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DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES
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DATE May 12, 2003

TO Gwendolyn L. Harris
Commissioner

FROM Pearl Elias, Acting Director 
Division of Family Development

SUBJECT CURRENT PROGRAM STATISTICS

Attached please find *Current Program Statistics* for March 2003. Included are TANF-oriented and Food Stamps data, General Assistance data, and the WFNJ Statistical Summary.

Some items of interest include:

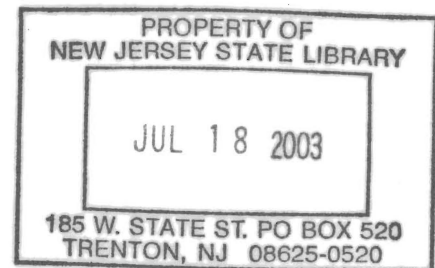
- The TANF caseload continues to decline. Since March of 2002 there has been a decrease of 2.5%.
- Food Stamp households increased by 8,172 since March 2002.
- For GA, recipient figures reported are for January 2003, which are 16.2% above January 2002.

Should you have any questions regarding this report, please do not hesitate to call me at 6-2000, David Karwoski at 6-2273, or Janet Taylor at 6-2277.

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CURRENT PROGRAM STATISTICS

March 2003

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Highlights of **CURRENT PROGRAM STATISTICS**

WFNJ/TANF

(Tables 1 and 5, Graphs 1 and 4)

As of March 2003, 42,339 eligible families in New Jersey were receiving WFNJ/TANF cash assistance:

- 40,677 single head of household families
- 1,662 two-parent families.

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

Essex — 11,688, Hudson — 5,924, Camden — 4,702, Passaic — 3,198, Union — 2,481

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

- 35 families in Hunterdon County to 2,362 in Mercer County,
- with ten counties below 1000 families

There were 4,907 fewer eligible WFNJ/TANF families receiving cash assistance in March 2003 than in March 2001, a decline of 10.4 percent.

- **Single head families:** 4,904 below two years ago in March 2001, a drop of 10.8%.
- **Two parent families:** decreased by 3 or 0.2 percent from March 2001.

FOOD STAMP PROGRAM

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

As of report month of March 2003, 144,619 households participated in the Food Stamp Program.

- **TANF:** 31,110 households with 95,654 persons.
- **Other low income:** 113,509 households with 210,154 persons.
- **Total persons:** 305,808, including 151,007 adults and 154,801 children
- **By County:** 54.0 percent of the households were in:

Essex	29,325
Hudson	20,467
Passaic	15,268
Camden	13,070

Two years ago in March 2001, 134,117 households participated in Food Stamps in New Jersey. Over the next two years the number increased by 10,502 or 7.8 percent, to 144,619 by March 2003.

- **TANF(FS)** households steadily declined by 3,190 from 34,300 in March 2001 to 31, 110 two years later. There were 99,817 **Other Low Income** households in March 2001 and 13,692 more two years later.
- **Total FS Recipients:** were 290,519 in March 2001, and increased to 305,808 by March 2003, an increase of 15,289, or 5.3 percent.
- **Adult FS Recipients:** increased from 143,294 in March 2001 to 151,007 in March 2003, an increase of 7,713 (5.4 percent).
- **Recipient FS Children:** increased by 7,576 (5.1 percent), from 147,225 in March 2001 to 154,801 in March 2003.

EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE

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

In March 2003 Emergency Assistance (EA) payments were made for 3,223 eligible TANF families and 683 SSI recipients in New Jersey. For TANF families this included payments for:

- **Temporary Rental Assistance (TRA)** for 570 families
- **Motel** placements for 615 families and **emergency shelter** placements for 449 families
- **All other TANF-EA** for 1,589 families (including back rent, back utilities, security deposits, furnishings, clothing and food allowance, or transitional housing)
- 858 families in **Essex County**, 457 in **Mercer County**, 350 in **Monmouth County**, 207 in **Passaic**.

In the past two years, the number of EA payments for TANF families increased from 2,052 in March 2001 to 3,223 in March 2003.

- TRA payments were 17.7 % of the total EA Families in March 2003.
- Motel payments were up from two years ago.; 337 to 615.

TANF PARTICIPATION RATES

(Table 8, Graph 8)

The TANF participation rate for March 2003 was 34.31% for the State as a whole. This is an increase of .10 percentage points from February 2003.

Participation rates by county:

- Seven counties had a participation rate greater than 40 percent: Cape May, Mercer, Monmouth, Morris, Salem, Somerset, and Warren.

GENERAL ASSISTANCE

(Table 9, Graph 9)

There were 28,432 GA recipients in January 2003, up from 24,458 in January 2002.

- There were 15,818 Employable GA and 12,614 Unemployable GA recipients in January 2003.

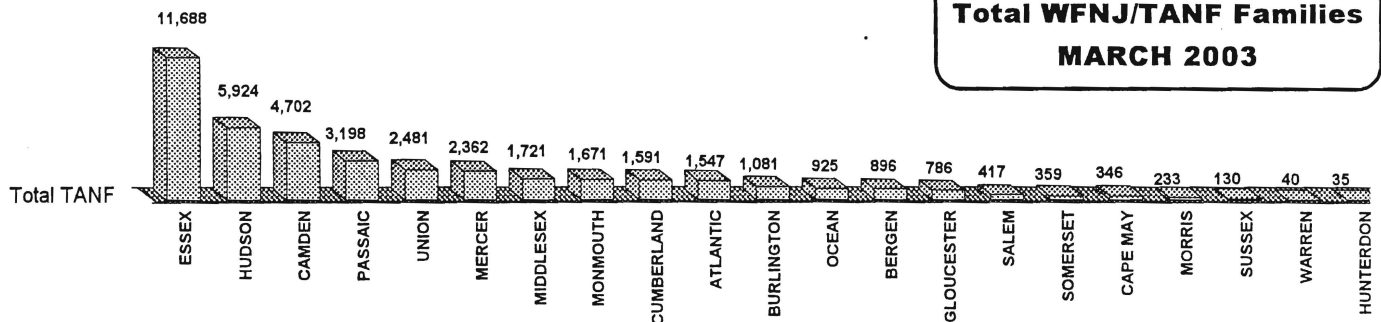
CHILD SUPPORT AND PATERNITY

(Table 10)

For FFY 2003, the total collection of the Child Support and Paternity Program was \$436,883,713, an increase of over 7 percent over the same period for FFY 2002.

Table 1
WFNJ/TANF PROGRAM
NUMBER OF APPLICATIONS AND TERMINATIONS DURING REPORT MONTH, AND
NUMBER OF ELIGIBLE FAMILIES RECEIVING WFNJ/TANF FOR THE REPORT MONTH
MARCH 2003

County	Applications Approved	Terminations	Single Head Families	Two Parent Families	Total WFNJ/TANF
ATLANTIC	130	112	1,495	52	1,547
BERGEN	79	62	818	78	896
BURLINGTON	100	100	1,022	59	1,081
CAMDEN	330	325	4,490	212	4,702
CAPE MAY	41	38	313	33	346
CUMBERLAND	159	115	1,495	96	1,591
ESSEX	1,043	974	11,371	317	11,688
GLOUCESTER	68	63	750	36	786
HUDSON	370	346	5,703	221	5,924
HUNTERDON	6	11	35	0	35
MERCER	197	185	2,275	87	2,362
MIDDLESEX	188	141	1,655	66	1,721
MONMOUTH	152	122	1,605	66	1,671
MORRIS	26	21	215	18	233
OCEAN	105	72	876	49	925
PASSAIC	264	226	3,065	133	3,198
SALEM	48	45	401	16	417
SOMERSET	35	40	346	13	359
SUSSEX	15	11	121	9	130
UNION	195	217	2,406	75	2,481
WARREN	26	27	220	26	246
NJ TOTAL	3,577	3,253	40,677	1,662	42,339



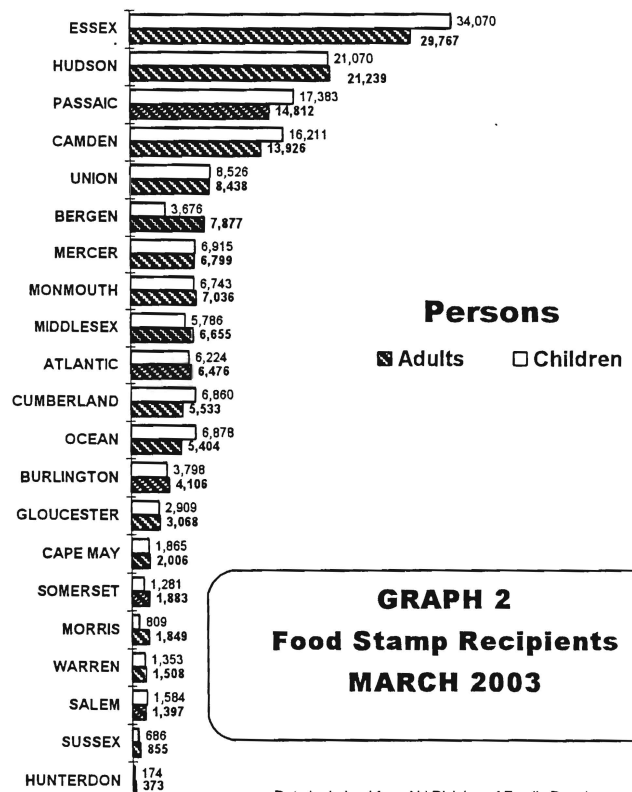
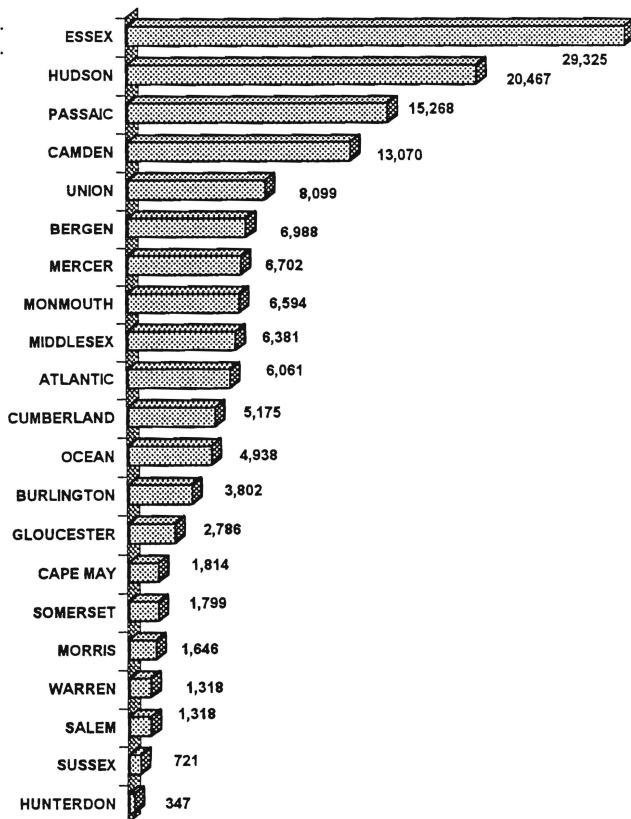
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Table 2 NUMBER OF PARTICIPATING HOUSEHOLDS, PERSONS, ADULTS AND CHILDREN FOR THE REPORT MONTH

FOOD STAMP PROGRAM

MARCH 2003

County	HOUSEHOLDS			TOTAL	PERSONS			
	WFNJ/TANF	Other low income	TOTAL		WFNJ/TANF	Other low income	Adults	Children
ATLANTIC	983	5,078	6,061	12,700	3,034	9,666	6,476	6,224
BERGEN	609	6,379	6,988	11,553	1,708	9,845	7,877	3,676
BURLINGTON	607	3,195	3,802	7,904	1,837	6,067	4,106	3,798
CAMDEN	3,337	9,733	13,070	30,137	10,799	19,338	13,926	16,211
CAPE MAY	259	1,555	1,814	3,871	789	3,082	2,006	1,865
CUMBERLAND	1,127	4,048	5,175	12,393	3,556	8,837	5,533	6,860
ESSEX	9,125	20,200	29,325	63,837	28,294	35,543	29,767	34,070
GLOUCESTER	520	2,266	2,786	5,977	1,582	4,395	3,068	2,909
HUDSON	4,631	15,836	20,467	42,309	13,745	28,564	21,239	21,070
HUNTERDON	19	328	347	547	55	492	373	174
MERCER	1,671	5,031	6,702	13,714	5,130	8,584	6,799	6,915
MIDDLESEX	1,268	5,113	6,381	12,441	3,639	8,802	6,655	5,786
MONMOUTH	1,289	5,305	6,594	13,779	4,013	9,766	7,036	6,743
MORRIS	155	1,491	1,646	2,658	447	2,211	1,849	809
OCEAN	614	4,324	4,938	12,282	1,861	10,421	5,404	6,878
PASSAIC	2,451	12,817	15,268	32,195	7,559	24,636	14,812	17,383
SALEM	294	1,024	1,318	2,981	898	2,083	1,397	1,584
SOMERSET	201	1,598	1,799	3,164	609	2,555	1,883	1,281
SUSSEX	81	640	721	1,541	229	1,312	855	686
UNION	1,685	6,414	8,099	16,964	5,272	11,692	8,438	8,526
WARREN	184	1,134	1,318	2,861	598	2,263	1,508	1,353
NJ TOTAL	31,110	113,509	144,619	305,808	95,654	210,154	151,007	154,801



GRAPH 2
Food Stamp Recipients
MARCH 2003

Data is derived from NJ Division of Family Development Ad Hoc Group Special Reports.

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

County	WFNJ/TANF Families Receiving Emergency Assistance					SSI Recipients Receiving EA*
	TOTAL WFNJ/TANF-EA	Temporary Rental Assist.	Motel Housing	Emergency Shelter	Other WFNJ/TANF-EA	
ATLANTIC	91	0	44	12	35	20
BERGEN	124	14	24	15	71	104
BURLINGTON	61	1	22	26	12	36
CAMDEN	133	27	41	17	48	19
CAPE MAY	29	6	9	0	14	13
CUMBERLAND	17	4	3	4	6	17
ESSEX	858	174	43	238	403	91
GLOUCESTER	66	16	19	9	22	18
HUDSON	314	52	42	38	182	10
HUNTERDON	0	0	0	0	0	4
MERCER	457	198	31	4	224	69
MIDDLESEX	171	4	33	22	112	55
MONMOUTH	350	43	194	0	113	30
MORRIS	11	1	0	5	5	10
OCEAN	99	8	62	7	22	30
PASSAIC	207	2	6	21	178	81
SALEM	77	6	14	1	56	9
SOMERSET	35	0	2	10	23	32
SUSSEX	13	2	2	3	6	15
UNION	102	11	21	17	53	16
WARREN	8	1	3	0	4	4
NJ TOTAL	3,223	570	615	449	1,589	683

*SSI-EA now includes pay code 24

GRAPH 3
WFNJ/TANF Families Receiving
Emergency Assistance
MARCH 2003

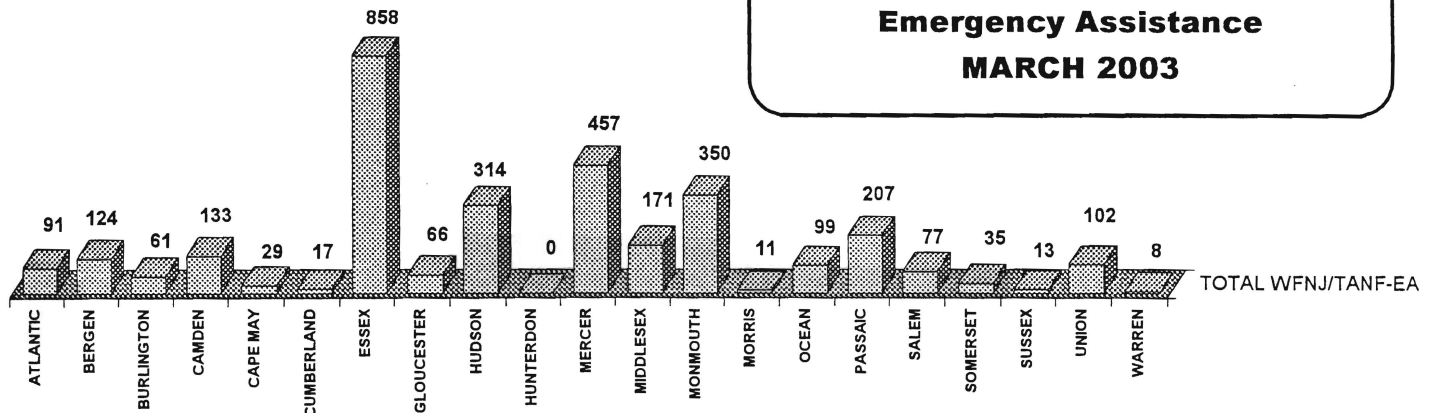


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WORK FIRST NEW JERSEY STATISTICAL SUMMARY

WFNJ

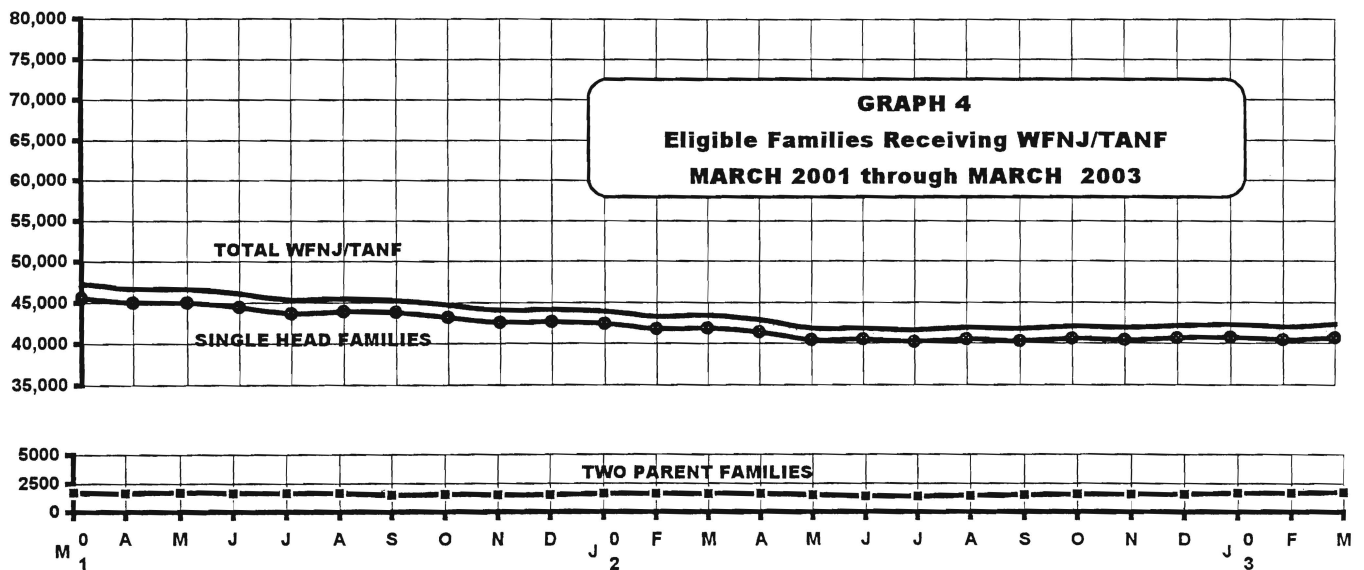
MARCH 2003

COUNTY	CASES REQUIRED TO PARTICIPATE	EMPLOYMENT DIRECTED ACTIVITIES			EMPLOYED OPEN (WFNJ RECIPIENT)	SUPPORT SERVICES ON ACTIVE CASE		EMPLOYED CLOSED	POST ASSISTANCE CHILD CARE
		CWEP	ALL OTHER TRAINING	JOB SEARCH		CHILD CARE	TRAINING REL. EXPENSES		
ATLANTIC	694	1	153	10	116	116	146	29	254
BERGEN	436	56	214	171	93	107	127	14	160
BURLINGTON	486	101	81	167	117	115	193	30	247
CAMDEN	2,474	719	525	131	481	472	725	67	670
CAPE MAY	151	12	24	95	51	31	58	9	53
CUMBERLAND	735	10	304	210	99	62	123	26	209
ESSEX	7,154	220	2,826	587	1,475	1,660	2,125	99	953
GLOUCESTER	384	32	42	106	51	57	4	9	129
HUDSON	3,270	31	2,233	597	615	754	1,215	111	745
HUNTERDON	11	3	0	6	4	2	1	1	16
MERCER	1,295	88	919	177	253	314	337	44	314
MIDDLESEX	808	0	210	179	208	98	187	24	207
MONMOUTH	939	17	563	59	211	269	376	34	269
MORRIS	96	66	23	19	20	28	30	5	49
OCEAN	398	34	62	123	66	84	78	15	186
PASSAIC	1,794	47	928	186	217	270	465	47	347
SALEM	229	89	50	27	41	52	100	8	77
SOMERSET	159	13	29	45	52	44	64	8	91
SUSSEX	58	27	1	30	16	22	6	5	45
UNION	1,241	5	784	122	142	244	371	37	295
WARREN	141	1	139	8	26	13	13	5	24
STATE	22,953	1,572	10,110	3,055	4,354	4,814	6,744	627	5,340

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

Table 5
WFNJ/TANF PROGRAM
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MARCH 2001 THROUGH MARCH 2003

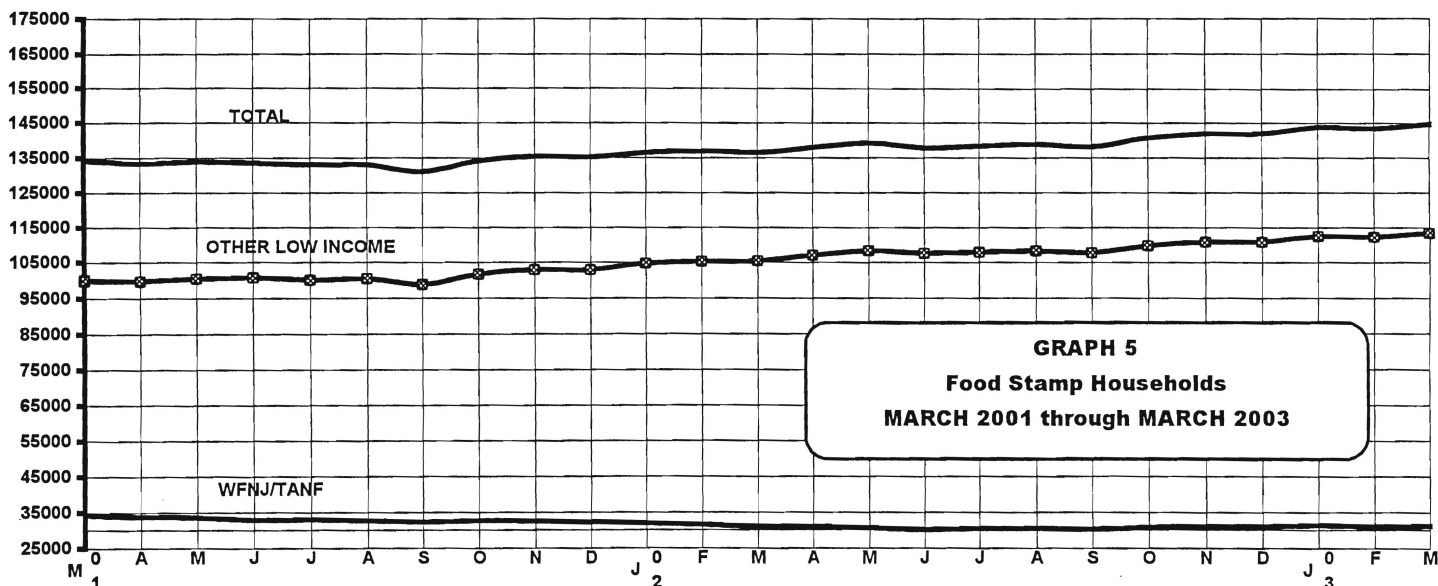
		Applications Approved	Terminations	Single Head Families	Two Parent Families	Total WFNJ/TANF	
2001	MAR	3,961	4,422	45,581	1,665	47,246	
	APR	3,545	4,099	44,958	1,657	46,615	
	MAY	3,588	4,017	44,960	1,659	46,619	
	JUN	4,239	4,887	44,426	1,644	46,070	
	JUL	3,568	3,862	43,676	1,642	45,318	
	AUG	4,674	4,618	43,898	1,604	45,502	
	SEP	3,575	4,096	43,207	1,459	44,666	
	OCT	4,118	4,515	43,147	1,496	44,643	
	NOV	3,692	3,694	42,572	1,482	44,054	
	DEC	3,792	3,982	42,615	1,483	44,098	
	2001 AVERAGE		3,875	4,219	43,904	1,579	45,483
	2002	JAN	4,210	4,872	42,369	1,547	43,916
FEB		3,979	4,061	41,749	1,545	43,294	
MAR		4,737	4,976	41,822	1,587	43,409	
APR		3,746	4,251	41,339	1,566	42,905	
MAY		3,809	3,005	40,400	1,478	41,878	
JUN		4,210	2,824	40,469	1,373	41,842	
JUL		3,754	3,345	40,212	1,371	41,583	
AUG		4,983	2,720	40,479	1,428	41,907	
SEP		3,863	3,230	40,263	1,471	41,734	
OCT		4,215	2,786	40,585	1,526	42,111	
NOV		4,855	2,881	40,412	1,516	41,928	
DEC		3,945	3,047	40,631	1,527	42,158	
2002 AVERAGE		4,192	3,500	40,894	1,495	42,389	
2003	JAN	3,706	3,542	40,719	1,603	42,322	
	FEB	3,278	3,585	40,397	1,618	42,015	
	MAR	3,577	3,253	40,677	1,662	42,339	
2003 AVERAGE		3,520	3,460	40,598	1,628	42,225	



Data is derived from NJ Division of Family Development Ad Hoc Group Special Reports.

Table 6
FOOD STAMP PROGRAM
NUMBER OF PARTICIPATING HOUSEHOLDS, PERSONS, ADULTS AND CHILDREN FOR THE REPORT MONTH
MARCH 2001 THROUGH MARCH 2003

		HOUSEHOLDS			PERSONS					
		WFNJ/TANF	Other low income	TOTAL	TOTAL	WFNJ/TANF	Other low income	Adults	Children	
2001	MAR	34,300	99,817	134,117	290,519	109,606	180,913	143,294	147,225	
	APR	33,764	99,643	133,407	288,516	107,963	180,553	142,389	146,127	
	MAY	33,526	100,398	133,924	289,820	107,006	182,814	142,858	146,962	
	JUN	32,870	100,720	133,590	288,667	104,982	183,685	142,368	146,299	
	JUL	33,035	100,080	133,115	288,205	105,542	182,663	141,811	146,394	
	AUG	32,635	100,437	133,072	287,409	104,260	183,149	141,585	145,824	
	SEP	32,318	98,729	131,047	283,732	103,226	180,506	139,427	144,305	
	OCT	32,548	101,588	134,136	290,663	103,684	186,979	142,571	148,092	
	NOV	32,429	102,902	135,331	293,219	103,209	190,010	143,806	149,413	
	DEC	32,202	102,938	135,140	293,365	102,203	191,162	143,566	149,799	
	2001 AVERAGE		32,963	100,725	133,688	289,412	105,168	184,243	142,368	147,044
	2002	JAN	31,916	104,672	136,588	294,255	100,609	193,646	144,352	149,903
FEB		31,545	105,266	136,811	293,013	99,154	193,859	144,150	148,863	
MAR		30,992	105,455	136,447	290,969	97,107	193,862	143,514	147,455	
APR		30,963	106,998	137,961	293,635	96,674	196,961	144,741	148,894	
MAY		30,714	108,426	139,140	296,627	95,727	200,900	145,815	150,812	
JUN		30,154	107,564	137,718	293,857	93,996	199,861	144,132	149,725	
JUL		30,361	107,961	138,322	295,127	94,561	200,566	144,609	150,518	
AUG		30,502	108,327	138,829	295,977	94,794	201,183	144,878	151,099	
SEP		30,353	107,774	138,127	293,409	94,073	199,336	143,850	149,559	
OCT		30,819	109,875	140,694	298,991	95,413	203,578	146,413	152,578	
NOV		30,941	110,923	141,864	301,641	95,829	205,812	147,684	153,957	
DEC		31,056	110,874	141,930	302,035	96,061	205,974	147,681	154,354	
2002 AVERAGE		30,860	107,843	138,703	295,795	96,167	199,628	145,152	150,643	
2003	JAN	31,298	112,495	143,793	305,407	96,672	208,735	149,615	155,792	
	FEB	31,020	112,383	143,403	303,506	95,537	207,969	149,327	154,179	
	MAR	31,110	113,509	144,619	305,808	95,654	210,154	151,007	154,801	
2003 AVERAGE		31,143	112,796	143,938	304,907	95,954	208,953	149,983	154,924	



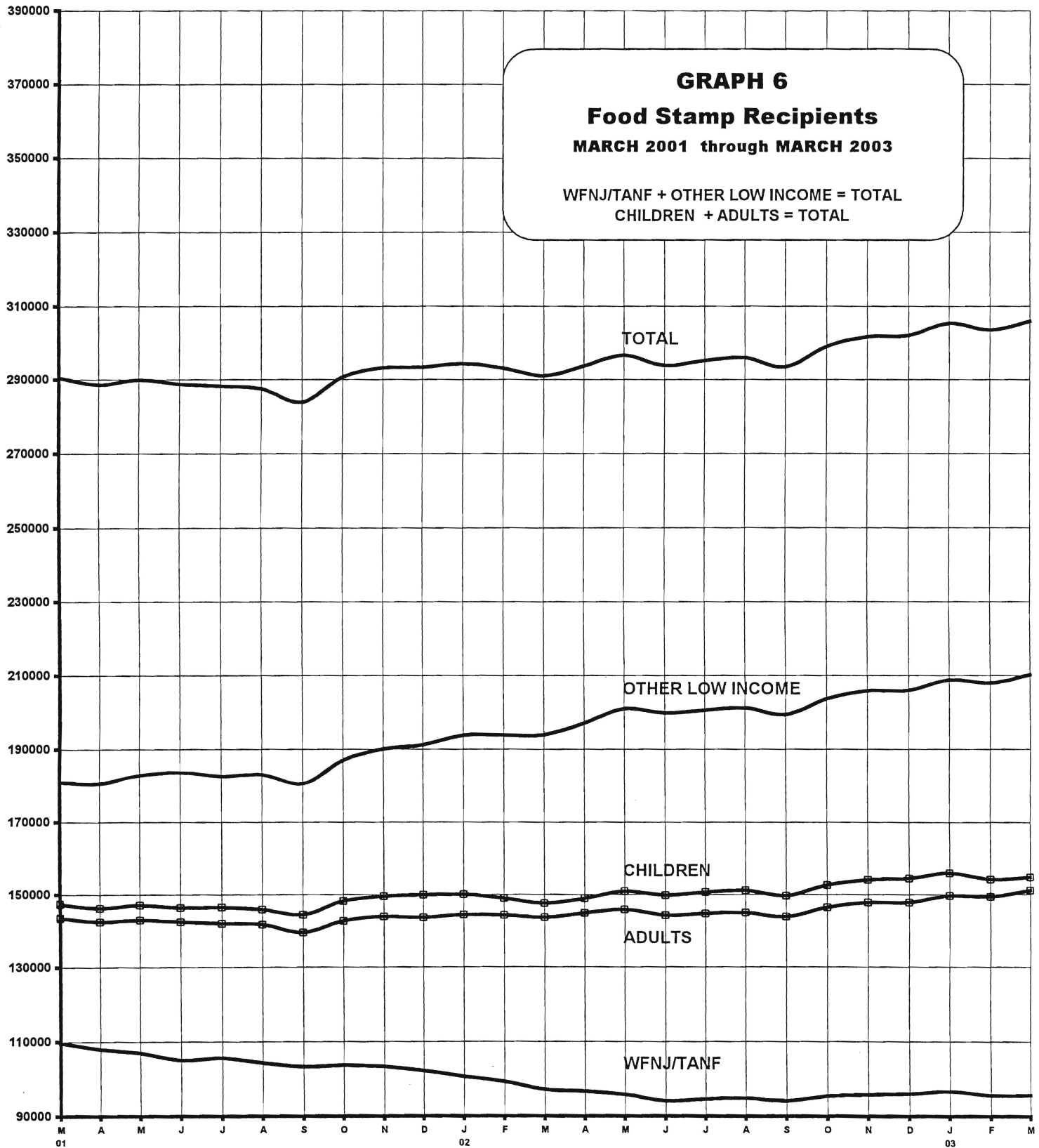


Table 7

NUMBER OF ELIGIBLE FAMILIES RECEIVING EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE PAYMENTS

TANF

(UNDUPLICATED CASES)

EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE

MARCH 2001 THROUGH MARCH 2003

		Total Families Receiving EA	Temporary Rental Assistance	Motel Housing	Emergency Shelter	Other TANF-EA	
2001	MAR	2,052	241	337	356	1,118	
	APR	1,843	228	325	270	1,020	
	MAY	2,133	236	328	412	1,157	
	JUN	2,102	232	368	371	1,131	
	JUL	2,188	269	305	394	1,220	
	AUG	2,347	245	396	418	1,288	
	SEP	2,174	244	357	454	1,119	
	OCT	2,636	246	422	474	1,494	
	NOV	2,327	268	356	479	1,224	
	DEC	2,543	298	452	432	1,361	
	2001 AVERAGE		2,235	251	365	406	1,213
	2002	JAN	2,651	282	542	410	1,417
FEB		2,265	311	366	338	1,250	
MAR		2,595	296	544	402	1,353	
APR		2,812	330	548	426	1,508	
MAY		2,769	342	419	417	1,591	
JUN		2,615	347	516	406	1,346	
JUL		2,779	351	459	519	1,450	
AUG		2,889	353	515	505	1,516	
SEP		3,030	348	587	466	1,629	
OCT		3,324	380	633	494	1,817	
NOV		3,008	389	482	422	1,715	
DEC		3,169	436	577	450	1,706	
2002 AVERAGE		2,826	347	516	438	1,525	
2003	JAN	3,301	470	612	496	1,723	
	FEB	2,702	485	461	445	1,311	
	MAR	3,223	570	615	449	1,589	
2003 AVERAGE		3,075	508	563	463	1,541	

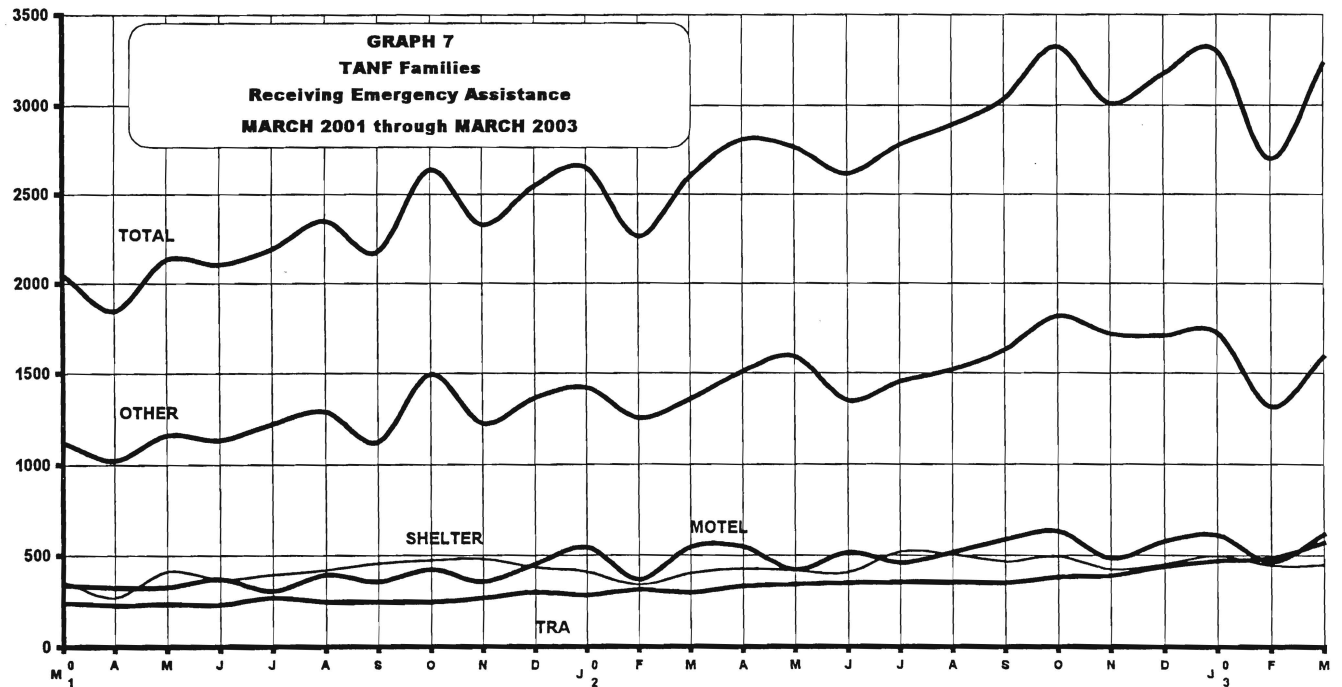


Table 8

TANF PARTICIPATION RATES

JANUARY - MARCH 2003

County	January	February	March
ATLANTIC	25.76%	28.69%	27.80%
BERGEN	33.81%	40.75%	36.23%
BURLINGTON	33.05%	43.86%	38.68%
CAMDEN	35.97%	37.67%	38.76%
CAPE MAY	35.76%	42.66%	43.70%
CUMBERLAND	20.86%	24.61%	28.16%
ESSEX	32.79%	30.92%	31.31%
GLOUCESTER	20.23%	24.59%	23.95%
HUDSON	34.52%	33.73%	33.21%
HUNTERDON	25.00%	28.57%	27.27%
MERCER	44.00%	41.92%	43.55%
MIDDLESEX	24.17%	26.42%	29.08%
MONMOUTH	40.56%	49.56%	48.24%
MORRIS	55.95%	56.66%	61.45%
OCEAN	22.25%	22.84%	25.12%
PASSAIC	28.16%	27.49%	27.64%
SALEM	49.75%	61.18%	56.33%
SOMERSET	42.59%	46.38%	47.79%
SUSSEX	50.00%	40.00%	34.48%
UNION	34.89%	39.68%	39.00%
WARREN	48.64%	50.71%	48.93%
NJ TOTAL	33.32%	34.21%	34.31%

Graph 8

TANF PARTICIPATION RATES

MARCH 2003

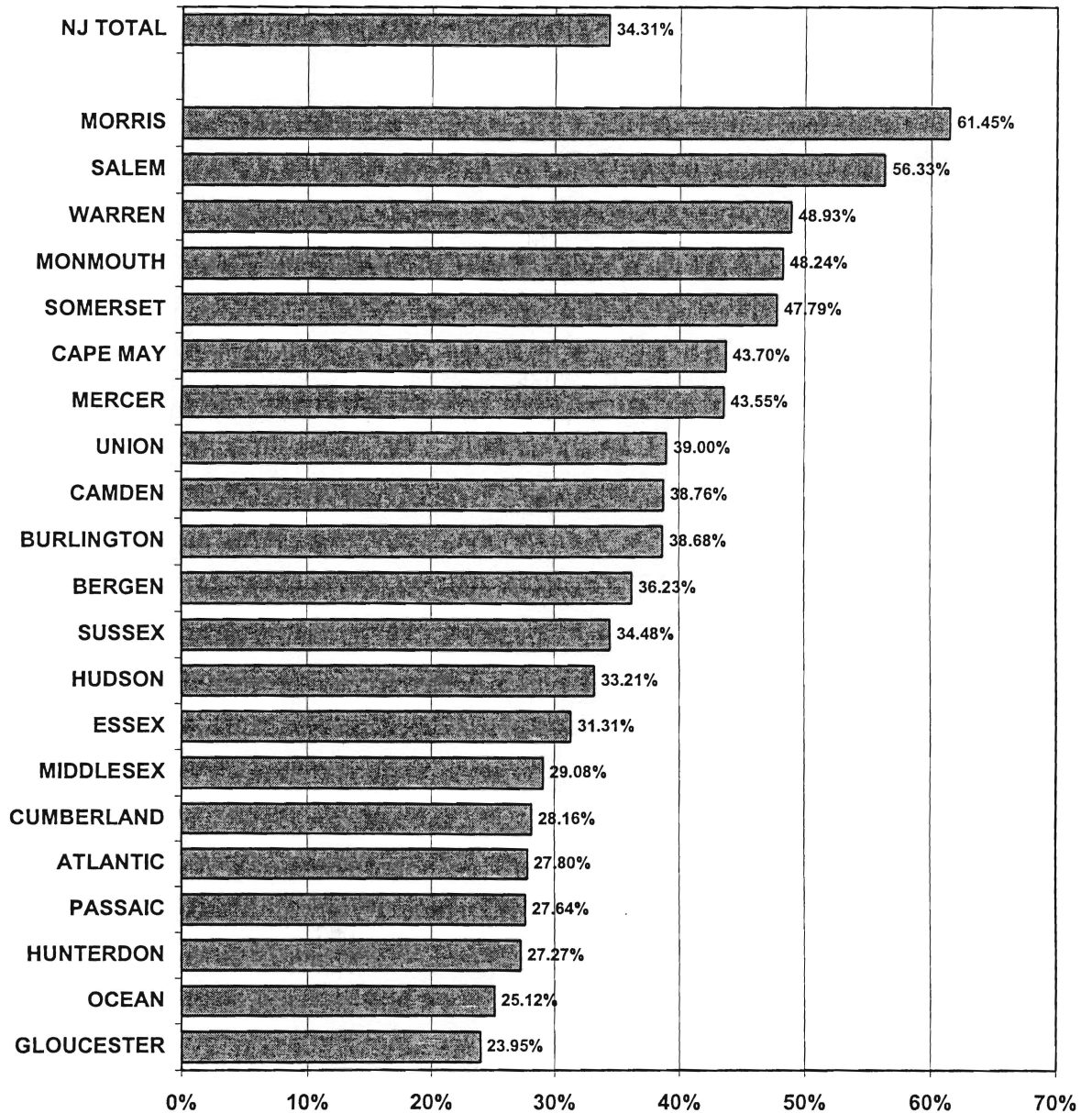


TABLE 9 NUMBER OF EMPLOYABLE AND UNEMPLOYABLE RECIPIENTS AND EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE PAYMENTS DURING REPORT MONTH
GENERAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM JANUARY 2001 THROUGH JANUARY 2003

	All Persons Aided			Emergency Assistance Payments		
	Employable	Unemployable	Total	Temporary Rental Assistance	Other GA-EA	Total
2001 JAN	11,572	10,851	22,423	1,426	1,881	3,307
FEB	11,664	10,573	22,237	1,472	1,688	3,160
MAR	12,395	10,891	23,286	1,589	2,076	3,665
APR	12,216	11,107	23,323	1,506	2,098	3,604
MAY	12,404	11,165	23,569	1,472	1,996	3,468
JUN	11,948	11,294	23,242	1,535	2,027	3,562
JUL	11,436	11,428	22,864	1,421	1,949	3,370
AUG	11,320	11,427	22,747	1,397	1,989	3,386
SEP	11,444	11,354	22,798	1,365	2,084	3,449
OCT	12,218	10,979	23,197	1,360	2,118	3,478
NOV	11,823	11,236	23,059	1,363	1,763	3,126
DEC	12,561	11,300	23,861	1,217	2,136	3,353
2001 AVERAGE	11,917	11,134	23,051	1,427	1,984	3,411
2002 JAN	13,197	11,261	24,458	1,428	1,610	3,038
FEB	13,514	11,734	25,248	1,464	1,805	3,269
MAR	14,322	11,430	25,752	1,479	2,433	3,912
APR	14,425	11,982	26,407	1,607	2,348	3,955
MAY	14,115	11,909	26,024	1,548	1,987	3,535
JUN	13,858	11,766	25,624	1,495	1,995	3,490
JUL	13,483	11,820	25,303	1,499	2,208	3,707
AUG	13,533	11,898	25,431	1,517	2,415	3,932
SEP	13,352	12,016	25,368	1,536	1,912	3,448
OCT	13,952	12,332	26,284	1,545	2,575	4,120
NOV	13,880	12,331	26,211	1,595	1,935	3,530
DEC	14,963	12,510	27,473	1,645	2,363	4,008
2002 AVERAGE	13,883	11,916	25,799	1,530	2,132	3,662
2003 JAN	15,818	12,614	28,432	1,712	2,293	4,005

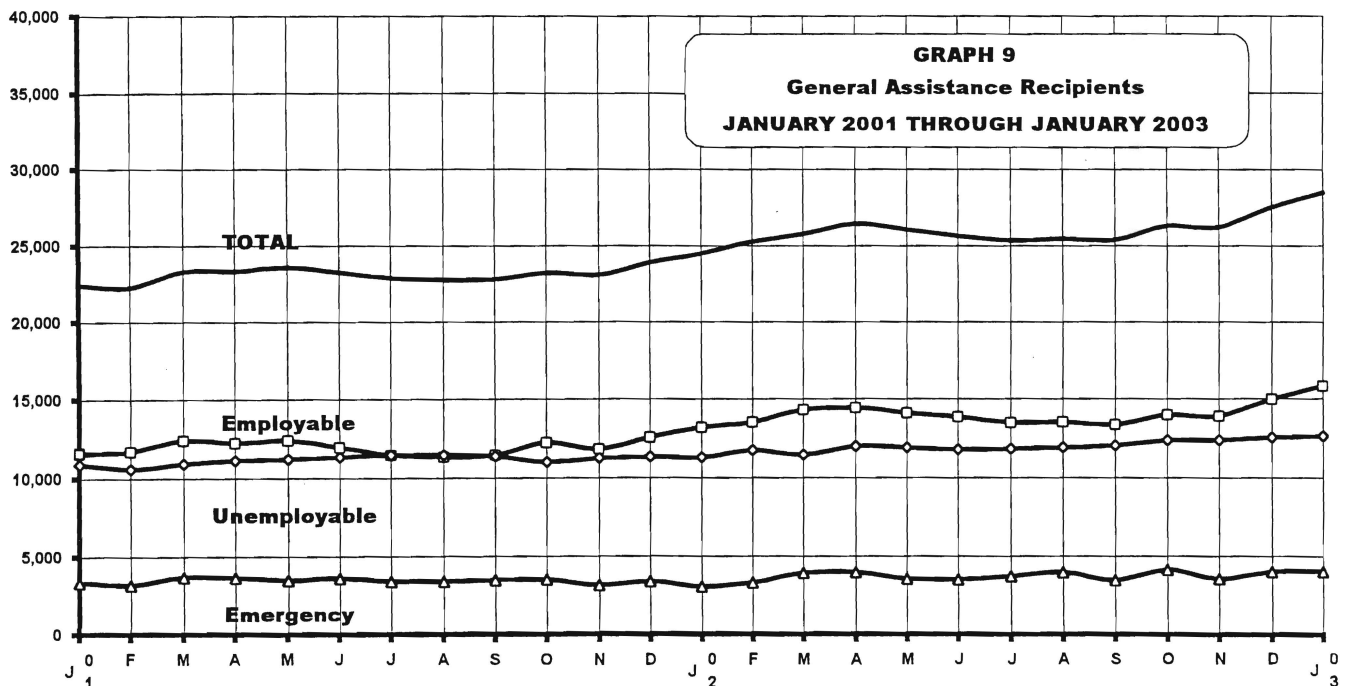


TABLE 10**CHILD SUPPORT
AND PATERNITY****CHILD SUPPORT AND PATERNITY COLLECTIONS****State Summary**

Comparison of FFY 2002 and FFY 2003

COLLECTION SOURCE	10/01-3/02	10/02-3/03	% change
Federal Tax	\$9,832,888	\$11,910,230	21.13%
State Tax	2,818,325	2,563,430	-9.04%
Unempl. Ins. Ben.	14,611,418	20,665,601	41.43%
Income Withholding	269,272,850	288,549,971	7.16%
From Other States	20,087,119	21,475,632	6.91%
Other/Own Behalf	90,311,895	91,718,849	1.56%
Admin Enforce			
TOTAL COLLECTION	\$406,934,495	\$436,883,713	7.36%
TOTAL DISTRIBUTION*	\$390,085,501	\$415,276,070	6.46%

* 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).

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****EMPLOYABLE AND UNEMPLOYABLE RECIPIENTS****ASSISTANCE****AND EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE RECIPIENTS****PROGRAM****JANUARY 2003**

County	Employable	Total Persons Aided		Emergency Assistance Payments		
		Unemployable	Total	Temporary Rental Assist.	Other GA-EA	Total
ATLANTIC	762	633	1,395	72	37	109
BERGEN	428	584	1,012	107	70	177
BURLINGTON	319	407	726	24	76	100
CAMDEN	1,370	1,392	2,762	120	182	302
CAPE MAY	209	151	360	36	48	84
CUMBERLAND	792	531	1,323	0	36	36
ESSEX	3,919	1,725	5,644	290	602	892
GLOUCESTER	304	333	637	4	58	62
HUDSON	1,872	1,526	3,398	233	178	411
HUNTERDON	68	72	140	8	31	39
MERCER	1,407	1,015	2,422	173	309	482
MIDDLESEX	382	549	931	61	108	169
MONMOUTH	462	580	1,042	141	169	310
MORRIS	110	167	277	8	19	27
OCEAN	311	435	746	30	30	60
PASSAIC	1,592	1,192	2,784	219	107	326
SALEM	174	193	367	6	63	69
SOMERSET	129	120	249	32	41	73
SUSSEX	64	78	142	16	37	53
UNION	1,022	846	1,868	85	73	158
WARREN	122	85	207	47	19	66
TOTAL NJ	15,818	12,614	28,432	1,712	2,293	4,005

Source: NJ Division of Family Development, GA Fiscal Unit

TABLE 12

**CHILD SUPPORT
AND PATERNITY**

**NUMBER OF CASES REMAINING OPEN
QUARTER ENDING MARCH 2003**

	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	1,141	3,304	8,500	1,295	1,207	5,740	9,707	15,447
Bergen	548	1,607	9,279	530	889	2,685	10,168	12,853
Burlington	970	3,133	10,843	859	1,423	4,962	12,266	17,228
Camden	4,474	13,001	20,196	3,627	4,241	21,102	24,437	45,539
Cape May	264	1,007	2,897	178	176	1,449	3,073	4,522
Cumberland	1,664	5,649	8,887	437	417	7,750	9,304	17,054
Essex	6,490	16,032	31,317	13,379	7,157	35,901	38,474	74,375
Gloucester	673	2,406	6,755	375	771	3,454	7,526	10,980
Hudson	3,165	8,204	19,495	4,230	4,907	15,599	24,402	40,001
Hunterdon	63	197	1,355	55	57	315	1,412	1,727
Mercer	2,517	5,960	11,165	2,093	1,796	10,570	12,961	23,531
Middlesex	1,257	4,489	13,786	1,542	2,366	7,288	16,152	23,440
Monmouth	1,772	4,847	11,368	1,302	1,605	7,921	12,973	20,894
Morris	220	638	4,685	130	303	988	4,988	5,976
Ocean	932	3,646	10,634	674	1,219	5,252	11,853	17,105
Passaic	2,736	5,858	15,226	2,764	2,642	11,358	17,868	29,226
Salem	564	1,621	2,805	186	119	2,371	2,924	5,295
Somerset	321	837	4,151	271	287	1,429	4,438	5,867
Sussex	160	366	1,891	53	141	579	2,032	2,611
Union	1,858	6,561	16,699	2,618	3,859	11,037	20,558	31,595
Warren	297	899	2,452	125	91	1,321	2,543	3,864
NJ TOTAL	32,086	90,262	214,386	36,723	35,673	159,071	250,059	409,130

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*

