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SUBJECT CURRENT PROGRAM STATISTICS

Attached please find CURRENT PROGRAM STATISTICS for July 2000. Included are TANF-oriented data, and the WFNJ Statistical Summary. Some items of interest include:

- The TANF caseload continues to decline. Since July of 1999 there has been a decrease of 17.1%.
- Food Stamp households decreased by over 14,500 since July 1999.
- For GA, recipient figures reported are for December 1999, which are 6.4% below December 1998.

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

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July 2000

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Highlights of CURRENT PROGRAM STATISTICS

TANF

(Tables 1 and 5, Graphs 1 and 4)

[The number of single parent families is reduced by the number of companion cases listed for payment on the source table FF-012, to avoid double counting.]

As of the end of July 2000, 47,024 eligible families in New Jersey were receiving TANF cash assistance:

- 46,094 single head of household families
- 930 two-parent families.

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

Essex — 15,650, Hudson — 7,589, Camden — 4,913, Passaic — 3,638 Union — 2,889

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

 53 families in Hunterdon County to 1,977 in Mercer County, with eleven counties below 1000 families

There were 24,141 fewer eligible TANF families receiving cash assistance in July 2000 than in July 1998, a decline of 33.9 percent.

- Single head families: 22,810 below two years ago in July 1998, a drop of 33.1%.
- Two parent families: declined by 1,331 or 58.9 percent from July 1998.

FOOD STAMP PROGRAM

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

At the end of July 2000, 136,027 households participated in the Food Stamp Program.

- TANF: 36,065 households with 116,745 persons.
- Other low income: 99,962 households with 184,792 persons.
- Total persons: 301,537, including 146,058 adults and 155,479 children
- By County: 57.3 percent of the households were in: Essex 31,609

Hudson 20.091

Passaic 13,729

Camden 12,576

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Two years ago in July 1998, 171,739 households participated in Food Stamps in New Jersey. Over the next two years the number declined by 35,712, or 20.8 percent, to 136,027 by July 2000.

- TANF(FS) households steadily declined by 38,070 from 74,135 in July 1998 to 36,065 two years later. There were 97,604 Other Low Income households in July 1998 and 2,358 more two years later.
- Total FS Recipients: were 385,732 in July 1998, and declined to 301,537 by July 2000, a drop of 84,195, or 21.8 percent.
- Adult FS Recipients: declined from 182,874 in July 1998 to 146,058 in July 2000, a drop of 36,816 (20.1 percent).
- Recipient FS Children: declined by 47,379 (23.4 percent), from 202,858 in July 1998 to 155,479 in July 2000.

EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE

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

In July 2000 Emergency Assistance (EA) payments were made for 1,626 eligible TANF families and 364 SSI recipients in New Jersey. For TANF families this included payments for:

- Temporary Rental Assistance (TRA) for 208 families
- Motel placements for 211 families and emergency shelter placements for 310 families
- All other TANF-EA for 897 families (including back rent, back utilities, security deposits, furnishings, clothing and food allowance, or transitional housing)
- 560 families in Essex County, 151 in Monmouth County, 139 in Passaic County,
 117 in Middlesex.

In the past two years, the average number of EA payments for TANF families was 2,302 in 1998, and 1,861 for the twelve months of 1999. Payments were made to 8.7% less families in July 2000 as compared to June 2000.

- TRA payments were 12.8 % of the number in July 2000.
- Motel payments were up from two years ago.; 183 to 211.

TANF PARTICIPATION RATES

(Table 8, Graph 8)

The TANF participation rate for July 2000 was 38.00% for the State as a whole. This is a decrease of .10 percentage points from June 2000.

Participation rates by county:

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

GENERAL ASSISTANCE

(Table 9, Graph 9)

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

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

CHILD SUPPORT AND PATERNITY

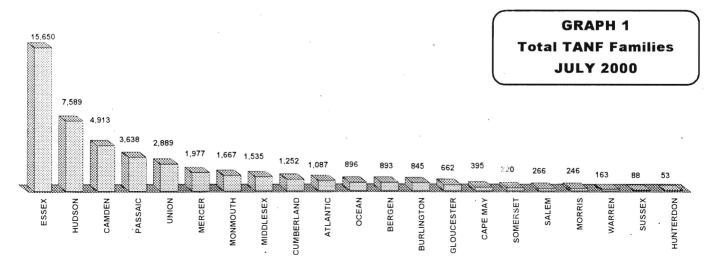
(Table 10)

For **FFY 2000**, the **total collections** of the Child Support and Paternity Program was about **\$568,524,000**, an increase of over **8 percent** over the same period for **FFY 1999**.

Table 1
TANF

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

PROGRAM	JULY 2000									
County	Applications Approved	Terminations	Single Head Families	Two Parent Families	Total TANF					
ATLANTIC .	127	148	1,082	5	1,087					
BERGEN	90	115	844	49	893					
BURLINGTON	. 155	145	833	12	845					
CAMDEN	520	607	4,778	135	4,913					
CAPE MAY	58	102	376	19	395					
CUMBERLAND	195	. 196	1,186	66	1,252					
ESSEX	978	1,759	15,509	141	15,650					
GLOUCESTER	90	78	651	11	662					
HUDSON	461	660	7,413	176	7,589					
HUNTERDON	8	8	51	2	53					
MERCER	235	279	1,955	22	1,977					
MIDDLESEX	218	242	1,488	47	1,535					
MONMOUTH	134	222	1,657	10	1,667					
MORRIS	27	34	239	7	246					
OCEAN	116	145	859	37	896					
PASSAIC	330	365	3,507	131	3,638					
SALEM	72	69	265	1	266					
SOMERSET	31	32	309	11	320					
SUSSEX	18	22	86	2	88					
UNION	262	292	2,849	40	2,889					
WARREN	25	26	157	6	163					
NJ TOTAL	4,150	5,546	46,094	930	47,024					



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

Table 2 FOOD STAMP

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

PROGRAM				JULY	2000		***************************************	
		HOUSEHOLDS				PERSONS		
	Other							
County	TANF	low income	TOTAL	TOTAL	TANF	low income	Adults	Children
ATLANTIC	691	4,021	4,712	9,967	2,237	7,730	5,076	4,891
BERGEN	630	5,662	6,292	10,711	1,941	8,770	7,149	3,562
BURLINGTON	462	2,822	3,284	7,001	1,476	5,525 ·	3,581	3,420
CAMDEN	3,744	8,832	12,576	30,191	12,550	17,641	13,709	16,482
CAPE MAY	246	1,172	1,418	3,336	838	2,498	1,631	1,705
CUMBERLAND	938	3,276	4,214	10,575	3,161	7,414	4,706	5,869
ESSEX	12,667	18,942	31,609	73,701	41,152	32,549	33,407	40,294
GLOUCESTER	417	1,720	2,137	4,655	1,288	3,367	2,342	2,313
HUDSON	6,324	13,767	20,091	44,801	19,960	24,841	21,456	23,345
HUNTERDON	33	292	325	527	83	444	346	181
MERCER	1,420	4,287	5,707	11,932	4,437	7,495	5,918	6,014
MIDDLESEX	1,142	4,397	5,539	11,038	3,507	7,531	5,975	5,063
MONMOUTH	1,216	4,983	6,199	13,379	4,013	9,366	6,797	6,582
MORRIS	124	1,326	1,450	2,311	353	1,958	1,628	683
OCEAN	594	3,850	4,444	11,190	1,803	9,387	4,968	6,222
PASSAIC	2,856	10,873	13,729	30,498	9,480	21,018	13,967	16,531
SALEM	198	754	952	2,320	635	1,685	1,043	1,277
SOMERSET	211	1,386	1,597	2,837	669	2,168	1,694	1,143
SUSSEX	51	464	515	1,021	160	861	588	433
UNION	1,977	6,163	8,140	17,240	6,616	10,624	8,827	8,413
WARREN	124	973	1,097	2,306	386	1.920	1,250	1,056
NJ TOTAL	36,065	99,962	136,027	301,537	116,745	184,792	146,058	155,479

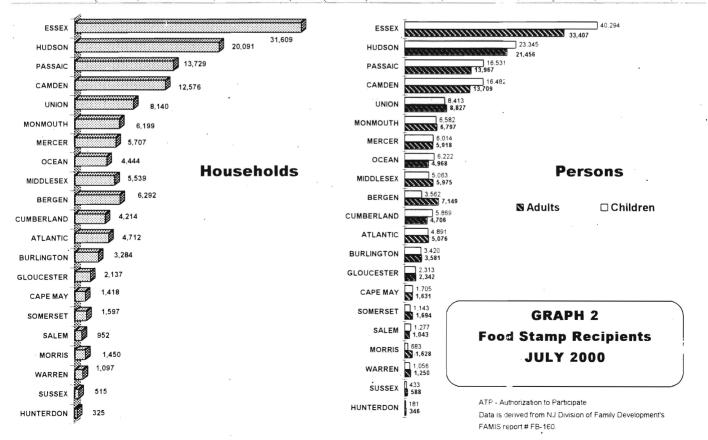


Table 3
TANF/SSI

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

EMERGENCY	MERGENCY JULY 2000										
ASSISTANCE	<u>T</u> .	ANF Families Re	ceiving Emer	gency Assistan	<u>ce</u>	SSI					
County	TOTAL TANF-EA	Temporary Rental Assist.	Motel Housing	Emergency Shelter	Other TANF-EA	Receipients Receiving EA*					
ATLANTIC	16	0	0	0	16	8					
BERGEN	85	13	- 11	31	30	57					
BURLINGTON	17	1	. 0	12	4	13					
CAMDEN	66	15	4	8	39	25					
CAPE MAY	13	3	3	. 0	7	3					
CUMBERLAND	19	0	2	7	10	6					
ESSEX	560	112	35	121	292	37					
GLOUCESTER	20	2	3	9	6	5					
HUDSON	91	9	19	22	41	9					
HUNTERDON	6	0	0 .	1	5	0					
MERCER	105	30	. 8	1	66	21					
MIDDLESEX	117	4	20	16	77	52					
MONMOUTH	151	6	59	1	85	10					
MORRIS	11	0	2	4	5	5					
OCEAN	65	5	33	4	23	36					
PASSAIC	139	1	, 1	20	117	28					
SALEM	9	2	4	0	3	0					
SOMERSET	55	1	4	21	29	27					
SUSSEX	9	1	· 1	. 4	3	12					
UNION	63	3	2	25	33	8					
WARREN	9	. 0	0	3	6	2					
NJ TOTAL	1,626	208	211	310	897	364					

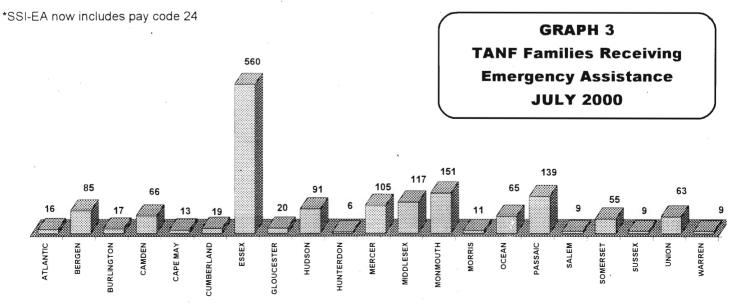


Table 4	WORK FIRST NEW JERSEY STATISTICAL SUMMARY								
WFNJ					ULY 200	0			
	CASES REQUIRED	<u>employn</u> Cwep	IENT DIRECTED A	ACTIVITIES JOB	EMPLOYED OPEN		SERVICES	EMPLOYED CLOSED	POST TANF
COUNTY	TO Participate		OTHER Training	SEARCH	(TANF RECIPIENT)	CHILD CARE	TRAINING REL. EXPENSES		CHILD Care
ATLANTIC	410	5	130	53	46	85	135	49	297
BERGEN	435	6	206	122	160	114	96	34	222
BURLINGTON	308	40	60	89	116	85	121	37	280
CAMDEN	2,641	273	511	1,023	801	617	466	157	1,009
CAPE MAY	159	7	12	65	94	12	12	53	67
CUMBERLAND	614	7	300	186	121	93	108	52	320
ESSEX	9,680	535	4,567	1,676	2,511	2,154	3,023	224	833
GLOUCESTER	249	19	16	29	66	45	0	23	187
HUDSON	4,528	78	2,678	772	1,332	1,252	1,001	167	854
HUNTERDON	21	0	2	12	4	4	0	4	18
MERCER	994	120	346	101	285	209	142	68	471
MIDDLESEX	657	0	169	117	215	111	176	69	354
MONMOUTH	853	4	451	65	333	290	314	54	518
MORRIS	91	42	15	7	37	31	28	12	84
OCEAN	336	7	. 79	68	103	87	38	42	299
PASSAIC	2,106	34	1,662	148	444	420	592	80	347
SALEM	109	33	5	28	31	26	38	11	94
SOMERSET	158	17	40	81	42	40	17	15	90
SUSSEX	35	13	0	11	11	18	4	11	55
UNION	1,334	20	632	116	305	301	335	70	417
WARREN	106	9	35	6	28	13	3	10	35
STATE	25,824	1,269	11,916	4,775	7,085	6,007	6,649	1,242	6,851

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

Table 5
TANF

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

PROGRAM	JULY 1998 THROUGH JULY 2000									
	Applications Approved	Terminations	Single Head Families	Two Parent Families	Total TANF	Medicaid Only				
1998 JUL	5,403	7,372	68,904	2,261	71,165	6,955				
AUG	5,262	6,536	67,846	2,153	69,999	6,969				
SEP	4,819	6,271	66,649	2,020	68,669	6,819				
OCT	4,337	6,282	64,988	1,922	66,910	6,714				
NOV	5,577	6,749	63,944	1,824	65,768	6,773				
DEC	4,812	6,105	62,921	1,755	64,676	6,684				
1998 AVERAGE	5,035	6,553	65,875	1,989	67,865	6,819				
1999 JAN	4,697	5,832	61,894	1,732	63,626	6,583				
FEB	4,369	5,497	60,974	1,711	62,685	6,484				
MAR	4,254	5,454	59,760	1,659	61,419	6,642				
APR	4,402	11,543*	58,633	1,540	60,173					
MAY	4,896	5,877	58,061	1,520	59,581					
JUN	4,084	5,735	56,684	1,448	58,132					
JUL	3,950	5,409	55,330	1,366	56,696					
AUG	4,835	5,064	55,273	1,320	56,593					
SEP	4,143	4,866	54,563	1,303	55,866					
OCT	4,380	5,425	53,578	1,280	54,858					
NOV	4,222	5,369	52,173	1,216	53,389					
DEC	3,815	4,857	51,283	1,162	52,445					
1999 AVERAGE	4,337	5,399	56,517	1,438	57,955	6,570				
2000 JAN	3,847	4,543	50,810	1,121	51,931	-				
FEB	4,023	4,478	50,351	1,127	51,478					
MAR	3,485	4,106	49,809	1,159	50,968					
APR	4,523	4,781	49,695	1,110	50,805					
MAY	3,366	4,363	48,650	1,039	49,689					
JUNE	3,444	4,352	47,769	977	48,746					
JULY	4,150	5,546	46,094	930	47,024					
2000 AVERAGE	3,834	4,596	49,025	1,066	50,092					

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

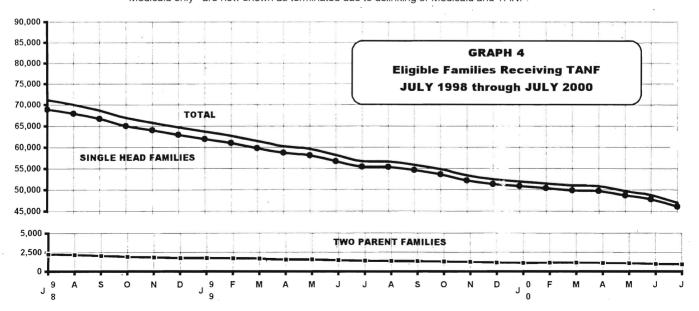
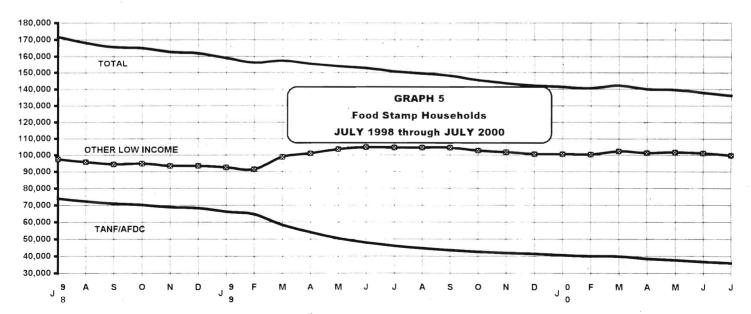


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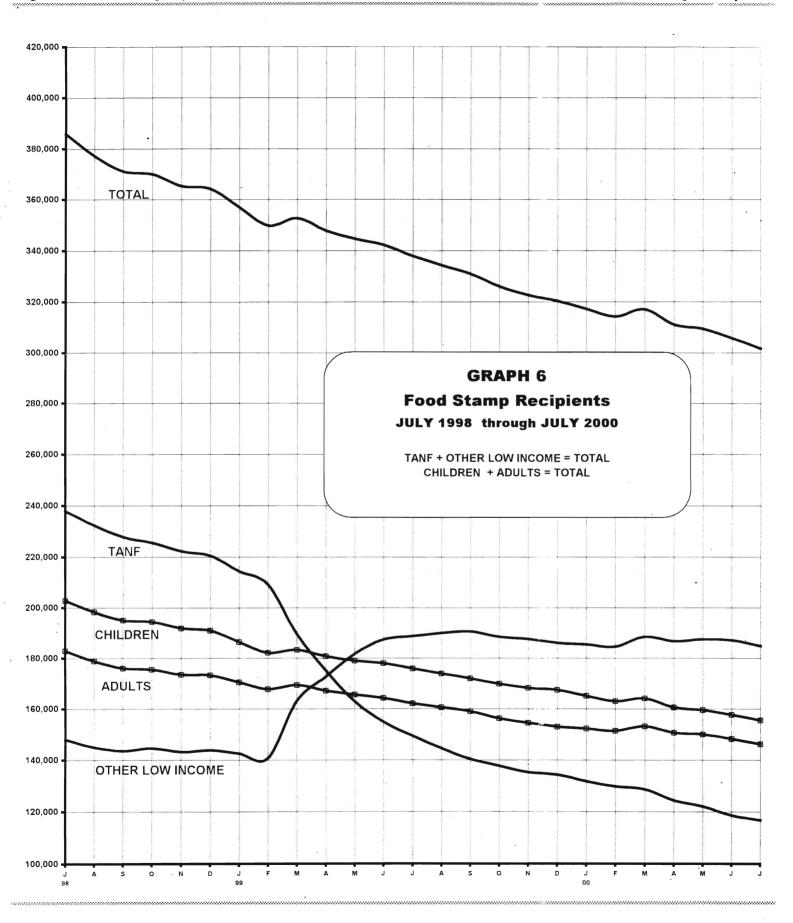
NUMBER OF PARTICIPATING HOUSEHOLDS, PERSONS, ADULTS AND CHILDREN AT THE END OF THE REPORT MONTH

JULY	1998	THROUGH	JULY	2000
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		ų.	HOUSEHOLDS				PERSONS		
			Other low				Other low		
		TANF	income	TOTAL	TOTAL	TANF	income	Adults	Children
///////////////////////////////////////	JUL	74,135	97,604	171,739	385,732	237,835	147,897	182,874	202,858
	AUG	72,345	95,767	168,112	377,191	232,284	144,907	178,851	198,340
	SEP	70,961	94,555	165,516	371,135	227,718	143,417	175,996	195,139
	OCT	70,198	94,817	165,015	369,966	225,450	144,516	175,490	194,476
	NOV	68,990	93,595	162,585	365,339	222,224	143,115	173,472	191,867
	DEC	68,298	93,592	161,890	364,200	220,428	143,772	173,203	190,997
1998 AVERA	AGE	70,821	94,988	165,810	372,261	227,657	144,604	176,648	195,613
1999	JAN	66,293	92,638	158,931	356,851	214,394	142,457	170,388	186,463
	FEB	64,593	91,435	156,028	349,747	209,154	140,593	167,648	182,099
	MAR	58,380	98,903	157,283	352,558	189,514	163,044	169,279	183,279
	APR	54,142	101,116	155,258	347,743	175,132	172,611	166,963	180,780
	MAY	50,338	103,502	153,840	344,474	162,815	181,659	165,467	179,007
	JUN	47,870	104,699	152,569	342,088	154,833	187,255	164,107	177,981
	JUL	45,990	104,582	150,572	337,845	149,205	188,640	162,033	175,812
	AUG	44,697	104,597	149,294	334,324	144,418	189,906	160,464	173,860
	SEP	43,448	104,543	147,991	330,897	140,290	190,607	158,996	171,901
	OCT	42,582	102,757	145,339	326,063	137,669	188,394	156,214	169,849
	NOV	41,677	101,728	143,405	322,601	135,098	187,503	154,392	168,209
	DEC	41,444	100,609	142,053	320,341	134,288	186,053	152,961	167,380
999 AVERA	GE	50,121	100,926	151,047	338,794	162,234	176,560	162,409	176,385
2000	JAN	40,648	100,705	141,353	317,214	131,804	185,410	152,219	164,995
	FEB	40,071	100,435	140,506	314,200	129,699	184,501	151,301	162,899
	MAR	39,771	102,365	142,136	317,053	128,571	188,482	153,071	163,982
	APR	38,494	101,394	139,888	311,045	124,332	186,713	150,572	160,473
	MAY	37,738	101,747	139,485	309,401	122,022	187,379	149,926	159,475
	JUNE	36,645	101,151	137,796	305,706	118,628	187,078	148,071	157,635
	JULY	36,065	99,962	136,027	301,537	116,745	184,792	146,058	155,479
2000 AVERA	AGE	38,490	101,108	139,599	310,879	124,543	186,336	150,174	160,705



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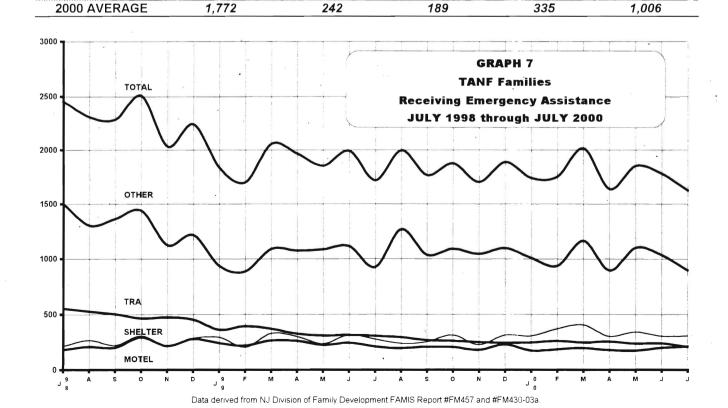
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Table 7

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

IANF	(UNDUPLICATED CASES)								
EMERGENCY	***************************************	JUI	.Y 1998 THROU	GH JULY 2000					
ASSISTANCE	Total Families	Temporary	Motel	Emergency	Other				
	Receiving EA	Rental Assistance	Housing	Shelter	TANF-EA				
/////////////////////////////////////	2,452	554	183	215	1,500				
AUG	2,305	528	209	268	1,300				
SEP	2,283	502	201	220	1,360				
OCT	2,505	466	295	306	1,438				
NOV	2,030	473	216	216	1,125				
DEC	2,237	454	281	287	1,215				
1998 AVERAGE	2,302	496	231	252	1,323				
//////////////////////////////////////	1,834	363	241	293	937				
FEB	1,699	394	217	203	885				
MAR	2,055	372	265	329	1,089				
APR	1,963	327	263	299	1,074				
MAY	1,853	309	224	235	1,085				
JUN	1,989	314	245	315	1,115				
JUL	1,716	306	210	276	924				
AUG	1,995	294	195	239	1,267				
SEP	1,765	267	210	252	1,036				
//////OCT	1,876	263	207	315	1,091				
NOV	1,702	251	180	226	1,045				
DEC	1,888	245	230	314	1,099				
1999 AVERAGE	1,861	309	224	275	1,054				
200 0 JAN	1,739	247	175	306	1,011				
//////FEB	1,753	261	185	370	937				
MAR	2,015	248	197	406	1,164				
APR	1,636	255	181	304	896				
MAY	1,853	237	173	343	1,100				



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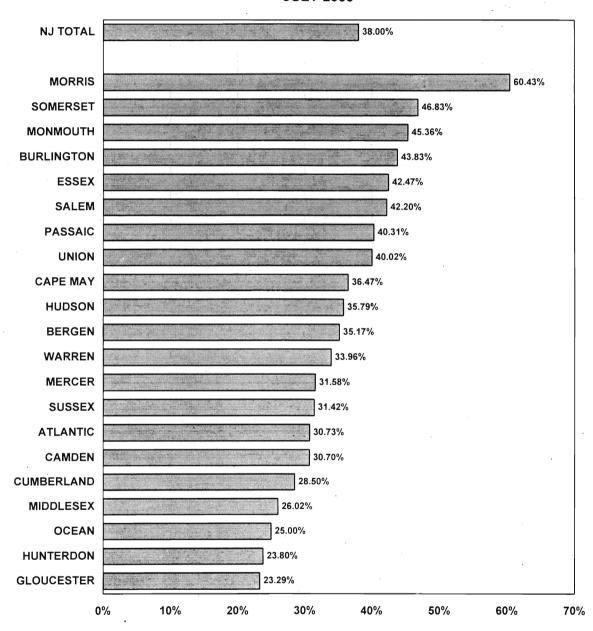
 TANF PARTICIPATION RATES										
 May - July 2000										
County	May	June	July							
ATLANTIC	33.93%	35.26%	30.73%							
BERGEN	39.74%	37.65%	35.17%							
BURLINGTON	44.88%	43.46%	43.83%							
CAMDEN	25.56%	23.03%	30.70%							
CAPE MAY	43.42%	38.86%	36.47%							
CUMBERLAND	27.83%	29.23%	28.50%							
ESSEX	41.44%	42.12%	42.47%							
GLOUCESTER	28.38%	21.94%	23.29%							
HUDSON	39.31%	38.54%	35.79%							
HUNTERDON	31.81%	18.18%	23.80%							
MERCER	37.29%	34.23%	31.58%							
MIDDLESEX	32.28%	29.09%	26.02%							
MONMOUTH	44.12%	43.60%	45.36%							
MORRIS	58.33%	62.00%.	60.43%							
OCEAN	30.08%	25.07%	25.00%							
PASSAIC	43.10%	42.31%	40.31%							
SALEM	37.11%	33.00%	42.20%							
SOMERSET	47.74%	41.44%	46.83%							
SUSSEX	41.66%	32.35%	31 42%							
UNION	44.81%	40.98%	4ህ.02%							
WARREN	45.37%	45.94%	33.96%							
NJ TOTAL	38.90%	38.10%	38.00%							

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



TANF PARTICIPATION RATES

JULY 2000



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TABLE 9
GENERAL

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

ASSISTANCE

DECEMBER 1997 THROUGH DECEMBER 1999

ROGRAM		All Persons Aided		<u>Emergen</u>	cy Assistance Payı	ments
				Temporary	Other	
	Employable	Unemployable	Total	Rental Assistance	GA-EA	Total
1997 DEC	16,627	10,517	27,144	4,046	2,362	6,408
1998 JAN	16,749	10,226	26,975	3,951	2,219	6,170
FEB	17,460	10,102	27,562	3,936	2,295	6,231
MAR	17,914	10,492	28,406	4,009	2,581	6,590
APR	17,990	10,322	28,312	3,925	2,583	6,508
MAY	17,346	10,306	27,652	3,942	3,003	6,945
JUN	17,010	10,436	27,446	3,755	2,310	6,065
JUL	16,369	10,103	26,472	3,185	2,460	5,645
AUG	16,714	10,821	27,535	2,758	2,194	4,952
SEP	16,321	10,367	26,688	2,572	2,027	4,599
OCT	15,390	10,315	25,705	2,558	1,908	4,466
NOV	15,131	10,184	25,315	2,298	1,787	4,085
DEC	15,297	10,231	25,528	2,463	1,930	4,393
1998 AVERAGE	16,641	10,325	26,966	3,279	2,275	5,554
1999 JAN	15,764	10,222	25,986	2,237	1,846	4,083
FEB	15,935	10,081	26,016	2,274	1,782	4,056
MAR	16,705	10,344	27,049	2,326	1,817	4,143
APR	16,542	10,246	26,788	2,051	1,845	3,896
MAY	15,623	10,182	25,805	1,891	2,178	4,069
JUN	15,419	9,757	25,176	1,723	1,591	3,314
JUL	15,451	9,972	25,423	1,814	1,665	3,479
AUG	15,317	9,992	25,309	1,648	1,629	3,277
SEP	14,912	9,966	24,878	1,668	1,579	3,247
OCT	14,361	9,650	24,011	1,676	1,612	3,288
NOV	13,566	9,708	23,274	1,543	1,227	2,770
DEC	14,165	9,730	23,895	1,607	1,307	2,914
1999 AVERAGE	15,313	9,988	25,301	1,872	1,673	3,545

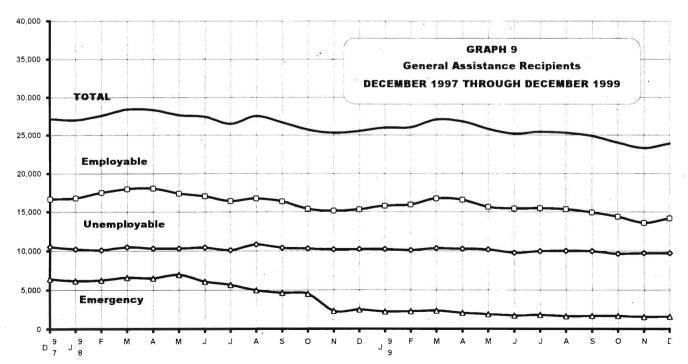


TABLE 10

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CHILD SUPPORT CHILD SUPPORT AND PATERNITY COLLECTIONS **State Summary** AND PATERNITY Comparison of FFY 1999 and FFY 2000 10/98-6/99 10/99-6/00 **COLLECTION SOURCE** % change \$25,154,386 \$28,882,624 14.82% Federal Tax 1,604,811 2,462,892 53.47% State Tax 15,941,501 Unempl. Ins. Ben. 15,156,918 5.18% 326,925,316 365,059,965 11.66% Income Withholding 27,797,032 5.71% Other/Own Behalf 29,383,192 0.61% From Other States 126,030,775 126,793,476 For Other States 8.77% **TOTAL COLLECTION** \$522,669,238 \$568,523,650

TOTAL DISTRIBUTION*

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

\$502,060,927

\$540,434,045

^{*} Includes money sent to other states

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 V/FNJ/GA (General Assistance) for single adults and couples without dependent children. The emphasis is on achieving self-sufficiency and limits lifetime receipt of financial assistance to a total of five years.

WFNJ Statistical Summary (Table 4)

Recipients Required to Participate - Calculation of the number of mandatory individuals

Employment Directed Activities (EDA) - From Activities Summary Report (OMEGA report # RM064). Unduplicated count of persons participating in Community Work Experience Program (CWEP), All Other Training, or Job Search.

Number of Persons Employed This Month, Still Receiving TANF – Individuals with open "empl" activity on OMEGA. Ad hoc report.

Participants Receiving Child Care Services - From Issuance Disbursement Summary (OMEGA report # RM703). Total number of active participants who show receipt of Child Care.

Number of Persons Closed on FAMIS Due to Employment- From FAMIS report # FM463.

Post TANF and Receiving Child Care - Persons no longer in receipt of TANF but still receiving child care. From Issuance Disbursement Summary (OMEGA report # RM703).

MEDICAID ONLY FAMILIES no longer receive TANF financial assistance but remain eligible for Medicaid under applicable provisions which extend coverage beyond the period of assistance. These are shown separately in these tables because cash assistance and Medicaid have been de-linked.

FOOD STAMP PROGRAM (FS) - Authorized by Congress as a nutritional supplement program to provide low income households with more food of greater variety and better nutrition. Program eligibility is based on household income, resources, and expenses for medical, shelter, and dependent care. CWA staff refer certain recipients to the New Jersey Department of Labor for participation in the Food Stamp Employment and Training Program.

EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE (EA) - Payments to those eligible for WFNJ/TANF or WFNJ/GA, authorized during the 30 consecutive days immediately following the emergency (defined as a substantial loss of shelter, food clothing, or household furnishings by fire, flood or other similar disaster) or if the eligible individual or family is in an imminent or actual state of homelessness.

TABLE 11

PROGRAM

GENERAL ASSISTANCE

EMPLOYABLE AND UNEMPLOYABLE RECIPIENTS AND EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE RECIPIENTS

DECEMBER 1999

PROGRAM	DECEMBER 1999								
		Total Persons Aided		Emergency	Assistance Paym	nents			
County	Employable	Unemployable	Total	Temporary	Other	Total			
				Rental Assist.	GA-EA				
ATLANTIC	794	468	1,262	52	35	87			
BERGEN	241	458	699	109	44	153			
BURLINGTON	243	263	506	40	70	110			
CAMDEN	1,760	1,344	3,104	149	83	232			
CAPE MAY	168	104	272	25	29	54			
CUMBERLAND	654	187	841	2	10	. 12			
ESSEX	3,954	1,681	5,635	302	628	930			
GLOUCESTER	168	169	337	5	11	. 16			
HUDSON	1,219	886	2,105	129	18	147			
HUNTERDON	39	41	80	10	10	20			
MERCER	1,044	765	1,809	. 47	3	50			
MIDDLESEX	238	482	720	55	68	123			
MONMOUTH	311	442	753	124	45	169			
MORRIS	81	120	201	3	10	13			
OCEAN	313	341	654	13	46	59			
PASSAIC	1,441	1,058	2,499	304	90	394			
SALEM	. 56	55	111	2	17	19			
SOMERSET	59	84	143	11	26	37 .			
SUSSEX	36	38	74	24	2	26			
UNION	1,277	683	1,960	183	62	245			
WARREN	69	61	130	18	0	18			
TOTAL NJ	14,165	9,730	23,895	1,607	1,307	2,914			

Source: NJ Division of Family Development, GA Fiscal Unit

TABLE 12

CHILD SUPPORT AND PATERNITY		NUMBER OF CASES REMAINING OPEN QUARTER ENDING JUNE 2000						
			TANF AND FOSTER CARE	TANF AND FOSTER CARE ARREARS (2)	NON TANF	TANF AND FOSTER CARE	NON- TANF	TOTAL TANF AND FOSTER CARE
Atlantic	979	4,127	8,143	1,396	3,042	6,502	11,185	17,687
Bergen	655	1,989	9,315	828	1,444	3,472	10,759	14,231
Burlington	920	3,698	10,502	1,039	2,270	5,657	12,772	18,429
Camden	4,658	12,866	18,693	3,950	4,997	21,474	23,690	45,164
Cape May	330	1,199	3,079	289	266	1,818	3,345	5,163
Cumberland	1,620	5,825	8,583	343	372	7,788	8,955	16,743
Essex	9,393	17,104	30,073	14,154	10,399	40,651	40,472	81,123
Gloucester	702	2,704	6,685	506	1,095	3,912	7,780	11,692
Hudson	4,427	8,705	18,775	6,101	4,911	19,233	23,686	42,919
Hunterdon	73	256	1,503	61	60	390	1,563	1,953
Mercer	2,429	6,545	10,670	1,951	2,013	10,925	12,683	23,608
Middlesex	1,242	5,694	14,427	1,614	2,484	8,550	16,911	25,461
Monmouth	1,888	5,069	10,666	1,609	2,029	8,566	12,695	21,261
Morris	270	672	4,103	267	330	1,209	4,433	5,642
Ocean	1,032	3,760	10,065	1,166	1,597	5,958	11,662	17,620
Passaic	3,152	6,388	14,573	3,723	3,983	13,263	18,556	31,819
Salem	507	1,839	3,243	169	179	2,515	3,422	5,937
Somerset	302	829	3,470	300	423	1,431	3,893	5,324
Sussex	158	451	1,765	98	142	707	1,907	2,614
Union	1,802	6,293	14,211	2,917	6,320	11,012	20,531	31,543
Warren	283	1,024	2,130	95	104	1,402	2,234	3,636
NJ TOTAL	36,822	97,037	204,674	42,576	48,460	176,435	253,134	429,569

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