

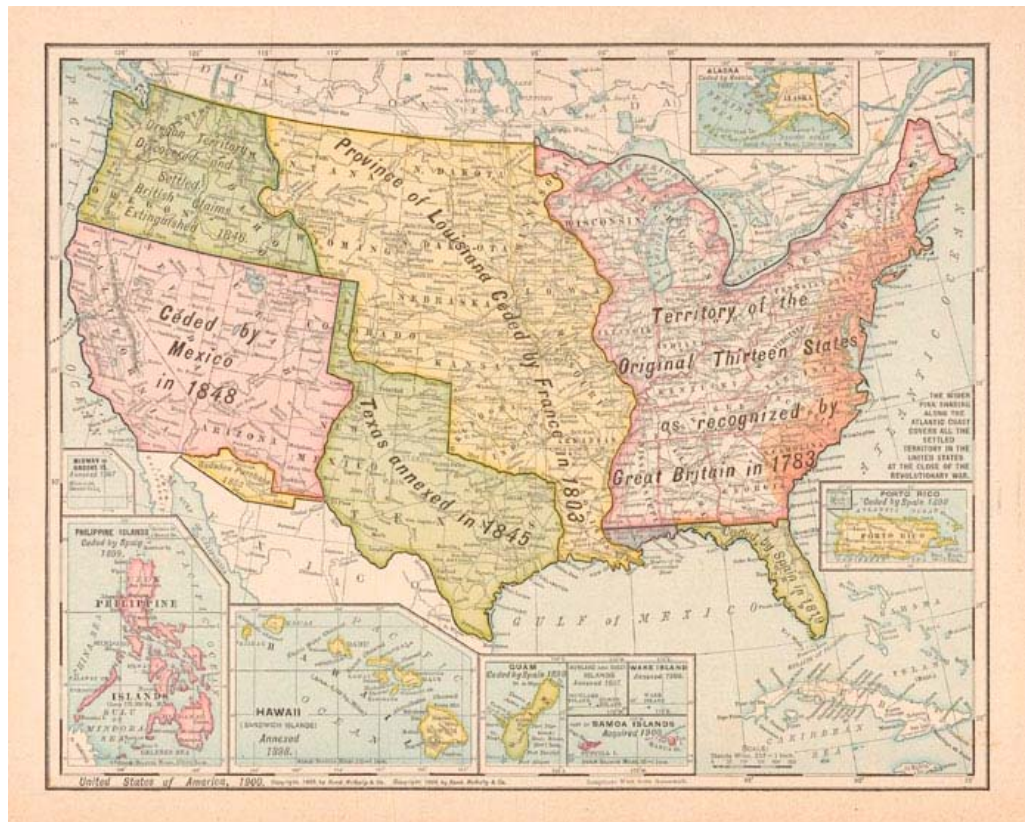
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Food Stamp Program (FSP) statutes and regulations provide State agencies with numerous policy options. State agencies use this flexibility to improve how the program works in meeting the nutritional needs of low-income people across the nation. Choosing certain options can facilitate program design goals such as removing or reducing barriers to access and sustained participation for low-income families and individuals, providing better support for those working or looking for work, targeting benefits to those most in need, streamlining administration and field operations, and coordinating FSP activities with those of other programs. With passage of the *Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002*, the array of policy options was significantly expanded in several key areas.

The earliest effective date by which interested State agencies could implement the additional options from the Farm Bill was October 2002. The Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) intermittently surveys State agencies administering the Food Stamp Program to determine which policy options are in use. Information about State agency choices among policy options is subject to frequent change. **This report catalogs choices in effect as of September 2004.** Several States have reported plans to implement various options at later dates. Those choices will be reflected in future editions of this report. Please note that with this edition of the *State Options Report* a new option is being surveyed. It is State agencies able to accept applications for Food Stamps via the internet (see Page 22).

The first section of the report describes the options and lists the States that have selected each of them. The options presented here from the Farm Bill are denoted with the Farm Bill logo. Information is shown in tabular and map formats. Due to limitations of the mapping program used, Guam and the Virgin Islands are not included in the geographical displays. See the map legends for information on these territories. The second section lists the 53 State agencies in alphabetical order and shows the status of each State agency in relation to each policy option. Please contact FNS, FSP, Program Development Division, Program Design Branch at (703-305-2098) with questions, corrections, or suggestions about this edition of the *State Options Report*.

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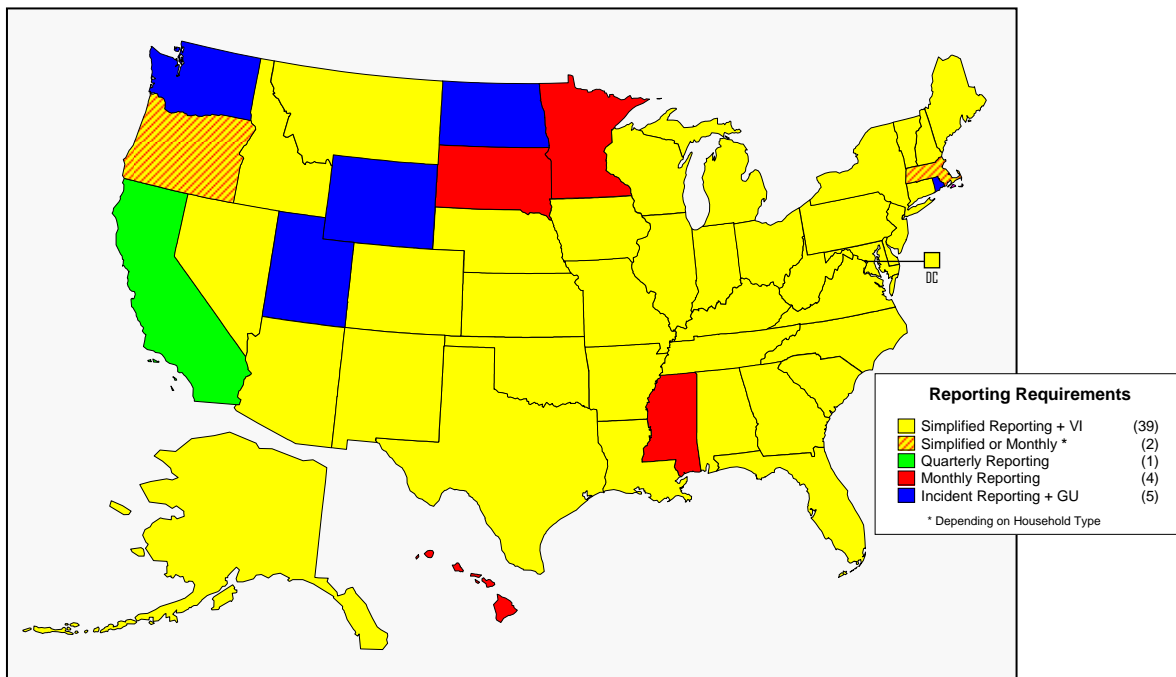
## **OPTION PROFILES**

## Reporting Requirements

State agencies have the option of requiring food stamp recipients to report on their financial circumstances at various intervals and in various ways. They can institute a type of periodic reporting system or they can rely on households to report changes within 10 days of occurrence—known as “incident reporting.” The table below shows States that have chosen periodic reporting. Participants report either quarterly or monthly, or under a “simplified” system with reduced reporting requirements. Under the simplified reporting option, households are required to report changes in income between certification and scheduled reporting periods only when total countable income rises above 130 percent of the poverty level. States implementing simplified reporting can set reporting intervals or certification periods at four, five, or six months.

Simplified (Reduced) Reporting			Quarterly Reporting	Monthly Reporting
42			1	6
ALABAMA	KANSAS	NEW YORK	CALIFORNIA	HAWAII MASSACHUSETTS MINNESOTA MISSISSIPPI OREGON SOUTH DAKOTA
ALASKA	KENTUCKY	NORTH CAROLINA		
ARIZONA	LOUISIANA	OHIO		
ARKANSAS	MAINE	OKLAHOMA		
COLORADO	MARYLAND	OREGON		
CONNECTICUT	MASSACHUSETTS	PENNSYLVANIA		
DELAWARE	MICHIGAN	SOUTH CAROLINA		
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	MISSOURI	TENNESSEE		
FLORIDA	MONTANA	TEXAS		
GEORGIA	NEBRASKA	VERMONT		
IDAHO	NEVADA	VIRGIN ISLANDS		
ILLINOIS	NEW HAMPSHIRE	VIRGINIA		
INDIANA	NEW JERSEY	WEST VIRGINIA		
IOWA	NEW MEXICO	WISCONSIN		

NOTE: The reporting method(s) selected may be applied to only some of the household types in the State eligible to report periodically.

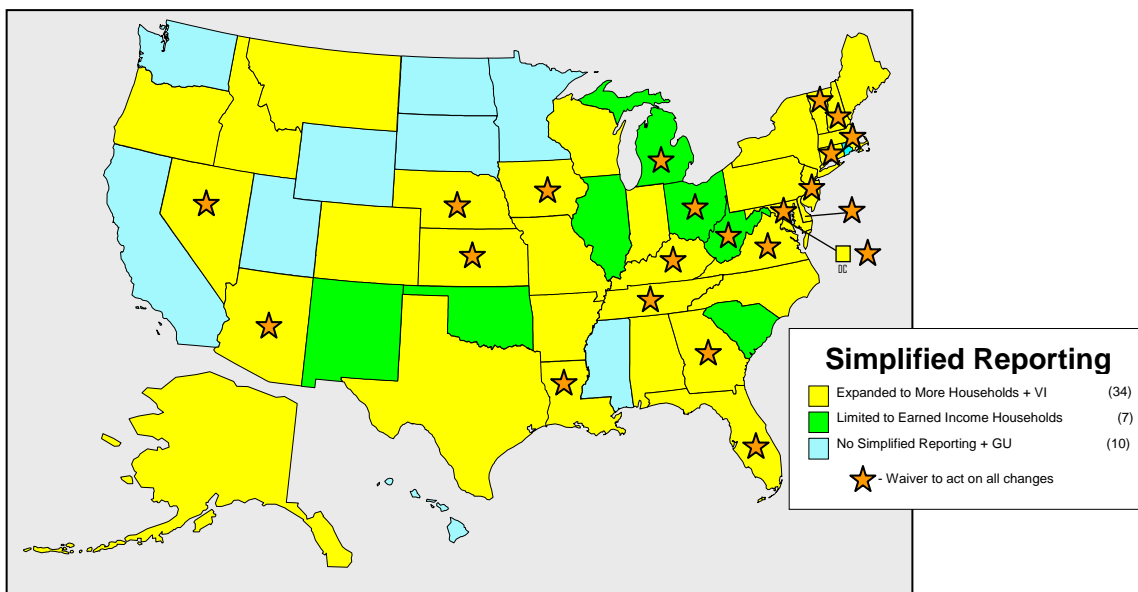




## Simplified Reporting Expansion

Prior to passage of the Farm Bill, the FSP contained the option to use a reporting system with reduced reporting requirements for earned income households on a semi-annual schedule. With passage of the Farm Bill's Simplified Reporting option, States can expand their reporting systems for earned income households to any and all households that can be asked to report periodically. Of the 42 States currently using Simplified Reporting, 35 have expanded it beyond earned income households. In between certification and scheduled reporting periods, a household's monthly benefit amount is not decreased as long as total income is less than 130 percent of the poverty level. States can request a waiver that will allow them to reduce benefits on the basis of change information affecting eligibility and benefit levels in other programs. This waiver has been given to 22 of the 42 States with Simplified Reporting systems.

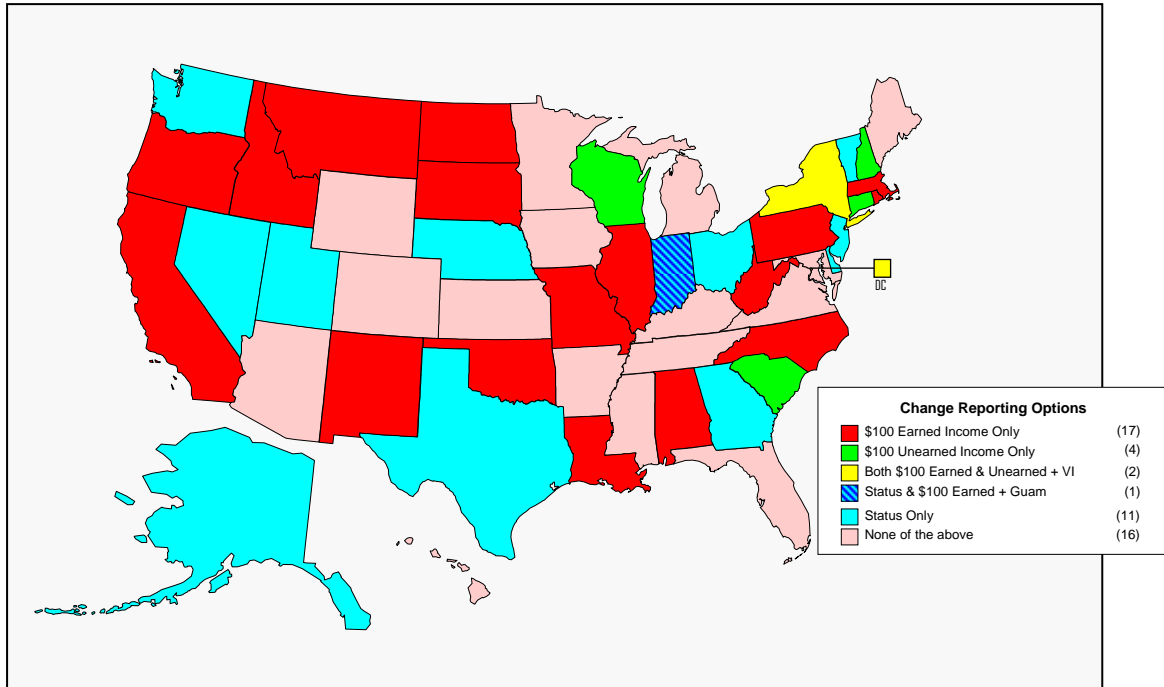
Expanded Simplified Reporting	Simplified Reporting -- Earned Income Households Only
35	7
ALABAMA ALASKA <b>ARIZONA*</b> ARKANSAS COLORADO <b>CONNECTICUT*</b> <b>DELAWARE*</b> <b>DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA*</b> <b>FLORIDA*</b> <b>GEORGIA*</b> IDAHO INDIANA <b>IOWA*</b> <b>KANSAS*</b> <b>KENTUCKY*</b> <b>LOUISIANA*</b> MAINE <b>MARYLAND*</b>	<b>MASSACHUSETTS*</b> MISSOURI MONTANA <b>NEBRASKA*</b> <b>NEVADA*</b> <b>NEW HAMPSHIRE*</b> <b>NEW JERSEY*</b> NEW YORK NORTH CAROLINA OREGON PENNSYLVANIA <b>TENNESSEE*</b> TEXAS <b>VERMONT*</b> VIRGIN ISLANDS <b>VIRGINIA*</b> WISCONSIN
*Waiver to Act on All Changes	



## Change Reporting Options

States can use a variety of options for households not in simplified reporting who are subject to incident or change reporting rules to lessen the reporting burden on these households and the workload of field staff. Status reporting requires households to report only when a member changes jobs, receives a different rate of pay, or has a change in his or her work status, i.e., from full time to part time or vice versa. Another option requires households to report only when there is a change in earnings of \$100 or more per month. A third option allows households to report only when there has been a change in unearned income from private sources of \$100 or more per month. Use of reporting options is expected to decrease as more State agencies take full advantage of simplified reporting.

\$100 Earned		\$100 Unearned	Both \$100 Earned & \$100 Unearned	Status	
19		4	3	13	
ALABAMA CALIFORNIA GUAM IDAHO ILLINOIS INDIANA LOUISIANA MASSACHUSETTS MISSOURI MONTANA	NEW MEXICO NORTH CAROLINA NORTH DAKOTA OKLAHOMA OREGON PENNSYLVANIA RHODE ISLAND SOUTH DAKOTA WEST VIRGINIA	CONNECTICUT NEW HAMPSHIRE SOUTH CAROLINA WISCONSIN	DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA NEW YORK VIRGIN ISLANDS	ALASKA DELAWARE GEORGIA GUAM INDIANA NEBRASKA NEVADA	NEW JERSEY OHIO TEXAS UTAH VERMONT WASHINGTON

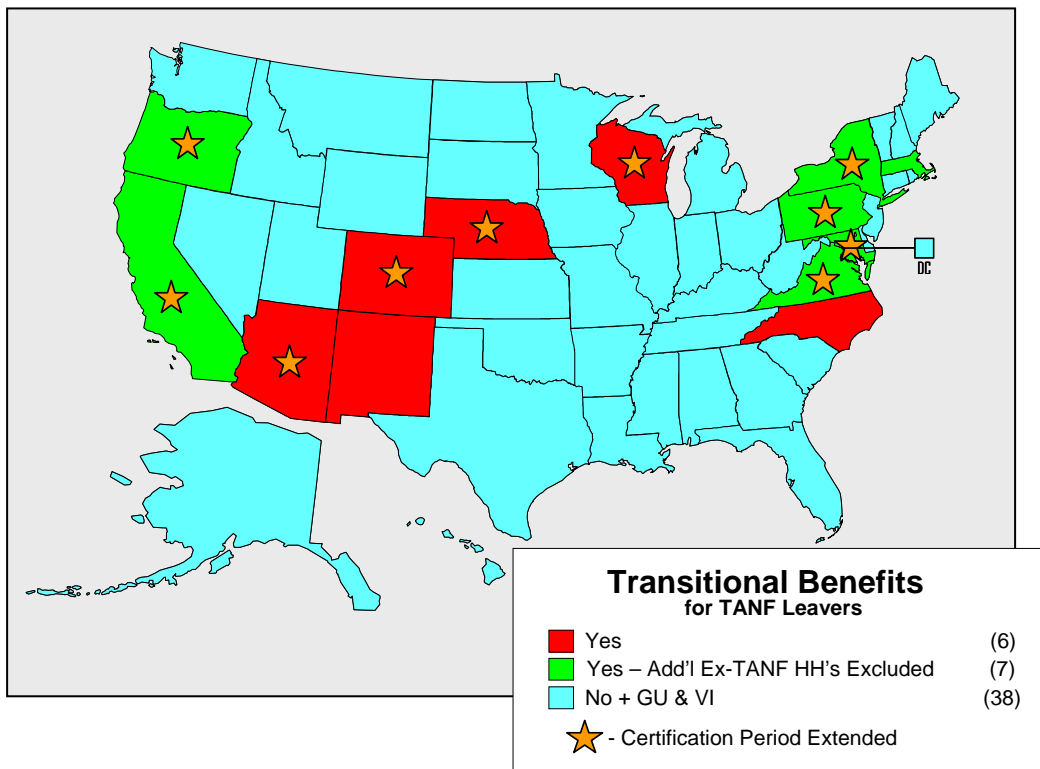




## Transitional Benefits

This is an option available to States to help support families as they move off Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) cash assistance. Benefits can be continued for up to five months in an amount equal to the amount received by the household prior to TANF termination with adjustments for loss of TANF income. Certification periods can be extended through the last transitional month. Only one State, New York, had been offering the pre-Farm Bill version of Transitional Benefits to families coming off welfare. Now 12 other States have chosen to provide this work support. All 13 States have elected to issue benefits to welfare leavers for the full five months allowed in the legislation. Ten have indicated they will extend certification periods to complete the transition. Seven have designated more types of TANF households that cannot be included in addition to the types excluded from participation by law.

Transitional Benefits		Certification Extension	Additional Households Excluded
13		10	7
ARIZONA CALIFORNIA COLORADO MARYLAND MASSACHUSETTS NEBRASKA NEW MEXICO	NEW YORK NORTH CAROLINA OREGON PENNSYLVANIA VIRGINIA WISCONSIN	ARIZONA CALIFORNIA COLORADO MARYLAND NEBRASKA NEW YORK OREGON PENNSYLVANIA VIRGINIA WISCONSIN	CALIFORNIA MARYLAND MASSACHUSETTS NEW YORK OREGON PENNSYLVANIA VIRGINIA



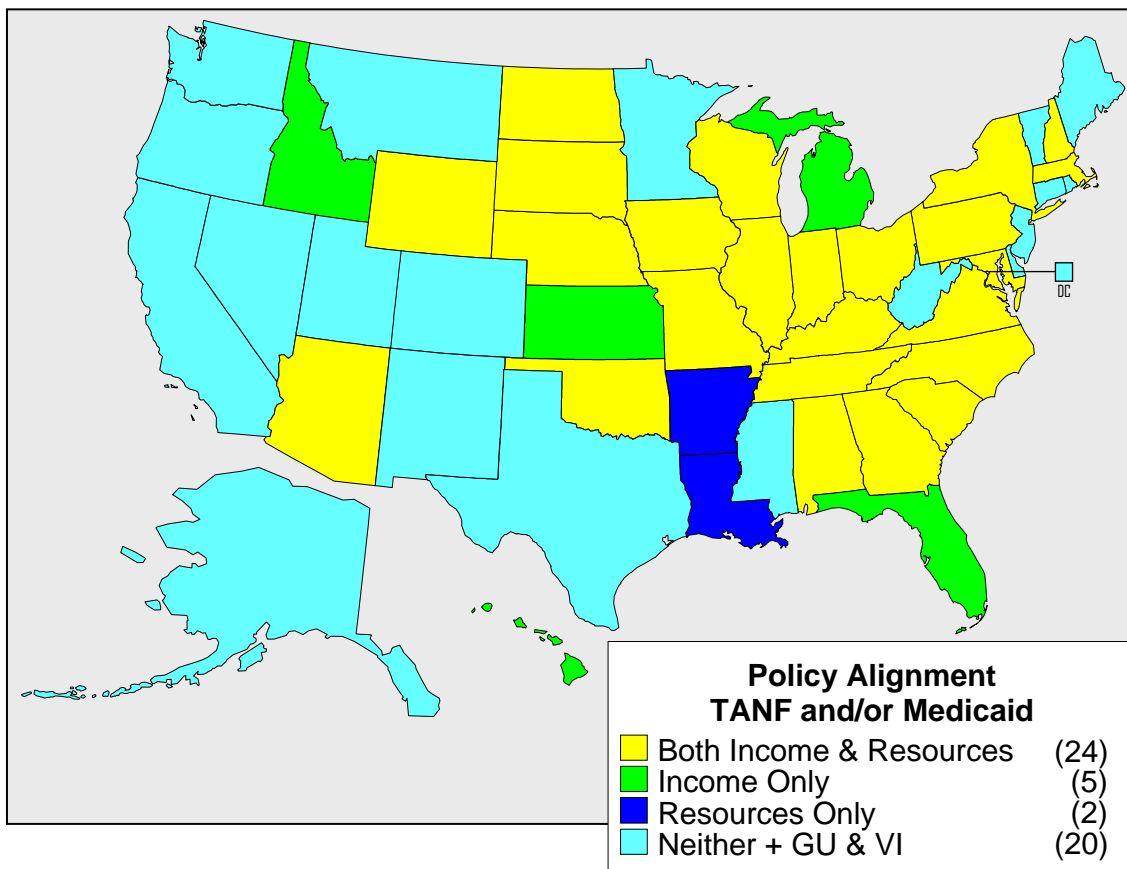




## Simplified Definitions of Income and Resources

State agencies have the option to exclude additional types of income and resources by aligning food stamp policy with TANF or Medicaid policy. Any income not counted under Section 1931 of Medicaid or TANF can be excluded with some exceptions. The exceptions are wages, salaries, benefits from major assistance programs, regular payments from a government source, worker's compensation, child support payments, and other types determined countable to insure fairness in eligibility determinations. The same option exists for the treatment of resources. The ones that cannot be excluded when using this particular option are cash, licensed vehicles, and readily available amounts in financial institutions--plus anything determined essential to count by FNS for basic fairness.

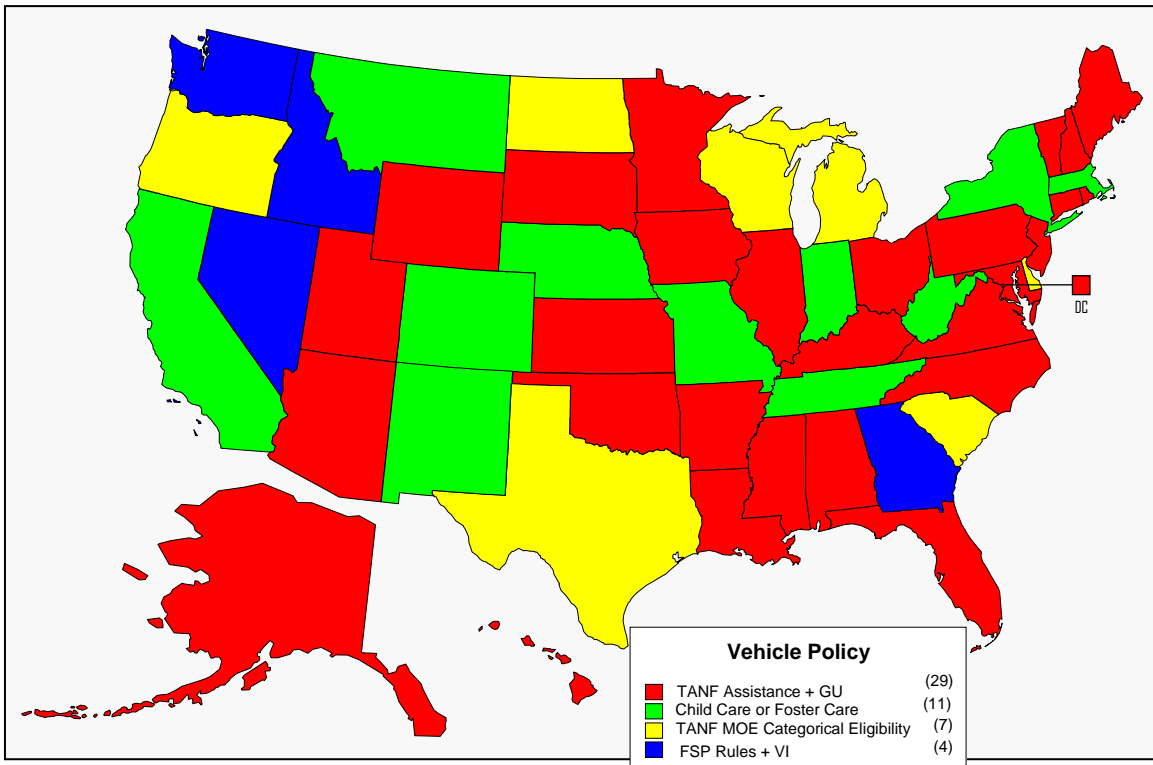
Simplified Definition of Income	Simplified Definition of Resources	Both		
5	2	24		
FLORIDA HAWAII IDAHO KANSAS MICHIGAN	ARKANSAS LOUISIANA	ALABAMA ARIZONA GEORGIA ILLINOIS INDIANA IOWA KENTUCKY MARYLAND	MASSACHUSETTS MISSOURI NEBRASKA NEW HAMPSHIRE NEW YORK NORTH CAROLINA NORTH DAKOTA OHIO	OKLAHOMA PENNSYLVANIA SOUTH CAROLINA SOUTH DAKOTA TENNESSEE VIRGINIA WISCONSIN WYOMING



## Vehicle Policy

States have the option of substituting the vehicle rules used in their TANF assistance programs for FSP vehicle rules when it results in a lower attribution of household assets. Some States provide non-cash benefit or service funded with TANF or TANF Maintenance of Effort (MOE) money to confer categorical eligibility upon a larger number of households as long as gross income does not exceed 200% of poverty.

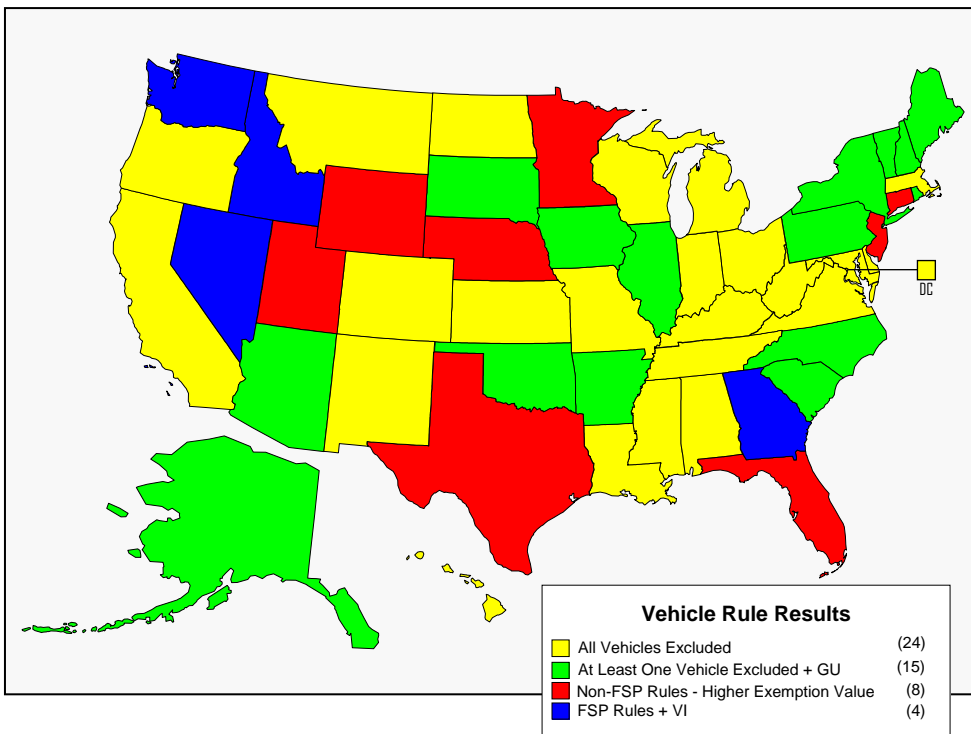
TANF Assistance Rules			TANF – MOE Categorical Eligibility	Child Care or Foster Care Rules	Food Stamp Program Rules
30			7	11	5
ALABAMA	IOWA	NORTH CAROLINA	DELAWARE	CALIFORNIA	GEORGIA
ALASKA	KANSAS	OHIO	MICHIGAN	COLORADO	IDAHO
ARIZONA	KENTUCKY	OKLAHOMA	NORTH DAKOTA	INDIANA	NEVADA
ARKANSAS	LOUISIANA	PENNSYLVANIA	OREGON	MASSACHUSETTS	VIRGIN ISLANDS
CONNECTICUT	MAINE	RHODE ISLAND	SOUTH CAROLINA	MISSOURI	WASHINGTON
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	MARYLAND	SOUTH DAKOTA	TEXAS	MONTANA	
FLORIDA	MINNESOTA	UTAH	WISCONSIN	NEBRASKA	
GUAM	MISSISSIPPI	VERMONT		NEW MEXICO	
HAWAII	NEW HAMPSHIRE	VIRGINIA		NEW YORK	
ILLINOIS	NEW JERSEY	WYOMING		TENNESSEE	
				WEST VIRGINIA	



## Vehicle Policy Con't.

The alternative rules used have allowed 24 States to exclude the value of all vehicles entirely. Of the remaining 24 States not using FSP rules, 16 totally exclude the value of at least one vehicle per household. The other 8 exempt an amount higher than the FSP's standard auto exemption (currently set at \$4,650) from the fair market value to determine the countable resource value of a vehicle.

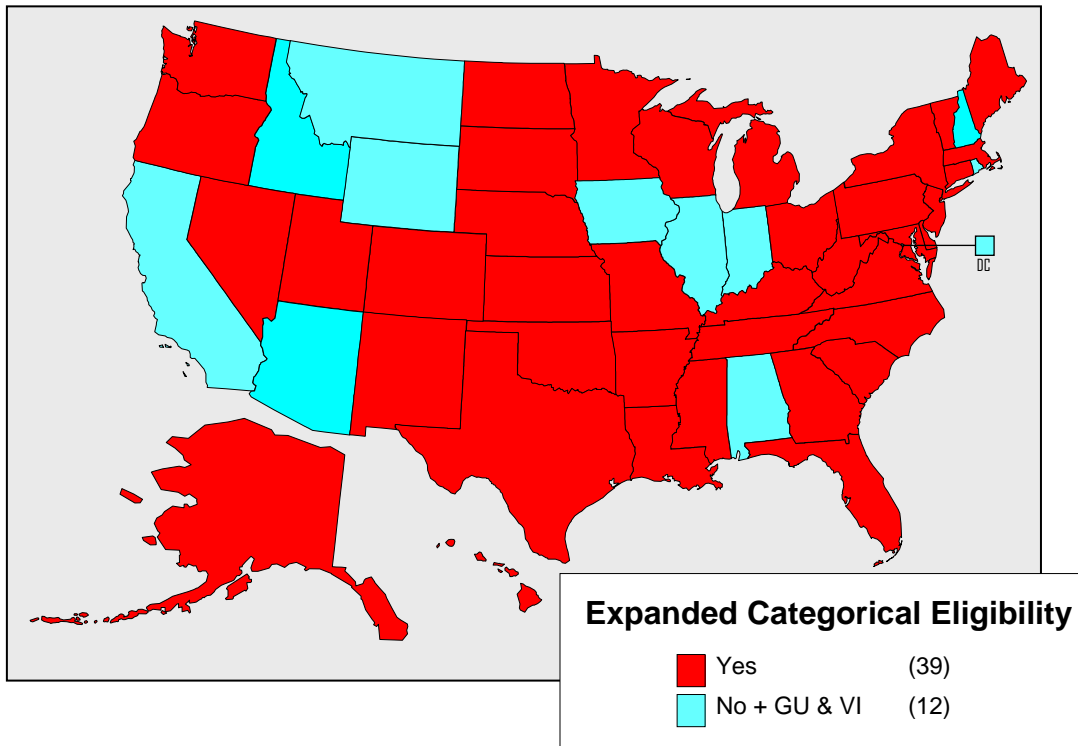
All Vehicles Excluded		At Least One Vehicle Per Household Excluded		Exemption > \$4,650
24		16		8
ALABAMA	MICHIGAN	ALASKA	NEW YORK	CONNECTICUT
CALIFORNIA	MISSISSIPPI	ARIZONA	NORTH CAROLINA	FLORIDA
COLORADO	MISSOURI	ARKANSAS	OKLAHOMA	MINNESOTA
DELAWARE	MONTANA	GUAM	PENNSYLVANIA	NEBRASKA
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	NEW MEXICO	ILLINOIS	RHODE ISLAND	NEW JERSEY
HAWAII	NORTH DAKOTA	IOWA	SOUTH CAROLINA	TEXAS
INDIANA	OHIO	MAINE	SOUTH DAKOTA	UTAH
KANSAS	OREGON	NEW HAMPSHIRE	VERMONT	WYOMING
KENTUCKY	TENNESSEE			
LOUISIANA	VIRGINIA			
MARYLAND	WEST VIRGINIA			
MASSACHUSETTS	WISCONSIN			



## Expanded Categorical Eligibility

Expanding categorical eligibility for food stamp benefits is advantageous for more than dealing with vehicles. It can simplify eligibility determination by eliminating the requirement for other asset valuation and the application of the resource test. Households where all members benefit from means-tested cash assistance programs are categorically eligible for food stamps--as are those receiving means-tested non-cash benefits if the program involved is funded with over 50 percent TANF or MOE money. State agencies then have the option to expand this designation to households receiving a non-cash benefit from programs wherein less than 50 percent of the funding comes from TANF or MOE sources as long as the household's gross income does not exceed 200 percent of the poverty level.

Expanded Categorical Eligibility			No Expanded Categorical Eligibility	
39			14	
ALASKA	MASSACHUSETTS	OKLAHOMA	ALABAMA	IOWA
ARKANSAS	MICHIGAN	OREGON	ARIZONA	MONTANA
COLORADO	MINNESOTA	PENNSYLVANIA	CALIFORNIA	NEW HAMPSHIRE
CONNECTICUT	MISSISSIPPI	SOUTH CAROLINA	DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	RHODE ISLAND
DELAWARE	MISSOURI	SOUTH DAKOTA	GUAM	VIRGIN ISLANDS
FLORIDA	NEBRASKA	TENNESSEE	IDAHO	WYOMING
GEORGIA	NEVADA	TEXAS	ILLINOIS	
HAWAII	NEW JERSEY	UTAH	INDIANA	
KANSAS	NEW MEXICO	VERMONT		
KENTUCKY	NEW YORK	VIRGINIA		
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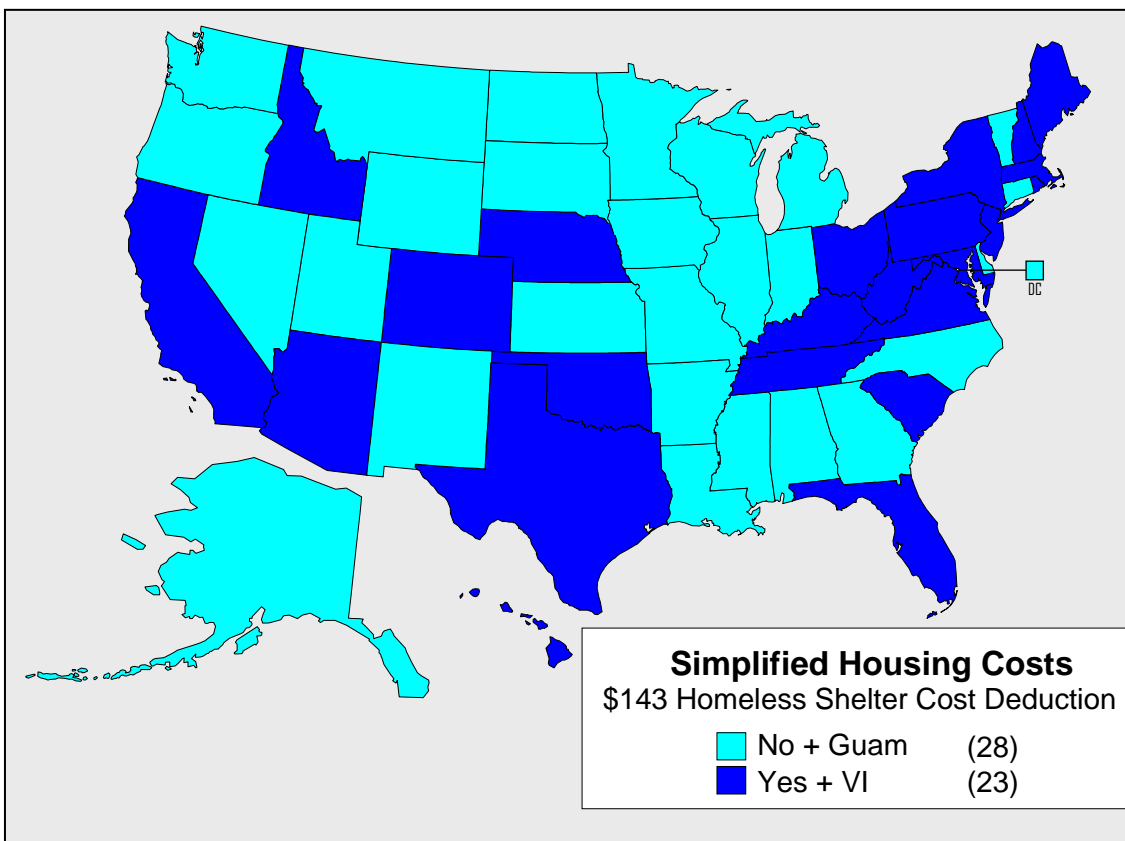




## Simplified Housing Costs (Homeless)

States have the option to use a standard deduction from income of \$143 per month for homeless households with some shelter expenses. This option makes it unnecessary for States to justify the level of the homeless shelter cost deduction and for program participants to itemize specific costs.

Simplified Housing Costs	
24	
ARIZONA	NEW JERSEY
CALIFORNIA	NEW YORK
COLORADO	OHIO
FLORIDA	OKLAHOMA
HAWAII	PENNSYLVANIA
IDAHO	RHODE ISLAND
KENTUCKY	SOUTH CAROLINA
MAINE	TENNESSEE
MARYLAND	TEXAS
MASSACHUSETTS	VIRGIN ISLANDS
NEBRASKA	VIRGINIA
NEW HAMPSHIRE	WEST VIRGINIA

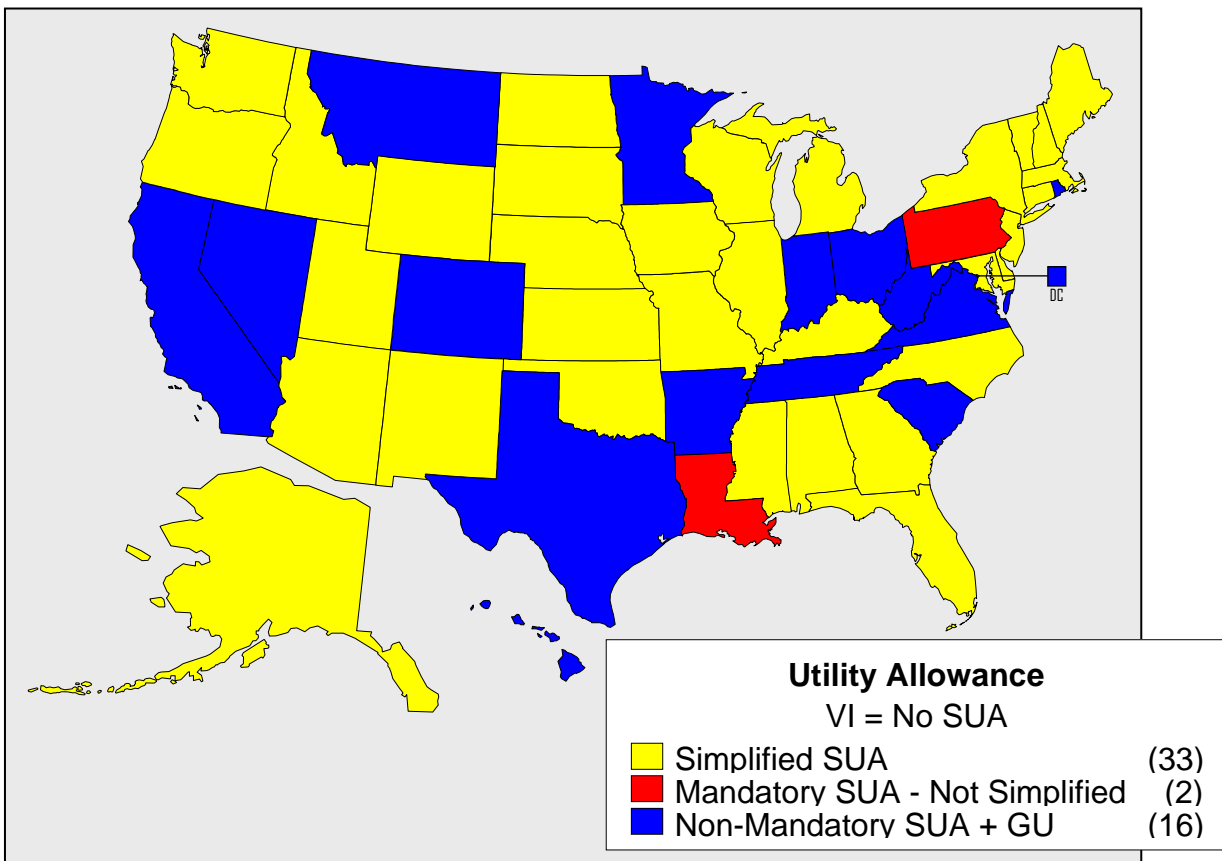




## Simplified Standard Utility Allowance (SUA)

State agencies electing to use the SUA for all households in place of actual utility costs can adopt the simplified SUA. This eliminates the requirement to prorate the SUA among households that share living space, and it allows public housing residents with shared meters who are charged for only excess utility costs to have the benefit of the SUA as a deduction from income. All State agencies except the Virgin Islands use a Standard Utility Allowance.

Mandatory SUA Simplified			Mandatory SUA – Not Simplified	SUA Not Mandatory		No SUA
33			2	17		1
ALABAMA	KENTUCKY	NEW YORK	LOUISIANA	ARKANSAS	MONTANA	VIRGIN ISLANDS
ALASKA	MAINE	NORTH CAROLINA	PENNSYLVANIA	CALIFORNIA	NEVADA	
ARIZONA	MARYLAND	NORTH DAKOTA		COLORADO	OHIO	
CONNECTICUT	MASSACHUSETTS	OKLAHOMA		DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	RHODE ISLAND	
DELAWARE	MICHIGAN	OREGON		GUAM	SOUTH CAROLINA	
FLORIDA	MISSISSIPPI	SOUTH DAKOTA		HAWAII	TENNESSEE	
GEORGIA	MISSOURI	UTAH		INDIANA	TEXAS	
IDAHO	NEBRASKA	VERMONT		MINNESOTA	VIRGINIA	
ILLINOIS	NEW HAMPSHIRE	WASHINGTON			WEST VIRGINIA	
IOWA	NEW JERSEY	WISCONSIN				
KANSAS	NEW MEXICO	WYOMING				

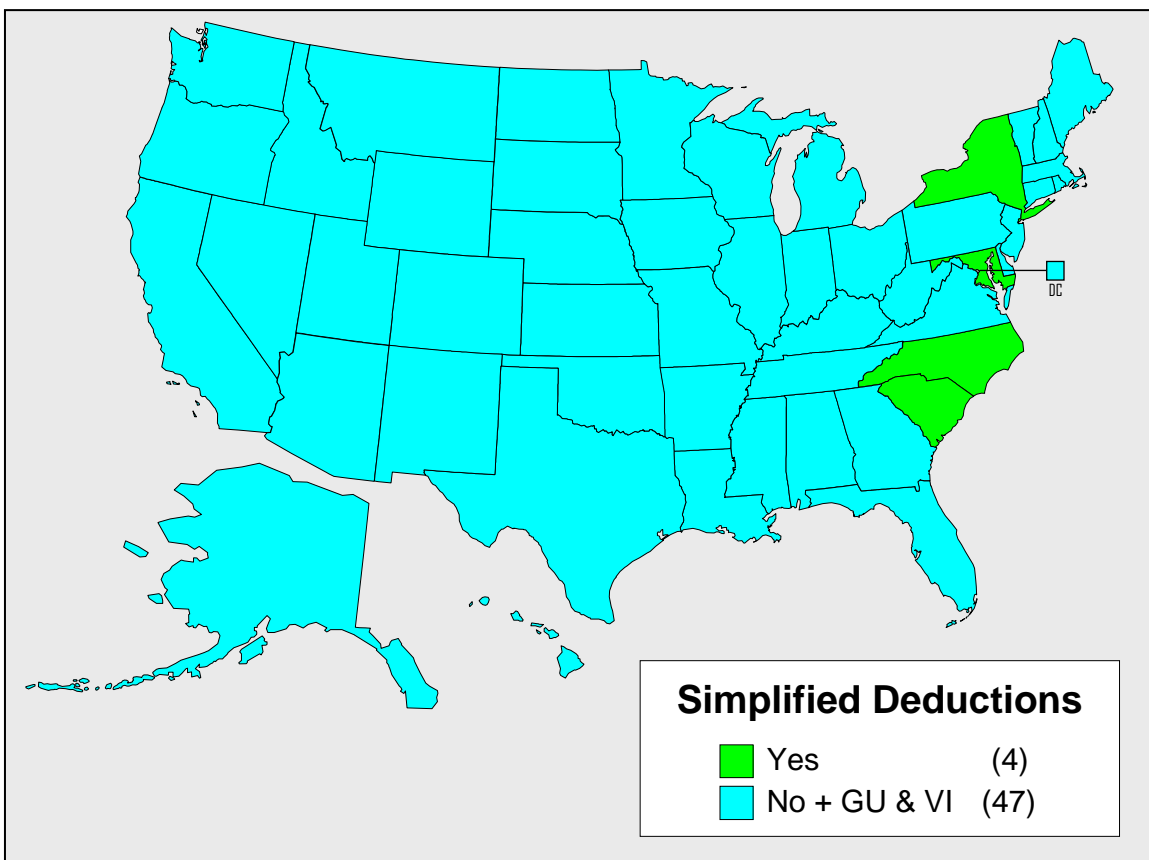




## Simplified Determination of Deductions

In order to streamline case handling procedures and lessen vulnerability to payment errors for minor discrepancies, States can elect to disregard changes in certain deduction amounts during certification periods. The deductions affected are the ones for child care expenses, child support payments made, medical expenses, and shelter costs at the same residence.

Simplified Deductions
4
MARYLAND NEW YORK NORTH CAROLINA SOUTH CAROLINA

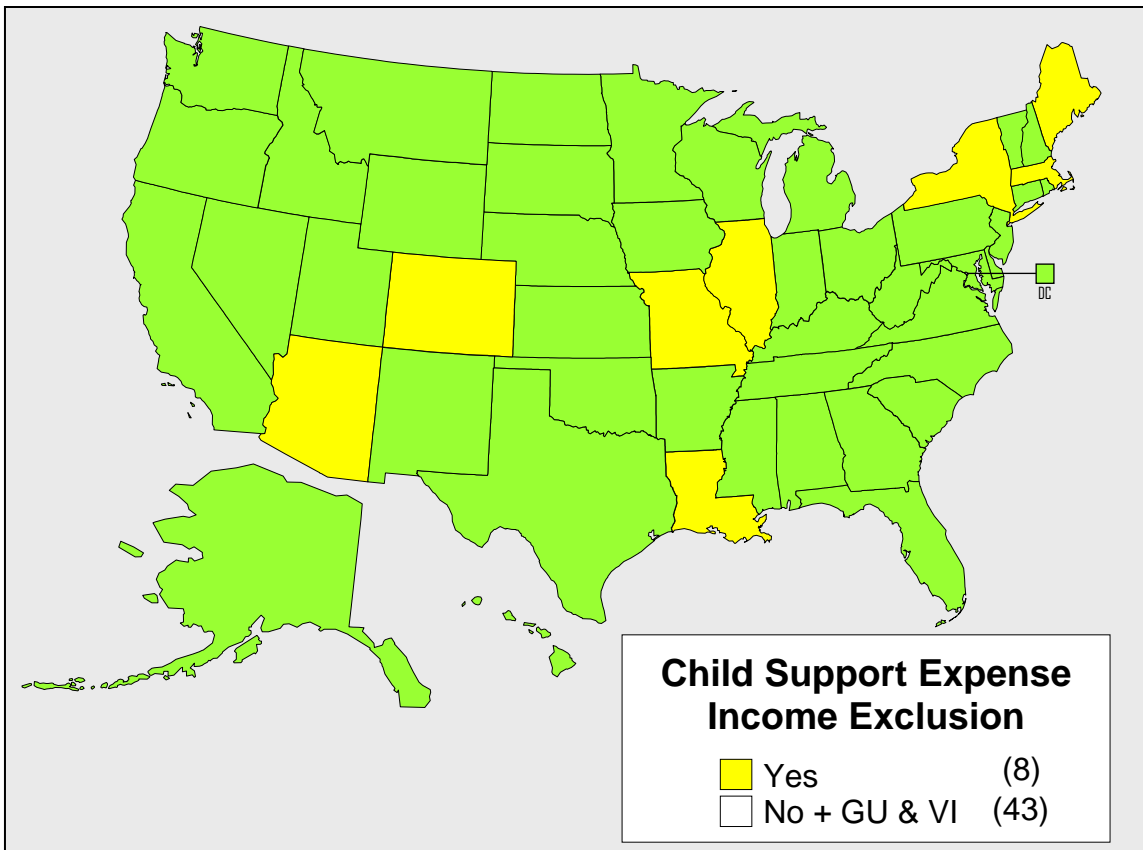


## Child Support Expense Income Exclusion



States have the option to treat legally obligated child support payments made to non-household members as an income exclusion rather than a deduction.

Child Support Expense Exclusion
8
ARIZONA COLORADO ILLINOIS LOUISIANA MAINE MASSACHUSETTS MISSOURI NEW YORK

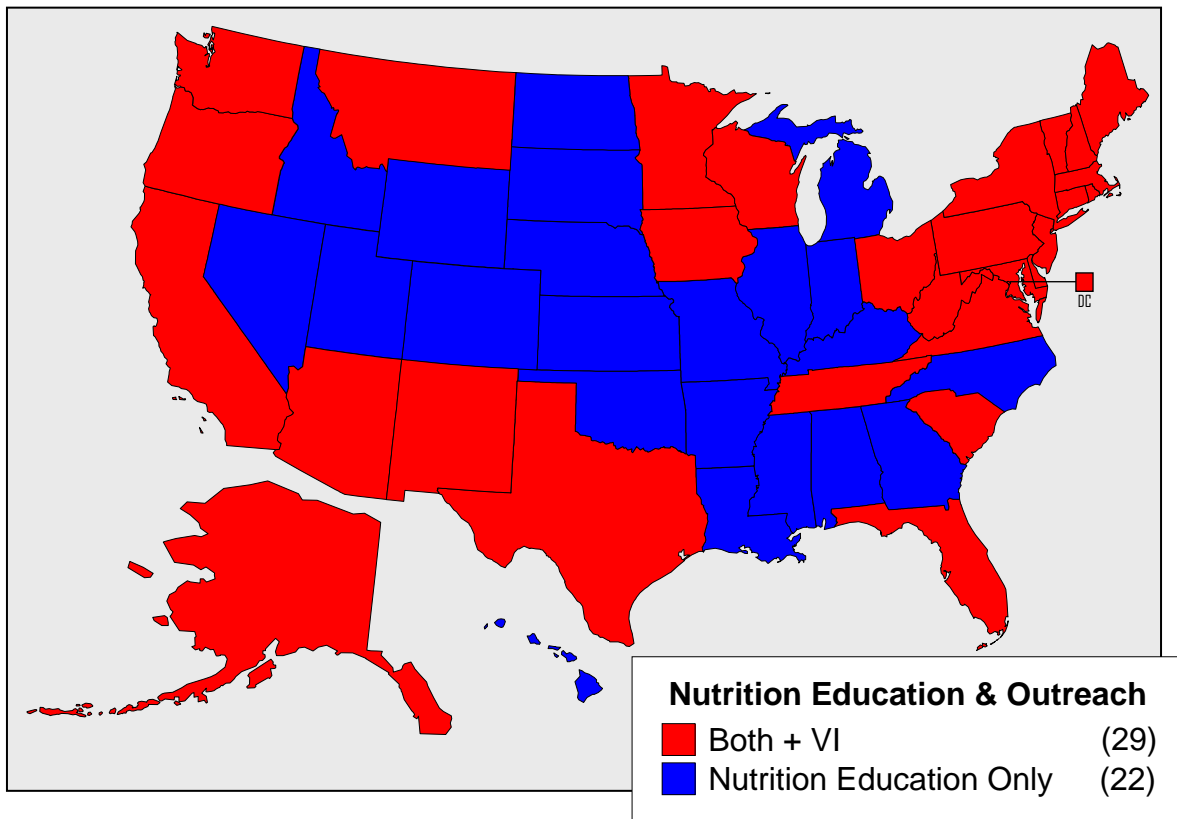




## Nutrition Education and Outreach Initiatives

All States, except Guam, have Nutrition Education programs. In addition, 30 States have Outreach Initiatives to increase program participation.

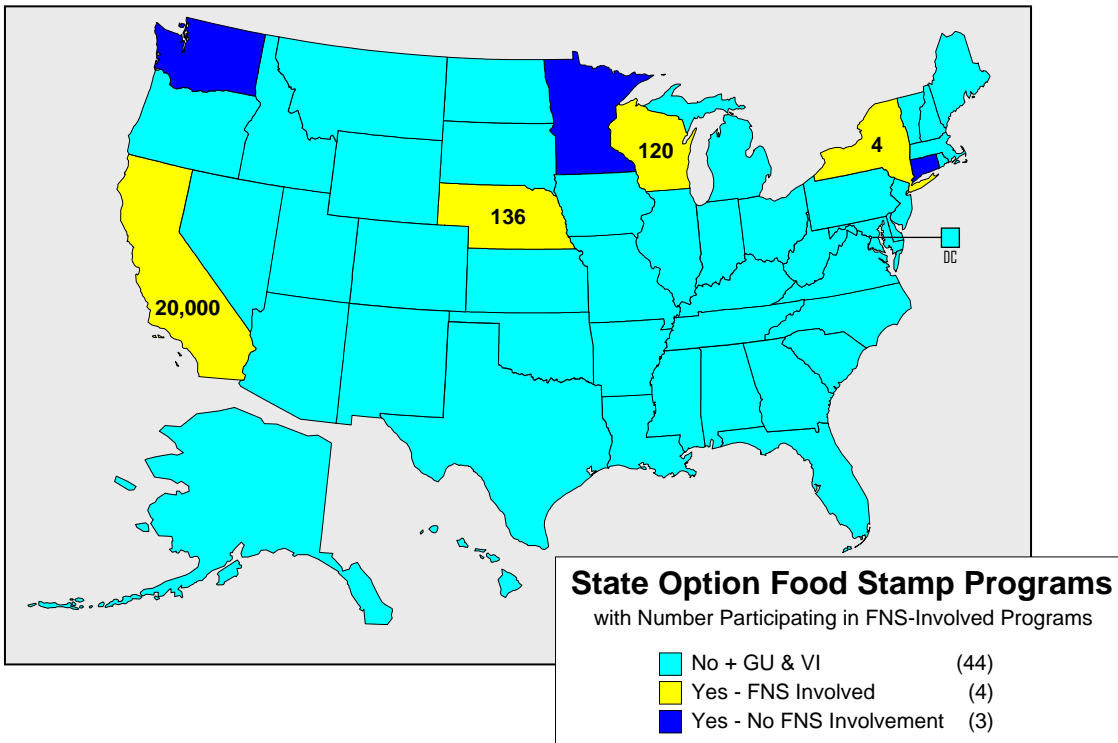
Nutrition Education Programs			Outreach Programs	
52			30	
ALABAMA	LOUISIANA	OHIO	ALASKA	NEW MEXICO
ALASKA	MAINE	OKLAHOMA	ARIZONA	NEW YORK
ARIZONA	MARYLAND	OREGON	CALIFORNIA	OHIO
ARKANSAS	MASSACHUSETTS	PENNSYLVANIA	CONNECTICUT	OREGON
CALIFORNIA	MICHIGAN	RHODE ISLAND	DELAWARE	PENNSYLVANIA
COLORADO	MINNESOTA	SOUTH CAROLINA	DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	RHODE ISLAND
CONNECTICUT	MISSISSIPPI	SOUTH DAKOTA	FLORIDA	SOUTH CAROLINA
DELAWARE	MISSOURI	TENNESSEE	IOWA	TENNESSEE
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	MONTANA	TEXAS	MAINE	TEXAS
FLORIDA	NEBRASKA	UTAH	MARYLAND	VERMONT
GEORGIA	NEVADA	VERMONT	MASSACHUSETTS	VIRGIN ISLANDS
HAWAII	NEW HAMPSHIRE	VIRGIN ISLANDS	MINNESOTA	VIRGINIA
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INDIANA	NEW YORK	WEST VIRGINIA	NEW JERSEY	WISCONSIN
IOWA	NORTH CAROLINA	WISCONSIN		
KANSAS	NORTH DAKOTA	WYOMING		
KENTUCKY				



## State Option Food Stamp Program for Immigrants

The Supplemental Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 1997 included authority for States to purchase food stamps from the Federal government for use in a State-funded food assistance program for legal immigrants. This development was in response to the limitations on immigrant eligibility for the Federal FSP contained in the 1996 welfare reform act. States design the eligibility requirements for their programs. Some States have chosen not to purchase food stamp benefits from FNS for their program participants. They handle benefit issuance and redemption activities independently. The size of these programs has diminished significantly with the passage of the Farm Bill that incrementally restored food stamp eligibility to major groups of legal immigrants. The last of these restorations occurred in October 2003 when children under 18 years of age regained eligibility. States may opt, however, to continue these programs to serve legal immigrant adults ineligible for the Federal FSP during their first five years in residence.

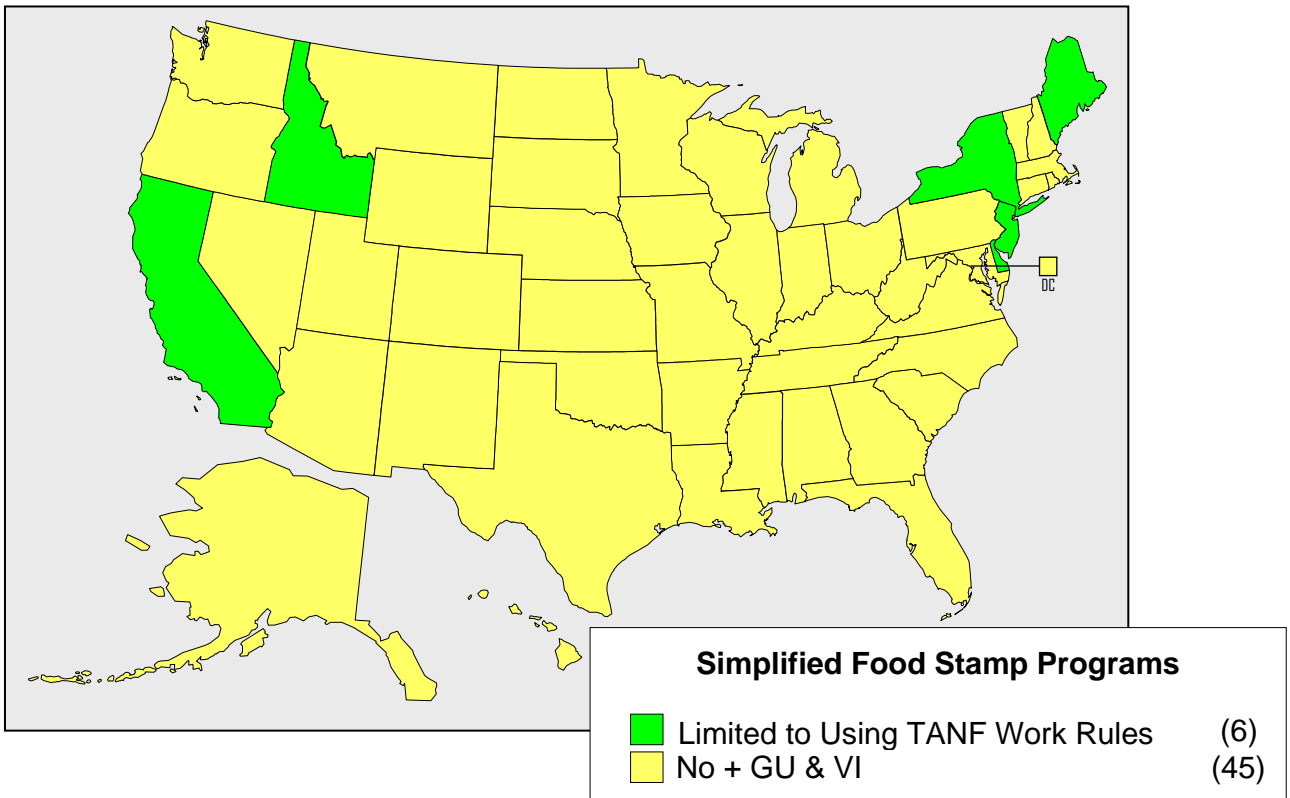
State Option FSP with Participants Per Month*		Independent State Nutrition Assistance Programs	
4		3	
CALIFORNIA	20,000	CONNECTICICUT	
NEBRASKA	136	MINNESOTA	
NEW YORK	4	WASHINGTON	
WISCONSIN	120		



## Simplified Food Stamp Program for TANF Households

States may use TANF or FSP rules, or a combination of both, to create Simplified Food Stamp Programs for TANF households. With FNS approval, States can design Simplified Programs to include households where not all members must be TANF recipients. Currently 6 States are operating limited or “mini” Simplified Programs, which means program rules have been altered from the regular FSP in the area of work requirements only. In such programs, the value of the TANF benefit and the food stamp allotment are combined to determine a work obligation satisfying the requirements of both programs.

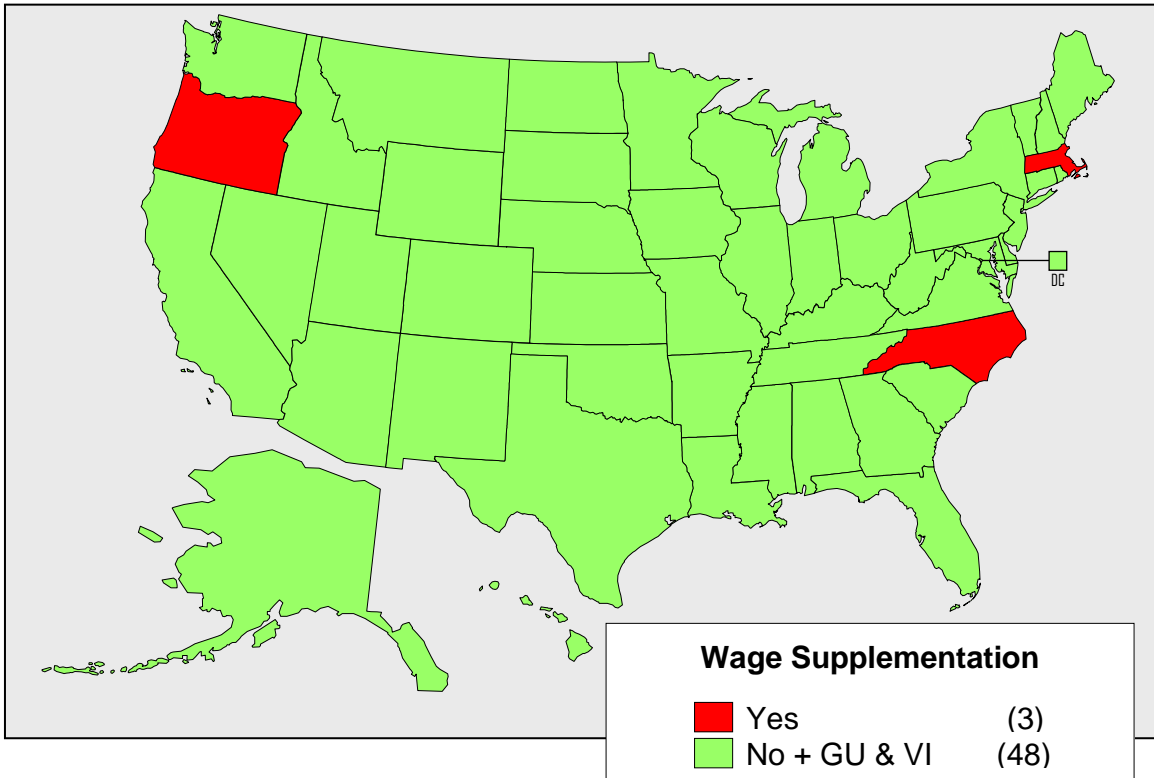
Limited Simplified Food Stamp Program
6
CALIFORNIA DELAWARE IDAHO MAINE NEW JERSEY NEW YORK



## Wage Supplementation

State agencies have the option of passing money in the amount of a food stamp recipient's benefit to an employer who must use the money to pay the recipient's wages. Currently only three States are engaging in this practice.

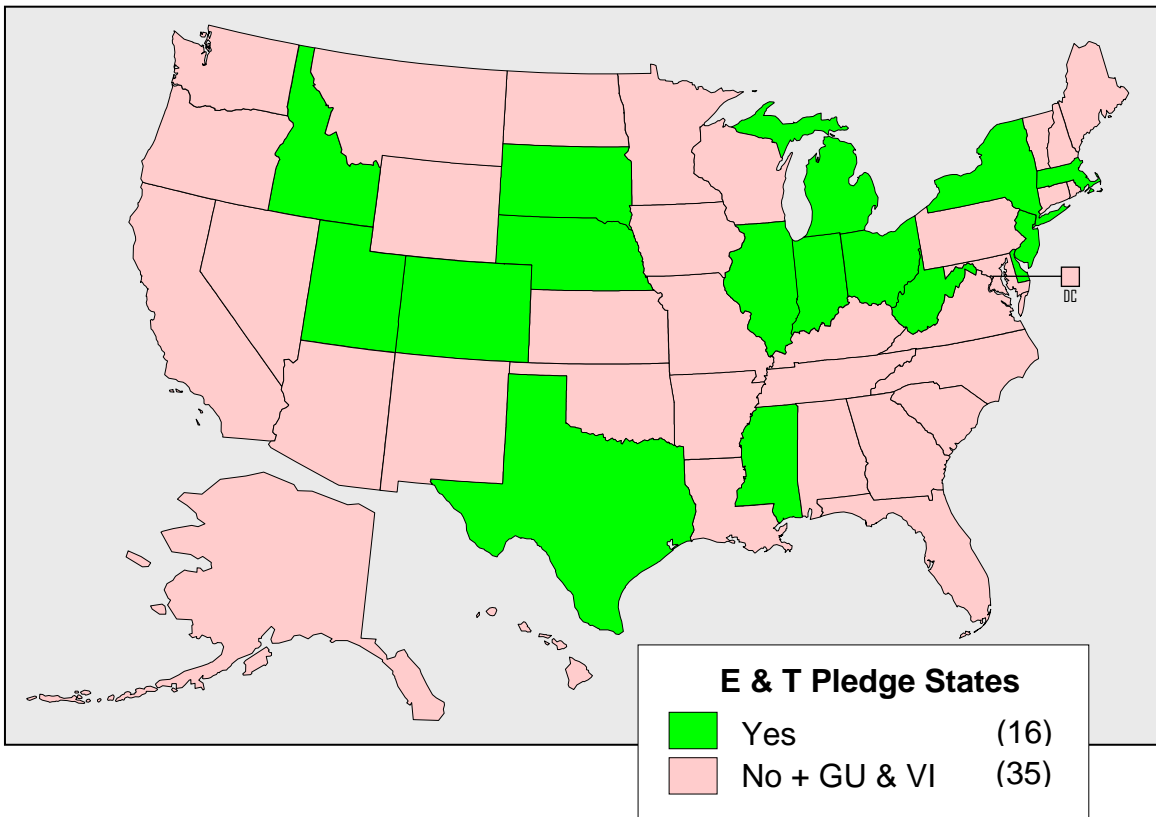
Wage Supplementation
3
MASSACHUSETTS NORTH CAROLINA OREGON



## Employment & Training Pledge States

Currently 16 States have “pledged” to offer every applicant or recipient Able-Bodied Adult without Dependents (ABAWD) subject to the three-month time limit on participation a qualifying education, training, or workfare opportunity. If the client fulfills the requirements of his or her education, training, or workfare component, he or she can continue to receive benefits. Each of the 16 States receives a share of the \$20 million set aside in the Farm Bill to fund employment and training services for this population.

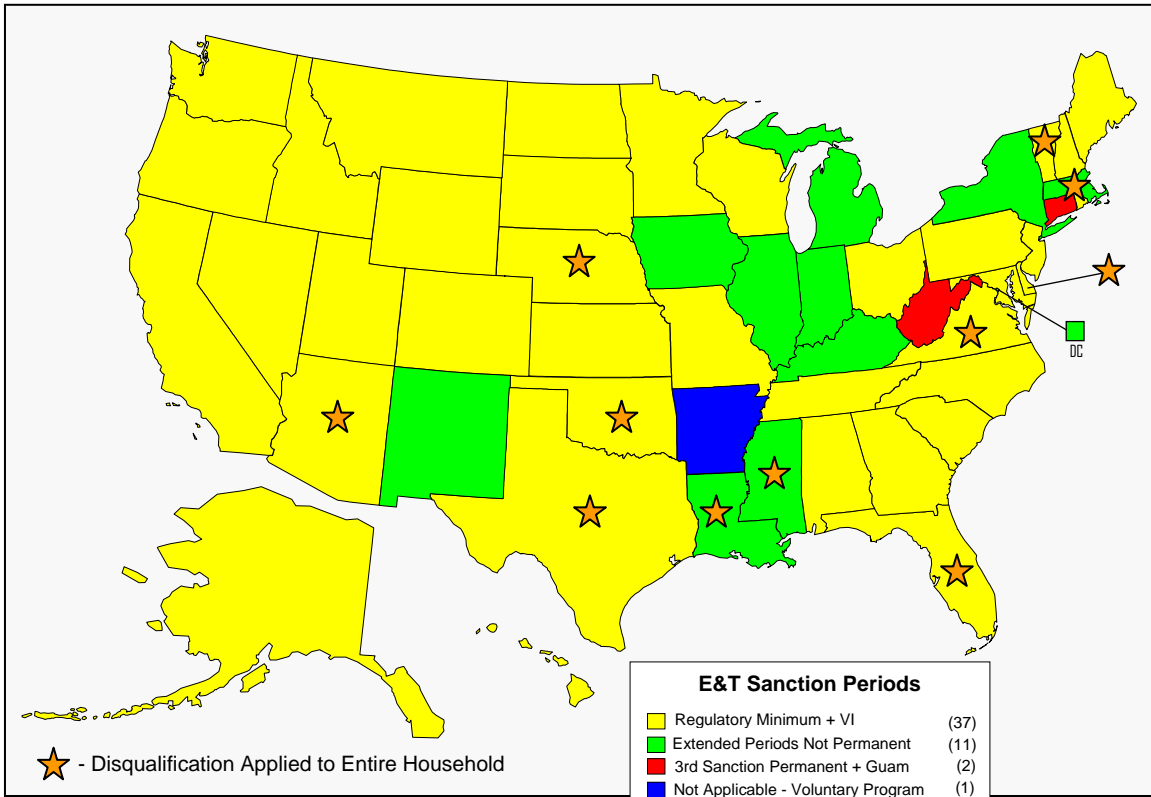
E&T Pledge States	
16	
COLORADO	NEBRASKA
DELAWARE	NEW JERSEY
IDAHO	NEW YORK
ILLINOIS	OHIO
INDIANA	SOUTH DAKOTA
MASSACHUSETTS	TEXAS
MICHIGAN	UTAH
MISSISSIPPI	WEST VIRGINIA



## Employment & Training Sanction Periods

Individuals who are required to register for work in order to receive benefits may be enrolled into a State’s E&T program to receive assistance preparing for and finding employment. If they fail to participate in planned E&T activities without good cause, they are disqualified from the FSP for certain periods of time depending on how many prior instances of non-compliance there have been. The minimum periods set by law are one month for the first instance, three months for the second, and six months for the third. Food stamp policy gives States the options to 1) set disqualification periods longer than these minimum mandatory periods, 2) for the third occurrence, make the disqualification permanent, and 3) sanction the entire household whenever the head of household fails to comply with E&T program requirements. For information on the exact length of extended sanction periods in each State choosing to extend them, see the State Profiles section of this report.

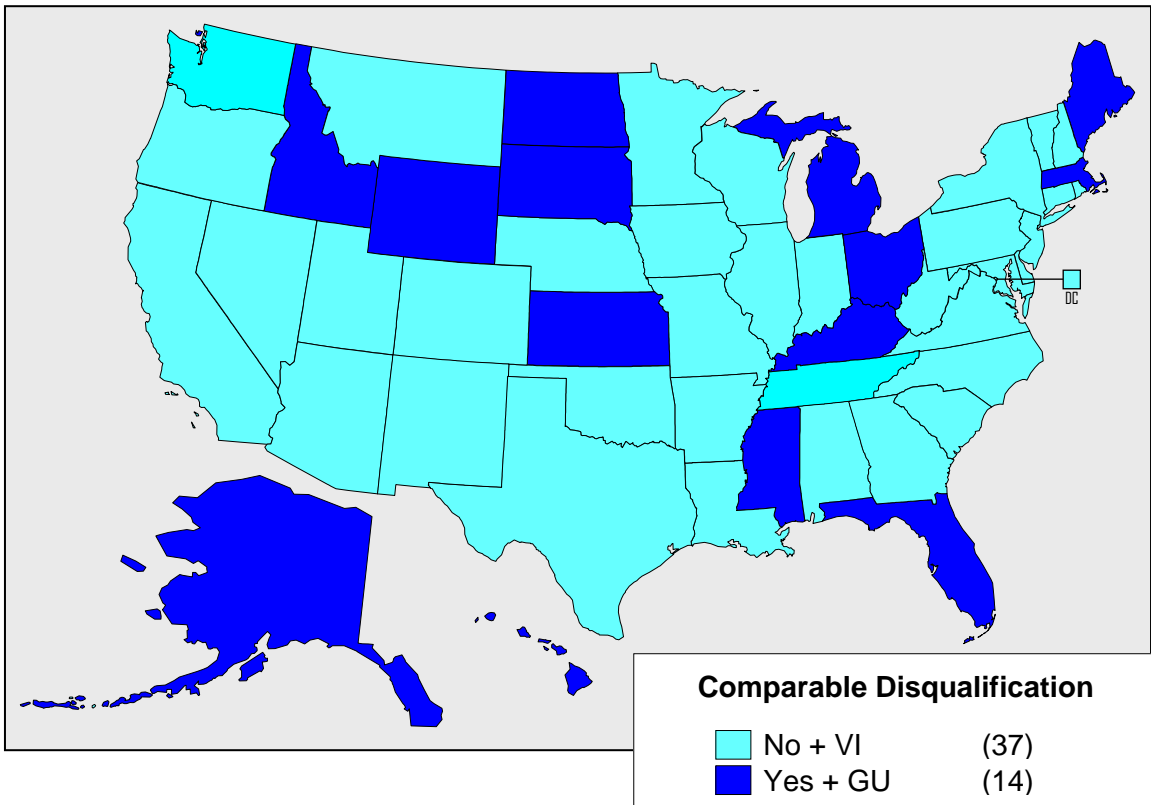
Extended E&T Sanctions		Permanent Disqualification	Entire Household Disqualification	
14		3	13	
CONNECTICUT DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA GUAM ILLINOIS INDIANA IOWA KENTUCKY	LOUISIANA MASSACHUSETTS MICHIGAN MISSISSIPPI NEW MEXICO NEW YORK WEST VIRGINIA	CONNECTICUT GUAM WEST VIRGINIA	ARIZONA DELAWARE FLORIDA GUAM LOUISIANA MASSACHUSETTS MISSISSIPPI	NEBRASKA OKLAHOMA TEXAS VERMONT VIRGIN ISLANDS VIRGINIA



## Comparable Disqualification

State agencies may disqualify food stamp applicants or recipients who fail to perform actions required by other means-tested programs, primarily TANF.

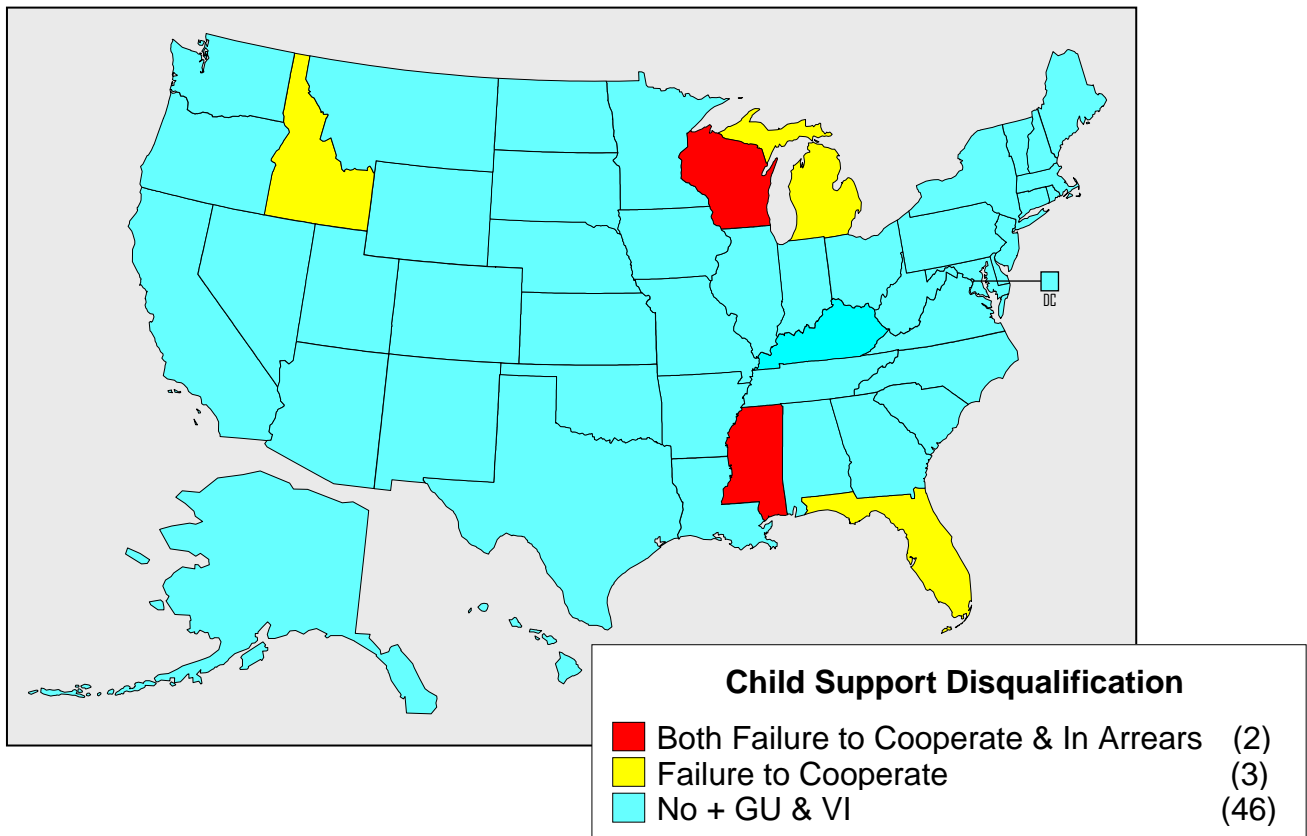
Comparable Disqualification	
15	
ALASKA	MASSACHUSETTS
FLORIDA	MICHIGAN
GUAM	MISSISSIPPI
HAWAII	NORTH DAKOTA
IDAHO	OHIO
KANSAS	SOUTH DAKOTA
KENTUCKY	WYOMING
MAINE	



## Child Support-Related Disqualification

States have the option to disqualify individuals who fail to cooperate with child support enforcement agencies, who are in arrears in court-ordered child support payments, or both.

Failure to Cooperate	Arrearage
5	2
FLORIDA IDAHO MICHIGAN MISSISSIPPI WISCONSIN	MISSISSIPPI WISCONSIN

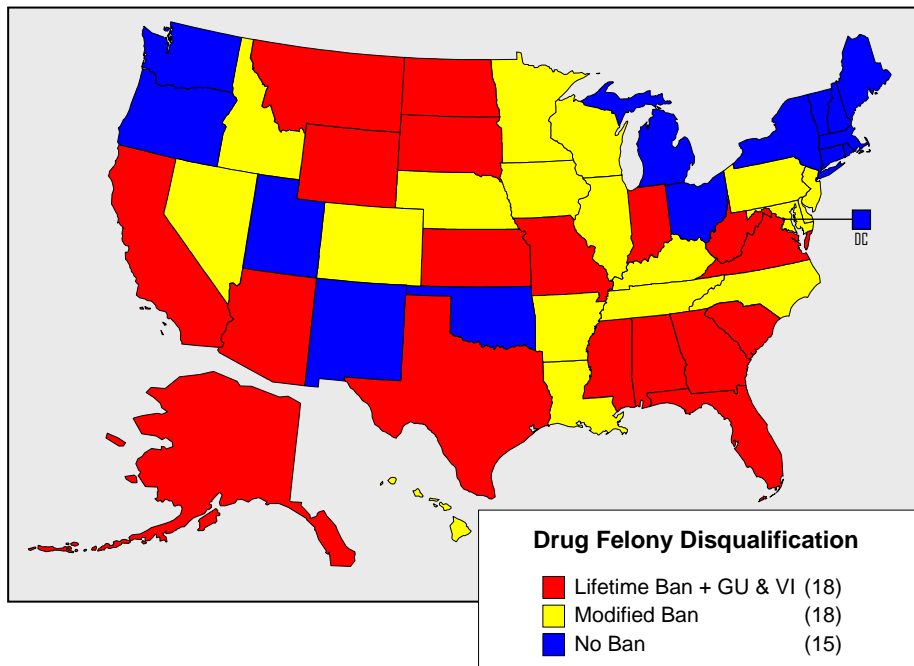




## Drug Felony Disqualification

Welfare reform legislation permanently disqualifies people from FSP participation if they have been convicted of a state or federal felony offense involving the use or sale of drugs. State legislatures can opt out of the penalty entirely or choose to impose less severe restrictions. Examples of these modified approaches are 1) limiting the circumstances in which permanent disqualification applies--such as only when convictions involve the *sale* of drugs, 2) requiring the person convicted to submit to drug testing, 3) requiring participation in a drug treatment program, and/or 4) imposing a temporary disqualification period.

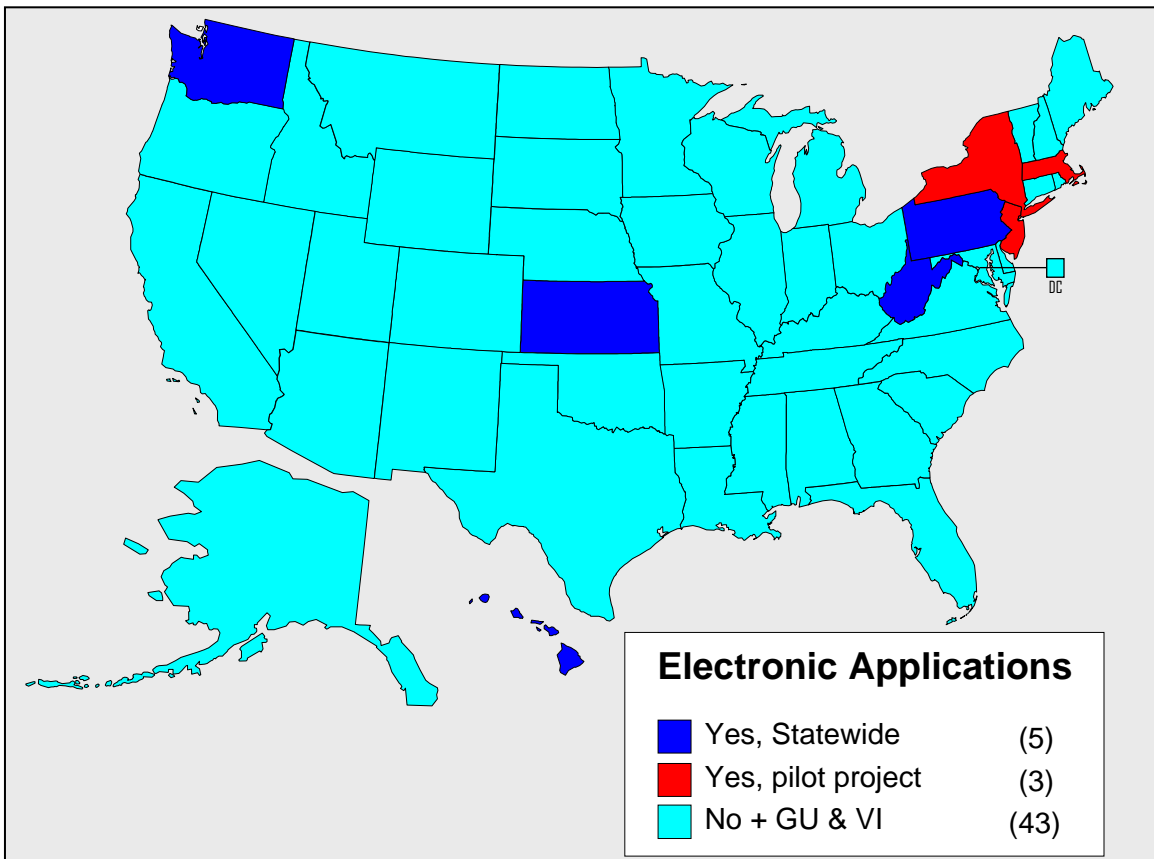
Lifetime Ban	Modified Ban		No Ban	
20	18		15	
ALABAMA ALASKA ARIZONA CALIFORNIA FLORIDA GEORGIA GUAM INDIANA KANSAS MISSISSIPPI	MISSOURI MONTANA NORTH DAKOTA SOUTH CAROLINA SOUTH DAKOTA TEXAS VIRGIN ISLANDS VIRGINIA WEST VIRGINIA WYOMING	ARKANSAS COLORADO DELAWARE HAWAII IDAHO ILLINOIS IOWA KENTUCKY LOUISIANA	MARYLAND MINNESOTA NEBRASKA NEVADA NEW JERSEY NORTH CAROLINA PENNSYLVANIA TENNESSEE WISCONSIN	CONNECTICUT DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA MAINE MASSACHUSETTS MICHIGAN NEW HAMPSHIRE NEW MEXICO NEW YORK OHIO OKLAHOMA OREGON RHODE ISLAND UTAH VERMONT WASHINGTON




## Electronic Application Filing

Currently 8 States provide applicants for the Food Stamp Program with the opportunity to apply for benefits on-line by computer at a web site. This option has been fully implemented statewide in 5 States, and is being piloted in a limited number of counties or sites in the 3 remaining States (Massachusetts, New Jersey, and New York).

Electronic Application States	
<b>8</b>	
HAWAII	NEW YORK
KANSAS	PENNSYLVANIA
MASSACHUSETTS	WASHINGTON
NEW JERSEY	WEST VIRGINIA



## SUMMARY

<i>Option</i>	<i>Number of States</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting – Earned Income Households Only	7
 Simplified (Reduced) Reporting – Expanded to Other Households	35
Quarterly Reporting	1
Monthly Reporting	6
Status Reporting	13
\$100 Reporting – Earned Income	22
\$100 Reporting – Unearned Income	7
 Transitional Benefits	13
 Simplified Definition of Income	29
 Simplified Definition of Resources	26
Vehicle Rules: FSP	5
Vehicle Rules: TANF Assistance	30
Vehicle Rules: Child Care or Foster Care	11
Vehicle Rules: TANF-MOE Categorical Eligibility	7
Vehicle Rules: Excludes All Vehicles	24
Vehicle Rules: Not All – But At Least One Vehicle Excluded	16
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	39
 Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	24
Standard Utility Allowance	52
Mandatory Standard Utility Allowance	35
 Simplified Utility Allowance	33
 Simplified Deductions	4
 Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	8
Nutrition Education Plan	52
Outreach Plan	30
State Option Food Stamp Program – Purchase of FNS Benefits	4
Independent State Food Stamp Program	3
Limited Simplified Food Stamp Program	6
Wage Supplementation	3
E&T Pledge State	16
Extended E&T Sanction Periods	14
E&T Permanent Disqualification	3
E&T Household Disqualification	13
Comparable Disqualification	15
Child Support Disqualification: Failure to Cooperate Only	3
Child Support Disqualification: Arrearage Only	0
Child Support Disqualification: Both Failure to Cooperate & Arrearage	2
Drug Felony Disqualification: Lifetime Ban	20
Drug Felony Disqualification: Modified Ban	18
Drug Felony Disqualification: No Ban	15
Electronic Application Filing	8

# **SECTION TWO:**

## **STATE PROFILES**

<b>ALABAMA</b>	
<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting	No
\$100 Reporting – Earned Income	Yes
\$100 Reporting – Unearned Income	No
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	Yes
Simplified Definition of Resources	Yes
Vehicle Rules:	TANF Cash Assistance – All Vehicles Excluded
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	No
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	No
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes – Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	Yes
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Plan	Yes
Outreach Plan	No
State Option Food Stamp Program	No
Simplified Food Stamp Program	No
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	No
E&T Sanction Months	1-3-6 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	No
Comparable Disqualification	No
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	Lifetime Ban
Electronic Application Filing	No

<b>ALASKA</b>	
<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting	Yes
\$100 Reporting – Earned Income	No
\$100 Reporting – Unearned Income	No
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	No
Simplified Definition of Resources	No
Vehicle Rules:	TANF Cash Assistance – At Least One Vehicle Excluded
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	No
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	Yes
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Plan	Yes
Outreach Plan	Yes
State Option Food Stamp Program	No
Simplified Food Stamp Program	No
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	No
E&T Sanction Months	1-3-6 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	No
Comparable Disqualification	Yes
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	Lifetime Ban
Electronic Application Filing	No

<b>ARIZONA</b>	
<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting	No
\$100 Reporting – Earned Income	No
\$100 Reporting – Unearned Income	No
Transitional Benefits	Yes
Simplified Definition of Income	Yes
Simplified Definition of Resources	Yes
Vehicle Rules	TANF Cash Assistance – At Least One Vehicle Excluded
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	No
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	Yes
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	Yes
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	Yes
Nutrition Education Program	Yes
Outreach Program	Yes
State Option Food Stamp Program	No
Simplified Food Stamp Program	No
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	No
E&T Sanction Months	1-3-6 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	Yes
Comparable Disqualification	No
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	Lifetime Ban
Electronic Application Filing	No

<b>ARKANSAS</b>	
<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting	No
\$100 Reporting – Earned Income	No
\$100 Reporting – Unearned Income	No
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	No
Simplified Definition of Resources	Yes
Vehicle Rules	TANF Cash Assistance – At Least One Vehicle Excluded
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	No
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Not Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	No
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Program	Yes
Outreach Program	No
State Option Food Stamp Program	No
Simplified Food Stamp Program	No
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	No
E&T Sanction Months	Not Applicable
E&T Household Disqualification	No
Comparable Disqualification	No
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	Modified Ban
Electronic Application Filing	No

## CALIFORNIA

<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	No
Quarterly Reporting	Yes
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting	No
\$100 Reporting – Earned Income	Yes
\$100 Reporting – Unearned Income	No
Transitional Benefits	Yes
Simplified Definition of Income	No
Simplified Definition of Resources	No
Vehicle Rules	Child Care – All Vehicles Excluded
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	No
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	Yes
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Not Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	No
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Plan	Yes
Outreach Plan	Yes
State Option Food Stamp Program	Yes - FNS Involved
Simplified Food Stamp Program	Limited to Using TANF Work Rules
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	No
E&T Sanction Months	1-3-6 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	No
Comparable Disqualification	No
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	Lifetime Ban
Electronic Application Filing	No

## COLORADO

<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting	No
\$100 Reporting – Earned Income	No
\$100 Reporting – Unearned Income	No
Transitional Benefits	Yes
Simplified Definition of Income	No
Simplified Definition of Resources	No
Vehicle Rules	Child Care – All Vehicles Excluded
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	Yes
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Not Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	No
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	Yes
Nutrition Education Program	Yes
Outreach Program	No
State Option Food Stamp Program	No
Simplified Food Stamp Program	No
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	Yes
E&T Sanction Months	1-3-6 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	No
Comparable Disqualification	No
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	Modified Ban
Electronic Application Filing	No

## CONNECTICUT

<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting	No
\$100 Reporting – Earned Income	No
\$100 Reporting – Unearned Income	Yes
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	No
Simplified Definition of Resources	No
Vehicle Rules	TANF Cash Assistance – Exemption > \$4,650
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	No
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	Yes
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Program	Yes
Outreach Program	Yes
State Option Food Stamp Program	Yes - No FNS Involvement
Simplified Food Stamp Program	No
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	No
E&T Sanction Months	3-6-Permanently
E&T Household Disqualification	No
Comparable Disqualification	No
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	No Ban
Electronic Application Filing	No

## DELAWARE

<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting	Yes
\$100 Reporting – Earned Income	No
\$100 Reporting – Unearned Income	No
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	No
Simplified Definition of Resources	No
Vehicle Rules	Categorical Eligibility – All Vehicles Excluded
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	No
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	Yes
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Program	Yes
Outreach Program	Yes
State Option Food Stamp Program	No
Simplified Food Stamp Program	Limited to Using TANF Work Rules
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	Yes
E&T Sanction Months	1-3-6 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	Yes
Comparable Disqualification	No
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	Modified Ban
Electronic Application Filing	No



<b>DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA</b>	
<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting	No
\$100 Reporting – Earned Income	Yes
\$100 Reporting – Unearned Income	Yes
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	No
Simplified Definition of Resources	No
Vehicle Rules	TANF Cash Assistance – All Vehicles Excluded
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	No
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	No
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Not Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	No
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Program	Yes
Outreach Program	Yes
State Option Food Stamp Program	No
Simplified Food Stamp Program	No
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	No
E&T Sanction Months	2-3-6 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	No
Comparable Disqualification	No
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	No Ban
Electronic Application Filing	No

<b>FLORIDA</b>	
<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting	No
\$100 Reporting – Earned Income	No
\$100 Reporting – Unearned Income	No
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	Yes
Simplified Definition of Resources	No
Vehicle Rules	TANF Cash Assistance – Exemption > \$4,650
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	Yes
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	Yes
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Program	Yes
Outreach Program	Yes
State Option Food Stamp Program	No
Simplified Food Stamp Program	No
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	No
E&T Sanction Months	1-3-6 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	Yes
Comparable Disqualification	Yes
Child Support Disqualification	Failure to Cooperate
Drug Felony Disqualification	Lifetime Ban
Electronic Application Filing	No

<b>GEORGIA</b>	
<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting	Yes
\$100 Reporting – Earned Income	No
\$100 Reporting – Unearned Income	No
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	Yes
Simplified Definition of Resources	Yes
Vehicle Rules	FSP Rules
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	No
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	Yes
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Program	Yes
Outreach Program	No
State Option Food Stamp Program	No
Simplified Food Stamp Program	No
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	No
E&T Sanction Months	1-3-6 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	No
Comparable Disqualification	No
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	Lifetime Ban
Electronic Application Filing	No

<b>GUAM</b>	
<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	No
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting	Yes
\$100 Reporting – Earned Income	Yes
\$100 Reporting – Unearned Income	No
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	No
Simplified Definition of Resources	No
Vehicle Rules	TANF Cash Assistance – At Least One Vehicle Excluded
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	No
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	No
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Not Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	No
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Program	No
Outreach Program	No
State Option Food Stamp Program	No
Simplified Food Stamp Program	No
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	No
E&T Sanction Months	3-6-Permanently
E&T Household Disqualification	Yes
Comparable Disqualification	Yes
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	Lifetime Ban
Electronic Application Filing	No

<b>HAWAII</b>	
<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	No
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	Yes
Status Reporting	No
\$100 Reporting – Earned Income	No
\$100 Reporting – Unearned Income	No
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	Yes
Simplified Definition of Resources	No
Vehicle Rules	TANF Cash Assistance – All Vehicles Excluded
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	Yes
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Not Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	No
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Program	Yes
Outreach Program	No
State Option Food Stamp Program	No
Simplified Food Stamp Program	No
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	No
E&T Sanction Months	1-3-6 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	No
Comparable Disqualification	Yes
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	Modified Ban
Electronic Application Filing	Yes

<b>IDAHO</b>	
<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting	No
\$100 Reporting – Earned Income	Yes
\$100 Reporting – Unearned Income	No
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	Yes
Simplified Definition of Resources	No
Vehicle Rules	FSP Rules
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	No
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	Yes
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	Yes
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Program	Yes
Outreach Program	No
State Option Food Stamp Program	No
Simplified Food Stamp Program	Limited to Using TANF Work Rules
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	Yes
E&T Sanction Months	1-3-6 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	No
Comparable Disqualification	Yes
Child Support Disqualification	Yes
Drug Felony Disqualification	Modified Ban
Electronic Application Filing	No

## ILLINOIS

<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting	No
\$100 Reporting – Earned Income	Yes
\$100 Reporting – Unearned Income	No
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	Yes
Simplified Definition of Resources	Yes
Vehicle Rules	TANF Cash Assistance – At Least One Vehicle Excluded
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	No
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	No
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	Yes
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	Yes
Nutrition Education Program	Yes
Outreach Program	No
State Option Food Stamp Program	No
Simplified Food Stamp Program	No
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	Yes
E&T Sanction Months	2-4-6 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	No
Comparable Disqualification	No
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	Modified Ban
Electronic Application Filing	No

## INDIANA

<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting	Yes
\$100 Reporting – Earned Income	Yes
\$100 Reporting – Unearned Income	No
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	Yes
Simplified Definition of Resources	Yes
Vehicle Rules	Child Care – All Vehicles Excluded
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	No
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	No
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Not Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	No
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Program	Yes
Outreach Program	No
State Option Food Stamp Program	No
Simplified Food Stamp Program	No
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	Yes
E&T Sanction Months	2-6-36 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	No
Comparable Disqualification	No
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	Lifetime Ban
Electronic Application Filing	No

<b>IOWA</b>	
<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting	No
\$100 Reporting – Earned Income	No
\$100 Reporting – Unearned Income	No
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	Yes
Simplified Definition of Resources	Yes
Vehicle Rules	TANF Cash Assistance – At Least One Vehicle Excluded
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	No
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	No
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	Yes
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Program	Yes
Outreach Program	Yes
State Option Food Stamp Program	No
Simplified Food Stamp Program	No
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	No
E&T Sanction Months	2-3-6 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	No
Comparable Disqualification	No
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	Modified Ban
Electronic Application Filing	No

<b>KANSAS</b>	
<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting	No
\$100 Reporting – Earned Income	No
\$100 Reporting – Unearned Income	No
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	Yes
Simplified Definition of Resources	No
Vehicle Rules	TANF Cash Assistance – All Vehicles Excluded
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	No
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	Yes
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Program	Yes
Outreach Program	No
State Option Food Stamp Program	No
Simplified Food Stamp Program	No
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	No
E&T Sanction Months	1-3-6 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	No
Comparable Disqualification	Yes
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	Lifetime Ban
Electronic Application Filing	Yes

## KENTUCKY

<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting	No
\$100 Reporting – Earned Income	No
\$100 Reporting – Unearned Income	No
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	Yes
Simplified Definition of Resources	Yes
Vehicle Rules	TANF Cash Assistance – All Vehicles Excluded
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	Yes
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	Yes
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Program	Yes
Outreach Program	No
State Option Food Stamp Program	No
Simplified Food Stamp Program	No
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	No
E&T Sanction Months	2-4-6 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	No
Comparable Disqualification	Yes
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	Modified Ban
Electronic Application Filing	No

## LOUISIANA

<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting	No
\$100 Reporting – Earned Income	Yes
\$100 Reporting – Unearned Income	No
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	No
Simplified Definition of Resources	Yes
Vehicle Rules	TANF Cash Assistance – All Vehicles Excluded
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	No
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	No
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	Yes
Nutrition Education Program	Yes
Outreach Program	No
State Option Food Stamp Program	No
Simplified Food Stamp Program	No
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	No
E&T Sanction Months	3-6-6 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	Yes
Comparable Disqualification	No
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	Modified Ban
Electronic Application Filing	No

<b>MAINE</b>	
<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting	No
\$100 Reporting – Earned Income	No
\$100 Reporting – Unearned Income	No
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	No
Simplified Definition of Resources	No
Vehicle Rules	TANF Cash Assistance – At Least One Vehicle Excluded
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	Yes
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	Yes
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	Yes
Nutrition Education Program	Yes
Outreach Program	Yes
State Option Food Stamp Program	No
Simplified Food Stamp Program	Limited to Using TANF Work Rules
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	No
E&T Sanction Months	1-3-6 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	No
Comparable Disqualification	Yes
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	No Ban
Electronic Application Filing	No

<b>MARYLAND</b>	
<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting	No
\$100 Reporting – Earned Income	No
\$100 Reporting – Unearned Income	No
Transitional Benefits	Yes
Simplified Definition of Income	Yes
Simplified Definition of Resources	Yes
Vehicle Rules	TANF Cash Assistance – All Vehicles Excluded
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	Yes
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	Yes
Simplified Deductions	Yes
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Program	Yes
Outreach Program	Yes
State Option Food Stamp Program	No
Simplified Food Stamp Program	No
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	No
E&T Sanction Months	1-3-6 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	No
Comparable Disqualification	No
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	Modified Ban
Electronic Application Filing	No

<b>MASSACHUSETTS</b>	
<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	Yes
Status Reporting	No
\$100 Reporting – Earned Income	Yes
\$100 Reporting – Unearned Income	No
Transitional Benefits	Yes
Simplified Definition of Income	Yes
Simplified Definition of Resources	Yes
Vehicle Rules	Child Care – All Vehicles Excluded
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	Yes
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	Yes
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	Yes
Nutrition Education Program	Yes
Outreach Program	Yes
State Option Food Stamp Program	No
Simplified Food Stamp Program	No
Wage Supplementation	Yes
E&T Pledge State	Yes
E&T Sanction Months	3-6-12 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	Yes
Comparable Disqualification	Yes
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	No Ban
Electronic Application Filing	Yes (pilot in limited number of sites)

<b>MICHIGAN</b>	
<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting	No
\$100 Reporting – Earned Income	No
\$100 Reporting – Unearned Income	No
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	Yes
Simplified Definition of Resources	No
Vehicle Rules	Categorical Eligibility – All Vehicles Excluded
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	No
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	Yes
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Program	Yes
Outreach Program	No
State Option Food Stamp Program	No
Simplified Food Stamp Program	No
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	Yes
E&T Sanction Months	1-6-6 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	No
Comparable Disqualification	Yes
Child Support Disqualification	Failure to Cooperate
Drug Felony Disqualification	No Ban
Electronic Application Filing	No



## MINNESOTA

Option	Choice
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	No
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	Yes
Status Reporting	No
\$100 Reporting – Earned Income	No
\$100 Reporting – Unearned Income	No
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	No
Simplified Definition of Resources	No
Vehicle Rules	TANF Cash Assistance – Exemption > \$4,650
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	No
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Not Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	No
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Program	Yes
Outreach Program	Yes
State Option Food Stamp Program	Yes - No FNS Involvement
Simplified Food Stamp Program	No
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	No
E&T Sanction Months	1-3-6 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	No
Comparable Disqualification	No
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	Modified Ban
Electronic Application Filing	No

## MISSISSIPPI

Option	Choice
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	No
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	Yes
Status Reporting	No
\$100 Reporting – Earned Income	No
\$100 Reporting – Unearned Income	No
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	No
Simplified Definition of Resources	No
Vehicle Rules	TANF Cash Assistance – All Vehicles Excluded
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	No
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	Yes
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Program	Yes
Outreach Program	No
State Option Food Stamp Program	No
Simplified Food Stamp Program	No
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	Yes
E&T Sanction Months	2-6-12 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	Yes
Comparable Disqualification	Yes
Child Support Disqualification	Both
Drug Felony Disqualification	Lifetime Ban
Electronic Application Filing	No

## MISSOURI

<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting	No
\$100 Reporting – Earned Income	Yes
\$100 Reporting – Unearned Income	No
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	Yes
Simplified Definition of Resources	Yes
Vehicle Rules	Child Care – All Vehicles Excluded
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	No
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	Yes
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	Yes
Nutrition Education Program	Yes
Outreach Program	No
State Option Food Stamp Program	No
Simplified Food Stamp Program	No
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	No
E&T Sanction Months	1-3-6 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	No
Comparable Disqualification	Yes
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	Lifetime Ban
Electronic Application Filing	No

## MONTANA

<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting	No
\$100 Reporting – Earned Income	Yes
\$100 Reporting – Unearned Income	No
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	No
Simplified Definition of Resources	No
Vehicle Rules	Child Care – All Vehicles Excluded
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	No
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	No
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Not Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	No
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Program	Yes
Outreach Program	Yes
State Option Food Stamp Program	No
Simplified Food Stamp Program	No
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	No
E&T Sanction Months	1-3-6 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	No
Comparable Disqualification	No
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	Lifetime Ban
Electronic Application Filing	No

## NEBRASKA

<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting	Yes
\$100 Reporting – Earned Income	No
\$100 Reporting – Unearned Income	No
Transitional Benefits	Yes
Simplified Definition of Income	Yes
Simplified Definition of Resources	Yes
Vehicle Rules	Child Care – Exemption > \$4,650
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	Yes
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	Yes
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Program	Yes
Outreach Program	No
State Option Food Stamp Program	Yes - FNS Involved
Simplified Food Stamp Program	No
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	Yes
E&T Sanction Months	1-3-6 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	Yes
Comparable Disqualification	No
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	Modified Ban
Electronic Application Filing	No

## NEVADA

<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting	Yes
\$100 Reporting – Earned Income	No
\$100 Reporting – Unearned Income	No
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	No
Simplified Definition of Resources	No
Vehicle Rules	FSP Rules
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	No
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Not Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	No
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Program	Yes
Outreach Program	No
State Option Food Stamp Program	No
Simplified Food Stamp Program	No
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	No
E&T Sanction Months	1-3-6 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	No
Comparable Disqualification	No
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	Modified Ban
Electronic Application Filing	No

<b>NEW HAMPSHIRE</b>	
<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting	No
\$100 Reporting – Earned Income	No
\$100 Reporting – Unearned Income	Yes
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	Yes
Simplified Definition of Resources	Yes
Vehicle Rules	TANF Cash Assistance – At Least One Vehicle Excluded
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	No
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	Yes
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	Yes
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Program	Yes
Outreach Program	Yes
State Option Food Stamp Program	No
Simplified Food Stamp Program	No
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	No
E&T Sanction Months	1-3-6 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	No
Comparable Disqualification	No
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	No Ban
Electronic Application Filing	No

<b>NEW JERSEY</b>	
<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting	Yes
\$100 Reporting – Earned Income	No
\$100 Reporting – Unearned Income	No
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	No
Simplified Definition of Resources	No
Vehicle Rules	TANF Cash Assistance – Exemption > \$4,650
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	Yes
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	Yes
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Program	Yes
Outreach Program	Yes
State Option Food Stamp Program	No
Simplified Food Stamp Program	Limited to Using TANF Work Rules
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	Yes
E&T Sanction Months	1-3-6 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	No
Comparable Disqualification	No
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	Modified Ban
Electronic Application Filing	Yes (5 county pilot)

<b>NEW MEXICO</b>	
<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting	Yes
\$100 Reporting – Earned Income	Yes
\$100 Reporting – Unearned Income	No
Transitional Benefits	Yes
Simplified Definition of Income	No
Simplified Definition of Resources	No
Vehicle Rules	Child Care – All Vehicles Excluded
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	No
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	Yes
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Program	Yes
Outreach Program	Yes
State Option Food Stamp Program	No
Simplified Food Stamp Program	No
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	No
E&T Sanction Months	3-6-12 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	No
Comparable Disqualification	No
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	No Ban
Electronic Application Filing	No

<b>NEW YORK</b>	
<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting	No
\$100 Reporting – Earned Income	Yes
\$100 Reporting – Unearned Income	Yes
Transitional Benefits	Yes
Simplified Definition of Income	Yes
Simplified Definition of Resources	Yes
Vehicle Rules	Foster Care – At Least One Vehicle Excluded
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	Yes
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	Yes
Simplified Deductions	Yes
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	Yes
Nutrition Education Program	Yes
Outreach Program	Yes
State Option Food Stamp Program	Yes – FNS Involved
Simplified Food Stamp Program	Limited to Using TANF Work Rules
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	Yes
E&T Sanction Months	2-4-6 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	No
Comparable Disqualification	No
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	No Ban
Electronic Application Filing	Yes (1 county pilot)

<b>NORTH CAROLINA</b>	
<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting	No
\$100 Reporting – Earned Income	Yes
\$100 Reporting – Unearned Income	No
Transitional Benefits	Yes
Simplified Definition of Income	Yes
Simplified Definition of Resources	Yes
Vehicle Rules	TANF Cash Assistance – At Least One Vehicle Excluded
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	No
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	Yes
Simplified Deductions	Yes
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Program	Yes
Outreach Program	No
State Option Food Stamp Program	No
Simplified Food Stamp Program	No
Wage Supplementation	Yes (1 County)
E&T Pledge State	No
E&T Sanction Months	1-3-6 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	No
Comparable Disqualification	No
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	Modified Ban
Electronic Application Filing	No

<b>NORTH DAKOTA</b>	
<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	No
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting	No
\$100 Reporting – Earned Income	Yes
\$100 Reporting – Unearned Income	No
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	Yes
Simplified Definition of Resources	Yes
Vehicle Rules	Categorical Eligibility – All Vehicles Excluded
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	No
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	Yes
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Program	Yes
Outreach Program	No
State Option Food Stamp Program	No
Simplified Food Stamp Program	No
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	No
E&T Sanction Months	1-3-6 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	No
Comparable Disqualification	No
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	Lifetime Ban
Electronic Application Filing	No

<b>OHIO</b>	
<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting	Yes
\$100 Reporting – Earned Income	No
\$100 Reporting – Unearned Income	No
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	Yes
Simplified Definition of Resources	Yes
Vehicle Rules	TANF Cash Assistance – All Vehicles Excluded
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	Yes
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Not Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	No
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Program	Yes
Outreach Program	Yes
State Option Food Stamp Program	No
Simplified Food Stamp Program	No
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	Yes
E&T Sanction Months	1-3-6 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	No
Comparable Disqualification	Yes
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	No Ban
Electronic Application Filing	No

<b>OKLAHOMA</b>	
<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting	No
\$100 Reporting – Earned Income	Yes
\$100 Reporting – Unearned Income	No
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	Yes
Simplified Definition of Resources	Yes
Vehicle Rules	TANF Cash Assistance – At Least One Vehicle Excluded
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	Yes
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	Yes
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Program	Yes
Outreach Program	No
State Option Food Stamp Program	No
Simplified Food Stamp Program	No
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	No
E&T Sanction Months	1-3-6 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	Yes
Comparable Disqualification	No
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	No Ban
Electronic Application Filing	No

<b>OREGON</b>	
<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	Yes
Status Reporting	No
\$100 Reporting – Earned Income	Yes
\$100 Reporting – Unearned Income	No
Transitional Benefits	Yes
Simplified Definition of Income	No
Simplified Definition of Resources	No
Vehicle Rules	Categorical Eligibility – All Vehicles Excluded
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	No
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	Yes
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Program	Yes
Outreach Program	Yes
State Option Food Stamp Program	No
Simplified Food Stamp Program	No
Wage Supplementation	Yes
E&T Pledge State	No
E&T Sanction Months	1-3-6 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	No
Comparable Disqualification	No
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	No Ban
Electronic Application Filing	No

<b>PENNSYLVANIA</b>	
<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting	No
\$100 Reporting – Earned Income	Yes
\$100 Reporting – Unearned Income	No
Transitional Benefits	Yes
Simplified Definition of Income	Yes
Simplified Definition of Resources	Yes
Vehicle Rules	TANF Cash Assistance – At Least One Vehicle Excluded
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	Yes
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	No
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Program	Yes
Outreach Program	Yes
State Option Food Stamp Program	No
Simplified Food Stamp Program	No
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	No
E&T Sanction Months	1-3-6 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	No
Comparable Disqualification	No
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	Modified Ban
Electronic Application Filing	Yes



<b>RHODE ISLAND</b>	
<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	No
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting	No
\$100 Reporting – Earned Income	Yes
\$100 Reporting – Unearned Income	No
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	No
Simplified Definition of Resources	No
Vehicle Rules	TANF Cash Assistance – At Least One Vehicle Excluded
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	No
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	Yes
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Not Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	No
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Program	Yes
Outreach Program	Yes
State Option Food Stamp Program	No
Simplified Food Stamp Program	No
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	No
E&T Sanction Months	1-3-6 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	No
Comparable Disqualification	No
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	No Ban
Electronic Application Filing	No

<b>SOUTH CAROLINA</b>	
<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting	No
\$100 Reporting – Earned Income	No
\$100 Reporting – Unearned Income	Yes
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	Yes
Simplified Definition of Resources	Yes
Vehicle Rules	Categorical Eligibility – At Least One Vehicle Excluded
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	Yes
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Not Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	No
Simplified Deductions	Yes
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Program	Yes
Outreach Program	Yes
State Option Food Stamp Program	No
Simplified Food Stamp Program	No
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	No
E&T Sanction Months	1-3-6 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	No
Comparable Disqualification	No
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	Lifetime Ban
Electronic Application Filing	No

## SOUTH DAKOTA

<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	No
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	Yes
Status Reporting	No
\$100 Reporting – Earned Income	Yes
\$100 Reporting – Unearned Income	No
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	Yes
Simplified Definition of Resources	Yes
Vehicle Rules	TANF Cash Assistance – At Least One Vehicle Excluded
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	No
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	Yes
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Program	Yes
Outreach Program	No
State Option Food Stamp Program	No
Simplified Food Stamp Program	No
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	Yes
E&T Sanction Months	1-3-6 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	No
Comparable Disqualification	Yes
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	Lifetime Ban
Electronic Application Filing	No

## TENNESSEE

<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting	No
\$100 Reporting – Earned Income	No
\$100 Reporting – Unearned Income	No
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	Yes
Simplified Definition of Resources	Yes
Vehicle Rules	Child Care – All Vehicles Excluded
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	Yes
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Not Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	No
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Program	Yes
Outreach Program	Yes
State Option Food Stamp Program	No
Simplified Food Stamp Program	No
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	No
E&T Sanction Months	1-3-6 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	No
Comparable Disqualification	No
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	Modified Ban
Electronic Application Filing	No

<b>TEXAS</b>	
<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting	Yes
\$100 Reporting – Earned Income	No
\$100 Reporting – Unearned Income	No
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	No
Simplified Definition of Resources	No
Vehicle Rules	Categorical Eligibility – Exemption > \$4,650
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	Yes
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Not Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	No
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Program	Yes
Outreach Program	Yes
State Option Food Stamp Program	No
Simplified Food Stamp Program	No
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	Yes
E&T Sanction Months	1-3-6 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	Yes
Comparable Disqualification	No
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	Lifetime Ban
Electronic Application Filing	No

<b>UTAH</b>	
<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	No
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting	Yes
\$100 Reporting – Earned Income	No
\$100 Reporting – Unearned Income	No
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	No
Simplified Definition of Resources	No
Vehicle Rules	TANF Cash Assistance – Exemption > \$4,650
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	No
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	Yes
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Program	Yes
Outreach Program	No
State Option Food Stamp Program	No
Simplified Food Stamp Program	No
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	Yes
E&T Sanction Months	1-3-6 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	No
Comparable Disqualification	No
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	No Ban
Electronic Application Filing	No

<b>VERMONT</b>	
<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting	Yes
\$100 Reporting – Earned Income	No
\$100 Reporting – Unearned Income	No
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	No
Simplified Definition of Resources	No
Vehicle Rules	TANF Cash Assistance – At Least One Vehicle Excluded
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	No
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes – Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	Yes
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Program	Yes
Outreach Program	Yes
State Option Food Stamp Program	No
Simplified Food Stamp Program	No
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	No
E&T Sanction Months	1-3-6 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	Yes
Comparable Disqualification	No
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	No Ban
Electronic Application Filing	No

<b>VIRGIN ISLANDS</b>	
<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting	No
\$100 Reporting – Earned Income	Yes
\$100 Reporting – Unearned Income	Yes
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	No
Simplified Definition of Resources	No
Vehicle Rules	FSP Rules
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	No
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	Yes
Standard Utility Allowance	No
Simplified Utility Allowance	No
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Program	Yes
Outreach Program	Yes
State Option Food Stamp Program	No
Simplified Food Stamp Program	No
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	No
E&T Sanction Months	1-3-6 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	Yes
Comparable Disqualification	No
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	Lifetime Ban
Electronic Application Filing	No

<b>VIRGINIA</b>	
<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting	No
\$100 Reporting – Earned Income	No
\$100 Reporting – Unearned Income	No
Transitional Benefits	Yes
Simplified Definition of Income	Yes
Simplified Definition of Resources	Yes
Vehicle Rules	TANF Cash Assistance – All Vehicles Excluded
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	Yes
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Not Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	No
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Program	Yes
Outreach Program	Yes
State Option Food Stamp Program	No
Simplified Food Stamp Program	No
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	No
E&T Sanction Months	1-3-6 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	Yes
Comparable Disqualification	No
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	Lifetime Ban
Electronic Application Filing	No

<b>WASHINGTON</b>	
<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	No
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting	Yes
\$100 Reporting – Earned Income	No
\$100 Reporting – Unearned Income	No
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	No
Simplified Definition of Resources	No
Vehicle Rules	FSP Rules
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	No
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	Yes
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Program	Yes
Outreach Program	Yes
State Option Food Stamp Program	Yes - No FNS Involvement
Simplified Food Stamp Program	No
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	No
E&T Sanction Months	1-3-6 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	No
Comparable Disqualification	No
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	No Ban
Electronic Application Filing	Yes

<b>WEST VIRGINIA</b>	
<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting	No
\$100 Reporting – Earned Income	Yes
\$100 Reporting – Unearned Income	No
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	No
Simplified Definition of Resources	No
Vehicle Rules	Child Care – All Vehicles Excluded
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	Yes
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Not Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	No
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Program	Yes
Outreach Program	Yes
State Option Food Stamp Program	No
Simplified Food Stamp Program	No
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	Yes
E&T Sanction Months	3-3-Permanently
E&T Household Disqualification	No
Comparable Disqualification	No
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	Lifetime Ban
Electronic Application Filing	Yes

<b>WISCONSIN</b>	
<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting	No
\$100 Reporting – Earned Income	No
\$100 Reporting – Unearned Income	Yes
Transitional Benefits	Yes
Simplified Definition of Income	Yes
Simplified Definition of Resources	Yes
Vehicle Rules	Categorical Eligibility – All Vehicles Excluded
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	No
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	Yes
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Program	Yes
Outreach Program	Yes
State Option Food Stamp Program	Yes - FNS Involved
Simplified Food Stamp Program	No
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	No
E&T Sanction Months	1-3-6 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	No
Comparable Disqualification	No
Child Support Disqualification	Both
Drug Felony Disqualification	Modified Ban
Electronic Application Filing	No

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<i>Option</i>	<i>Choice</i>
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	No
Quarterly Reporting	No
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting	No
\$100 Reporting – Earned Income	No
\$100 Reporting – Unearned Income	No
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	Yes
Simplified Definition of Resources	Yes
Vehicle Rules	TANF Cash Assistance – Exemption > \$4,650
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	No
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	No
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	Yes
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Nutrition Education Program	Yes
Outreach Program	No
State Option Food Stamp Program	No
Simplified Food Stamp Program	No
Wage Supplementation	No
E&T Pledge State	No
E&T Sanction Months	1-3-6 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	No
Comparable Disqualification	Yes
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	Lifetime Ban
Electronic Application Filing	No