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SUBJECT: CURRENT PROGRAM STATISTICS

Attached please find the *Current Program Statistics* for March 2007. Included are TANF-oriented and Food Stamps data, General Assistance data, and the WFNJ Statistical Summary.

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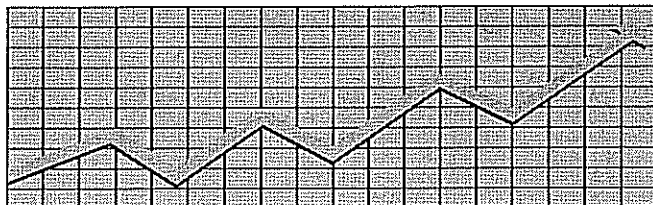
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# **CURRENT PROGRAM STATISTICS**



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**March 2007**  
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**DIVISION OF FAMILY DEVELOPMENT CURRENT PROGRAM STATISTICS  
MARCH 2007**

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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.

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**WFNJ/TANF**

- At the end of March, the TANF caseload decreased by 3,669 cases, from 43,010 in March 2006 to 39,341 in March 2007.
- The counties with the highest family caseload percentage increase since March 2007 include Hunterdon (36.2%), Cape May (24.8%), and Somerset (2.4%).
- The counties that decreased the most since March 2006 were Middlesex (-16.6%), Burlington (-17.3%) and Monmouth (-18.8%)
- Of the WFNJ/TANF families, 11,014 or 28.0% were child-only cases in March 2007
- The counties with the most child-only cases were Essex (2,031), Hudson (1,564), and Camden (1,370).
- Essex (20,624), Hudson (12,367), and Camden (10,647) counties have the greatest number of persons receiving TANF in March 2007.

**TANF WORK PARTICIPATION RATE**

- March 2007, the State Total for the TANF participation rate is 34.1%. This represents an increase from March 2006 TANF participation rate of 29.0%.
- The counties with the highest participation rates are Somerset (56.1%), Morris (50.7%), and Monmouth (50.3%).
- Middlesex (21.1%), Cumberland (20.1%), and Hunterdon (9.3%) counties had the lowest participation rates.

**FOOD STAMP PROGRAM**

- March 2007 there are 198,094 households receiving food stamps. Food Stamp households increased by 4,644, or 2.4%, since March 2006.
- There were 407,840 persons receiving food stamps as of March 2007, an increase of 9,729 or 2.4 % since March 2006.
- The three counties having the highest caseload increase since March 2006 are Hunterdon (13.9%), Cape May (11.4%), and Sussex (8.9%)

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**EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE**

- There were 4,786 families receiving emergency assistance (EA) in March 2007, a decrease of 617 or -11.4% since March 2006.
- In March 2007, EA payments were made for 1,634 SSI recipients

**GENERAL ASSISTANCE**

**GA Emergency Assistance**

- There were 7,295 emergency assistance payments made to GA recipients in March 2007, a decrease of 450 or -5.8% since March 2006.
- The three counties that show an annual percent increase in emergency assistance payments are Salem (76.8%), Cumberland (73.6%), and Gloucester (52.5%).

**GA Program**

- The total numbers of persons for GA has decreased from 37,978 to 37,582 since March 2006, a decrease of -1.0%.
- There were 22,215 Employable GA and 15,367 Unemployable GA recipients in March 2007.
- Atlantic (50.6%), Sussex (36.3%), and Cape May (13.2%) counties showed the highest percent increase for GA persons since March 2006.

**CHILD SUPPORT AND PATERNITY (Quarterly Report)**

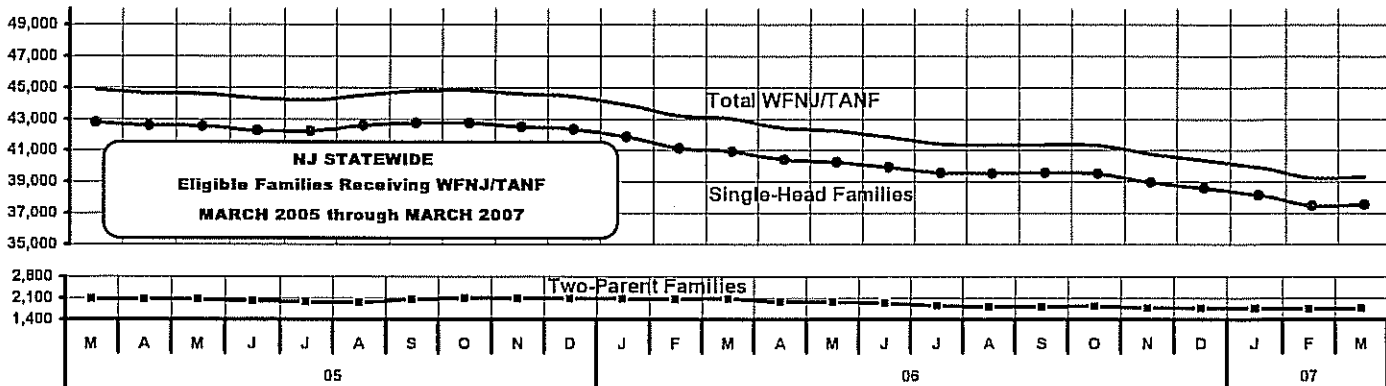
- The total collection for the Child Support and Paternity Program was about 260 million dollars from October 2006 to December 2006, an increase of 4.7 percent over the same period for FFY 2006.
- Total distributions increased over 5 percent from December 2005, and a slight decrease in the percent of collections distributed from 97.8% in December 2005 to 97.6% in December 2006.

**WORK FIRST NEW JERSEY (WFNJ)**

- During the report month of March 2007, there were 3,682 families where at least one member is employed and an additional 842 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 (1,109), Hudson (461), and Camden (366).
- There were 4,993 former TANF cases receiving post-TANF support in the form of child care assistance.

**TABLE 1: WFNJ/TANF PROGRAM**  
**STATEWIDE NUMBER OF APPLICATIONS AND TERMINATIONS DURING MARCH 2007;**  
**NUMBER OF ELIGIBLE FAMILIES & PERSONS RECEIVING WFNJ/TANF FOR MARCH 2007**

MARCH 2005 THROUGH MARCH 2007												
	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	
2005	MAR	3,368	3,357	12,391	42,778	2,077	44,855	1.2	107,210	1.8	34,541	72,669
	APR	3,319	3,544	12,339	42,579	2,051	44,630	0.0	106,517	0.3	34,342	72,175
	MAY	3,468	3,501	12,261	42,530	2,067	44,597	(0.3)	106,444	(0.2)	34,403	72,041
	JUN	3,303	3,615	12,213	42,259	2,026	44,285	(1.6)	105,637	(1.6)	34,098	71,539
	JUL	3,605	3,709	12,068	42,201	1,980	44,181	(2.4)	105,384	(2.8)	34,093	71,291
	AUG	3,848	3,507	11,962	42,567	1,955	44,522	(2.4)	106,206	(2.8)	34,515	71,691
	SEP	3,899	3,639	11,885	42,732	2,050	44,782	(2.4)	107,163	(2.6)	34,947	72,216
	OCT	3,882	3,827	11,916	42,735	2,102	44,837	(3.1)	107,352	(3.2)	35,023	72,329
	NOV	3,509	3,749	11,893	42,510	2,087	44,597	(2.6)	106,654	(2.8)	34,791	71,863
	DEC	3,345	3,499	11,899	42,359	2,084	44,443	(2.6)	104,140	(4.8)	34,628	71,512
	2005 AVERAGE	<b>3,555</b>	<b>3,595</b>	<b>12,083</b>	<b>42,525</b>	<b>2,048</b>	<b>44,573</b>		<b>106,271</b>		<b>34,538</b>	<b>71,933</b>
	2006	JAN	3,168	3,702	11,858	41,839	2,070	43,909	(2.9)	104,704	(3.3)	34,121
FEB		3,139	3,830	11,813	41,154	2,064	43,218	(3.6)	103,003	(3.9)	33,469	69,534
MAR		3,347	3,555	11,779	40,934	2,076	43,010	(4.1)	102,365	(4.5)	33,307	69,058
APR		3,253	3,851	11,592	40,429	1,983	42,412	(5.0)	100,907	(5.3)	32,803	68,104
MAY		3,341	3,507	11,528	40,265	1,981	42,246	(5.3)	100,507	(5.6)	32,699	67,808
JUN		3,402	3,804	11,319	39,918	1,926	41,844	(5.5)	99,488	(5.8)	32,451	67,037
JUL		3,524	3,945	11,113	39,569	1,854	41,423	(6.2)	98,429	(6.6)	32,164	66,265
AUG		3,710	3,777	10,993	39,544	1,812	41,356	(7.1)	98,258	(7.5)	32,175	66,083
SEP		3,855	3,849	10,864	39,554	1,808	41,362	(7.6)	98,442	(8.1)	32,306	66,136
OCT		3,662	3,672	10,792	39,525	1,827	41,352	(7.8)	98,443	(8.3)	32,387	66,056
NOV		3,465	4,058	10,746	38,981	1,778	40,759	(8.6)	96,955	(9.1)	31,791	65,164
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	<b>3,445</b>	<b>3,783</b>	<b>11,262</b>	<b>40,027</b>	<b>1,912</b>	<b>41,939</b>		<b>99,775</b>		<b>32,590</b>	<b>67,186</b>	
2007	JAN	3,165	3,604	10,790	38,176	1,766	39,942	(9.0)	94,461	(9.8)	30,918	63,543
	FEB	3,080	3,765	10,771	37,506	1,751	39,257	(9.2)	92,452	(10.2)	30,237	62,215
	MAR	3,501	3,417	11,014	37,561	1,780	39,341	(8.5)	91,675	(10.4)	30,107	61,568
2007 AVG to date	<b>3,249</b>	<b>3,595</b>	<b>10,858</b>	<b>37,748</b>	<b>1,766</b>	<b>39,513</b>		<b>92,863</b>		<b>30,421</b>	<b>62,442</b>	



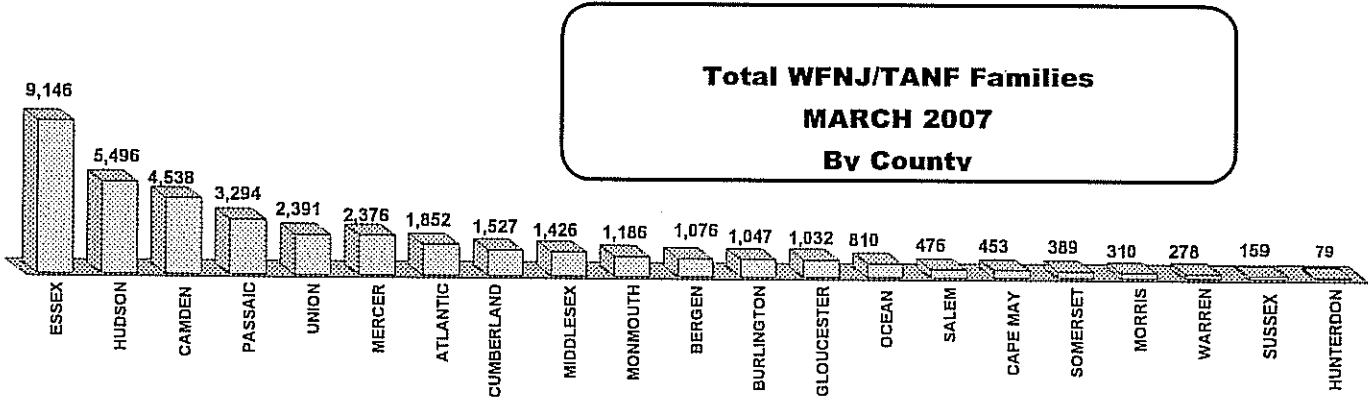
As of Nov 2004, data is derived and further refined from NJ Division of Family Development Issuance files.  
 (To retain consistency, all data is restated from Nov 2002 to present, reflecting only minor changes to prior reported values).

‡ 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.

**Table 2**  
**WFNJ/TANF**  
**PROGRAM**

**NUMBER OF APPLICATIONS AND TERMINATIONS BY COUNTY DURING MARCH 2007, AND**  
**NUMBER OF ELIGIBLE FAMILIES RECEIVING WFNJ/TANF REPORTED FOR MARCH 2007**

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	145	186	607	1,169	1,776	76	1,852	(3.5)	0.8
BERGEN	97	80	278	727	1,005	71	1,076	(0.4)	(7.6)
BURLINGTON	131	115	373	612	985	62	1,047	(5.5)	(17.3) *
CAMDEN	304	288	1,370	2,956	4,326	212	4,538	0.4	(0.7)
CAPE MAY	86	46	124	272	396	57	453	18.6	24.8 Δ
CUMBERLAND	146	166	577	841	1,418	109	1,527	3.3	(8.1)
ESSEX	955	1,076	2,031	6,826	8,857	289	9,146	(4.8)	(12.9)
GLOUCESTER	96	118	272	699	971	61	1,032	(5.7)	(8.0)
HUDSON	366	312	1,564	3,714	5,278	218	5,496	(3.5)	(8.1)
HUNTERDON	11	10	12	64	76	3	79	(2.5)	36.2 Δ
MERCER	197	156	604	1,660	2,264	112	2,376	0.1	(7.6)
MIDDLESEX	157	154	544	818	1,362	64	1,426	(1.9)	(16.6) *
MONMOUTH	112	116	404	734	1,138	48	1,186	(5.0)	(18.8) *
MORRIS	34	28	87	196	283	27	310	0.6	(2.5)
OCEAN	109	71	300	464	764	46	810	1.8	(4.7)
PASSAIC	221	217	861	2,275	3,136	158	3,294	(3.2)	(8.3)
SALEM	57	35	123	335	458	18	476	1.5	(2.9)
SOMERSET	37	30	137	225	362	27	389	(5.1)	2.4 Δ
SUSSEX	26	18	47	102	149	10	159	(12.6)	(8.1)
UNION	181	164	657	1,651	2,308	83	2,391	(3.6)	(9.1)
WARREN	33	31	42	207	249	29	278	(2.8)	(11.2)
<b>NJ TOTAL</b>	<b>3,501</b>	<b>3,417</b>	<b>11,014</b>	<b>26,547</b>	<b>37,561</b>	<b>1,780</b>	<b>39,341</b>	<b>(2.6)</b>	<b>(8.5)</b>



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‡ 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**

**NUMBER OF PARTICIPATING PERSONS, ADULTS, AND CHILDREN  
BY COUNTY FOR MARCH 2007**

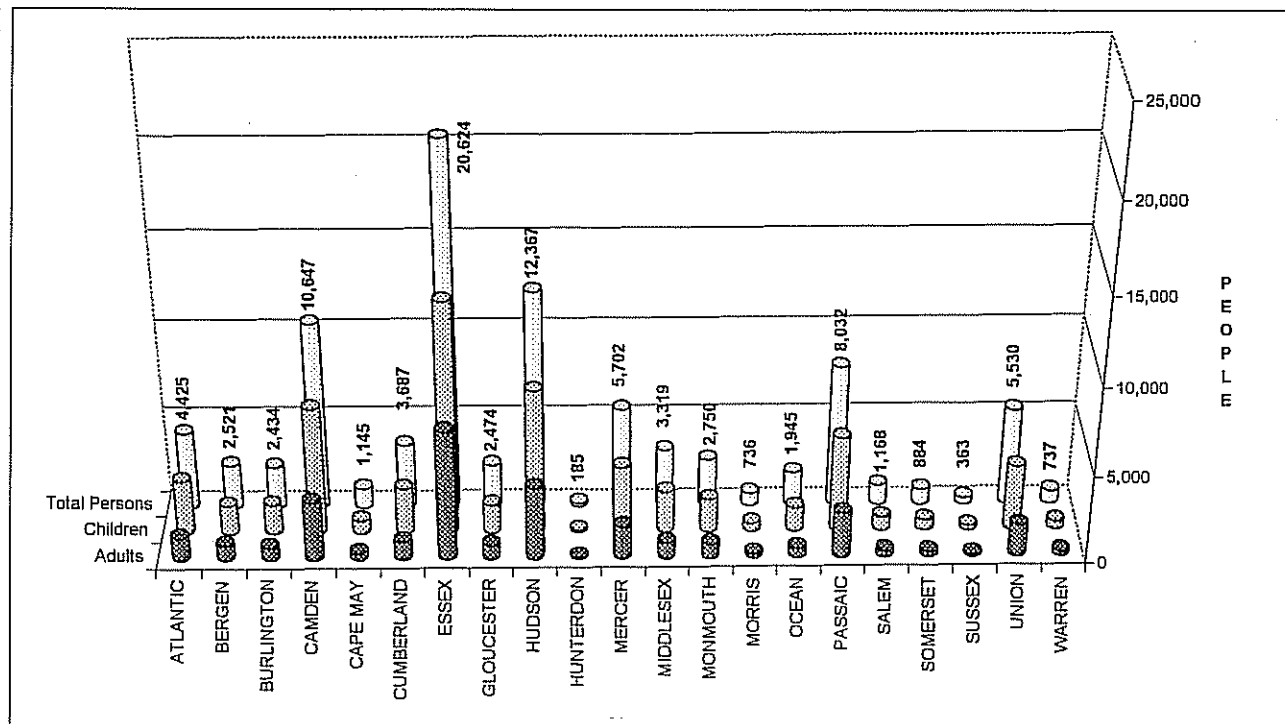
**WFNJ/TANF  
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Δ = ↑ Caseload %

\* = ↓ Caseload %

**PERSONS**

County	Adults	Children	Child/Adult Ratio	Total Eligible Persons	% Chng (1 Yr)	Eligible Persons Per Case
ATLANTIC	1,321	3,104	2.35	4,425	(1.3)	2.39
BERGEN	869	1,652	1.90	2,521	(10.4)	2.34
BURLINGTON	736	1,698	2.31	2,434	(18.5) *	2.32
CAMDEN	3,380	7,267	2.15	10,647	(2.3)	2.35
CAPE MAY	386	759	1.97	1,145	24.5 Δ	2.53
CUMBERLAND	1,059	2,628	2.48	3,687	(9.6)	2.41
ESSEX	7,404	13,220	1.79	20,624	(14.6)	2.25
GLOUCESTER	821	1,653	2.01	2,474	(10.0)	2.40
HUDSON	4,150	8,217	1.98	12,367	(11.0)	2.25
HUNTERDON	70	115	1.64	185	28.5 Δ	2.34
MERCER	1,884	3,818	2.03	5,702	(9.4)	2.40
MIDDLESEX	946	2,373	2.51	3,319	(17.4) *	2.33
MONMOUTH	830	1,920	2.31	2,750	(21.0) *	2.32
MORRIS	250	486	1.94	736	(5.2)	2.37
OCEAN	556	1,389	2.50	1,945	(7.1)	2.40
PASSAIC	2,591	5,441	2.10	8,032	(9.8)	2.44
SALEM	371	797	2.15	1,168	(5.8)	2.45
SOMERSET	279	605	2.17	884	1.4 Δ	2.27
SUSSEX	122	241	1.98	363	(11.9)	2.28
UNION	1,817	3,713	2.04	5,530	(12.8)	2.31
WARREN	265	472	1.78	737	(9.1)	2.65
<b>NJ TOTAL</b>	<b>30,107</b>	<b>61,568</b>	<b>2.04</b>	<b>91,675</b>	<b>(10.4)</b>	<b>2.33</b>





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

2006 - 2007

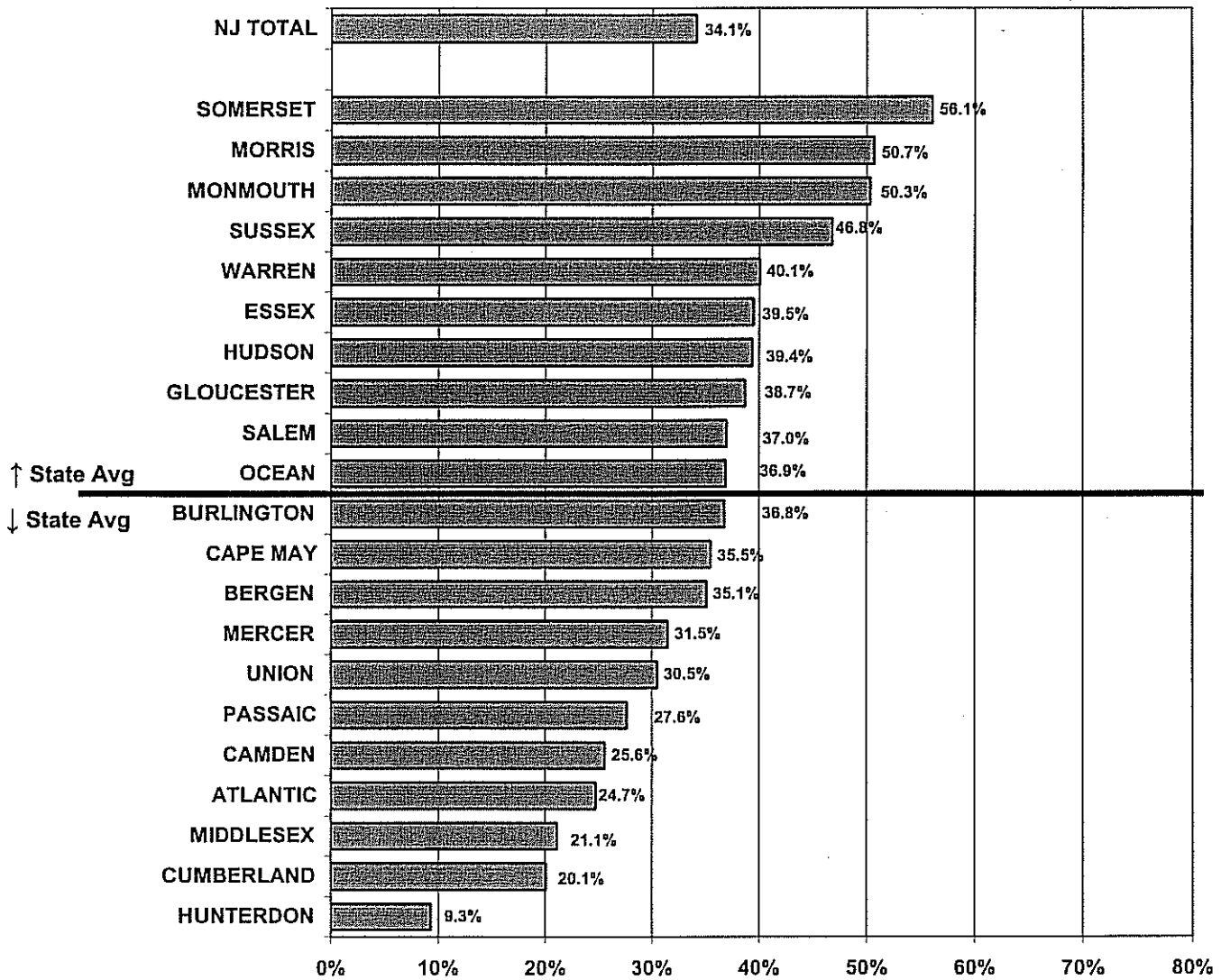
County	December	January	February	March
ATLANTIC	26.4%	24.2%	30.9%	24.7%
BERGEN	34.0%	36.4%	38.7%	35.1%
BURLINGTON	43.9%	36.4%	41.7%	36.8%
CAMDEN	25.4%	25.7%	24.8%	25.6%
CAPE MAY	33.3%	37.9%	45.7%	35.5%
CUMBERLAND	23.6%	23.0%	20.7%	20.1%
ESSEX	41.8%	40.2%	41.6%	39.5%
GLOUCESTER	35.4%	31.6%	36.5%	38.7%
HUDSON	40.3%	35.1%	37.2%	39.4%
HUNTERDON	12.5%	18.8%	20.0%	9.3%
MERCER	37.0%	34.4%	35.1%	31.5%
MIDDLESEX	28.0%	22.5%	22.4%	21.1%
MONMOUTH	53.2%	52.0%	53.0%	50.3%
MORRIS	52.1%	49.7%	47.6%	50.7%
OCEAN	42.9%	34.7%	35.8%	36.9%
PASSAIC	33.6%	26.9%	29.8%	27.6%
SALEM	37.6%	30.8%	34.8%	37.0%
SOMERSET	49.7%	53.8%	55.0%	56.1%
SUSSEX	40.0%	59.2%	46.5%	46.8%
UNION	33.7%	31.8%	31.0%	30.5%
WARREN	61.3%	44.3%	45.4%	40.1%
<b>NJ TOTAL</b>	<b>36.7%</b>	<b>33.8%</b>	<b>35.3%</b>	<b>34.1%</b>

Work participation rates refer to the TANF program's federally defined work participation requirements for TANF families to engage in certain core work-related activities to receive their benefits. Currently in New Jersey, single parents must participate in these core activities for 30 hours or more per week, and New Jersey must ensure compliance with the requirement that 50 percent of all TANF families participate in these core activities in the absence of any caseload reduction credit. The application of this credit, earned from a reduction in state TANF caseload, allows New Jersey to reduce its minimum participation rate below this 50 percent level. The TANF work participation rate does not refer to TANF program participation by all eligible families within the State.

**TABLE 4**

**TANF WORK PARTICIPATION RATES BY COUNTY**

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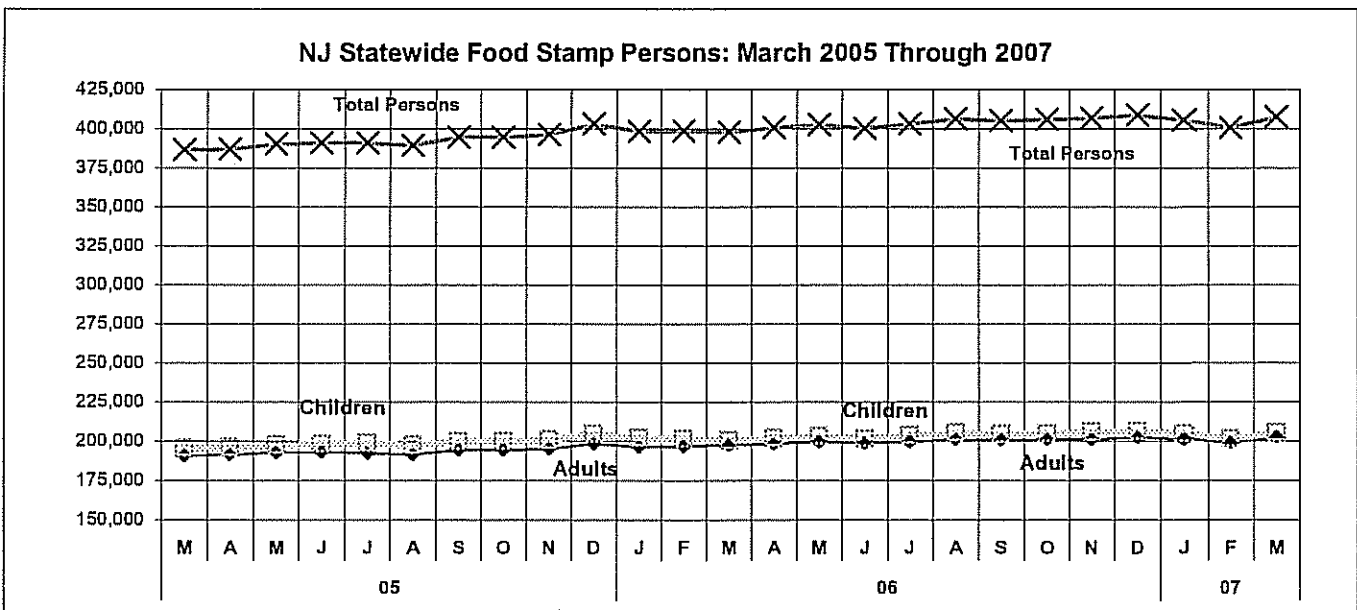
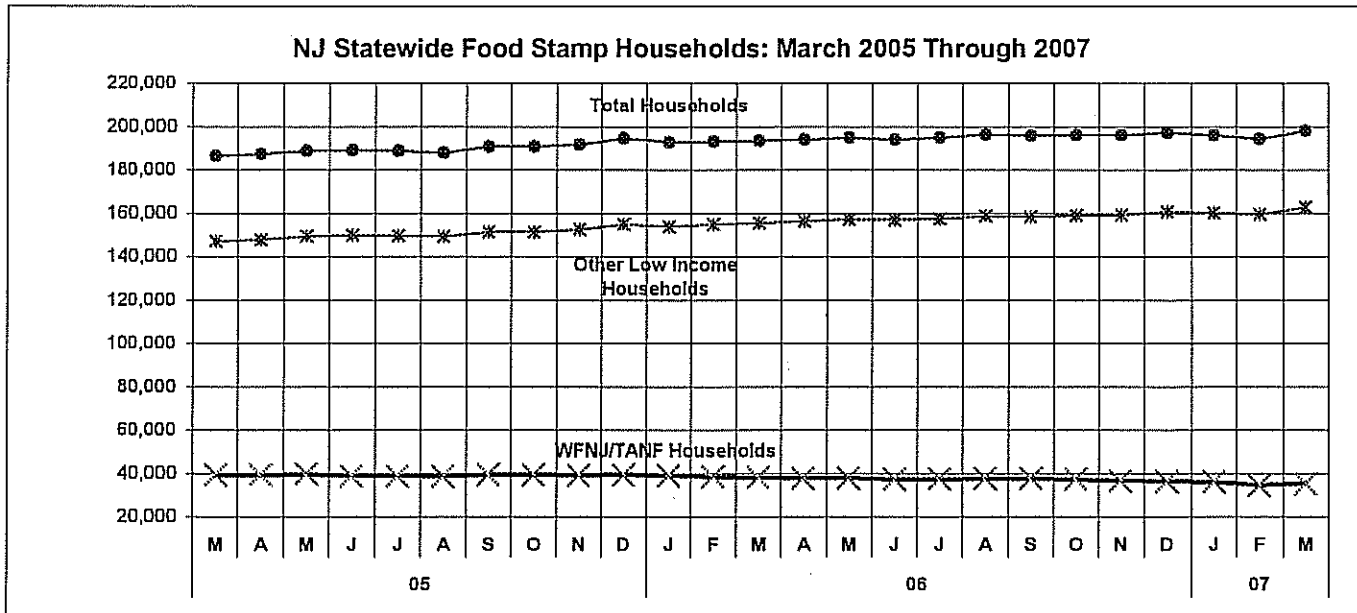


**Table 5** **NUMBER OF PARTICIPATING HOUSEHOLDS, PERSONS, ADULTS AND CHILDREN FOR MARCH 2007 (STATEWIDE)**  
**FOOD STAMP PROGRAM** **MARCH 2005 THROUGH MARCH 2007**

		HOUSEHOLDS				PERSONS				
		WFNJ/ TANF	Other low income	TOTAL	% CHNG (1 Yr.)	Adults	Children	TOTAL	% CHNG (1 Yr.)	
2005	MAR	39,413	147,031	186,444	8.4%	190,809	195,715	386,524	6.7%	
	APR	39,349	147,842	187,191	8.1%	191,331	195,907	387,238	6.3%	
	MAY	39,448	149,320	188,768	8.0%	192,734	197,740	390,474	6.3%	
	JUN	39,072	149,866	188,938	6.9%	193,035	198,290	391,325	5.5%	
	JUL	39,101	149,700	188,801	6.4%	192,473	198,841	391,314	5.0%	
	AUG	38,740	149,246	187,986	4.7%	191,668	197,760	389,428	3.5%	
	SEP	39,601	151,344	190,945	5.5%	194,520	200,124	394,644	4.3%	
	OCT	39,754	152,485	192,239	5.8%	195,984	201,913	397,897	4.8%	
	NOV	39,131	152,592	191,723	5.0%	195,337	200,989	396,326	3.8%	
	DEC	39,576	155,010	194,586	5.7%	198,327	204,702	403,029	4.8%	
	<b>2005 AVERAGE</b>		<b>39,319</b>	<b>150,444</b>	<b>189,762</b>		<b>193,622</b>	<b>199,198</b>	<b>392,820</b>	
	2006	JAN	38,914	154,023	192,937	5.8%	196,404	202,006	398,410	4.5%
FEB		38,267	154,884	193,151	5.2%	196,971	201,652	398,623	4.2%	
MAR		38,019	155,431	193,450	5.1%	197,572	200,539	398,111	3.9%	
APR		37,752	156,300	194,052	4.1%	198,547	202,204	400,751	3.7%	
MAY		37,745	157,275	195,020	4.2%	199,729	203,178	402,907	4.0%	
JUN		37,091	156,837	193,928	2.7%	198,597	201,755	400,352	2.5%	
JUL		37,328	157,620	194,948	3.2%	199,724	203,613	403,337	3.1%	
AUG		37,410	158,806	196,216	3.9%	201,082	205,187	406,269	3.8%	
SEP		37,423	158,424	195,847	4.2%	200,870	204,502	405,373	4.1%	
OCT		37,156	158,986	196,142	2.0%	201,114	204,912	406,026	2.0%	
NOV		36,768	159,404	196,172	2.3%	201,246	205,684	406,930	2.7%	
DEC		36,394	160,779	197,173	1.3%	202,355	206,334	408,689	1.4%	
<b>2006 AVERAGE</b>		<b>37,522</b>	<b>157,397</b>	<b>194,920</b>		<b>199,518</b>	<b>203,464</b>	<b>402,982</b>		
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%	
<b>2007 AVG to date</b>		<b>35,349</b>	<b>160,799</b>	<b>196,148</b>		<b>201,851</b>	<b>202,974</b>	<b>404,824</b>		

As of July 2005, Food Stamp data is derived from NJ MMIS Shared Data Warehouse. One year % Change only available from July 2004 because of data source change. To retain consistency, all Food Stamp data is restated from July 2003 to present, but readers should be aware that current series indicates counts higher than were reported by the previous series. This apparent increase is due to basing the counts on "during the month" frame of reference for the current series, as distinguished from the "point in time" (end of month) snapshot frame of reference that characterized the previous series.

**TABLE 6: FOOD STAMP PROGRAM  
TRENDS FOR PARTICIPATING HOUSEHOLDS & PERSONS  
MARCH 2005 THROUGH MARCH 2007 (STATEWIDE)**



**Table 7** NUMBER OF PARTICIPATING HOUSEHOLDS, PERSONS, ADULTS AND CHILDREN BY COUNTY FOR MARCH 2007

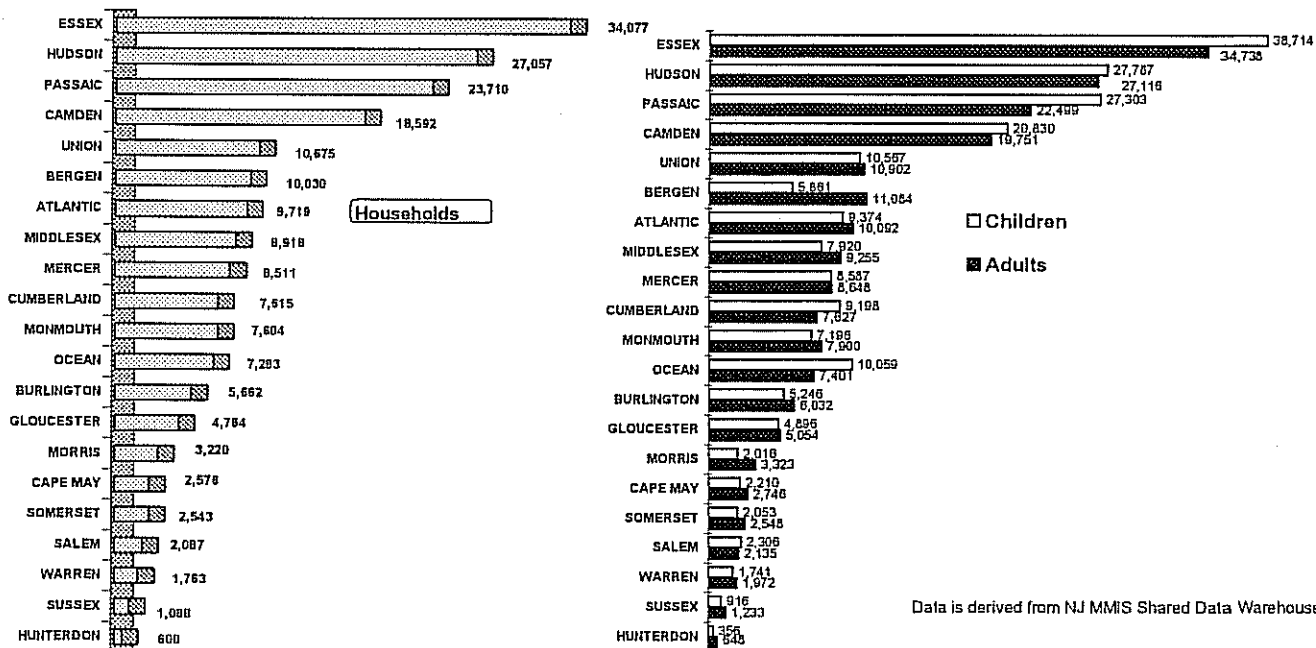
**FOOD STAMP PROGRAM**

Δ= ↑ Caseload %

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County	HOUSEHOLDS				PERSONS			
	WFNJ/ TANF	Other low income	TOTAL	% Chng (1 Yr)	Adults	Children	TOTAL	% Chng (1 Yr)
ATLANTIC	1,562	8,157	9,719	5.8	10,092	9,374	19,466	5.5
BERGEN	945	9,085	10,030	5.7	11,084	5,861	16,945	5.5
BURLINGTON	826	4,836	5,662	3.8	6,032	5,246	11,278	4.8
CAMDEN	3,969	14,623	18,592	5.2	19,751	20,830	40,581	4.1
CAPE MAY	394	2,182	2,576	11.4 Δ	2,746	2,210	4,956	13.0 Δ
CUMBERLAND	1,382	6,233	7,615	4.9	7,627	9,198	16,825	4.7
ESSEX	8,783	25,294	34,077	(1.7) *	34,738	38,714	73,452	(1.1) *
GLOUCESTER	906	3,858	4,764	5.4	5,054	4,896	9,950	3.7
HUDSON	5,007	22,050	27,057	0.8	27,116	27,787	54,903	1.8
HUNTERDON	69	531	600	13.9 Δ	648	356	1,004	16.6 Δ
MERCER	2,099	6,412	8,511	(1.0)	8,648	8,587	17,235	(1.3) *
MIDDLESEX	1,224	7,694	8,918	(1.2) *	9,255	7,920	17,175	(1.1)
MONMOUTH	1,078	6,526	7,604	(2.2) *	7,900	7,196	15,096	(2.4) *
MORRIS	278	2,942	3,220	5.6	3,323	2,016	5,339	6.4
OCEAN	688	6,595	7,283	5.8	7,401	10,059	17,460	7.6 Δ
PASSAIC	2,938	20,772	23,710	5.2	22,499	27,303	49,802	4.7
SALEM	420	1,667	2,087	4.8	2,135	2,306	4,441	3.2
SOMERSET	311	2,232	2,543	0.9	2,548	2,053	4,601	2.7
SUSSEX	148	940	1,088	8.9 Δ	1,233	916	2,149	4.7
UNION	2,056	8,619	10,675	1.8	10,902	10,567	21,469	0.5
WARREN	253	1,510	1,763	5.8	1,972	1,741	3,713	7.3
<b>NJ TOTAL</b>	<b>35,336</b>	<b>162,758</b>	<b>198,094</b>	<b>2.4</b>	<b>202,704</b>	<b>205,136</b>	<b>407,840</b>	<b>2.4</b>

**Total Food Stamp Recipients  
MARCH 2007 By County**



Data is derived from NJ MMS Shared Data Warehouse

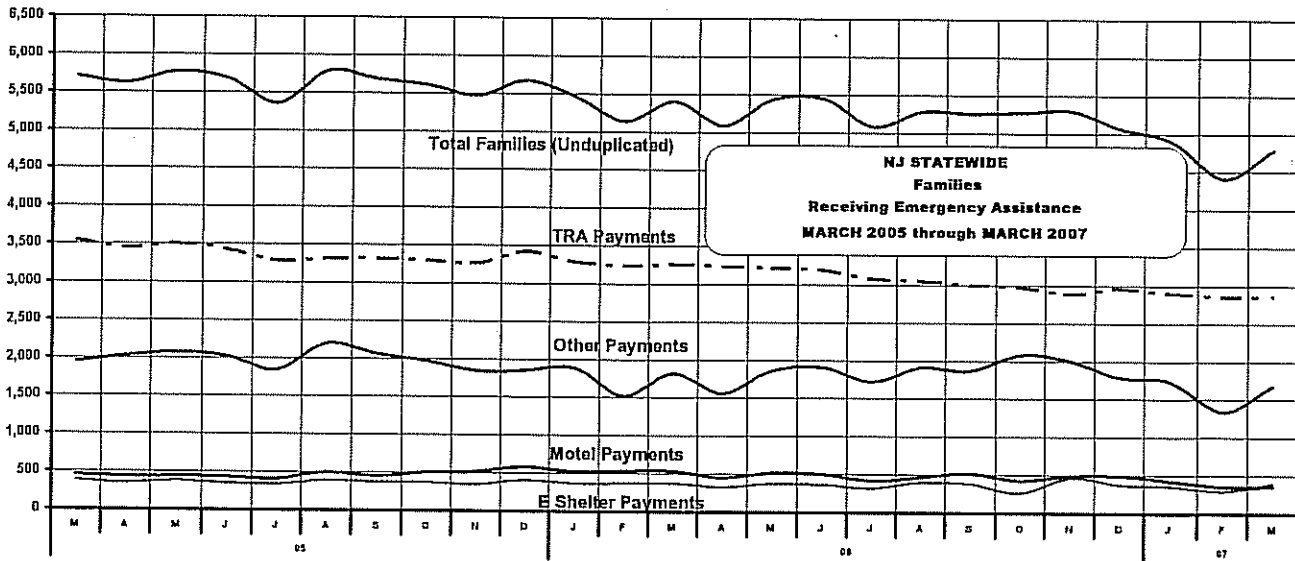
Table 8

TOTAL NUMBER OF ELIGIBLE FAMILIES RECEIVING EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE PAYMENTS

EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE

MARCH 2005 THROUGH MARCH 2007 - STATEWIDE

	TOTAL WFNJ/EA		Temp			Motel		Emergency		Other	
	Families (Undupl)	% CHNG (1 YR)	TOTAL Payments	Rent Asst. Payments (Undupl)	% CHNG (1 YR)	Housing Payments (Undupl)	% CHNG (1 YR)	Shelter Payments (Undupl)	% CHNG (1 YR)	EA Payments (Undupl)	% CHNG (1 YR)
2006 MAR	5,707	20.5%	6,344	3,551	56%	463	-11.8%	382	-17.3%	1,948	-7.3%
APR	5,619	16.3%	6,265	3,448	42%	438	0.2%	351	-19.7%	2,028	-1.7%
MAY	5,774	18.5%	6,407	3,507	35%	440	14.3%	386	-14.4%	2,074	5.1%
JUN	5,679	8.4%	6,242	3,432	23%	437	6.1%	347	-15.6%	2,026	-8.9%
JUL	5,356	0.5%	5,882	3,289	12%	410	-7.9%	340	-13.3%	1,843	-13.8%
AUG	5,793	2.5%	6,411	3,319	10%	500	2.7%	394	-9.4%	2,198	-6.5%
SEP	5,684	-1.8%	6,206	3,322	5%	450	-4.1%	373	-8.6%	2,061	-13.7%
OCT	5,603	-5.3%	6,167	3,307	0%	510	-2.7%	377	-5.0%	1,973	-17.9%
NOV	5,476	-4.7%	5,986	3,267	-4%	518	8.6%	365	-11.3%	1,846	-11.6%
DEC	5,677	-3.3%	6,272	3,423	-2%	583	13.0%	412	5.1%	1,854	-13.6%
2005 AVERAGE	5,637		6,218	3,387		475		372		1,985	
2006 JAN	5,457	-7.1%	6,064	3,291	-5%	518	0.4%	369	-5.9%	1,886	-12.1%
FEB	5,136	-11.9%	5,674	3,238	-3%	537	8.2%	378	-5.3%	1,521	-32.6%
MAR	5,403	-3.5%	5,997	3,267	-3%	534	5.1%	376	-9.2%	1,820	-4.0%
APR	5,090	-6.4%	5,578	3,241	-4%	453	8.6%	325	-14.7%	1,559	-13.6%
MAY	5,438	-4.7%	5,964	3,213	-10%	515	11.2%	374	-2.1%	1,862	-4.4%
JUN	5,450	-3.0%	5,981	3,201	-7%	499	13.9%	366	4.3%	1,915	-5.6%
JUL	5,076	-12.1%	5,528	3,079	-12%	417	-5.2%	315	-18.4%	1,717	-17.2%
AUG	5,281	-7.0%	5,848	3,059	-11%	470	7.6%	405	16.7%	1,914	-5.5%
SEP	5,252	-1.9%	5,783	3,006	-9%	520	26.8%	384	12.9%	1,873	1.6%
OCT	5,276	-5.8%	5,855	2,980	-10%	427	-16.3%	368	-2.4%	2,080	5.4%
NOV	5,300	-3.2%	5,855	2,892	-11%	494	-4.6%	463	30.4%	2,006	8.7%
DEC	5,063	-10.8%	5,631	2,970	-13%	495	-15.1%	377	-8.5%	1,789	-3.5%
2006 AVERAGE	5,269		5,813	3,120		490		375		1,829	
2007 JAN	4,906	-10.1%	5,427	2,909	-11.6%	422	-18.5%	356	-3.5%	1,740	-7.7%
FEB	4,412	-14.1%	4,836	2,856	-11.8%	351	-34.6%	293	-22.5%	1,336	-12.2%
MAR	4,786	-11.4%	5,300	2,862	-12.4%	359	-32.8%	401	6.6%	1,678	-7.8%
2007 AVG to date	4,701		5,188	2,876		377		350		1,585	



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**Table 9** NUMBER OF TOTAL ELIGIBLE FAMILIES RECEIVING EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE PAYMENTS  
**SSI** BY COUNTY (UNDUPLICATED CASES) MARCH 2007

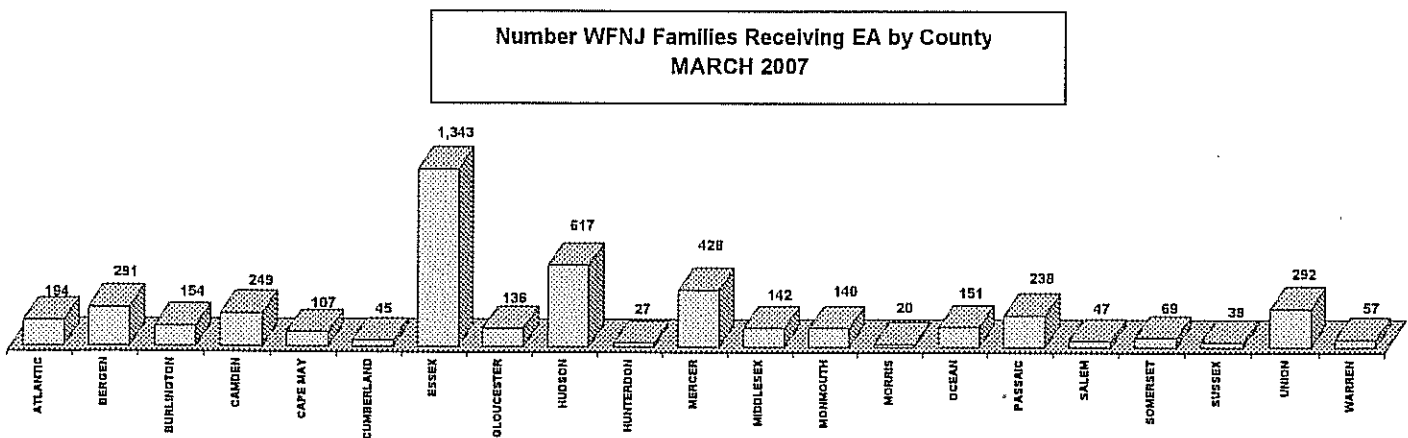
County	EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE		TOTAL Payments	Temp Rent Asst. Payments (Undupl)	% Total	Motel Housing Payments (Undupl)	% Total	Emergency Shelter Payments (Undupl)	% Total	Other WFNJ/EA Payments (Undupl)	% Total	SSI Receipts Receiving EA**
	TOTAL WFNJ/EA Families (Undupl)	% CHNG From Mar 06										
ATLANTIC	194	44.8% Δ	224	113	50.4%	25	11.2%	19	8.5%	67	29.9%	68
BERGEN	291	3.6%	320	211	65.9%	10	3.1%	12	3.8%	87	27.2%	287
BURLINGTON	154	-23.8%	174	23	13.2%	56	32.2%	2	1.1%	93	53.4%	97
CAMDEN	249	-8.5%	267	116	43.4%	28	10.5%	28	10.5%	95	35.6%	37
CAPE MAY	107	20.2%	113	61	54.0%	40	35.4%	1	0.9%	11	9.7%	42
CUMBERLAND	45	0.0%	54	15	27.8%	3	5.6%	9	16.7%	27	50.0%	20
ESSEX	1,343	-10.2%	1,499	931	62.1%	1	0.1%	151	10.1%	416	27.8%	240
GLOUCESTER	136	-13.4%	158	78	49.4%	25	15.8%	21	13.3%	34	21.5%	40
HUDSON	617	-16.7%	668	519	77.7%	20	3.0%	18	2.7%	111	16.6%	31
HUNTERDON	27	68.8% Δ	33	22	66.7%	1	3.0%	3	9.1%	7	21.2%	17
MERCER	428	-29.6% *	493	217	44.0%	13	2.6%	49	9.9%	214	43.4%	187
MIDDLESEX	142	-24.5%	155	46	29.7%	12	7.7%	16	10.3%	81	52.3%	121
MONMOUTH	140	-28.9% *	148	36	24.3%	43	29.1%	0	0.0%	69	46.6%	38
MORRIS	20	-9.1%	24	11	45.8%	2	8.3%	6	25.0%	5	20.8%	9
OCEAN	151	11.9%	180	92	51.1%	52	28.9%	0	0.0%	36	20.0%	148
PASSAIC	238	9.2%	250	36	14.4%	8	3.2%	31	12.4%	175	70.0%	138
SALEM	47	-14.5%	49	13	26.5%	5	10.2%	0	0.0%	31	63.3%	9
SOMERSET	69	64.3% Δ	74	35	47.3%	4	5.4%	8	10.8%	27	36.5%	32
SUSSEX	39	-9.3%	44	24	54.5%	2	4.5%	3	6.8%	15	34.1%	33
UNION	292	-29.5% *	310	224	72.3%	5	1.6%	22	7.1%	59	19.0%	32
WARREN	57	16.3%	63	39	61.9%	4	6.3%	2	3.2%	18	28.6%	8
<b>NJ TOTAL</b>	<b>4,786</b>	<b>-11.4%</b>	<b>5,300</b>	<b>2,862</b>	<b>54.0%</b>	<b>359</b>	<b>6.8%</b>	<b>401</b>	<b>7.6%</b>	<b>1,678</b>	<b>31.7%</b>	<b>1,634</b>

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

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**Table 10** **NUMBER OF EMPLOYABLE AND UNEMPLOYABLE RECIPIENTS**  
**GENERAL AND EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE PAYMENTS FOR MARCH 2007 - STATEWIDE**  
**MARCH 2005 THROUGH MARCH 2007**  
**PROGRAM**

	All Persons 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)
2005 MAR	23,428	17.7%	15,296	6.4%	38,724	13.0%	3,820	4,202	8,022	21.9%
APR	23,161	15.3%	15,365	4.5%	38,526	10.7%	3,649	3,995	7,644	15.9%
MAY	23,115	16.7%	15,195	3.1%	38,310	10.9%	3,807	4,426	8,233	23.3%
JUN	22,599	10.6%	15,350	2.0%	37,949	7.0%	3,836	3,853	7,689	15.0%
JUL	21,507	5.2%	15,011	-1.3%	36,518	2.4%	3,683	2,926	6,609	-3.1%
AUG	21,463	2.4%	15,309	0.7%	36,772	1.7%	3,621	3,881	7,502	13.8%
SEP	21,469	-0.6%	15,379	-0.2%	36,848	-0.4%	3,645	3,637	7,282	-0.9%
OCT	20,915	-2.1%	15,311	-0.2%	36,226	-1.3%	3,607	3,342	6,949	-1.8%
NOV	20,766	-2.7%	15,257	-0.9%	36,023	-1.9%	3,697	3,555	7,252	7.4%
DEC	21,171	-4.7%	15,289	-0.6%	36,460	-3.0%	3,589	3,885	7,274	-5.8%
<b>2005 AVERAGE</b>	<b>21,959</b>		<b>15,276</b>		<b>37,236</b>		<b>3,695</b>	<b>3,750</b>	<b>7,446</b>	
2006 JAN	21,402	-3.6%	15,376	0.0%	36,778	-2.1%	3,537	3,519	7,056	-8.6%
FEB	21,386	-1.1%	15,225	-1.0%	36,611	-1.1%	3,513	3,161	6,674	-7.6%
MAR	22,338	-2.0%	15,640	2.8%	37,978	-0.1%	3,585	4,160	7,745	5.4%
APR	21,976	-4.0%	15,373	1.1%	37,349	-2.0%	3,578	3,514	7,092	-7.3%
MAY	21,925	-6.4%	15,575	1.8%	37,500	-3.2%	3,100	4,337	7,437	-7.3%
JUN	21,752	-6.1%	15,568	1.3%	37,320	-3.1%	2,984	4,170	7,154	-6.4%
JUL	21,309	-7.8%	15,312	0.8%	36,621	-4.4%	2,989	3,732	6,721	-18.4%
AUG	21,553	-4.6%	15,637	1.9%	37,190	-2.0%	2,977	4,306	7,283	-5.3%
SEP	20,855	-3.0%	15,232	1.5%	36,087	-1.2%	2,899	3,592	6,491	-1.8%
OCT	21,499	0.2%	15,841	3.5%	37,340	1.5%	2,919	3,912	6,831	-8.9%
NOV	20,333	-2.1%	15,361	0.7%	35,694	-0.9%	2,949	3,559	6,508	-10.3%
DEC	21,120	-0.2%	15,415	0.8%	36,535	0.2%	2,950	3,517	6,467	-11.1%
<b>2006 AVERAGE</b>	<b>21,454</b>		<b>15,463</b>		<b>36,917</b>		<b>3,165</b>	<b>3,790</b>	<b>6,955</b>	
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%
<b>2007 AVG to date</b>	<b>21,743</b>		<b>15,304</b>		<b>37,047</b>		<b>2,957</b>	<b>3,902</b>	<b>6,859</b>	

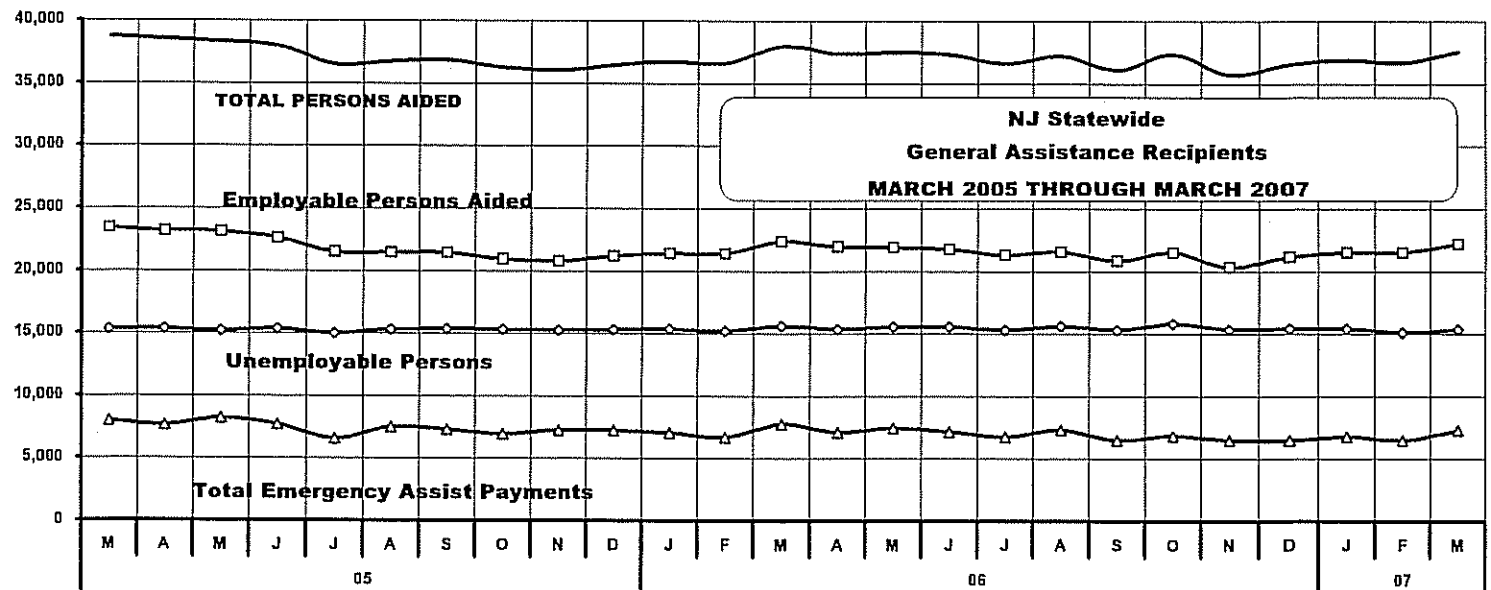




TABLE 11

GENERAL  
ASSISTANCE  
PROGRAMEMPLOYABLE AND UNEMPLOYABLE RECIPIENTS  
AND EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE PAYMENTS BY COUNTY

MARCH 2007

County	Total Persons Aided						Emergency Assistance Payments			
	Employable	% Chng (From Mar 06)	Unemployable	% Chng (From Mar 06)	Total	% Chng (From Mar 06)	Temporary Rental AssisL	Other GA-EA	Total	% Chng (From Mar 06)
ATLANTIC	1,812	71.4% Δ	1,169	26.8%	2,981	50.6% Δ	232	72	304	-16.5%
BERGEN	859	13.5%	433	-20.3%	1,292	-0.6%	101	208	309	-0.3%
BURLINGTON	918	-0.5%	657	15.9%	1,575	5.7%	69	320	389	-18.3%
CAMDEN	2,913	15.9%	1,868	1.6%	4,781	9.9%	460	436	896	10.2%
CAPE MAY	544	15.3%	194	7.8%	738	13.2% Δ	131	220	351	18.2%
CUMBERLAND	1,149	16.6% Δ	684	0.6%	1,833	10.1%	16	109	125	73.6% Δ
ESSEX	3,311	-3.2%	1,670	-12.2%	4,981	-6.4%	518	733	1,251	-2.2%
GLOUCESTER	529	7.7%	435	9.3%	964	8.4%	59	188	247	52.5% Δ
HUDSON	1,809	-39.1% *	1,766	-10.0%	3,575	-27.5% *	289	104	393	-29.7% *
HUNTERDON	103	-2.8%	114	3.6%	217	0.5%	35	81	116	-0.9%
MERCER	1,393	-16.7% *	1,077	0.8%	2,470	-9.9% *	351	210	561	-18.6%
MIDDLESEX	492	-6.5%	622	-15.4%	1,114	-11.7% *	174	197	371	-12.7%
MONMOUTH	646	-13.9%	688	-3.0%	1,334	-8.6%	51	358	409	-13.2%
MORRIS	240	0.0%	329	3.8%	569	2.2%	56	64	120	-16.7%
OCEAN	453	-2.6%	691	8.8%	1,144	4.0%	119	162	281	-6.0%
PASSAIC	2,379	-5.0%	1,390	-5.6%	3,769	-5.2%	10	338	348	-11.0%
SALEM	344	-3.4%	245	14.5%	589	3.3%	21	101	122	76.8% Δ
SOMERSET	165	-17.1% *	215	5.9%	380	-5.5%	81	57	138	-27.0% *
SUSSEX	120	39.5% Δ	128	33.3%	248	36.3% Δ	39	56	95	15.9%
UNION	1,822	13.6%	811	-13.6%	2,633	3.5%	66	265	331	0.6%
WARREN	214	-9.7%	181	20.7%	395	2.1%	94	44	138	-33.7% *
NJ TOTAL	22,215	-0.6%	15,367	-1.7%	37,582	-1.0%	2,972	4,323	7,295	-5.8%

Δ = ↑ Caseload %

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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 2006 and FFY 2007

<b>COLLECTION SOURCE</b>	<b>10/05-12/05</b>	<b>10/06-12/06</b>	<b>Dollar Change</b>	<b>% Change</b>
Federal Tax	\$909,170	\$1,299,308	\$390,138	42.9%
State Tax	1,298,400	717,123	(581,277)	-44.8%
Unempl. Ins. Ben.	7,132,308	7,499,133	366,825	5.1%
Income Withholding	168,965,526	177,560,583	8,595,057	5.1%
From Other States	12,619,249	12,461,403	(157,846)	-1.3%
Other/Own Behalf	56,226,842	59,228,853	3,002,011	5.3%
Admin Enforce				
<b>TOTAL COLLECTION</b>	<b>\$247,151,495</b>	<b>\$258,766,403</b>	<b>\$11,614,908</b>	<b>4.7%</b>
<b>TOTAL DISTRIBUTION*</b>	<b>\$241,727,531</b>	<b>\$252,488,627</b>	<b>\$10,761,096</b>	<b>4.5%</b>
Percent of Collections Distributed	97.8%	97.6%		

\* 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**  
**MARCH 2007**

	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	2,770	1,399	51%	6,253	5,245	84%	6,703	5,482	82%	15,726	12,126	77%
BERGEN	1,133	597	53%	3,335	3,180	95%	8,057	7,713	96%	12,525	11,490	92%
BURLINGTON	2,099	1,208	58%	6,242	5,802	93%	8,368	7,527	90%	16,709	14,537	87%
CAMDEN	7,745	4,271	55%	21,278	19,105	90%	11,050	9,234	84%	40,073	32,610	81%
CAPE MAY	533	307	58%	1,549	1,495	97%	1,752	1,663	95%	3,834	3,465	90%
CUMBERLAND	2,229	1,818	82%	8,609	8,411	98%	3,996	3,688	92%	14,834	13,917	94%
ESSEX	15,336	6,301	41%	32,390	25,080	77%	14,120	13,009	92%	61,846	44,390	72%
GLOUCESTER	1,583	1,133	72%	4,811	4,600	96%	4,488	4,221	94%	10,882	9,954	91%
HUDSON	6,143	2,609	42%	13,713	12,256	89%	10,520	8,886	84%	30,376	23,751	78%
HUNTERDON	187	105	56%	400	375	94%	1,345	1,290	96%	1,932	1,770	92%
MERCER	4,332	2,060	48%	9,025	8,128	90%	6,475	5,595	86%	19,832	15,783	80%
MIDDLESEX	2,385	1,247	52%	8,315	7,529	91%	9,528	8,699	91%	20,228	17,475	86%
MONMOUTH	2,903	1,857	64%	7,320	6,794	93%	7,584	7,081	93%	17,807	15,732	88%
MORRIS	424	253	60%	1,515	1,441	95%	4,337	4,143	96%	6,276	5,837	93%
OCEAN	1,779	1,244	70%	6,118	5,886	96%	7,797	7,411	95%	15,694	14,541	93%
PASSAIC	4,959	2,751	55%	11,236	10,025	89%	9,583	8,599	90%	25,778	21,375	83%
SALEM	860	668	78%	2,412	2,207	92%	1,334	1,281	96%	4,606	4,156	90%
SOMERSET	705	424	60%	1,939	1,781	92%	3,672	3,403	93%	6,316	5,608	89%
SUSSEX	312	220	71%	806	790	98%	1,871	1,802	96%	2,989	2,812	94%
UNION	3,896	1,989	51%	10,883	9,858	91%	9,984	9,194	92%	24,763	21,041	85%
WARREN	499	379	76%	1,365	1,332	98%	1,680	1,614	96%	3,544	3,325	94%
<b>NJ TOTAL</b>	<b>62,812</b>	<b>32,840</b>	<b>52%</b>	<b>159,514</b>	<b>141,320</b>	<b>89%</b>	<b>134,244</b>	<b>121,535</b>	<b>91%</b>	<b>356,570</b>	<b>295,695</b>	<b>83%</b>

Data Sources: Automated Child Support Enforcement System

**Table 14** **WORK FIRST NEW JERSEY STATISTICAL SUMMARY**  
**WFNJ** **MARCH 2007**

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	117	159	54	166	109	138	102	258
BERGEN	120	87	129	93	127	153	19	116
BURLINGTON	197	83	8	89	71	176	31	224
CAMDEN	394	391	76	366	311	631	72	544
CAPE MAY	36	46	20	42	28	47	12	22
CUMBERLAND	141	203	56	64	50	161	33	171
ESSEX	1,128	2,151	404	1,109	1,348	2,167	150	1,093
GLOUCESTER	145	65	44	98	93	19	23	177
HUDSON	381	1,464	149	461	721	845	104	619
HUNTERDON	3	1	5	7	5	1	3	10
MERCER	98	521	297	199	225	235	51	253
MIDDLESEX	141	57	110	179	87	140	34	246
MONMOUTH	56	467	111	143	193	285	31	300
MORRIS	32	25	32	43	36	33	7	74
OCEAN	109	58	221	43	105	131	20	184
PASSAIC	141	614	120	257	226	386	72	274
SALEM	13	34	9	45	16	72	14	75
SOMERSET	25	89	73	49	36	57	10	80
SUSSEX	22	8	24	15	25	30	5	50
UNION	264	273	244	177	209	253	37	181
WARREN	49	17	16	37	20	21	12	42
<b>STATE</b>	<b>3,612</b>	<b>6,813</b>	<b>2,202</b>	<b>3,682</b>	<b>4,041</b>	<b>5,981</b>	<b>842</b>	<b>4,993</b>

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

**DIVISION OF FAMILY DEVELOPMENT CURRENT PROGRAM STATISTICS  
MARCH 2007**

## **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.

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**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).