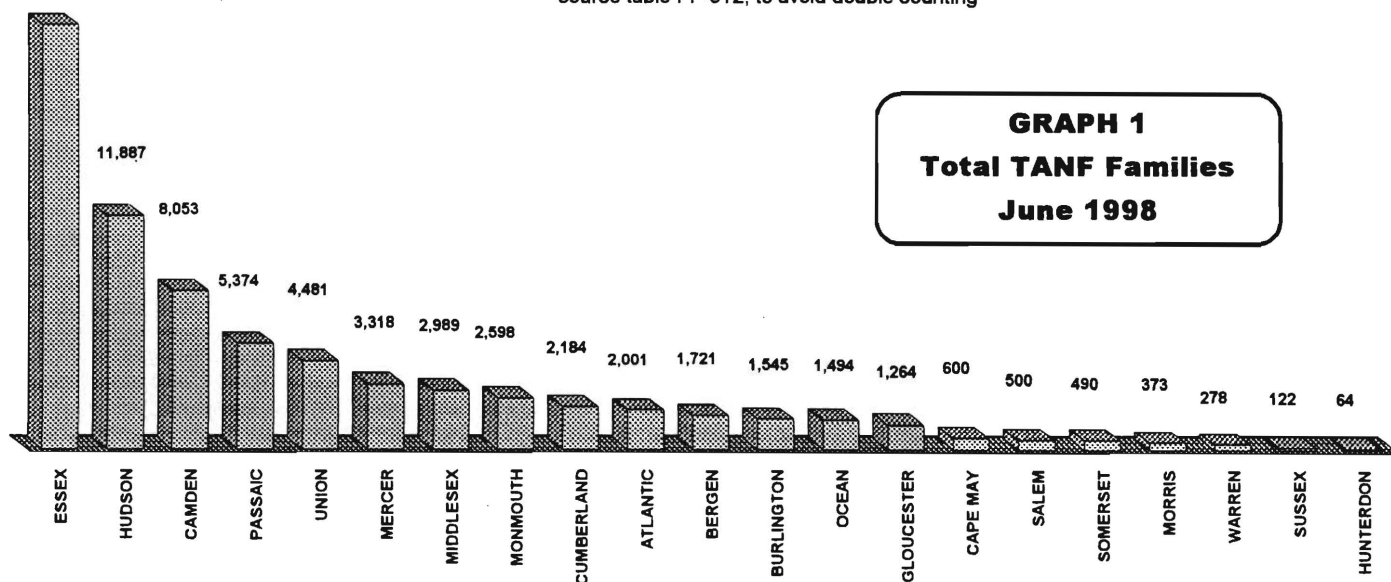


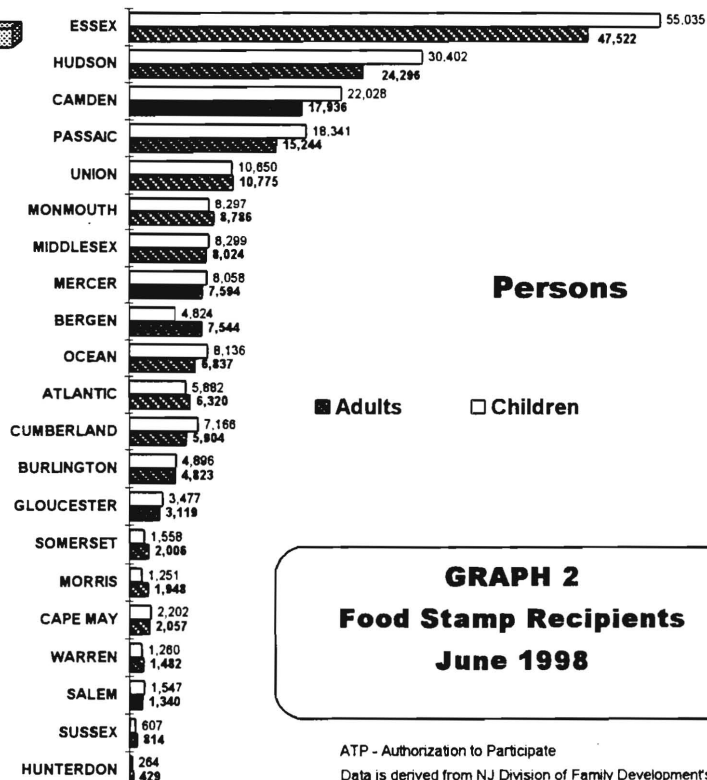
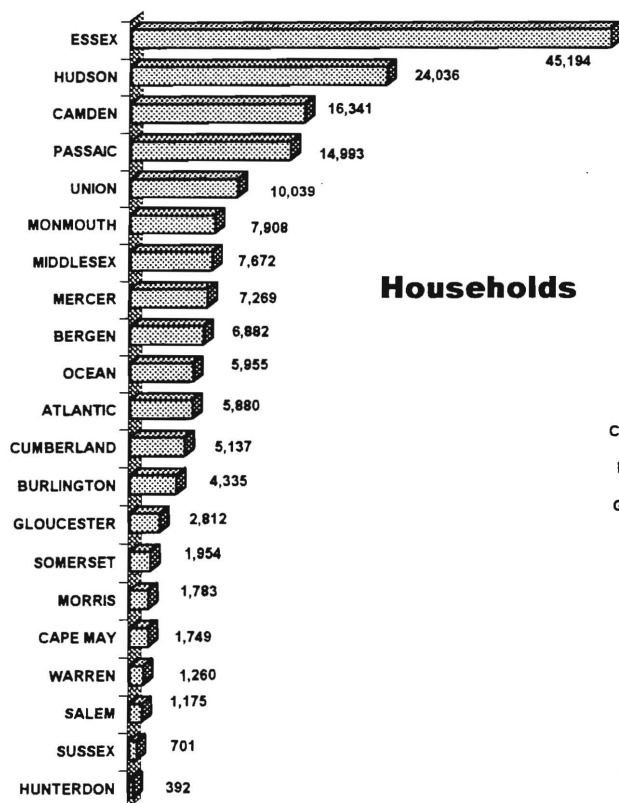
Table 2 NUMBER OF ATP'S ISSUED TO HOUSEHOLDS, PERSONS, ADULTS AND CHILDREN AT THE END OF THE REPORT MONTH

FOOD STAMP

PROGRAM

JUNE 1998

County	HOUSEHOLDS			PERSONS				
	TANF	Other low income	TOTAL	TOTAL	TANF	Other low income	Adults	Children
ATLANTIC	1,913	3,967	5,880	12,202	6,340	5,862	6,320	5,882
BERGEN	1,608	5,274	6,882	12,368	4,787	7,581	7,544	4,824
BURLINGTON	1,668	2,667	4,335	9,719	5,309	4,410	4,823	4,896
CAMDEN	8,567	7,774	16,341	39,964	28,507	11,457	17,936	22,028
CAPE MAY	703	1,046	1,749	4,259	2,424	1,835	2,057	2,202
CUMBERLAND	2,699	2,438	5,137	13,070	9,093	3,977	5,904	7,166
ESSEX	21,827	23,367	45,194	102,557	69,179	33,378	47,522	55,035
GLOUCESTER	1,398	1,414	2,812	6,596	4,428	2,168	3,119	3,477
HUDSON	12,204	11,832	24,036	54,698	37,153	17,545	24,296	30,402
HUNTERDON	63	329	392	693	200	493	429	264
MERCER	3,182	4,087	7,269	15,652	10,122	5,530	7,594	8,058
MIDDLESEX	3,276	4,396	7,672	16,323	10,064	6,259	8,024	8,299
MONMOUTH	2,638	5,270	7,908	17,083	8,751	8,332	8,786	8,297
MORRIS	386	1,397	1,783	3,199	1,162	2,037	1,948	1,251
OCEAN	2,018	3,937	5,955	14,973	7,067	7,906	6,837	8,136
PASSAIC	5,403	9,590	14,993	33,585	17,912	15,673	15,244	18,341
SALEM	544	631	1,175	2,887	1,828	1,059	1,340	1,547
SOMERSET	497	1,457	1,954	3,564	1,535	2,029	2,006	1,558
SUSSEX	157	544	701	1,421	475	946	814	607
UNION	3,991	6,048	10,039	21,425	12,970	8,455	10,775	10,650
WARREN	369	891	1,260	2,742	1,241	1,501	1,482	1,260
NJ TOTAL	75,111	98,356	173,467	388,980	240,547	148,433	184,800	204,180



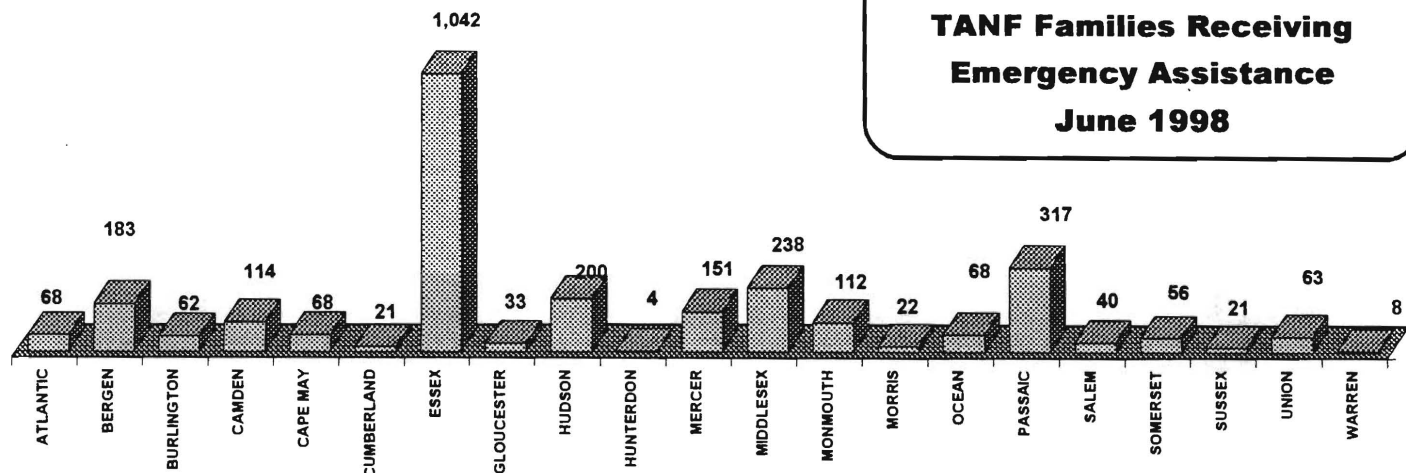
GRAPH 2
Food Stamp Recipients
June 1998

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

JUNE 1998

County	TANF Families Receiving Emergency Assistance					SSI Receipts Receiving EA
	TOTAL TANF-EA	Temporary Rental Assist.	Motel Housing	Emergency Shelter	Other TANF-EA	
ATLANTIC	68	4	8	4	52	7
BERGEN	183	70	15	26	72	28
BURLINGTON	62	0	0	11	51	2
CAMDEN	114	21	2	13	78	19
CAPE MAY	68	10	4	1	53	6
CUMBERLAND	21	1	1	7	12	5
ESSEX	1,042	363	43	133	503	9
GLOUCESTER	33	16	0	10	7	11
HUDSON	200	21	8	17	154	12
HUNTERDON	4	0	0	2	2	3
MERCER	151	57	10	4	80	5
MIDDLESEX	238	25	33	13	167	36
MONMOUTH	112	33	16	0	63	3
MORRIS	22	0	0	1	21	8
OCEAN	68	4	28	3	33	22
PASSAIC	317	3	1	22	291	55
SALEM	40	3	6	0	31	5
SOMERSET	56	4	5	22	25	2
SUSSEX	21	4	8	6	3	2
UNION	63	5	1	18	39	10
WARREN	8	0	2	0	6	1
NJ TOTAL	2,891	644	191	313	1,743	251

GRAPH 3
TANF Families Receiving
Emergency Assistance
June 1998

*January 1998 data not currently available, will be included with February Current Program Statistics

Derived from NJ Division of Family Development FAMIS Reports #FM457 and #FM430-03A

Table 4**WORK FIRST NEW JERSEY STATISTICAL SUMMARY****WFNJ****JUNE 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	1,124	20	295	167	405	194	63	209
BERGEN	1,236	101	179	62	312	155	66	143
BURLINGTON	839	215	72	368	328	160	90	283
CAMDEN	5,262	603	740	1,193	1,998	785	214	654
CAPE MAY	423	17	37	73	237	30	44	45
CUMBERLAND	1,382	72	651	624	414	220	132	230
ESSEX	16,720	456	3,071	2,220	1,534	1,520	215	349
GLOUCESTER	671	101	47	243	237	63	46	149
HUDSON	8,705	1,096	2,227	312	1,195	1,268	157	594
HUNTERDON	37	5	2	29	21	9	5	17
MERCER	2,062	76	140	183	330	334	87	287
MIDDLESEX	1,702	0	343	520	737	301	94	294
MONMOUTH	1,761	180	654	183	594	444	77	349
MORRIS	236	96	48	166	53	48	20	72
OCEAN	912	9	136	112	302	141	126	307
PASSAIC	3,654	600	1,171	746	498	554	77	269
SALEM	305	59	71	95	114	88	24	65
SOMERSET	302	23	72	28	125	63	17	94
SUSSEX	76	21	8	17	58	27	10	54
UNION	2,717	177	753	286	497	451	115	228
WARREN	220	13	8	67	57	23	16	36
STATE	50,346	3,940	10,725	7,694	10,046	6,878	1,695	4,728

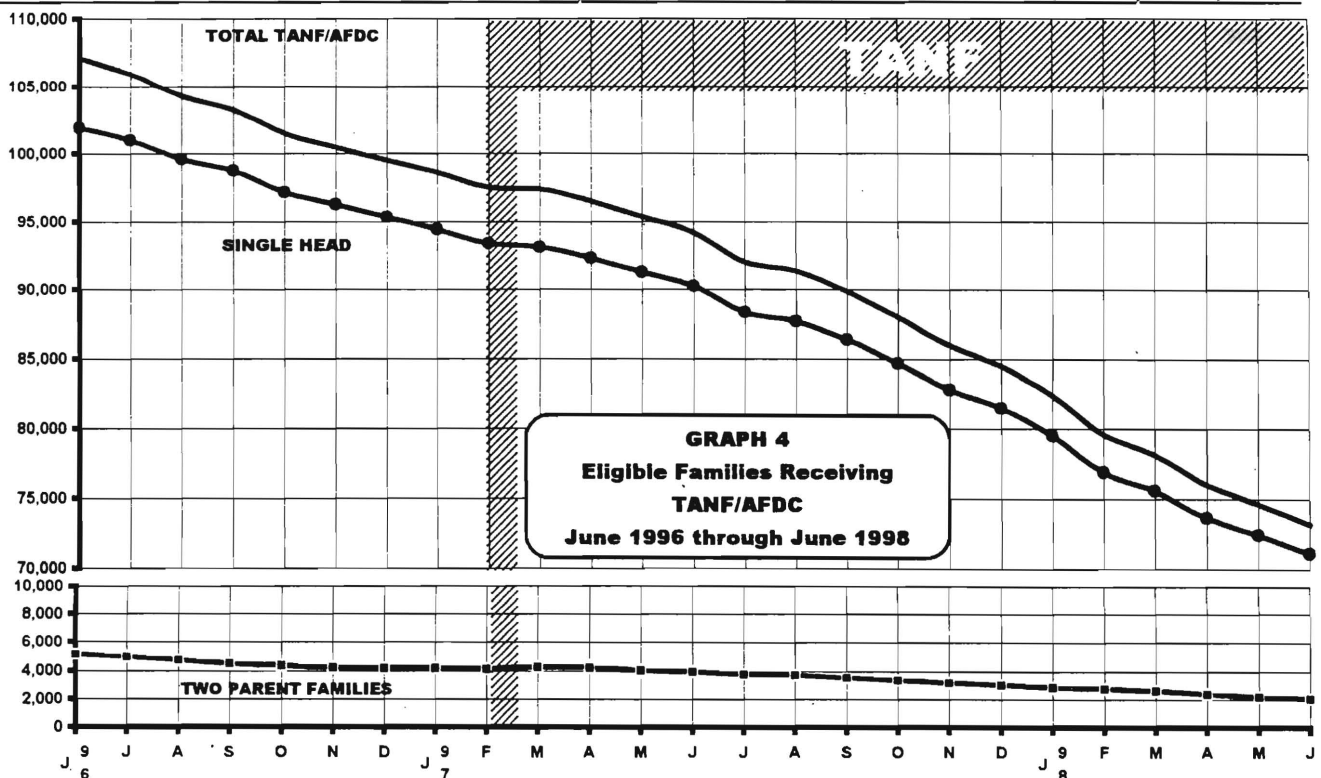
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Table 5
TANF/AFDC
PROGRAM

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

June 1996 through June 1998

		Applications Approved	Terminations	Single Head Families	Two Parent Families* (revised)	Total TANF/AFDC* (revised)	Medicaid Only
AFDC 1996	JUN	5,319	6,121	101,947	5,132	107,079	5,116
	JUL	5,874	7,027	100,968	4,949	105,917	5,200
	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
AVERAGE		4,966	6,684	74,828	2,470	77,298	6,676



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

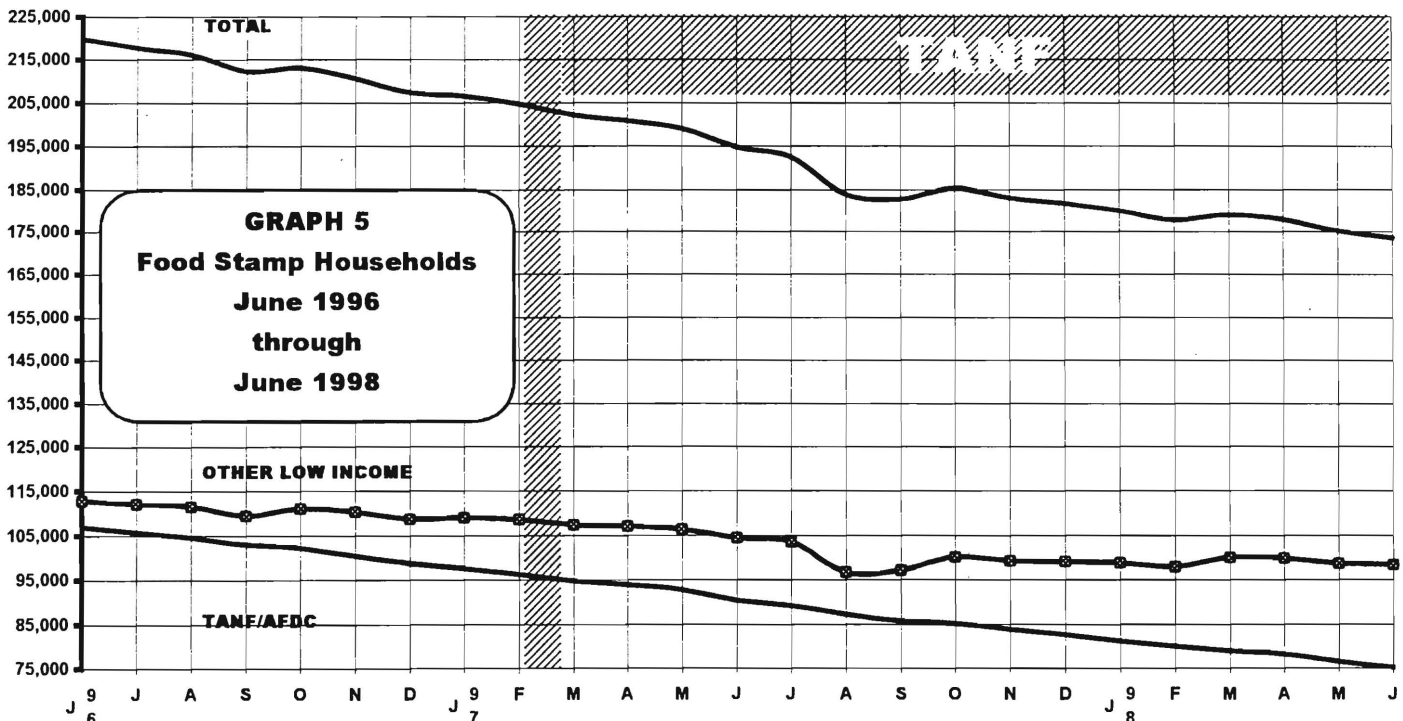
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Table 6
FOOD STAMP
PROGRAM

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

June 1996 through June 1998

HOUSEHOLDS				PERSONS				
	TANF/AFDC	Other low income	TOTAL	TOTAL	TANF/AFDC	Other low income	Adults	Children
1996 JUN	106,875	112,888	219,763	506,926	334,762	172,164	243,422	263,504
JUL	105,653	112,023	217,676	501,575	331,157	170,418	240,840	260,735
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	232,069
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
AVERAGE	78,267	98,866	177,134	399,192	250,179	149,013	189,224	209,968



ATP - Authorization to Participate

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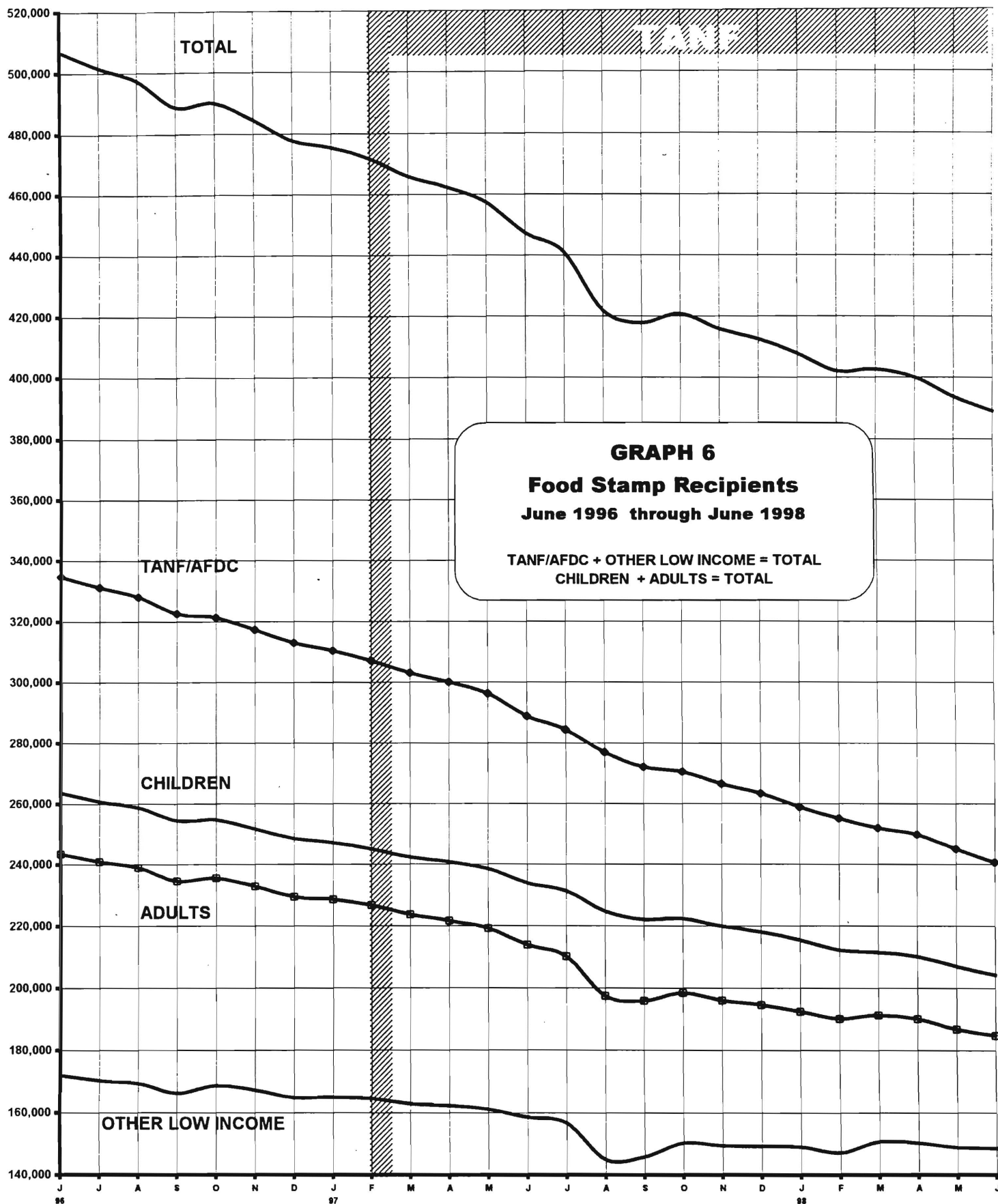


Table 7

NUMBER OF ELIGIBLE FAMILIES RECEIVING EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE PAYMENTS

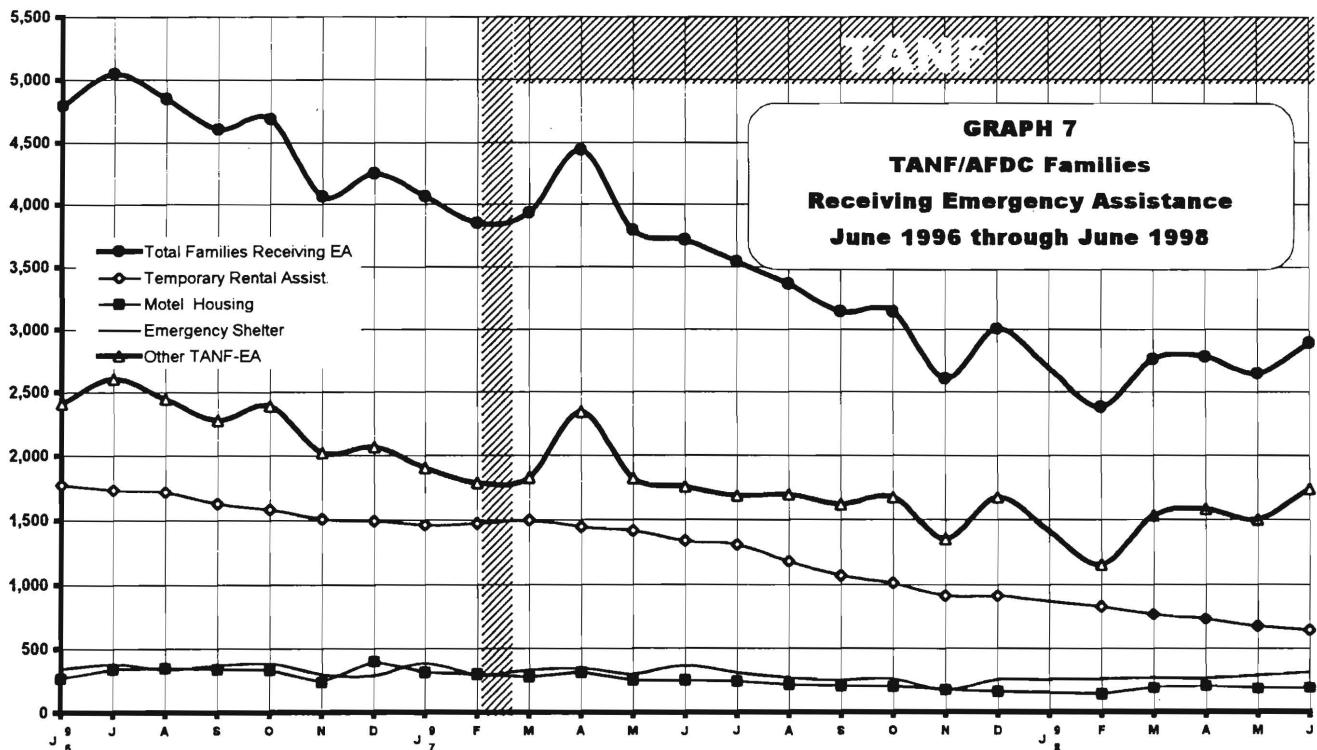
TANF/AFDC

(UNDUPLICATED CASES)

EMERGENCY
ASSISTANCE

June 1996 through June 1998

		Total Families Receiving EA	Temporary Rental Assistance	Motel Housing	Emergency Shelter	Other TANF/AFDC-EA
AFDC 1996	JUN	4,791	1,772	266	341	2,412
	JUL	5,044	1,729	335	377	2,603
	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	2,646	676	184	284	1,502
	JUN	2,891	644	191	313	1,743
	AVERAGE	2,690	728	182	278	1,502



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

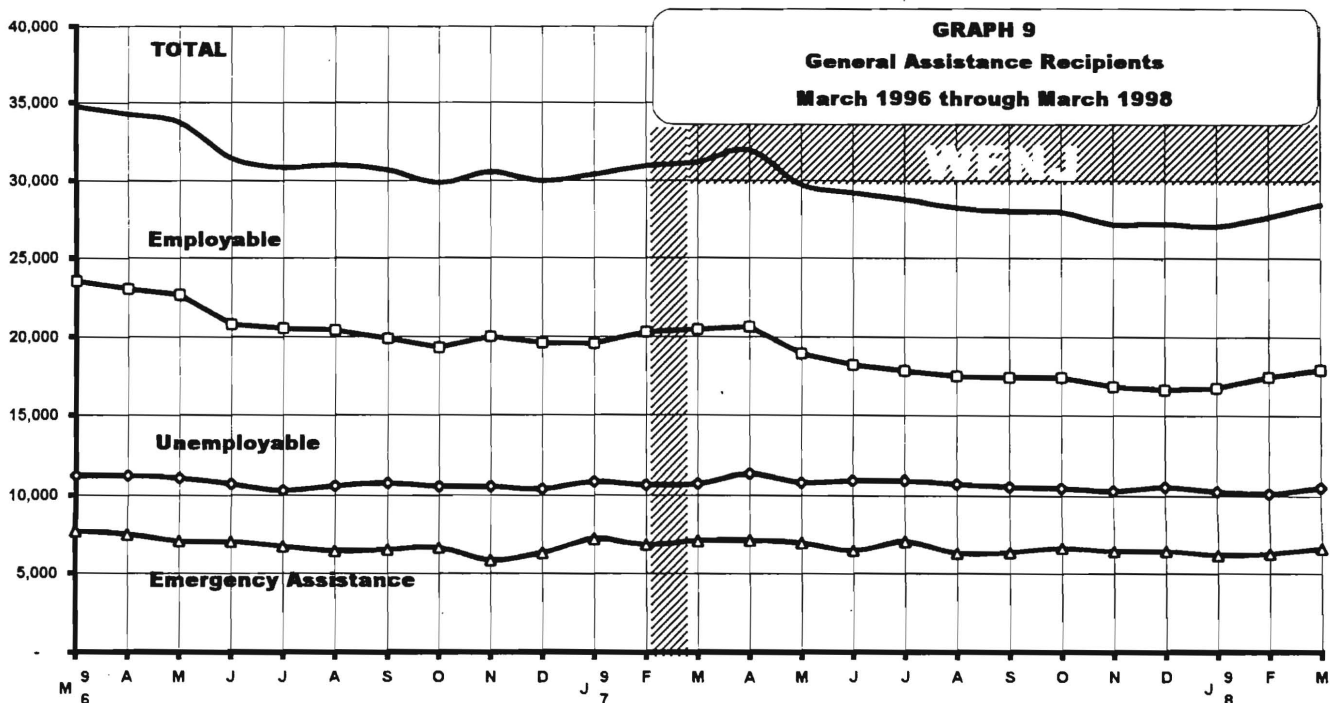
Currently Unavailable Pending Revision of Participation Rates

TABLE 9
GENERAL
ASSISTANCE
PROGRAM

NUMBER OF EMPLOYABLE AND UNEMPLOYABLE RECIPIENTS
AND EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE PAYMENTS DURING REPORT MONTH

March 1996 through March 1998

	<u>All Persons Aided</u>			<u>Emergency Assistance Payments</u>		
	Employable	Unemployable	Total	Temporary Rental Assistance	Other GA-EA	Total
1996 MAR	23,528	11,243	34,771	4,472	3,185	7,657
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
WPNJ 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
AVERAGE	17,374	10,273	27,648	3,965	2,365	6,330



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 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 11**GENERAL
ASSISTANCE****EMPLOYABLE AND UNEMPLOYABLE RECIPIENTS
AND EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE RECIPIENTS****PROGRAM****March 1998**

<u>County/ Municipality</u>	<u>Total Persons Aided</u>			<u>Emergency Assistance Payments</u>		
	Employable	Unemployable	Total	Temporary Rental Assist.	Other GA-EA	Total
ATLANTIC	833	465	1,298	70	39	109
BERGEN	361	491	852	211	97	308
BURLINGTON	296	455	751	126	92	218
CAMDEN	1,555	1,343	2,898	208	154	362
CAPE MAY	188	86	274	25	22	47
CUMBERLAND	429	127	556	2	21	23
ESSEX	5,783	2,132	7,915	880	1,328	2,208
GLOUCESTER	174	179	353	12	50	62
HUDSON	708	969	1,677	107	19	126
HUNTERDON	55	57	112	18	14	32
MERCER	1,173	842	2,015	295	222	517
MIDDLESEX	358	457	815	65	34	99
MONMOUTH	541	540	1,081	253	39	292
MORRIS	79	142	221	29	17	46
OCEAN	477	322	799	237	99	336
PASSAIC	2,496	772	3,268	534	250	784
SALEM	87	68	155	13	19	32
SOMERSET	102	92	194	47	11	58
SUSSEX	44	60	104	38	5	43
UNION	2,108	817	2,925	801	49	850
WARREN	67	76	143	38	0	38
TOTAL NJ	17,914	10,492	28,406	4,009	2,581	6,590

Source: NJ Division of Family Development, GA Fiscal Unit

TABLE 12**CHILD SUPPORT
AND PATERNITY****NUMBER OF CASES REMAINING OPEN****QUARTER ENDING JUNE 1998**

	<u>CASES WITH ORDERS</u>			<u>OTHER CASES (1)</u>		<u>TOTAL AFDC AND FOSTER CARE</u>	<u>TOTAL NON- AFDC</u>	<u>TOTAL ALL CASES</u>
	<u>AFDC AND FOSTER CARE</u>	<u>AFDC AND FOSTER CARE ARREARS (2)</u>	<u>NON- AFDC</u>	<u>AFDC AND FOSTER CARE</u>	<u>NON- AFDC</u>			
Atlantic	1,567	4,542	9,929	2,233	3,631	8,342	13,560	21,902
Bergen	1,026	1,969	9,130	1,128	1,141	4,123	10,271	14,394
Burlington	1,368	3,429	11,155	1,598	2,370	6,395	13,525	19,920
Camden	6,538	11,775	22,760	5,289	4,947	23,602	27,707	51,309
Cape May	509	1,174	3,502	430	327	2,113	3,829	5,942
Cumberland	2,506	5,512	10,465	538	378	8,556	10,843	19,399
Essex	12,801	17,314	35,383	19,537	11,714	49,652	47,097	96,749
Gloucester	1,006	2,545	6,612	822	1,173	4,373	7,785	12,158
Hudson	6,002	8,360	20,022	7,139	6,788	21,501	26,810	48,311
Hunterdon	94	279	1,601	48	58	421	1,659	2,080
Mercer	3,505	6,295	12,746	2,503	2,393	12,303	15,139	27,442
Middlesex	2,053	5,566	15,503	2,228	2,349	9,847	17,852	27,699
Monmouth	2,746	5,140	12,861	1,740	1,737	9,626	14,598	24,224
Morris	300	597	4,139	405	425	1,302	4,564	5,866
Ocean	1,185	3,527	10,287	1,514	1,578	6,226	11,865	18,091
Passaic	4,220	5,998	15,739	4,920	4,778	15,138	20,517	35,655
Salem	727	1,556	3,408	233	177	2,516	3,585	6,101
Somerset	371	716	3,396	438	634	1,525	4,030	5,555
Sussex	179	446	1,928	134	207	759	2,135	2,894
Union	2,586	5,360	13,769	3,768	4,400	11,714	18,169	29,883
Warren	355	1,032	2,688	112	108	1,499	2,796	4,295
NJ TOTAL	51,644	93,132	227,023	56,757	51,313	201,533	278,336	479,869

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*

Correction to Current Program Statistics**Table 4****WFNJ Statistical Summary****Mercer County and State Total****EMPLOYMENT DIRECTED ACTIVITIES****ALL OTHER TRAINING**

		Mercer County		State Total	
		As Shown	Revised	As Shown	Revised
Jul	1997	367	159	6,321	6,113
Aug	1997	372	157	5,989	5,774
Sep	1997	378	182	7,528	7,332
Oct	1997	387	185	7,482	7,280
Nov	1997	347	151	6,908	6,712
Dec	1997	356	151	8,289	8,084
Jan	1998	336	151	8,877	8,692
Feb	1998	317	157	8,934	8,774
Mar	1998	301	176	10,483	10,358
Apr	1998	264	173	10,046	9,955

Note: An error in the spreadsheet formula for compiling this data for Mercer County was discovered , resulting in these revisions for Mercer County and the State total

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