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SUBJECT

CURRENT PROGRAM STATISTICS

Attached please find *Current Program Statistics* for March 2002. 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 2001 there has been a decrease of 8.1%.
- Food Stamp households increased by 2,330 since March 2001.
- For GA, recipient figures reported are for March 2002, which are 10.6% above March 2001.

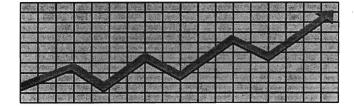
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Highlights of CURRENT PROGRAM STATISTICS

WFNJ/TANF

(Tables 1 and 5, Graphs 1 and 4)

As of March 2002, 43,409 eligible families in New Jersey were receiving WFNJ/TANF cash assistance:

- 41,822 single head of household families
- 1,587 two-parent families.

The largest number of WFNJ/TANF families receiving cash assistance, by county: Essex — 12,483, Hudson — 6,250, Camden — 4,454, Passaic — 3,507 Union — 2,701

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

 40 families in Hunterdon County to 2,395 in Mercer County, with ten counties below 1000 families

There were 10,931 fewer eligible WFNJ/TANF families receiving cash assistance in March 2002 than in March 2000, a decline of 20.1 percent.

- Single head families: 10,589 below two years ago in March 2000, a drop of 20.2%.
- Two parent families: decreased by 342 or 17.7 percent from March 2000.

FOOD STAMP PROGRAM

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

As of report month of March 2002, 136,447 households participated in the Food Stamp Program.

- TANF: 30,992 households with 97,107 persons.
- Other low income: 105,455 households with 193,862 persons.
- Total persons: 290,969, including 143,514 adults and 147,455 children
- By County: 54.6 percent of the households were in:

Essex 29,500

Hudson 18,992

Passaic 14,567

Camden 11,412

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Two years ago in March 2000, 142,136 households participated in Food Stamps in New Jersey. Over the next two years the number declined by 5,689, or 4.0 percent, to 136,447 by March 2002.

- TANF(FS) households steadily declined by 8,779 from 39,771 in March 2000 to 30,992 two years later. There were 102,365 Other Low Income households in March 2000 and 3,090 more two years later.
- Total FS Recipients: were 317,053 in March 2000, and declined to 290,969 by March 2002, a drop of 26,084, or 8.2 percent.
- Adult FS Recipients: declined from 153,071 in March 2000 to 143,514 in March 2002, a drop of 9,557 (6.2 percent).
- Recipient FS Children: declined by 16,527 (10.1 percent), from 163,982 in March 2000 to 147,455 in March 2002.

EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE

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

In March 2002 Emergency Assistance (EA) payments were made for 2,595 eligible TANF families and 552 SSI recipients in New Jersey. For TANF families this included payments for:

- Temporary Rental Assistance (TRA) for 296 families
- Motel placements for 544 families and emergency shelter placements for 402 families
- All other TANF-EA for 1,353 families (including back rent, back utilities, security deposits, furnishings, clothing and food allowance, or transitional housing)
- 639 families in Essex County, 302 in Mercer County, 246 in Passaic County,
 229 in Monmouth.

In the past two years, the number of EA payments for TANF families increased from 2,015 in March 2000 to 2,595 in March 2002.

- TRA payments were 11.4 % of the total EA Families in March 2002.
- Motel payments were up from two years ago.; 197 to 544.

TANF PARTICIPATION RATES

(Table 8, Graph 8)

The TANF participation rate for March 2002 was 37.76% for the State as a whole. This is a increase of .95 percentage points from February 2002.

Participation rates by county:

- Ten counties had a participation rate greater than 40 percent: Bergen, Burlington, Camden,
- Hunterdon, Mercer, Monmouth, Morris, Salem, Somerset, and Warren.

GENERAL ASSISTANCE

(Table 9, Graph 9)

There were 25,752 GA recipients in March 2002, up from 23,286 in March 2001.

■ There were **14,322 Employable GA** and **11,430 Unemployable GA** recipients in March 2002.

CHILD SUPPORT AND PATERNITY

(Table 10)

For FFY 2002, the total collections of the Child Support and Paternity Program was \$406,934,495, an increase of over 4 percent over the same period for FFY 2001.

Table 1 WFNJ/TANF

NUMBER OF APPLICATIONS AND TERMINATIONS DURING REPORT MONTH, AND NUMBER OF ELIGIBLE FAMILIES RECEIVING WFNJ/TANF FOR THE REPORT MONTH

					OKT WORTH
PROGRAM			MARCH 2002		
	Applications	Terminations	Single Head	Two Parent	Total
County	Approved		Families	Families	WFNJ/TANF
ATLANTIC	179	163	1,408	49	1,457
BERGEN	107	90	800	62	862
BURLINGTON	155	162	959	43	1,002
CAMDEN	585	607	4,269	185	4,454
CAPE MAY	70	56	360	43	403
CUMBERLAND	215	226	1,392	112	1,504
ESSEX	1,329	1,434	12,204	279	12,483
GLOUCESTER	91	82	692	29	721
HUDSON	358	515	6,008	242	6,250
HUNTERDON	4	7	39	1	40
MERCER	253	262	2,322	73	2,395
MIDDLESEX	212	208	1,629	62	1,691
MONMOUTH	169	171	1,596	57	1,653
MORRIS	28	25	231	13	244
OCEAN	135	139	893	48	941
PASSAIC	318	329	3,373	134	3,507
SALEM	68	58	348	14	362
SOMERSET	64	43	377	11	388
SUSSEX	20	23	116	11	127
UNION	338	348	2,606	95	2,701
WARREN	39	28	200	24	224
NJ TOTAL	4,737	4,976	41,822	1,587	43,409

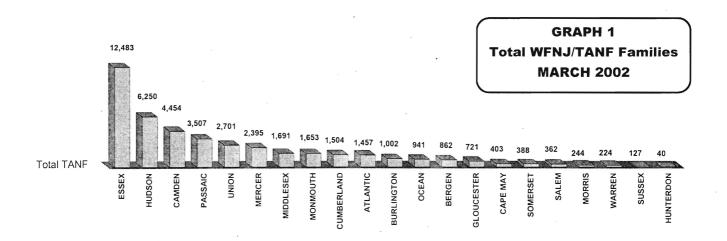


Table 2
FOOD STAMP

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

PROGRAM				MARC	H 2002			
	<u> </u>	HOUSEHOLDS				PERSONS		
		Other				Other		
County	WFNJ/TANF	low income	TOTAL	TOTAL	WFNJ/TANF	low income	Adults	Children
ATLANTIC	917	4,371	5,288	11,295	2,908	8,387	5,670	5,625
BERGEN	601	6,055	6,656	11,014	1,708	9,306	7,495	3,519
BURLINGTON	502	3,005	3,507	7,204	1,548	5,656	3,740	3,464
CAMDEN	3,048	8,364	11,412	26,809	10,014	16,795	12,167	14,642
CAPE MAY	298	1,475	1,773	3,833	934	2,899	1,989	1,844
CUMBERLAND	1,047	3,646	4,693	11,366	3,373	7,993	5,131	6,235
ESSEX	9,476	20,024	29,500	64,820	30,035	34,785	30,422	34,398
GLOUCESTER	446	1,914	2,360	4,972	1,360	3,612	2,557	2,415
HUDSON	4,793	14,199	18,992	40,197	14,725	25,472	19,847	20,350
HUNTERDON	24	326	350	576	75	501	377	199
MERCER	1,634	4,642	6,276	12,839	5,014	7,825	6,453	6,386
MIDDLESEX	1,200	4,767	5,967	11,696	3,444	8,252	6,290	5,406
MONMOUTH	1,242	5,284	6,526	13,770	3,933	9,837	6,987	6,783
MORRIS	112	1,395	1,507	2,361	316	2,045	1,685	676
OCEAN	569	4,047	4,616	11,539	1,702	9,837	5,095	6,444
PASSAIC	2,617	11,950	14,567	30,873	8,252	22,621	14,252	16,621
SALEM	246	842	1,088	2,561	774	1,787	1,164	1,397
SOMERSET	226	1,495	1,721	2,952	696	2,256	1,792	1,160
SUSSEX	79	537	616	1,218	235	983	705	513
UNION	1,749	6,092	7,841	16,506	5,532	10,974	8,338	8,168
WARREN	166	1,025	1,191	2,568	529	2,039	1,358	1,210
NJ TOTAL	30,992	105,455	136,447	290,969	97,107	193,862	143,514	147,455

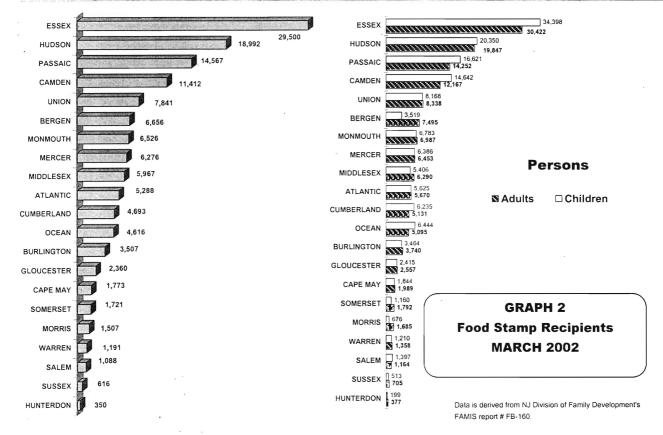


Table 3
TANF/SSI

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

EMERGENCY	MARCH 2002								
ASSISTANCE	WFNJ/	TANF Families	Receiving En	nergency Ass	<u>istance</u>	SSI			
	TOTAL	Temporary	Motel	Emergency	Other	Receipients			
County	WFNJ/TANF-EA	Rental Assist.	Housing	Shelter	WFNJ/TANF-EA	Receiving EA*			
ATLANTIC	96	1	38	5	52	18			
BERGEN	126	14	37	31	44	66			
BURLINGTON	46	1	4	19	22	17			
CAMDEN	131	21	21	17	72	14			
CAPE MAY	32	10	14	0	8	12			
CUMBERLAND	28	0	2	9	17	1			
ESSEX	639	104	66	158	311	55			
GLOUCESTER	74	8	19	14	33	10			
HUDSON	137	2	30	17	88	12			
HUNTERDON	4	0	2	0	. 2	7			
MERCER	302	99	35	1	167	56			
MIDDLESEX	175	. 6	28	35	106	60			
MONMOUTH	229	11	141	0	77	22			
MORRIS	12	1	0	4	7	5			
OCEAN	103	7	55 ·	6	35	32			
PASSAIC	246	4	7	31	204	101			
SALEM	34	1	17	0	16	6			
SOMERSET	47	0	6	18	23	31			
SUSSEX	20	2	3	6	9	9			
UNION	108	4	18	30	56	12			
WARREN	6	0	1	1	4	6			
NJ TOTAL	2,595	296	544	402	1,353	552			

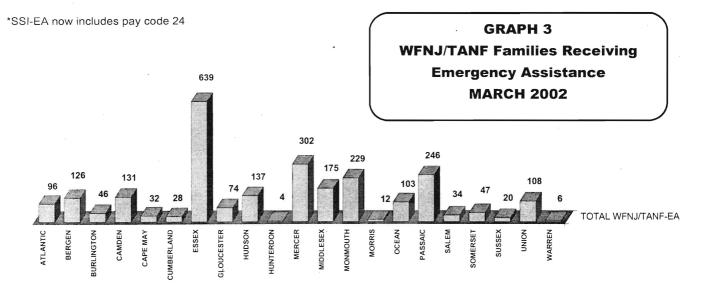


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WFNJ				MA	ARCH 20	02		3 3 2 7 1 1 2 7 3 3 3 3 7 8 5 1 NS	
COUNTY	CASES REQUIRED TO	EMPLOYN CWEP	ALL OTHER	JOB SEARCH	EMPLOYED OPEN (WFNJ		SERVICES IVE CASE TRAINING REL.	EMPLOYED CLOSED	POST ASSISTANCE CHILD
	PARTICIPATE		TRAINING		RECIPIENT)	CARE	EXPENSES		CARE
ATLANTIC	626	4	168	104	66	83	102	44	231
BERGEN	416	33	177	145	93	107	124	16	150
BURLINGTON	379	95	66	204	119	77	100	31	214
CAMDEN	2,279	654	525	407	381	424	703	78	732
CAPE MAY	181	10	46	57	84	22	35	9	63
CUMBERLAND	682	8	277	255	103	65	138	24	208
ESSEX	7,746	261	2,896	853	1,518	1,700	1,866	116	843
GLOUCESTER	315	34	29	33	61	55	10	12	117
HUDSON	3,535	30	2,208	563	814	853	643	113	739
HUNTERDON	19	4	0	14	4	7	0	2	14
MERCER	1,342	68	804	166	246	221	224	65	262
MIDDLESEX	796	0	153	127	209	104	176	30	236
MONMOUTH	880	31	486	109	231	220	345	37	296
MORRIS	95	52	23	11	26	25	18	3	55
OCEAN	354	10	66	126	98	59	39	14	200
PASSAIC	1,978	35	1,587	115	270	314	562	39	301
SALEM	164	55	13	21	32	38	56	5	75
SOMERSET	188	25	35	. 72	57	34	34	6	73
SUSSEX	53	17	1	29	11	16	5	4	46
UNION	1,325	2	705	146	220	225	393	40	347
WARREN	132	0	115	2	31	12	6	4	27
STATE	23,485	1,428	10,380	3,559	4,674	4,661	5,579	692	5,229

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

Table 5 WFNJ/TANF

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OGRAM		MARC	H 2000 THROU	JGH MARCH 20	002	
		Applications	Terminations	Single Head	Two Parent	Total
		Approved		Families	Families	WFNJ/TANF
2000	MAR	4,523	4,781	52,411	1,929	54,340
	APR	3,366	4,363	51,532	1,830	53,362
	MAY	3,444	4,352	50,729	1,776	52,505
	JUN	4,150	5,546	50,126	1,721	51,847
	JUL	3,675	4,434	48,578	1,629	50,207
	AUG	4,848	5,247	48,355	1,660	50,015
	SEP	3,755	4,246	47,731	1,592	49,323
	OCT	4,126	4,722	47,560	1,581	49,141
	NOV	3,605	3,784	46,641	1,524	48,165
	DEC	3,505	3,554	46,719	1,577	48,296
200	00 AVERAGE	3,900	4,503	49,038	1,682	50,720
2001	JAN	3,767	4,135	46,340	1,578	47,918
	FEB	3,581	3,597	45,912	1,614	47,526
	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
	ОСТ	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
200	1 AVERAGE	3,842	4,160	44,274	1,582	45,856
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
200	2 AVERAGE	4,309	4,636	41,980	1,560	43,540

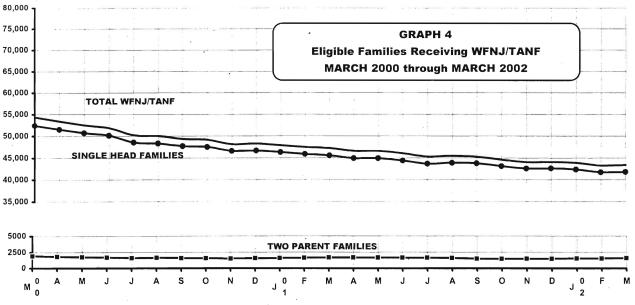
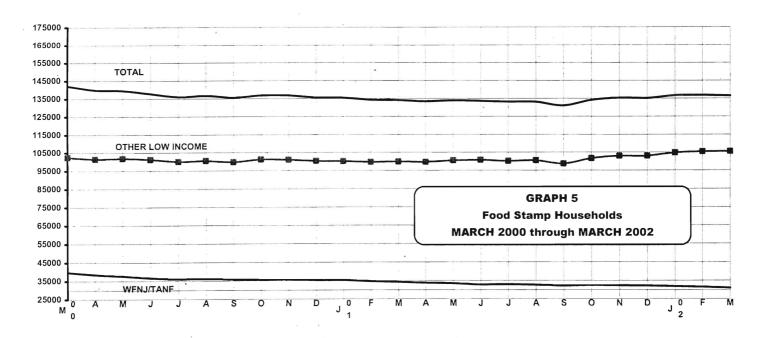


Table 6
FOOD STAMP

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

PROGR	AM			MARCH	H 2000 THROUGH MARCH 2002				
			HOUSEHOLDS				PERSONS		
			Other low				Other low		
		WFNJ/TANF	income	TOTAL	TOTAL	WFNJ/TANF	income	Adults	Children
///////////////////////////////////////	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
	NOV	35,831	100,953	136,784	299,959	115,179	184,780	146,432	153,527
	DEC	35,365	100,218	135,583	296,742	113,712	183,030	145,037	151,705
2000 AVER	AGE	36,761	100,911	137,672	304,389	118,717	185,672	147,752	156,638
2003	JAN	35,356	100,076	135,432	295,371	113,478	181,893	144,826	150,545
	FEB	34,645	99,641	134,286	291,739	110,908	180,831	143,600	148,139
	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
	ОСТ	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 AVER	AGE	33,302	100,581	133,883	290,102	106,339	183,763	142,675	147,427
7//////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
2002 AVER	AGE	31,484	105,131	136,615	292,746	98,957	193,789	144,005	148,740



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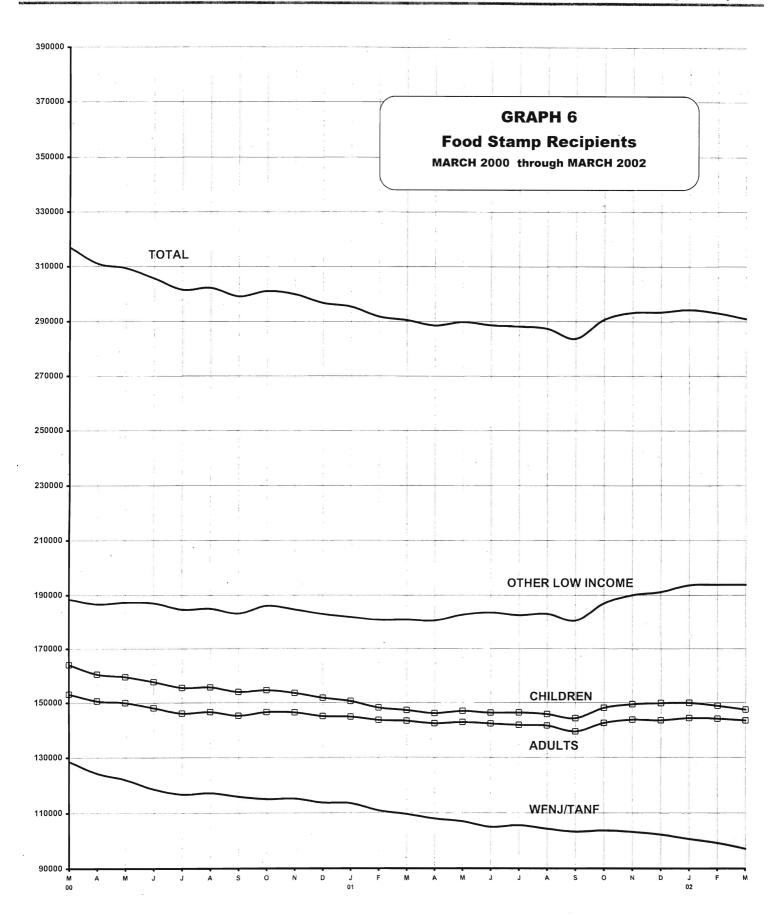


Table 7

NUMBER OF ELIGIBLE FAMILIES RECEIVING EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE PAYMENTS

TANF	(UNDUPLICATED CASES)					
EMERGENCY				GH MARCH 2002	·····	
ASSISTANCE	Total Families	Temporary	Motel	Emergency	Other	
	Receiving EA	Rental Assistance	Housing	Shelter	TANF-EA	
2000 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	
NOV	1,779	204	249	383	943	
DEC	1,841	216	272	349	1,004	
2000 AVERAGE	1,837	226	220	345	1,047	
2001 JAN	1,954	229	314	387	1,024	
FEB	1,804	226	289	354	935	
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	2,175	247	354	400	1,174	
/2007 /JAN	2,651	282	542	410	1,417	
////FEB	2,265	311	366	338	1,250	
MAR	2,595	296	544	402	1,353	
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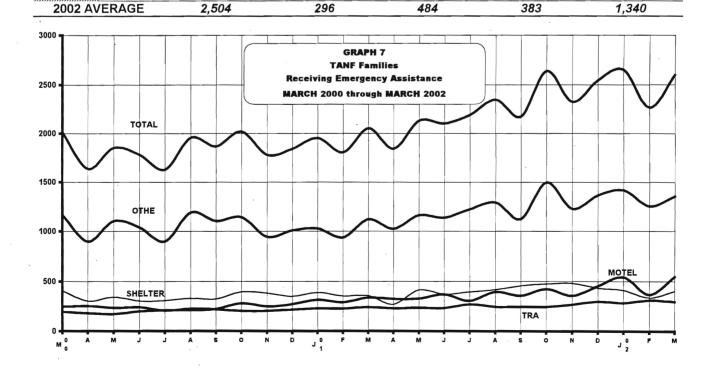


Table 8

TANF PARTICIPATION RATES

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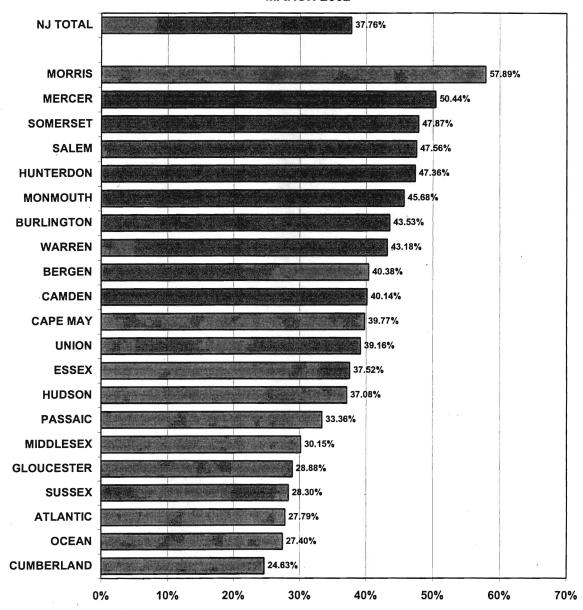
County	January	February	March
ATLANTIC	23.35%	29.83%	27.79%
BERGEN	39.25%	38.44%	40.38%
BURLINGTON	38.52%	43.76%	43.53%
CAMDEN	39.06%	39.80%	40.14%
CAPE MAY	42.26%	43.95%	39.77%
CUMBERLAND	23.66%	24.44%	24.63%
ESSEX	37.78%	34.92%	37.52%
GLOUCESTER	27.45%	27.24%	28.88%
HUDSON	35.51%	37.33%	37.08%
HUNTERDON	36.84%	42.10%	47.36%
MERCER	48.04%	49.77%	50.44%
MIDDLESEX	.25.03%	27.13%	30.15%
MONMOUTH	42.90%	42.84%	45.68%
MORRIS	52.17%	56.52%	57.89%
OCEAN	26.49%	28.37%	27.40%
PASSAIC	39.05%	34.05%	33.36%
SALEM	44.51%	47.05%	47.56%
SOMERSET	43.93%	46.34%	47.87%
SUSSEX	32.00%	38.59%	28.30%
UNION	34.62%	38.89%	39.16%
WARREN .	45.73%	49.23%	43.18%
NJ TOTAL	37.03%	36.81%	37.76%

The Work First New Jersey participation rate (mandated by PRWORA, 1996 federal welfare reform legislation establishing TANF) has been revised based on new Federal clarification of the formula

Graph 8

TANF PARTICIPATION RATES

MARCH 2002



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(mandated by PRWORA, 1996 federal welfare reform legislation establishing TANF)
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TABLE 9
GENERAL

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

ASSISTANCE

MARCH 2000 THROUGH MARCH 2002

PROGRAM		All Persons Aided	ded <u>Emergency Assistance Pay</u>			ments	
				Temporary	Other		
	Employable	Unemployable	Total	Rental Assistance	GA-EA	Total	
2000 MAR	12,737	10,170	22,907	1,635	1,784	3,419	
APR	13,074	10,824	23,898	1,553	2,005	3,558	
MAY	12,807	10,897	23,704	1,526	1,883	3,409	
JUN	12,356	10,345	22,701	1,558	1,987	3,545	
JUL	11,530	10,252	21,782	1,506	1,765	3,271	
AUG	12,218	11,041	23,259	1,501	1,995	3,496	
SEP	11,170	10,366	21,536	1,404	1,617	3,021	
OCT	11,383	11,687	23,070	1,509	1,425	2,934	
NOV	11,219	10,618	21,837	1,414	1,589	3,003	
DEC	11,284	10,568	21,852	1,515	1,701	3,216	
2000 AVERAGE	11,978	10,677	22,655	1,512	1,775	3,287	
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	
2002 AVERAGE	13,678	11,475	25,153	1,457	1,949	3,406	

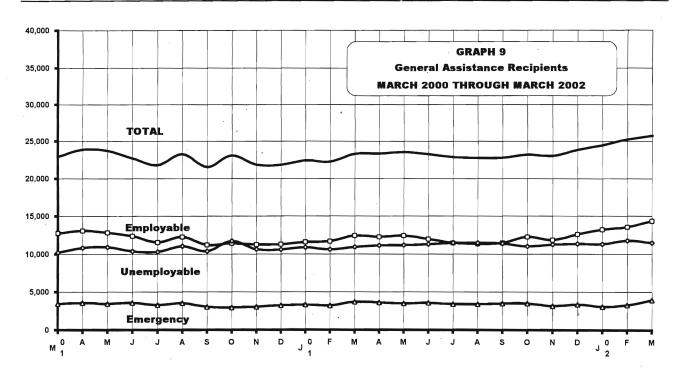


TABLE 10	TΑ	В	LE	1	0
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CHILD SUPPORT AND PATERNITY COLLECTIONS						
AND PATERNITY State Summary						
10/00-3/01	10/01-3/02	% change				
\$11,741,740	\$9,832,888	-16.26%				
1,259,332	2,818,325	123.80%				
11,666,670	14,611,418	25.24%				
256,499,285	269,272,850	4.98%				
20,123,969	20,087,119	-0.18%				
87,647,141	90,311,895	3.04%				
\$388,938,137	\$406,934,495	4.63%				
\$369,493,775	\$390,085,501	5.57%				
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^{*} 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 12

CHILD SUPPORT		***************************************						
		NUMBER OF CASES REMAINING OPEN						
AND PATERNITY		QUARTER ENDING MARCH 2002						
	<u>C/</u> TANF AND	ASES WITH ORDE	<u>RS</u> NON-	OTHER (CASES (1) NON-	TOTAL TANF AND	TOTAL NON-	TOTAL ALL
	FOSTER CARE	FOSTER CARE ARREARS (2)	TANF	FOSTER CARE	TANF	FOSTER CARE	TANF	CASES
Atlantic	1,034	3,503	8,250	1,364	1,484	5,901	9,734	15,635
Bergen	518	1,710	9,274	559	1,152	2,787	10,426	13,213
Burlington	838	3,320	10,561	857	1,622	5,015	12,183	17,198
Camden	4,100	13,443	20,234	3,538	4,834	21,081	25,068	46,149
Cape May	281	1,055	2,969	199	148	1,535	3,117	4,652
Cumberland	1,588	5,802	8,782	371	497	7,761	9,279	17,040
Essex	6,815	16,366	30,391	12,981	6,533	36,162	36,924	73,086
Gloucester	577	2,580	6,708	403	1,030	3,560	7,738	11,298
Hudson	3,356	8,509	19,377	4,030	5,041	15,895	24,418	40,313
Hunterdon	50	231	1,369	45	73	326	1,442	1,768
Mercer	2,410	6,081	11,017	2,015	1,702	10,506	12,719	23,225
Middlesex	1,199	4,802	13,687	1,607	2,393	7,608	16,080	23,688
Monmouth	1,729	5,006	11,144	1,287	1,749	8,022	12,893	20,915
Morris	221	662	4,622	201	341	1,084	4,963	6,047
Ocean	1,006	3,689	10,367	882	1,389	5,577	11,756	17,333
Passaic	2,801	6,085	14,952	3,253	4,078	12,139	19,030	31,169
Salem	480	1,735	2,897	167	152	2,382	3,049	5,431
Somerset	312	837	3,762	260	423	1,409	4,185	5,594
Sussex	169	382	1,797	76	153	627	1,950	2,577
Union	1,689	6,490	15,740	2,856	4,890	11,035	20,630	31,665
Warren	260	949	2,262	104	110	1,313	2,372	3,685
NJ TOTAL	31,433	93,237	210,162	37,055	39,794	161,725	249,956	411,681

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