

# Public Assistance Facts and Figures

For the Month of  
**December 2003**

## Cash Grant Programs

California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids (CalWORKs)  
Foster Care (FC)  
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Federal Food Stamp Program (FS)  
California Food Assistance Program (CFAP)  
In-Home Supportive Services (IHSS)  
Adult Protective Services (APS)

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December 2003

Programs	Recipients				Average Monthly Benefits	
	December 2003	Change from November 2003	Percent Change from		December 2003	December 2002
			November 2003	December 2002		
California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids (CalWORKs) - persons a/	1,238,246	(4,511)	(0.4)	(5.2)	xxxxxx	xxxxxx
Children.....	969,887	(2,697)	(0.3)	(1.9)	xxxxxx	xxxxxx
Cases.....	475,775	(916)	(0.2)	(1.3)	527.18	514.25
CalWORKs payments (\$ in millions).....	\$250.8	\$0.1	0.1	1.2	xxxxxx	xxxxxx
Two Parent Families - persons.....	159,623	(566)	(0.4)	(21.9)	xxxxxx	xxxxxx
Children.....	95,941	(409)	(0.4)	(21.1)	xxxxxx	xxxxxx
Cases.....	39,204	(210)	(0.5)	(16.9)	751.66	573.09
Payments (\$ in millions) /b.....	\$29.5	\$9.0	44.1	8.9	xxxxxx	xxxxxx
Zero Parent Families - persons.....	312,945	1,722	0.6	3.1	xxxxxx	xxxxxx
Children.....	312,945	1,722	0.6	3.1	xxxxxx	xxxxxx
Cases.....	161,363	1,081	0.7	2.2	465.09	458.44
Payments (\$ in millions).....	\$75.0	(\$1.2)	(1.6)	3.7	xxxxxx	xxxxxx
All Other Families - persons.....	562,502	(4,393)	(0.8)	(18.5)	xxxxxx	xxxxxx
Children.....	393,162	(3,010)	(0.8)	(19.1)	xxxxxx	xxxxxx
Cases.....	206,541	(1,300)	(0.6)	(15.9)	505.29	512.85
Payments (\$ in millions).....	\$104.4	\$0.5	0.5	(17.1)	xxxxxx	xxxxxx
TANF Timed-Out - persons c/.....	132,580	(1,438)	(1.1)	22.9	xxxxxx	xxxxxx
Children.....	97,243	(1,164)	(1.2)	25.8	xxxxxx	xxxxxx
Cases.....	42,373	(721)	(1.7)	34.5	653.70	716.69
Payments (\$ in millions) /b.....	\$27.7	(\$9.1)	(24.8)	22.7	xxxxxx	xxxxxx
Safety Net - persons.....	70,596	164	0.2	d/	xxxxxx	xxxxxx
Children.....	70,596	164	0.2	d/	xxxxxx	xxxxxx
Cases.....	26,294	234	0.9	d/	541.65	d/
Payments (\$ in millions).....	\$14.2	\$1.0	7.2	d/	xxxxxx	xxxxxx
Foster Care (FC) Program - children.....	91,755	(339)	(0.4)	(5.5)	xxxxxx	xxxxxx
Relative Home placements.....	31,236	(275)	(0.9)	(8.8)	xxxxxx	xxxxxx
Foster Family Agency placements.....	22,515	24	0.1	(3.3)	xxxxxx	xxxxxx
Foster Family Home placements.....	13,846	(97)	(0.7)	(1.6)	xxxxxx	xxxxxx
Group Home placements.....	13,965	(2)	(0.0)	(0.9)	xxxxxx	xxxxxx
Guardian Home placements.....	7,777	22	0.3	(1.9)	xxxxxx	xxxxxx
Other home placements.....	1,077	(3)	(0.3)	(29.5)	xxxxxx	xxxxxx
Unspecified home placements.....	1,339	(8)	(0.6)	(31.7)	xxxxxx	xxxxxx
Supplemental Security Income/State Supplementary Payment (SSI/SSP) - persons e/.....	1,155,200	(31)	(0.0)	4.7	xxxxxx	xxxxxx
Aged.....	345,116	(1,736)	(0.5)	3.1	507.53	486.60
Blind.....	21,753	(78)	(0.4)	1.8	620.93	595.99
Disabled.....	788,331	1,783	0.2	5.5	604.73	582.07
SSI/SSP payments (\$ in millions).....	\$665.4	\$4.6	0.7	9.0	xxxxxx	xxxxxx
General Relief (GR) - persons.....	95,674	2,017	2.2	1.3	237.10	225.37
	December 2003	November 2003	December 2002			
California unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted).....	6.4%	6.5%	6.9%			
California population on assistance f/.....	7.2	7.2	7.3			

a/ All CalWORKs data is for cash grant cases only.  
b/ Adjustment to past claims made by Los Angeles County due to LEADER implementation.  
c/ Reporting began December 2001 and took several months to implement. Data is still incomplete.  
d/ Reporting began January 2003. Prior year information will not be available until January 2004.  
e/ Estimate based on preliminary data from the Social Security Administration.  
f/ Persons receiving CalWORKs, SSI/SSP, or GR.

Data represents the most current statistics available at the time of publication. Current month data includes prior month(s) data if current month is not reported timely by the County. Prior period data is updated to include the most current information, including County reported changes/updates, for all but the Foster Care data.

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	Change from		Percent Change from		December 2003	December 2002	
	December 2003	November 2003	November 2003	December 2002			
					\$	\$	
<b>Federal and State Food Stamp (FS) Program</b>						<b>Average Coupon Value</b>	
Persons.....	1,786,844	897	0.1	1.4	86.93	84.31	
Assistance: persons.....	843,403	(785)	(0.1)	(9.3)	xxxxxx	xxxxxx	
households.....	312,529	1,988	0.6	(4.7)	xxxxxx	xxxxxx	
Nonassistance: persons.....	943,441	1,682	0.2	13.2	xxxxxx	xxxxxx	
households.....	389,787	168	0.0	12.1	xxxxxx	xxxxxx	
Expenditures paid (\$ in millions).....	\$155.3	(\$1.8)	(1.1)	4.5	xxxxxx	xxxxxx	
<b>Federal Food Stamp (FS) Program</b>							
Persons.....	1,766,677	784	0.0	5.5	87.06	85.26	
Assistance: persons.....	837,229	(771)	(0.1)	(6.5)	xxxxxx	xxxxxx	
households g/.....	310,833	2,065	0.7	(2.4)	xxxxxx	xxxxxx	
Nonassistance: persons.....	929,448	1,555	0.2	19.4	xxxxxx	xxxxxx	
households g/.....	383,366	107	0.0	18.3	xxxxxx	xxxxxx	
Expenditures paid (\$ in millions).....	\$153.8	(\$1.3)	(0.8)	7.8	xxxxxx	xxxxxx	
<b>California Food Assistance Program (CFAP) h/</b>							
Persons.....	20,167	113	0.6	(77.3)	75.41	66.32	
Assistance: persons.....	6,174	(14)	(0.2)	(81.9)	xxxxxx	xxxxxx	
households i/.....	1,696	(77)	(4.3)	(81.9)	xxxxxx	xxxxxx	
Nonassistance: persons.....	13,993	127	0.9	(74.5)	xxxxxx	xxxxxx	
households i/.....	6,421	61	1.0	(72.7)	xxxxxx	xxxxxx	
Expenditures paid (\$ in millions).....	\$1.5	(\$0.5)	(26.4)	(74.2)	xxxxxx	xxxxxx	
<b>In-Home Supportive Services (IHSS)</b>						<b>Average Cost Per Person i/</b>	
Persons receiving paid services.....	326,898	25,428	8.4	11.3	754.73	713.81	
Hours of service paid.....	28,563,015	4,477,742	18.6	14.8	xxxxxx	xxxxxx	
Expenditures paid (\$ in millions).....	\$246.7	\$37.7	18.1	17.7	xxxxxx	xxxxxx	
<b>Adult Protective Services (APS)</b>							
Cases opened during the month.....	6,283	754	13.6	(0.1)	xxxxxx	xxxxxx	
Cases carried forward to next month.....	11,289	(119)	(1.0)	(10.2)	xxxxxx	xxxxxx	
Confirmed Investigations of self neglect k/.....	1,797	178	11.0	(6.3)	xxxxxx	xxxxxx	
Confirmed Investigations of abuse by others k/.....	1,143	103	9.9	(0.9)	xxxxxx	xxxxxx	

g/ Combined count of Federal only and a portion of Federal-CFAP mixed households based on the percentage of Federal persons in Federal-CFAP mixed households.

h/ Large fluctuations in data due to continuing implementation of the Los Angeles County LEADER system.

i/ Combined count of State only and a portion of Federal-CFAP mixed households based on the percentage of State persons in Federal-CFAP mixed households.

j/ Based on paid cases for the month.

k/ Confirmed and unduplicated investigations.

### CalWORKs Non-Exempt Assistance Unit Maximum Aid Payment (MAP) and Food Stamp (FS) Allotment

MAP (Effective 06/1/03)			FS Allotments (10/1/03 - 9/30/04)	
Eligible persons in the same home	Region 1	Region 2	Eligible persons in the FS household	Maximum Coupon Allotment
1	\$349	\$331	1	\$141
2	568	540	2	259
3	704	671	3	371
4	839	799	4	471
5	954	909	5	560
6	1,072	1,021	6	672
7	1,178	1,119	7	743
8	1,283	1,221	8	849
9	1,386	1,320	9	955
10+	1,489	1,417	each additional person	106

### SSI/SSP Grant Levels (Effective 1/1/03 - 12/31/03)

	Aged or Disabled			Blind		
	Total	SSI	SSP	Total	SSI	SSP
Individual	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Independent.....	757.00	552.00	205.00	819.00	552.00	267.00
Household of another.....	578.66	368.00	210.66	654.66	368.00	286.66
Non-medical Out-of-Home Care.....	925.00	552.00	373.00	925.00	552.00	373.00
Couple						
Independent, neither member blind.....	1,344.00	829.00	727.00	xxx	xxx	xxx
Independent, one member blind.....	xxx	xxx	xxx	1,477.00	829.00	648.00
Independent, both members blind.....	xxx	xxx	xxx	1,556.00	829.00	727.00
Non-medical Out-of-Home Care.....	1,744.00	796.00	948.00	1,850.00	829.00	1,021.00