

file: Burdie

DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES
INTER-OFFICE COMMUNICATION

Date: March 31, 2009

TO: Jennifer Velez
Commissioner

FROM: Jeanette Page-Hawkins, Director
Division of Family Development



SUBJECT: CURRENT PROGRAM STATISTICS

Attached please find the *Current Program Statistics* for December 2008. Included are TANF-oriented and Food Stamps data, General Assistance data, and the WFNJ Statistical Summary.

Should you have any questions regarding this report, please call:
David Karwoski at 588-2274.

JPH:Jet:t

Attachments

C. Nicole Brossoie, Public Information

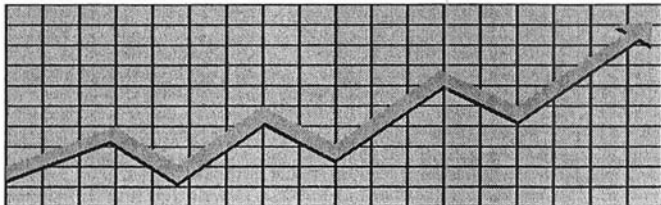
RECEIVED

APR 08 2009

HCDHS
DIV. OF SOCIAL SERVICES

State of New Jersey
Department of Human Services
Division of Family Development

CURRENT PROGRAM STATISTICS



December 2008
Jeanette Page-Hawkins, Director

**DIVISION OF FAMILY DEVELOPMENT CURRENT PROGRAM STATISTICS
DECEMBER 2008**

TABLE OF CONTENTS

HIGHLIGHTS:

WFNJ/TANF	ii
TANF WORK PARTICIPATION RATE	ii
FOOD STAMP PROGRAM.....	ii
EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE	ii
GENERAL ASSISTANCE.....	iii
GA Emergency Assistance	iii
GA Program	iii
CHILD SUPPORT AND PATERNITY.....	iii
WORK FIRST NEW JERSEY (WFNJ).....	iii
STATISTICS- BY STATE & COUNTY:	1
Table 1: WFNJ/TANF Families & Persons (NJ Statewide) December 2006 to 2008.....	1
Table 2: WFNJ/TANF Families (by County)- December 2008	2
Table 2B: WFNJ/TANF Persons, Adults, & Children (by County)- December 2008	3
Table 3: TANF Work Participation Rates (by County)-	4
Table 4: TANF County Work Participation Rates Above & Below NJ Statewide Average.....	5
Table 5: Food Stamp Program Households/Persons (NJ Statewide) December 2006 to 2008	6
Table 6: Food Stamp Recipient Trends (NJ Statewide) December 2006 to 2008	7
Table 7: Food Stamp Program Households/Persons (by County)- December 2008	8
Table 8: Emergency Assistance Program (NJ Statewide) December 2006 to 2008.....	9
Table 9: Emergency Assistance Program (by County)- December 2008	10
Table 10: General Assistance Program (NJ Statewide) December 2006 to 2008	11
Table 11: General Assistance Program (by County)- December 2008.....	12
Table 12: Child Support & Paternity Distributions (NJ Statewide) FFY 2008	13
Table 13: Child Support & Paternity Cases With Orders- December 2008	14
Table 14: WFNJ Statistical Summary- December 2008.....	15
ACRONYMS	16
EXPLANATORY NOTES	16
WFNJ Statistical Summary (Figure 14).....	17

**DIVISION OF FAMILY DEVELOPMENT CURRENT PROGRAM STATISTICS
DECEMBER 2008**

Each month the Division of Family Development publishes its program statistics for: WFNJ/TANF, Food Stamps, Emergency Assistance, General Assistance (GA) and Child Support and Paternity. When possible, information is provided separately for children and adults. Many tables also provide trend data with information broken down by county for readers to consider.

WFNJ/TANF

- At the end of December, the TANF caseload decreased by 862 cases, from 38,615 in December 2007 to 37,753 in December 2008, a 2.2% decline.
- The counties with the highest family caseload percentage increase since December 2007 include Hunterdon (52.9%), Sussex (17.9%), and Cape May (11.3%).
- The counties that decreased the most since December 2007 were Bergen (-5.6 %), Camden (-5.9%) and Hudson (-8.0 %)
- Of the WFNJ/TANF families, 9,586 or 25.4% were child-only cases in December 2008
- The counties with the most child-only cases were Essex (1,772), Hudson (1,308), and Camden (1,157).
- Essex (22,021), Hudson (12,280), and Camden (10,018) counties have the greatest number of persons receiving TANF in December 2008.

FOOD STAMP PROGRAM

- December 2008 there are 230,936 households receiving food stamps. Food Stamp households increased by 26,137, or 12.8%, since December 2007.
- There were 474,849 persons receiving food stamps as of December 2008, an increase of 51,898 or 12.3 % since December 2007.
- The three counties having the highest caseload increase since December 2007 are Hunterdon (28.3%), Morris (22.5%), and Burlington (22.1%)

EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE

- There were 5,205 families receiving emergency assistance (EA) in December 2008, an increase of 368 or 7.6% since December 2007.
- In December 2008, EA payments were made for 1,809 SSI recipients

**DIVISION OF FAMILY DEVELOPMENT CURRENT PROGRAM STATISTICS
DECEMBER 2008**

GENERAL ASSISTANCE

GA Emergency Assistance

There were 7,538 emergency assistance payments made to GA recipients in December 2008, an increase of 576 or 8.3% since December 2007.

- The three counties that show an annual percent increase in emergency assistance payments are Somerset (67.1%), Sussex (64.4%), and Atlantic (40.4%).

GA Program

The total numbers of persons for GA has increased from 38,880 to 44,976 since December 2007, an increase of 15.7%.

There were 27,331 Employable GA and 17,645 Unemployable GA recipients in December 2008.

- Essex (59.3%), Somerset (44.1%), and Sussex (32.3%) counties showed the highest percent increase for GA persons since December 2007.

CHILD SUPPORT AND PATERNITY (Quarterly Report)

The total collection for the Child Support and Paternity Program was about 290 million dollars from October 2007 to September 2008, an increase of 7.7 percent over the same period for FFY 2007.

- Total distributions increased over 13 percent from September 2007, and a slight increase in the percent of collections distributed from 97.4% in September 2007 to 102.3% in September 2008.

WORK FIRST NEW JERSEY (WFNJ)

During the report month of December 2008, there were 4,474 families where at least one member is employed and an additional 292 families where WFNJ assistance cases were closed due to employment – related earnings.

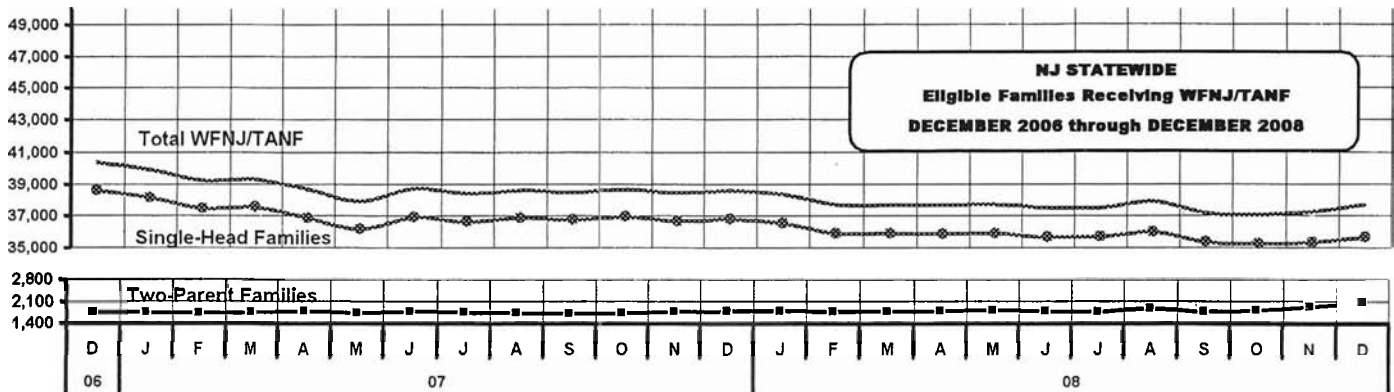
The three counties with the greatest number of employed active recipients were: Essex (1,098), Hudson (591), and Camden (388).

There were 4,085 former TANF cases receiving post-TANF support in the form of child care assistance.

TABLE 1: WFNJ/TANF PROGRAM

**TATEWIDE NUMBER OF APPLICATIONS AND TERMINATIONS DURING DECEMBER 2008;
NUMBER OF ELIGIBLE FAMILIES & PERSONS RECEIVING WFNJ/TANF FOR DECEMBER 2008
DECEMBER 2006 THROUGH DECEMBER 2008**

	Cases Added	Cases Closed	Child-Only Cases ‡	Total Singl-Head Families	2- Parent Families	Total WFNJ/TANF Families	%CHNG (1 Yr.)	* Total Persons	%CHNG (1 Yr.)	Adults	* Children
2006 DEC	3,470	3,848	10,746	38,615	1,766	40,381	(9.1)	95,800	(8.0)	31,401	64,399
2006 AVERAGE	3,445	3,783	11,262	40,027	1,912	41,939		99,775		32,590	67,186
2007 JAN	3,165	3,604	10,790	38,176	1,766	39,942	(9.0)	100,795	(9.8)	30,918	69,877
FEB	3,080	3,765	10,771	37,506	1,751	39,257	(9.2)	98,772	(10.2)	30,237	68,535
MAR	3,501	3,417	11,014	37,561	1,780	39,341	(8.5)	98,416	(10.4)	30,107	68,309
APR	3,218	3,850	10,874	36,903	1,806	38,709	(8.7)	96,867	(4.0)	29,641	67,226
MAY	3,000	3,754	10,545	36,200	1,755	37,955	(10.2)	96,454	(4.0)	29,165	67,289
JUN	4,094	3,303	10,750	36,949	1,797	38,746	(7.4)	96,769	(2.7)	29,793	66,976
JUL	3,482	3,802	10,531	36,664	1,762	38,426	(7.2)	96,287	(2.2)	29,657	66,630
AUG	3,666	3,464	10,458	36,871	1,757	38,628	(6.6)	96,882	(1.4)	29,927	66,955
SEP	3,603	3,743	10,288	36,768	1,720	38,488	(6.9)	96,873	(1.6)	29,920	66,953
OCT	3,683	3,467	10,304	36,959	1,745	38,704	(6.4)	97,358	(1.1)	30,145	67,213
NOV	3,368	3,601	10,191	36,683	1,788	38,471	(5.6)	97,124	0.2	30,068	67,056
DEC	3,570	3,426	10,188	36,808	1,807	38,615	(4.4)	97,469	1.7	30,234	67,235
2007 AVERAGE	3,453	3,600	10,559	37,004	1,770	38,774		97,506		29,984	67,521
2008 JAN	3,431	3,678	10,186	36,558	1,810	38,368	(3.9)	96,732	(4.0)	29,992	66,740
FEB	3,016	3,656	10,134	35,939	1,789	37,728	(3.9)	95,082	(3.7)	29,383	65,699
MAR	3,313	3,336	10,084	35,908	1,797	37,705	(4.2)	95,002	(3.5)	29,418	65,584
APR	3,369	3,375	10,111	35,885	1,814	37,699	(2.6)	94,773	(2.2)	29,402	65,371
MAY	3,484	3,443	10,033	35,916	1,824	37,740	(0.6)	94,999	(1.5)	29,531	65,468
JUN	3,357	3,576	9,881	35,699	1,822	37,521	(3.2)	94,421	(2.4)	29,462	64,959
JUL	3,457	3,463	9,716	35,720	1,795	37,515	(2.4)	94,427	(1.9)	29,594	64,833
AUG	3,705	3,295	9,664	36,022	1,903	37,925	(1.8)	95,856	(1.1)	30,164	65,692
SEP	3,323	4,035	9,593	35,416	1,797	37,213	(3.3)	93,901	(3.1)	29,417	64,484
OCT	3,729	3,849	9,384	35,270	1,823	37,093	(4.2)	94,297	(3.1)	29,532	64,765
NOV	3,848	3,654	9,435	35,347	1,940	37,287	(3.1)	94,960	(2.2)	29,792	65,168
DEC	3,718	3,252	9,586	35,669	2,084	37,753	(2.2)	96,175	(1.3)	30,251	65,924
2008 AVERAGE	3,479	3,551	9,817	35,779	1,850	37,629		95,052		29,662	65,391



As of Nov 2004, data is derived and further refined from NJ Division of Family Development Issuance files.
(To retain consistency, all data is restated from Nov 2002 to present, reflecting only minor changes to prior reported values).

‡ Child-only cases are defined as families where no eligible adult receives TANF program benefits, yet the family continues to be headed by at least one of the biological parents, or grandparents, or other appropriate adult.

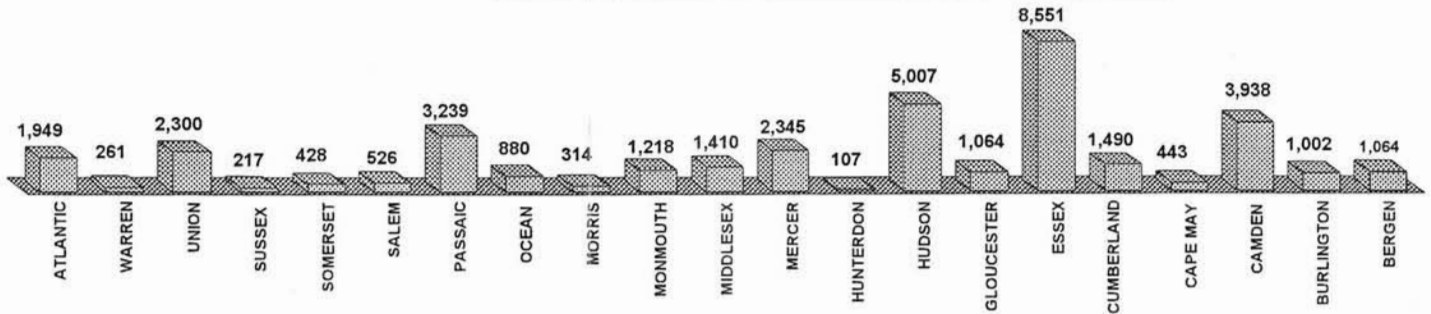
* January 2007 to May 2007 TANF Persons and TANF Children have been corrected.

Table 2
NJ/TANF
PROGRAM

NUMBER OF APPLICATIONS AND TERMINATIONS BY COUNTY DURING DECEMBER 2008, AND
NUMBER OF ELIGIBLE FAMILIES RECEIVING WFNJ/TANF REPORTED FOR DECEMBER 2008

County	Cases Added	Cases Closed**	Child-		Total		WFNJ/TANF Families	% Chng (3 Mon)	% Chng (1 Yr)
			Only Cases ‡	1-Adult Cases	Singl-Head Families	2-Parent Families			
ATLANTIC	148	98	526	1,296	1,822	127	1,949	2.7	3.8
BERGEN	89	84	245	739	984	80	1,064	0.8	(5.6) *
BURLINGTON	124	112	327	592	919	83	1,002	3.6	(0.7)
CAMDEN	309	307	1,157	2,637	3,794	144	3,938	3.5	(5.9) *
CAPE MAY	89	46	98	288	386	57	443	17.2	11.3 Δ
CUMBERLAND	178	119	453	910	1,363	127	1,490	8.0	(1.3)
ESSEX	986	1,013	1,772	6,380	8,152	399	8,551	0.5	(4.8)
GLOUCESTER	123	69	240	745	985	79	1,064	4.4	6.0
HUDSON	374	405	1,308	3,464	4,772	235	5,007	(1.2)	(8.0) *
HUNTERDON	19	13	16	83	99	8	107	13.8	52.9 Δ
MERCER	190	179	552	1,673	2,225	120	2,345	0.8	(2.3)
MIDDLESEX	144	100	502	839	1,341	69	1,410	2.2	2.2
MONMOUTH	125	88	322	841	1,163	55	1,218	2.4	(0.7)
MORRIS	37	21	78	199	277	37	314	9.0	10.6
OCEAN	111	94	291	513	804	76	880	4.6	4.9
PASSAIC	297	221	774	2,299	3,073	166	3,239	(0.9)	(2.2)
SALEM	61	51	121	373	494	32	526	3.5	8.0
SOMERSET	42	26	123	282	405	23	428	4.4	6.5
SUSSEX	26	23	50	146	196	21	217	9.0	17.9 Δ
UNION	205	163	575	1,615	2,190	110	2,300	1.6	1.7
WARREN	41	20	56	169	225	36	261	5.7	9.2
NJ TOTAL	3,718	3,252	9,586	26,083	35,669	2,084	37,753	1.8	(2.2)

Total WFNJ/TANF Families
DECEMBER 2008
By County



As of Nov 2004, data is derived and further refined from NJ Division of Family Development Issuance files.

‡ Child-only cases are defined as families where no eligible adult receives TANF program benefits, yet the family continues to be headed by at least one of the biological parents, or grandparents, or other appropriate adult

** "Cases closed" include cases that received a benefit in the prior month, but did not receive any TANF benefit for the report month.

Δ=higher caseload % change

*=lower caseload % change

Table 2B
WFNJ/TANF
PROGRAM

NUMBER OF PARTICIPATING PERSONS, ADULTS, AND CHILDREN
BY COUNTY FOR DECEMBER 2008

Δ = ↑ Caseload %
* = ↓ Caseload %

PERSONS

County	Adults	Children	Child/Adult Ratio	Total Persons	% Chng (1 Yr)	Persons Per Case
ATLANTIC	1,550	3,491	2.25	5,041	7.2	2.59
BERGEN	899	1,684	1.87	2,583	(3.7)	2.43
BURLINGTON	758	1,706	2.25	2,464	2.6	2.46
CAMDEN	2,925	7,093	2.42	10,018	(4.7) *	2.54
CAPE MAY	402	778	1.94	1,180	13.7 Δ	2.66
CUMBERLAND	1,164	2,813	2.42	3,977	(0.8)	2.67
ESSEX	7,178	14,843	2.07	22,021	(4.6) *	2.58
GLOUCESTER	903	1,787	1.98	2,690	8.2	2.53
HUDSON	3,934	8,346	2.12	12,280	(7.5) *	2.45
HUNTERDON	99	165	1.67	264	51.7 Δ	2.47
MERCER	1,913	4,066	2.13	5,979	(2.7)	2.55
MIDDLESEX	977	2,513	2.57	3,490	4.1	2.48
MONMOUTH	951	2,184	2.30	3,135	1.9	2.57
MORRIS	273	516	1.89	789	13.0	2.51
OCEAN	665	1,592	2.39	2,257	6.7	2.56
PASSAIC	2,631	5,864	2.23	8,495	(2.3)	2.62
SALEM	437	926	2.12	1,363	8.6	2.59
SOMERSET	328	770	2.35	1,098	12.3	2.57
SUSSEX	188	344	1.83	532	22.0 Δ	2.45
UNION	1,835	3,958	2.16	5,793	1.9	2.52
WARREN	241	485	2.01	726	9.8	2.78
NJ TOTAL	30,251	65,924	2.18	96,175	(1.3)	2.55

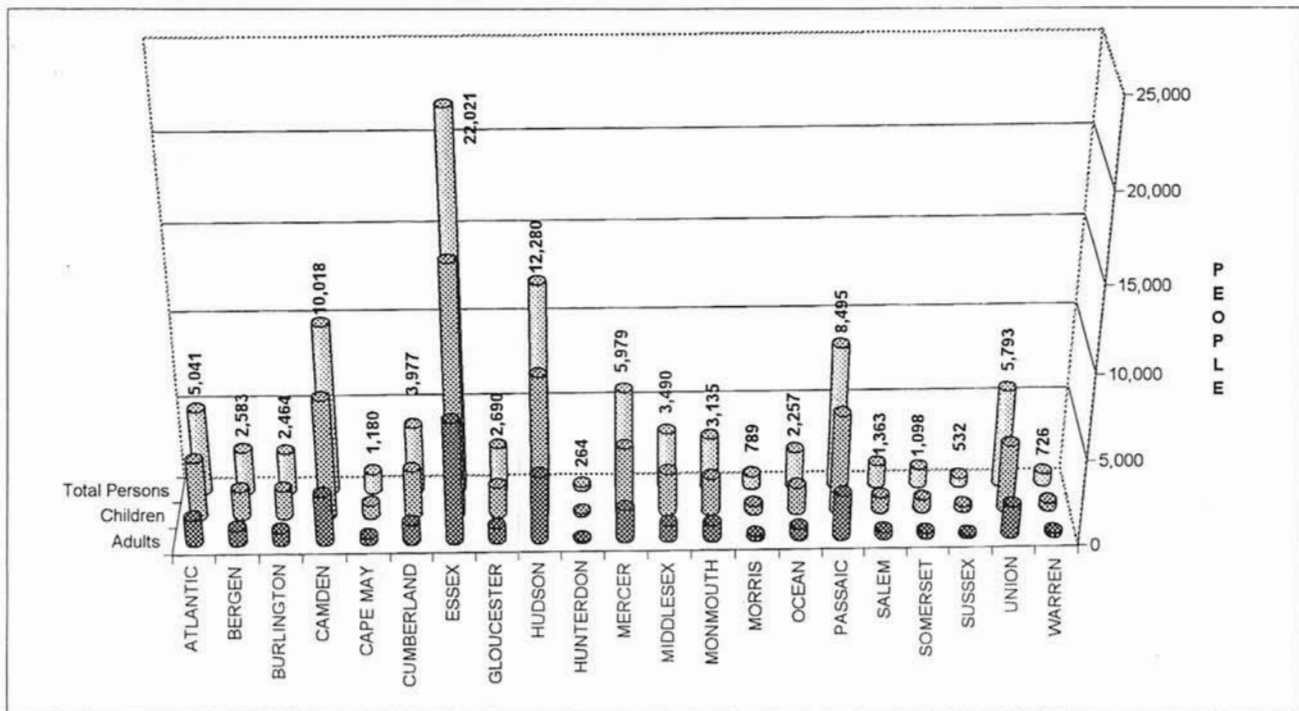


TABLE 3**TANF WORK PARTICIPATION RATES BY COUNTY**

Note: TANF Work Participation Rates (WPRs) for Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2008 (beginning October 2007) are not yet available for publication. Owing to early implementation issues with the eTimesheet application now used to track nearly all activity other than paid employment, the WPR figures currently available do not accurately reflect actual participation levels achieved in the initial months of FFY 2008. As can be expected with the introduction of a new system component such as the eTimesheet, numerous end-users have encountered some initial difficulties in adjusting to the new applications. Accordingly, publication of TABLES 3 and 4 is being temporarily deferred. Future editions of the Current Program Statistics will include the updated WPR figures for all completed months within FFY 2008.

Table 5
FOOD STAMP
PROGRAM

NUMBER OF PARTICIPATING HOUSEHOLDS, PERSONS, ADULTS
AND CHILDREN FOR DECEMBER 2008 (STATEWIDE)

DECEMBER 2006 THROUGH DECEMBER 2008

		HOUSEHOLDS				PERSONS			
		WFNJ/ TANF	Other low income	TOTAL	% CHNG (1 Yr.)	Adults	Children	TOTAL	% CHNG (1 Yr.)
2006	DEC	36,394	160,779	197,173	1.3%	202,355	206,334	408,689	1.4%
2006 AVERAGE		37,522	157,397	194,920		199,518	203,464	402,982	
2007	JAN	36,025	160,089	196,114	1.6%	201,045	204,757	405,802	1.9%
	FEB	34,685	159,551	194,236	0.6%	201,803	199,028	400,831	0.6%
	MAR	35,336	162,758	198,094	2.4%	202,704	205,136	407,840	2.4%
	APR	34,813	163,325	198,138	2.1%	202,867	204,917	407,784	1.8%
	MAY	35,136	165,179	200,315	2.7%	204,956	207,162	412,118	2.3%
	JUN	35,111	166,347	201,458	3.9%	206,132	208,790	414,922	3.6%
	JUL	35,066	166,824	201,890	3.6%	206,626	210,271	416,897	3.4%
	AUG	35,143	167,026	202,169	3.0%	206,859	210,577	417,436	2.7%
	SEP	35,038	167,220	202,258	3.3%	206,850	210,814	417,664	3.0%
	OCT	35,452	168,146	203,598	3.8%	208,036	212,130	420,166	3.5%
	NOV	34,764	166,383	201,147	2.5%	205,891	209,288	415,179	2.0%
	DEC	35,114	169,685	204,799	3.9%	209,562	213,389	422,951	3.5%
2007 AVERAGE		35,140	165,211	200,351		205,278	208,022	413,299	
2008	JAN	35,276	170,851	206,127	5.1%	210,562	214,515	425,077	4.7%
	FEB	34,096	169,397	203,493	4.8%	207,967	210,497	418,464	4.4%
	MAR	34,490	172,794	207,284	4.6%	211,480	214,434	425,914	4.4%
	APR	34,584	174,733	209,317	5.6%	213,476	215,928	429,404	5.3%
	MAY	34,563	176,840	211,403	5.5%	215,426	218,058	433,484	5.2%
	JUN	34,579	179,354	213,933	6.2%	218,236	220,325	438,561	5.7%
	JUL	35,061	180,889	215,950	7.0%	220,464	222,376	442,840	6.2%
	AUG	35,222	183,313	218,535	8.1%	223,468	225,195	448,663	7.5%
	SEP	34,468	184,229	218,697	8.1%	223,461	225,638	449,099	7.5%
	OCT	33,710	187,758	221,468	8.8%	226,814	229,196	456,010	8.5%
	NOV	33,927	190,913	224,840	11.8%	230,439	232,556	462,995	11.5%
	DEC	34,649	196,287	230,936	12.8%	236,701	238,148	474,849	12.3%
2008 AVERAGE		34,552	180,613	215,165		219,875	222,239	442,113	

**TABLE 6: FOOD STAMP PROGRAM
TRENDS FOR PARTICIPATING HOUSEHOLDS & PERSONS
DECEMBER 2006 THROUGH DECEMBER 2008 (STATEWIDE)**

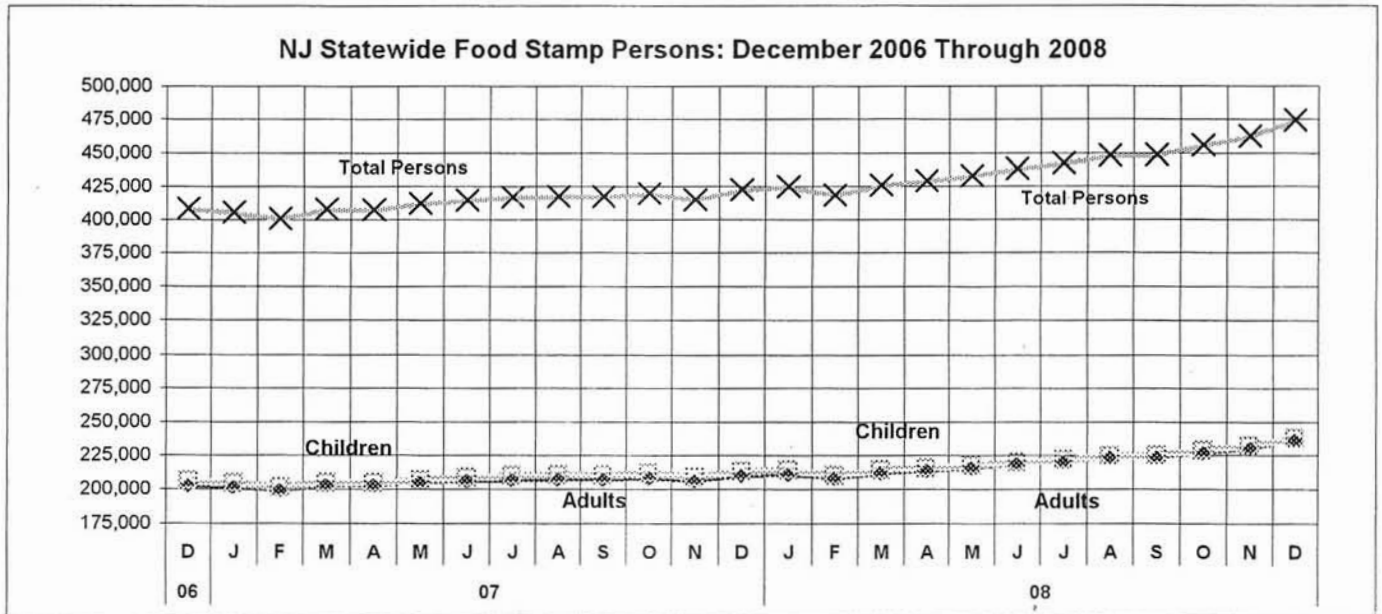
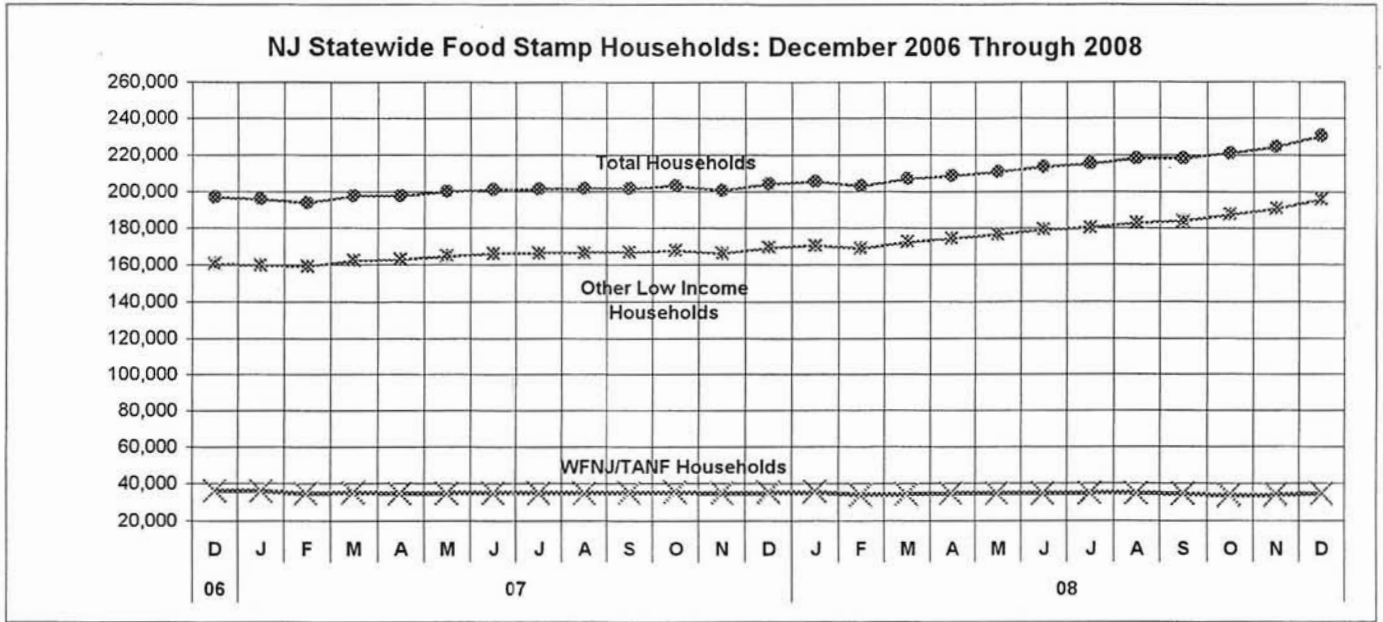


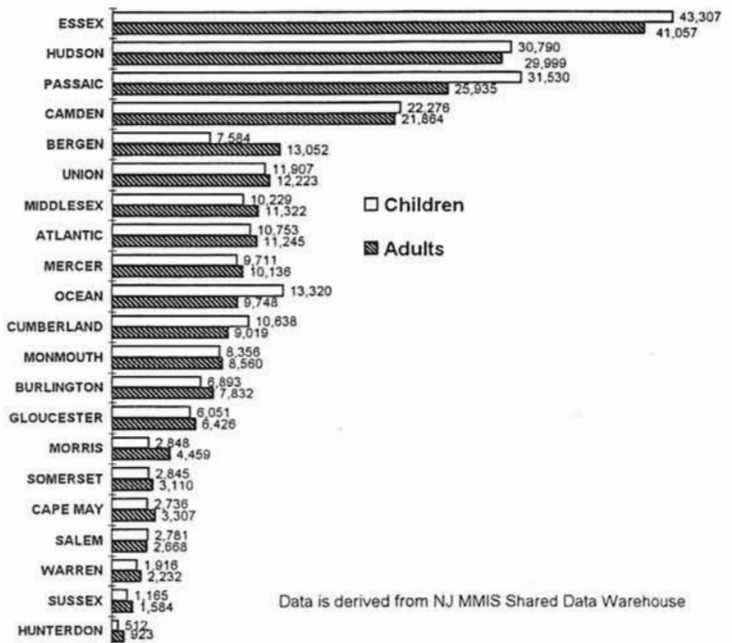
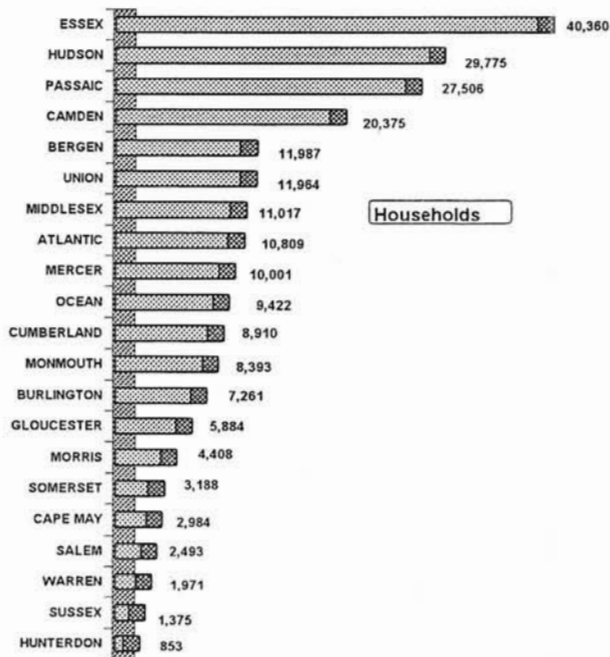
Table 7 NUMBER OF PARTICIPATING HOUSEHOLDS, PERSONS, ADULTS AND CHILDREN BY COUNTY FOR DECEMBER 2008

FOOD STAMP PROGRAM

Δ = ↑ Caseload %
* = ↓ Caseload %

County	HOUSEHOLDS				PERSONS			
	WFNJ/ TANF	Other low income	TOTAL	% Chng (1 Yr)	Adults	Children	TOTAL	% Chng (1 Yr)
ATLANTIC	1,720	9,089	10,809	9.5	11,245	10,753	21,998	10.0
BERGEN	941	11,046	11,987	15.0	13,052	7,584	20,636	16.6
BURLINGTON	920	6,341	7,261	22.1 Δ	7,832	6,893	14,725	23.7 Δ
CAMDEN	3,677	16,698	20,375	6.4 *	21,864	22,276	44,140	5.7 *
CAPE MAY	410	2,574	2,984	16.6	3,307	2,736	6,043	23.0
CUMBERLAND	1,364	7,546	8,910	13.2	9,019	10,638	19,657	13.0
ESSEX	8,354	32,006	40,360	15.0	41,057	43,307	84,364	11.3
GLOUCESTER	930	4,954	5,884	21.3	6,426	6,051	12,477	23.1 Δ
HUDSON	4,628	25,147	29,775	7.0 *	29,999	30,790	60,789	7.5 *
HUNTERDON	91	762	853	28.3 Δ	923	512	1,435	29.3 Δ
MERCER	2,168	7,833	10,001	14.3	10,136	9,711	19,847	13.1
MIDDLESEX	1,231	9,786	11,017	16.7	11,322	10,229	21,551	18.2
MONMOUTH	1,110	7,283	8,393	12.3	8,560	8,356	16,916	12.5
MORRIS	284	4,124	4,408	22.5 Δ	4,459	2,848	7,307	21.9
OCEAN	772	8,650	9,422	18.0	9,748	13,320	23,068	19.1
PASSAIC	2,883	24,623	27,506	11.7	25,935	31,530	57,465	11.1
SALEM	460	2,033	2,493	16.2	2,668	2,781	5,449	18.2
SOMERSET	356	2,832	3,188	18.8	3,110	2,845	5,955	19.6
SUSSEX	183	1,192	1,375	21.7	1,584	1,165	2,749	21.7
UNION	1,941	10,023	11,964	10.1	12,223	11,907	24,130	9.4
WARREN	226	1,745	1,971	8.1 *	2,232	1,916	4,148	7.9 *
NJ TOTAL	34,649	196,287	230,936	12.8	236,701	238,148	474,849	12.3

**Total Food Stamp Recipients
DECEMBER 2008 By County**



Data is derived from NJ MMIS Shared Data Warehouse

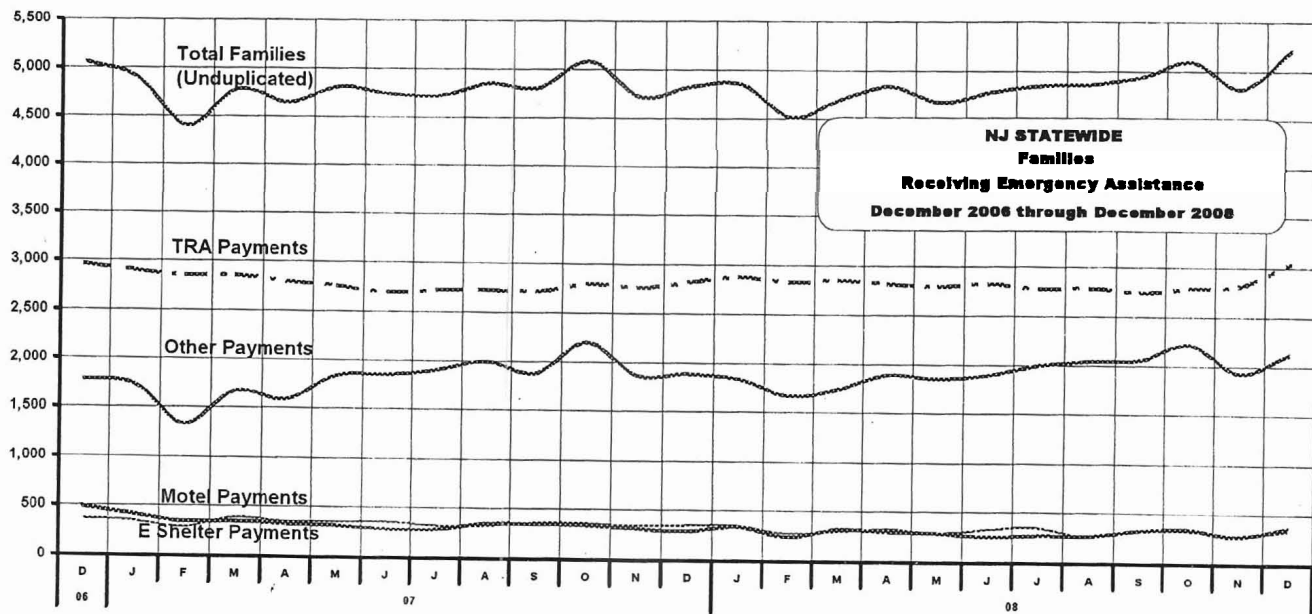
Table 8

TOTAL NUMBER OF ELIGIBLE FAMILIES RECEIVING EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE PAYMENTS

EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE

DECEMBER 2006 THROUGH DECEMBER 2008 - STATEWIDE

		TOTAL		Temp		Motel		Emergency		Other	
		WFNJ/EA		Rent Asst.		Housing		Shelter		EA	
		Families (Undupl)	% CHNG (1 YR)	Payments (Undupl)	% CHNG (1 YR)	Payments (Undupl)	% CHNG (1 YR)	Payments (Undupl)	% CHNG (1 YR)	Payments (Undupl)	% CHNG (1 YR)
2006	DEC	5,063	-10.8%	2,970	-13%	495	-15.1%	377	-8.5%	1,789	-3.5%
2006 AVERAGE		5,269		3,120		490		375		1,829	
2007	JAN	4,906	-10.1%	2,909	-11.6%	422	-18.5%	356	-3.5%	1,740	-7.7%
	FEB	4,412	-14.1%	2,856	-11.8%	351	-34.6%	293	-22.5%	1,336	-12.2%
	MAR	4,786	-11.4%	2,862	-12.4%	359	-32.8%	401	6.6%	1,678	-7.8%
	APR	4,653	-8.6%	2,806	-13.4%	340	-24.9%	358	10.2%	1,591	2.1%
	MAY	4,821	-11.3%	2,765	-13.9%	329	-36.1%	357	-4.5%	1,846	-0.9%
	JUN	4,748	-12.9%	2,698	-15.7%	292	-41.5%	368	0.5%	1,860	-2.9%
	JUL	4,732	-6.8%	2,724	-11.5%	293	-29.7%	330	4.8%	1,910	11.2%
	AUG	4,859	-8.0%	2,735	-10.6%	358	-23.8%	330	-18.5%	2,000	4.5%
	SEP	4,815	-8.3%	2,719	-9.5%	357	-31.3%	374	-2.6%	1,886	0.7%
	OCT	5,089	-3.5%	2,796	-6.2%	353	-17.3%	374	1.6%	2,202	5.9%
	NOV	4,731	-10.7%	2,767	-4.3%	328	-33.6%	351	-24.2%	1,875	-6.5%
	DEC	4,837	-4.5%	2,823	-4.9%	303	-38.8%	360	-4.5%	1,892	5.8%
2007 AVERAGE		4,782		2,788		340		354		1,818	
2008	JAN	4,859	-1.0%	2,881	-1.0%	355	-15.9%	361	1.4%	1,847	6.1%
	FEB	4,524	2.5%	2,830	-0.9%	253	-27.9%	285	-2.7%	1,675	25.4%
	MAR	4,711	-1.6%	2,860	-0.1%	335	-6.7%	308	-23.2%	1,749	4.2%
	APR	4,842	4.1%	2,822	0.6%	315	-7.4%	342	-4.5%	1,896	19.2%
	MAY	4,686	-2.8%	2,796	1.1%	297	-9.7%	303	-15.1%	1,859	0.7%
	JUN	4,789	0.9%	2,834	5.0%	270	-7.5%	341	-7.3%	1,905	2.4%
	JUL	4,857	2.6%	2,779	2.0%	289	-1.4%	356	7.9%	2,008	5.1%
	AUG	4,869	0.2%	2,791	2.0%	281	-21.5%	274	-17.0%	2,056	2.8%
	SEP	4,946	2.7%	2,750	1.1%	340	-4.8%	330	-11.8%	2,066	9.5%
	OCT	5,094	0.1%	2,794	-0.1%	351	-0.6%	332	-11.2%	2,223	1.0%
	NOV	4,824	2.0%	2,821	2.0%	288	-12.2%	294	-16.2%	1,938	3.4%
	DEC	5,205	7.6%	3,044	7.8%	369	21.8%	337	-6.4%	2,129	12.5%
2008 AVERAGE		4,851		2,834		312		322		1,946	



WFNJ/EA data is derived from NJ Division of Family Development Issuance files.

**Table 9
SSI**

**NUMBER OF TOTAL ELIGIBLE FAMILIES RECEIVING EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE PAYMENTS
BY COUNTY (UNDUPLICATED CASES) DECEMBER 2008**

County	TOTAL	%	Temp	Motel	Emergency	Other	SSI
	WFNJ/EA Families (Undupl)	CHNG From Dec 07	Rent Asst. Payments (Undupl)	Housing Payments (Undupl)	Shelter Payments (Undupl)	WFNJ/EA Payments (Undupl)	Receipts Receiving EA**
ATLANTIC	331	76.1% Δ	252	47	5	78	89
BERGEN	281	4.5%	200	2	3	105	210
BURLINGTON	158	-4.2% *	34	37	3	100	107
CAMDEN	315	17.5%	166	48	27	123	76
CAPE MAY	112	9.8%	58	42	0	34	71
CUMBERLAND	54	25.6%	24	2	4	33	13
ESSEX	1,299	-1.0%	910	0	110	443	235
GLOUCESTER	130	26.2%	86	12	26	32	34
HUDSON	440	-19.0% *	331	12	8	114	21
HUNTERDON	39	95.0% Δ	33	1	3	13	31
MERCER	604	6.5%	303	14	52	315	302
MIDDLESEX	198	18.6%	102	15	20	88	104
MONMOUTH	120	-16.7% *	16	45	0	74	45
MORRIS	53	82.8% Δ	25	9	6	31	21
OCEAN	142	8.4%	91	43	0	46	92
PASSAIC	362	6.5%	78	11	20	278	198
SALEM	78	73.3%	26	14	0	51	31
SOMERSET	107	40.8%	55	3	14	49	34
SUSSEX	63	43.2%	45	4	4	21	41
UNION	257	12.2%	165	3	29	85	44
WARREN	62	19.2%	44	5	3	16	10
NJ TOTAL	5,205	7.6%	3,044	369	337	2,129	1,809

Δ = ↑ Caseload %

* = ↓ Caseload %

**SSI-EA includes pay code 24 and is derived from NJ Division of Family Development FAMIS Report #FM430-03A

As of Nov 2004, WFNJ/EA data is derived from NJ Division of Family Development Issuance files.

**Number WFNJ Families Receiving EA by County
DECEMBER 2008**

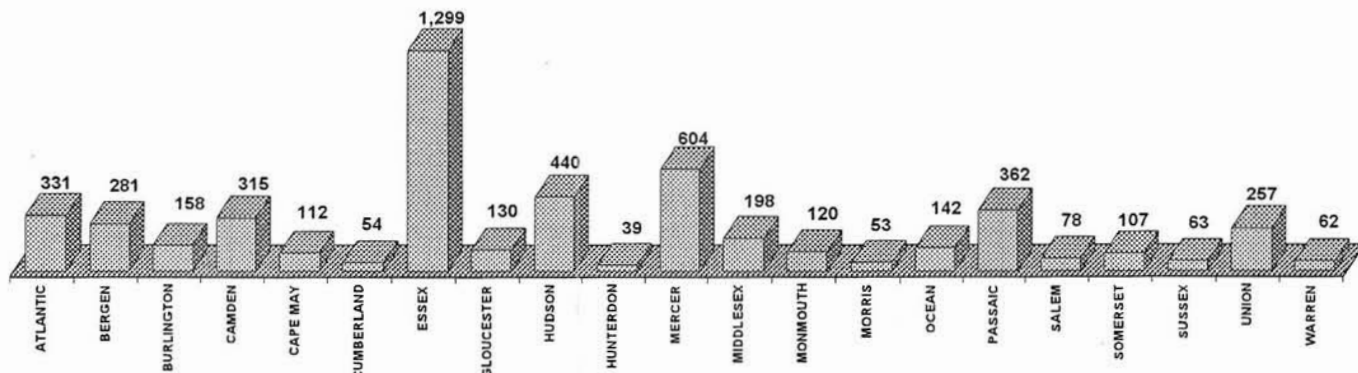


Table 10 NUMBER OF EMPLOYABLE AND UNEMPLOYABLE RECIPIENTS
GENERAL AND EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE PAYMENTS FOR DECEMBER 2008 - STATEWIDE
DECEMBER 2006 THROUGH DECEMBER 2008

	All Cases Aided						Emergency Assistance Payments			
	Employable	% Chng (1 Yr)	Unemployable	% Chng (1 Yr)	Total	% Chng (1 Yr)	Temporary Rental Assistance	Other GA-EA	Total	% Chng (1 Yr)
2006 DEC	21,120	-0.2%	15,415	0.8%	36,535	0.2%	2,950	3,517	6,467	-11.1%
2006 AVERAGE	21,454		15,463		36,917		3,165	3,790	6,955	
2007 JAN	21,513	0.5%	15,415	0.3%	36,928	0.4%	2,947	3,834	6,781	-3.9%
FEB	21,501	0.5%	15,129	-0.6%	36,630	0.1%	2,953	3,548	6,501	-2.6%
MAR	22,215	-0.6%	15,367	-1.7%	37,582	-1.0%	2,972	4,323	7,295	-5.8%
APR	22,142	0.8%	15,257	-0.8%	37,399	0.1%	2,979	3,842	6,821	-3.8%
MAY	22,323	1.8%	15,586	0.1%	37,909	1.1%	3,016	4,084	7,100	-4.5%
JUN	21,866	0.5%	15,993	2.7%	37,859	1.4%	3,020	3,936	6,956	-2.8%
JUL	21,705	1.9%	16,135	5.4%	37,840	3.3%	3,004	3,807	6,811	1.3%
AUG	22,151	2.8%	16,273	4.1%	38,424	3.3%	2,994	3,942	6,936	-4.8%
SEP	21,835	4.7%	16,326	7.2%	38,161	5.7%	2,887	3,674	6,561	1.1%
OCT	22,040	2.5%	16,462	3.9%	38,502	3.1%	2,886	4,000	6,886	0.8%
NOV	21,927	7.8%	16,366	6.5%	38,293	7.3%	2,859	3,460	6,319	-2.9%
DEC	22,371	5.9%	16,509	7.1%	38,880	6.4%	2,961	4,001	6,962	7.7%
2007 AVERAGE	21,966		15,902		37,867		2,957	3,871	6,827	
2008 JAN	22,692	5.5%	16,740	8.6%	39,432	6.8%	2,910	4,094	7,004	3.3%
FEB	22,958	6.8%	16,562	9.5%	39,520	7.9%	2,944	3,835	6,779	4.3%
MAR	23,155	4.2%	16,802	9.3%	39,957	6.3%	3,041	4,063	7,104	-2.6%
APR	23,717	7.1%	17,111	12.2%	40,828	9.2%	3,136	4,326	7,462	9.4%
MAY	23,929	7.2%	17,405	11.7%	41,334	9.0%	3,180	4,445	7,625	7.4%
JUN	24,148	10.4%	17,525	9.6%	41,673	10.1%	3,155	4,361	7,516	8.1%
JUL	24,478	12.8%	17,658	9.4%	42,136	11.4%	3,034	3,874	6,908	1.4%
AUG	24,942	12.6%	17,506	7.6%	42,448	10.5%	3,047	4,023	7,070	1.9%
SEP	25,387	16.3%	17,232	5.5%	42,619	11.7%	3,052	4,214	7,266	10.7%
OCT	25,502	15.7%	17,389	5.6%	42,891	11.4%	3,230	4,143	7,373	7.1%
NOV	26,120	19.1%	17,346	6.0%	43,466	13.5%	3,284	3,709	6,993	10.7%
DEC	27,331	22.2%	17,645	6.9%	44,976	15.7%	3,400	4,138	7,538	8.3%
2008 AVERAGE	24,530		17,243		41,773		3,118	4,102	7,220	

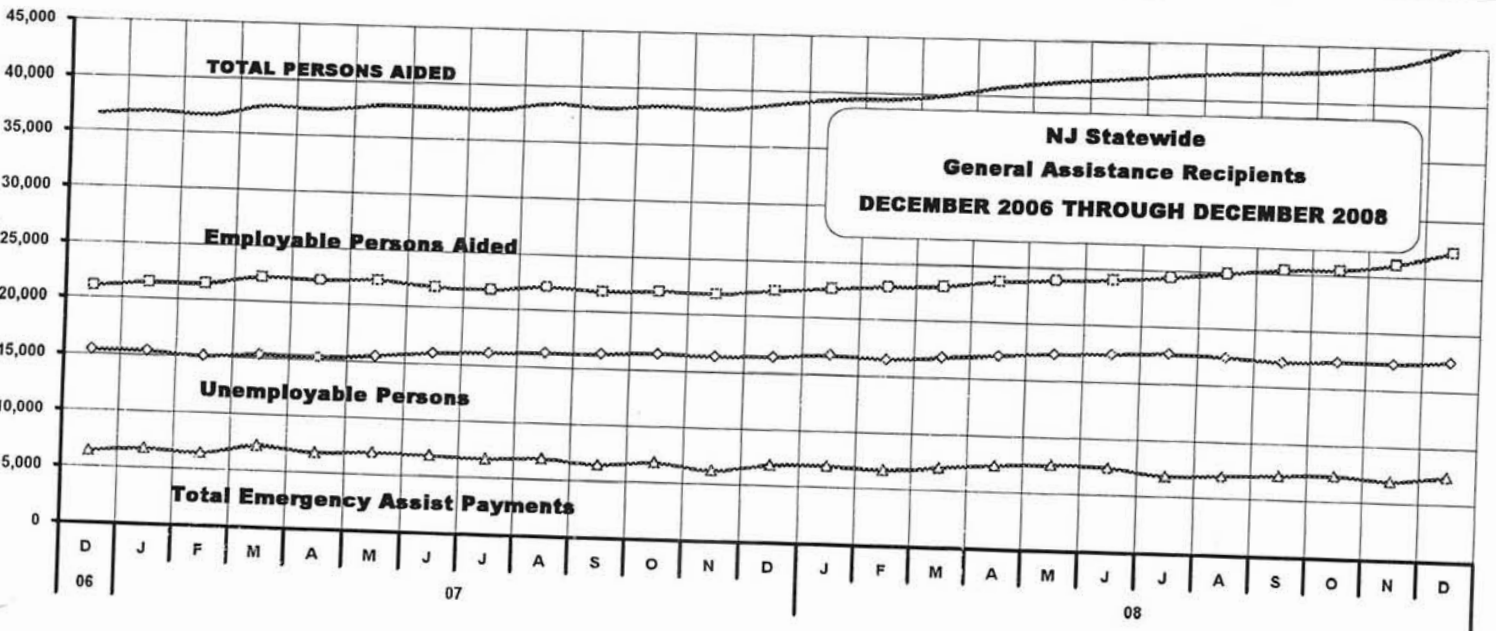


TABLE 11**GENERAL
ASSISTANCE
PROGRAM****EMPLOYABLE AND UNEMPLOYABLE RECIPIENTS
AND EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE PAYMENTS BY COUNTY****DECEMBER 2008**

County	Total Cases Aided						Emergency Assistance Payments			
	Employable	% Chng (From Dec 07)	Unemployable	% Chng (From Dec 07)	Total	% Chng (From Dec 07)	Temporary Rental Assist.	Other GA-EA	Total	% Chng (From Dec 07)
ATLANTIC	1,992	11.4%	1,303	3.1%	3,295	8.0%	297	92	389	40.4% Δ
BERGEN	670	31.6%	717	-1.1%	1,387	12.4%	300	85	385	14.2%
BURLINGTON	895	17.9%	738	9.0%	1,633	13.7%	76	241	317	-8.4%
CAMDEN	2,931	-5.7%	2,294	14.9%	5,225	2.4% *	490	274	764	-9.6%
CAPE MAY	632	10.5%	172	3.0%	804	8.8%	121	211	332	1.5%
CUMBERLAND	1,403	6.9%	756	9.9%	2,159	8.0%	22	47	69	-12.7%
ESSEX	6,864	81.1%	2,169	15.4%	9,033	59.3% Δ	719	852	1,571	20.1%
GLOUCESTER	621	22.2%	524	17.2%	1,145	19.9%	61	113	174	35.9%
HUDSON	1,737	5.0%	1,882	-3.0%	3,619	0.7% *	172	74	246	-25.7% *
HUNTERDON	120	23.7%	151	29.1%	271	26.6%	61	85	146	4.3%
MERCER	1,572	20.4%	1,068	-7.9%	2,640	7.1%	305	214	519	-15.7% *
MIDDLESEX	493	19.7%	647	-6.0%	1,140	3.6%	173	214	387	9.3%
MONMOUTH	581	7.8%	587	-2.3%	1,168	2.5%	45	262	307	-7.0%
MORRIS	394	53.3%	429	8.1%	823	25.8%	106	86	192	33.3%
OCEAN	759	35.5%	844	15.0%	1,603	23.9%	155	140	295	25.5%
PASSAIC	2,879	14.0%	1,535	8.0%	4,414	11.8%	19	462	481	34.4%
SALEM	361	-0.3%	266	20.9%	627	7.7%	38	98	136	3.8%
SOMERSET	250	83.8%	230	16.8%	480	44.1% Δ	73	64	137	67.1% Δ
SUSSEX	177	62.4%	151	8.6%	328	32.3% Δ	51	69	120	64.4% Δ
UNION	1,800	-1.7%	994	15.7%	2,794	3.8%	51	418	469	20.3%
WARREN	200	-15.3%	188	-2.6%	388	-9.6% *	65	37	102	-22.1% *
NJ TOTAL	27,331	22.2%	17,645	6.9%	44,976	15.7%	3,400	4,138	7,538	8.3%

Δ = ↑ Caseload %

* = ↓ Caseload %

Source: NJ Division of Family Development, GA Fiscal Unit

TABLE 12
CHILD SUPPORT
AND PATERNITY

CHILD SUPPORT AND PATERNITY COLLECTIONS

State Summary

Comparison of FFY 2007 and FFY 2008

COLLECTION SOURCE	10/06-09/07	10/07-09/08	Dollar Change	% Change
Federal Tax	\$2,567,145	\$14,323,631	\$11,756,486	458.0%
State Tax	3,641,344	2,066,124	(1,575,220)	-43.3%
Unempl. Ins. Ben.	7,644,595	12,904,489	5,259,894	68.8%
Income Withholding	178,962,109	184,799,551	5,837,442	3.3%
From Other States	12,693,519	14,183,147	1,489,628	11.7%
Other/Own Behalf	61,001,374	58,800,517	(2,200,857)	-3.6%
Admin Enforce				
TOTAL COLLECTION	\$266,510,086	\$287,077,459	\$20,567,373	7.7%
TOTAL DISTRIBUTION*	\$259,563,763	\$293,671,283	\$34,107,520	13.1%
Percent of Collections Distributed	97.4%	102.3%		

* Includes money sent to other states

Distributed amount represents collections reported and recognized by the Federal Office of
 Child Support Enforcement for calculating incentives and annual report to Congress

Source: DFD Office of Child Support and Paternity Programs

TABLE 13
CHILD SUPPORT
AND PATERNITY

PERCENTAGE OF CASES WITH ORDERS
DECEMBER 2008

	CURRENT ASSISTANCE			FORMER ASSISTANCE			NEVER ASSISTED			TOTAL ASSISTANCE		
	TOTAL CASES	CASES WITH ORDERS	% of CASES WITH ORDERS	TOTAL CASES	CASES WITH ORDERS	% of CASES WITH ORDERS	TOTAL CASES	CASES WITH ORDERS	% of CASES WITH ORDERS	TOTAL CASES	CASES WITH ORDERS	% of CASES WITH ORDERS
ATLANTIC	2,412	1,353	56%	5,386	4,841	90%	6,564	5,749	88%	14,362	11,943	83%
BERGEN	1,291	752	58%	3,357	3,252	97%	8,605	8,276	96%	13,253	12,280	93%
BURLINGTON	1,992	1,192	60%	6,098	5,750	94%	8,774	7,980	91%	16,864	14,922	88%
CAMDEN	6,930	3,807	55%	20,271	18,216	90%	11,288	9,649	85%	38,489	31,672	82%
CAPE MAY	527	317	60%	1,438	1,394	97%	1,771	1,685	95%	3,736	3,396	91%
CUMBERLAND	2,066	1,639	79%	8,581	8,423	98%	4,090	3,685	90%	14,737	13,747	93%
ESSEX	13,254	5,940	45%	27,760	24,075	87%	15,706	13,694	87%	56,720	43,709	77%
GLOUCESTER	1,511	1,128	75%	4,760	4,613	97%	4,711	4,512	96%	10,982	10,253	93%
HUDSON	5,522	2,286	41%	12,905	11,333	88%	11,229	9,337	83%	29,656	22,956	77%
HUNTERDON	175	110	63%	371	348	94%	1,332	1,285	96%	1,878	1,743	93%
MERCER	3,625	1,871	52%	8,469	7,729	91%	6,503	5,644	87%	18,597	15,244	82%
MIDDLESEX	2,245	1,239	55%	7,754	7,099	92%	10,046	9,161	91%	20,045	17,499	87%
MONMOUTH	2,994	1,949	65%	6,835	6,513	95%	7,683	7,317	95%	17,512	15,779	90%
MORRIS	400	266	67%	1,533	1,473	96%	4,450	4,303	97%	6,383	6,042	95%
OCEAN *												
PASSAIC	4,606	2,496	54%	11,185	10,194	91%	9,728	8,817	91%	25,519	21,507	84%
SALEM	846	629	74%	2,333	2,213	95%	1,448	1,361	94%	4,627	4,203	91%
SOMERSET	755	418	55%	1,827	1,669	91%	3,651	3,343	92%	6,233	5,430	87%
SUSSEX	317	228	72%	691	680	98%	1,851	1,796	97%	2,859	2,704	95%
UNION	3,510	1,805	51%	9,890	9,146	92%	9,905	9,259	93%	23,305	20,210	87%
WARREN	475	361	76%	1,318	1,297	98%	1,666	1,618	97%	3,459	3,276	95%
NJ TOTAL	55,453	29,786	54%	142,762	130,258	91%	131,001	118,471	90%	329,216	278,515	85%

Data Sources: Automated Child Support Enforcement System

* Ocean County numbers are not available at this time due to the Merge from ACSES to NJKiDS. The numbers will be available at a later date

Table 14 **WORK FIRST NEW JERSEY STATISTICAL SUMMARY**
WFNJ **DECEMBER 2008**

COUNTY	EMPLOYMENT DIRECTED ACTIVITIES			EMPLOYED OPEN (WFNJ RECIPIENT)	SUPPORT SERVICES ON ACTIVE CASE		CLOSED FOR EMPLOYMENT THIS MONTH	POST ASSISTANCE CHILD CARE
	CWEP	ALL OTHER TRAINING	JOB SEARCH		CHILD CARE	TRAINING REL. EXPENSES		
ATLANTIC	168	118	85	250	185	261	13	193
BERGEN	191	45	115	92	123	191	4	79
BURLINGTON	347	59	22	162	132	289	15	170
CAMDEN	752	378	110	388	507	758	37	391
CAPE MAY	30	8	22	58	32	57	3	37
CUMBERLAND	199	60	71	121	72	209	14	132
ESSEX	959	1,871	162	1,098	1,359	1,986	41	892
GLOUCESTER	87	23	32	121	101	14	12	176
HUDSON	545	832	94	591	662	1,052	30	505
HUNTERDON	30	3	20	16	14	3	0	8
MERCER	404	288	169	298	345	444	25	208
MIDDLESEX	166	46	128	194	129	207	16	173
MONMOUTH	316	116	45	178	271	287	19	229
MORRIS	31	18	7	51	39	30	3	60
OCEAN	158	54	88	65	120	119	6	168
PASSAIC	754	177	17	367	366	667	30	226
SALEM	51	26	9	68	49	89	6	76
SOMERSET	44	34	17	66	71	43	5	75
SUSSEX	40	7	12	17	29	30	1	35
UNION	418	210	36	241	272	360	6	200
WARREN	23	7	28	32	20	11	6	52
STATE	5,713	4,380	1,289	4,474	4,898	7,107	292	4,085

Data is derived from NJ Division of Family Development's OMEGA reports

**DIVISION OF FAMILY DEVELOPMENT CURRENT PROGRAM STATISTICS
DECEMBER 2008**

ACRONYMS

ACSES: Automated Child Support Enforcement System

CASS: Consolidated Assistance and Support System

EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE (EA) - Payments to those eligible for WFNJ/TANF or WFNJ/GA, authorized during the 30 consecutive days immediately following the emergency (defined as a substantial loss of shelter, food, clothing, or household furnishings by fire, flood or other similar disaster) or if the eligible individual or family is in an imminent or actual state of homelessness.

FOOD STAMP PROGRAM (FS) - Authorized by Congress as a nutritional supplement program to provide low income households with more food of greater variety and better nutrition. Program eligibility is based on household income, resources, and expenses for medical, shelter, and dependent care. CWA staff refers certain recipients to the New Jersey Department of Labor for participation in the Food Stamp Employment and Training Program.

FAMIS: Family Assistance Management Information System

GAAS: General Assistance Automated System

OMEGA: Online Management of Economic Goal Achievement

SSI-EA: Supplemental Security Income-Emergency Assistance

WFNJ: Work First New Jersey - Fully implemented July 1, 1997, this is New Jersey's welfare reform program which responds to the requirements of the Federal Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act (**PRWORA**) of 1996. PRWORA establishes Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (**TANF**) as the replacement for AFDC cash assistance. WFNJ includes two segments, **WFNJ/TANF** for families with children, and **WFNJ/GA** (General Assistance) for single adults and couples without dependent children. The emphasis is on achieving self-sufficiency and limits lifetime receipt of financial assistance to a total of five years.

EXPLANATORY NOTES

The Department of Human Services Division of Family Development provides basic income and an opportunity to achieve self-sufficiency for individuals and families served by the Division's programs. The Division provides leadership, direction and supervision to those public agencies responsible for administering those programs and plans for and develops policies to promote self-sufficiency.

**DIVISION OF FAMILY DEVELOPMENT CURRENT PROGRAM STATISTICS
DECEMBER 2008**

WFNJ Statistical Summary (Table 14)

Employment Directed Activities (EDA) - From Activities Summary Report (OMEGA report # RM064). Unduplicated count of persons participating in Community Work Experience Program (CWEP), All Other Training, or Job Search.

Number of Persons Employed This Month, Still Receiving TANF – Individuals with open “empl” activity on OMEGA. Ad hoc report.

Participants Receiving Child Care Services - From Issuance Disbursement Summary (OMEGA report # RM703). Total number of active participants who show receipt of **Child Care**.

Number of Persons Closed on FAMIS Due to Employment- From FAMIS report # FM463.

Post TANF and Receiving Child Care - Persons no longer in receipt of TANF but still receiving child care. From Issuance Disbursement Summary (OMEGA report # RM703).