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SUBJECT:

CURRENT PROGRAM STATISTICS

Attached please find the *Current Program Statistics* for February 2008. Included are TANF-oriented and Food Stamps data, General Assistance data, and the WFNJ Statistical Summary.

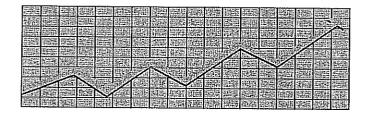
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DIVISION OF FAMILY DEVELOPMENT CURRENT PROGRAM STATISTICS FEBRUARY 2008

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DIVISION OF FAMILY DEVELOPMENT CURRENT PROGRAM STATISTICS FEBRUARY 2008

Each month the Division of Family Development publishes its program statistics for: WFNJ/TANF, Food Stamps, Emergency Assistance, General Assistance (GA) and Child Support and Paternity. When possible, information is provided separately for children and adults. Many tables also provide trend data with information broken down by county for readers to consider.

WFNJ/TANF

- At the end of February, the TANF caseload decreased by 1,529 cases, from 39,257 in February 2007 to 37,728 in February 2008, a 3.9% decline.
- The counties with the highest family caseload percentage increase since February 2007 include Sussex (15.2%), Ocean (4.9%), and Bergen (4.1%).
- The counties that decreased the most since February 2007 were Hunterdon (-9.0 %), Camden (-9.2%) and Warren (-20.7 %)
- Of the WFNJ/TANF families, 10,134 or 26.9% were child-only cases in February 2008
- The counties with the most child-only cases were Essex (1,826), Hudson (1,440), and Camden (1,250).
- Essex (22,178), Hudson (12,757), and Camden (10,304) counties have the greatest number of persons receiving TANF in February 2008.

FOOD STAMP PROGRAM

- February 2008 there are 203,493 households receiving food stamps. Food Stamp households increased by 9,257, or 4.8%, since February 2007.
- There were 418,464 persons receiving food stamps as of February 2008, an increase of 17,633 or 4.4 % since February 2007.
- The three counties having the highest caseload increase since February 2007 are Ocean (17.8%), Hunterdon (17.5%), and Morris (14.3%)

EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE

- There were 4,524 families receiving emergency assistance (EA) in February 2008, an increase of 112 or 2.5% since February 2007.
- In February 2008, EA payments were made for 1,410 SSI recipients

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GENERAL ASSISTANCE

GA Emergency Assistance

- There were 6,779 emergency assistance payments made to GA recipients in February 2008, an increase of 278 or 4.3% since February 2007.
- The three counties that show an annual percent increase in emergency assistance payments are Morris (30.3%), Union (27.3%), and Salem (24.1%).

GA Program

- The total numbers of persons for GA has increased from 36,630 to 39,520 since February 2007, an increase of 7.9%.
- There were 22,958 Employable GA and 16,562 Unemployable GA recipients in February 2008.
- Ocean (33.0%), Morris (25.0%), and Essex (14.7%) counties showed the highest percent increase for GA persons since February 2007.

CHILD SUPPORT AND PATERNITY (Quarterly Report)

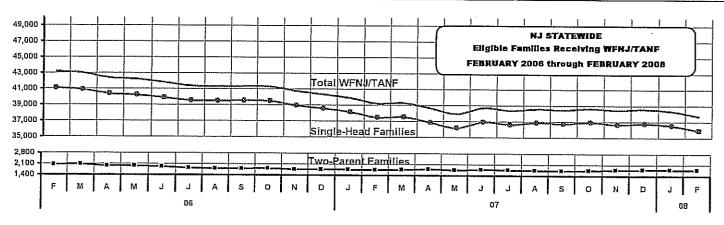
- The total collection for the Child Support and Paternity Program was about 270 million dollars from October 2007 to December 2007, an increase of 4.3 percent over the same period for FFY 2007.
- Total distributions increased over 4 percent from December 2006, and a slight decrease in the percent of collections distributed from 97.6% in December 2006 to 97.1% in December 2007.

WORK FIRST NEW JERSEY (WFNJ)

- During the report month of February 2008, there were 4,548 families where at least one member is employed and an additional 578 families where WFNJ assistance cases were closed due to employment related earnings.
- The three counties with the greatest number of employed active recipients were: Essex (1,061), Hudson (598), and Camden (525).
- There were 4,109 former TANF cases receiving post-TANF support in the form of child care assistance.

TABLE 1: WFNJ/TANF PROGRAM
STATEWIDE NUMBER OF APPLICATIONS AND TERMINATIONS DURING FEBRUARY 2008;
NUMBER OF ELIGIBLE FAMILIES & PERSONS RECEIVING WFNJ/TANF FOR FEBRUARY 2008

FEBRUARY 2006 THROUGH FEBRUARY 2008											************
	Cases		Child-Only	Total	2- Parent		%CHNG		%CHNG		
	Added	Closed	Cases ‡	Singl-Head	Families	WFNJ/TANF	(1 Yr.) 🖁	Persons	(1 Yr.)	Adults	Children
riculate transfer or an analysis of				Families		Families					
2006 FEB	3,139	3,830	11,813	41,154	2,064	43,218	(3.6)	103,003	(3.9)	33,469	69,534
MAR	3,347	3,555	11,779	40,934	2,076	43,010	(4.1)	102,365	(4.5)	33,307	69,058
APR	3,253	3,851	11,592	40,429	1,983	42,412	(5.0)	100,907	(5.3)	32,803	68,104
MAY	3,341	3,507	11,528	40,265	1,981	42,246	(5.3)	100,507	(5.6)	32,699	67,808
אטר	3,402	3,804	11,319	39,918	1,926	41,844	(5.5)	99,488	(5.8)	32,451	67,037
JUL	3,524	3,945	·	39,569	1,854	41,423	(6.2)	98,429	(6.6)	32,164	66,265
AUG	3,710	3,777		39,544	1,812	41,356	(7.1)	98,258	(7.5)	32,175	66,083
SEP	3,855	3,849	10,864	39,554	1,808	41,362	(7.6)	98,442	(8.1)	32,306	66,136
OCT	3,662	3,672	10,792	39,525	1,827	41,352	(7.8)	98,443	(8.3)	32,387	66,056
NOV	3,465	4,058	10,746	38,981	1,778	40,759	(8.6)	96,955	(9.1)	31,791	65,164
DEC	3,470	3,848	10,746	38,615	1,766	40,381	(9.1)	95,800	(8.0)	31,401	64,399
2006 AVERAGE	3,445	3,783	11,262	40,027	1,912	41,939	datos	99,775		32,590	67,186
2007 JAN	3,165	3,604	10,790	38,176	1,766	39,942	(9.0)	94,461	(9.8)	30,918	63,543
FEB	3,080	3,765	10,771	37,506	1,751	39,257	(9.2)	92,452	(10.2)	30,237	62,215
MAR	3,501	3,417	11,014	37,561	1,780	39,341	(8.5)	91,675	(10.4)	30,107	61,568
APR	3,218	3,850	10,874	36,903	1,806	38,709	(8.7)	90,165	(10.6)	29,641	60,524
MAY	3,000	3,754	10,545	36,200	1,755	37,955	(10.2)	88,570	(11.9)	29,165	59,405
NUL	4,094	3,303	10,750	36,949	1,797	38,746	(7.4)	96,769	(2.7)	29,793	66,976
JUL	3,482	3,802	10,531	36,664	1,762	38,426	(7.2)	96,287	(2.2)	29,657	66,630
AUG	3,666	3,464	10,458	36,871	1,757	38,628	(6.6)	96,882	(1.4)	29,927	66,955
SEP SEP	3,603	3,743	10,288	36,768	1,720	38,488	(6.9)	96,873	(1.6)	29,920	66,953
OCT	3,683	3,467	10,304	36,959	1,745	38,704	(6.4)	97,358	(1.1)	30,145	67,213
NOV_	3,368	3,601	10,191	36,683	1,788	38,471	(5.6)	97,124	0.2	30,068	67,056
DEC	3,570	3,426	10,188	36,808	1,807	38,615	(4.4)	97,469	1.7	30,234	67,235
2007 AVERAGE	3,453	3,600	10,559	37,004	1,770	38,774	ata.	94,674		29,984	64,689
2008 JAN	3,431	3,678	10,186	36,558	1,810	38,368	(3.9)	96,732	2.4	29,992	66,740
FEB	3,016	3,656 🖁	10,134	35,939	1,789	37,728	(3.9)	95,082	2.8	29,383	65,699
2008 AVG to date	3,224	3,667	10,160	36,249	1,800	38,048		95,907		29,688	66,220



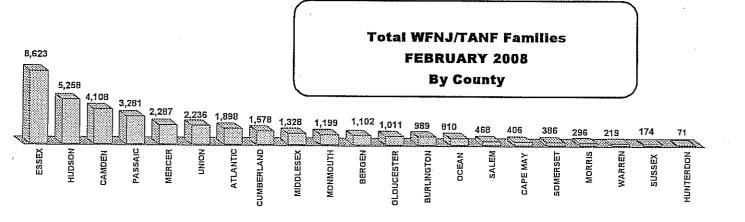
As of Nov 2004, data is derived and further refined from NJ Division of Family Development Issuance files. (To retain consistency, all data is restated from Nov 2002 to present, reflecting only minor changes to prior reported values).

[‡] Child-only cases are defined as families where no eligible adult receives TANF program benefits, yet the family continues to be headed by at least one of the biological parents, or grandparents, or other appropriate adult.

Table 2 WFNJ/TANF PROGRAM

NUMBER OF APPLICATIONS AND TERMINATIONS BY COUNTY DURING FEBRUARY 2008, AND NUMBER OF ELIGIBLE FAMILIES RECEIVING WFNJ/TANF REPORTED FOR FEBRUARY 2008

PROGRAM	******************************	*******************************	Child-	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	Total		Total		*
County	Cases Added	Cases Closed**	Only Cases ‡	1-Adult Cases	Singl-Head Families	2-Parent Families	WFNJ/TANF Families	% Chng (3 Mon)	% Chng (1 Yr)
ATLANTIC	133	146	565	1,250	1,815	83	1,898	2.7	0.3
BERGEN	65	82	273	747	1,020	82	1,102	(2.8)	4.1 Δ
BURLINGTON	103	109	339	584	923	66	989	(2.5)	(4.1)
CAMDEN	281	327	1,250	2,687	3,937	171	4.108	(0.4)	(9.2) *
CAPE MAY	54	38	115	252	367	39	406	6.6	(1.7)
CUMBERLAND	169	152	540	912	1,452	126	1,578	5,4	2.0
ESSEX	908	1,136	1,826	6,468	8,294	329	8,623	(3.6)	(6.9)
GLOUCESTER	100	85	264	684	948	63	1,011	3.2	(4.1)
HUDSON	283	406	1,440	3,612	5,052	206	5,258	(3.4)	(3.4)
HUNTERDON	7	8	16	51	67	4	71	(1.4)	(9.0) *
MERCER	163	208	570	1,627	2,197	90	2,287	(3.4)	(2.1)
MIDDLESEX	108	164	489	789	1,278	50	1,328	(5.9)	(6.7)
MONMOUTH	97	115	353	791	1,144	55	1,199	(1.4)	0,8
MORRIS	26	31 🖁	88	178	266	30	296	3.9	(2.6)
OCEAN	81	78 🖁	279	481	760	50	810	(2.2)	4.9 Δ
PASSAIC	189	238	794	2,314	3,108	173	3,281	(1.6)	(0.3)
SALEM	46	51	115	329	444	24	468	(4.1)	3.1
SOMERSET	39	39	129	242	371	15	386	(4.7)	1.0
SUSSEX	16	24	46	114	160	14	174	3.0	15.2 Д
UNION	132	181	600	1,543	2,143	93	2,236	(2.4)	(5.8)
WARREN	16	38	43	150	193	26	219	(9.5)	(20.7) *
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NJ TOTAL	3,016	3,656	10,134	25,805	35,939	1,789	37,728	(1.9)	(3.9)



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^{** &}quot;Cases closed" include cases that received a benefit in the prior month, but did not receive any TANF benefit for the report month.

∆=higher caseload % change *=lower caseload % change

Table 2B WFNJ/TANF PROGRAM

NUMBER OF PARTICIPATING PERSONS, ADULTS, AND CHILDREN BY COUNTY FOR FEBRUARY 2008

∆= ↑ Caseload %
*= ↓ Caseload %

PERSONS

County	Adults	Children	Child/Adult Ratio	Total Persons	% Chng (1 Yr)	Persons Per Case
ATLANTIC	1,416	3,337	2.36	4,753	3.8	2.50
BERGEN	911	1,729	1.90	2,640	6.6	2,40
BURLINGTON	716	1,638	2.29	2,354	(2.4)	2.38
CAMDEN	3,029	7,275	2.40	10,304	(3.9)	2,51
CAPE MAY	330	717	2.17	1,047	0.0	2.58
CUMBERLAND	1,164	2,947	2.53	4,111	9.6	2.61
ESSEX	7,126	15,052	2.11	22,178	5.7	2.57
GLOUCESTER	810	1,685	2.08	2,495	(3.5)	2.47
HUDSON	4,024	8,733	2.17	12,757	1.3	2.43
HUNTERDON	59	119	2.02	178	(8.2)	2.51
MERCER	1,807	3,986	2.21	5,793	2.0	2.53
MIDDLESEX	889	2,324	2.61	3,213	(3.5)	2.42
MONMOUTH	901	2,140	2,38	3,041	10.3	2.54
MORRIS	238	482	2.03	720	1.1	2.43
OCEAN	581	1,460	2.51	2,041	9.3	2.52
PASSAIC	2,660	5,956	2.24	8,616	6.7	2.63
SALEM	377	851	2.26	1,228	9.8	2.62
SOMERSET	272	663	2.44	935	5.9	2.42
SUSSEX	142	286	2.01	428	22.6	2.46
UNION	1,729 3,910 2.26		2.26	5,639	1.1	2.52
WARREN	202	409	2.02	611	(18.6)	2.79
NJ TOTAL	29,383	65,699	2.24	95,082	2.8	2.52

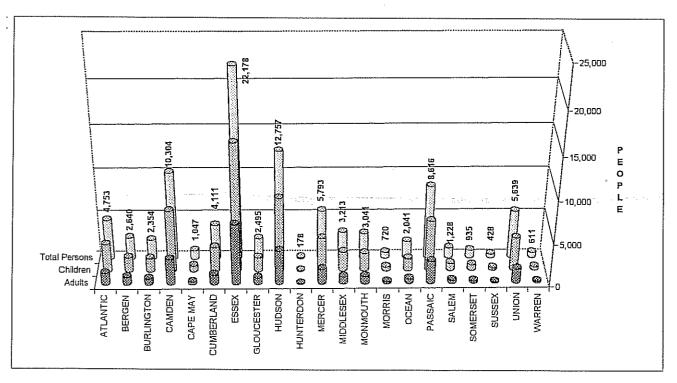


TABLE 3

TANF WORK PARTICIPATION RATES BY COUNTY

Note: TANF Work Participation Rates (WPRs) for Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2008 (beginning October 2007) are not yet available for publication. Owing to early implementation issues with the eTimesheet application now used to track nearly all activity other than paid employment, the WPR figures currently available do not accurately reflect actual participation levels achieved in the initial months of FFY 2008. As can be expected with the introduction of a new system component such as the eTimesheet, numerous end-users have encountered some initial difficulties in adjusting to the new applications. Accordingly, publication of TABLES 3 and 4 is being temporarily deferred. Future editions of the Current Program Statistics will include the updated WPR figures for all completed months within FFY 2008.

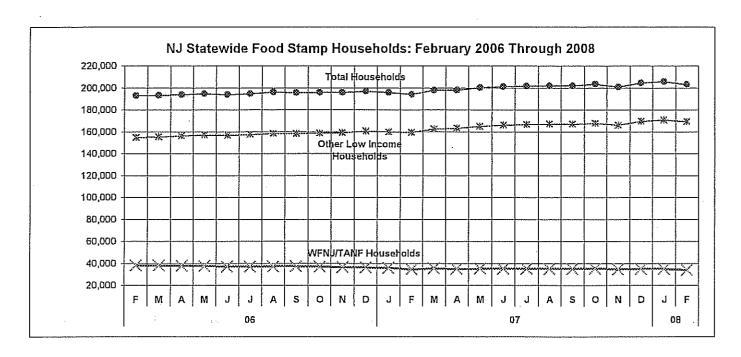
Table 5
FOOD STAMP

NUMBER OF PARTICIPATING HOUSEHOLDS, PERSONS, ADULTS AND CHILDREN FOR FEBRUARY 2008 (STATEWIDE)

PROGR	AM		FEBRUARY 2006 THROUGH FEBRUARY 2008											
			HOUSEHO	DLDS			PER	SONS						
		WFNJ/ TANF	Other low income	TOTAL	% CHNG (1 Yr.)	Adults	Children	TOTAL	% CHNG (1 Yr.)					
2006	FEB	38,267	154,884	193,151	5.2%	196,971	201,652	398,623	4.2%					
	MAR	38,019	155,431	193,450	5.1%	197,572	200,539	398,111	3.9%					
	APR	37,752	156,300	194,052	4.1%	198,547	202,204	400,751	3.7%					
	MAY	37,745	157,275	195,020	4.2%	199,729	203,178	402,907	4.0%					
	JUN	37,091	156,837	193,928	2.7%	198,597	201,755	400,352	2.5%					
	JUL	37,328	157,620	194,948	3.2%	199,724	203,613	403,337	3.1%					
	AUG	37,410	158,806	196,216	3.9%	201,082	205,187	406,269	3.8%					
	SEP	37,423	158,424	195,847	4.2%	200,870	204,502	405,373	4.1%					
	OCT	37,156	158,986	196,142	2.0%	201,114	204,912	406,026	2.0%					
	NOV	36,768	159,404	196,172	2.3%	201,246	205,684	406,930	2.7%					
	DEC	36,394	160,779	197,173	1.3%	202,355	206,334	408,689	1.4%					
2006 AVER	AGE	37,522	157,397	194,920		199,518	203,464	402,982						
2007	JAN	36,025	160,089	196,114	1.6%	201,045	204,757	405,802	1.9%					
	FEB	34,685	159,551	194,236	0.6%	201,803	199,028	400,831	0.6%					
	MAR	35,336	162,758	198,094	2.4%	202,704	205,136	407,840	2.4%					
	APR	34,813 .	163,325	198,138	2.1%	202,867	204,917	407,784	1.8%					
	MAY	35,136	165,179	200,315	2.7%	204,956	207,162	412,118	2.3%					
	JUN	35,111	166,347	201,458	3.9%	206,132	208,790	414,922	3.6%					
	JUL	35,066	166,824	201,890	3.6%	206,626	210,271	416,897	3.4%					
	AUG	35,143	167,026	202,169	3.0%	206,859	210,577	417,436	2.7%					
	SEP	35,038	167,220	202,258	3.3%	206,850	210,814	417,664	3.0%					
	ОСТ	35,452	168,146	203,598	3.8%	208,036	212,130	420,166	3.5%					
	NOV	34,764	166,383	201,147	2.5%	205,891	209,288	415,179	2.0%					
	DEC	35,114	169,685	204,799	3.9%	209,562	213,389	422,951	3.5%					
2007 AVER	AGE	35,140	165,211	200,351		205,278	208,022	413,299						
2008	JAN	35,276	170,851	206,127	5.1%	210,562	214,515	425,077	4.7%					
	FEB	34,096	169,397	203,493	4.8%	207,967	210,497	418,464	4.4%					
2008 AVG to	date	34,686	170,124	204,810		209,265	212,506	421,771						

As of July 2005, Food Stamp data is derived from NJ MMIS Shared Data Warehouse. One year % Change only available from July 2004 because of data source change. To retain consistency, all Food Stamp data is restated from July 2003 to present, but readers should be aware that current series indicates counts higher than were reported by the previous series. This apparent increase is due to basing the counts on "during the month" frame of reference for the current series, as distinguished from the "point in time" (end of month) snapshot frame of reference that characterized the previous series.

TABLE 6: FOOD STAMP PROGRAM TRENDS FOR PARTICIPATING HOUSEHOLDS & PERSONS FEBRUARY 2006 THROUGH FEBRUARY 2008 (STATEWIDE)



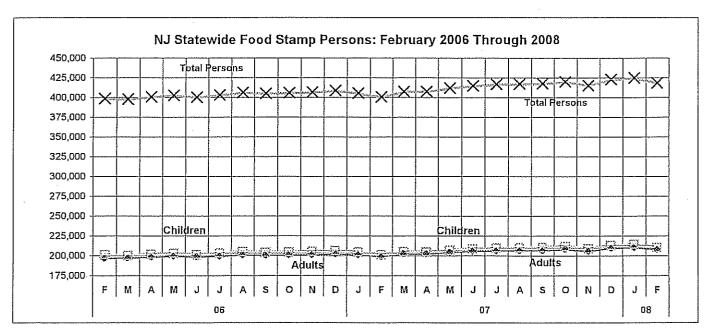
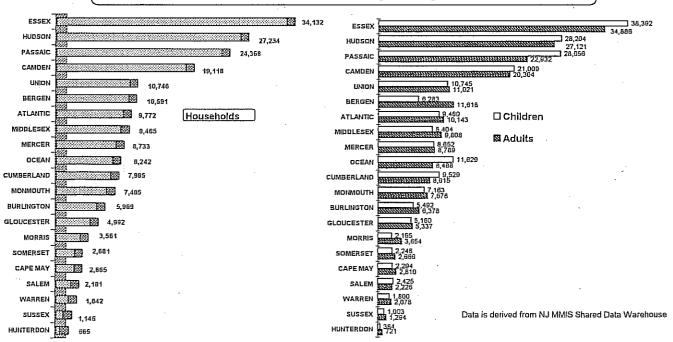


Table 7 FOOD STAMP

NUMBER OF PARTICIPATING HOUSEHOLDS, PERSONS, ADULTS AND CHILDREN BY COUNTY FOR FEBRUARY 2008

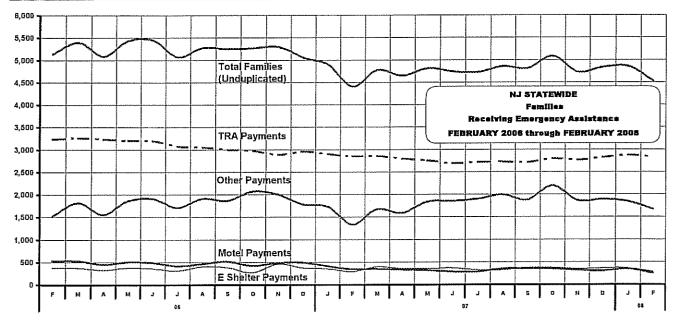
	HOUSEH	DLDS			•	PERSONS	
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WFNJ/	Other	TOTAL	% Chng	Adults	Children	TOTAL	% Chng
TANF	low income		(1 Yr)	v.			(1 Yr)
1,648	8,124	9,772	0,7 *	10,143	9,460	19,603	0.9 *
977	9,614	10,591	8.1	11,618	6,283	17,901	8.8
809	5,160	5,969	9.7	6,378	5,492	11,870	10.6
3,727	15,391	19,118	4.8	20,304	21,009	41,313	3.4
346	2,319	2,665	6.8	2,810	2,294	5,104	7.1
1,454	6,531	7,985	7.3	8,015	9,529	17,544	6.1
8,284	25,848	34,132	1.9 *	34,886	38,392	73,278	1.2 *
896	4,096	4,992	9.2	5,337	5,160	10,497	8.5
4,727	22,507	27,234	1,9	27,121	28,204	55,325	2.0
70	595	665	17.5 ∆	721	384	1,105	16.3 ∆
2,106	6,627	8,733	5.1	8,789	8,652	17,441	3.2
1,135	8,330	9,465	7.8	9,808	8,404	18,212	7.1
1,095	6,310	7,405	(1.0) *	7,678	7,163	14,841	(1.2) *
255	3,306	3,561	14.3 ∆	3,654	2,165	5,819	12.8 ∆ °
685	7,557	8,242	17.8 ∆	8,488	11,629	20,117	20.5 ∆
2,946	21,422	24,368	4.1	22,932	28,056	50,988	3.2
411	1,770	2,181	7.4	2,226	2,425	4,651	6.2
302	2,379	2,681	7.2	2,666	2,248	4,914	8,9
138	1,008	1,146	8.2	1,294	1,003	2,297	- 8.4
1,877	8,869	10,746	3.5	11,021	10,745	21,766	4.0
208	1,634	1,842	8,5	2,078	1,800	3,878	8.4
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34,096	169,397	203,493	4.8	207,967	210,497	418,464	4.4
	TANF 1,648 977 809 3,727 346 1,454 8,284 896 4,727 70 2,106 1,135 1,095 255 685 2,946 411 302 138 1,877 208	WFNJ/ Other TANF low income 1,648 8,124 977 9,614 809 5,160 3,727 15,391 346 2,319 1,454 6,531 8,284 25,848 896 4,096 4,727 22,507 70 595 2,106 6,627 1,135 8,330 1,095 6,310 255 3,306 685 7,557 2,946 21,422 411 1,770 302 2,379 138 1,008 1,877 8,869 208 1,634	TANF low income 1,648 8,124 9,772 977 9,614 10,591 809 5,160 5,969 3,727 15,391 19,118 346 2,319 2,665 1,454 6,531 7,985 8,284 25,848 34,132 896 4,096 4,992 4,727 22,507 27,234 70 595 665 2,106 6,627 8,733 1,135 8,330 9,465 1,095 6,310 7,405 255 3,306 3,561 685 7,557 8,242 2,946 21,422 24,368 411 1,770 2,181 302 2,379 2,681 138 1,008 1,146 1,877 8,869 10,746 208 1,634 1,842	WFNJ/ TANF Other low income TOTAL (1 Yr) % Chng (1 Yr) 1,648 8,124 9,772 0.7 * 977 9,614 10,591 8.1 809 5,160 5,969 9.7 3,727 15,391 19,118 4.8 346 2,319 2,665 6.8 1,454 6,531 7,985 7.3 8,284 25,848 34,132 1.9 * 896 4,096 4,992 9.2 4,727 22,507 27,234 1.9 70 595 665 17.5 Δ 2,106 6,627 8,733 5.1 1,135 8,330 9,465 7.8 1,095 6,310 7,405 (1.0) * 255 3,306 3,561 14.3 Δ 685 7,557 8,242 17.8 Δ 2,946 21,422 24,368 4.1 411 1,770 2,181 7.4 302 2	WFNJ/ TANF Other low income TOTAL (1 Yr) % Chng (1 Yr) Adults 1,648 8,124 9,772 0.7 ° 10,143 977 9,614 10,591 8.1 11,618 809 5,160 5,969 9.7 6,378 3,727 15,391 19,118 4.8 20,304 346 2,319 2,665 6.8 2,810 1,454 6,531 7,985 7.3 8,015 8,284 25,848 34,132 1.9 ° 34,886 896 4,096 4,992 9.2 5,337 4,727 22,507 27,234 1.9 27,121 70 595 665 17.5 ∆ 721 2,106 6,627 8,733 5.1 8,789 1,135 8,330 9,465 7.8 9,808 1,095 6,310 7,405 (1.0) ° 7,678 255 3,306 3,561 14.3 ∆ 3,654 6	WFNJ/ TANF Other low income TOTAL (1 Yr) % Chng (1 Yr) Adults Children 1,648 8,124 9,772 0.7 * 10,143 9,460 977 9,614 10,591 8.1 11,618 6,283 809 5,160 5,969 9.7 6,378 5,492 3,727 15,391 19,118 4.8 20,304 21,009 346 2,319 2,665 6.8 2,810 2,294 1,454 6,531 7,985 7.3 8,015 9,529 8,284 25,848 34,132 1.9 * 34,886 38,392 896 4,096 4,992 9.2 5,337 5,160 4,727 22,507 27,234 1.9 27,121 28,204 70 595 665 17.5 Δ 721 384 2,106 6,627 8,733 5.1 8,789 8,652 1,135 8,330 9,465 7.8 9,808 8,404 1	WFNJ/ TANF Other low income TOTAL (1 Yr) % Chng (1 Yr) Adults Children TOTAL 1,648 8,124 9,772 0.7 * 10,143 9,460 19,603 977 9,614 10,591 8.1 11,618 6,283 17,901 809 5,160 5,969 9.7 6,378 5,492 11,870 3,727 15,391 19,118 4.8 20,304 21,009 41,313 346 2,319 2,665 6.8 2,810 2,294 5,104 1,454 6,531 7,985 7.3 8,015 9,529 17,544 8,284 25,848 34,132 1.9 * 34,886 38,392 73,278 896 4,096 4,992 9.2 5,337 5,160 10,497 4,727 22,507 27,234 1.9 27,121 28,204 55,325 70 595 665 17.5 ∆ 721 384 1,105 2,106

Total Food Stamp Recipients FEBRUARY 2008 By County



Division of Family Development **New Jersey Department of Human Services** Page 9 TOTAL NUMBER OF ELIGIBLE FAMILIES RECEIVING EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE PAYMENTS Table 8 FEBRUARY 2006 THROUGH FEBRUARY 2008 - STATEWIDE **EMERGENCY** ASSISTANCE

ASSISTANCE	TOTAL		Temp		Motel		Emergency		Other	
	WFNJ/EA	20	Rent Asst.		Housing		Shelter		EA	
	Families	% CHNG 🖁	Payments	% CHNG	Payments	% CHNG	Payments	% CHNG	Payments	% CHNG
	(Undupl)	(1 YR) 🕺	(Undupl)	(1 YR)	(Undupl)	(1 YR)	(Undupl)	(1 YR)	(Undupl)	(1 YR)
2006 FEB	5,136	-11.9%	3,238	-3%	537	8.2%	378	-5.3%	1,521	-32.6%
MAR	5,403	-3.5%	3,267	-3%	534	5.1%	376	-9.2%	1,820	-4.0%
APR	5,090	-6.4%	3,241	-4%	453	8.6%	325	-14.7%	1,559	-13.6%
MAY	5,438	-4.7% 💈	3,213	-10%	515	11.2%	374	-2.1%	1,862	-4.4%
JUN	5,450	-3.0%	3,201	-7%	499	13.9%	366	4.3%	1,915	-5.6%
JUL	5,076	-12.1% 🖁	3,079	-12%	417	-5.2%	315	-18.4%	1,717	-17.2%
AUG	5,281	-7.0% 🖁	3,059	-11%	470	7.6%	405	16.7%	1,914	-5,5%
SEP	5,252	-1.9%	3,006	-9%	520	26.8%	384	12.9%	1,873	1.6%
OCT	5,276	-5.8%	2,980	-10%	427	-16.3%	368	-2.4%	2,080	5.4%
NOV	5,300	-3.2%	2,892	-11%	494	-4.6%	463	30.4%	2,006	8.7%
DEC	5,063	-10.8%	2,970	-13%	495	-15.1%	377	-8.5%	1,789	-3.5%
2006 AVERAGE	5,269		3,120		490		375		1,829	
2007 JAN	4,906	-10.1% 🖟	2,909	-11.6%	422	-18.5%	356	-3.5%	1,740	-7.7%
FEB	4,412	-14.1%	2,856	-11.8%	351	-34.6%	293	-22.5%	1,336	-12.2%
MAR	4,786	-11.4% 🖁	2,862	-12.4%	359	-32.8%	401	6.6%	1,678	-7.8%
APR	4,653	-8.6%	2,806	-13.4%	340	-24.9%	358	10.2%	1,591	2,1%
MAY	4,821	-11.3% 🖁	2,765	-13.9%	329	-36.1%	357	-4.5%	1,846	-0.9%
JUN	4,748	-12.9% 🖁	2,698	-15.7%	292	-41.5%	368	0.5%	1,860	-2.9%
JUL	4,732	-6.8%	2,724	-11.5%	293	-29.7%	330	4.8%	1,910	11.2%
AUG	4,859	-8.0% 🖁	2,735	-10.6%	358	-23.8%	330	-18.5%	2,000	4.5%
SEP	4,815	-8.3% 💈	2,719	-9.5%	357	-31.3%	374	-2.6%	1,886	0.7%
JOCT	5,089	-3.5%	2,796	-6.2%	353	-17.3%	374	1.6%	2,202	5.9%
NOV	4,731	-10.7% 🖁	2,767	-4.3%	328	-33.6%	351	-24.2%	1,875	-6.5%
DEC	4,837	-4.5%	2,823	-4.9%	303	-38.8%	360	-4.5%	1,892	5.8%
2007 AVERAGE	4,782	à	2,788		340		354		1,818	
2008 JAN	4,859	-1.0% 🖁	2,881	-1.0%	355	-15.9%	361	1.4%	1,847	6.1%
FEB	4,524	2.5%	2,830	-0.9%	253	-27.9%	285	-2.7%	1,675	25.4%
2008 AVG to date	4,692	Store	2,856		304		323		1,761	



As of Nov 2004, WFNJ/EA data is derived from NJ Division of Family Development Issuance files. (To retain consistency, all WFNJ/EA data is restated from Nov 2002 to present.)

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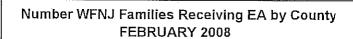
NUMBER OF TOTAL ELIGIBLE FAMILIES RECEIVING EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE PAYMENTS BY COUNTY (UNDUPLICATED CASES) FEBRUARY 2008

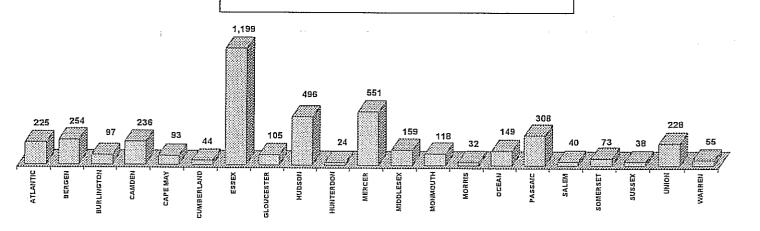
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ASSISTANCE	TOTAL	%	Temp	Motel	Emergency	Other	SSI
	WFNJ/EA	CHNG	Rent Asst.	Housing	Shelter	WFNJ/EA	Receipients
County	Families	From	Payments	Payments	Payments	Payments	Receiving EA**
	(Undupl)	Feb 07	(Undupl)	(Undupl)	(Undupl)	(Undupl)	
ATLANTIC	225	23.6%	128	10	8	104	89
BERGEN	254	-1.2%	206	8	1	51	224
BURLINGTON	97	-39.0% *	41	8	0	56	11
CAMDEN	236	5.8%	136	20	16	87	59
CAPE MAY	93	-13.1%	50	38	0	13	63
CUMBERLAND	44	29.4% Δ	18	4	11	23	11
ESSEX	1,199	-5.0%	890	2	90	364	203
GLOUCESTER	105	-5.4%	65	11	20	24	35
HUDSON	496	-19.1% *	421	14	10	74	28
HUNTERDON	24	9.1%	13	1	5	8	16
MERCER	551	4 5.8% ∆	308	11	36	271	204
MIDDLESEX	159	3.9%	75	10	10	89	114
MONMOUTH	118	-14.5%	17	36	0	71	16
MORRIS	32	23.1%	13	7	8	15	20
OCEAN	149	13.7%	96	47	0	44	65
PASSAIC	308	126.5% ∆∮	74	7	23	239	143
SALEM	40	-9.1%	12	7	0	27	23
SOMERSET	73	17.7%	47	0	15	19	20
SUSSEX	38	8.6%	29	0	2	10	25
UNION	228	-20.6% *	154	7	29	69	32
WARREN	55	5.8%	37	5	1	17	9
NJ TOTAL	4,524	2.5%	2,830	253	285	1,675	1,410

Δ= ↑ Caseload %

* = 1 Caseload %

As of Nov 2004, WFNJ/EA data is derived from NJ Division of Family Development Issuance files.





^{**}SSI-EA includes pay code 24 and is derived from NJ Division of Family Development FAMIS Report #FM430-03A

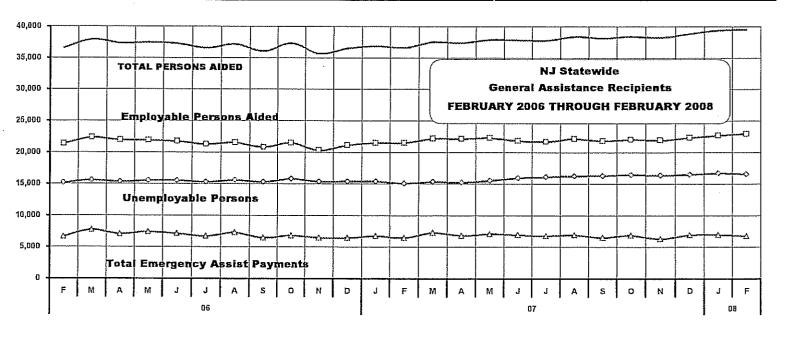
Table 10

NUMBER OF EMPLOYABLE AND UNEMPLOYABLE RECIPIENTS GENERAL AND EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE PAYMENTS FOR FEBRUARY 2008 - STATEWIDE

ASSISTANCE

FEBRUARY 2006 THROUGH FEBRUARY 2008

PROGRAM			All Perso	ns Aided			Emergency	Assistance F	ayments	
				,			Temporary	Other		
	Employable	% Chng	Unemployab	le % Chng	Total	% Chng	Rental Assistance	GA-EA	Total	% Chng
		(1 Yr)		(1 Yr)		(1 Yr)				(1 Yr)
2006 FEB	21,386	-1.1%	15,225	-1.0%	36,611	-1.1%	3,513	3,161	6,674	-7.6%
MAR	22,338	-2.0%	15,640	2.8%	37,978	-0.1%	3,585	4,160	7,745	5.4%
APR	21,976	-4.0%	15,373	1.1%	37,349	-2.0%	3,578	3,514	7,092	-7.3%
MAY	21,925	-6.4%	15,575	1.8%	37,500	-3.2%	3,100	4,337	7,437	-7.3%
JUN	21,752	-6.1%	15,568	1.3%	37,320	-3.1%	2,984	4,170	7,154	-6.4%
JUL	21,309	-7.8%	15,312	0.8%	36,621	-4.4%	2,989	3,732	6,721	-18.4%
AUG	21,553	-4.6%	15,637	1.9%	37,190	-2.0%	2,977	4,306	7,283	-5.3%
SEP	20,855	-3.0%	15,232	1.5%	36,087	-1.2%	2,899	3,592	6,491	-1.8%
OCT	21,499	0.2%	15,841	3.5%	37,340	1.5%	2,919	3,912	6,831	-8.9%
NOV	20,333	-2.1%	15,361	0.7%	35,694	-0.9%	2,949	3,559	6,508	-10.3%
DEC	21,120	-0.2%	15,415	0.8%	36,535	0.2%	2,950	3,517	6,467	-11.1%
2006 AVERAGE	21,454		15,463		36,917		3,165	3,790	6,955	
2007 JAN	21,513	0.5%	15,415	0.3%	36,928	0.4%	2,947	3,834	6,781	-3.9%
FEB	21,501	0.5%	15,129	-0.6%	36,630	0.1%	2,953	3,548	6,501	-2.6%
MAR	22,215	-0.6%	15,367	-1.7%	37,582	-1.0%	2,972	4,323	7,295	-5.8%
APR	22,142	0.8%	15,257	-0.8%	37,399	0.1%	2,979	3,842	6,821	-3.8%
MAY	22,323	1.8%	15,586	0.1%	37,909	1.1%	3,016	4,084	7,100	-4.5%
JUN	21,866	0.5%	15,993	2.7%	37,859	1.4%	3,020	3,936	6,956	-2.8%
JUL	21,705	1.9%	16,135	5.4%	37,840	3.3%	3,004	3,807	6,811	1.3%
AUG	22,151	2.8%	16,273	4.1%	38,424	3.3%	2,994	3,942	6,936	-4.8%
SEP	21,835	4.7%	16,326	7.2%	38,161	5.7%	2,887	3,674	6,561	1.1%
OCT	22,040	2.5%	16,462	3.9%	38,502	3.1%	2,886	4,000	6,886	0.8%
NOV	21,927	7.8%	16,366	6.5%	38,293	7.3%	2,859	3,460	6,319	-2.9%
DEC	- 22,371	5.9%	16,509	7.1%	38,880	6.4%	2,961	4,001	6,962	7.7%
2007 AVERAGE	21,822		15,735		37,557		2,981	3,858	6,839	
2008 JAN	22,692	5,5%	16,740	8.6%	39,432	6.8%	2,910	4,094	7,004	3.3%
FEB	22,958	6.8%	16,562	9.5%	39,520	7.9%	2,944	3,835	6,779	4.3%
2008 AVG to date	22,825		16,651		39,476		2,927	3,965	6,892	



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TABLE 11

GENERAL ASSISTANCE

EMPLOYABLE AND UNEMPLOYABLE RECIPIENTS AND EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE PAYMENTS BY COUNTY

PROGRAM FEBRUARY 2008 Total Persons Aided Emergency Assistance Payments County Employable % Chng <u>Unemployable</u> % Chng Total % Chng Temporary Other <u>Total</u> % Chng (From Feb 07) (From Feb 07) (From Feb 07) Rental Assist. GA-EA (From Feb 07) **ATLANTIC** 1,851 4.6% 1,250 9.1% 3,101 6.4% 213 149 362 20.7% BERGEN -30.9% 720 577 67.1% 1,297 2.4% 128 202 330 13.0% BURLINGTON 839 -4.3% 710 1,549 13.2% 3.0% 77 166 243 -36.1% CAMDEN 3,169 16.0% 2,002 9.4% 5,171 13.3% 498 306 804 3.9% CAPE MAY 587 14.4% 185 8.8% 772 13.0% 132 195 327 4.5% CUMBERLAND 1,340 24.2% 683 -0.4% 2,023 14.6% 11 72 83 3,8% 1,175 ESSEX 3,744 15.8% 1,923 12.7% 5,667 14.7% △ 518 657 14.6% **GLOUCESTER** 543 12.4% 456 10.9% 999 11.7% 43 100 -8.9% 143 HUDSON 1,583 -17.2% 1,889 9.5% 3,472 -4.5% 225 296 -27.1% 71 HUNTERDON 89 -19.8% 114 -0.9% 203 -10.2% 35 78 -1.7% 113 MERCER 1,345 2,463 -3.6% 1,118 4.7% 0.0% 324 254 578 -11.2% **MIDDLESEX** 419 -3.7% 713 16.1% 1,132 7.9% 189 188 377 18.6% MONMOUTH 566 -2.7% 583 -8,6% 1,149 -5.8% 60 210 270 5.9% MORRIS 286 19.7% 390 29.1% 676 25.0% ∆ 69 60 129 30.3% △ OCEAN 721 78.0% 747 6.9% 1,468 33.0% ∆ 127 174 301 12.7% PASSAIC 2,505 7.6% 1,443 5.0% 3,948 6.6% 11 373 384 23.1% SALEM 362 19.1% -5.7% 595 8.0% 233 26 77 103 24.1% Δ SOMERSET 180 1.1% 239 2.1% 419 1.7% 62 54 116 -20.0% SUSSEX 112 -4.3% 139 11.2% 251 3.7% 42 53 95 15.9% UNION 1,875 5.9% 861 7.2% 2,736 6.3% 332 27.3% △ 69 401 WARREN 265 31.8% 164 -7.3% 429 13.5% 85 64 149 12.9% NJ TOTAL 22,958 6,8% 16,562 9.5% 39,520 7.9% 2,944 3,835 6,779 4.3%

∆= † Caseload %

Source: NJ Division of Family Development, GA Fiscal Unit

^{* = 1} Caseload %

TABLE 12 CHILD SUPPORT	CHILD SUPPORT AND PATERNITY COLLECTIONS State Summary										
AND PATERNITY											
	Comparison of FFY 2007 and FFY 2008										
COLLECTION SOURCE	10/06-12/06	10/07-12/07	Dollar Change	% Change							
Federal Tax	\$1,299,308	\$1,033,066	(\$266,242)	-20.5%							
State Tax	717,123	1,758,210	1,041,087	145.2%							
Unempl. Ins. Ben.	7,499,133	8,001,863	502,730	6.7%							
Income Withholding	177,560,583	184,044,430	6,483,847	3.7%							
From Other States	12,461,403	13,137,983	676,580	5.4%							
Other/Own Behalf	59,228,853	62,001,387	2,772,534	4.7%							
Admin Enforce											
TOTAL COLLECTION	\$258,766,403	\$269,976,939	\$11,210,536	4.3%							
TOTAL DISTRIBUTION*	\$252,488,627	\$262,182,143	\$9,693,516	3.8%							
Percent of Collections Distributed	97.6%	97.1%									

^{*} 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

TABLE 13
CHILD SUPPORT
AND PATERNITY

PERCENTAGE OF CASES WITH ORDERS

FEBRUARY 2008

	CUR	RENT ASSIST	ANCE	FOR	MER ASSIST	TANCE	NE	VER ASSIS	TED	TOTAL ASSISTANCE		
	TOTAL	CASES	% of CASES	TOTAL.	CASES	% of CASES	TOTAL	CASES	% of CASES	TOTAL	CASES	% of CASES
	CASES	WITH	WITH	CASES	WITH	WITH	CASES	WITH	WITH	CASES	WITH	HTIW
		ORDERS	ORDERS		ORDERS	ORDERS		ORDERS	ORDERS		ORDERS	ORDERS
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ATLANTIC	2,735	1,427	52%	5,652	4,959	88%	6,635	5,634	85%	15,022	12,020	80%
BERGEN	1,307	675	52%	3,431	3,248	95%	8,422	8,033	95%	13,160	11,956	91%
BURLINGTON	1,946	1,186	61%	6,173	5,766	93%	8,397	7,566	90%	16,516	14,518	88%
CAMDEN	7,344	4,111	56%	21,117	18,969	90%	11,083	9,448	85%	39,544	32,528	82%
CAPE MAY	530	307	58%	1,548	1,483	96%	1,791	1,678	94%	3,869	3,468	90%
CUMBERLAND	2,202	1,804	82%	8,584	8,421	98%	3,970	3,619	91%	14,756	13,844	94%
ESSEX	13,857	6,066	44%	29,740	24,482	82%	14,894	13,237	89% ·	58,491	43,785	75%
GLOUCESTER	1,507	1,108	74%	4,871	4,675	96%	4,580	4,339	95%	10,958	10,122	92%
HUDSON	5,848	2,490	43%	13,445	11,860	88%	10,892	9,060	83%	30,185	23,410	78%
HUNTERDON	179	108	60%	383	364	95%	1,332	1,276	96%	1,894	1,748	92%
MERCER	4,126	1,990	48%	8,876	8,053	91%	6,511	5,615	86%	19,513	15,658	80%
MIDDLESEX	2,280	1,249	55%	8,253	7,408	90%	9,773	8,847	91%	20,306	17,504	86%
MONMOUTH	2,963	1,904	64%	7,072	6,658	94%	7,660	7,144	93%	17,695	15,706	89%
MORRIS	412	244	59%	1,511	1,449	96%	4,361	4,211	97%	6,284	5,904	94%
OCEAN	1,895	1,323	70%	6,052	5,801	96%	7,853	7,494	95%	15,800	14,618	93%
PASSAIC	4,827	2,635	55%	11,249	10,091	90%	9,712	8,624	89%	25,788	21,350	83%
SALEM	860	654	76%	2,413	2,229	92%	1,393	1,306	94%	4,666	4,189	90%
SOMERSET	710	426	60%	1,897	1,749	92%	3,669	3,354	91%	6,276	5,529	88%
SUSSEX	300	211	70%	732	720	98%	1,829	1,768	97%	2,861	2,699	94%
UNION	3,501	1,838	52%	10,626	9,649	91%	10,051	9,196	91%	24,178	20,683	86%
WARREN	481	373	78%	1,379	1,353	98%	1,716	1,650	96%	3,576	3,376	94%
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NJ TOTAL	59,810	32,129	54%	155,004	139,387	90%	136,524	123,099	90%	351,338	294,615	84%

Data Sources: Automated Child Support Enforcement System

Table 14	WORK F	FIRST N	IEW JE	RSEY S	STATIS	TICAL S	SUMMA	IRY
WFNJ	FEBRUARY 2008							
	·	EMPLOYMENT DIRECTED ACTIVITIES			SUPPORT SERVICES		CLOSED	POST
COUNTY	CWEP	ALL OTHER	JOB SEARCH	OPEN (WFNJ	ON ACT	TVE CASE	FOR EMPLOYMENT	ASSISTANCE CHILD
COUNTY		TRAINING	GEARON	RECIPIENT)	CARE	EXPENSES	THIS MONTH	CARE
ATLANTIC	141	135	94	236	176	186	28	201
BERGEN	130	48	102	102	117	159	17	88
BURLINGTON	217	52	20	123	109	141	14	182
CAMDEN	592	350	80	525	377	689	54	390
CAPE MAY	36	18	16	47	23	49	3	24
CUMBERLAND	167	97	132	120	60	184	26	124_
ESSEX	1,341	1,533	428	1,061	1,172	1,807	146	945
GLOUCESTER	78	23	45	113	97	26	8	187
HUDSON	515	700	105	598	599	1,013	86	559
HUNTERDON	16	1	28	12	8	1	3	10_
MERCER	501	201	186	318	310	246	30	207
MIDDLESEX	119	41	144	229	109	155	30	213
MONMOUTH	263	120	60	182	226	232	30	222
MORRIS	12	14	6	39	32	20	5	71_
OCEAN	122	62	202	50	113	114	14	167
PASSAIC	444	179	54	340	257	385	41	190
SALEM	55	38	13	59	20	90	5	54
SOMERSET	49	42	10	75	56	56	10	65
SUSSEX	32	5	9	25	23	13	11	38
UNION	336	188	124	249	182	286	18	125
WARREN	. 23	9	18	45	14	14	9	47
STATE	5,189	3,856	1,876	4,548	4,080	5,866	578	4,109

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

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