

REPORT TO THE LEGISLATURE

CHILD SUPPORT PERFORMANCE AND STATISTICS SEMI-ANNUAL REPORT FOR FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR 2007

October 2006 – March 2007



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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report is submitted to meet the provisions of Family Code (FC) sections 17600(c) and 17600(g), requiring annual and semi-annual reporting by the Department of Child Support Services (DCSS) to the Legislature on the performance of local child support agencies (LCSAs). This is the semi-annual report covering the performance results for the first two quarters of Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2007, which ended on March 31, 2007. This report provides detailed state and local level information on performance measures, with the exception of data for program costs and program administration, which are available only on an annual basis.

DCSS established child support program performance standards, effective January 1, 2001, consisting of the five federal and eight state measures to enable uniform assessment of performance at the local, state, and national level.

The federal measures, described in FC section 17600(b), capture:

- ✓ rates of paternity establishment
- ✓ child support order establishment
- ✓ collection rates on current support
- ✓ cases with an arrears collection, and
- ✓ cost effectiveness (collections compared to the cost of collection)

The state measures, described in FC sections 17600(c)(1)-(5)(D) consist of:

- ✓ percent of cases with collections of current support
- ✓ support distributed per case with a collection
- ✓ percent of cases with a support order established during the report period
- ✓ total cost of administering the local child support agency, including share of costs, and the incentive funding received by each county (see Section II, Program Administration)
- ✓ total direct program administrative costs (see Section II, Program Administration)
- ✓ total indirect program administrative costs (see Section II, Program Administration)
- ✓ percent of cases requiring a support order with alleged obligor served with a summons and complaint
- ✓ percent of cases with support orders established with medical support ordered and provided
- ✓ comparison of complaints received to total cases (customer service)

Overall, California met the minimum threshold on each of the federal performance measures. In Paternity Establishment, Percent of Cases with a Child Support Order Established, and Percent of Cases with Arrears Collections, we exceeded the minimum threshold by a significant amount. In Percent of Collections on Current Support, California's performance is above the minimum threshold by a modest amount and has shown steady incremental improvement each year since 2001.

Family Code section 17600 (c)(4)(A) directs DCSS to report annually on the *direct* costs of the program, broken down further by total employee salaries and benefits, and a list of the number of the employees, broken down by job classification. Family Code section 17600 (c)(4)(B) mandates that DCSS will report semi-annually on the *indirect* program costs, showing all overhead charges; however, the data required to be reported in Family Code Sections 17600 (c)(4)(A) and (B) and the related federal performance measure of Cost Effectiveness are only available to the Department on an annual basis and therefore will not be included in this report. The lack of this information also makes it impossible to report on the federal performance measure of Cost Effectiveness at the mid-year point.

CHILD SUPPORT PERFORMANCE OVERVIEW

Statutory Requirements

This report satisfies the requirements of Family Code (FC) section 17600(g) for a semi-annual report of data compiled on California's Child Support Program. Data presented in this report covers the period from October 1, 2006 through March 31, 2007.

Performance Measures

Because some data is only available annually, as discussed earlier in this document, this report includes data for all state and federal measures where data is available at the mid year point. The semi-annual report addresses the following performance measures:

Federal Performance Measures

- Statewide Paternity Establishment Percentage
- IV-D Paternity Establishment Percentage
- Percent of Cases with a Support Order Established
- Percent of Collections on Current Support
- Percent of Cases with Arrears Collections

See Table A on page 5 of this report for a comparative summary of these measures to the FFY 2006 semi-annual report.

State Performance Measures

- Percent of Cases with a Collection of Current Support
- Average Amount Collected Per Case with a Collection
- Percent of Cases with a Support Order Established During Report Period
- Percent of Cases Requiring a Support Order with Alleged Obligor Served with a Summons & Complaint
- Percent of Cases with Support Orders Established with Medical Support Ordered and Provided
- Comparison of Received Complaints to Cases

See Table B on page 6 of this report for a comparative summary of these measures to the FFY 2006 semi-annual report.

These performance measures are a means to effectively and continuously monitor, evaluate and improve program performance of the child support program.

The federal performance measures were developed and an incentive funding system was implemented based on program performance, as required by the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996 (PRWORA). The intent of the federal performance-based system is to use specific performance indicators to measure the program's success in achieving its goals and objectives and to reward states for achieving intended results.

The performance indicators in each measurement have a minimum threshold percentage. The minimum threshold assigns the lowest acceptable base percent a state must meet in order to earn incentives. Failure to meet the federally established standards not only disqualifies a state from earning incentive payments on that measure, but may also subject the state to penalties on California's TANF block grant.

The state performance measures were established by California to monitor aspects of the child support program not covered by the federal measures, giving DCSS additional insight and indicators to measure program accomplishments.

STATE OF CALIFORNIA - HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY
CHILD SUPPORT PROGRAM STATISTICS

DEPARTMENT OF CHILD SUPPORT SERVICES
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TABLE A
COMPARISON OF FEDERAL PERFORMANCE MEASURES - PREVIOUS YEAR
SEMI-ANNUAL FFY 2007 REPORT

	IV-D Paternity Establishment Percentage (PEP)		Cases with Support Orders Established		Collections on Current Support *		Cases with Collections on Arrears	
	Mar06	Mar07	Mar06	Mar07	Mar06	Mar07	Mar06	Mar07
STATEWIDE	81.1%	83.1%	80.0%	81.0%	49.8%	50.9%	46.6%	48.3%
Alameda	93.1	94.5	91.4	93.2	61.7	61.8	61.8	61.9
Alpine	95.7	84.1	96.3	94.7	65.3	73.4	53.9	61.5
Amador	99.2	105.0	93.3	93.9	65.8	62.6	56.9	56.1
Butte	83.9	85.7	83.3	82.6	50.8	52.0	50.2	51.1
Calaveras	99.8	100.5	90.2	91.6	57.1	56.6	53.0	53.8
Colusa	99.3	94.5	88.1	87.6	61.2	61.2	55.6	59.3
Contra Costa	89.0	92.5	87.8	87.1	53.4	54.0	50.6	53.8
Del Norte	95.2	95.7	92.5	94.8	55.8	58.5	51.2	56.9
El Dorado	96.1	97.1	91.7	93.6	57.7	55.4	57.6	58.3
Fresno	90.9	89.7	81.8	85.4	50.7	52.0	48.3	49.7
Glenn	102.0	103.6	86.4	83.9	52.3	53.3	47.8	50.3
Humboldt	99.6	99.9	92.6	93.6	64.8	64.5	58.8	60.6
Imperial	83.9	90.0	81.9	81.4	44.7	46.1	42.4	43.1
Inyo	90.0	101.3	93.4	92.5	61.5	59.8	53.6	52.5
Kern	85.1	82.3	79.4	77.4	48.6	50.0	47.2	46.4
Kings	96.2	91.8	89.2	90.1	59.2	60.6	53.3	53.8
Lake	91.4	87.2	83.7	84.5	47.8	50.3	50.2	56.4
Lassen	87.0	94.7	87.7	88.3	53.0	59.6	51.6	56.0
Los Angeles	74.1	79.2	75.2	75.3	45.4	44.9	37.8	39.5
Madera	87.5	95.0	84.4	85.2	52.3	55.1	50.9	55.6
Marin	98.8	98.9	90.6	89.4	67.6	67.5	57.5	59.0
Mariposa	106.9	95.6	91.0	92.7	64.9	63.9	62.9	59.8
Mendocino	104.7	100.0	83.2	85.9	50.0	53.4	52.9	53.7
Merced	99.4	94.9	81.5	81.1	53.9	53.2	47.4	47.8
Modoc	102.7	101.4	91.6	94.4	57.2	60.2	53.3	53.1
Mono	112.6	95.9	88.5	91.8	61.8	65.9	59.0	61.8
Monterey	85.4	85.5	83.4	86.3	54.1	55.1	48.8	50.0
Napa	88.8	88.0	87.6	88.5	57.4	58.2	56.9	56.7
Nevada	88.0	88.9	86.0	89.1	57.8	56.9	52.2	53.7
Orange	83.4	84.5	79.9	81.3	53.1	54.5	49.6	50.5
Placer	89.8	91.9	89.2	87.7	56.5	57.0	51.6	53.6
Plumas	109.5	100.7	93.4	92.9	60.3	59.1	57.0	57.2
Riverside	80.0	76.1	75.4	74.1	42.6	47.5	43.5	50.3
Sacramento	82.6	87.1	82.2	84.8	46.8	48.0	47.1	48.5
San Benito	86.5	88.8	86.9	90.1	46.9	49.4	46.6	47.3
San Bernardino	67.0	72.8	67.8	71.3	44.7	47.3	44.7	45.7
San Diego	77.9	76.4	80.5	84.5	48.2	49.4	44.5	47.3
San Francisco	92.2	87.3	87.0	88.6	60.5	61.6	50.6	51.6
San Joaquin	87.3	89.0	79.4	86.0	48.8	50.6	50.4	51.6
San Luis Obispo	104.7	111.5	95.3	95.1	66.7	67.2	61.4	67.4
San Mateo	93.8	96.0	87.9	86.5	60.2	59.6	54.9	57.7
Santa Barbara	91.0	89.0	81.9	81.7	57.6	58.2	55.4	55.1
Santa Clara	84.6	87.6	83.2	84.1	46.7	49.4	47.1	48.4
Santa Cruz	85.6	87.0	86.9	85.5	51.6	54.1	49.2	50.0
Shasta	93.0	86.0	86.0	88.1	51.3	53.3	49.6	51.9
Sierra	100.0	110.0	94.0	91.0	60.6	60.7	57.0	46.9
Siskiyou	100.0	92.6	92.4	93.5	57.3	61.6	52.2	55.4
Solano	94.0	95.8	89.6	88.1	56.2	55.7	50.1	51.6
Sonoma	92.0	94.5	90.3	91.1	60.2	60.8	55.7	57.4
Stanislaus	97.2	93.9	87.0	86.7	52.5	54.1	49.4	51.0
Sutter	89.1	100.9	88.6	87.1	59.7	58.9	50.2	51.2
Tehama	92.8	92.6	89.5	91.0	51.1	54.0	49.2	52.9
Trinity	93.7	90.1	86.7	85.6	50.7	50.7	48.1	50.1
Tulare	96.1	96.5	89.6	89.7	54.0	55.1	50.3	50.1
Tuolumne	97.0	100.3	91.6	92.8	65.6	67.9	57.1	59.5
Ventura	100.0	90.8	91.8	92.0	54.9	58.1	57.9	60.7
Yolo	86.1	87.2	88.3	88.2	51.7	54.0	48.8	50.5
Yuba	80.4	76.2	77.7	80.5	47.2	50.4	45.6	48.4
Regionalized LCSA's								
Amador/Alpine/Calaveras	99.5	101.6	91.7	92.7	61.4	59.8	54.6	55.0
Inyo/Mono	94.5	100.0	92.2	92.4	61.6	61.5	54.8	54.3
Santa Cruz/San Benito	85.8	87.5	86.9	86.6	50.6	53.1	48.5	49.3
Sierra/Nevada	88.3	89.4	86.4	89.2	57.9	57.1	52.4	53.4
Siskiyou/Modoc	100.3	93.8	92.3	93.6	57.3	61.4	52.4	55.1

SOURCE: CS 1257 Lines 1, 2, 5, 6, 24, 25, 28, 29; and Date of Receipt (DOR) Distribution Report
*DOR Distributions have been removed from Current Support Distributed

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TABLE B
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	Percent of Cases with a Collection of Current Support		Average Amount Collected per Case with a Collection		Percent of Cases with a Support Order Established During Report Period		Percent of Cases Requiring a Support Order with Alleged Obligor Served with a S&C		Percent of Cases with Support Orders Established with Medical Support and Provided*		Complaints per 10,000 Cases	
	Mar06	Mar07	Mar06	Mar07	Mar06	Mar07	Mar06	Mar07	Mar06	Mar07	Mar06	Mar07
STATEWIDE	62.6%	65.1%	\$ 1,723	\$ 1,729	10.9%	11.8%	13.8%	16.9%	70.6%	21.6%		
Alameda	75.9	77.0	1,838	1,838	24.2	24.7	26.4	24.9	68.6	26.8	0.238	2.000
Alpine	75.0	80.8	1,451	1,259	57.1	22.2	35.7	33.3	60.0	29.1	0.000	0.000
Amador	76.1	74.1	1,633	1,658	34.8	33.3	32.9	42.7	49.1	20.5	0.000	0.000
Butte	67.1	69.3	1,253	1,212	9.6	9.8	10.5	9.5	60.8	14.8	0.626	0.000
Calaveras	68.9	69.8	1,353	1,458	27.0	26.0	36.3	34.9	56.4	23.8	4.333	0.000
Colusa	73.8	76.0	1,589	1,651	21.8	26.1	24.1	20.5	76.6	21.3	0.000	0.000
Contra Costa	67.2	69.4	1,928	1,946	20.6	18.9	19.6	23.9	71.1	19.4	0.512	0.267
Del Norte	66.0	71.3	1,093	1,078	9.6	41.4	42.6	37.2	70.5	20.0	6.231	0.000
El Dorado	73.2	72.5	1,602	1,574	21.5	34.1	31.3	39.9	65.8	26.6	1.296	1.359
Fresno	65.5	68.9	1,372	1,348	11.2	17.7	15.0	20.6	77.2	16.4	1.938	1.449
Glenn	64.8	68.0	1,289	1,271	24.8	14.3	22.3	15.5	75.5	7.8	0.000	0.000
Humboldt	75.6	78.3	1,434	1,411	36.4	34.6	36.1	40.2	77.5	21.7	0.000	0.000
Imperial	59.4	61.5	1,605	1,681	14.6	13.3	17.7	21.9	77.4	20.9	2.386	2.278
Inyo	72.9	71.2	1,507	1,471	35.0	32.4	36.2	32.4	57.3	21.3	0.000	0.000
Kern	63.0	63.9	1,518	1,547	3.9	11.2	7.4	18.5	77.8	17.2	1.009	0.165
Kings	71.6	74.2	1,398	1,420	26.9	23.4	32.4	31.5	74.3	24.6	0.000	0.000
Lake	62.5	67.7	1,339	1,319	13.6	14.6	15.1	19.5	63.5	16.7	0.000	0.000
Lassen	66.6	71.6	1,292	1,478	20.0	18.3	22.8	24.2	70.4	21.7	4.195	4.344
Los Angeles	54.6	56.2	1,898	1,886	8.9	7.3	11.9	16.2	67.2	22.7	3.633	2.601
Madera	67.5	70.9	1,389	1,368	24.3	23.8	21.9	28.0	79.0	20.3	1.353	0.000
Marin	78.5	77.8	2,477	2,572	23.9	20.0	34.4	29.2	76.3	25.5	2.665	2.726
Mariposa	75.1	74.4	1,351	1,505	30.8	32.3	39.1	41.4	78.9	28.7	0.000	0.000
Mendocino	64.8	67.6	1,274	1,319	12.5	20.4	17.6	21.8	73.5	13.0	0.000	0.000
Merced	64.7	65.1	1,514	1,534	18.0	15.5	22.1	17.6	81.4	23.2	0.000	1.393
Modoc	68.9	68.2	1,088	1,248	36.4	47.0	33.6	54.2	71.4	19.5	12.346	0.000
Mono	75.7	74.2	1,795	1,930	28.8	28.9	32.5	28.9	74.2	24.8	0.000	0.000
Monterey	68.5	69.0	1,820	1,848	12.0	19.3	18.5	22.0	75.4	30.0	1.428	0.502
Napa	70.4	73.9	1,902	1,824	23.1	15.9	25.0	17.3	64.1	30.1	0.000	0.000
Nevada	69.8	72.1	1,766	1,701	15.5	19.2	16.2	23.4	66.6	23.9	0.000	0.000
Orange	67.0	69.1	2,084	2,167	9.4	11.3	13.6	15.8	72.9	22.7	0.716	0.845
Placer	70.7	71.9	1,825	1,783	21.6	14.5	19.0	15.6	69.6	23.5	1.040	2.178
Plumas	75.7	79.8	1,316	1,295	31.0	29.1	37.3	31.9	69.8	22.8	0.000	0.000
Riverside	58.1	65.5	1,758	1,707	6.7	11.5	7.9	12.3	74.9	23.6	1.689	0.669
Sacramento	60.4	63.6	1,606	1,592	21.7	19.8	21.4	20.4	73.7	27.8	1.708	0.878
San Benito	60.6	63.5	1,472	1,409	23.1	26.0	28.0	27.0	58.8	15.7	0.000	0.000
San Bernardino	59.6	63.2	1,800	1,773	4.1	7.8	6.8	11.9	79.8	15.4	1.372	0.586
San Diego	61.0	64.9	1,688	1,733	4.7	7.1	6.9	10.7	67.0	14.9	0.903	1.008
San Francisco	70.2	71.8	1,515	1,585	13.3	15.5	19.5	16.4	64.6	27.7	0.000	0.427
San Joaquin	63.7	66.5	1,623	1,612	17.8	28.5	21.0	31.9	75.9	17.7	1.809	1.687
San Luis Obispo	80.6	81.7	1,701	1,771	47.3	47.6	46.6	46.4	81.9	29.2	1.587	0.000
San Mateo	72.9	74.1	1,973	1,977	20.0	15.2	23.0	20.8	70.6	41.8	0.697	0.000
Santa Barbara	73.0	72.7	1,611	1,627	15.2	14.2	14.5	13.2	72.3	14.3	1.055	0.000
Santa Clara	61.8	65.3	1,925	1,927	15.6	14.0	18.1	14.0	66.5	21.7	0.156	0.485
Santa Cruz	64.5	66.6	1,910	1,903	21.6	12.3	26.0	13.8	51.6	22.3	0.000	1.087
Shasta	67.1	69.2	1,301	1,340	12.3	15.7	13.0	16.6	62.4	19.2	0.585	0.000
Sierra	77.8	76.7	1,284	1,483	35.0	0.0	35.0	10.5	67.9	21.5	0.000	0.000
Siskiyou	70.5	74.7	1,219	1,307	23.1	25.6	32.9	36.6	71.6	27.4	0.000	0.000
Solano	68.4	70.1	1,721	1,730	16.1	17.8	27.1	29.7	74.5	29.9	0.000	2.239
Sonoma	72.6	74.7	1,611	1,640	20.8	20.3	27.9	30.2	63.9	35.1	0.561	0.000
Stanislaus	65.7	68.9	1,589	1,625	12.8	16.9	20.5	15.7	63.3	17.5	2.035	1.815
Sutter	68.9	69.5	1,513	1,580	17.9	13.5	19.2	17.6	67.1	22.8	0.000	3.105
Tehama	66.4	69.9	1,361	1,317	27.6	26.6	28.9	26.2	64.9	13.5	0.000	1.989
Trinity	66.3	68.1	1,262	1,324	16.5	8.3	15.6	8.8	60.0	13.7	0.000	0.000
Tulare	67.6	69.4	1,266	1,231	24.3	20.8	29.8	24.5	63.4	21.2	0.555	0.279
Tuolumne	74.3	79.2	1,576	1,652	30.1	31.5	39.2	34.1	68.6	30.7	0.000	0.000
Ventura	71.2	76.9	1,761	1,760	22.8	16.5	33.1	19.6	75.3	25.6	0.769	0.000
Yolo	64.8	68.7	1,413	1,457	16.0	15.8	18.3	17.7	70.5	23.2	0.955	3.134
Yuba	62.3	63.9	1,400	1,370	9.5	11.2	13.4	13.9	66.4	14.7	1.391	1.646
Regionalized LCSAs												
Amador/Alpine/Calaveras	72.3	72.0	1,481	1,540	30.8	28.7	35.0	37.9	53.3	22.4	2.334	0.000
Inyo/Mono	73.6	72.0	1,574	1,578	32.9	31.7	35.0	31.7	61.1	22.1	0.000	0.000
Santa Cruz/San Benito	63.6	65.8	1,804	1,780	22.0	15.2	26.6	16.6	53.4	20.8	0.000	0.829
Sierra/Nevada	70.1	72.3	1,740	1,692	16.0	18.6	16.7	23.0	66.6	23.8	0.000	0.000
Siskiyou/Modoc	70.3	73.7	1,198	1,298	25.8	29.7	33.0	40.0	71.6	26.0	2.046	0.000

SOURCE: CS 1257 Lines 1, 2, 2e, 12, 17, 18, 21a, 25, 27, 43, 44, 45; Date of Receipt (DOR) Distribution Report; and CRTS Complaint Activity Report
*Cases with Arrears Only Orders, which cannot contain a provision for Medical Support, are included in Cases with Support Orders Established causing the Percent of Cases with Medical Support to be understated.

**Federal
Performance
Measures****STATEWIDE PATERNITY ESTABLISHMENT PERCENTAGE**

The Federal Performance Measure for the Statewide Paternity Establishment Percentage (PEP) measures the ratio of the total number of children born out-of-wedlock in the state during the prior year report period compared to the children for whom paternity has been established or acknowledged during the current report period.¹ This calculation uses the number of children, not the number of cases. A paternity can only be counted once, either when a voluntary acknowledgement is filed or at the time an order determining paternity is established. States have the choice of being evaluated on either measure: IV-D PEP or Statewide PEP, for incentive calculation purposes. Due to the high success of the Statewide PEP measure, DCSS elected to base federal incentive fund calculations on this measure instead of the IV-D PEP. However, because IV-D PEP provides a more accurate measure of LCSA performance, both are monitored and addressed in performance reports (see IV-D PEP, page 9).

The performance of LCSAs in the Statewide PEP category has proven to be consistently strong. For this mid-year report, the percentage has fallen to 97.4 percent, compared with the mid-year 2006 figure of 104.0 percent. However, a preview of the preliminary data for FFY 2007 indicates the measure is again above 100 percent. See Table C on page 8.

¹ This percent is calculated from data reported on the CS 1257 Report, line 8 (Children in the State Born Out-of-Wedlock During the Prior Report Period), divided by line 9 (Children in the State with Paternity Established or Acknowledged During the Report Period). Minimum federal performance is 50%.

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TABLE C
STATEWIDE PATERNITY ESTABLISHMENT PERCENTAGE
SEMI-ANNUAL FFY 2007 REPORT

	Births to Unmarried Parents (March 2006)	Paternities Established or Acknowledged	Paternity Establishment Percentage (PEP)
STATEWIDE	103,858	101,200	97.4%
Alameda	3,576	3,400	95.1
Alpine	0	0	*
Amador	44	55	125.0
Butte	639	583	91.2
Calaveras	4	36	900.0
Colusa	46	46	100.0
Contra Costa	1,496	1,667	111.4
Del Norte	82	128	156.1
El Dorado	216	208	96.3
Fresno	4,058	4,091	100.8
Glenn	0	28	*
Humboldt	377	420	111.4
Imperial	656	710	108.2
Inyo	55	41	74.5
Kern	3,362	3,258	96.9
Kings	512	495	96.7
Lake	153	183	119.6
Lassen	48	50	104.2
Los Angeles	33,409	30,217	90.4
Madera	556	549	98.7
Marin	118	201	170.3
Mariposa	0	8	*
Mendocino	234	284	121.4
Merced	879	1,115	126.8
Modoc	0	16	*
Mono	20	23	115.0
Monterey	1,496	1,398	93.4
Napa	235	222	94.5
Nevada	149	153	102.7
Orange	7,187	6,658	92.6
Placer	392	390	99.5
Plumas	6	27	450.0
Riverside	6,151	7,076	115.0
Sacramento	4,005	4,565	114.0
San Benito	148	175	118.2
San Bernardino	6,173	6,231	100.9
San Diego	7,438	6,070	81.6
San Francisco	1,416	1,300	91.8
San Joaquin	2,440	2,994	122.7
San Luis Obispo	411	413	100.5
San Mateo	431	577	133.9
Santa Barbara	1,158	1,049	90.6
Santa Clara	4,209	4,236	100.6
Santa Cruz	707	657	92.9
Shasta	482	418	86.7
Sierra	0	1	*
Siskiyou	85	87	102.4
Solano	1,013	1,078	106.4
Sonoma	980	1,037	105.8
Stanislaus	1,890	1,928	102.0
Sutter	404	403	99.8
Tehama	146	190	130.1
Trinity	0	4	*
Tulare	1,682	1,789	106.4
Tuolumne	119	112	94.1
Ventura	2,045	1,687	82.5
Yolo	320	363	113.4
Yuba	0	100	*
Regionalized LCSA's			
Amador/Alpine/Calaveras	48	91	*
Inyo/Mono	75	64	85.3
Santa Cruz/San Benito	855	832	97.3
Sierra/Nevada	149	154	*
Siskiyou/Modoc	85	103	121.2

SOURCE: CS 1257 Lines 8 and 9

* No activity reported by the Office of Vital Records for the LCSA or an individual county in a regionalized LCSA, therefore PEP cannot be calculated.

**Federal
Performance
Measures****IV-D PATERNITY ESTABLISHMENT PERCENTAGE**

The Federal Performance Measure for Paternity Establishment measures the total number of children in the IV-D caseload in the fiscal year who have been born out-of-wedlock and for whom paternity has been established, compared to the total number of children in the IV-D caseload as of the end of the preceding fiscal year who were born out-of-wedlock, expressed as a percentage.²

Though California opts to use Statewide PEP as its federal performance measure, IV-D Paternity Establishment (IV-D PEP) is a more useful measure for comparing individual LCSA performance. This data is provided to LCSAs in regular comparative data reports in order to monitor performance on an on-going basis.

The mid-year percentage for FFY 2007 of 83.1, compared to the FFY 2006 mid-year percentage of 81.1, represents an increase of 2.5 percent. See Table D on page 10.

² This percent is calculated from data reported on the CS 1257 Report, line 6 (Children with Paternity Established or Acknowledged), divided by previous year line 5 (Number of Children Born Out-of-Wedlock). This data represents point in time counts for the Report Period. Minimum federal performance is 50%.

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TABLE D
IV-D PATERNITY ESTABLISHMENT PERCENTAGE
SEMI-ANNUAL FFY 2007 REPORT

	Number of Children in the Caseload who were Born Out-of-Wedlock (March 2006)	Children with Paternity Established or Acknowledged (March 2007)	IV-D Paternity Establishment Percentage (PEP)
STATEWIDE	1,315,343	1,093,319	83.1%
Alameda	30,247	28,581	94.5
Alpine	44	37	84.1
Amador	644	676	105.0
Butte	8,124	6,964	85.7
Calaveras	1,202	1,208	100.5
Colusa	550	520	94.5
Contra Costa	28,011	25,923	92.5
Del Norte	1,757	1,682	95.7
El Dorado	3,939	3,824	97.1
Fresno	53,612	48,111	89.7
Glenn	1,263	1,309	103.6
Humboldt	5,188	5,181	99.9
Imperial	7,797	7,014	90.0
Inyo	616	624	101.3
Kern	49,265	40,555	82.3
Kings	8,167	7,497	91.8
Lake	3,020	2,634	87.2
Lassen	1,157	1,096	94.7
Los Angeles	388,956	307,878	79.2
Madera	4,490	4,265	95.0
Marin	2,242	2,218	98.9
Mariposa	367	351	95.6
Mendocino	3,780	3,781	100.0
Merced	17,539	16,640	94.9
Modoc	363	368	101.4
Mono	196	188	95.9
Monterey	15,106	12,915	85.5
Napa	2,554	2,247	88.0
Nevada	2,037	1,811	88.9
Orange	66,785	56,424	84.5
Placer	5,084	4,670	91.9
Plumas	537	541	100.7
Riverside	76,071	57,853	76.1
Sacramento	60,442	52,674	87.1
San Benito	2,025	1,798	88.8
San Bernardino	119,161	86,769	72.8
San Diego	106,712	81,476	76.4
San Francisco	15,658	13,668	87.3
San Joaquin	29,391	26,157	89.0
San Luis Obispo	2,417	2,694	111.5
San Mateo	9,206	8,835	96.0
Santa Barbara	12,741	11,343	89.0
Santa Clara	41,729	36,551	87.6
Santa Cruz	6,017	5,237	87.0
Shasta	9,904	8,513	86.0
Sierra	50	55	110.0
Siskiyou	2,251	2,085	92.6
Solano	14,870	14,245	95.8
Sonoma	10,434	9,862	94.5
Stanislaus	18,730	17,584	93.9
Sutter	3,431	3,461	100.9
Tehama	3,160	2,925	92.6
Trinity	456	411	90.1
Tulare	24,770	23,910	96.5
Tuolumne	1,949	1,954	100.3
Ventura	17,910	16,271	90.8
Yolo	6,407	5,586	87.2
Yuba	4,812	3,669	76.2
Regionalized LCSA's			
Amador/Alpine/Calaveras	1,890	1,921	101.6
Inyo/Mono	812	812	100.0
Santa Cruz/San Benito	8,042	7,035	87.5
Sierra/Nevada	2,087	1,866	89.4
Siskiyou/Modoc	2,614	2,453	93.8

SOURCE: CS 1257 Lines 5 and 6

NOTE: The calculation for IV-D PEP is current year line 6 divided by previous year line 5.

PERCENT OF CASES WITH A SUPPORT ORDER ESTABLISHED

Federal Performance Measures

This Federal Performance Measure determines the percent of child support cases for which a child support order has been established.³ Support orders are defined as legally enforceable orders, including orders for medical support. In order to legally enforce payments, a case is required to have an established support order.

Midway through FFY 2007, the number of statewide cases was approximately 1.7 million. Of that, 1.37 million cases, or 81.0 percent of the cases had established support orders, compared with 80.0 percent at the mid-year point of FFY 2006. See Table E on page 12.

³ This percent is calculated from data reported on CS 1257 Report, line 2 (Cases Open at the End of the Report Period with Support Orders Established) divided by line 1 (IV-D Cases Open at the End of the Report Period). Minimum federal performance is 50%.

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TABLE E
PERCENT OF CASES WITH A SUPPORT ORDER ESTABLISHED
SEMI-ANNUAL FFY 2007 REPORT

	Cases	Cases with Support Orders Established	Percent of Cases with Support Orders Established
STATEWIDE	1,696,296	1,374,282	81.0%
Alameda	40,006	37,278	93.2
Alpine	131	124	94.7
Amador	1,773	1,665	93.9
Butte	15,632	12,910	82.6
Calaveras	2,238	2,050	91.6
Colusa	1,016	890	87.6
Contra Costa	37,477	32,650	87.1
Del Norte	2,974	2,818	94.8
El Dorado	7,357	6,886	93.6
Fresno	69,036	58,979	85.4
Glenn	2,380	1,997	83.9
Humboldt	8,759	8,199	93.6
Imperial	13,172	10,722	81.4
Inyo	1,502	1,390	92.5
Kern	60,460	46,825	77.4
Kings	11,036	9,942	90.1
Lake	4,767	4,030	84.5
Lassen	2,302	2,033	88.3
Los Angeles	468,968	353,261	75.3
Madera	7,068	6,021	85.2
Marin	3,668	3,279	89.4
Mariposa	907	841	92.7
Mendocino	6,412	5,506	85.9
Merced	21,540	17,470	81.1
Modoc	750	708	94.4
Mono	391	359	91.8
Monterey	19,912	17,185	86.3
Napa	5,179	4,583	88.5
Nevada	4,137	3,685	89.1
Orange	94,726	76,978	81.3
Placer	9,182	8,057	87.7
Plumas	1,344	1,248	92.9
Riverside	89,622	66,413	74.1
Sacramento	79,720	67,619	84.8
San Benito	2,861	2,578	90.1
San Bernardino	136,421	97,274	71.3
San Diego	109,131	92,199	84.5
San Francisco	23,416	20,742	88.6
San Joaquin	35,560	30,595	86.0
San Luis Obispo	6,019	5,722	95.1
San Mateo	13,952	12,063	86.5
Santa Barbara	18,276	14,936	81.7
Santa Clara	61,849	52,007	84.1
Santa Cruz	9,200	7,869	85.5
Shasta	15,863	13,979	88.1
Sierra	200	182	91.0
Siskiyou	3,836	3,586	93.5
Solano	22,333	19,673	88.1
Sonoma	17,141	15,615	91.1
Stanislaus	33,056	28,655	86.7
Sutter	6,442	5,611	87.1
Tehama	5,027	4,575	91.0
Trinity	1,176	1,007	85.6
Tulare	35,857	32,154	89.7
Tuolumne	3,495	3,244	92.8
Ventura	23,994	22,080	92.0
Yolo	9,571	8,442	88.2
Yuba	6,076	4,893	80.5
Regionalized LCSA's			
Amador/Alpine/Calaveras	4,142	3,839	92.7
Inyo/Mono	1,893	1,749	92.4
Santa Cruz/San Benito	12,061	10,447	86.6
Sierra/Nevada	4,337	3,867	89.2
Siskiyou/Modoc	4,586	4,294	93.6

SOURCE: CS 1257 Lines 1 and 2

PERCENT OF COLLECTIONS ON CURRENT SUPPORT**Federal
Performance
Measures**

Collections on Current Support measures the amount of current support, collected and distributed, compared to the total amount of current support owed.⁴ Current Assistance, Former Assistance and Never Assistance cases are all included in the measure, along with cases with cash medical support payments and cases closed during the report period that had current support due.

In the first two quarters of FFY 2007, the percentage was 50.9 percent, compared with the mid-year figure for FFY 2006 of 49.8 percent. See Table F on page 14.

⁴ This percent is calculated from data reported on the CS 1257 Report, line 25 (Total Amount of Current Support Collected and Distributed) divided by line 24 (Total Amount of Current Support Due). Minimum federal performance is 40%.

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TABLE F
PERCENT OF COLLECTIONS ON CURRENT SUPPORT
SEMI-ANNUAL FFY 2007 REPORT

	Current Support Due	Current Support Distributed *	Percent of Collections on Current Support
STATEWIDE	\$1,330,114,351	\$677,001,570	50.9%
Alameda	42,080,627	26,018,488	61.8
Alpine	61,054	44,784	73.4
Amador	1,559,706	976,577	62.6
Butte	8,399,190	4,370,688	52.0
Calaveras	1,652,680	935,324	56.6
Colusa	965,195	591,092	61.2
Contra Costa	31,745,737	17,154,291	54.0
Del Norte	1,634,194	955,798	58.5
El Dorado	6,571,296	3,640,257	55.4
Fresno	42,198,822	21,964,232	52.0
Glenn	1,536,179	819,005	53.3
Humboldt	6,061,024	3,909,727	64.5
Imperial	11,247,811	5,185,484	46.1
Inyo	1,156,328	691,212	59.8
Kern	35,192,195	17,585,646	50.0
Kings	7,145,199	4,332,111	60.6
Lake	2,905,353	1,460,262	50.3
Lassen	1,494,203	890,549	59.6
Los Angeles	318,061,509	142,798,373	44.9
Madera	5,447,924	3,003,387	55.1
Marin	5,774,429	3,898,426	67.5
Mariposa	781,380	499,258	63.9
Mendocino	3,997,566	2,132,950	53.4
Merced	16,847,230	8,962,020	53.2
Modoc	436,578	262,886	60.2
Mono	461,728	304,479	65.9
Monterey	20,398,718	11,237,896	55.1
Napa	5,385,810	3,132,002	58.2
Nevada	3,422,265	1,948,942	56.9
Orange	105,637,349	57,544,719	54.5
Placer	9,442,005	5,381,206	57.0
Plumas	984,108	581,950	59.1
Riverside	72,030,616	34,219,865	47.5
Sacramento	64,620,465	31,036,883	48.0
San Benito	2,383,941	1,177,996	49.4
San Bernardino	92,947,643	43,990,201	47.3
San Diego	101,292,566	50,033,212	49.4
San Francisco	16,074,389	9,899,965	61.6
San Joaquin	30,855,648	15,615,297	50.6
San Luis Obispo	7,346,662	4,936,040	67.2
San Mateo	15,043,307	8,961,800	59.6
Santa Barbara	14,896,425	8,664,310	58.2
Santa Clara	57,794,608	28,561,716	49.4
Santa Cruz	8,972,894	4,850,984	54.1
Shasta	10,572,716	5,630,905	53.3
Sierra	145,499	88,266	60.7
Siskiyou	2,643,226	1,629,258	61.6
Solano	20,551,727	11,452,865	55.7
Sonoma	16,084,957	9,782,985	60.8
Stanislaus	24,949,140	13,488,049	54.1
Sutter	4,374,389	2,578,541	58.9
Tehama	3,385,932	1,828,453	54.0
Trinity	690,350	349,752	50.7
Tulare	19,878,071	10,944,607	55.1
Tuolumne	2,930,824	1,991,453	67.9
Ventura	28,494,186	16,549,637	58.1
Yolo	7,004,910	3,780,232	54.0
Yuba	3,463,868	1,744,277	50.4
Regionalized LCSA's			
Amador/Alpine/Calaveras	3,273,440	1,956,685	59.8
Inyo/Mono	1,618,056	995,691	61.5
Santa Cruz/San Benito	11,356,835	6,028,980	53.1
Sierra/Nevada	3,567,764	2,037,208	57.1
Siskiyou/Modoc	3,079,804	1,892,144	61.4

SOURCE: CS 1257 Lines 24, 25 and Date of Receipt (DOR) Distribution Report
*DOR Distributions have been removed from Current Support Distributed

PERCENT OF CASES WITH AN ARREARS COLLECTION***Federal
Performance
Measures***

This federal performance measure captures the percent of child support cases that owe past due child support (arrearage) in which at least one payment was made towards that arrearage during the report period.⁵ An arrearage is reported any time a current support payment is missed. The measure includes Current Assistance, Former Assistance, and Never Assistance cases, as well as cases closed during the report period.

The statewide percentage for this 2007 semi-annual report period is 48.3 percent. Performance is calculated using unduplicated aggregate data. California's performance in this measure has risen 3.7 percent from the same point in the previous FFY, as the state's arrearage collection performance was 46.6 percent at the end of March, 2006. See Table G on page 16.

⁵ This percent is calculated from data reported on the CS 1257 Report, line 29 (Cases Paying Toward Arrears), divided by line 28 (Cases with Arrears Due During the Report Period). Minimum federal performance is 40%.

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TABLE G
PERCENT OF CASES WITH AN ARREARS COLLECTION
SEMI-ANNUAL FFY 2007 REPORT

	Cases with Arrears Due	Cases Paying Toward Arrears	Percent of Cases with an Arrears Collection
STATEWIDE	1,057,293	510,383	48.3%
Alameda	30,270	18,725	61.9
Alpine	96	59	61.5
Amador	1,300	729	56.1
Butte	10,845	5,546	51.1
Calaveras	1,718	925	53.8
Colusa	738	438	59.3
Contra Costa	21,381	11,498	53.8
Del Norte	2,318	1,320	56.9
El Dorado	6,034	3,519	58.3
Fresno	47,931	23,830	49.7
Glenn	1,621	816	50.3
Humboldt	6,076	3,683	60.6
Imperial	8,652	3,727	43.1
Inyo	1,111	583	52.5
Kern	35,583	16,522	46.4
Kings	7,388	3,975	53.8
Lake	3,189	1,799	56.4
Lassen	1,677	939	56.0
Los Angeles	238,778	94,209	39.5
Madera	5,103	2,839	55.6
Marin	2,692	1,589	59.0
Mariposa	694	415	59.8
Mendocino	4,296	2,307	53.7
Merced	14,637	6,998	47.8
Modoc	557	296	53.1
Mono	275	170	61.8
Monterey	14,774	7,390	50.0
Napa	3,898	2,212	56.7
Nevada	3,102	1,665	53.7
Orange	60,288	30,421	50.5
Placer	7,112	3,813	53.6
Plumas	1,103	631	57.2
Riverside	57,119	28,750	50.3
Sacramento	54,508	26,446	48.5
San Benito	2,312	1,094	47.3
San Bernardino	68,769	31,435	45.7
San Diego	75,537	35,709	47.3
San Francisco	15,764	8,137	51.6
San Joaquin	24,403	12,598	51.6
San Luis Obispo	4,812	3,245	67.4
San Mateo	9,945	5,738	57.7
Santa Barbara	11,801	6,500	55.1
Santa Clara	44,886	21,726	48.4
Santa Cruz	6,641	3,318	50.0
Shasta	12,140	6,302	51.9
Sierra	147	69	46.9
Siskiyou	3,005	1,665	55.4
Solano	16,714	8,627	51.6
Sonoma	13,280	7,627	57.4
Stanislaus	22,900	11,681	51.0
Sutter	4,774	2,443	51.2
Tehama	3,873	2,050	52.9
Trinity	830	416	50.1
Tulare	24,908	12,479	50.1
Tuolumne	2,508	1,492	59.5
Ventura	19,009	11,539	60.7
Yolo	7,391	3,734	50.5
Yuba	4,080	1,975	48.4
Regionalized LCSA's			
Amador/Alpine/Calaveras	3,114	1,713	55.0
Inyo/Mono	1,386	753	54.3
Santa Cruz/San Benito	8,953	4,412	49.3
Sierra/Nevada	3,249	1,734	53.4
Siskiyou/Modoc	3,562	1,961	55.1

SOURCE: CS 1257 Lines 28 and 29

**State
Performance
Measures****PERCENT OF CASES WITH A COLLECTION
OF CURRENT SUPPORT**

This performance measure determines the percent of cases in the IV-D caseload receiving payment for current support compared to the total number of cases with current support due.⁶ Unlike the federal performance measure of current collections, this measure evaluates the number of cases owed and receiving current support, not the total dollar amounts owed and received.

During the first half of FFY 2007, there were 420,678 cases receiving current child support for the 646,040 cases with an order for support, which equates to 65.1 percent of the total cases owing current support in California. The statewide percentage increased by 4 percent from 62.6 percent at the same point midway through the prior year. See Table H on page 18.

⁶ The performance level for this measure is calculated from data reported on the CS 1257 Report, line 45 (Cases Paying Toward Current Support During the Report Period), divided by line 44 (Cases with Current Support Due).

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TABLE H
PERCENT OF CASES WITH A COLLECTION OF CURRENT SUPPORT
SEMI-ANNUAL FFY 2007 REPORT

	Cases with Current Support Due	Cases Paying Toward Current Support	Percent of Cases with a Collection of Current Support
STATEWIDE	646,040	420,678	65.1%
Alameda	19,015	14,645	77.0
Alpine	26	21	80.8
Amador	788	584	74.1
Butte	4,781	3,313	69.3
Calaveras	892	623	69.8
Colusa	520	395	76.0
Contra Costa	13,007	9,026	69.4
Del Norte	1,163	829	71.3
El Dorado	3,161	2,293	72.5
Fresno	24,497	16,873	68.9
Glenn	921	626	68.0
Humboldt	3,604	2,823	78.3
Imperial	5,739	3,530	61.5
Inyo	591	421	71.2
Kern	20,552	13,137	63.9
Kings	4,239	3,147	74.2
Lake	1,554	1,052	67.7
Lassen	887	635	71.6
Los Angeles	158,464	89,082	56.2
Madera	3,295	2,337	70.9
Marin	2,013	1,567	77.8
Mariposa	442	329	74.4
Mendocino	2,361	1,597	67.6
Merced	9,657	6,291	65.1
Modoc	296	202	68.2
Mono	190	141	74.2
Monterey	9,292	6,409	69.0
Napa	2,282	1,687	73.9
Nevada	1,656	1,194	72.1
Orange	41,280	28,529	69.1
Placer	4,171	3,001	71.9
Plumas	568	453	79.8
Riverside	33,416	21,884	65.5
Sacramento	32,988	20,974	63.6
San Benito	1,245	790	63.5
San Bernardino	44,938	28,394	63.2
San Diego	48,200	31,293	64.9
San Francisco	8,088	5,811	71.8
San Joaquin	15,536	10,334	66.5
San Luis Obispo	3,634	2,968	81.7
San Mateo	6,393	4,740	74.1
Santa Barbara	7,150	5,198	72.7
Santa Clara	24,178	15,793	65.3
Santa Cruz	3,849	2,563	66.6
Shasta	5,855	4,052	69.2
Sierra	73	56	76.7
Siskiyou	1,570	1,173	74.7
Solano	9,639	6,754	70.1
Sonoma	7,611	5,684	74.7
Stanislaus	12,885	8,873	68.9
Sutter	2,281	1,586	69.5
Tehama	2,000	1,397	69.9
Trinity	389	265	68.1
Tulare	12,876	8,933	69.4
Tuolumne	1,513	1,198	79.2
Ventura	12,331	9,488	76.9
Yolo	3,583	2,461	68.7
Yuba	1,915	1,224	63.9
Regionalized LCSA's			
Alpine/Amador/Calaveras	1,706	1,228	72.0
Inyo/Mono	781	562	72.0
Santa Cruz/San Benito	5,094	3,353	65.8
Sierra/Nevada	1,729	1,250	72.3
Siskiyou/Modoc	1,866	1,375	73.7

SOURCE: CS 1257 Lines 44 and 45

**State
Performance
Measures****AVERAGE AMOUNT COLLECTED
PER CASE WITH A COLLECTION**

This performance measure determines the average amount collected per case for all cases with a collection. The measure represents the unduplicated annual count of child support cases with at least one collection of support compared to the total amount of distributed collections (current support and arrears) during the report period.⁷

California's total child support collected and distributed during the FFY 2007 semi-annual report period reached \$1.12 billion, after adjustment for total DOR collections of \$9.5 million. When applying the 648,830 cases with a collection, the state averaged \$1,729 collected per case, an increase of \$6 per case collected at the same point in the prior year. See Table I on page 20.

Additionally, FC section 17600(b)(6), requires this report to contain information as to the total child support distributed during the current FFY, broken down by Current Assistance, Former Assistance, and Never Assistance cases. This information is contained on Table J, page 21 of this report.

⁷ The performance level for this measure is calculated from data reported on the CS 1257 Report, line 25 (Total Amount of Support Distributed as Current Support During the Report Period) and line 27 (Total Amount of Support Distributed as Arrears During the Report Period) divided by line 18 (Cases with Collections During the Report Period).

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TABLE I
AVERAGE AMOUNT COLLECTED PER CASE WITH A COLLECTION
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	Total Child Support Distributed *	Cases with a Collection	Average Amount Collected per Case with a Collection
STATEWIDE	1,121,625,414	648,830	\$1,729
Alameda	42,150,720	22,928	1,838
Alpine	80,556	64	1,259
Amador	1,563,279	943	1,658
Butte	8,065,277	6,655	1,212
Calaveras	1,628,124	1,117	1,458
Colusa	916,137	555	1,651
Contra Costa	27,864,906	14,319	1,946
Del Norte	1,662,725	1,543	1,078
El Dorado	6,586,690	4,185	1,574
Fresno	39,309,887	29,151	1,348
Glenn	1,250,396	984	1,271
Humboldt	6,388,260	4,526	1,411
Imperial	8,177,369	4,866	1,681
Inyo	1,077,027	732	1,471
Kern	31,848,113	20,581	1,547
Kings	6,993,622	4,924	1,420
Lake	2,698,689	2,046	1,319
Lassen	1,650,866	1,117	1,478
Los Angeles	241,781,875	128,168	1,886
Madera	4,792,169	3,502	1,368
Marin	5,627,802	2,188	2,572
Mariposa	785,400	522	1,505
Mendocino	3,639,329	2,760	1,319
Merced	13,742,078	8,959	1,534
Modoc	440,551	353	1,248
Mono	426,484	221	1,930
Monterey	17,282,780	9,350	1,848
Napa	4,990,877	2,736	1,824
Nevada	3,448,796	2,028	1,701
Orange	87,598,297	40,423	2,167
Placer	8,593,054	4,820	1,783
Plumas	977,851	755	1,295
Riverside	59,906,187	35,095	1,707
Sacramento	52,645,980	33,063	1,592
San Benito	1,902,820	1,350	1,409
San Bernardino	72,192,226	40,714	1,773
San Diego	80,873,299	46,674	1,733
San Francisco	15,963,191	10,072	1,585
San Joaquin	25,381,018	15,742	1,612
San Luis Obispo	7,276,143	4,108	1,771
San Mateo	13,949,544	7,056	1,977
Santa Barbara	13,279,552	8,163	1,627
Santa Clara	51,152,841	26,548	1,927
Santa Cruz	7,791,082	4,095	1,903
Shasta	9,975,929	7,447	1,340
Sierra	130,506	88	1,483
Siskiyou	2,680,932	2,051	1,307
Solano	18,259,043	10,554	1,730
Sonoma	15,428,147	9,410	1,640
Stanislaus	23,249,224	14,308	1,625
Sutter	4,571,479	2,894	1,580
Tehama	3,244,566	2,464	1,317
Trinity	663,341	501	1,324
Tulare	18,726,653	15,207	1,231
Tuolumne	3,170,587	1,919	1,652
Ventura	25,332,863	14,395	1,760
Yolo	6,633,819	4,552	1,457
Yuba	3,204,455	2,339	1,370
Regionalized LCSA's			
Alpine/Amador/Calaveras	3,271,958	2,124	1,540
Inyo/Mono	1,503,511	953	1,578
Santa Cruz/San Benito	9,693,902	5,445	1,780
Sierra/Nevada	3,579,302	2,116	1,692
Siskiyou/Modoc	3,121,483	2,404	1,298

SOURCE: CS 1257 Line 18, 25, 27; and Date of Receipt (DOR) Distribution Report
*DOR Distributions have been removed from Total Child Support Distributed

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TABLE J
TOTAL CHILD SUPPORT DISTRIBUTED
SEMI-ANNUAL FFY 2007 REPORT

	Total Child Support Distributed *	Child Support Distributed * - Current Assistance	Child Support Distributed * - Former Assistance	Child Support Distributed * - Never Assistance
STATEWIDE	\$1,121,625,414	\$119,588,487	\$537,785,386	\$464,251,541
Alameda	42,150,720	3,963,436	21,060,950	17,126,334
Alpine	80,556	3,451	29,092	48,013
Amador	1,563,279	117,261	810,401	635,617
Butte	8,065,277	1,018,649	4,820,415	2,226,213
Calaveras	1,628,124	198,025	843,875	586,224
Colusa	916,137	95,826	480,635	339,677
Contra Costa	27,864,906	2,792,860	11,170,773	13,901,273
Del Norte	1,662,725	243,950	981,925	436,850
El Dorado	6,586,690	648,907	3,190,937	2,746,846
Fresno	39,309,887	6,942,142	23,810,845	8,556,901
Glenn	1,250,396	187,385	689,316	373,695
Humboldt	6,388,260	740,334	3,519,084	2,128,843
Imperial	8,177,369	1,184,029	3,253,434	3,739,906
Inyo	1,077,027	56,843	526,336	493,848
Kern	31,848,113	4,475,346	16,905,410	10,467,357
Kings	6,993,622	863,528	3,817,994	2,312,100
Lake	2,698,689	310,226	1,835,163	553,300
Lassen	1,650,866	224,228	931,543	495,096
Los Angeles	241,781,875	27,139,511	112,396,663	102,245,701
Madera	4,792,169	817,717	2,364,909	1,609,543
Marin	5,627,802	355,545	1,494,747	3,777,511
Mariposa	785,400	82,609	405,381	297,410
Mendocino	3,639,329	546,773	1,849,478	1,243,078
Merced	13,742,078	2,109,689	7,386,380	4,246,009
Modoc	440,551	57,640	253,975	128,937
Mono	426,484	11,707	143,603	271,174
Monterey	17,282,780	1,560,267	8,759,753	6,962,760
Napa	4,990,877	250,705	1,963,495	2,776,677
Nevada	3,448,796	311,793	1,852,423	1,284,580
Orange	87,598,297	4,738,020	32,034,366	50,825,911
Placer	8,593,054	566,083	3,592,310	4,434,661
Plumas	977,851	78,150	545,125	354,576
Riverside	59,906,187	5,956,938	29,954,051	23,995,197
Sacramento	52,645,980	6,943,332	28,977,765	16,724,883
San Benito	1,902,820	231,864	1,032,397	638,559
San Bernardino	72,192,226	7,728,435	36,292,359	28,171,432
San Diego	80,873,299	6,501,758	32,704,288	41,667,253
San Francisco	15,963,191	1,443,063	7,932,535	6,587,592
San Joaquin	25,381,018	3,288,440	11,916,958	10,175,620
San Luis Obispo	7,276,143	781,585	3,537,614	2,956,945
San Mateo	13,949,544	870,371	5,184,201	7,894,972
Santa Barbara	13,279,552	1,482,081	6,166,058	5,631,413
Santa Clara	51,152,841	5,677,152	25,686,779	19,788,910
Santa Cruz	7,791,082	688,738	3,668,850	3,433,494
Shasta	9,975,929	1,176,514	5,234,357	3,565,058
Sierra	130,506	8,348	66,261	55,898
Siskiyou	2,680,932	258,659	1,664,061	758,211
Solano	18,259,043	1,651,841	10,083,290	6,523,912
Sonoma	15,428,147	1,216,194	7,882,934	6,329,019
Stanislaus	23,249,224	3,106,401	12,755,333	7,387,489
Sutter	4,571,479	460,529	2,471,138	1,639,812
Tehama	3,244,566	518,543	1,908,848	817,175
Trinity	663,341	60,529	454,422	148,390
Tulare	18,726,653	3,229,309	11,325,346	4,171,997
Tuolumne	3,170,587	246,667	1,692,358	1,231,562
Ventura	25,332,863	2,235,458	10,294,482	12,802,924
Yolo	6,633,819	677,900	3,327,890	2,628,029
Yuba	3,204,455	455,203	1,850,077	899,175
Regionalized LCSA's				
Alpine/Amador/Calaveras	3,271,958	318,736	1,683,367	1,269,855
Inyo/Mono	1,503,511	68,551	669,939	765,022
Santa Cruz/San Benito	9,693,902	920,602	4,701,247	4,072,053
Sierra/Nevada	3,579,302	320,141	1,918,684	1,340,477
Siskiyou/Modoc	3,121,483	316,299	1,918,036	887,148

SOURCE: CS 1257 Lines 25 and 27; and Date of Receipt (DOR) Distribution Report
*DOR Distributions have been removed from Child Support Distributed Totals

**State
Performance
Measures****PERCENT OF CASES WITH A SUPPORT ORDER
ESTABLISHED DURING REPORT PERIOD**

This performance measure determines the number of cases that had a child support order established during the report period,⁸ compared to the number of cases open at the end of the period requiring establishment of a support order.

Overall, California's establishment of 45,139 support orders equates to 11.8 percent of cases needing an order during the first two quarters of FFY 2007. This represents an increase of 8.3 percent over the FFY 2006 semi-annual performance of 10.9 percent. See Table K on page 23.

⁸ The performance level for this measure is calculated from data reported on the CS 1257 Report, line 17, (Cases with Support Orders Established During the Report Period), divided by the sum of line 17 and line 12 (Cases Open at the End of the Report Period Requiring Services to Establish an Order).

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TABLE K
PERCENT OF CASES WITH A SUPPORT ORDER ESTABLISHED DURING REPORT PERIOD
SEMI-ANNUAL FFY 2007 REPORT

	Cases Requiring a Support Order	Cases with Support Orders Established During Report Period	Cases Requiring Services to Establish a Support Order	Percent of Cases with a Support Order Established During Report Period
STATEWIDE	381,777	45,139	336,638	11.8%
Alameda	3,997	988	3,009	24.7
Alpine	9	2	7	22.2
Amador	171	57	114	33.3
Butte	3,208	313	2,895	9.8
Calaveras	269	70	199	26.0
Colusa	176	46	130	26.1
Contra Costa	6,432	1,213	5,219	18.9
Del Norte	285	118	167	41.4
El Dorado	756	258	498	34.1
Fresno	13,775	2,444	11,331	17.7
Glenn	484	69	415	14.3
Humboldt	903	312	591	34.6
Imperial	3,064	408	2,656	13.3
Inyo	179	58	121	32.4
Kern	16,477	1,851	14,626	11.2
Kings	1,580	370	1,210	23.4
Lake	926	135	791	14.6
Lassen	360	66	294	18.3
Los Angeles	124,785	9,078	115,707	7.3
Madera	1,497	357	1,140	23.8
Marin	504	101	403	20.0
Mariposa	99	32	67	32.3
Mendocino	1,247	254	993	20.4
Merced	5,263	816	4,447	15.5
Modoc	83	39	44	47.0
Mono	45	13	32	28.9
Monterey	3,843	743	3,100	19.3
Napa	705	112	593	15.9
Nevada	589	113	476	19.2
Orange	20,012	2,264	17,748	11.3
Placer	1,400	203	1,197	14.5
Plumas	141	41	100	29.1
Riverside	28,826	3,313	25,513	11.5
Sacramento	16,335	3,231	13,104	19.8
San Benito	419	109	310	26.0
San Bernardino	45,306	3,545	41,761	7.8
San Diego	18,218	1,286	16,932	7.1
San Francisco	3,429	530	2,899	15.5
San Joaquin	7,502	2,139	5,363	28.5
San Luis Obispo	593	282	311	47.6
San Mateo	2,427	368	2,059	15.2
Santa Barbara	4,321	615	3,706	14.2
Santa Clara	12,215	1,707	10,508	14.0
Santa Cruz	1,591	196	1,395	12.3
Shasta	2,477	388	2,089	15.7
Sierra	19	0	19	0.0
Siskiyou	352	90	262	25.6
Solano	3,429	611	2,818	17.8
Sonoma	2,007	407	1,600	20.3
Stanislaus	5,866	989	4,877	16.9
Sutter	1,031	139	892	13.5
Tehama	669	178	491	26.6
Trinity	204	17	187	8.3
Tulare	5,289	1,100	4,189	20.8
Tuolumne	378	119	259	31.5
Ventura	2,629	434	2,195	16.5
Yolo	1,478	233	1,245	15.8
Yuba	1,503	169	1,334	11.2
Regionalized LCSA's				
Alpine/Amador/Calaveras	449	129	578	28.7
Inyo/Mono	224	71	295	31.7
Santa Cruz/San Benito	2,010	305	2,315	15.2
Sierra/Nevada	608	113	721	18.6
Siskiyou/Modoc	435	129	564	29.7

SOURCE: CS 1257 Lines 12 and 17

**State
Performance
Measures****PERCENT OF CASES REQUIRING A SUPPORT
ORDER WITH ALLEGED OBLIGOR SERVED
WITH A SUMMONS AND COMPLAINT**

The purpose of this performance measure is to determine the percent of alleged fathers or obligors served with a Summons and Complaint (S&C) to establish paternity or a support order.⁹ The court process requires that the alleged father or obligor must be served with a S&C (either in person or by certified mail) to legally establish paternity or to establish an order for child support.

During the semi-annual report period for FFY 2007, of the approximately 381,777 cases requiring an order, there were 64,368 alleged fathers or obligors served with a summons and complaint. The percent of cases served with a summons and complaint is 16.9 percent of the cases requiring an order, a 22.5 percent increase from the 13.8 percentage in the FFY 2006 semi-annual report. See Table L on page 25.

⁹ The performance level for this measure is calculated from data reported on the CS 1257 Report, line 43 (Number of Alleged Obligor Successfully Served with a Summons & Complaint During the Report Period) divided by the sum of line 17, (Cases with Support Orders Established During the Report Period), and line 12 (Cases Open at the End of the Report Period Requiring Services to Establish an Order).

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TABLE L
SERVICE OF SUMMONS AND COMPLAINT
SEMI-ANNUAL FFY 2007 REPORT

	Cases Requiring a Support Order	Alleged Fathers Served with a Summons and Complaint (S&C)	Percent of Cases Requiring a Support Order with Alleged Father Served with a S&C
STATEWIDE	381,777	64,368	16.9%
Alameda	3,997	997	24.9
Alpine	9	3	33.3
Amador	171	73	42.7
Butte	3,208	305	9.5
Calaveras	269	94	34.9
Colusa	176	36	20.5
Contra Costa	6,432	1,535	23.9
Del Norte	285	106	37.2
El Dorado	756	302	39.9
Fresno	13,775	2,839	20.6
Glenn	484	75	15.5
Humboldt	903	363	40.2
Imperial	3,064	672	21.9
Inyo	179	58	32.4
Kern	16,477	3,045	18.5
Kings	1,580	498	31.5
Lake	926	181	19.5
Lassen	360	87	24.2
Los Angeles	124,785	20,275	16.2
Madera	1,497	419	28.0
Marin	504	147	29.2
Mariposa	99	41	41.4
Mendocino	1,247	272	21.8
Merced	5,263	927	17.6
Modoc	83	45	54.2
Mono	45	13	28.9
Monterey	3,843	847	22.0
Napa	705	122	17.3
Nevada	589	138	23.4
Orange	20,012	3,165	15.8
Placer	1,400	219	15.6
Plumas	141	45	31.9
Riverside	28,826	3,547	12.3
Sacramento	16,335	3,332	20.4
San Benito	419	113	27.0
San Bernardino	45,306	5,392	11.9
San Diego	18,218	1,941	10.7
San Francisco	3,429	562	16.4
San Joaquin	7,502	2,390	31.9
San Luis Obispo	593	275	46.4
San Mateo	2,427	505	20.8
Santa Barbara	4,321	571	13.2
Santa Clara	12,215	1,705	14.0
Santa Cruz	1,591	220	13.8
Shasta	2,477	412	16.6
Sierra	19	2	10.5
Siskiyou	352	129	36.6
Solano	3,429	1,017	29.7
Sonoma	2,007	606	30.2
Stanislaus	5,866	920	15.7
Sutter	1,031	181	17.6
Tehama	669	175	26.2
Trinity	204	18	8.8
Tulare	5,289	1,296	24.5
Tuolumne	378	129	34.1
Ventura	2,629	515	19.6
Yolo	1,478	262	17.7
Yuba	1,503	209	13.9
Regionalized LCSA's			
Alpine/Amador/Calaveras	449	170	37.9
Inyo/Mono	224	71	31.7
Santa Cruz/San Benito	2,010	333	16.6
Sierra/Nevada	608	140	23.0
Siskiyou/Modoc	435	174	40.0

SOURCE: CS 1257 Lines 12, 17, 43

**State
Performance
Measures****PERCENT OF CASES WITH SUPPORT ORDERS
ESTABLISHED WITH MEDICAL SUPPORT
ORDERED AND PROVIDED**

The performance measure for Cases with a Medical Support Order determines the percent of cases in the child support caseload for which medical support had been ordered. Current Assistance, Former Assistance, and Never Assistance cases, as well as cases that are closed during the report period are included in this measure.¹⁰

During the FFY 2007 semi-annual report period, California significantly changed the method of calculating this measure, resulting in a percentage that is no longer comparable to prior years. This change was precipitated by the newly available data supporting lines 2e and 21a in the OCSE 157 report, making the measure consistent with that described in the Federal Strategic Plan. The new calculation utilizes the number of cases in which medical support is ordered and provided, not just ordered.

For the first two quarters of FFY 2007, LCSAs ordered and provided medical support for 21.6 percent of cases with child support orders established. This performance level represents 202,771 cases with medical support ordered and provided, compared to 940,169 cases with child support orders established. For FFY 2006, the first FFY for which the calculation was made in this manner, the annual percentage was 20.5 percent. See Table M on page 27.

¹⁰ The performance level for this measure is calculated from data reported on CS 1257 Report, line 21a, (Cases at the End of the Report Period where Medical Support is Ordered and Provided) divided by the remainder of line 2, (Cases Open at the End of the Report Period with Support Orders Established) minus line 2e (Arrears-Only IV-D Cases with Orders Established).

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TABLE M
PERCENT OF CASES WITH SUPPORT ORDERS ESTABLISHED
WITH MEDICAL SUPPORT ORDERED AND PROVIDED
SEMI-ANNUAL FFY 2007 REPORT

	Cases with Support Orders Established (minus Arrears-Only)	Cases in which Medical Support is Ordered and Provided	Percent of Cases with Support Orders Established with Medical Support Ordered and Provided *
STATEWIDE	940,169	202,771	21.6%
Alameda	24,533	6,583	26.8
Alpine	55	16	29.1
Amador	1,066	219	20.5
Butte	6,461	953	14.8
Calaveras	1,177	280	23.8
Colusa	609	130	21.3
Contra Costa	23,451	4,555	19.4
Del Norte	1,525	305	20.0
El Dorado	3,798	1,010	26.6
Fresno	34,049	5,592	16.4
Glenn	1,213	95	7.8
Humboldt	5,265	1,142	21.7
Imperial	7,457	1,560	20.9
Inyo	795	169	21.3
Kern	30,014	5,165	17.2
Kings	6,345	1,563	24.6
Lake	2,442	409	16.7
Lassen	1,186	257	21.7
Los Angeles	276,734	62,818	22.7
Madera	3,910	795	20.3
Marin	2,278	580	25.5
Mariposa	540	155	28.7
Mendocino	3,353	436	13.0
Merced	11,623	2,695	23.2
Modoc	425	83	19.5
Mono	258	64	24.8
Monterey	10,907	3,276	30.0
Napa	2,798	842	30.1
Nevada	2,090	500	23.9
Orange	58,572	13,273	22.7
Placer	4,767	1,119	23.5
Plumas	714	163	22.8
Riverside	41,006	9,671	23.6
Sacramento	43,094	11,964	27.8
San Benito	1,435	226	15.7
San Bernardino	69,703	10,728	15.4
San Diego	68,553	10,188	14.9
San Francisco	12,370	3,421	27.7
San Joaquin	20,347	3,604	17.7
San Luis Obispo	4,121	1,202	29.2
San Mateo	8,088	3,377	41.8
Santa Barbara	9,975	1,423	14.3
Santa Clara	29,620	6,417	21.7
Santa Cruz	4,826	1,076	22.3
Shasta	7,347	1,407	19.2
Sierra	107	23	21.5
Siskiyou	1,973	540	27.4
Solano	12,148	3,633	29.9
Sonoma	9,115	3,197	35.1
Stanislaus	17,728	3,103	17.5
Sutter	3,059	698	22.8
Tehama	2,577	349	13.5
Trinity	540	74	13.7
Tulare	18,890	4,014	21.2
Tuolumne	2,020	621	30.7
Ventura	14,204	3,633	25.6
Yolo	4,305	997	23.2
Yuba	2,608	383	14.7
Regionalized LCSA's			
Alpine/Amador/Calaveras	2,298	515	22.4
Inyo/Mono	1,053	233	22.1
Santa Cruz/San Benito	6,261	1,302	20.8
Sierra/Nevada	2,197	523	23.8
Siskiyou/Modoc	2,398	623	26.0

SOURCE: CS 1257 Lines 2, 2e and 21a

*Cases with Arrears Only Orders, which cannot contain a provision for Medical Support, are included in Cases with Support Orders Established causing the Percent of Cases with Medical Support to be understated.

COMPARISON OF RECEIVED COMPLAINTS TO CASES**State
Performance
Measures**

This performance measure shows a comparison of complaints to the caseload for each county.¹¹ The purpose of this information is to assess effectiveness of case management for each county's Child Support Program. The comparison utilizes county caseload and complaints per 10,000 cases.

Family Code section 17800 requires the maintenance of a uniform complaint resolution process within the LCSAs. To ensure uniform complaint resolution data tracking and reporting, DCSS developed the Complaint Resolution Tracking System (CRTS). CRTS is web based, and all LCSAs are required to use CRTS to enter complaint data.

Between October 2006 and March 2007, there were a total of only 224 complaints filed and recorded in the DCSS CRTS for the approximately 1.7 million open child support cases. This compares favorably to the 307 complaints filed for the same period a year earlier. While this represents only half of the 2006 federal fiscal year, it is in line with significant statewide decreases in complaints filed in recent years. See Table N on page 29.

¹¹ Complaint information is based on the Complaint and Resolution Tracking System (CRTS) and caseload from data reported on the CS 1257 Report, line 1 (IV-D Cases Open at the End of the Report Period).

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**TABLE N
 COMPARISON OF RECEIVED COMPLAINTS TO CASES
 SEMI-ANNUAL FFY 2007 REPORT**

	Cases	Number of Complaints	Complaints per 10,000 Cases
STATEWIDE	1,696,296	224	
Alameda	40,006	8	2.000
Alpine	131	0	0.000
Amador	1,773	0	0.000
Butte	15,632	0	0.000
Calaveras	2,238	0	0.000
Colusa	1,016	0	0.000
Contra Costa	37,477	1	0.267
Del Norte	2,974	0	0.000
El Dorado	7,357	1	1.359
Fresno	69,036	10	1.449
Glenn	2,380	0	0.000
Humboldt	8,759	0	0.000
Imperial	13,172	3	2.278
Inyo	1,502	0	0.000
Kern	60,460	1	0.165
Kings	11,036	0	0.000
Lake	4,767	0	0.000
Lassen	2,302	1	4.344
Los Angeles	468,968	122	2.601
Madera	7,068	0	0.000
Marin	3,668	1	2.726
Mariposa	907	0	0.000
Mendocino	6,412	0	0.000
Merced	21,540	3	1.393
Modoc	750	0	0.000
Mono	391	0	0.000
Monterey	19,912	1	0.502
Napa	5,179	0	0.000
Nevada	4,137	0	0.000
Orange	94,726	8	0.845
Placer	9,182	2	2.178
Plumas	1,344	0	0.000
Riverside	89,622	6	0.669
Sacramento	79,720	7	0.878
San Benito	2,861	0	0.000
San Bernardino	136,421	8	0.586
San Diego	109,131	11	1.008
San Francisco	23,416	1	0.427
San Joaquin	35,560	6	1.687
San Luis Obispo	6,019	0	0.000
San Mateo	13,952	0	0.000
Santa Barbara	18,276	0	0.000
Santa Clara	61,849	3	0.485
Santa Cruz	9,200	1	1.087
Shasta	15,863	0	0.000
Sierra	200	0	0.000
Siskiyou	3,836	0	0.000
Solano	22,333	5	2.239
Sonoma	17,141	0	0.000
Stanislaus	33,056	6	1.815
Sutter	6,442	2	3.105
Tehama	5,027	1	1.989
Trinity	1,176	0	0.000
Tulare	35,857	1	0.279
Tuolumne	3,495	0	0.000
Ventura	23,994	0	0.000
Yolo	9,571	3	3.134
Yuba	6,076	1	1.646
Regionalized LCSA's			
Alpine/Amador/Calaveras	4,142	0	0.000
Inyo/Mono	1,893	0	0.000
Santa Cruz/San Benito	12,061	1	0.829
Sierra/Nevada	4,337	0	0.000
Siskiyou/Modoc	4,586	0	0.000

SOURCE: CS 1257 Line 1 and the Complaint Resolution Tracking System (CRTS)
 Complaint Activity Report for March 2007 (as of 4-20-2007)

GLOSSARY

California's child support program operates within a complicated federal and state statutory and regulatory construct. There are many terms used within the program that have a specific meaning and are reflected in the federal and state performance measures. Terms commonly used in the performance measures are:

- **IV-D Program** – The State child support enforcement program, enacted under Title IV-D of the federal Social Security Act, locates noncustodial parents or putative fathers; establishes paternity; establishes, modifies, and enforces child support and medical support orders; and collects and distributes child support payments.
- **IV-D Case** - A parent (mother, father, or putative father) who is now, or eventually may be, obligated for the support of a child or children receiving services under the Title IV-D Program. A parent is reported as a separate IV-D case for each family with a dependent child or children that the parent may be obligated to support. If both parents are absent and liable or potentially liable for support of a child or children receiving services under the Title IV-D Program, each parent is considered a separate IV-D case.
- **Current Assistance Case** - A case where the children are: (1) recipients of California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids (CalWORKs)/ Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) under Title IV-A of the Social Security Act, or (2) entitled to Foster Care maintenance payments under Title IV-E of the Social Security Act. In these cases, the children's support rights have been assigned by a caretaker relative to the state and a referral to the State IV-D Program has been made. A case where at least one child is currently receiving assistance is reported as a "current assistance" case.
- **Former Assistance Case** - A case where the children *formerly* received Title IV-A benefits (Aid to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC), the former welfare program, or TANF/CalWORKS or IV-E Foster Care services. A case where some children are former assistance and some are never assistance is reported as a "former assistance" case.
- **Never Assistance Case** - A case where the children are receiving services under the Title IV-D program, but do not and have not previously received assistance under Titles IV-A or IV-E of the Social Security Act.
- **Medical Support** - Medical support is the legal obligation of a parent to provide health coverage for a child or children. This includes: (1) payment of health insurance premiums, (2) payment of medical bills, or (3) cash payments for health insurance and/or medical bills. Either the custodial or the noncustodial parent may be ordered to provide medical support.

- **Support Order** - The legal establishment of: (1) an amount of money that is due and owed by a parent for the support of the parent's children, and/or (2) the responsibility to provide health insurance and/or medical support for those children. A support order is established through a court order, administrative process, or other legal process.

- **Paternity** - The legal establishment of fatherhood for a child born to unwed parents, either by court determination, administrative process, or voluntary acknowledgment. A voluntary acknowledgement of paternity is the legal establishment of fatherhood by a voluntary acknowledgement signed by both parents either at the hospital when the child is born or at other established locations.