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Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) statutes, regulations, and waivers 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 SNAP activities with those of other programs. With passage of the *Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002*, and later the *Food*, *Conservation and Energy Act of 2008*, the array of policy options was significantly expanded in several key areas.

The Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) intermittently surveys State agencies administering SNAP (formerly known as 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 June 2009.** 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 this edition of the *State Options Report* expands the information captured regarding certain options. Simplified Reporting (SR) now includes information regarding State agencies that assign 6, 12, or 24 month certification periods to SR cases, and also identified State agencies using a combination of certification periods (see Page 3). Change Reporting Options now identifies those State agencies that have completely eliminated change, or incident reporting (see Page 4). The Transitional Benefits Option identifies State agencies that provide transitional benefits to households leaving non-TANF State funded cash assistance programs (see Page 5). Expanded Categorical Eligibility has been expanded to capture whether a State agency is using "soft" or "hard" eligibility requirements to apply this option (see Page 9). The information on the Simplified Standard Utility Allowance (SUA) shows which States employ a simplified mandatory SUA, which ones employ a non-simplified mandatory SUA, and which ones employ a non-simplified, non-mandatory SUA.

This edition continues the tracking of two options first surveyed in the 7th edition. The first is State agencies that have implemented Combined Application Projects (CAP) (see Page 17), and the second is State agencies that are utilizing Document Imaging technology (see Page 26).

This edition tracks three new options. The first new option is Program Integration, which identifies whether a State agency's certification process for SNAP, TANF, and Medicaid

are handled jointly (household files a single application and attends a single interview) or separately (see Page 27). The second new category is Simplified Self-Employment, which identifies those State agencies that have adopted a simplified method for determining the cost of doing business in cases with self-employment income (see Page 14). The third new category is Ineligible Aliens Income & Deductions. Ineligible aliens fall into two general categories; 1) those who are unable or unwilling to provide documentation of permanent immigration status, and 2) those classes of noncitizens listed in 7 CFR 273.11(c)(3). This category would include persons who, under the Immigration and Naturalization Act (INA), were lawfully admitted for permanent residence, granted asylum under section 208, admitted as a refugee under section 207, paroled in accordance with section 212(d)(5), deportation or removal has been withheld in accordance with section 243, is aged, blind, or disabled in accordance with section 1614(a)(1) of the Social Security Act and is admitted for temporary or permanent residence under section 245A(b)(1) of the INA, or is a special agricultural worker admitted for temporary residence under section 210(a). For each of these categories State agencies have two options on how to handle income and deductions (see Page 18).

Two options tracked in previous editions, Nutrition Education and Outreach Initiatives, and Employment and Training Pledge States, have been dropped from this edition.

Section One 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. Section Two 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, SNAP, Program Development Division, at (703) 305-2433 or 305-2407 with questions, corrections, or suggestions about this edition of the *State Options Report*.

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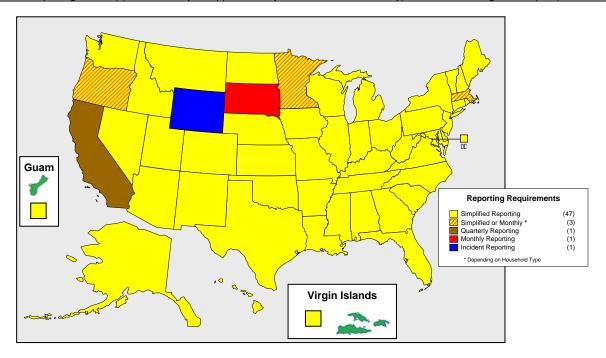
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SECTION ONE: OPTION PROFILES

Reporting Requirements

State agencies have the option of requiring SNAP 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. Reporting intervals can be set at 4, 5, or 6 months for 12 month certification periods. Households in which all members are elderly or disabled with no earned income may be given 12 month certification periods (without interim reporting), or 24 month certification periods (with a 12 month interim reporting requirement).

	Simplified (Red	Quarterly Reporting	Monthly Reporting		
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NOTE: The reporting m	ethod(s) selected may b	e applied to only some of	of the household types in	the State eligible	to report periodically.

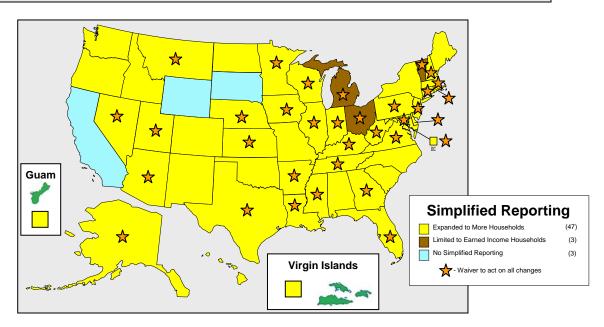


Simplified Reporting-Expansion



Prior to passage of the Farm Bill, the SNAP 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 50 States currently using Simplified Reporting, 47 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 34 of the 50 States with Simplified Reporting systems.

	Simplified Reporting Earned Income Households Only			
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*Waiver to Act on All (Changes			

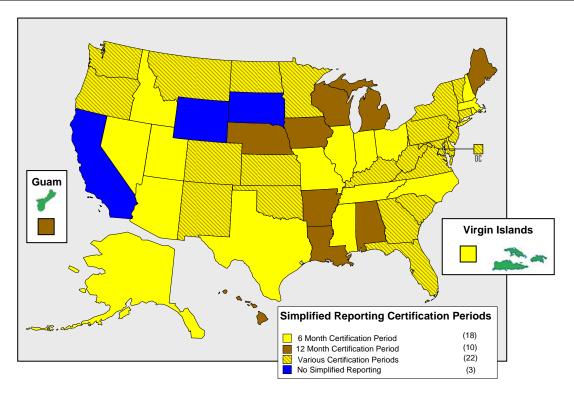


Simplified Reporting- Certification Length



With passage of the Farm Bill, Section 4109, *State Option to Reduce Reporting Requirements*, provided that household subject to reporting on a periodic basis submit reports not less often than once every 6 months. Some State agencies have opted to certify simplified reporting households for 12 months, with an interim report at 6 months. Others have opted to certify these households for 6 months. Households in which all members are elderly or disabled with no earned income may be given 12 month certification periods (without interim reporting), or 24 month certification periods (with a 12 month interim reporting requirement).

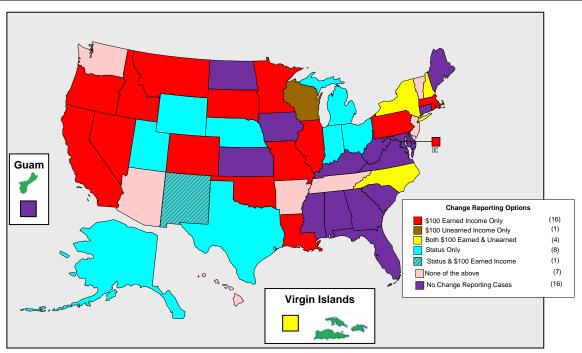
Various Certification Periods Depending on Household Characteristics		6 Month Certification Periods		12 Month Certification Periods
22		18		10
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Change Reporting Options

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. Of the 53 State agencies, 16 report not using any type of change reporting.

\$100 Earned		\$100 Unearned	Both \$100 Earned & \$100 Unearned	Status
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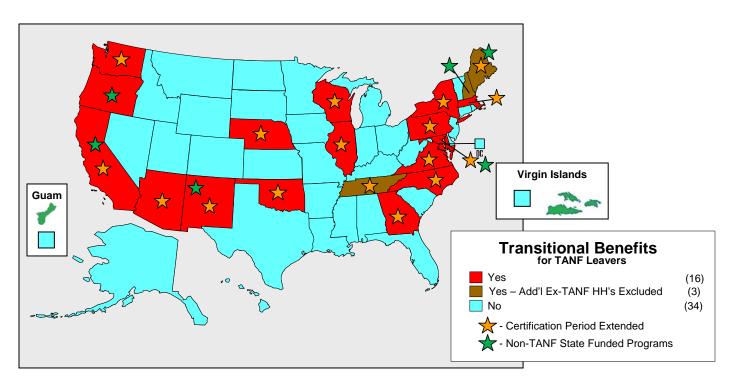


Transitional Benefits



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. Nineteen States have chosen to provide this work support for the full five months allowed in the legislation. Seventeen have indicated they extend certification periods to complete the transition. Three have designated more types of TANF households that cannot be included in addition to the types excluded from participation by law. Six extend transitional benefits to households leaving non-TANF State agency funded cash programs.

Transitional Benefits		Certification Extension		Additional Households Excluded	Transitional Benefits for Non-TANF State Funded Cash Programs
19		17		8	6
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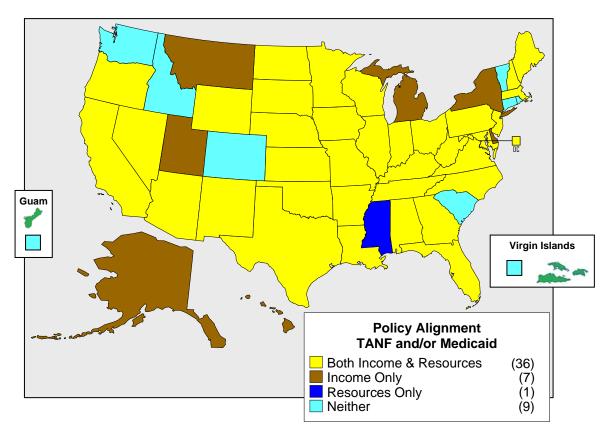


Simplified Definitions of Income and Resources



State agencies have the option to exclude additional types of income and resources by aligning SNAP 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.

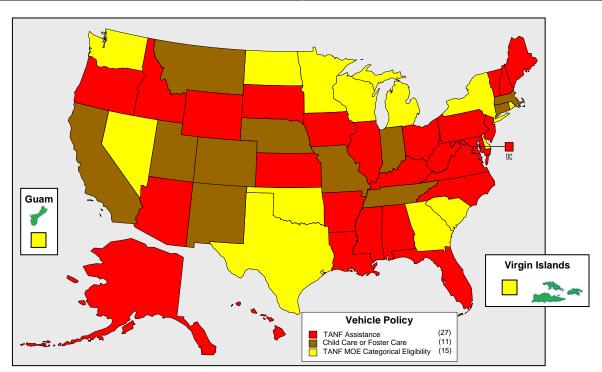
	Simplified Definition of Income	Simplified Definition of Resources		Both	
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Vehicle Policy

States have the option of substituting the vehicle rules used in their TANF assistance programs for SNAP 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.

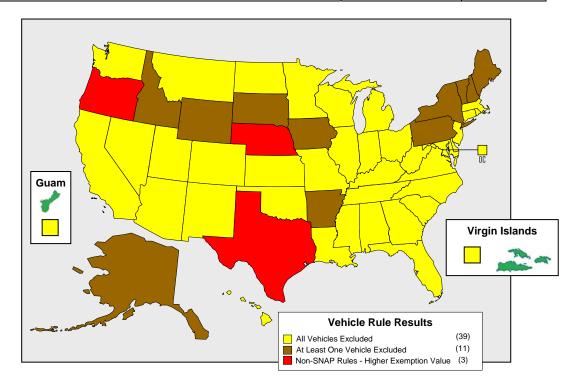
TANF Assistance Rules			TANF – MOE Ca	ategorical Eligibility	Child Care or Foster Care Rules
	27			15	11
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Vehicle Policy Con't.

The alternative rules used have allowed 39 States to exclude the value of all vehicles entirely. Of the remaining 14 States, 11 totally exclude the value of at least one vehicle per household. The other 3 exempt an amount higher than the SNAP's standard auto exemption (currently set at \$4,650) from the fair market value to determine the countable resource value of a vehicle.

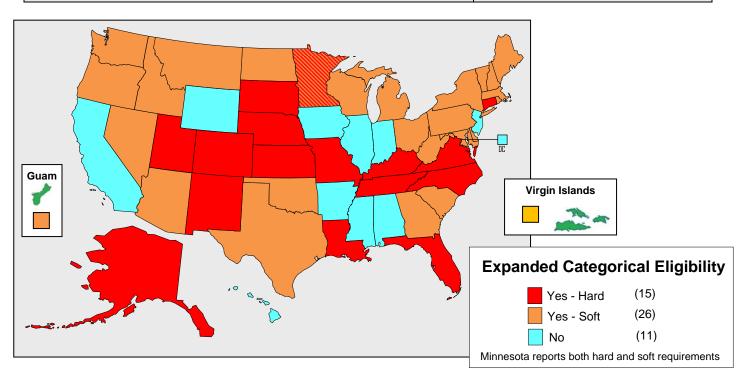
All	At Least One Vehicle Per Household Excluded	Exemption > \$4,650		
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Expanded Categorical Eligibility (ECE)

ECE for SNAP benefits is advantageous for simplifying eligibility determination by eliminating the requirement for valuation of vehicles and other assets, and the application of the resource test. Households where all members benefit from means-tested cash assistance programs are categorically eligible for SNAP--as are those receiving means-tested non-cash benefits if the program involved is funded with over 50% TANF or MOE money. State agencies have the option to expand this designation to households receiving a non-cash benefit from programs wherein less than 50% of the funding comes from TANF or MOE sources as long as the household's gross income does not exceed 200% of the poverty level. Some States have established ECE through "soft" eligibility requirements (such as making brochures available in certification offices or including information/800 numbers about other available programs on SNAP applications); other States through "hard" eligibility requirements (such as requiring the client to be actually enrolled in certain programs such as employment assistance or receiving child care or transportation assistance).

	Expanded Cat	No Expanded Cate	gorical Eligibility		
42				11	1
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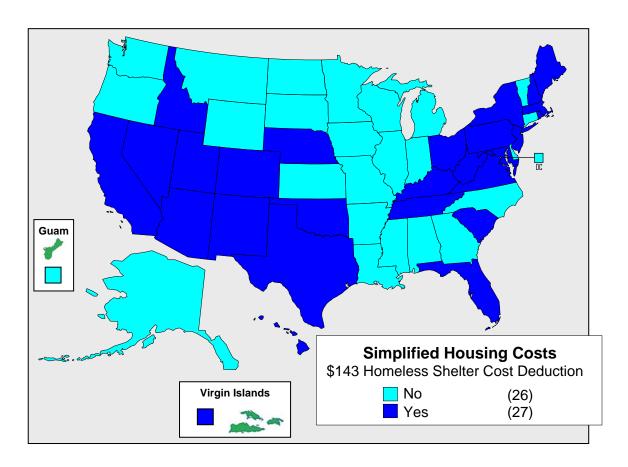






States have the option to use a standard deduction from income of \$143 per month for homeless households with some shelter expenses. This option makes it unnecessary for States to justify the level of the homeless shelter cost deduction and for program participants to itemize specific costs.

Simplified Housing Costs				
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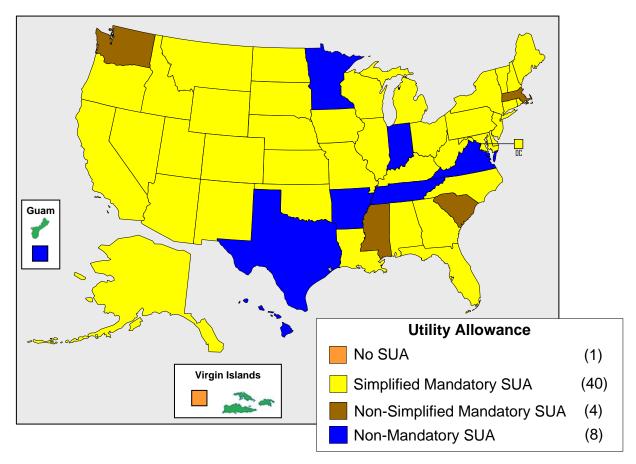


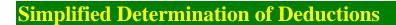
Simplified Standard Utility Allowance (SUA)



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.

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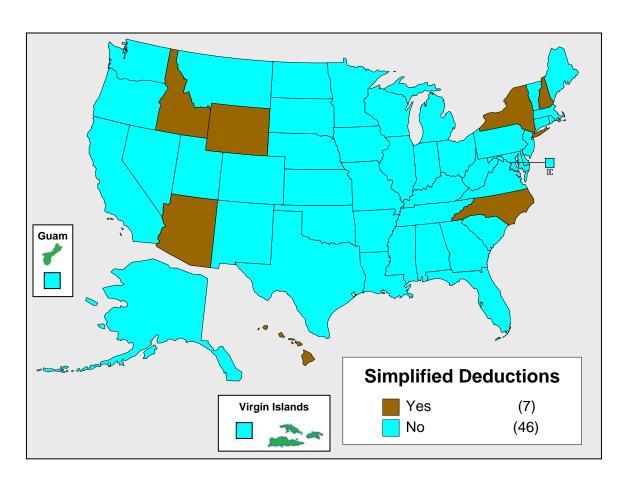






In order to streamline case handling procedures and lessen vulnerability to payment errors for minor discrepancies, States can elect to disregard changes in certain deduction amounts during certification periods. The deductions affected are the ones for child care expenses, child support payments made,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

Simplified Deductions		
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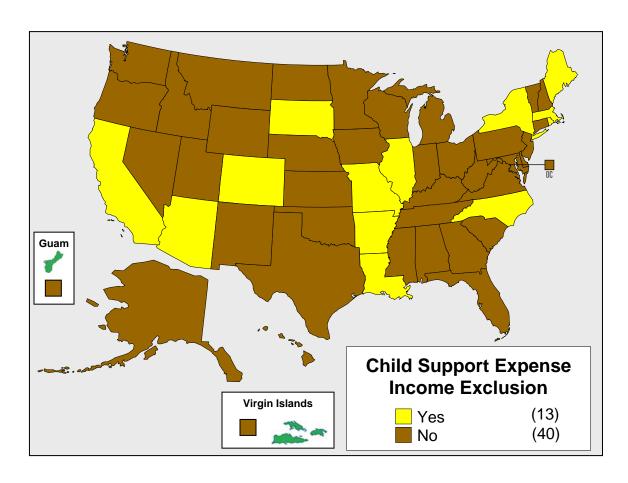


Child Support Expense Income Exclusion



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

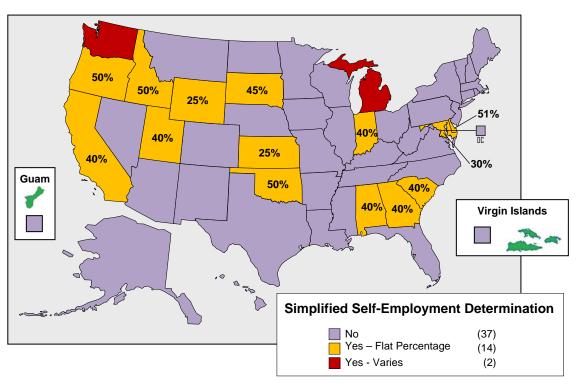
Child Support Expense Exclusion		
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Simplified Self-Employment Determination

States have the option to adopt a simplified method for determining the cost of doing business in cases where an applicant is self-employed. Should a State decide to adopt a simplified method, the State agency has flexibility to develop a method to calculate this cost – a flat percentage, a figure based on average costs, or some other method. Some States use different figures/methods for different types of self-employment. At present, 16 States have adopted a simplified method for determining the costs of doing business for self employed applicant income and of these 14 use a flat percentage of gross income applied to all types of self-employment. One State (Michigan) uses different percentages depending on the type of self-employment. One State (Washington) uses a flat \$100 or actual expenses, whichever is greater.

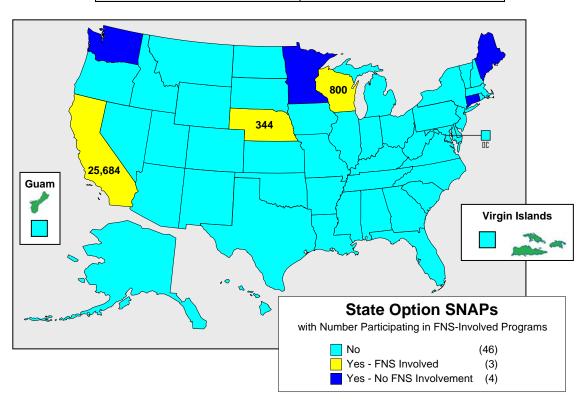
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State Option SNAP for Immigrants

The Supplemental Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 1997 included authority for States to purchase SNAP benefits 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 SNAP contained in the 1996 welfare reform act. States design the eligibility requirements for their programs. Some States have chosen not to purchase SNAP 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 SNAP 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 SNAP during their first five years in residence.

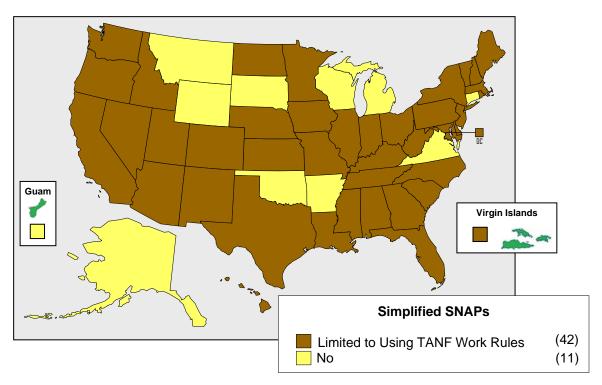
State Option SNAP with Participants Per Month*		Independent State Nutrition Assistance Programs	
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Simplified SNAP for TANF Households

States may use TANF or SNAP rules, or a combination of both, to create Simplified Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Programs for TANF households. With FNS approval, States can design Simplified Programs to include households where not all members must be TANF recipients. Currently 42 States are operating limited or "mini" Simplified Programs, which means program rules have been altered from the regular SNAP in the area of work requirements only. In such programs, the value of the TANF benefit and the SNAP allotment are combined to determine a work obligation satisfying the requirements of both programs.

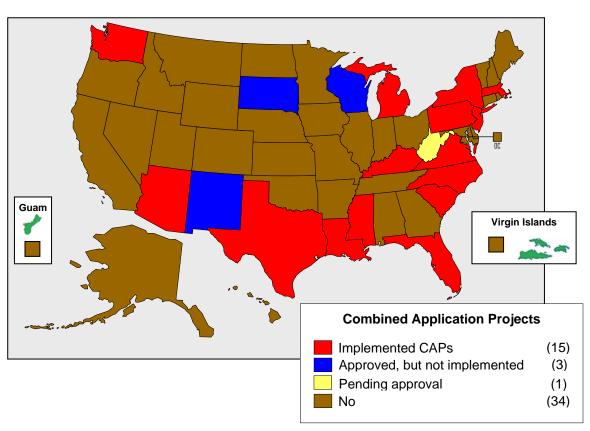
Limited Simplified Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program			
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Combined Application Projects

The Combined Application Project (CAP) demonstrations make it easier for elderly and disabled SSI recipients to receive SNAP benefits by reengineering the application process and eliminating the need for this population to visit the local SNAP office. The combination of standardized benefits, minimal need for independent verification, and the reduced need to go to the local offices has produced significant increases in participation within the target population.

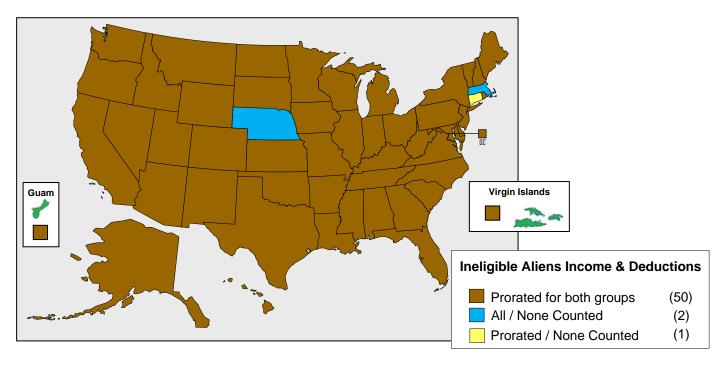
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Ineligible Aliens Income & Deductions

Ineligible aliens fall into two general categories; 1) those who are unable or unwilling to provide documentation of permanent immigration status, and 2) those classes of noncitizens listed in 7 CFR 273.11(c)(3)(i)(A) through (G). This category generally includes persons who were lawfully admitted to the United States and have provided documentation of their immigration status. For each of these categories, State agencies have two options. For the first category they may count all income and deductions, or a prorated share. For the second category they may count none of the income and deductions (with the allotment capped at the level that an all-eligible household would get), or a prorated share. Fifty State agencies prorated income and deductions for both groups. Two State agencies (MA and NE) count all income and deductions for the first group, and none for the second group. One State agency (CT) counts prorated income and deductions for the first group, and none for the second group.

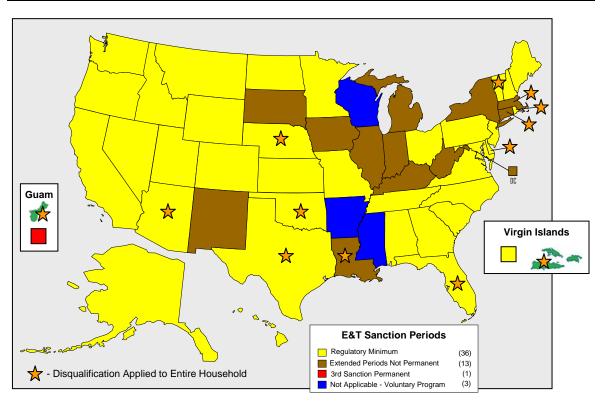
Income and Deduction Prorated for Both Groups			All/None	Prorate/None	
		50		2	1
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Employment & Training Sanction Periods

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 SNAP 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. SNAP 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.

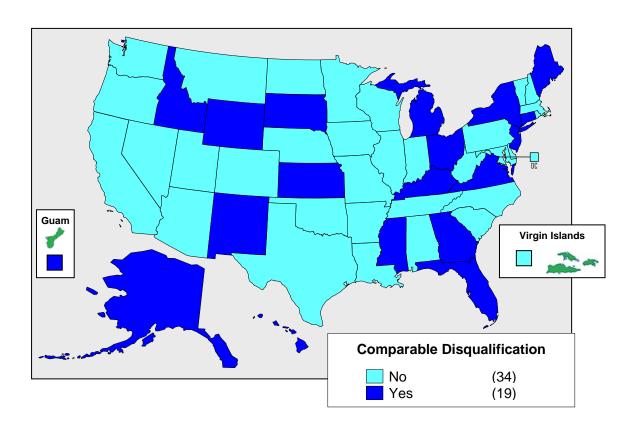
Extended E&T Sanctions		Permanent Disqualification	Entire Household Disqualificati	
14		1	13	
CONNECTICUT DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA GUAM ILLINOIS INDIANA IOWA KENTUCKY	LOUISIANA MASSACHUSETTS MICHIGAN NEW MEXICO NEW YORK SOUTH DAKOTA WEST VIRGINIA	GUAM	ARIZONA CONNECTICUT DELAWARE FLORIDA GUAM LOUISIANA MASSACHUSETTS	NEBRASKA OKLAHOMA RHODE ISLAND TEXAS VERMONT VIRGIN ISLANDS



Comparable Disqualification

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

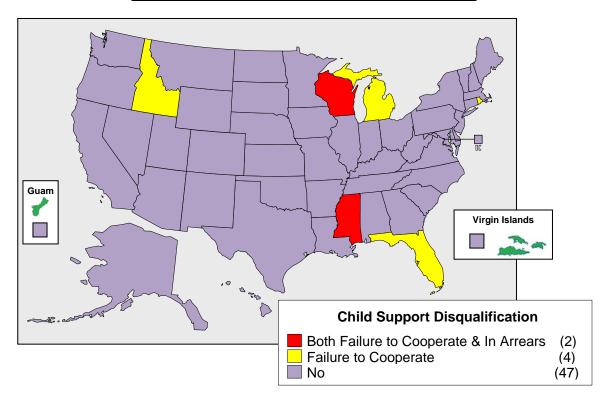
Comparable Disqualification		
	19	
ALASKA CONNECTICUT FLORIDA GEORGIA GUAM HAWAII IDAHO KANSAS KENTUCKY MAINE	MICHIGAN MISSISSIPPI NEW JERSEY NEW MEXICO NEW YORK OHIO SOUTH DAKOTA VIRGINIA WYOMING	



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.

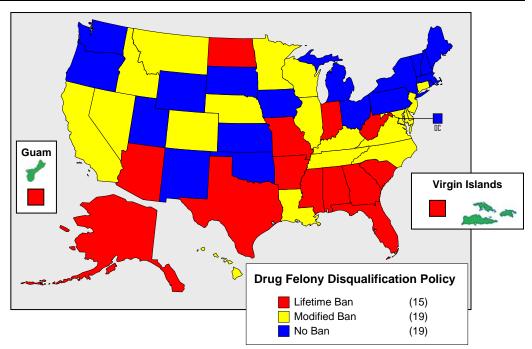
Failure to Cooperate		Arrearage
6		2
FLORIDA IDAHO MICHIGAN	MISSISSIPPI RHODE ISLAND WISCONSIN	MISSISSIPPI WISCONSIN



Drug Felony Disqualification

Welfare reform legislation permanently disqualifies people from SNAP 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.

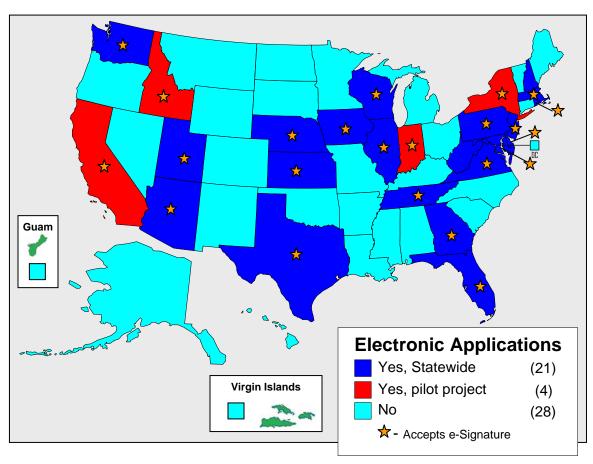
Lifetime Ban	Modified Ban		No Ban	
15		19	19	
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Electronic Application Filing

Currently 25 States provide applicants for SNAP with the opportunity to apply for benefits on-line by computer at a web site. This option has been fully implemented statewide in 21 States, and is being piloted in a limited number of counties or sites in the remaining 4 States. In 23 of the States the applicant is allowed to submit the application with an electronic, or "e-Signature". In the other States, although the applicant is allowed to apply on-line, the applicant still needs to submit a form with an actual signature before benefits will be authorized. An additional 23 States have indicated that they are working to eventually include this option.

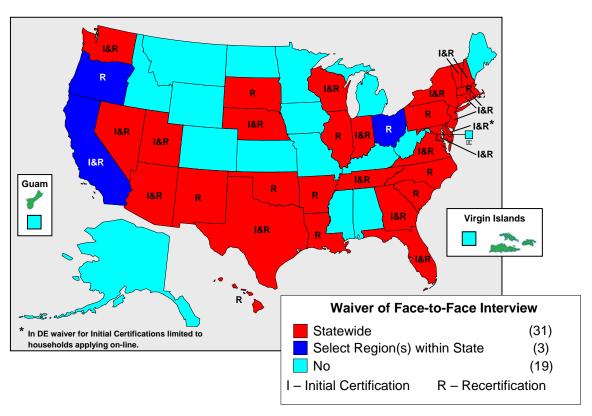
Electronic Application States			
	25		
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Waiver of Face-to-Face Interview

Regulations at 7 CFR 273.2(e) require that State agencies conduct a face-to-face interview at initial certification and at least once every 12 months thereafter, as part of the certification process. States may opt to request a waiver to the requirement that all households receive a face-to-face interview, either at initial certification or at recertification. In lieu of the face-to-face interview, interviews are conducted by telephone, although the State still retains the option of conducting a face-to-face interview if it is determined that one is appropriate, or if the applicant requests a face-to-face interview. Eligibility workers gather the same information and take the same actions during a telephone interview as during a face-to-face interview.

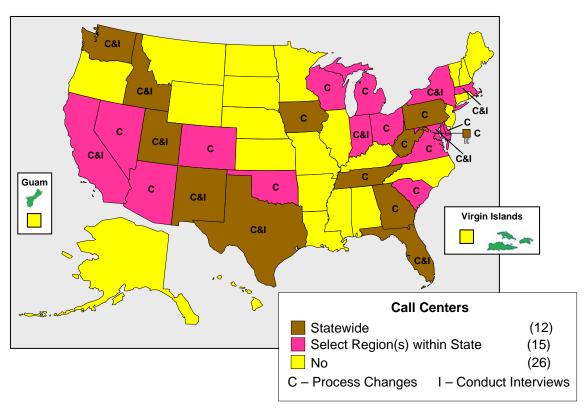
Waiver of Face-to-Face Interview		
	34	
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Call Centers

Change call centers have become more common in States and project areas around the country. The centers can be used exclusively to process reported changes, but they are also sometimes used for a variety of other purposes, including processing alerts, handling participant phone calls, conducting call-backs, and performing certification/recertification interviews. Call centers can help reduce errors caused by unreported changes, high workloads, and unanswered phone/voice mail messages. Benefits include task specialization, prompt customer service, measurable work performance, dedicated phone lines, and the ability to reinforce change reporting with one phone number for participants to remember.

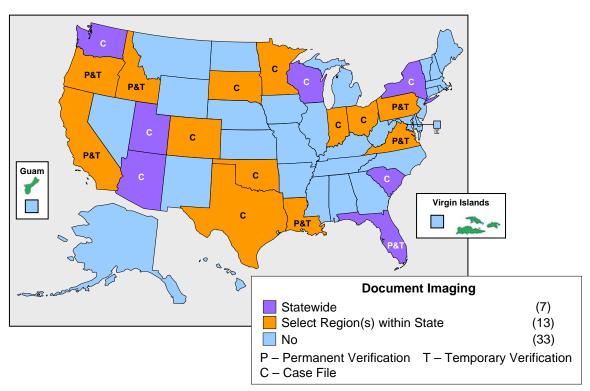
Call Centers		
27		
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Document Imaging

Document imaging is the process of scanning paper documents, converting them to digital images that are then stored in an electronic format. State agencies have begun to make of this technology in order to create paperless, or less paper intensive, certification systems, cutting the expenses and space requirements associated with the storage and maintenance of certification record documentation, and increasing the efficiency of the certification process. This technology may be used to scan permanent verification documents (such as birth certificates, alien registration, or verification of handicap status), temporary verification (such as wage stubs, rent receipts, or band statements), or entire case records (including signed applications, monthly report forms, or submitted change report forms).

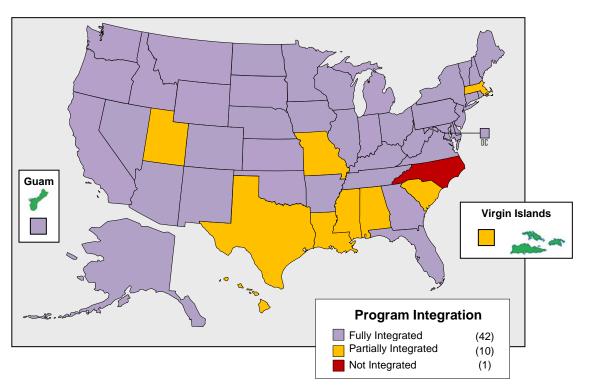
Document Imaging		
20		
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Program Integration

Because States agencies are responsible for administering the program, they have the option to integrate the eligibility and intake process for SNAP with programs such as TANF and Medicaid or to keep these processes completely separate. For the purpose of this survey, eligibility and intake of these programs is considered integrated if an applicant household files a single application and attends a single interview for multiple programs. Currently, 42 States have completely integrated programs. In addition, 10 States have partially integrated programs, in which TANF is combined with SNAP eligibility and intake and Medicaid is generally administered separately.

	Fully	Integrated		Partially Integrated
42			10	
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SUMMARY	
Option	Number of States
Simplified Reporting – Earned Income Households Only	3
Simplified Reporting – Expanded to Other Households	47
Simplified Reporting – Certification Periods (6/12/24/Combination)	18/10/0/22
Quarterly Reporting	1
Monthly Reporting	4
Status Reporting	9
\$100 Reporting – Earned Income	21
\$100 Reporting – Unearned Income	5
Transitional Benefits	19
Simplified Definition of Income	43
Simplified Definition of Resources	37
Vehicle Rules: SNAP	0
Vehicle Rules: TANF Assistance	27
Vehicle Rules: Child Care or Foster Care	11
Vehicle Rules: TANF-MOE Categorical Eligibility	15
Vehicle Rules: Excludes All Vehicles	39
Vehicle Rules: Not All – But At Least One Vehicle Excluded	11
Expanded Categorical Eligibility (Soft/Hard/Both)	26/15/1
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	27
Standard Utility Allowance	52
Mandatory Standard Utility Allowance	44
Simplified Utility Allowance	40
Simplified Deductions	7
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	13
Simplified Self-Employment Determination	16
State Option SNAP – Purchase of FNS Benefits	3
Independent State SNAP	4
Limited Simplified SNAP	42
Combined Application Projects	19
Ineligible Aliens Income & Deductions (Prorated – All/None – Prorated/None	50-2-1
Extended E&T Sanction Periods	14
E&T Permanent Disqualification	1
E&T Household Disqualification	13
Comparable Disqualification	19
Child Support Disqualification: Failure to Cooperate Only	4
Child Support Disqualification: Arrearage Only	0
Child Support Disqualification: Both Failure to Cooperate & Arrearage	2
Drug Felony Disqualification: Lifetime Ban	15
Drug Felony Disqualification: Modified Ban	19
Drug Felony Disqualification: No Ban	19
Electronic Application Filing	25
Waiver of Face-to-Face Interview	34
Call Centers	27
Document Imaging	20
Program Integration (Fully/Partially)	42/10

SECTION TWO: STATE PROFILES

ALABAMA		
Option	Choice	
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes - 12 Month Certification Periods	
Monthly Reporting	No	
Status Reporting	No	
\$100 Reporting – Earned Income	N/A	
\$100 Reporting – Unearned Income	N/A	
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	
Simplified Self-Employment Determination	Yes-40%	
State Option SNAP	No	
Simplified SNAP	Limited to Using TANF Work Rules	
Combined Application Project	No	
Ineligible Alien Income & Deductions	Pro rata/Pro rata	
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	
Waiver of Face-to-Face Interview	No	
Call Centers	No	
Document Imaging	No	
Program Integration	Yes – SNAP/TANF	

ALASKA		
Option	Choice	
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes - 6 Month Certification Periods	
Monthly Reporting	No	
Status Reporting	Yes	
\$100 Reporting – Earned Income	N/A	
\$100 Reporting – Unearned Income	N/A	
Transitional Benefits	No	
Simplified Definition of Income	Yes	
Simplified Definition of Resources	No	
Vehicle Rules	TANF Cash Assistance – At Least One Vehicle Excluded	
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes – Hard	
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	No	
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Mandatory	
Simplified Utility Allowance	Yes	
Simplified Deductions	No	
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No	
Simplified Self-Employment Determination	No	
State Option SNAP	No	
Simplified SNAP	No	
Combined Application Project	No	
Ineligible Alien Income & Deductions	Pro rata/Pro rata	
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	
Waiver of Face-to-Face Interview	No	
Call Centers	No	
Document Imaging	No	
Program Integration	Yes – SNAP/TANF/Medicaid	

ARIZONA		
Option	Choice	
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes - 6 Month Certification Periods	
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 – Soft	
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	Yes	
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Mandatory	
Simplified Utility Allowance	Yes	
Simplified Deductions	Yes	
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	Yes	
Simplified Self-Employment Determination	No	
State Option SNAP	No	
Simplified SNAP	Limited to Using TANF Work Rules	
Combined Application Project	Yes	
Ineligible Alien Income & Deductions	Pro rata/Pro rata	
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	Yes, e-Signature Accepted	
Waiver of Face-to-Face Interview	Yes - Certification & Recertification Interviews	
Call Centers	Yes, Selected Regions, Changes Only	
Document Imaging	Yes - Entire Case Files	
Program Integration	Yes – SNAP/TANF/Medicaid	

ARKANSAS		
Option	Choice	
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes - 12 Month Certification Periods	
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 - Not Mandatory	
Simplified Utility Allowance	No	
Simplified Deductions	No	
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	Yes	
Simplified Self-Employment Determination	No	
State Option SNAP	No	
Simplified SNAP	No	
Combined Application Project	No	
Ineligible Alien Income & Deductions	Pro rata/Pro rata	
E&T Sanction Months	N/A	
E&T Household Disqualification	N/A	
Comparable Disqualification	No	
Child Support Disqualification	No	
Drug Felony Disqualification	Lifetime Ban	
Electronic Application Filing	No	
Waiver of Face-to-Face Interview	Yes - Recertification Interviews	
Call Centers	No	
Document Imaging	No	
Program Integration	Yes – SNAP/TANF/Medicaid	

CALIFORNIA	
Option	Choice
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	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	Child Care – All Vehicles 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
Simplified Self-Employment Determination	Yes – 40%
State Option SNAP	Yes - FNS Involved
Simplified SNAP	Limited to Using TANF Work Rules
Combined Application Project	No
Ineligible Alien Income & Deductions	Pro rata/Pro rata
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, Selected Regions, e-Signature Accepted
Waiver of Face-to-Face Interview	Yes, Selected Regions, Certification & Recertification
Call Centers	Yes, Selected Regions, Changes & Interviews
Document Imaging	Yes, Selected Regions, All Types Verification
Program Integration	Yes – SNAP/TANF/Medicaid

COLORADO	
Option	Choice
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes - 6/24 Month Certification Periods
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 – Hard
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	Yes
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	Yes
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	Yes
Simplified Self-Employment Determination	No
State Option SNAP	No
Simplified SNAP	Limited to Using TANF Work Rules
Combined Application Project	No
Ineligible Alien Income & Deductions	Pro rata/Pro rata
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
Waiver of Face-to-Face Interview	No
Call Centers	Yes, Selected Regions, Changes Only
Document Imaging	Yes, Selected Regions, Entire Case Files
Program Integration	Yes – SNAP/TANF/Medicaid

CONNECTICUT	
Option	Choice
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes - 6/24 Month Certification Periods
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting	No
\$100 Reporting – Earned Income	N/A
\$100 Reporting – Unearned Income	N/A
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	No
Simplified Definition of Resources	No
Vehicle Rules	Child Care – All Vehicles Excluded
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes – Hard
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	No
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	Yes
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Simplified Self-Employment Determination	No
State Option SNAP	Yes - No FNS Involvement
Simplified SNAP	No
Combined Application Project	No
Ineligible Alien Income & Deductions	Pro rata/No Income-Deductions
E&T Sanction Months	3-6-6
E&T Household Disqualification	Yes
Comparable Disqualification	Yes
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	Modified Ban
Electronic Application Filing	No
Waiver of Face-to-Face Interview	Yes - Certification & Recertification Interviews
Call Centers	No
Document Imaging	No
Program Integration	Yes – SNAP/TANF/Medicaid

DELAWARE	
Option	Choice
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes - 6 Month Certification Periods
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting	No
\$100 Reporting – Earned Income	N/A
\$100 Reporting – Unearned Income	N/A
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	Yes
Simplified Definition of Resources	No
Vehicle Rules	Categorical Eligibility – All Vehicles Excluded
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes – Soft
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	No
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	Yes
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Simplified Self-Employment Determination	Yes – 51%
State Option SNAP	No
Simplified SNAP	Limited to Using TANF Work Rules
Combined Application Project	No
Ineligible Alien Income & Deductions	Pro rata/Pro rata
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	Yes, e-Signature Accepted
Waiver of Face-to-Face Interview	Yes - Certification & Recertification Interviews
Call Centers	Yes, Selected Regions, Changes Only
Document Imaging	No
Program Integration	Yes – SNAP/TANF/Medicaid

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	
Option	Choice
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes - 6/12/24 Month Certification Periods
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
Simplified Self-Employment Determination	No
State Option SNAP	No
Simplified SNAP	Limited to Using TANF Work Rules
Combined Application Project	No
Ineligible Alien Income & Deductions	Pro rata/Pro rata
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
Waiver of Face-to-Face Interview	No
Call Centers	Yes - Changes Only
Document Imaging	No
Program Integration	Yes – SNAP/TANF/Medicaid

FLORIDA	
Option	Choice
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes - 6/24 Month Certification Periods
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting	No
\$100 Reporting – Earned Income	N/A
\$100 Reporting – Unearned Income	N/A
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 – Hard
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	Yes
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	Yes
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Simplified Self-Employment Determination	No
State Option SNAP	No
Simplified SNAP	Limited to Using TANF Work Rules
Combined Application Project	Yes
Ineligible Alien Income & Deductions	Pro rata/Pro rata
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	Yes, e-Signature Accepted
Waiver of Face-to-Face Interview	Yes - Certification & Recertification Interviews
Call Centers	Yes - Changes & Interviews
Document Imaging	Yes - All Types Verification
Program Integration	Yes – SNAP/TANF/Medicaid

GEORGIA	
Option	Choice
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes - 12/24 Month Certification Periods
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting	No
\$100 Reporting – Earned Income	N/A
\$100 Reporting – Unearned Income	N/A
Transitional Benefits	Yes
Simplified Definition of Income	Yes
Simplified Definition of Resources	Yes
Vehicle Rules	Categorical Eligibility – All Vehicles Excluded
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes – Soft
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	No
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	Yes
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Simplified Self-Employment Determination	Yes – 40%
State Option SNAP	No
Simplified SNAP	Limited to Using TANF Work Rules
Combined Application Project	No
Ineligible Alien Income & Deductions	Pro rata/Pro rata
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, e-Signature Accepted
Waiver of Face-to-Face Interview	Yes - Certification & Recertification Interviews
Call Centers	Yes - Changes Only
Document Imaging	No
Program Integration	Yes – SNAP/TANF/Medicaid

	GUAM
Option	Choice
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes - 12 Month Certification Periods
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting	No
\$100 Reporting – Earned Income	N/A
\$100 Reporting – Unearned Income	N/A
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	No
Simplified Definition of Resources	No
Vehicle Rules	Categorical Eligibility – All Vehicles Excluded
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes – Soft
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	No
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Not Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	No
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Simplified Self-Employment Determination	No
State Option SNAP	No
Simplified SNAP	No
Combined Application Project	No
Ineligible Alien Income & Deductions	Pro rata/Pro rata
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
Waiver of Face-to-Face Interview	No
Call Centers	No
Document Imaging	No
Program Integration	Yes – SNAP/TANF/Medicaid

HAWAII	
Option	Choice
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes - 12 Month Certification Periods
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	No
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	Yes
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Not Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	No
Simplified Deductions	Yes
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Simplified Self-Employment Determination	No
State Option SNAP	No
Simplified SNAP	Limited to Using TANF Work Rules
Combined Application Project	No
Ineligible Alien Income & Deductions	Pro rata/Pro rata
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	No
Waiver of Face-to-Face Interview	Yes - Recertification Interviews
Call Centers	No
Document Imaging	No
Program Integration	Yes – SNAP/TANF

IDAHO	
Option	Choice
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes - 6 Month Certification Periods
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	Yes – Soft
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	Yes
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	Yes
Simplified Deductions	Yes
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Simplified Self-Employment Determination	Yes – 50%
State Option SNAP	No
Simplified SNAP	Limited to Using TANF Work Rules
Combined Application Project	No
Ineligible Alien Income & Deductions	Pro rata/Pro rata
E&T Sanction Months	1-3-6 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	No
Comparable Disqualification	Yes
Child Support Disqualification	Failure to Cooperate
Drug Felony Disqualification	Modified Ban
Electronic Application Filing	Yes (Pilot Project), e-Signature Accepted
Waiver of Face-to-Face Interview	No
Call Centers	Yes - Changes & Interviews
Document Imaging	Yes - All Types Verification
Program Integration	Yes – SNAP/TANF/Medicaid

ILLINOIS	
Option	Choice
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes - 6 Month Certification Periods
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 – 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	Yes
Simplified Self-Employment Determination	No
State Option SNAP	No
Simplified SNAP	Limited to Using TANF Work Rules
Combined Application Project	No
Ineligible Alien Income & Deductions	Pro rata/Pro rata
E&T Sanction Months	3-3-3 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	No
Comparable Disqualification	No
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	Modified Ban
Electronic Application Filing	Yes, e-Signature Accepted
Waiver of Face-to-Face Interview	Yes - Recertification Interviews
Call Centers	No
Document Imaging	No
Program Integration	Yes – SNAP/TANF/Medicaid

INDIANA	
Option	Choice
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes - 6 Month Certification Periods
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	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
Simplified Self-Employment Determination	Yes-40%
State Option SNAP	No
Simplified SNAP	Limited to Using TANF Work Rules
Combined Application Project	No
Ineligible Alien Income & Deductions	Pro rata/Pro rata
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	Yes, Selected Regions, e-Signature Accepted
Waiver of Face-to-Face Interview	Yes - Certification & Recertification Interviews
Call Centers	Yes, Selected Regions, Changes & Interviews
Document Imaging	Yes, Selected Regions, Entire Case Files
Program Integration	Yes – SNAP/TANF/Medicaid

IOWA	
Option	Choice
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes - 12 Month Certification Periods
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting	No
\$100 Reporting – Earned Income	N/A
\$100 Reporting – Unearned Income	N/A
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
Simplified Self-Employment Determination	No
State Option SNAP	No
Simplified SNAP	Limited to Using TANF Work Rules
Combined Application Project	No
Ineligible Alien Income & Deductions	Pro rata/Pro rata
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	Yes, e-Signature Accepted
Waiver of Face-to-Face Interview	No
Call Centers	Yes - Changes Only
Document Imaging	No
Program Integration	Yes – SNAP/TANF/Medicaid

KANSAS		
Option	Choice	
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes - 12/24 Month Certification Periods	
Monthly Reporting	No	
Status Reporting	No	
\$100 Reporting – Earned Income	N/A	
\$100 Reporting – Unearned Income	N/A	
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 – Hard	
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	No	
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Mandatory	
Simplified Utility Allowance	Yes	
Simplified Deductions	No	
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No	
Simplified Self-Employment Determination	Yes – 25%	
State Option SNAP	No	
Simplified SNAP	Limited to Using TANF Work Rules	
Combined Application Project	No	
Ineligible Alien Income & Deductions	Pro rata/Pro rata	
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	Yes, e-Signature Accepted	
Waiver of Face-to-Face Interview	No	
Call Centers	No	
Document Imaging	No	
Program Integration	Yes – SNAP/TANF/Medicaid	

KENTUCKY		
Option	Choice	
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes - 6/12 Month Certification Periods	
Monthly Reporting	No	
Status Reporting	No	
\$100 Reporting – Earned Income	N/A	
\$100 Reporting – Unearned Income	N/A	
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 – Hard	
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	Yes	
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Mandatory	
Simplified Utility Allowance	Yes	
Simplified Deductions	No	
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No	
Simplified Self-Employment Determination	No	
State Option SNAP	No	
Simplified SNAP	Limited to Using TANF Work Rules	
Combined Application Project	Yes	
Ineligible Alien Income & Deductions	Pro rata/Pro rata	
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	
Waiver of Face-to-Face Interview	No	
Call Centers	No	
Document Imaging	No	
Program Integration	Yes – SNAP/TANF/Medicaid	

LOUISIANA		
Option	Choice	
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes - 12 Month Certification Periods	
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	Yes – Hard	
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	No	
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Mandatory	
Simplified Utility Allowance	Yes	
Simplified Deductions	No	
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	Yes	
Simplified Self-Employment Determination	No	
State Option SNAP	No	
Simplified SNAP	Limited to Using TANF Work Rules	
Combined Application Project	Yes	
Ineligible Alien Income & Deductions	Pro rata/Pro rata	
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	
Waiver of Face-to-Face Interview	Yes - Recertification Interviews	
Call Centers	No	
Document Imaging	Yes (pilot project) - All Types Verification	
Program Integration	Yes – SNAP/TANF	

MAINE		
Option	Choice	
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes - 12 Month Certification Periods	
Monthly Reporting	No	
Status Reporting	No	
\$100 Reporting – Earned Income	N/A	
\$100 Reporting – Unearned Income	N/A	
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 – Soft	
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	Yes	
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Mandatory	
Simplified Utility Allowance	Yes	
Simplified Deductions	No	
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	Yes	
Simplified Self-Employment Determination	No	
State Option SNAP	Yes – No FNS Involvement	
Simplified SNAP	Limited to Using TANF Work Rules	
Combined Application Project	No	
Ineligible Alien Income & Deductions	Pro rata/Pro rata	
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	
Waiver of Face-to-Face Interview	No	
Call Centers	No	
Document Imaging	No	
Program Integration	Yes – SNAP/TANF/Medicaid	

MARYLAND		
Option	Choice	
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes - 6/24 Month Certification Periods	
Monthly Reporting	No	
Status Reporting	No	
\$100 Reporting – Earned Income	N/A	
\$100 Reporting – Unearned Income	N/A	
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 – Soft	
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	Yes	
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Mandatory	
Simplified Utility Allowance	Yes	
Simplified Deductions	No	
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No	
Simplified Self-Employment Determination	Yes – 30%	
State Option SNAP	No	
Simplified SNAP	Limited to Using TANF Work Rules	
Combined Application Project	No	
Ineligible Alien Income & Deductions	Pro rata/Pro rata	
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, e-Signature Accepted	
Waiver of Face-to-Face Interview	Yes - Certification & Recertification Interviews	
Call Centers	Yes, Selected Regions, Changes & Interviews	
Document Imaging	No	
Program Integration	Yes – SNAP/TANF/Medicaid	

MASSACHUSETTS		
Option	Choice	
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes - 6 Month Certification Periods	
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-Soft	
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	Yes	
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Mandatory	
Simplified Utility Allowance	No	
Simplified Deductions	No	
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	Yes	
Simplified Self-Employment Determination	No	
State Option SNAP	No	
Simplified SNAP	Limited to Using TANF Work Rules	
Combined Application Project	Yes	
Ineligible Alien Income & Deductions	All Income-Deductions/No Income-Deductions	
E&T Sanction Months	3-6-12 Months	
E&T Household Disqualification	Yes	
Comparable Disqualification	No	
Child Support Disqualification	No	
Drug Felony Disqualification	No Ban	
Electronic Application Filing	Yes, e-Signature Accepted	
Waiver of Face-to-Face Interview	Yes - Recertification Interviews	
Call Centers	Yes, Selected Regions, Changes & Interviews	
Document Imaging	No	
Program Integration	Yes – Medicaid separately for SNAP Only Cases	

MICHIGAN		
Option	Choice	
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes - 12 Month Certification Periods	
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	No	
Vehicle Rules	Categorical Eligibility – All Vehicles Excluded	
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes – Soft	
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	No	
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Mandatory	
Simplified Utility Allowance	Yes	
Simplified Deductions	No	
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No	
Simplified Self-Employment Determination	Yes – Various %	
State Option SNAP	No	
Simplified SNAP	No	
Combined Application Project	Yes	
Ineligible Alien Income & Deductions	Pro rata/Pro rata	
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	
Waiver of Face-to-Face Interview	No	
Call Centers	Yes, Selected Regions, Changes Only	
Document Imaging	No	
Program Integration	Yes – SNAP/TANF/Medicaid	

MINNESOTA		
Option	Choice	
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes - 6/12/24 Month Certification Periods	
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	Categorical Eligibility – All Vehicles Excluded	
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes – Soft & Hard	
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	No	
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Not Mandatory	
Simplified Utility Allowance	No	
Simplified Deductions	No	
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No	
Simplified Self-Employment Determination	No	
State Option SNAP	Yes - No FNS Involvement	
Simplified SNAP	Limited to Using TANF Work Rules	
Combined Application Project	No	
Ineligible Alien Income & Deductions	Pro rata/Pro rata	
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	
Waiver of Face-to-Face Interview	No	
Call Centers	No	
Document Imaging	Yes, Selected Regions, Entire Case Files	
Program Integration	Yes – SNAP/TANF/Medicaid	

MISSISSIPPI		
Option	Choice	
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes - 6 Month Certification Periods	
Monthly Reporting	No	
Status Reporting	No	
\$100 Reporting – Earned Income	N/A	
\$100 Reporting – Unearned Income	N/A	
Transitional Benefits	No	
Simplified Definition of Income	No	
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	No	
Simplified Deductions	No	
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No	
Simplified Self-Employment Determination	No	
State Option SNAP	No	
Simplified SNAP	Limited to Using TANF Work Rules	
Combined Application Project	Yes	
Ineligible Alien Income & Deductions	Pro rata/Pro rata	
E&T Sanction Months	N/A	
E&T Household Disqualification	N/A	
Comparable Disqualification	Yes	
Child Support Disqualification	Failure to Cooperate & Arrearage	
Drug Felony Disqualification	Lifetime Ban	
Electronic Application Filing	No	
Waiver of Face-to-Face Interview	No	
Call Centers	No	
Document Imaging	No	
Program Integration	Yes – SNAP/TANF	

MISSOURI	
Option	Choice
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes - 6 Month Certification Periods
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 – Hard
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	No
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	Yes
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	Yes
Simplified Self-Employment Determination	No
State Option SNAP	No
Simplified SNAP	Limited to Using TANF Work Rules
Combined Application Project	No
Ineligible Alien Income & Deductions	Pro rata/Pro rata
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
Waiver of Face-to-Face Interview	No
Call Centers	No
Document Imaging	No
Program Integration	Yes – SNAP/TANF

MONTANA		
Option	Choice	
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes - 6/12 Month Certification Periods	
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	Child Care – All Vehicles Excluded	
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes – Soft	
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	No	
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Mandatory	
Simplified Utility Allowance	Yes	
Simplified Deductions	No	
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No	
Simplified Self-Employment Determination	No	
State Option SNAP	No	
Simplified SNAP	No	
Combined Application Project	No	
Ineligible Alien Income & Deductions	Pro rata/Pro rata	
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	
Waiver of Face-to-Face Interview	No	
Call Centers	No	
Document Imaging	No	
Program Integration	Yes – SNAP/TANF/Medicaid	

NEBRASKA	
Option	Choice
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes - 12 Month Certification Periods
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting	Yes
\$100 Reporting – Earned Income	N/A
\$100 Reporting – Unearned Income	N/A
Transitional Benefits	Yes
Simplified Definition of Income	Yes
Simplified Definition of Resources	Yes
Vehicle Rules	Child Care – Exemption > \$4,650
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes – Hard
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	Yes
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	Yes
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Simplified Self-Employment Determination	No
State Option SNAP	Yes - FNS Involved
Simplified SNAP	Limited to Using TANF Work Rules
Combined Application Project	No
Ineligible Alien Income & Deductions	All Income & Deductions/No Income & Deductions
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	Yes, e-Signature Accepted
Waiver of Face-to-Face Interview	Yes - Certification & Recertification Interviews
Call Centers	No
Document Imaging	No
Program Integration	Yes – SNAP/TANF/Medicaid

NEVADA	
Option	Choice
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes - 6 Month Certification Periods
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 – Soft
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	Yes
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	Yes
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Simplified Self-Employment Determination	No
State Option SNAP	No
Simplified SNAP	Limited to Using TANF Work Rules
Combined Application Project	No
Ineligible Alien Income & Deductions	Pro rata/Pro rata
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
Waiver of Face-to-Face Interview	Yes - Certification & Recertification Interviews
Call Centers	Yes, Selected Regions, Changes Only
Document Imaging	No
Program Integration	Yes – SNAP/TANF/Medicaid

NEW HAMPSHIRE	
Option	Choice
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes - 6 Month Certification Periods
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	TANF Cash Assistance – At Least One Vehicle Excluded
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes – Soft
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	Yes
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	Yes
Simplified Deductions	Yes
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Simplified Self-Employment Determination	No
State Option SNAP	No
Simplified SNAP	Limited to Using TANF Work Rules
Combined Application Project	No
Ineligible Alien Income & Deductions	Pro rata/Pro rata
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, No e-Signature
Waiver of Face-to-Face Interview	Yes - Certification & Recertification Interviews
Call Centers	No
Document Imaging	No
Program Integration	Yes – SNAP/TANF/Medicaid

NEW JERSEY	
Option	Choice
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes - 12/24 Month Certification Periods
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	No
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	Yes
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	Yes
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Simplified Self-Employment Determination	No
State Option SNAP	No
Simplified SNAP	Limited to Using TANF Work Rules
Combined Application Project	Yes
Ineligible Alien Income & Deductions	Pro rata/Pro rata
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, e-Signature Accepted
Waiver of Face-to-Face Interview	Yes - Certification & Recertification Interviews
Call Centers	No
Document Imaging	No
Program Integration	Yes – SNAP/TANF/Medicaid

NEW MEXICO	
Option	Choice
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes - 6/12 Month Certification Periods
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting	Yes
\$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 – Hard
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	Yes
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes – Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	Yes
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Simplified Self-Employment Determination	No
State Option SNAP	No
Simplified SNAP	Limited to Using TANF Work Rules
Combined Application Project	Approved, Not Implemented
Ineligible Alien Income & Deductions	Pro rata/Pro rata
E&T Sanction Months	3-6-12 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	No
Comparable Disqualification	Yes
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	No Ban
Electronic Application Filing	No
Waiver of Face-to-Face Interview	Yes - Recertification Interviews
Call Centers	Yes - Changes & Interviews
Document Imaging	No
Program Integration	Yes – SNAP/TANF/Medicaid

NEW YORK	
Option NE	Choice
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes – 6/12 Month Certification Periods
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	No
Vehicle Rules	Categorical Eligibility – At Least One Vehicle Excluded
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes – Soft
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	Yes
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes – Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	Yes
Simplified Deductions	Yes
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	Yes
Simplified Self-Employment Determination	No
State Option SNAP	No
Simplified SNAP	Limited to Using TANF Work Rules
Combined Application Project	Yes
Ineligible Alien Income & Deductions	Pro rata/Pro rata
E&T Sanction Months	2-4-6 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	No
Comparable Disqualification	Yes
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	No Ban
Electronic Application Filing	Yes (Pilot Project), e-Signature Accepted
Waiver of Face-to-Face Interview	Yes - Certification & Recertification Interviews
Call Centers	Yes, Selected Regions, Changes & Interviews
Document Imaging	Yes - Entire Case Files
Program Integration	Yes – SNAP/TANF/Medicaid

NORTH CAROLINA	
Option	Choice
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes - 6 Month Certification Periods
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	TANF Cash Assistance – All Vehicles Excluded
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes – Hard
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	No
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	Yes
Simplified Deductions	Yes
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	Yes
Simplified Self-Employment Determination	No
State Option SNAP	No
Simplified SNAP	Limited to Using TANF Work Rules
Combined Application Project	Yes
Ineligible Alien Income & Deductions	Pro rata/Pro rata
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
Waiver of Face-to-Face Interview	Yes - Recertification Interviews
Call Centers	No
Document Imaging	No
Program Integration	No

NORTH DAKOTA	
Option	Choice
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes - 6/12 Month Certification Periods
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting	No
\$100 Reporting – Earned Income	N/A
\$100 Reporting – Unearned Income	N/A
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	Yes
Simplified Definition of Resources	Yes
Vehicle Rules	Categorical Eligibility – All Vehicles Excluded
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes – Soft
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	No
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	Yes
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Simplified Self-Employment Determination	No
State Option SNAP	No
Simplified SNAP	Limited to Using TANF Work Rules
Combined Application Project	No
Ineligible Alien Income & Deductions	Pro rata/Pro rata
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
Waiver of Face-to-Face Interview	No
Call Centers	No
Document Imaging	No
Program Integration	Yes – SNAP/TANF/Medicaid

OHIO	
Option	Choice
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes - 6 Month Certification Periods
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 – Soft
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	Yes
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	Yes
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Simplified Self-Employment Determination	No
State Option SNAP	No
Simplified SNAP	Limited to Using TANF Work Rules
Combined Application Project	No
Ineligible Alien Income & Deductions	Pro rata/Pro rata
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
Waiver of Face-to-Face Interview	Yes, Selected Regions, Recertification Interviews
Call Centers	Yes, Selected Regions, Changes Only
Document Imaging	Yes, Selected Regions, Entire Case Files
Program Integration	Yes – SNAP/TANF/Medicaid

OKLAHOMA	
Option	Choice
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes - 12/24 Month Certification Periods
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	Categorical Eligibility – All Vehicles Excluded
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes – Soft
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	Yes
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	Yes
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Simplified Self-Employment Determination	Yes – 50%
State Option SNAP	No
Simplified SNAP	No
Combined Application Project	No
Ineligible Alien Income & Deductions	Pro rata/Pro rata
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
Waiver of Face-to-Face Interview	Yes – Recertification Interviews
Call Centers	Yes, Selected Regions, Changes Only
Document Imaging	Yes, Selected Regions, Entire Case Files
Program Integration	Yes – SNAP/TANF/Medicaid

OREGON	
Option	Choice
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes - 6/12 Month Certification Periods
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	TANF Cash Assistance – Exemption > \$4,650
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes – Soft
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	No
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	Yes
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Simplified Self-Employment Determination	Yes – 50%
State Option SNAP	No
Simplified SNAP	Limited to Using TANF Work Rules
Combined Application Project	No
Ineligible Alien Income & Deductions	Pro rata/Pro rata
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
Waiver of Face-to-Face Interview	Yes, Selected Regions, Recertification Interviews
Call Centers	No
Document Imaging	Yes, Selected Regions, All Types Verification
Program Integration	Yes – SNAP/TANF/Medicaid

PENNSYLVANIA	
Option	Choice
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes - 12/24 Month Certification Periods
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 – Soft
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	Yes
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	Yes
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Simplified Self-Employment Determination	No
State Option SNAP	No
Simplified SNAP	Limited to Using TANF Work Rules
Combined Application Project	Yes
Ineligible Alien Income & Deductions	Pro rata/Pro rata
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, e-Signature Accepted
Waiver of Face-to-Face Interview	Yes - Recertification Interviews
Call Centers	Yes - Changes Only
Document Imaging	Yes, Selected Regions, All Types Verification
Program Integration	Yes – SNAP/TANF/Medicaid

RHODE ISLAND	
Option	Choice
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes - 6 Month Certification Periods
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	Categorical Eligibility – All Vehicles Excluded
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes – Soft
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	Yes
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	Yes
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	Yes
Simplified Self-Employment Determination	No
State Option SNAP	No
Simplified SNAP	Limited to Using TANF Work Rules
Combined Application Project	No
Ineligible Alien Income & Deductions	Pro rata/Pro rata
E&T Sanction Months	1-3-6 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	Yes
Comparable Disqualification	No
Child Support Disqualification	Failure to Cooperate
Drug Felony Disqualification	No Ban
Electronic Application Filing	Yes, e-Signature Accepted
Waiver of Face-to-Face Interview	Yes - Certification & Recertification Interviews
Call Centers	No
Document Imaging	No
Program Integration	Yes – SNAP/TANF/Medicaid

SOUTH CAROLINA	
Option	Choice
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes - 6/12 Month Certification Periods
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting	No
\$100 Reporting – Earned Income	N/A
\$100 Reporting – Unearned Income	N/A
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	No
Simplified Definition of Resources	No
Vehicle Rules	Categorical Eligibility – All Vehicles Excluded
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes – Soft
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	Yes
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	No
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Simplified Self-Employment Determination	Yes-40%
State Option SNAP	No
Simplified SNAP	Limited to Using TANF Work Rules
Combined Application Project	Yes
Ineligible Alien Income & Deductions	Pro rata/Pro rata
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
Waiver of Face-to-Face Interview	Yes - Recertification Interviews
Call Centers	Yes, Selected Regions, Changes Only
Document Imaging	Yes - Entire Case Files
Program Integration	Yes – SNAP/TANF

SOUTH DAKOTA	
Option	Choice
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	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 – Hard
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	No
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	Yes
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	Yes
Simplified Self-Employment Determination	Yes-45%
State Option SNAP	No
Simplified SNAP	No
Combined Application Project	Approved, Not Implemented
Ineligible Alien Income & Deductions	Pro rata/Pro rata
E&T Sanction Months	1-6-12 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	No
Comparable Disqualification	Yes
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	No Ban
Electronic Application Filing	No
Waiver of Face-to-Face Interview	Yes - Recertification Interviews
Call Centers	No
Document Imaging	Yes, Selected Regions, Entire Case Files
Program Integration	Yes – SNAP/TANF/Medicaid

TENNESSEE	
Option	Choice
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes - 6 Month Certification Periods
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	Child Care – All Vehicles Excluded
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes – Hard
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	Yes
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Not Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	No
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Simplified Self-Employment Determination	No
State Option SNAP	No
Simplified SNAP	Limited to Using TANF Work Rules
Combined Application Project	No
Ineligible Alien Income & Deductions	Pro rata/Pro rata
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, e-Signature Accepted
Waiver of Face-to-Face Interview	Yes - Certification & Recertification Interviews
Call Centers	Yes - Changes Only
Document Imaging	No
Program Integration	Yes – SNAP/TANF/Medicaid

TEXAS	
Option	Choice
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes - 6 Month Certification Periods
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting	Yes
\$100 Reporting – Earned Income	N/A
\$100 Reporting – Unearned Income	N/A
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	Yes
Simplified Definition of Resources	Yes
Vehicle Rules	Categorical Eligibility – Exemption > \$4,650
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes-Soft
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	Yes
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Not Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	No
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Simplified Self-Employment Determination	No
State Option SNAP	No
Simplified SNAP	Limited to Using TANF Work Rules
Combined Application Project	Yes
Ineligible Alien Income & Deductions	Pro rata/Pro rata
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	Yes, e-Signature Accepted
Waiver of Face-to-Face Interview	Yes - Certification & Recertification Interviews
Call Centers	Yes - Changes & Interviews
Document Imaging	Yes, Selected Regions, Entire Case Files
Program Integration	Yes – SNAP/TANF/Adult Medicaid

UTAH	
Option	Choice
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes - 6 Month Certification Periods
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting	Yes
\$100 Reporting – Earned Income	N/A
\$100 Reporting – Unearned Income	N/A
Transitional Benefits	No
Simplified Definition of Income	Yes
Simplified Definition of Resources	No
Vehicle Rules	Child Care – All Vehicles Excluded
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes – Hard
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	Yes
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	Yes
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Simplified Self-Employment Determination	Yes-40%
State Option SNAP	No
Simplified SNAP	Limited to Using TANF Work Rules
Combined Application Project	No
Ineligible Alien Income & Deductions	Pro rata/Pro rata
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, e-Signature Accepted
Waiver of Face-to-Face Interview	Yes - Certification & Recertification Interviews
Call Centers	Yes - Changes & Interviews
Document Imaging	Yes - Entire Case Files
Program Integration	Yes – SNAP/TANF

VERMONT	
Option	Choice
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes - 6/12 Month Certification Periods
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-Soft
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	No
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes – Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	Yes
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Simplified Self-Employment Determination	No
State Option SNAP	No
Simplified SNAP	Limited to Using TANF Work Rules
Combined Application Project	No
Ineligible Alien Income & Deductions	Pro rata/Pro rata
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
Waiver of Face-to-Face Interview	Yes - Certification & Recertification Interviews
Call Centers	No
Document Imaging	No
Program Integration	Yes – SNAP/TANF/Medicaid

VIRGIN ISLANDS	
Option	Choice
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes - 6 Month Certification Periods
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	Categorical Eligibility – All Vehicles Excluded
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes – Soft
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	Yes
Standard Utility Allowance	No
Simplified Utility Allowance	N/A
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Simplified Self-Employment Determination	No
State Option SNAP	No
Simplified SNAP	Limited to Using TANF Work Rules
Combined Application Project	No
Ineligible Alien Income & Deductions	Pro rata/Pro rata
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
Waiver of Face-to-Face Interview	No
Call Centers	No
Document Imaging	No
Program Integration	Yes – SNAP/TANF

VID	GINIA
Option	Choice
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes - 6/12/24 Month Certification Periods
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting	No
\$100 Reporting – Earned Income	N/A
\$100 Reporting – Unearned Income	N/A
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 – Hard
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	Yes
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Not Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	No
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Simplified Self-Employment Determination	No
State Option SNAP	No
Simplified SNAP	No
Combined Application Project	Yes
Ineligible Alien Income & Deductions	Pro rata/Pro rata
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, e-Signature Accepted
Waiver of Face-to-Face Interview	Yes - Certification & Recertification Interviews
Call Centers	Yes, Selected Regions, Changes Only
Document Imaging	Yes, Selected Regions, All Types Verification
Program Integration	Yes – SNAP/TANF/Medicaid

WASHINGTON	
Option	Choice
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes - 6/12 Month Certification Periods
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	Categorical Eligibility – All Vehicles Excluded
Expanded Categorical Eligibility	Yes – Soft
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	No
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	No
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Simplified Self-Employment Determination	Yes - \$100 or Actual
State Option SNAP	Yes – No FNS Involvement
Simplified SNAP	Limited to Using TANF Work Rules
Combined Application Project	Yes
Ineligible Alien Income & Deductions	Pro rata/Pro rata
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, e-Signature Accepted
Waiver of Face-to-Face Interview	Yes - Certification & Recertification Interviews
Call Centers	Yes, Changes & Interviews
Document Imaging	Yes - Entire Case Files
Program Integration	Yes – SNAP/TANF/Medicaid

WEST VIRGINIA	
Option	Choice
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes - 6/24 Month Certification Periods
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting	No
\$100 Reporting – Earned Income	N/A
\$100 Reporting – Unearned Income	N/A
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 – Soft
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	Yes
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	Yes
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Simplified Self-Employment Determination	No
State Option SNAP	No
Simplified SNAP	Limited to Using TANF Work Rules
Combined Application Project	Pending Approval
Ineligible Alien Income & Deductions	Pro rata/Pro rata
E&T Sanction Months	3-6-12 Months
E&T Household Disqualification	No
Comparable Disqualification	No
Child Support Disqualification	No
Drug Felony Disqualification	Lifetime Ban
Electronic Application Filing	Yes, No e-Signature
Waiver of Face-to-Face Interview	No
Call Centers	Yes - Changes Only
Document Imaging	No
Program Integration	Yes – SNAP/TANF/Medicaid

WISCONSIN	
Option	Choice
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	Yes - 12 Month Certification Periods
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 – Soft
Simplified Homeless Housing Costs	No
Standard Utility Allowance	Yes - Mandatory
Simplified Utility Allowance	Yes
Simplified Deductions	No
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Simplified Self-Employment Determination	No
State Option SNAP	Yes – FNS Involved
Simplified SNAP	No
Combined Application Project	Approved, Not Implemented
Ineligible Alien Income & Deductions	Pro rata/Pro rata
E&T Sanction Months	N/A
E&T Household Disqualification	N/A
Comparable Disqualification	No
Child Support Disqualification	Failure to Cooperate & Arrearage
Drug Felony Disqualification	Modified Ban
Electronic Application Filing	Yes, e-Signature Accepted
Waiver of Face-to-Face Interview	Yes - Certification & Recertification Interviews
Call Centers	Yes, Selected Regions, Changes Only
Document Imaging	Yes, Selected Regions, Entire Case Files
Program Integration	Yes – SNAP/TANF/Medicaid

WYOMING	
Option	Choice
Simplified (Reduced) Reporting Requirements	No
Monthly Reporting	No
Status Reporting	Yes
\$100 Reporting – Earned Income	N/A
\$100 Reporting – Unearned Income	N/A
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	Yes
Child Support Expense Income Exclusion	No
Simplified Self-Employment Determination	Yes – 25%
State Option SNAP	No
Simplified SNAP	No
Combined Application Project	No
Ineligible Alien Income & Deductions	Pro rata/Pro rata
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
Waiver of Face-to-Face Interview	No
Call Centers	No
Document Imaging	No
Program Integration	Yes – SNAP/TANF/Medicaid