

**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSITIONAL ASSISTANCE
FACTS AND FIGURES REPORT**

JULY 1999

Transitional Aid to Families with Dependent Children

| | Caseload | | | | Average Monthly Grant | | |
|--------------------------|-----------------|---------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|------------------------------|---------------------|----------|
| | | Change from Last | % Change from Last | % Change from Last | Change from Last | Change from Last | |
| | July 1999 | Month | Month | Year | July 1999 | Month | Year |
| Basic | 48,743 | (924) | -1.9% | -19.7% | | | |
| Unemployed Parent | 968 | (80) | -7.6% | -42.3% | | | |
| Cases | 49,711 | (1,004) | -2.0% | -20.3% | \$465.81 | \$2.71 | (\$5.25) |
| Recipients | 120,621 | (2,734) | -2.2% | -25.4% | | | |

Emergency Aid to the Elderly, Disabled, and Children

| | Caseload | | | | Average Monthly Grant | | |
|-------------------|-----------------|---------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|------------------------------|---------------------|----------|
| | | Change from Last | % Change from Last | % Change from Last | Change from Last | Change from Last | |
| | July 1999 | Month | Month | Year | July 1999 | Month | Year |
| Cases | 14,943 | (221) | -1.5% | -1.2% | \$322.35 | \$0.82 | (\$7.75) |
| Recipients | 15,616 | (251) | -1.6% | -4.1% | | | |

Food Stamps

| | Caseload | | | | Average Monthly Grant | | |
|---|-----------------|---------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|------------------------------|---------------------|---------|
| | | Change from Last | % Change from Last | % Change from Last | Change from Last | Change from Last | |
| | July 1999 | Month | Month | Year | July 1999 | Month | Year |
| Public Assistance | 47,221 | (672) | -1.4% | -17.5% | \$175.27 | -\$0.57 | -\$1.20 |
| Non-Public Assistance/ Mixed Household | 35,716 | 1,087 | 3.1% | 12.7% | \$168.23 | \$9.86 | \$3.64 |
| SSI | 37,155 | (759) | -2.0% | -3.1% | \$58.30 | \$0.49 | \$7.41 |
| State Food Stamps | 6,259 | (164) | -2.6% | -41.1% | \$100.00 | \$4.04 | -\$1.53 |
| Cases | 126,351 | (508) | -0.4% | -8.4% | \$135.15 | \$3.40 | \$2.12 |
| Recipients | 269,751 | 4,062 | 1.5% | -7.8% | | | |

Supplemental Security Income

| | Caseload | | | | Average Monthly Grant | | |
|-------------------|-----------------|---------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|------------------------------|---------------------|----------|
| | | Change from Last | % Change from Last | % Change from Last | Change from Last | Change from Last | |
| | July 1999 | Month | Month | Year | July 1999 | Month | Year |
| Elderly | 45,775 | (19) | 0.0% | -0.1% | | | |
| Disabled | 116,866 | (407) | 0.3% | 0.9% | | | |
| Cases | 162,641 | (426) | 0.3% | 0.6% | \$81.88 | \$0.43 | (\$3.06) |
| Recipients | 162,641 | (426) | 0.3% | 0.6% | | | |

Total Served*

| | Caseload | | | |
|-------------------|-----------------|---------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| | | Change from Last | % Change from Last | % Change from Last |
| | July 1999 | Month | Month | Year |
| Cases | 263,011 | (564) | 0.2% | -2.9% |
| Recipients | 375,129 | (1,042) | 0.3% | -8.1% |

*Includes TAFDC, EAEDC, NPA Food Stamps, and Supplemental Security Income.

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Savings Initiatives

Error Rate

| | <u>Oct 1996- Sept 1997</u> | <u>Oct 1995- Sept 1996</u> | <u>Oct 1994- Sept 1995</u> | <u>Oct 1993- Sept 1994</u> | <u>Oct 1992- Sept 1993</u> |
|--------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| TAFDC | n/a | 1.8% | 2.4% | 3.0% | 2.8% |
| Food Stamps | 8.2% | 4.1% | 4.7% | 5.5% | 5.8% |

Employment Services Program

| | <u>September</u> | <u>August</u> | <u>July</u> | <u>Fiscal Year- To-Date</u> |
|-----------------------------|------------------|---------------|-------------|---------------------------------|
| TAFDC Job Placements | | | 1,881 | 1,881 |

Finance

| | <u>September</u> | <u>August</u> | <u>July</u> | <u>Fiscal Year- To-Date</u> | <u>Fiscal YTD Goal</u> |
|-------------------------------|------------------|---------------|-------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Centralized Recoupment | | | \$359,661 | \$359,661 | \$500,000 |
| SSI-EAEDC | | | \$663,546 | \$663,546 | \$833,333 |
| Total | | | \$1,023,207 | \$1,023,207 | \$1,333,333 |

Child Support

| | <u>September</u> | <u>August</u> | <u>July</u> | <u>Fiscal Year- To-Date</u> | <u>Prior Fiscal Year-to-Date</u> |
|------------------------|------------------|---------------|-------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| DOR Collections | | | \$3,037,560 | \$3,037,560 | \$1,486,201 |

Welfare Fraud Investigation

| | <u>Fiscal Year-to-Date</u> | <u>Prior Fiscal YTD</u> |
|--|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Cases found guilty or with restitution ordered: | 177 | 224 |
| Total money ordered to be repaid: | \$883,100 | \$830,903 |

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Grant Levels and Eligibility Standards

TAFDC

| Family Size | Maximum Monthly Benefits* | | 185% Income Ceiling | |
|-------------|---------------------------|-----------|---------------------|-----------|
| | Exempt | Nonexempt | Exempt | Nonexempt |
| 1 | \$392 | \$383 | \$ 725 | \$ 709 |
| 2 | \$486 | \$474 | \$ 899 | \$ 877 |
| 3 | \$579 | \$565 | \$1,071 | \$1,045 |
| 4 | \$668 | \$651 | \$1,236 | \$1,204 |
| incremental | \$ 95 | \$ 93 | \$ 176 | \$ 172 |

* Includes a \$40 per month rent allowance for families in unsubsidized housing.
** Includes a \$35 per month rent allowance for families in unsubsidized housing.

EAEDC

| Family Size | Monthly Grant** |
|-------------|-----------------|
| 1 | \$339 |
| 2 | \$430 |
| 3 | \$522 |
| 4 | \$613 |
| incremental | \$ 92 |

Supplemental Security Income

| Aged | Maximum Monthly Benefits | Federal Basic Payment | State Supplement |
|------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|------------------|
| | Full cost of living | \$629 | \$500 |
| Shared living expenses | \$539 | \$500 | \$39 |
| Household of another | \$438 | \$333 | \$104 |
| Disabled | | | |
| Full cost of living | \$614 | \$500 | \$114 |
| Shared living expenses | \$530 | \$500 | \$30 |
| Household of another | \$421 | \$333 | \$88 |

Food Stamps

| Family Size | Gross Monthly Income Ceiling | Examples | Maximum Monthly Coupon Allotment |
|-------------|------------------------------|--|---|
| | 1 | \$ 873 | TAFDC exempt family of 3 with no other income |
| 2 | \$1,176 | | |
| 3 | \$1,479 | | |
| 4 | \$1,783 | TAFDC nonexempt family of 3 with no other income | \$282 |
| 5 | \$2,086 | | |
| 6 | \$2,389 | | |
| 7 | \$2,693 | EAEDC individual | \$125 |
| 8 | \$2,996 | | |

FY2000 Annualized Interim Appropriations

| | | TANF | General Fund |
|-----------------------|---------------------------|---------------|---|
| ADMINISTRATION | Management and Support | \$76,588,182 | |
| | Unit 8 Caseworkers | \$57,369,218 | |
| | Domestic Violence | \$200,000 | |
| | Employee Chargebacks | \$1,302,375 | |
| | Subtotal Administration | \$135,459,775 | |
| PROGRAMS | TAFDC | \$265,137,525 | |
| | Supplemental TAFDC | \$5,425,027 | |
| | Child Support Collections | \$27,860,692 | |
| | EA - Rent Arrearages | \$11,984,943 | |
| | EA - Family Shelters | \$45,378,101 | |
| | Teen Structured Settings | \$5,344,136 | |
| | SSI | \$199,711,039 | |
| | EAEDC | \$52,685,237 | |
| | SSI Retained Revenue | \$12,892,777 | |
| | State Food Stamps | \$8,460,369 | |
| | ESP - Job Training | \$24,704,739 | |
| | Reserve ESP | \$10,000,000 | |
| | Homelessness Services | \$33,190,437 | |
| | Subtotal Programs | \$702,775,022 | |
| Total | \$838,234,797 | | Fund Splits to be determined in the final FY00 Appropriation Act. |

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| | | <u>Caseload by Age</u> | |
|-----------------------------|--------------|------------------------|--------------|
| Applications Received | 2,177 | | |
| Applications Denied | 1,027 | 19 and Under | 585 |
| | | 20 - 25 | 1,115 |
| | | 26 - 30 | 1,196 |
| | | 31 - 35 | 1,759 |
| | | 36 - 40 | 2,037 |
| | | 41 - 45 | 2,075 |
| | | 46 - 50 | 1,766 |
| | | 51 - 55 | 1,257 |
| | | 56 - 60 | 802 |
| | | 61 - 65 | 561 |
| | | 66 and Over | <u>1,789</u> |
| <u>Caseload by Category</u> | | | |
| Elderly | 1,944 | | |
| Family | 782 | | |
| Caring for Incapacitated | 398 | | |
| Student | 508 | | |
| MA Rehab Commission | 591 | | |
| Disabled | 4,379 | | |
| Disability Processing | <u>6,341</u> | | |
| TOTAL | 14,943 | TOTAL | 14,943 |

Emergency Assistance Utilization and Expenditures

| <u>Category</u> | <u>Caseload</u> | <u>Expenditures</u> |
|-------------------------|-----------------|---------------------|
| Security Deposit | 2 | \$1,250 |
| Rent Arrearage | 256 | \$270,102 |
| Contracted Shelter | 775 | \$1,482,790 |
| Intake/Voucher Shelters | <u>98</u> | <u>\$0</u> * |
| TOTAL | 1,131 | \$1,754,142 |

*No July billing.

Homeless Family Caseload

| | |
|------------------------------|-----------|
| <u>Emergency Shelters</u> | |
| Congregate Shelter | 392 |
| Scattered Site/Housing Demos | 341 |
| Voucher Shelters | 19 |
| Intake Centers | 79 |
| <u>Specialized Shelters</u> | |
| Substance Abuse | <u>42</u> |
| TOTAL | 873 |

Teen Structured Living

| | |
|---------------|-----|
| Teen Caseload | 102 |
|---------------|-----|