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Table 9.G1—Average monthly number of families and recipients, total amount of cash assistance, and average monthly payment, selected years 1936–2004

Year	Temporary Assistance for Needy Families/ Aid to Families with Dependent Children ^a						Emergency Assistance ^b		
	Average monthly number (thousands)			Amount of assistance ^c			Average monthly number of families (thousands)	Total assistance payments during year (thousands of dollars)	Average monthly payment per family (dollars)
	Families	Recipients		Total (thousands of dollars)	Monthly average (dollars)				
		Total	Children		Family	Recipient			
1936	147	534	361	49,678	28.15	7.75	...	...	...
1940	349	1,182	840	133,770	31.98	9.43	...	...	...
1945	259	907	656	149,667	48.18	13.75	...	...	...
1950	644	2,205	1,637	551,653	71.33	17.64	...	...	...
1955	612	2,214	1,673	617,841	84.17	23.26	...	...	...
1960	787	3,005	2,314	1,000,784	105.75	27.75	...	...	...
1961	869	3,354	2,587	1,156,769	110.97	28.74	...	...	...
1962	931	3,676	2,818	1,298,774	116.30	29.44	...	...	...
1963	947	3,876	2,909	1,365,851	120.19	29.36	...	...	...
1964	992	4,118	3,091	1,510,352	126.88	30.57	...	...	...
1965	1,039	4,329	3,256	1,660,186	133.20	31.96	...	...	...
1966	1,088	4,513	3,411	1,863,925	142.83	34.42	...	...	...
1967	1,217	5,014	3,771	2,266,400	155.19	37.67	...	...	...
1968	1,410	5,705	4,275	2,849,298	168.41	41.62	...	...	...
1969	1,698	6,706	4,985	3,563,427	174.89	44.28	7.5	6,699	117.23
1970	2,208	8,466	6,214	4,852,964	183.13	47.77	7.5	11,396	126.14
1971	2,762	10,241	7,434	6,203,528	187.16	50.48	11.1	19,843	148.54
1972	3,049	10,947	7,905	6,909,260	188.87	52.60	19.9	44,180	184.91
1973	3,148	10,949	7,902	7,212,035	190.91	54.89	18.8	39,265	174.05
1974	3,230	10,864	7,822	7,916,563	204.27	60.72	31.3	64,031	170.38
1975	3,498	11,346	8,095	9,210,995	219.44	67.65	38.3	77,516	168.85
1976	3,579	11,304	8,001	10,140,543	236.10	74.75	27.5	55,673	168.43
1977	3,588	11,050	7,773	10,603,820	246.27	79.97	32.8	66,132	168.05
1978	3,522	10,570	7,402	10,730,415	253.89	84.60	34.5	80,919	195.24
1979	3,509	10,312	7,179	11,068,864	262.86	89.45	35.7	84,043	195.92
1980	3,712	10,774	7,419	12,475,245	280.03	96.49	48.6	113,238	194.29
1981	3,835	11,079	7,527	12,981,115	282.04	97.64	49.1	123,467	209.51
1982	3,542	10,258	6,903	12,877,906	303.02	103.60	27.5	102,344	^d 278.54
1983	3,686	10,761	7,098	13,837,228	312.82	107.16	30.0	125,246	^d 283.15
1984	3,714	10,831	7,144	14,503,710	325.44	111.60	32.1	141,137	^d 276.97
1985	3,701	10,855	7,198	15,195,835	342.15	116.65	32.6	157,304	^d 312.98
1986	3,763	11,038	7,334	16,033,074	355.04	121.05	34.8	178,284	^d 362.45
1987	3,776	11,027	7,366	16,372,535	361.37	123.73	42.4	213,903	^d 358.29
1988	3,749	10,915	7,329	16,826,794	374.07	128.47	48.8	278,906	^d 420.89
1989	3,799	10,993	7,420	17,465,943	383.14	132.40	48.7	296,841	^d 461.45
1990	4,057	11,695	7,917	19,066,541	391.67	135.86	56.0	348,986	^d 476.50
1991	4,467	12,930	8,715	20,930,600	390.44	134.89	59.7	302,894	^d 422.07
1992	4,829	13,773	9,303	21,655,881	373.71	131.03	52.7	272,853	^d 431.41
1993	5,012	14,205	9,574	22,688,016	377.24	133.10	56.8	387,113	^d 568.17
1994	5,035	14,154	9,570	22,827,399	377.78	134.30	60.5	802,258	^d 1,105.95

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Table 9.G1—Average monthly number of families and recipients, total amount of cash assistance, and average monthly payment, selected years 1936–2004—Continued

Year	Temporary Assistance for Needy Families/ Aid to Families with Dependent Children ^a						Emergency Assistance ^b		
	Average monthly number (thousands)			Amount of assistance ^c			Average monthly number of families (thousands)	Total assistance payments during year (thousands of dollars)	Average monthly payment per family (dollars)
	Families	Recipients		Total (thousands of dollars)	Monthly average (dollars)				
		Total	Children		Family	Recipient			
1995	4,791	13,418	9,135	21,608,686	375.31	134.21	84.1	3,447,361	^d 3,415.93
1996	4,434	12,321	8,469	20,614,437	386.68	139.44	69.8	2,708,401	^d 3,235.10
1997	3,740	10,376	7,042	22,031,399	490.01	176.95	81.8	403,138	^d 410.74
1998 ^e	3,050	8,347	6,034	12,925,846	353.13	129.04	...	...	...
1999	2,554	6,824	4,863	10,925,434	356.48	133.42	...	...	...
2000	2,213	5,768	4,260	10,472,620	394.36	151.30	...	...	...
2001	2,102	5,352	3,981	10,007,329	396.74	155.82	...	...	...
2002	2,045	5,058	3,790	9,716,966	395.96	160.09	...	...	...
2003	2,021	4,919	3,708	9,534,573	393.18	161.53	...	...	...
2004	1,978	4,738	3,595	9,431,003	397.41	165.89	...	...	...

SOURCE: Department of Health and Human Services.

NOTES: Includes nonmedical vendor payments. Includes Alaska and Hawaii, beginning in 1943; Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands, beginning in October 1950; and Guam, beginning in July 1959.

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- a. Thirty-four states had converted to TANF as of January 1, 1997; 8 phased in over the next 5 months; the remaining 12 waited until July 1, 1997.
- b. Reporting initiated July 1969. Number of states with program: 1969–1970, 23; 1971, 24; 1972, 27; 1973–1975, 29; 1976–1978, 26; 1979, 24; 1980–1984, 27; 1985–1986, 28; 1987, 29; 1988, 30; 1989, 31; 1990, 33; 1991, 34; 1992, 34; 1993, 35; 1994, 49; 1995, 50; 1996, 51; and 1997, 34. Program ended June 30, 1997.
- c. TANF expenditures include cash payments and services.
- d. Excludes family count and expenditures for states providing only partial data.
- e. 1998 was the first full year under the TANF data reporting system for all states.

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Table 9.G2—Average monthly number of families and recipients of Temporary Assistance for Needy Families and total amount of assistance, by state or other area, 2004

State or area	TANF effective date ^a	Average monthly number			Amount of assistance ^b		
		Families	Recipients		Total (thousands of dollars)	Monthly average (dollars)	
			Total	Children		Family	Recipient
All areas	. . .	1,977,589	4,737,504	3,594,853	9,431,003	397.41	165.89
Alabama	11/15/96	19,441	46,124	35,984	46,548	199.52	84.10
Alaska	7/1/97	4,853	13,514	9,195	38,759	665.58	239.00
Arizona	10/1/96	48,121	111,046	81,719	160,818	278.50	120.68
Arkansas	7/1/97	9,653	21,401	16,114	26,075	225.10	101.53
California	11/26/96	460,687	1,104,733	903,026	3,464,381	626.67	261.33
Colorado	7/1/97	14,707	38,179	27,635	61,342	347.57	133.89
Connecticut	10/1/96	20,516	42,264	30,144	104,693	425.26	206.43
Delaware	3/10/97	5,646	12,684	9,635	16,666	245.98	109.50
District of Columbia	3/1/97	17,260	43,658	32,662	68,490	330.69	130.73
Florida	10/1/96	58,617	116,006	94,531	176,420	250.81	126.73
Georgia	1/1/97	50,757	116,707	91,555	134,346	220.57	95.93
Hawaii	7/1/97	8,695	22,393	15,847	56,160	538.22	208.99
Idaho	7/1/97	1,866	3,415	2,744	6,738	300.88	164.43
Illinois	7/1/97	36,589	91,443	74,494	67,965	154.80	61.94
Indiana	10/1/96	50,084	129,386	99,449	118,679	197.47	76.44
Iowa	1/1/97	18,287	44,648	30,989	71,031	323.68	132.58
Kansas	10/1/96	17,089	44,576	30,560	63,139	307.89	118.04
Kentucky	10/18/96	35,652	78,046	57,892	103,986	243.06	111.03
Louisiana	1/1/97	17,530	41,706	34,534	57,033	271.12	113.96
Maine	11/1/96	9,765	26,593	18,157	43,225	368.86	135.45
Maryland	12/9/96	25,000	58,774	44,170	105,568	351.89	149.68
Massachusetts	9/30/96	49,527	106,631	74,450	308,371	518.86	241.00
Michigan	9/30/96	79,921	213,313	156,168	383,832	400.22	149.95
Minnesota	7/1/97	33,110	84,782	61,137	140,435	353.46	138.04
Mississippi	10/1/96	18,178	40,631	30,061	32,465	148.83	66.59
Missouri	12/1/96	40,872	99,069	70,098	117,452	239.47	98.80
Montana	12/16/96	5,122	13,824	9,307	20,107	327.16	121.20
Nebraska	12/1/96	10,679	25,925	18,736	43,809	341.85	140.82
Nevada	12/3/96	8,366	19,677	15,291	32,167	320.43	136.23
New Hampshire	10/1/96	6,061	14,048	9,692	36,614	503.41	217.19
New Jersey	2/1/97	45,440	109,374	81,327	208,968	383.23	159.22
New Mexico	7/1/97	17,709	46,080	32,627	64,442	303.24	116.54
New York	12/2/96	146,455	334,924	240,434	1,050,331	597.64	261.34
North Carolina	1/1/97	37,052	75,750	59,383	95,316	214.37	104.86
North Dakota	7/1/97	2,981	7,648	5,360	12,815	358.27	139.64
Ohio	10/1/96	84,660	186,209	140,544	322,901	317.84	144.51
Oklahoma	10/1/96	13,890	33,243	25,796	32,267	193.59	80.89
Oregon	10/1/96	18,863	43,193	32,042	95,135	420.30	183.55
Pennsylvania	3/3/97	90,739	238,581	170,123	353,579	324.72	123.50
Rhode Island	5/1/97	11,915	30,712	21,441	60,320	421.87	163.67
South Carolina	10/12/96	16,253	37,312	28,660	31,432	161.16	70.20
South Dakota	12/1/96	2,748	6,003	5,025	11,078	335.93	153.78
Tennessee	10/1/96	72,049	190,002	135,799	145,719	168.54	63.91
Texas	11/5/96	100,180	236,905	191,152	227,740	189.44	80.11
Utah	10/1/96	9,085	23,101	16,559	43,794	401.70	157.98

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Table 9.G2—Average monthly number of families and recipients of Temporary Assistance for Needy Families and total amount of assistance, by state or other area, 2004—Continued

State or area	TANF effective date ^a	Average monthly number			Amount of assistance ^b		
		Families	Recipients		Total (thousands of dollars)	Monthly average (dollars)	
			Total	Children		Family	Recipient
Vermont	9/20/96	4,802	12,148	7,781	30,947	537.11	212.30
Virginia	2/1/97	9,788	27,915	17,907	35,923	305.86	107.24
Washington	1/10/97	56,319	137,543	96,500	287,449	425.33	174.16
West Virginia	1/11/97	13,918	32,778	23,532	54,270	324.93	137.98
Wisconsin	9/30/96	22,437	53,943	42,412	122,583	455.29	189.37
Wyoming	1/1/97	336	604	531	807	200.12	111.23
Outlying areas							
Guam	7/1/97	--	--	--	--	--	--
Puerto Rico	7/1/97	16,790	46,753	32,758	34,217	169.83	60.99
Virgin Islands	7/1/97	534	1,593	1,188	1,655	258.53	86.59

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

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

- a. Transition from Aid to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC) to Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) reporting systems occurred July 1, 1997, or 6 months after TANF effective date, whichever was later.
- b. TANF expenditures include cash payments and services.

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