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SUBJECT CURRENT PROGRAM STATISTICS

Attached please find CURRENT PROGRAM STATISTICS for July 1999. Included are TANF-oriented data, and the WFNJ Statistical Summary. Some items of interest include:

- The TANF caseload continues to decline. Since January of 1999 there has been a decrease of 10.9%.
- Food Stamp households decreased more than 8,000 since January 1999.
- Due to manual reporting from a number of municipalities, General Assistance recipient numbers are not as current as TANF and Food Stamp data. Recipient figures reported are for June 1999, which are 8.3% below June 1998.

Should you have any questions regarding this report, please do not hesitate to call me.

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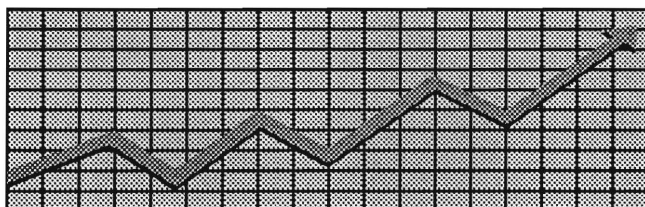
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# **CURRENT PROGRAM STATISTICS**



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## CURRENT PROGRAM STATISTICS

July 1999

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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 1999, 56,696 eligible families in New Jersey were receiving TANF cash assistance:

- 55,330 single head of household families
- 1,366 two-parent families.

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

Essex — 18,149, Hudson — 9,761, Camden — 5,854, Passaic — 4,407, Union — 3,488

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

- 32 families in Hunterdon County to 2,505 in Mercer County,  
with eight counties below 1000 families

More than 1400 fewer eligible TANF families were receiving cash assistance in July 1999 than in June 1999, with a decline of more than 35,300, or 38.4 percent, compared to the number of families receiving cash assistance two years ago in July 1997.

- **Single head families:** Approximately 1400 fewer were eligible in July 1999 than in June 1999, and 32,200 below two years ago in July 1997, a drop of 36.8%.
- **Two parent families:** declined by 3,200 or almost 70 percent from about 4,500 in July 1997.

### **FOOD STAMP PROGRAM**

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

At the end of July 1999, less than 151,000 households were authorized to participate in the Food Stamp Program.

- TANF: about 46,000 households with 149,000 persons.
- Other low income: approximately 104,600 households with 188,700 persons.
- Total persons: 338,000, including 162,000 adults and 176,000 children
- By County: 58.7 percent of the households were in:
 

Essex	38,650
Hudson	21,660
Camden	13,840
Passaic	14,200



Two years ago in July 1997, 192,500 households were authorized to participate in Food Stamps in New Jersey. Over the next two years the number declined by about 41,900, or 21.8 percent, to 150,600 by July 1999.

- TANF(FS) households steadily declined by more than **43,000** from about **89,000** in July 1997 to **46,000** two years later. There were approximately **103,500 Other Low Income** households in July 1997 and about **1100 more** two years later.
- **Total FS Recipients Authorized to Participate:** were about **441,150** in July 1997, and declined to **337,850** by July 1999, a drop of **105,300, or 23.4 percent**.
- **Adult FS Recipients:** declined from about **210,000** in July 1997 to **162,000** in July 1999, a drop of **48,000 (22.9 percent)**.
- **Recipient FS Children:** declined by **59,400 (23.9 percent)**, from about **231,100** in July 1997 to **175,800** in July 1999.

## **EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE**

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

and 9)

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In July 1999 Emergency Assistance (EA) payments were made for 1,716 eligible TANF families and 296 SSI recipients in New Jersey. For TANF families this included payments for:

- **Temporary Rental Assistance (TRA)** for 306 families
- **Motel** placements for **210** families and **emergency shelter** placements for **276** families
- **All other TANF-EA** for **924** families (including back rent, back utilities, security deposits, furnishings, clothing and food allowance, or transitional housing)
- **657** families in **Essex County**, **234** in **Passaic County**, **132** in **Middlesex County**, **126** in **Bergen County** and **less than 100** TANF families in each of the other seventeen counties.

In the past two years, the average number of EA payments for TANF families was 3,547 in 1997, 2,437 for 1998, and 1,873 for the first seven months of 1999. Payments were made to 51.5% fewer families in July 1999 as compared to July 1997.

- TRA payments were **23.4%** of the number in July 1997.
- Motel payments were **88%** from two years ago.
- Emergency Shelter payments were approximately **90%** of the number in July 1997.
- Other TANF-EA payments were approximately **55%** of the number in July 1997.

For 1997 there were an average of 6,700 GA EA recipients, 5,600 for 1998 and 3,900 for the first half of 1999. Of those, GA TRA payments were made to an average of 4,000 recipients in 1997, 3,300 in 1998 and 2,100 for the first half of 1999.

## TANF PARTICIPATION RATES

(Table 8, Graph 8)

(Not updated)

The TANF participation rate for September 1998 was 28.67% for the State as a whole. This is an increase of about 1.5 percentage points from August 1998.

Participation rates by county:

- Three counties, **Essex, Gloucester, and Mercer**, were between **22** and **25** percent.
- Eight counties, **Atlantic, Camden, Cape may, Hudson, Hunterdon, Ocean, Union and Warren**, were clustered between **28** and **32** percent.
- Six counties, **Bergen, Burlington, Cumberland, Middlesex, Morris, and Passaic**, were between **33** and **36** percent.
- The four highest counties were **Monmouth, Salem, Somerset and Sussex**, which ranged from **41** to **45** percent.

## GENERAL ASSISTANCE

(Table 9, Graph 9)

There were 25,176 GA recipients in June 1999. Total recipients were 29,131 in June 1997 and 27,446 in June 1998.

- There were 15,419 Employable GA recipients in June 1999.
- With about 9,800 in June 1999, this was the first month **Unemployable GA** recipients dropped below the 10,000 to 11,000 range over the past two years.

## CHILD SUPPORT AND PATERNITY

(Table 10)

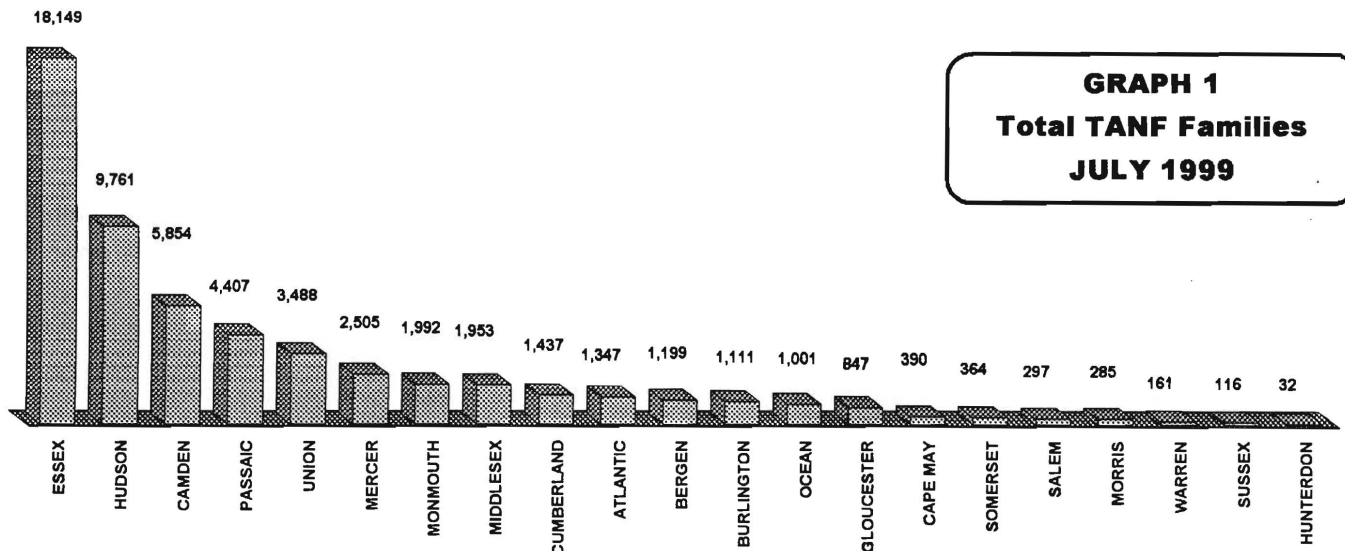
During the first nine months of FFY 1999, the **total distribution of collections** of the Child Support and Paternity Program was more than **\$500 million**, an increase of almost **11 percent** over the same period of FFY 1998.

**Table 1**  
**TANF**  
**PROGRAM**

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

**JULY 1999**

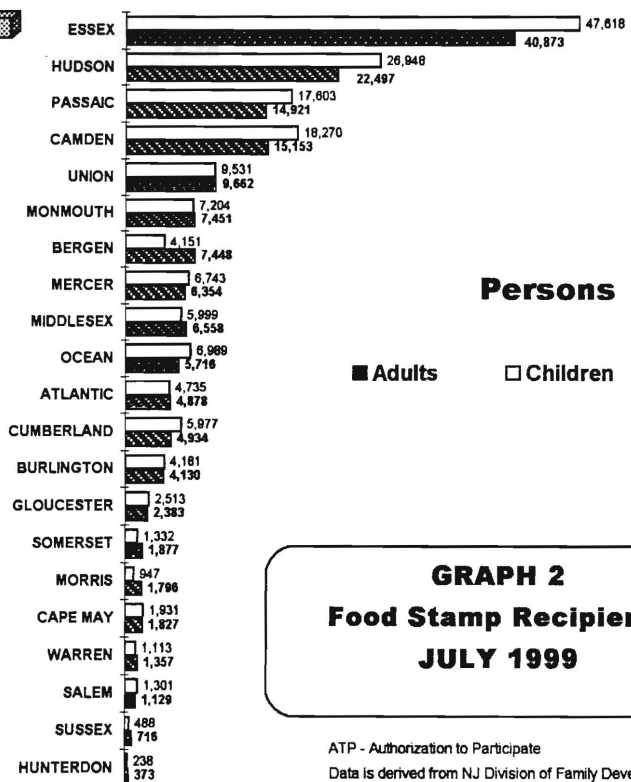
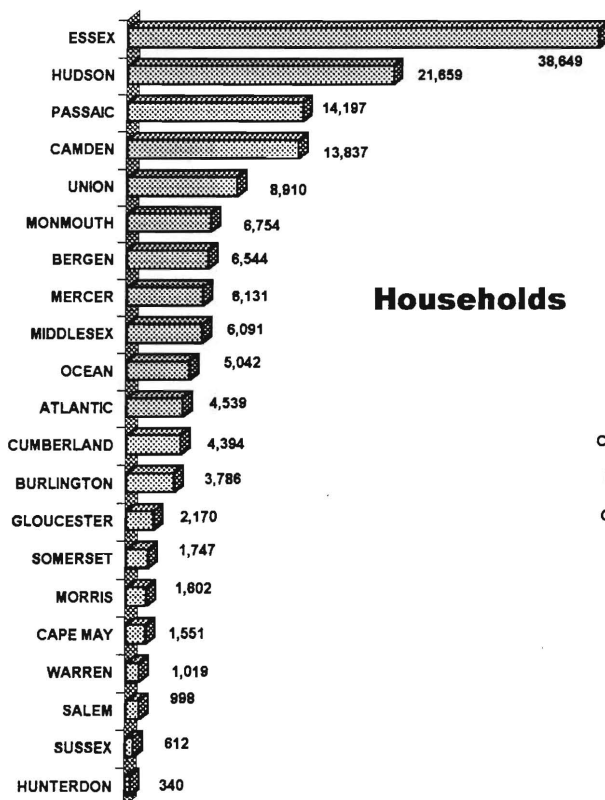
County	Applications Approved	Terminations	Single Head Families	Two Parent Families	Total TANF
ATLANTIC	120	181	1,331	16	1,347
BERGEN	99	135	1,134	65	1,199
BURLINGTON	145	175	1,089	22	1,111
CAMDEN	470	607	5,661	193	5,854
CAPE MAY	45	106	364	26	390
CUMBERLAND	158	239	1,368	69	1,437
ESSEX	1,107	1,400	17,976	173	18,149
GLOUCESTER	103	139	815	32	847
HUDSON	362	533	9,448	313	9,761
HUNTERDON	3	6	32	0	32
MERCER	198	260	2,465	40	2,505
MIDDLESEX	169	267	1,871	82	1,953
MONMOUTH	140	205	1,962	30	1,992
MORRIS	30	33	273	12	285
OCEAN	112	174	959	42	1,001
PASSAIC	295	396	4,225	182	4,407
SALEM	65	88	295	2	297
SOMERSET	39	55	350	14	364
SUSSEX	10	25	115	1	116
UNION	259	354	3,446	42	3,488
WARREN	21	31	151	10	161
<b>NJ TOTAL</b>	<b>3,950</b>	<b>5,409</b>	<b>55,330</b>	<b>1,366</b>	<b>56,696</b>



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

**Table 2** **NUMBER OF ATP'S ISSUED TO HOUSEHOLDS, PERSONS, ADULTS AND CHILDREN AT THE END OF THE REPORT MONTH**  
**FOOD STAMP PROGRAM** **JULY 1999**

County	HOUSEHOLDS			PERSONS				
	TANF	Other low income	TOTAL	TOTAL	TANF	Other low income	Adults	Children
ATLANTIC	837	3,702	4,539	9,613	2,766	6,847	4,878	4,735
BERGEN	938	5,606	6,544	11,599	2,811	8,788	7,448	4,151
BURLINGTON	740	3,046	3,786	8,311	2,387	5,924	4,130	4,181
CAMDEN	4,622	9,215	13,837	33,423	15,665	17,758	15,153	18,270
CAPE MAY	297	1,254	1,551	3,758	1,000	2,758	1,827	1,931
CUMBERLAND	1,106	3,288	4,394	10,911	3,692	7,219	4,934	5,977
ESSEX	15,839	22,810	38,649	88,491	51,123	37,368	40,873	47,618
GLOUCESTER	546	1,624	2,170	4,896	1,694	3,202	2,383	2,513
HUDSON	8,632	13,027	21,659	49,445	27,046	22,399	22,497	26,948
HUNTERDON	27	313	340	611	76	535	373	238
MERCER	1,797	4,334	6,131	13,097	5,699	7,398	6,354	6,743
MIDDLESEX	1,479	4,612	6,091	12,557	4,627	7,930	6,558	5,999
MONMOUTH	1,529	5,225	6,754	14,655	4,961	9,694	7,451	7,204
MORRIS	190	1,412	1,602	2,743	585	2,158	1,796	947
OCEAN	749	4,293	5,042	12,705	2,394	10,311	5,716	6,989
PASSAIC	3,566	10,631	14,197	32,524	11,997	20,527	14,921	17,603
SALEM	214	784	998	2,430	723	1,707	1,129	1,301
SOMERSET	243	1,504	1,747	3,209	772	2,437	1,877	1,332
SUSSEX	65	547	612	1,204	176	1,028	716	488
UNION	2,567	6,343	8,910	19,193	8,478	10,715	9,662	9,531
WARREN	7	1,012	1,019	2,470	533	1,937	1,357	1,113
NJ TOTAL	45,990	104,582	150,572	337,845	149,205	188,640	162,033	175,812



**GRAPH 2**  
**Food Stamp Recipients**  
**JULY 1999**

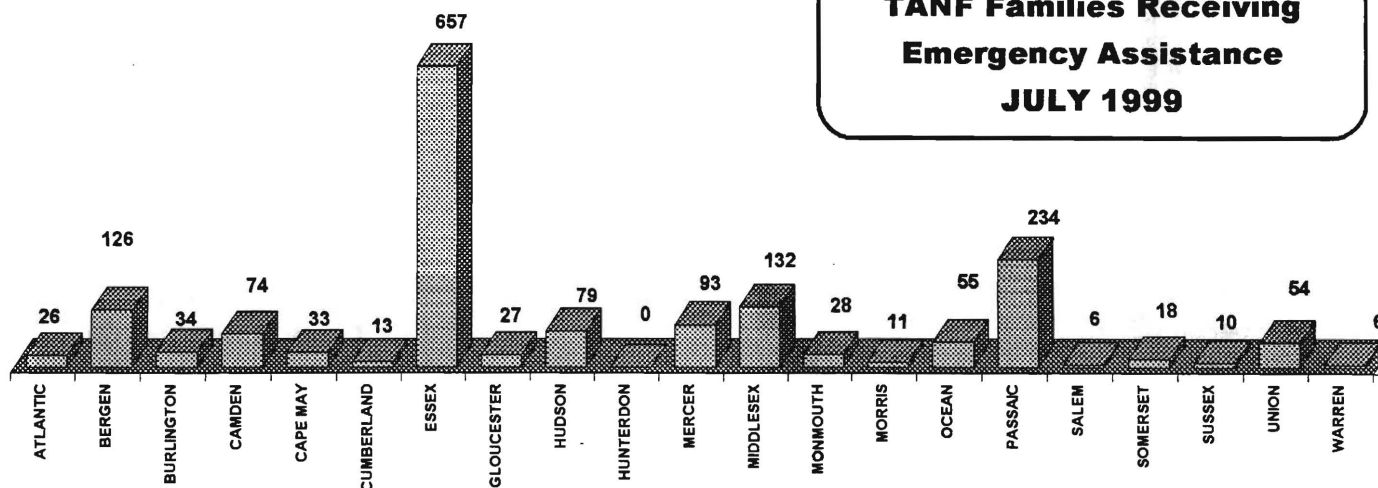
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**Table 3**  
**TANF/SSI****NUMBER OF ELIGIBLE FAMILIES RECEIVING EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE PAYMENTS**  
**(UNDUPLICATED CASES)****EMERGENCY**  
**ASSISTANCE**

JULY 1999

County	TANF Families Receiving Emergency Assistance					SSI Recipients Receiving EA*
	TOTAL TANF-EA	Temporary Rental Assist.	Motel Housing	Emergency Shelter	Other TANF-EA	
ATLANTIC	26	0	2	6	18	13
BERGEN	126	17	22	34	53	29
BURLINGTON	34	0	1	20	13	14
CAMDEN	74	13	0	14	47	16
CAPE MAY	33	14	8	1	10	12
CUMBERLAND	13	0	1	4	8	7
ESSEX	657	195	77	112	273	18
GLOUCESTER	27	3	1	16	7	4
HUDSON	79	13	19	6	41	8
HUNTERDON	0	0	0	0	0	3
MERCER	93	30	8	1	54	15
MIDDLESEX	132	2	21	10	99	39
MONMOUTH	28	8	5	0	15	4
MORRIS	11	0	3	3	5	8
OCEAN	55	3	29	2	21	22
PASSAIC	234	0	4	25	205	43
SALEM	6	0	4	0	2	3
SOMERSET	18	0	1	12	5	12
SUSSEX	10	5	0	1	4	11
UNION	54	3	2	9	40	9
WARREN	6	0	2	0	4	6
<b>NJ TOTAL</b>	<b>1,716</b>	<b>306</b>	<b>210</b>	<b>276</b>	<b>924</b>	<b>296</b>

\*SSI-EA now includes pay code 24

**GRAPH 3**  
**TANF Families Receiving**  
**Emergency Assistance**  
**JULY 1999**

**Table 4****WORK FIRST NEW JERSEY STATISTICAL SUMMARY****WFNJ****JULY 1999**

COUNTY	RECIPIENTS REQUIRED TO PARTICIPATE	EMPLOYMENT DIRECTED ACTIVITIES			EMPLOYED OPEN (TANF RECIPIENT)	SUPPORT SERVICES ON ACTIVE CASE		EMPLOYED CLOSED	POST TANF CHILD CARE
		CWEP	ALL OTHER TRAINING	JOB SEARCH		CHILD CARE	TRAINING REL. EXPENSES		
ATLANTIC	*	1	156	183	151	114	43	66	314
BERGEN	*	28	261	105	237	128	145	49	212
BURLINGTON	*	142	80	137	195	119	89	44	335
CAMDEN	*	238	583	615	1,098	599	665	144	971
CAPE MAY	*	11	11	40	138	22	4	53	65
CUMBERLAND	*	0	326	361	159	137	189	69	353
ESSEX	*	601	4,343	2,157	2,208	1,893	2,673	176	675
GLOUCESTER	*	22	43	29	109	59	2	41	191
HUDSON	*	204	2,766	1,050	1,549	1,153	902	165	814
HUNTERDON	*	5	1	10	4	3	2	4	22
MERCER	*	49	150	193	347	236	158	66	395
MIDDLESEX	*	15	216	190	318	134	226	62	400
MONMOUTH	*	19	389	85	425	351	337	86	502
MORRIS	*	27	6	4	36	22	15	14	83
OCEAN	*	1	73	104	160	88	42	55	350
PASSAIC	*	98	2,106	126	489	530	716	78	343
SALEM	*	66	18	41	50	38	52	17	114
SOMERSET	*	18	42	44	61	42	31	7	98
SUSSEX	*	9	8	9	25	18	10	8	59
UNION	*	206	582	134	456	265	322	81	354
WARREN	*	14	65	0	31	16	8	15	32
STATE	*	1,774	12,225	5,617	8,246	5,967	6,631	1,300	6,682

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

\* Not yet updated

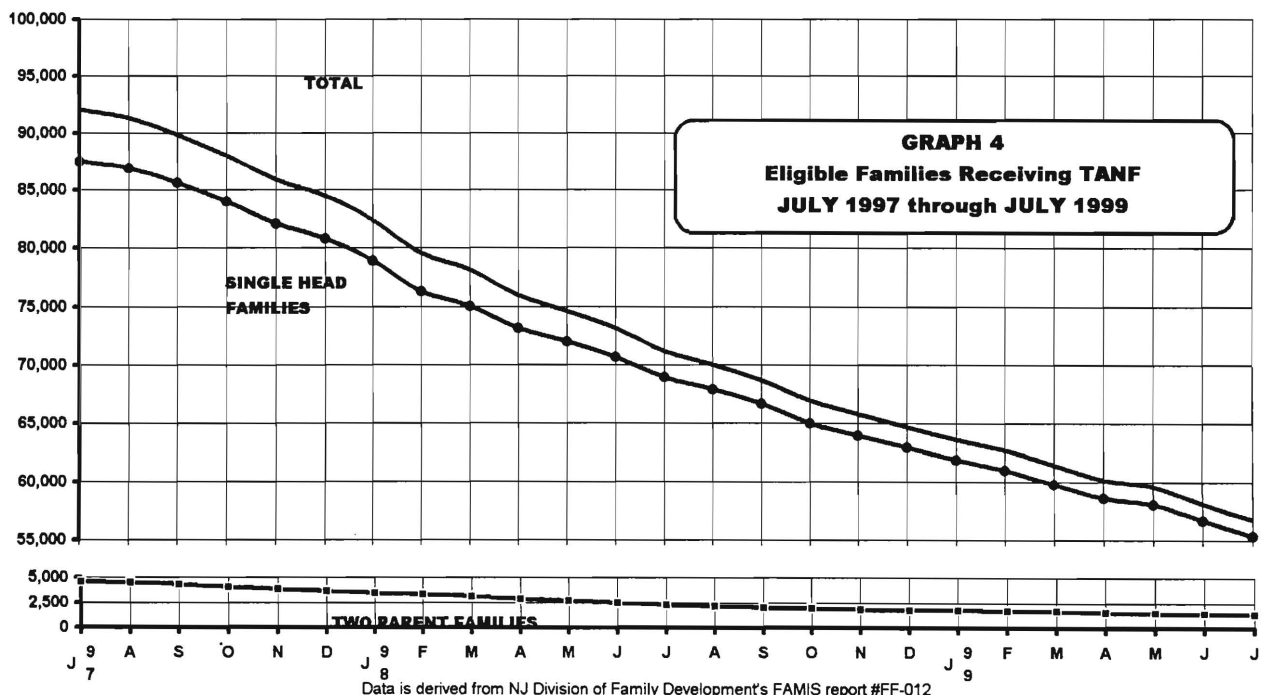
**Table 5**  
**TANF**  
**PROGRAM**

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

**JULY 1997 THROUGH JULY 1999**

		Applications Approved	Terminations	Single Head Families	Two Parent Families	Total TANF	Medicaid Only
1997	JUL	5,240	7,344	87,517	4,522	92,039	4,811
	AUG	4,637	5,388	86,880	4,484	91,364	4,860
	SEP	5,542	6,982	85,605	4,263	89,868	5,014
	OCT	4,488	6,276	83,957	4,045	88,002	5,138
	NOV	5,655	7,385	82,097	3,825	85,922	5,554
	DEC	3,735	5,113	80,823	3,632	84,455	5,728
	<b>12 Mo AVERAGE</b>	<b>5,042</b>	<b>6,279</b>	<b>88,043</b>	<b>4,548</b>	<b>92,591</b>	<b>5,028</b>
1998	JAN	5,593	7,193	78,898	3,440	82,338	6,313
	FEB	4,311	6,924	76,295	3,304	79,599	6,561
	MAR	4,875	6,255	75,007	3,127	78,134	6,649
	APR	5,646	7,696	73,118	2,862	75,980	6,795
	MAY	4,555	5,882	71,955	2,641	74,596	6,845
	JUN	4,815	6,156	70,658	2,480	73,138	6,893
	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
	<b>AVERAGE</b>	<b>5,000</b>	<b>6,618</b>	<b>70,099</b>	<b>2,482</b>	<b>72,581</b>	<b>6,748</b>
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	
	<b>AVERAGE</b>	<b>4,379</b>	<b>5,634</b>	<b>58,762</b>	<b>1,568</b>	<b>60,330</b>	<b>6,570</b>

\* 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.



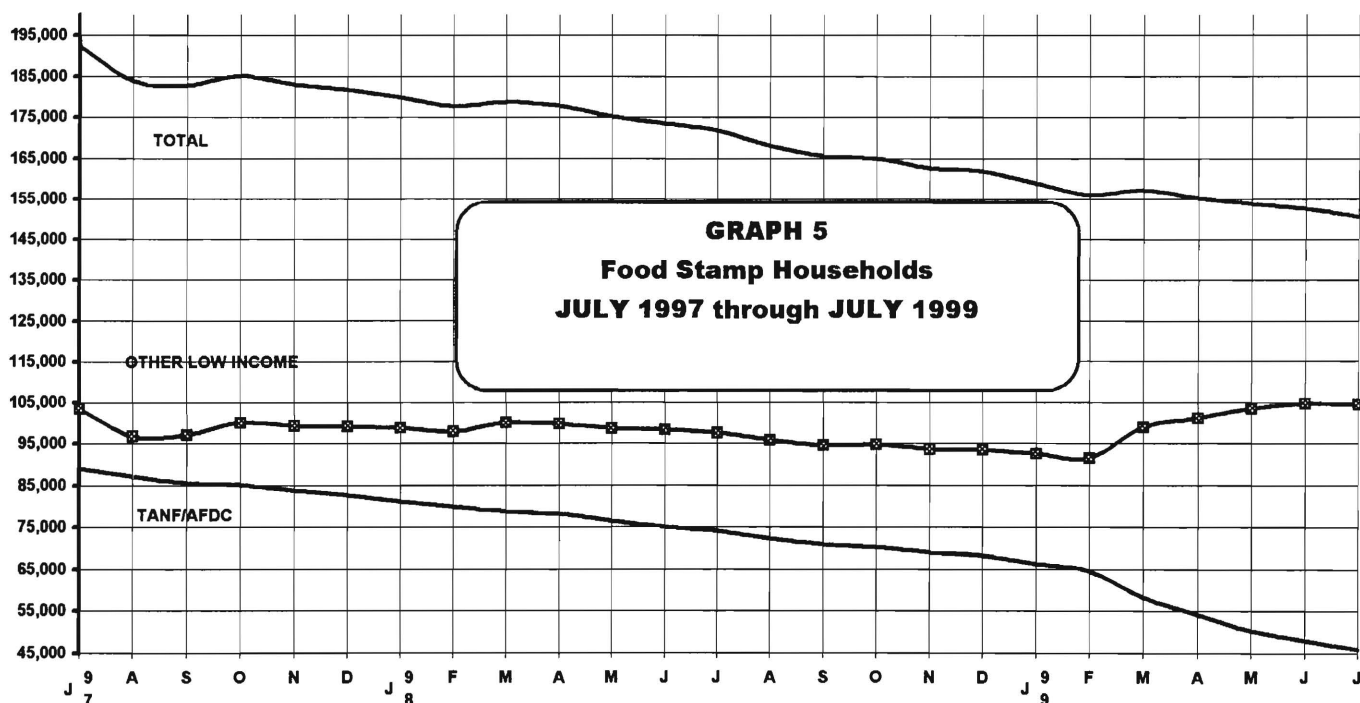


**Table 6**  
**FOOD STAMP**  
**PROGRAM**

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

**JULY 1997 THROUGH JULY 1999**

		HOUSEHOLDS			PERSONS				
		TANF	Other low income	TOTAL	TOTAL	TANF	Other low income	Adults	Children
1997	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
12 MO 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
	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
AVERAGE		74,544	96,927	171,472	385,726	238,918	146,808	182,936	202,790
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
AVERAGE		55,372	99,554	154,926	347,329	179,292	168,037	166,555	180,774



ATP - Authorization to Participate

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



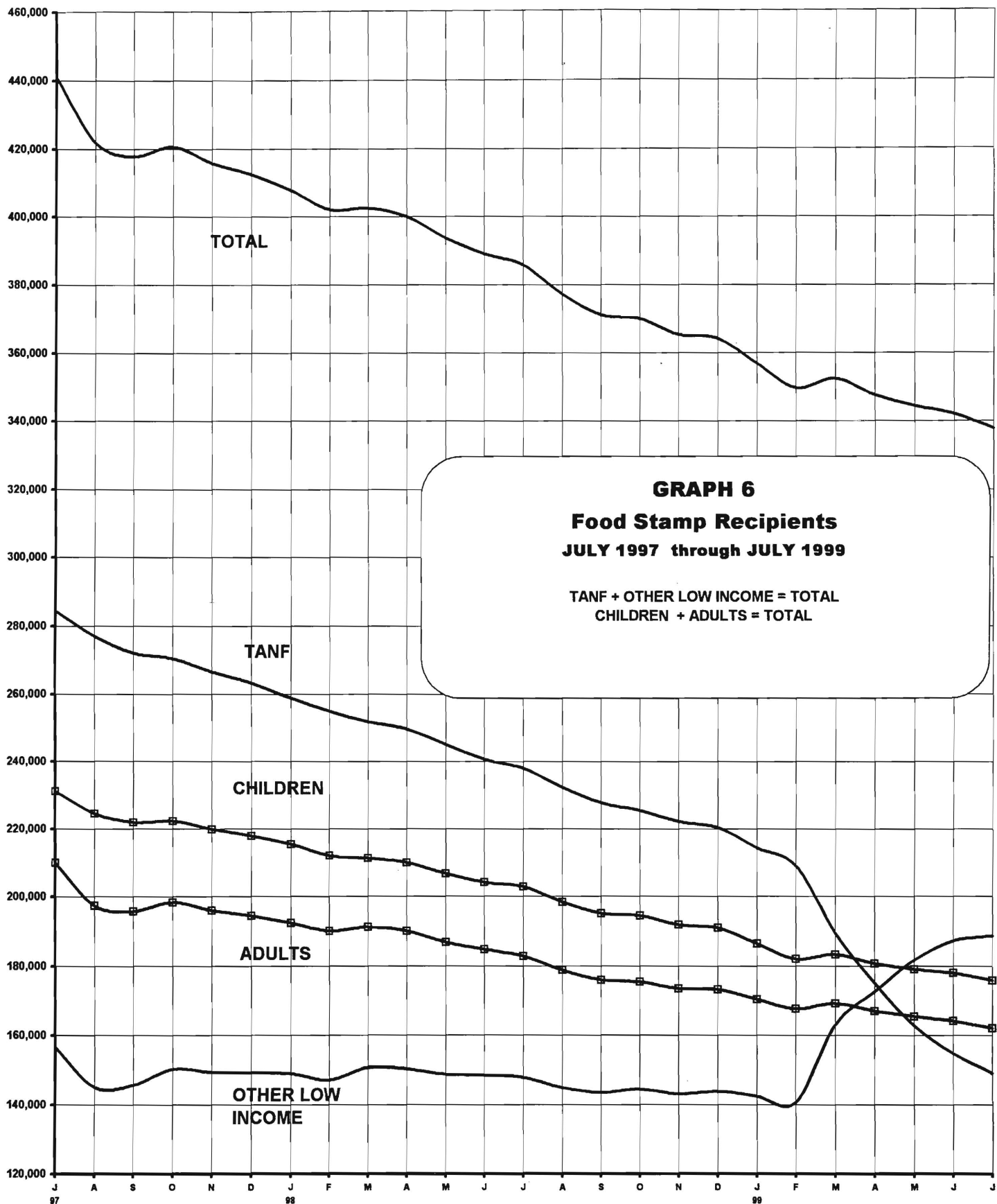


Table 7

## NUMBER OF ELIGIBLE FAMILIES RECEIVING EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE PAYMENTS

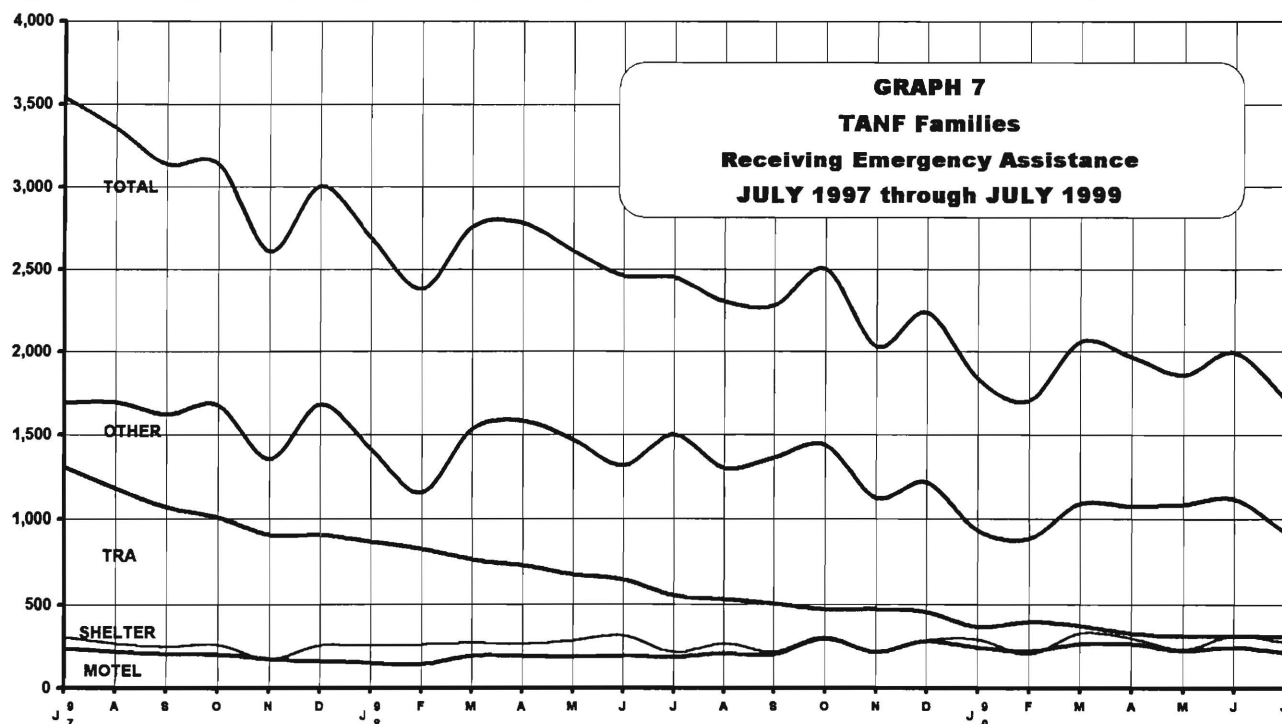
## TANF

(UNDUPLICATED CASES)

## EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE

JULY 1997 THROUGH JULY 1999

		Total Families Receiving EA	Temporary Rental Assistance	Motel Housing	Emergency Shelter	Other TANF-EA
1997	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
	12 MO 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	2,611	676	184	284	1,467
	JUN	2,464	644	191	313	1,316
	JUL	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
	AVERAGE	2,437	602	209	264	1,362
1999	JAN	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
	AVERAGE	1,873	341	238	279	1,016

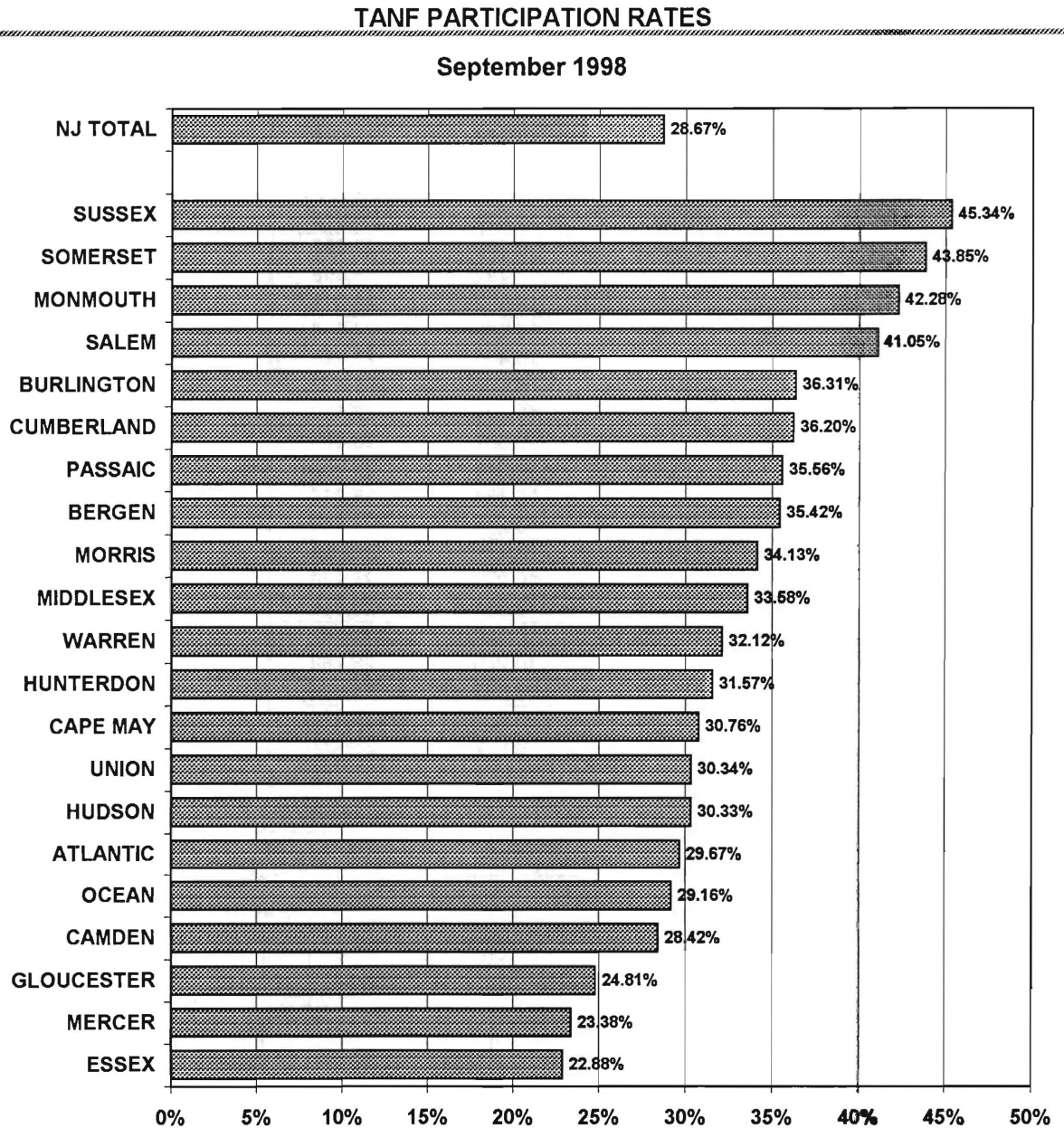


Data derived from NJ Division of Family Development FAMIS Report #FM457 and #FM430-03a.

**Table 8****TANF PARTICIPATION RATES****July - September 1998**

County	July	August	September
ATLANTIC	28.48%	26.45%	29.67%
BERGEN	32.26%	33.54%	35.42%
BURLINGTON	35.37%	31.16%	36.31%
CAMDEN	29.86%	27.16%	28.42%
CAPE MAY	30.21%	33.71%	30.76%
CUMBERLAND	34.15%	34.13%	36.20%
ESSEX	20.41%	21.70%	22.88%
GLOUCESTER	28.40%	26.48%	24.81%
HUDSON	29.64%	29.20%	30.33%
HUNTERDON	38.23%	34.21%	31.57%
MERCER	20.96%	20.49%	23.38%
MIDDLESEX	31.22%	30.40%	33.58%
MONMOUTH	40.38%	38.59%	42.28%
MORRIS	42.59%	39.82%	34.13%
OCEAN	32.56%	29.88%	29.16%
PASSAIC	34.13%	36.09%	35.56%
SALEM	38.78%	38.09%	41.05%
SOMERSET	40.34%	36.11%	43.85%
SUSSEX	38.75%	38.35%	45.34%
UNION	29.57%	27.24%	30.34%
WARREN	21.34%	21.73%	32.12%
<b>NJ TOTAL</b>	<b>27.43%</b>	<b>27.20%</b>	<b>28.67%</b>

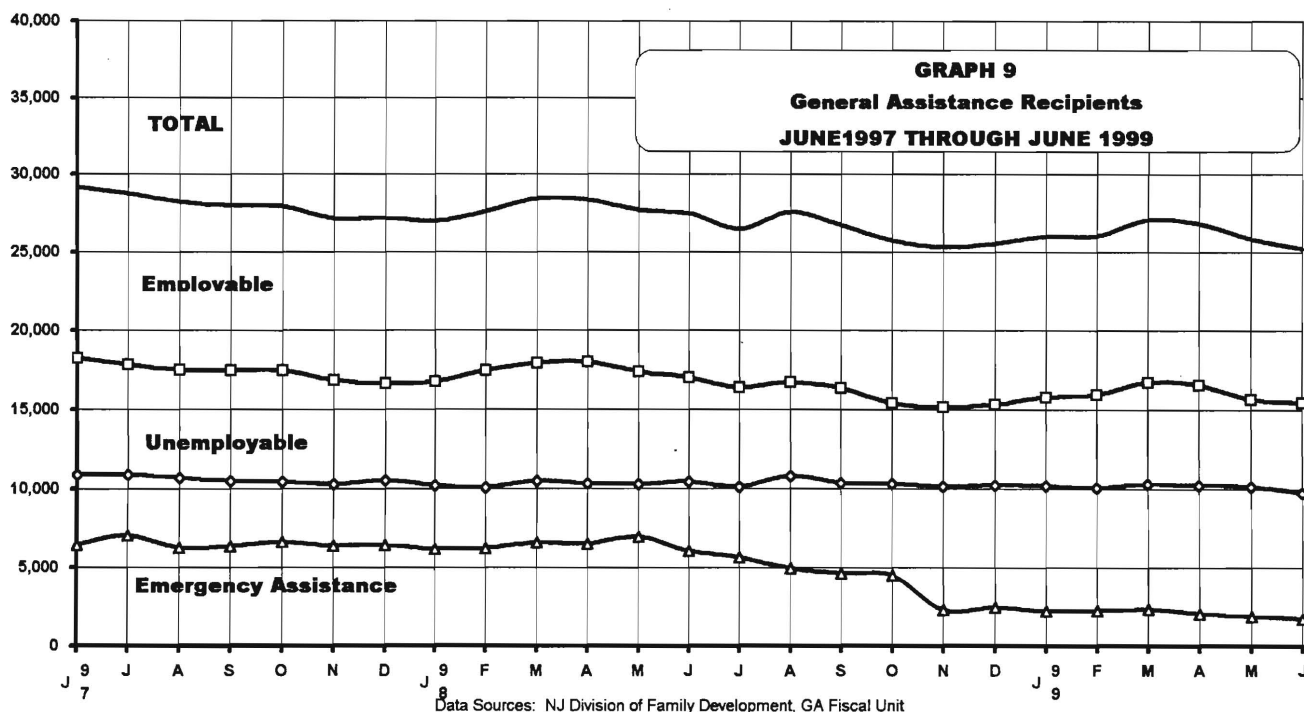
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(mandated by PRWORA, 1996 federal welfare reform legislation establishing TANF)  
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**Graph 8**

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**TABLE 9** **NUMBER OF EMPLOYABLE AND UNEMPLOYABLE RECIPIENTS**  
**GENERAL** **AND EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE PAYMENTS DURING REPORT MONTH**  
**ASSISTANCE** **JUNE 1997 THROUGH JUNE 1999**  
**PROGRAM**

	All Persons Aided			Emergency Assistance Payments		
	Employable	Unemployable	Total	Temporary Rental Assistance	Other GA-EA	Total
<b>1997 JUN</b>	18,218	10,913	<b>29,131</b>	3,850	2,580	<b>6,430</b>
JUL	17,823	10,908	<b>28,731</b>	4,174	2,872	<b>7,046</b>
AUG	17,505	10,685	<b>28,190</b>	3,884	2,377	<b>6,261</b>
SEP	17,441	10,506	<b>27,947</b>	3,906	2,415	<b>6,321</b>
OCT	17,441	10,442	<b>27,883</b>	3,889	2,722	<b>6,611</b>
NOV	16,827	10,272	<b>27,099</b>	3,851	2,535	<b>6,386</b>
DEC	16,627	10,517	<b>27,144</b>	4,046	2,362	<b>6,408</b>
<b>AVERAGE</b>	<b>18,478</b>	<b>10,700</b>	<b>29,178</b>	<b>4,022</b>	<b>2,694</b>	<b>6,716</b>
<b>1998 JAN</b>	16,749	10,226	<b>26,975</b>	3,951	2,219	<b>6,170</b>
FEB	17,460	10,102	<b>27,562</b>	3,936	2,295	<b>6,231</b>
MAR	17,914	10,492	<b>28,406</b>	4,009	2,581	<b>6,590</b>
APR	17,990	10,322	<b>28,312</b>	3,925	2,583	<b>6,508</b>
MAY	17,346	10,306	<b>27,652</b>	3,942	3,003	<b>6,945</b>
JUN	17,010	10,436	<b>27,446</b>	3,755	2,310	<b>6,065</b>
JUL	16,369	10,103	<b>26,472</b>	3,185	2,460	<b>5,645</b>
AUG	16,714	10,821	<b>27,535</b>	2,758	2,194	<b>4,952</b>
SEP	16,321	10,367	<b>26,688</b>	2,572	2,027	<b>4,599</b>
OCT	15,390	10,315	<b>25,705</b>	2,558	1,908	<b>4,466</b>
NOV	15,131	10,184	<b>25,315</b>	2,298	1,787	<b>4,085</b>
DEC	15,297	10,231	<b>25,528</b>	2,463	1,930	<b>4,393</b>
<b>AVERAGE</b>	<b>16,641</b>	<b>10,325</b>	<b>26,966</b>	<b>3,279</b>	<b>2,275</b>	<b>5,554</b>
<b>1999 JAN</b>	15,764	10,222	<b>25,986</b>	2,237	1,846	<b>4,083</b>
FEB	15,935	10,081	<b>26,016</b>	2,274	1,782	<b>4,056</b>
MAR	16,705	10,344	<b>27,049</b>	2,326	1,817	<b>4,143</b>
APR	16,542	10,246	<b>26,788</b>	2,051	1,845	<b>3,896</b>
MAY	15,623	10,182	<b>25,805</b>	1,891	2,178	<b>4,069</b>
JUN	15,419	9,757	<b>25,176</b>	1,723	1,591	<b>3,314</b>
<b>AVERAGE</b>	<b>15,998</b>	<b>10,139</b>	<b>26,137</b>	<b>2,084</b>	<b>1,843</b>	<b>3,927</b>



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

COLLECTION SOURCE	Comparison of FFY 1998 and FFY 1999		
	10/97-6/98	10/98-6/99	% change
Federal Tax	\$24,916,173	\$25,154,386	0.96%
State Tax	1,875,394	1,604,811	-14.43%
Unempl. Ins. Ben.	15,273,529	15,156,918	-0.76%
Income Withholding	255,150,557	326,925,316	28.13%
Other/Own Behalf	26,233,456	27,797,032	5.96%
From Other States	117,519,082	126,030,775	7.24%
For Other States	29,548,693		
<b>TOTAL COLLECTION</b>	<b>\$470,516,884</b>	<b>\$522,669,238</b>	<b>11.08%</b>
<b>TOTAL DISTRIBUTION*</b>	<b>\$452,738,962</b>	<b>\$502,061,046</b>	<b>10.89%</b>

\* 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 11a****GENERAL  
ASSISTANCE  
PROGRAM****EMPLOYABLE AND UNEMPLOYABLE RECIPIENTS  
AND EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE RECIPIENTS****APRIL 1999**

County	Employable	Total Persons Aided		Total	Emergency Assistance Payments		Total
		Unemployable			Temporary Rental Assist.	Other GA-EA	
ATLANTIC	915	490		1,405	47	44	91
BERGEN	352	465		817	139	105	244
BURLINGTON	306	346		652	80	31	111
CAMDEN	1,677	1,344		3,021	162	221	383
CAPE MAY	223	124		347	66	17	83
CUMBERLAND	773	183		956	3	21	24
ESSEX	4,888	1,703		6,591	375	861	1,236
GLOUCESTER	131	151		282	3	16	19
HUDSON	797	895		1,692	78	14	92
HUNTERDON	36	54		90	17	12	29
MERCER	1,541	996		2,537	135	85	220
MIDDLESEX	344	501		845	50	71	121
MONMOUTH	393	525		918	153	43	196
MORRIS	79	153		232	16	11	27
OCEAN	413	326		739	51	70	121
PASSAIC	1,584	1,111		2,695	307	110	417
SALEM	85	67		152	3	15	18
SOMERSET	77	78		155	18	17	35
SUSSEX	31	46		77	30	2	32
UNION	1,797	611		2,408	289	78	367
WARREN	100	77		177	29	1	30
TOTAL NJ	16,542	10,246		26,788	2,051	1,845	3,896

Source: NJ Division of Family Development, GA Fiscal Unit

**TABLE 11b****GENERAL  
ASSISTANCE  
PROGRAM****EMPLOYABLE AND UNEMPLOYABLE RECIPIENTS  
AND EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE RECIPIENTS****MAY 1999**

County	Employable	Total Persons Aided		Total	Emergency Assistance Payments		Total
		Unemployable			Temporary Rental Assist.	Other GA-EA	
ATLANTIC	883	499		1,382	45	44	89
BERGEN	285	456		741	129	57	186
BURLINGTON	301	319		620	67	32	99
CAMDEN	1,733	1,236		2,969	150	93	243
CAPE MAY	203	117		320	38	11	49
CUMBERLAND	780	177		957	4	12	16
ESSEX	4,633	1,862		6,495	361	1,401	1,762
GLOUCESTER	137	134		271	1	12	13
HUDSON	770	866		1,636	43	36	79
HUNTERDON	35	46		81	16	9	25
MERCER	1,277	976		2,253	98	51	149
MIDDLESEX	337	510		847	54	69	123
MONMOUTH	374	504		878	162	25	187
MORRIS	73	141		214	5	14	19
OCEAN	377	311		688	52	62	114
PASSAIC	1,699	1,145		2,844	336	129	465
SALEM	71	59		130	1	19	20
SOMERSET	73	58		131	18	22	40
SUSSEX	34	47		81	26	6	32
UNION	1,465	650		2,115	266	73	339
WARREN	83	69		152	19	1	20
TOTAL NJ	15,623	10,182		25,805	1,891	2,178	4,069

Source: NJ Division of Family Development, GA Fiscal Unit

**TABLE 11c****GENERAL  
ASSISTANCE  
PROGRAM****EMPLOYABLE AND UNEMPLOYABLE RECIPIENTS  
AND EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE RECIPIENTS****JUNE 1999**

<u>County</u>	Employable	<u>Total Persons Aided</u>		<u>Total</u>	<u>Emergency Assistance Payments</u>		<u>Total</u>
		Unemployable			Temporary Rental Assist.	Other GA-EA	
ATLANTIC	854	484		1,338	38	48	86
BERGEN	303	437		740	128	92	220
BURLINGTON	327	293		620	61	38	99
CAMDEN	1,612	1,110		2,722	54	133	187
CAPE MAY	153	108		261	15	4	19
CUMBERLAND	741	167		908	4	15	19
ESSEX	4,335	1,725		6,060	360	811	1,171
GLOUCESTER	136	160		296	3	25	28
HUDSON	998	859		1,857	109	22	131
HUNTERDON	44	49		93	15	10	25
MERCER	1,172	782		1,954	47	1	48
MIDDLESEX	335	502		837	43	52	95
MONMOUTH	397	531		928	166	38	204
MORRIS	77	154		231	16	7	23
OCEAN	359	323		682	44	58	102
PASSAIC	1,612	1,126		2,738	309	131	440
SALEM	74	65		139	2	3	5
SOMERSET	71	98		169	16	19	35
SUSSEX	38	50		88	27	4	31
UNION	1,695	661		2,356	244	80	324
WARREN	86	73		159	22	0	22
TOTAL NJ	15,419	9,757		25,176	1,723	1,591	3,314

Source: NJ Division of Family Development, GA Fiscal Unit