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Table 9.G1—Average monthly number of families and recipients, total amount of cash assistance, and average monthly payment, selected years 1936–2003

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>			Average monthly number of families (thousands)	Total assistance payments during year (thousands of dollars)	Average monthly payment per family (dollars)
	Families	Recipients		Total (thousands of dollars)	Monthly average (dollars)				
		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	11,079	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	178,284	<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	14,154	9,570	22,827,399	377.78	134.30	60.5	802,258	<sup>d</sup> 1,105.95

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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>			Average monthly number of families (thousands)	Total assistance payments during year (thousands of dollars)	Average monthly payment per family (dollars)
	Families	Recipients		Total (thousands of dollars)	Monthly average (dollars)				
		Total	Children		Family	Recipient			
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	2,554	6,824	4,863	10,925,434	356.48	133.42	...	...	...
2000	2,213	5,768	4,260	10,472,620	394.36	151.30	...	...	...
2001	2,102	5,352	3,981	10,007,329	396.74	155.82	...	...	...
2002	2,045	5,058	3,790	9,716,966	395.96	160.09	...	...	...
2003	2,021	4,919	3,708	9,534,573	393.18	161.53	...	...	...

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.

- a. Thirty-four states had converted to TANF as of January 1, 1997; 8 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.

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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, 2003**

State or area	TANF effective date <sup>a</sup>	Average monthly number			Amount of assistance <sup>b</sup>		
		Families	Recipients		Total (thousands of dollars)	Monthly average (dollars)	
			Total	Children		Family	Recipient
All areas	...	2,020,819	4,918,783	3,708,229	9,534,573	393.18	161.53
Alabama	11/15/96	19,158	45,541	35,771	45,689	198.73	83.60
Alaska	7/1/97	5,211	14,749	9,815	41,978	671.31	237.19
Arizona	10/1/96	49,434	116,478	85,197	167,501	282.36	119.84
Arkansas	7/1/97	10,906	24,770	18,411	30,874	235.92	103.87
California	11/26/96	449,698	1,106,544	893,339	3,475,466	644.04	261.74
Colorado	7/1/97	13,968	36,528	26,615	57,490	343.00	131.16
Connecticut	10/1/96	20,634	43,441	31,060	105,195	424.85	201.80
Delaware	3/10/97	5,626	12,732	9,677	16,725	247.72	109.47
District of Columbia	3/1/97	16,741	42,731	31,958	66,562	331.34	129.81
Florida	10/1/96	57,986	119,545	96,649	176,616	253.82	123.12
Georgia	1/1/97	56,153	134,014	103,150	151,265	224.48	94.06
Hawaii	7/1/97	9,529	24,918	17,521	60,930	532.83	203.77
Idaho	7/1/97	1,737	3,233	2,559	6,254	299.97	161.21
Illinois	7/1/97	36,189	92,157	75,829	58,541	134.81	52.94
Indiana	10/1/96	52,357	138,281	104,897	127,188	202.44	76.65
Iowa	1/1/97	19,558	50,404	33,955	76,971	327.96	127.26
Kansas	10/1/96	15,642	40,707	28,188	57,007	303.70	116.70
Kentucky	10/18/96	35,065	77,222	57,192	101,423	241.04	109.45
Louisiana	1/1/97	22,501	56,746	45,513	67,907	251.50	99.72
Maine	11/1/96	9,926	27,503	17,643	43,201	362.69	130.90
Maryland	12/9/96	26,055	62,123	45,839	109,940	351.62	147.48
Massachusetts	9/30/96	49,760	109,398	76,441	313,850	525.61	239.07
Michigan	9/30/96	76,944	205,634	151,085	366,873	397.34	148.68
Minnesota	7/1/97	36,196	93,569	67,066	160,082	368.56	142.57
Mississippi	10/1/96	19,748	45,407	33,344	34,117	143.97	62.61
Missouri	12/1/96	40,678	100,602	71,913	117,892	241.51	97.66
Montana	12/16/96	5,988	16,698	11,031	28,740	399.97	143.43
Nebraska	12/1/96	10,966	27,071	19,472	45,486	345.64	140.02
Nevada	12/3/96	10,150	24,114	18,391	38,858	319.04	134.28
New Hampshire	10/1/96	6,072	14,090	9,680	36,756	504.49	217.40
New Jersey	2/1/97	42,921	103,646	77,792	190,332	369.54	153.03
New Mexico	7/1/97	16,858	44,523	31,532	61,901	305.99	115.86
New York	12/2/96	147,805	335,924	241,106	1,021,763	576.08	253.47
North Carolina	1/1/97	39,843	82,614	64,262	102,966	215.36	103.86
North Dakota	7/1/97	3,351	8,619	5,997	15,894	395.31	153.67
Ohio	10/1/96	84,434	187,284	139,014	322,074	317.88	143.31
Oklahoma	10/1/96	14,956	36,504	27,920	35,601	198.37	81.27
Oregon	10/1/96	18,659	42,599	31,521	103,967	464.33	203.38
Pennsylvania	3/3/97	82,182	213,990	155,885	318,901	323.37	124.19
Rhode Island	5/1/97	13,131	34,747	24,244	66,895	424.54	160.43
South Carolina	10/12/96	19,639	47,376	34,724	38,239	162.26	67.26
South Dakota	12/1/96	2,774	6,189	5,102	10,925	328.17	147.09
Tennessee	10/1/96	70,143	185,114	132,464	143,315	170.27	64.52
Texas	11/5/96	128,590	318,295	248,695	289,465	187.59	75.79
Utah	10/1/96	8,745	22,309	15,977	41,687	397.27	155.72

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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, 2003—Continued**

State or area	TANF effective date <sup>a</sup>	Average monthly number			Amount of assistance <sup>b</sup>		
		Families	Recipients		Total (thousands of dollars)	Monthly average (dollars)	
			Total	Children		Family	Recipient
Vermont	9/20/96	4,865	12,510	8,009	31,211	534.65	207.91
Virginia	2/1/97	19,748	47,154	33,138	46,414	195.86	82.02
Washington	1/10/97	54,836	135,469	94,752	279,661	425.00	172.03
West Virginia	1/11/97	16,052	41,129	27,929	70,517	366.08	142.88
Wisconsin	9/30/96	20,998	50,280	40,108	112,640	447.02	186.69
Wyoming	1/1/97	400	712	618	936	195.06	109.49
Outlying areas							
Guam	7/1/97	--	--	--	--	--	--
Puerto Rico	7/1/97	18,827	53,355	37,133	40,069	177.36	62.58
Virgin Islands	7/1/97	488	1,491	1,108	1,823	311.05	101.88

SOURCE: Department of Health and Human Services; aggregate data reported by states in Section 3 of the Final TANF Data Report.

NOTE: . . . = not applicable; -- = not available.

- a. Transition from Aid to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC) to Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (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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