

Table 568. Child Support—Award and Reciprocity Status of Custodial Parents: 2007

[In thousands except as noted (13,743 represents 13,743,000). Custodial parents 15 years and older with own children under 21 years of age present from absent parents as of spring 2008. Covers civilian noninstitutionalized population. Based on Current Population Survey; see text, Section 1 and Appendix III. For definition of mean, see Guide to Tabular Presentation]

| Award and reciprocity status | All custodial parents | | | | Custodial parents below the poverty level | | | |
|--|-----------------------|----------------------|---------------|--------------|---|----------------------|--------------|------------|
| | Total | | Mothers | Fathers | Total | | Mothers | Fathers |
| | Number | Percent distribution | | | Number | Percent distribution | | |
| Total | 13,743 | (X) | 11,356 | 2,387 | 3,375 | (X) | 3,067 | 308 |
| With child support agreement or award ¹ | 7,428 | (X) | 6,463 | 965 | 1,580 | (X) | 1,464 | 116 |
| Supposed to receive payments in 2007..... | 6,375 | 100.0 | 5,551 | 825 | 1,278 | 100.0 | 1,185 | 93 |
| Actually received payments in 2007..... | 4,864 | 76.3 | 4,253 | 611 | 886 | 69.3 | 811 | 75 |
| Received full amount..... | 2,986 | 46.8 | 2,615 | 371 | 514 | 40.2 | 471 | 43 |
| Received partial payments..... | 1,878 | 29.5 | 1,638 | 240 | 372 | 29.1 | 340 | 32 |
| Did not receive payments in 2007..... | 1,511 | 23.7 | 1,298 | 213 | 392 | 30.7 | 374 | 18 |
| Child support not awarded..... | 6,315 | (X) | 4,893 | 1,422 | 1,796 | (X) | 1,603 | 193 |
| MEAN INCOME AND CHILD SUPPORT | | | | | | | | |
| Received child support payments in 2007: | | | | | | | | |
| Mean total money income (dol.)..... | 34,068 | (X) | 32,271 | 46,574 | 8,849 | (X) | 8,652 | 10,966 |
| Mean child support received (dol.)..... | 4,395 | (X) | 4,379 | 4,510 | 3,393 | (X) | 3,413 | 3,177 |
| Received the full amount due: | | | | | | | | |
| Mean total money income (dol.)..... | 37,266 | (X) | 35,135 | 52,294 | 9,309 | (X) | 9,115 | 11,430 |
| Mean child support received (dol.)..... | 5,736 | (X) | 5,694 | 6,032 | 4,462 | (X) | 4,481 | 4,259 |
| Received partial payments: | | | | | | | | |
| Mean total money income (dol.)..... | 28,983 | (X) | 27,696 | 37,751 | 8,213 | (X) | 8,011 | 10,347 |
| Mean child support received (dol.)..... | 2,264 | (X) | 2,279 | 2,163 | 1,916 | (X) | 1,934 | 1,734 |
| Received no payments in 2007: | | | | | | | | |
| Mean total money income (dol.)..... | 29,261 | (X) | 27,377 | 40,712 | 8,598 | (X) | 8,523 | 10,142 |
| Without child support agreement or award: | | | | | | | | |
| Mean total money income (dol.)..... | 28,515 | (X) | 23,242 | 46,659 | 6,934 | (X) | 6,793 | 8,103 |

X Not applicable. ¹ As of April of following year (e.g., 2007 data is as of April 2008).

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, unpublished data, <<http://www.census.gov/hhes/www/childsupport/cs07.html>>.

Table 569. Child Support Enforcement Program—Caseload and Collections: 1990 to 2010

[For years ending September 30 (12,796 represents 12,796,000). Includes Puerto Rico, Guam, and the Virgin Islands. The child support enforcement program locates absent parents, establishes paternity of children born out of wedlock, and establishes and enforces support orders. By law, these services are available to all families that need them. The program is operated at the state and local government level, but 66 percent of administrative costs are paid by the federal government. Child support (CS) collected for families not receiving Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) goes to the family to help it remain self-sufficient. Most of the child support collected on behalf of TANF families goes to federal and state governments to offset TANF payments. Some states pass-through a portion of the CS collections to help families become self-sufficient. Based on data reported by state agencies. Minus sign (-) indicates net outlay]

| Item | Unit | 1990 2000 2005 2006 2007 2008 2009 2010, prel. | | | | | | | |
|---|------------------------|--|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| | | 1990 | 2000 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | 2010, prel. |
| Total cases ¹ | 1,000 | 12,796 | 17,334 | 15,861 | 15,844 | 15,755 | 15,676 | 15,798 | 15,859 |
| Paternalities established, total ² | 1,000..... | 393 | 867 | 690 | 675 | 640 | 629 | 643 | 620 |
| Support orders established, total ³ | 1,000..... | 1,022 | 1,175 | 1,180 | 1,159 | 1,178 | 1,193 | 1,267 | 1,297 |
| FINANCES | | | | | | | | | |
| Collections, total | Mil. dol. | 6,010 | 17,854 | 23,006 | 23,933 | 24,855 | 26,561 | 26,386 | 26,556 |
| TANF/FC collections ⁴ | Mil. dol..... | 1,750 | 2,593 | 2,191 | 2,112 | 2,050 | 2,254 | 1,971 | 1,925 |
| State share..... | Mil. dol..... | 620 | 1,080 | 911 | 875 | 852 | 948 | 741 | 716 |
| Estimated incentive payments to states..... | Mil. dol..... | 264 | 353 | 365 | 402 | 431 | 615 | 446 | 448 |
| Federal share ⁵ | Mil. dol..... | 533 | 968 | 1,129 | 1,086 | 1,054 | 1,170 | 945 | 891 |
| Current assistance medical support collections..... | Mil. dol..... | (NA) | 27 | 11 | 12 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 19 |
| Current assistance payments to families or foster care..... | Mil. dol..... | (NA) | 165 | 140 | 139 | 133 | 124 | 155 | 165 |
| Non-TANF collections..... | Mil. dol..... | 4,260 | 15,261 | 20,815 | 21,822 | 22,804 | 24,307 | 24,415 | 24,630 |
| Administrative expenditures, total..... | Mil. dol..... | 1,606 | 4,526 | 5,353 | 5,561 | 5,594 | 5,870 | 5,850 | 5,776 |
| State share..... | Mil. dol..... | 545 | 1,519 | 1,813 | 1,884 | 1,902 | 2,200 | 1,963 | 1,964 |
| Federal share..... | Mil. dol..... | 1,061 | 3,006 | 3,540 | 3,677 | 3,692 | 3,671 | 3,887 | 3,811 |
| Program savings, total..... | Mil. dol..... | -190 | -2,125 | -3,312 | -3,600 | -3,687 | -3,780 | (NA) | (NA) |
| State share..... | Mil. dol..... | 338 | -87 | -537 | -607 | -619 | -700 | (NA) | (NA) |
| Federal share..... | Mil. dol..... | -528 | -2,038 | -2,776 | -2,993 | -3,068 | -3,080 | (NA) | (NA) |

NA Not available. ¹ Passage of the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996 (PRWORA) mandated new categories in 1999 and cases were no longer double counted resulting in a 2 million case reduction. ² Does not include in-hospital paternalities. ³ Includes modifications to orders. ⁴ Collections for current assistance cases where the children are: (1) recipients of TANF under title IV-A of the Social Security Act or (2) entitled to foster care (FC) maintenance under title IV-E of the Social Security Act plus collections distributed as assistance reimbursements. Includes assistance reimbursements, which are collections that will be divided between the state and federal governments to reimburse their respective shares of either Title IV-A assistance payments or Title IV-E foster care maintenance payments. ⁵ Prior to fiscal year 2002, incentives were paid out of the federal share of collections and the net federal share was reported.

Source: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Child Support Enforcement, *Annual Report to Congress*.