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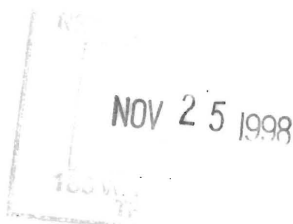
TO Michele K. Guhl
Commissioner

FROM David C. Heins
Acting Director



SUBJECT CURRENT PROGRAM STATISTICS

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



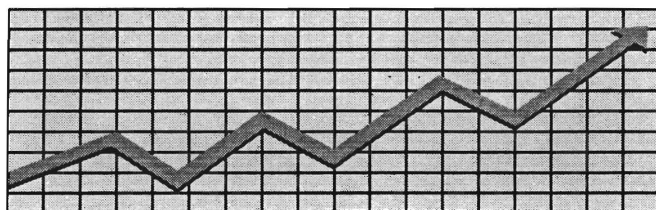
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Highlights of **CURRENT PROGRAM STATISTICS**

TANF

(Tables 1 and 5, Graphs 1 and 4)

As of the end of July 1998, 71,165 eligible families in New Jersey were receiving TANF cash assistance:

- about 69,300 single head of household families
- less than 1900 two-parent families.

In addition, there were almost 7000 families receiving Medicaid Only assistance.

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

Essex — 21,651, Hudson — 11,672, Camden — 7,737, Passaic — 5,253, Union — 4,387

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

- 62 families in Hunterdon County to 3,263 in Mercer County,
with seven counties below 1000 families

There were about 2000 fewer eligible TANF families receiving cash assistance in July 1998 than in June, with a decline of nearly 35,000, or 33 percent, over the number of AFDC families receiving cash assistance two years ago in July 1996.

- **Single head families:** 1800 fewer were eligible in July 1998 than in June, and almost 32,000 below two years ago in July 1996, a drop of more than 31 percent.
- **Two parent families:** declined by over 3000, or 62 percent from close to 5000 in July 1996.

FOOD STAMP PROGRAM

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

At the end of July 1998, close to 172,000 households were authorized to participate in the Food Stamp Program.

- **TANF:** About 74,000 households with about 238,000 persons.
- **Other low income:** less than 98,000 households with almost 148,000 persons.
- **Total persons:** less than 386,000, including 183,000 adults and 203,000 children
- **By County:** 49 percent of the households were in:

Essex	44,900
Hudson	23,600
Camden	16,300

Two years ago in July 1996, nearly 218,000 households were authorized to participate in Food Stamps in New Jersey. Over the next two years the number declined by nearly 46,000, or 21 percent, to less than 172,000 by July 1998, and was below 180,000 each month in 1998.

- **TANF(FS)** households steadily declined from about **106,000** in July 1996 to about **74,000** two years later. There were **112,000 Other Low Income** households in July 1996 and **100,000 or less** since August 1997.
- **Total FS Recipients Authorized to Participate:** in the last two years, were about **502,000** in July 1996, and declined to **386,000** by July 1998, a drop of almost **116,000**, or **23 percent**.
- **Adult FS Recipients:** were about **241,000** in July 1996, and were down by **58,000 (24.1 percent)** to **182,900** in July 1998.
- **Recipient FS Children:** also declined by about **58,000 (22.2 percent)**, from about **260,700** in July 1996 to **202,900** in July 1998.

EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE

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

In July 1998 Emergency Assistance (EA) payments were made for 2566 eligible TANF families and 270 SSI recipients in New Jersey. For TANF families this included payments for:

- **Temporary Rental Assistance (TRA)** for **554** families
- **Motel** placements for **183** families and **emergency shelter** placements for **215** families
- **All other TANF-EA** for **1614** families (including back rent, back utilities, security deposits, furnishings, clothing and food allowance, or transitional housing)
- **933** families in **Essex** County, **295** in **Passaic** County, **254** in **Middlesex** County, and for **195 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 2670 for the first seven months of 1998. Payments were made for about half as many families in July 1998 as in July 1996.

- TRA payments were about **one third** of the number in June 1996 .
- Motel payments declined by **45 percent** in July 1998 from **335** in July 1996.
- Emergency Shelter payments declined by **43 percent** in July 1998 from **377** in July 1996.
- Other TANF-EA payments declined by **38 percent** in July 1998 from **2603** in July 1996.

For 1996 there were an average of 6800 GA EA recipients, 6700 for 1997, and 6400 for the first four 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 four 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 28,312 GA recipients in April 1998, virtually unchanged from March 1998. The GA total was about 2000 below April 1997 and almost 6500 below April 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 **JULY 1998**

County	Applications Approved	Terminations	Single Head Families	Two Parent Families	Total TANF*	Medicaid Only
ATLANTIC	180	280	1,853	43	1,896	187
BERGEN	122	198	1,555	91	1,646	91
BURLINGTON	189	275	1,417	43	1,460	272
CAMDEN	726	1,029	7,479	258	7,737	1,050
CAPE MAY	70	158	494	29	523	92
CUMBERLAND	264	353	1,956	117	2,073	519
ESSEX	1,096	1,206	21,454	197	21,651	783
GLOUCESTER	235	274	1,180	27	1,207	344
HUDSON	517	713	11,244	428	11,672	1,036
HUNTERDON	16	15	59	3	62	32
MERCER	301	365	3,207	56	3,263	459
MIDDLESEX	337	513	2,731	104	2,835	472
MONMOUTH	184	257	2,479	41	2,520	176
MORRIS	38	93	346	12	358	75
OCEAN	167	333	1,289	56	1,345	455
PASSAIC	384	502	5,016	237	5,253	142
SALEM	71	112	457	6	463	77
SOMERSET	81	104	432	22	454	100
SUSSEX	30	32	108	4	112	48
UNION	362	489	4,304	83	4,387	513
WARREN	33	71	227	21	248	32
NJ TOTAL	5,403	7,372	69,287	1,878	71,165	6,955

*Note: Historically, total TANF cases have included Medicaid only. However, under federal welfare reform cash assistance and Medicaid have been de-linked and this total now includes only those cases receiving cash assistance.

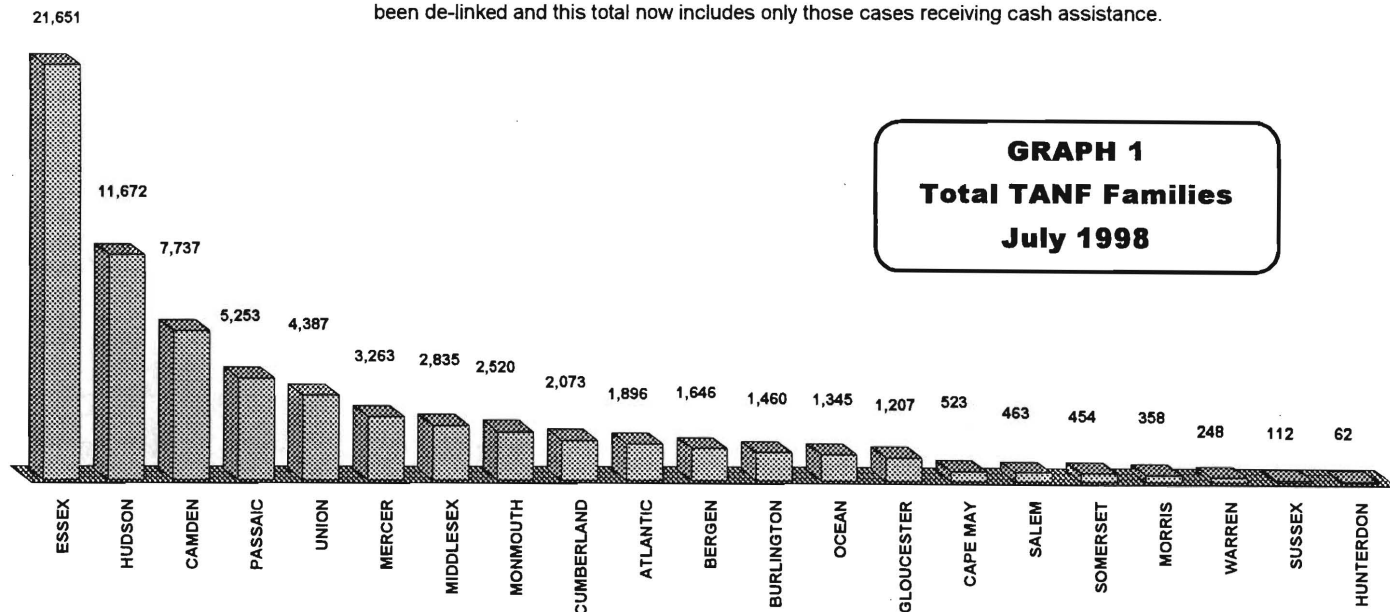
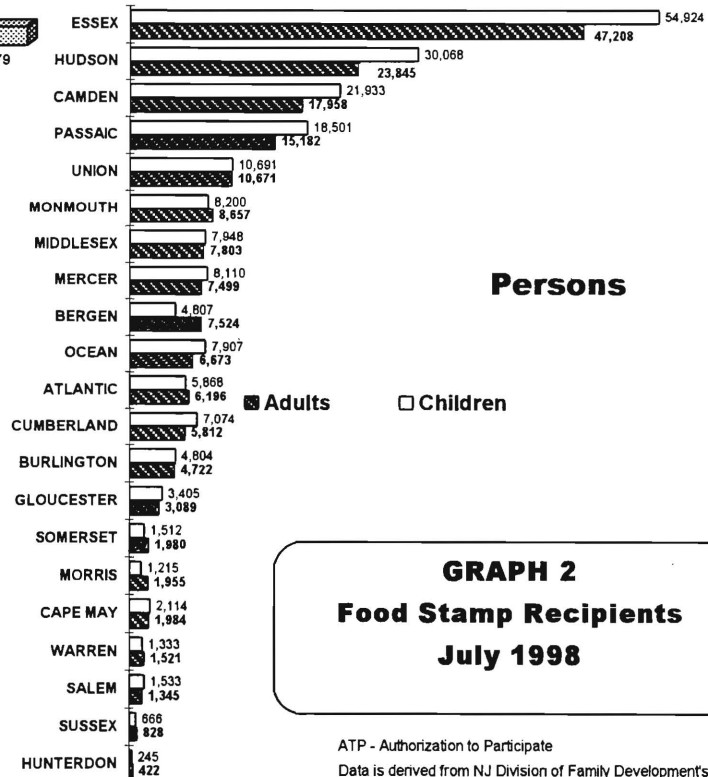
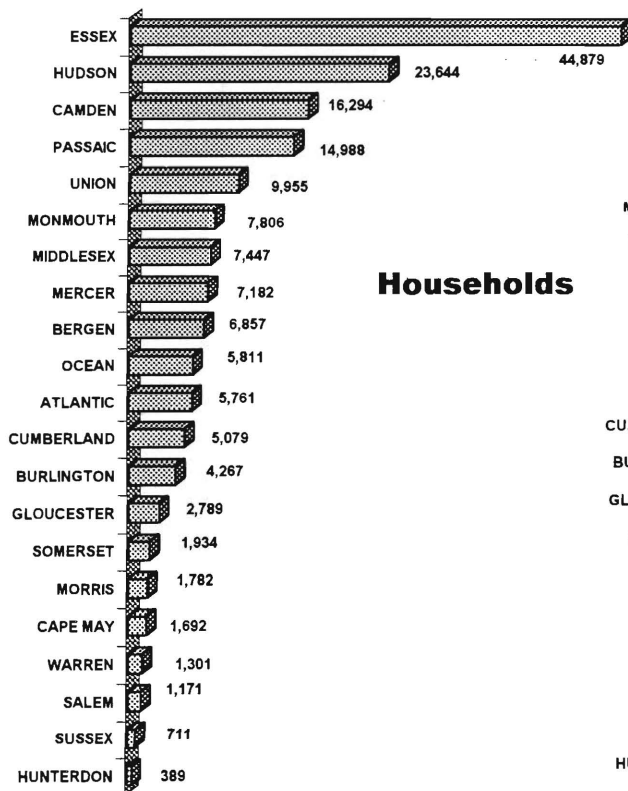


Table 2 NUMBER OF ATP'S ISSUED TO HOUSEHOLDS, PERSONS, ADULTS AND CHILDREN AT THE END OF THE REPORT MONTH

FOOD STAMP PROGRAM

JULY 1998

County	HOUSEHOLDS			PERSONS					
	TANF	Other		TOTAL	TANF	Other		Adults	Children
		low income	TOTAL			low income	Adults		
ATLANTIC	1,885	3,876	5,761	12,064	6,295	5,769	6,196	5,868	
BERGEN	1,591	5,266	6,857	12,331	4,754	7,577	7,524	4,807	
BURLINGTON	1,631	2,636	4,267	9,526	5,197	4,329	4,722	4,804	
CAMDEN	8,465	7,829	16,294	39,891	28,284	11,607	17,958	21,933	
CAPE MAY	665	1,027	1,692	4,098	2,303	1,795	1,984	2,114	
CUMBERLAND	2,633	2,446	5,079	12,886	8,898	3,988	5,812	7,074	
ESSEX	21,647	23,232	44,879	102,132	68,771	33,361	47,208	54,924	
GLOUCESTER	1,354	1,435	2,789	6,494	4,298	2,196	3,089	3,405	
HUDSON	12,023	11,621	23,644	53,913	36,570	17,343	23,845	30,068	
HUNTERDON	61	328	389	667	181	486	422	245	
MERCER	3,178	4,004	7,182	15,609	10,160	5,449	7,499	8,110	
MIDDLESEX	3,140	4,307	7,447	15,751	9,729	6,022	7,803	7,948	
MONMOUTH	2,583	5,223	7,806	16,857	8,558	8,299	8,657	8,200	
MORRIS	369	1,413	1,782	3,170	1,115	2,055	1,955	1,215	
OCEAN	1,941	3,870	5,811	14,580	6,824	7,756	6,673	7,907	
PASSAIC	5,393	9,595	14,988	33,683	17,899	15,784	15,182	18,501	
SALEM	540	631	1,171	2,878	1,803	1,075	1,345	1,533	
SOMERSET	486	1,448	1,934	3,492	1,464	2,028	1,980	1,512	
SUSSEX	162	549	711	1,494	505	989	828	666	
UNION	4,007	5,948	9,955	21,362	12,946	8,416	10,671	10,691	
WARREN	381	920	1,301	2,854	1,281	1,573	1,521	1,333	
NJ TOTAL	74,135	97,604	171,739	385,732	237,835	147,897	182,874	202,858	



GRAPH 2
Food Stamp Recipients
July 1998

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

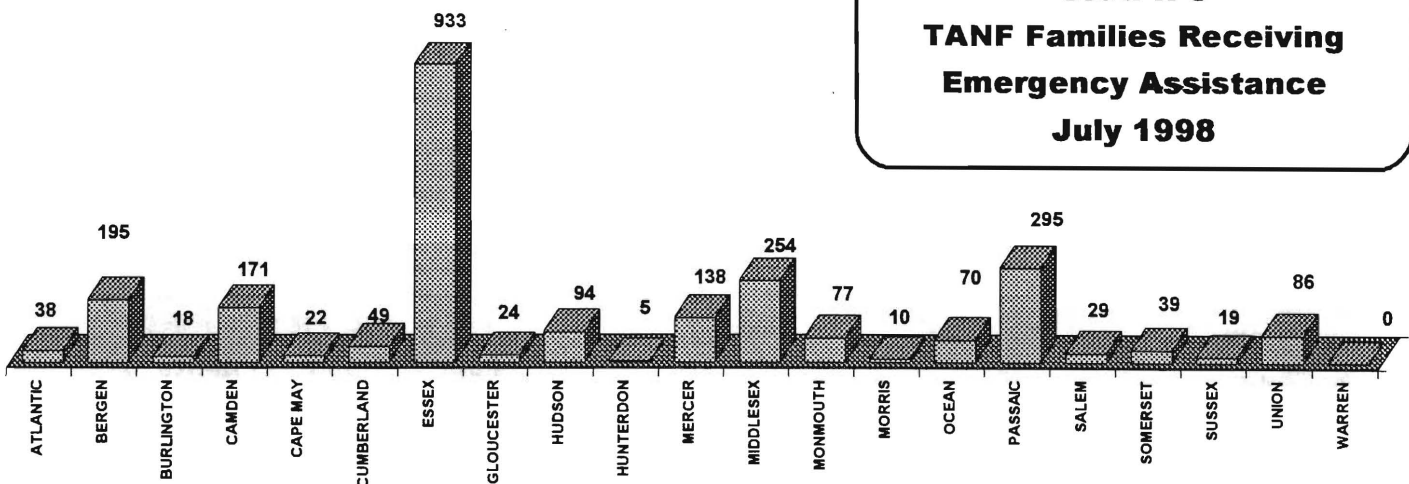
Table 3 NUMBER OF ELIGIBLE FAMILIES RECEIVING EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE PAYMENTS
(UNDUPLICATED CASES)

TANF/SSI
EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE

JULY 1998

County	TANF Families Receiving Emergency Assistance					SSI Recipients Receiving EA
	TOTAL TANF-EA	Temporary Rental Assist.	Motel Housing	Emergency Shelter	Other TANF-EA	
ATLANTIC	38	4	8	7	19	2
BERGEN	195	51	14	27	103	19
BURLINGTON	18	0	0	11	7	3
CAMDEN	171	20	2	16	133	25
CAPE MAY	22	8	3	0	11	6
CUMBERLAND	49	1	0	8	40	4
ESSEX	933	343	69	37	484	19
GLOUCESTER	24	6	0	10	8	17
HUDSON	94	16	1	10	67	8
HUNTERDON	5	0	0	1	4	3
MERCER	138	43	8	2	85	20
MIDDLESEX	254	25	23	30	176	50
MONMOUTH	77	17	0	0	60	1
MORRIS	10	0	0	5	5	7
OCEAN	70	4	31	4	31	24
PASSAIC	295	2	2	13	278	40
SALEM	29	3	9	0	17	2
SOMERSET	39	3	1	14	21	3
SUSSEX	19	3	8	1	7	5
UNION	86	5	4	19	58	12
WARREN	0	0	0	0	0	0
NJ TOTAL	2,566	554	183	215	1,614	270

GRAPH 3
TANF Families Receiving
Emergency Assistance
July 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****JULY 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	*	7	249	194	423	147	98	209
BERGEN	*	79	244	132	333	120	54	150
BURLINGTON	*	211	70	276	300	132	64	256
CAMDEN	*	478	592	1,169	1,844	627	205	608
CAPE MAY	*	15	41	42	172	23	85	58
CUMBERLAND	*	56	510	589	423	225	76	240
ESSEX	*	356	3,402	3,955	1,582	1,415	235	376
GLOUCESTER	*	77	36	207	189	89	63	143
HUDSON	*	1,053	2,061	305	1,215	1,206	192	617
HUNTERDON	*	4	0	20	19	9	5	22
MERCER	*	78	122	188	379	273	71	275
MIDDLESEX	*	0	354	437	739	253	90	311
MONMOUTH	*	133	655	220	605	430	93	365
MORRIS	*	96	45	139	68	43	17	70
OCEAN	*	7	104	102	285	112	108	330
PASSAIC	*	402	848	861	512	554	119	259
SALEM	*	45	34	135	110	61	22	78
SOMERSET	*	21	66	27	119	61	28	92
SUSSEX	*	31	7	17	42	24	10	49
UNION	*	149	679	545	469	356	85	232
WARREN	*	16	12	76	44	20	18	32
STATE	*	3,314	10,131	9,636	9,872	6,180	1,738	4,772

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

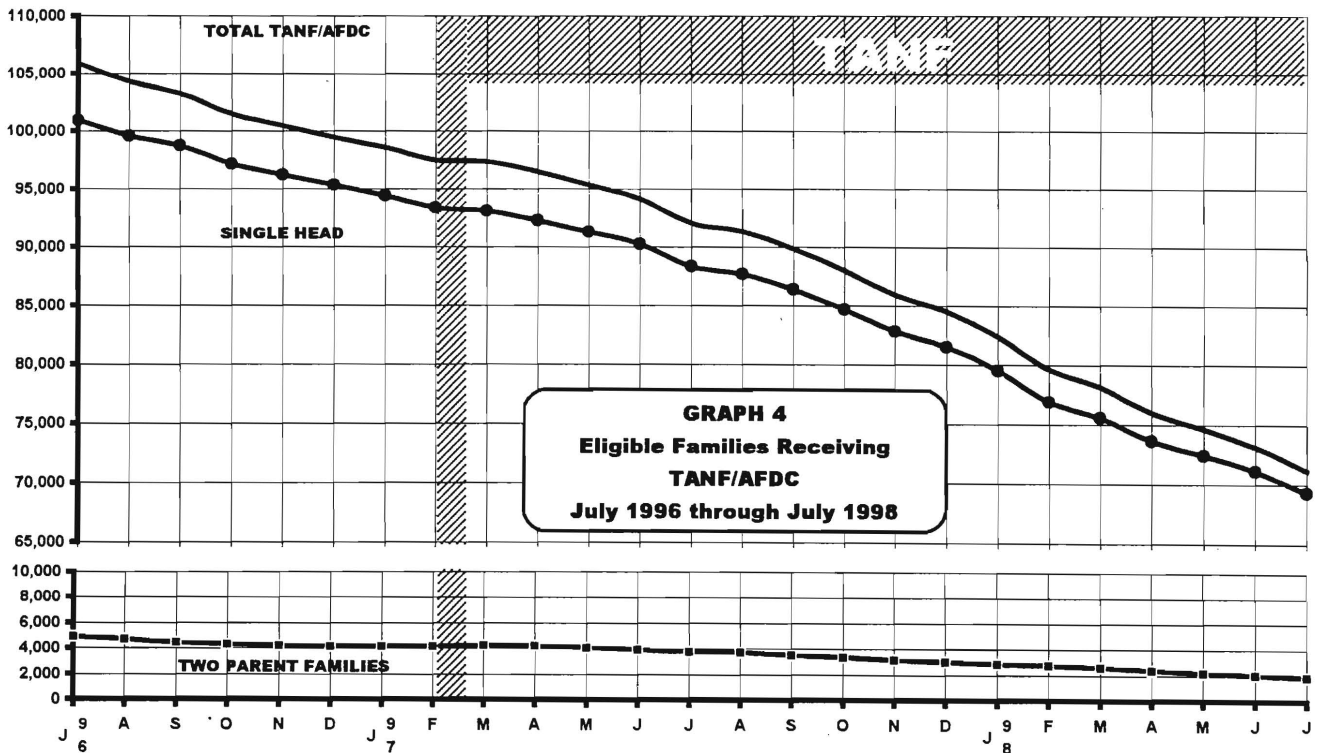
* Currently unavailable pending recalculation of participation rates based on new Federal clarification

**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**

July 1996 through July 1998

	Applications Approved	Terminations	Single Head Families	Two Parent Families* (revised)	Total TANF/AFDC* (revised)	Medicaid Only
AFDC 1996 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
1997 JAN	5,933	6,803	94,429	4,148	98,577	4,994
TANF 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
JUL	5,403	7,372	69,287	1,878	71,165	6,955
AVERAGE	5,028	6,783	74,036	2,385	76,421	6,716



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

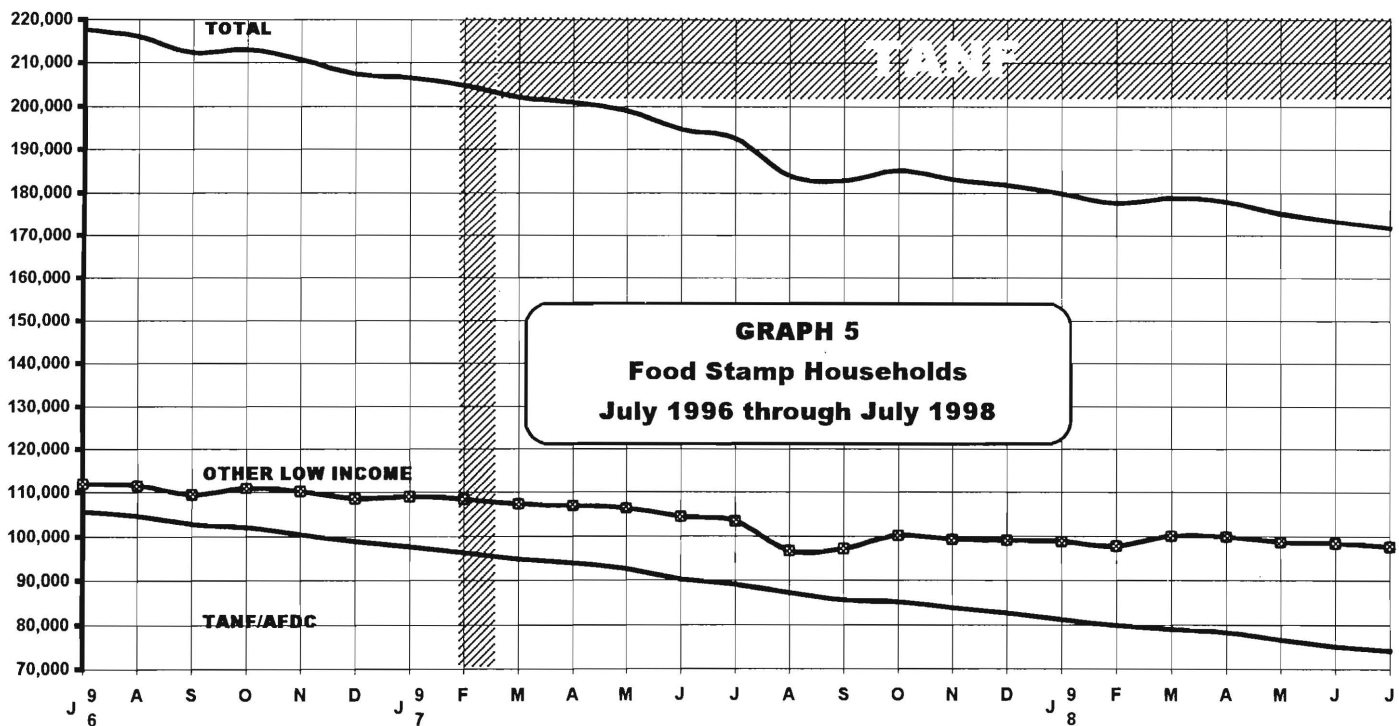
*Note: Revised through May 1998 and continuing thereafter, with the number of two parent families reduced by the number of companion cases listed for payment on the source table FF-012, to avoid double counting

Table 6
FOOD STAMP
PROGRAM

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

July 1996 through July 1998

	HOUSEHOLDS			PERSONS				
	TANF/AFDC	Other low income	TOTAL	TOTAL	TANF/AFDC	Other low income	Adults	Children
1996 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
JUL	74,135	97,604	171,739	385,732	237,835	147,897	182,874	202,858
AVERAGE	77,677	98,686	176,363	397,269	248,415	148,853	188,317	208,952



ATP - Authorization to Participate

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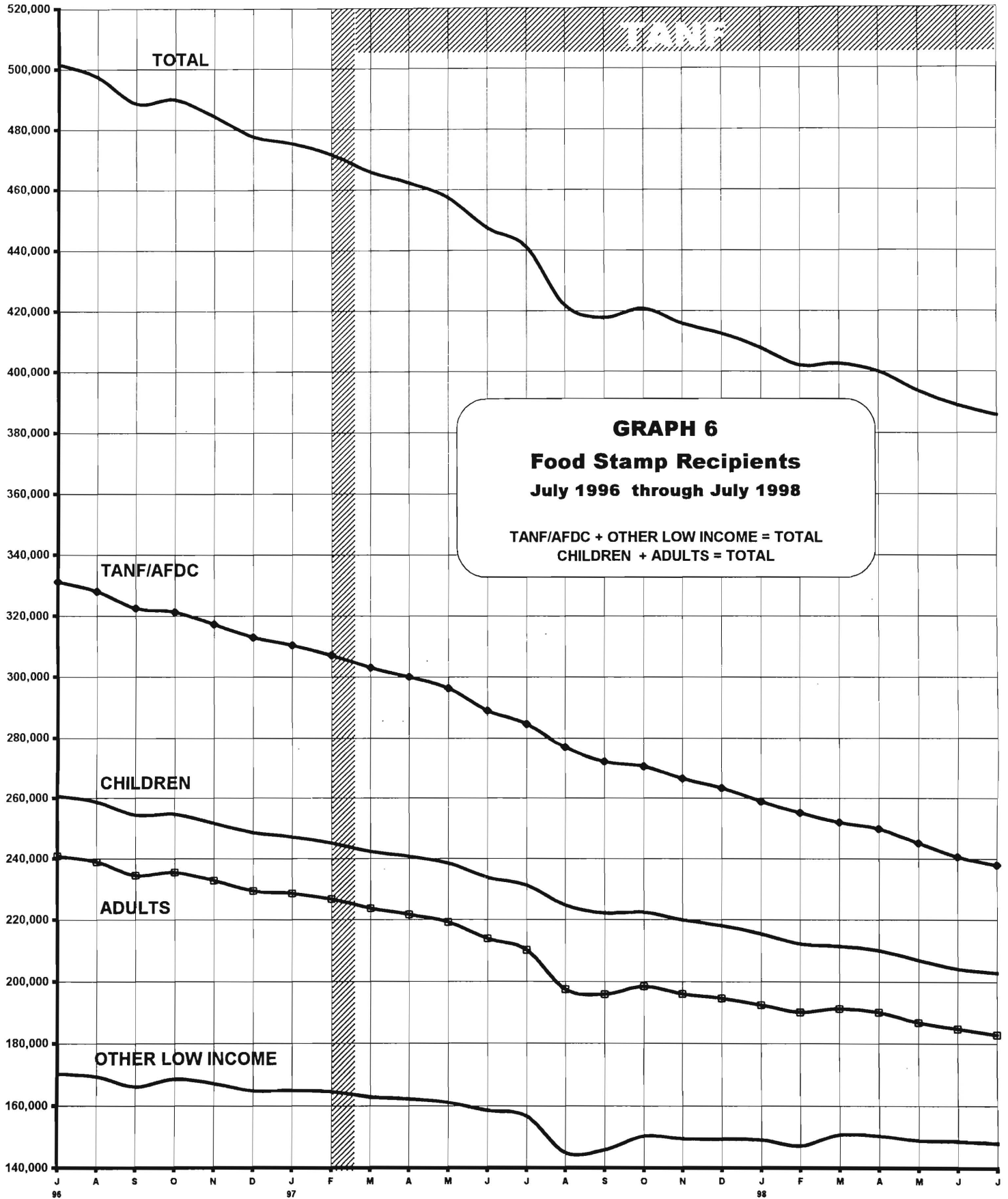


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NUMBER OF ELIGIBLE FAMILIES RECEIVING EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE PAYMENTS

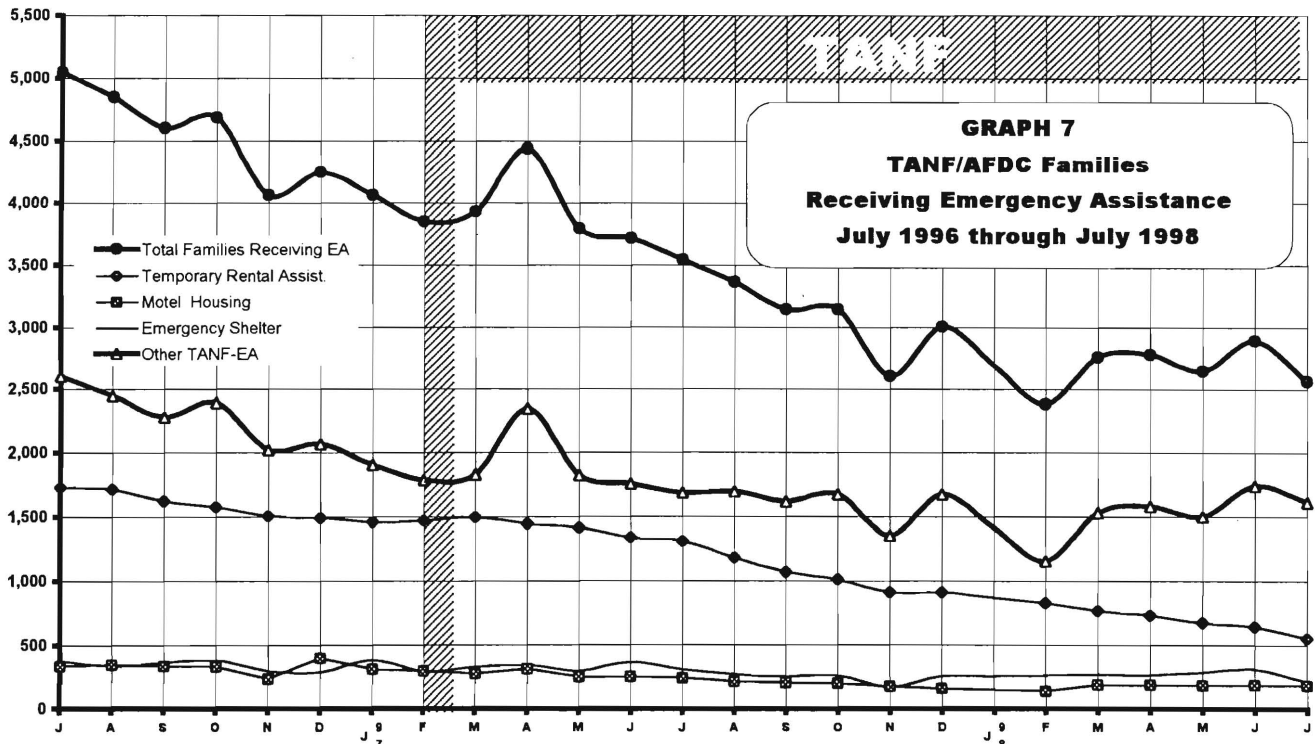
TANF/AFDC

(UNDUPLICATED CASES)

EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE

July 1996 through July 1998

EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE		Total Families Receiving EA	Temporary Rental Assistance	Motel Housing	Emergency Shelter	Other TANF/AFDC-EA
AFDC 1996	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
1997	JAN	4,059	1,462	310	382	1,905
TANF	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
	JUL	2,566	554	183	215	1,614
AVERAGE		2,670	699	182	268	1,521



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.

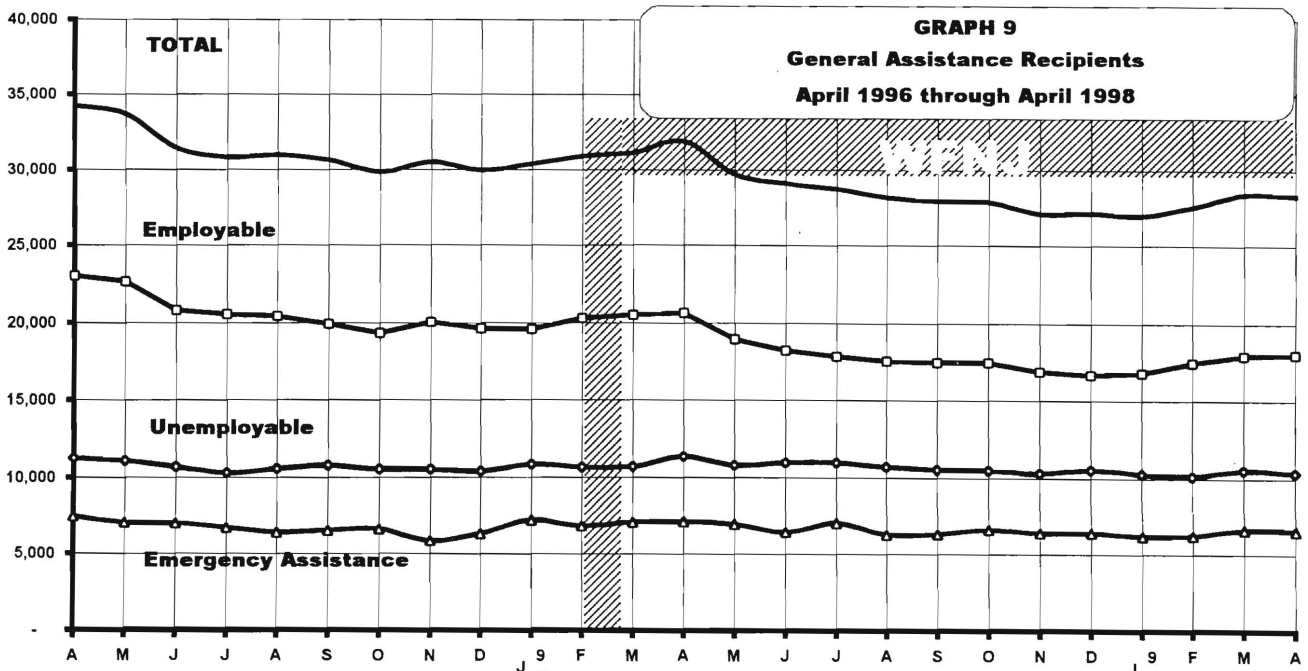
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TANF PARTICIPATION RATES

Currently Unavailable Pending Revision of Participation Rates

TABLE 9 NUMBER OF EMPLOYABLE AND UNEMPLOYABLE RECIPIENTS AND EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE PAYMENTS DURING REPORT MONTH
GENERAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM April 1996 through April 1998

	All Persons Aided			Emergency Assistance Payments		
	Employable	Unemployable	Total	Temporary Rental Assistance	Other GA-EA	Total
1996 MAR	23,528	11,243	34,771	4,472	3,185	7,657
1996 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
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
AVERAGE	17,528	10,286	27,814	3,955	2,420	6,375



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****April 1998**

County/ Municipality	Total Persons Aided			Emergency Assistance Payments		
	Employable	Unemployable	Total	Temporary Rental Assist.	Other GA-EA	Total
ATLANTIC	908	524	1,432	66	68	134
BERGEN	380	499	879	214	98	312
BURLINGTON	307	429	736	125	76	201
CAMDEN	1,509	1,274	2,783	271	63	334
CAPE MAY	171	97	268	28	18	46
CUMBERLAND	440	142	582	4	18	22
ESSEX	5,775	2,100	7,875	835	1,331	2,166
GLOUCESTER	158	189	347	8	30	38
HUDSON	715	955	1,670	115	18	133
HUNTERDON	48	58	106	17	16	33
MERCER	1,153	837	1,990	272	258	530
MIDDLESEX	354	421	775	71	31	102
MONMOUTH	495	536	1,031	250	46	296
MORRIS	79	152	231	35	13	48
OCEAN	473	335	808	96	216	312
PASSAIC	2,635	795	3,430	633	198	831
SALEM	97	61	158	15	16	31
SOMERSET	87	82	169	26	10	36
SUSSEX	39	55	94	33	7	40
UNION	2,088	706	2,794	780	51	831
WARREN	79	75	154	31	1	32
TOTAL NJ	17,990	10,322	28,312	3,925	2,583	6,508

Source: NJ Division of Family Development, GA Fiscal Unit