

9.G TANF/AFDC and Emergency Assistance

Table 9.G1—Average monthly number of families and recipients, total amount of cash assistance, and average monthly payment, selected years 1936–2001

Year	Temporary Assistance for Needy Families/ Aid to Families with Dependent Children <sup>a</sup>						Emergency Assistance <sup>b</sup>		
	Average monthly number (thousands)			Amount of assistance <sup>c</sup> (dollars)			Average monthly number of families (thousands)	Total assistance payments during year (thousands of dollars)	Average monthly payment per family (dollars)
	Families	Recipients		Total (thousands)	Monthly average per—				
		Total	Children		Family	Recipient			
1936	147	534	361	49,678	28.15	7.75	...	...	...
1940	349	1,182	840	133,770	31.98	9.43	...	...	...
1945	259	907	656	149,667	48.18	13.75	...	...	...
1950	644	2,205	1,637	551,653	71.33	17.64	...	...	...
1955	612	2,214	1,673	617,841	84.17	23.26	...	...	...
1960	787	3,005	2,314	1,000,784	105.75	27.75	...	...	...
1961	869	3,354	2,587	1,156,769	110.97	28.74	...	...	...
1962	931	3,676	2,818	1,298,774	116.30	29.44	...	...	...
1963	947	3,876	2,909	1,365,851	120.19	29.36	...	...	...
1964	992	4,118	3,091	1,510,352	126.88	30.57	...	...	...
1965	1,039	4,329	3,256	1,660,186	133.20	31.96	...	...	...
1966	1,088	4,513	3,411	1,863,925	142.83	34.42	...	...	...
1967	1,217	5,014	3,771	2,266,400	155.19	37.67	...	...	...
1968	1,410	5,705	4,275	2,849,298	168.41	41.62	...	...	...
1969	1,698	6,706	4,985	3,563,427	174.89	44.28	7.5	6,699	117.23
1970	2,208	8,466	6,214	4,852,964	183.13	47.77	7.5	11,396	126.14
1971	2,762	10,241	7,434	6,203,528	187.16	50.48	11.1	19,843	148.54
1972	3,049	10,947	7,905	6,909,260	188.87	52.60	19.9	44,180	184.91
1973	3,148	10,949	7,902	7,212,035	190.91	54.89	18.8	39,265	174.05
1974	3,230	10,864	7,822	7,916,563	204.27	60.72	31.3	64,031	170.38
1975	3,498	11,346	8,095	9,210,995	219.44	67.65	38.3	77,516	168.85
1976	3,579	11,304	8,001	10,140,543	236.10	74.75	27.5	55,673	168.43
1977	3,588	11,050	7,773	10,603,820	246.27	79.97	32.8	66,132	168.05
1978	3,522	10,570	7,402	10,730,415	253.89	84.60	34.5	80,919	195.24
1979	3,509	10,312	7,179	11,068,864	262.86	89.45	35.7	84,043	195.92
1980	3,712	10,774	7,419	12,475,245	280.03	96.49	48.6	113,238	194.29
1981	3,835	10,079	7,527	12,981,115	282.04	97.64	49.1	123,467	209.51
1982	3,542	10,258	6,903	12,877,906	303.02	103.60	27.5	102,344	<sup>d</sup> 278.54
1983	3,686	10,761	7,098	13,837,228	312.82	107.16	30.0	125,246	<sup>d</sup> 283.15
1984	3,714	10,831	7,144	14,503,710	325.44	111.60	32.1	141,137	<sup>d</sup> 276.97
1985	3,701	10,855	7,198	15,195,835	342.15	116.65	32.6	157,304	<sup>d</sup> 312.98
1986	3,763	11,038	7,334	16,033,074	355.04	121.05	34.8	178,824	<sup>d</sup> 362.45
1987	3,776	11,027	7,366	16,372,535	361.37	123.73	42.4	213,903	<sup>d</sup> 358.29
1988	3,749	10,915	7,329	16,826,794	374.07	128.47	48.8	278,906	<sup>d</sup> 420.89
1989	3,799	10,993	7,420	17,465,943	383.14	132.40	48.7	296,841	<sup>d</sup> 461.45
1990	4,057	11,695	7,917	19,066,541	391.67	135.86	56.0	348,986	<sup>d</sup> 476.50
1991	4,467	12,930	8,715	20,930,600	390.44	134.89	59.7	302,894	<sup>d</sup> 422.07
1992	4,829	13,773	9,303	21,655,881	373.71	131.03	52.7	272,853	<sup>d</sup> 431.41
1993	5,012	14,205	9,574	22,688,016	377.24	133.10	56.8	387,113	<sup>d</sup> 568.17
1994	5,035	14,164	9,570	22,827,399	377.78	134.30	60.5	802,258	<sup>d</sup> 1,105.95
1995	4,791	13,418	9,135	21,608,686	375.31	134.21	84.1	3,447,361	<sup>d</sup> 3,415.93
1996	4,434	12,321	8,469	20,614,437	386.68	139.44	69.8	2,708,401	<sup>d</sup> 3,235.10
1997	3,740	10,376	7,042	22,031,399	490.01	176.95	81.8	403,138	<sup>d</sup> 410.74
1998 <sup>e</sup>	3,050	8,347	6,034	12,925,846	353.13	129.04	...	...	...
1999	2,553	6,822	5,120	10,929,489	356.70	133.52	...	...	...
2000	2,216	5,778	4,268	10,489,603	394.55	151.28	...	...	...
2001	2,104	5,363	3,987	10,124,437	401.09	157.32	...	...	...

a. Thirty-four states had converted to TANF as of January 1, 1997; eight phased in over the next 5 months; the remaining 12 waited until July 1, 1997.  
b. Reporting initiated July 1969. Number of states with program: 1969–1970, 23; 1971, 24; 1972, 27; 1973–1975, 29; 1976–1978, 26; 1979, 24; 1980–1984, 27; 1985–1986, 28; 1987, 29; 1988, 30; 1989, 31; 1990, 33; 1991, 34; 1992, 34; 1993, 35; 1994, 49; 1995, 50; 1996, 51; and 1997, 34. Program ended June 30, 1997.  
c. TANF expenditures include cash payments and services.  
d. Excludes family count and expenditures for states providing only partial data.  
e. 1998 was the first full year under the TANF data reporting system for all states.

SOURCE: Department of Health and Human Services.

NOTES: Includes nonmedical vendor payments. Includes Alaska and Hawaii, beginning in 1943; Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands, beginning in October 1950; and Guam, beginning in July 1959.  
... = not applicable.

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**Table 9.G2—Average monthly number of families and recipients of Temporary Assistance for Needy Families and total amount of assistance, by state or other area, 2000**

State or area	TANF effective date <sup>a</sup>	Average monthly number			Amount of assistance <sup>b</sup> (dollars)		
		Families	Recipients		Total (thousands)	Monthly average per—	
			Total	Children		Family	Recipient
All areas.....		2,215,524	5,778,337	4,267,504	10,489,603	394.55	151.28
Alabama.....	11/15/96	18,874	45,059	36,200	29,627	130.81	54.79
Alaska.....	7/1/97	6,935	20,887	14,088	56,148	674.69	224.01
Arizona.....	10/1/96	33,034	84,458	64,568	105,293	265.62	103.89
Arkansas.....	7/1/97	11,971	28,704	21,542	41,202	286.83	119.62
California.....	11/26/96	488,667	1,262,274	972,116	3,771,362	643.14	248.98
Colorado.....	7/1/97	10,838	27,880	21,143	44,147	339.43	131.95
Connecticut.....	10/1/96	27,261	63,959	45,369	145,856	445.87	190.04
Delaware.....	3/10/97	5,856	12,181	8,689	17,480	248.76	119.59
District of Columbia.....	3/1/97	17,011	45,320	33,332	69,611	341.00	128.00
Florida.....	10/1/96	64,812	142,030	114,347	185,229	238.16	108.68
Georgia.....	1/1/97	51,839	125,476	98,559	141,888	228.09	94.23
Hawaii.....	7/1/97	14,086	45,851	33,546	87,930	520.21	159.81
Idaho.....	7/1/97	1,297	2,333	1,913	4,418	283.82	157.77
Illinois.....	7/1/97	77,740	234,071	179,025	191,068	204.82	68.02
Indiana.....	10/1/96	36,576	101,380	73,292	106,929	243.62	87.89
Iowa.....	1/1/97	19,799	52,758	35,808	76,493	321.95	120.82
Kansas.....	10/1/96	12,592	31,652	22,813	43,346	286.87	114.12
Kentucky.....	10/18/96	37,795	86,559	62,979	101,522	223.84	97.74
Louisiana.....	1/1/97	26,776	71,269	56,090	61,357	190.96	71.74
Maine.....	11/1/96	10,519	27,506	18,752	48,571	384.78	147.16
Maryland.....	12/9/96	29,055	71,283	52,592	108,376	310.84	126.70
Massachusetts.....	9/30/96	43,133	99,666	71,166	334,415	646.09	279.61
Michigan.....	9/30/96	71,529	198,012	147,027	303,599	353.70	127.77
Minnesota.....	7/1/97	38,691	114,232	80,058	191,570	412.61	139.75
Mississippi.....	10/1/96	15,049	34,013	26,846	26,294	145.60	64.42
Missouri.....	12/1/96	46,613	124,561	89,231	141,683	253.30	94.79
Montana.....	12/16/96	4,550	12,907	8,589	20,474	375.00	132.19
Nebraska.....	12/1/96	9,428	23,688	17,286	37,858	334.64	133.18
Nevada.....	12/3/96	6,452	16,438	12,347	22,428	289.68	113.71
New Hampshire.....	10/1/96	5,741	13,739	9,450	31,291	454.22	189.80
New Jersey.....	2/1/97	49,658	125,082	93,465	235,423	395.07	156.85
New Mexico.....	7/1/97	22,985	68,986	48,152	92,423	335.09	111.64
New York.....	12/2/96	249,788	694,950	473,867	1,445,449	482.23	173.33
North Carolina.....	1/1/97	45,056	97,746	75,094	116,798	216.03	99.58
North Dakota.....	7/1/97	2,888	7,477	5,435	12,872	371.43	143.46
Ohio.....	10/1/96	95,105	235,416	173,593	372,351	326.26	131.81
Oklahoma.....	10/1/96	14,195	35,488	27,579	38,861	228.14	91.25
Oregon.....	10/1/96	16,731	37,966	28,090	99,896	497.57	219.27
Pennsylvania.....	3/3/97	87,678	240,903	177,632	341,065	324.16	117.98
Rhode Island.....	5/1/97	16,058	44,255	30,501	83,953	435.68	158.08
South Carolina.....	10/12/96	17,526	41,559	31,744	31,632	150.40	63.43
South Dakota.....	12/1/96	2,778	6,656	5,414	9,330	279.85	116.82
Tennessee.....	10/1/96	56,594	146,801	107,100	118,043	173.82	67.01
Texas.....	11/5/96	129,453	346,753	255,492	296,851	191.09	71.34
Utah.....	10/1/96	8,127	21,203	15,355	35,309	362.07	138.77
Vermont.....	9/20/96	5,876	15,650	9,992	34,860	494.37	185.62
Virginia.....	2/1/97	30,731	69,315	50,942	89,970	243.97	108.17
Washington.....	1/10/97	55,646	148,444	101,973	297,504	445.53	167.01
West Virginia.....	1/11/97	12,621	33,466	22,939	44,985	297.01	112.02
Wisconsin.....	9/30/96	16,939	38,352	32,670	86,536	425.72	188.03
Wyoming.....	1/1/97	578	1,118	911	1,341	193.37	99.98
Outlying areas							
Guam.....	7/1/97	2,807	9,900	7,503	17,116	508.10	144.08
Puerto Rico.....	7/1/97	30,311	87,688	61,136	36,970	101.64	35.13
Virgin Islands.....	7/1/97	878	3,021	2,162	2,597	246.58	71.65

a. Transition from Aid to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC) to TANF reporting systems occurred July 1, 1997, or 6 months after TANF effective date, whichever was later.

b. TANF expenditures include cash payments and services.

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## 9.G AFDC/TANF and Emergency Assistance

**Table 9.G2—Average monthly number of families and recipients of Temporary Assistance for Needy Families and total amount of assistance, by state or other area, 2001**

State or area	TANF effective date <sup>a</sup>	Average monthly number			Amount of assistance <sup>b</sup> (dollars)		
		Families	Recipients		Total (thousands)	Monthly average per—	
			Total	Children		Family	Recipient
All areas.....		2,103,542	5,362,817	3,987,194	10,124,437	401.09	157.32
Alabama.....	11/15/96	18,317	43,492	34,773	30,724	139.78	58.87
Alaska.....	7/1/97	5,893	17,192	11,652	49,481	699.72	239.84
Arizona.....	10/1/96	34,760	89,017	66,908	113,343	271.73	106.11
Arkansas.....	7/1/97	11,894	27,787	20,761	38,463	269.48	115.35
California.....	11/26/96	464,917	1,176,872	918,069	3,670,436	657.90	259.90
Colorado.....	7/1/97	10,864	27,786	21,006	45,350	347.86	136.01
Connecticut.....	10/1/96	25,711	59,024	41,895	139,655	452.64	197.17
Delaware.....	3/10/97	5,377	12,183	9,323	15,885	246.18	108.66
District of Columbia.....	3/1/97	16,171	42,883	31,478	66,283	341.57	128.80
Florida.....	10/1/96	58,217	122,554	99,738	172,273	246.60	117.14
Georgia.....	1/1/97	51,094	121,335	93,881	135,501	221.00	93.06
Hawaii.....	7/1/97	12,500	40,234	29,638	77,956	519.69	161.47
Idaho.....	7/1/97	1,303	2,268	1,886	4,461	285.32	163.94
Illinois.....	7/1/97	58,151	169,214	133,196	107,140	153.54	52.76
Indiana.....	10/1/96	43,308	121,481	87,042	144,013	277.11	98.79
Iowa.....	1/1/97	20,356	54,525	36,741	79,021	323.49	120.77
Kansas.....	10/1/96	13,266	33,630	23,975	46,918	294.73	116.26
Kentucky.....	10/18/96	35,754	80,674	59,405	100,286	233.74	103.59
Louisiana.....	1/1/97	24,728	63,997	50,805	68,990	232.50	89.84
Maine.....	11/1/96	9,548	25,768	17,730	44,327	386.87	143.35
Maryland.....	12/9/96	27,695	67,627	49,718	112,675	339.04	138.84
Massachusetts.....	9/30/96	43,399	100,661	71,736	294,433	565.36	243.75
Michigan.....	9/30/96	72,393	197,722	146,406	299,852	345.17	126.38
Minnesota.....	7/1/97	37,806	108,102	75,894	179,186	394.97	138.13
Mississippi.....	10/1/96	16,098	36,810	28,369	29,624	153.35	67.07
Missouri.....	12/1/96	45,483	120,980	86,487	137,208	251.39	94.51
Montana.....	12/16/96	5,174	14,666	9,681	26,484	426.56	150.48
Nebraska.....	12/1/96	9,679	24,181	17,791	39,625	341.14	136.56
Nevada.....	12/3/96	8,051	21,063	15,714	31,647	327.58	125.21
New Hampshire.....	10/1/96	5,730	13,676	9,411	33,220	483.11	202.43
New Jersey.....	2/1/97	44,307	110,494	82,753	209,528	394.09	158.02
New Mexico.....	7/1/97	18,161	51,116	36,879	69,457	318.72	113.24
New York.....	12/2/96	217,756	580,203	402,384	1,304,387	499.18	187.35
North Carolina.....	1/1/97	43,186	92,558	71,403	112,604	217.29	101.38
North Dakota.....	7/1/97	3,070	7,975	5,713	15,023	407.75	156.98
Ohio.....	10/1/96	83,918	194,617	145,080	324,848	322.58	139.10
Oklahoma.....	10/1/96	13,974	34,425	26,432	35,496	211.68	85.93
Oregon.....	10/1/96	16,649	37,554	27,943	105,605	528.59	234.34
Pennsylvania.....	3/3/97	81,997	213,559	157,368	425,017	431.94	165.85
Rhode Island.....	5/1/97	15,002	40,906	28,371	78,106	433.87	159.12
South Carolina.....	10/12/96	18,988	46,058	34,258	32,668	143.37	59.11
South Dakota.....	12/1/96	2,736	6,391	5,216	9,803	298.60	127.82
Tennessee.....	10/1/96	60,430	157,771	114,117	123,616	170.47	65.29
Texas.....	11/5/96	130,137	343,505	256,094	284,433	182.14	69.00
Utah.....	10/1/96	7,505	19,234	13,994	35,502	394.22	153.82
Vermont.....	9/20/96	5,407	14,314	9,171	32,680	503.67	190.26
Virginia.....	2/1/97	29,279	65,045	47,815	89,009	253.34	114.03
Washington.....	1/10/97	54,430	141,209	97,638	289,480	443.20	170.83
West Virginia.....	1/11/97	15,338	40,644	27,517	66,830	363.10	137.02
Wisconsin.....	9/30/96	17,915	41,109	34,373	93,094	433.05	188.72
Wyoming.....	1/1/97	507	945	785	1,162	191.12	102.52
Outlying areas							
Guam.....	7/1/97	2,887	10,035	7,166	17,477	504.40	145.13
Puerto Rico.....	7/1/97	25,635	73,287	51,785	32,041	104.16	36.43
Virgin Islands.....	7/1/97	692	2,465	1,836	2,108	253.76	71.25

a. Transition from Aid to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC) to TANF reporting systems occurred July 1, 1997, or 6 months after TANF effective date, whichever was later.

b. TANF expenditures include cash payments and services.

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