

Public Assistance Facts and Figures

For the Month of
March 2003

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Programs	Recipients				Average Monthly Benefits		
	March 2003	Change from		Percent Change from		March 2003	March 2002
		February 2003	February 2003	February 2003	March 2002		
California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids (CalWORKs) - persons a/	1,288,988	(11,571)	(0.9)	(7.3)	xxxxxx	xxxxxx	
Children	989,618	(6,430)	(0.6)	(5.2)	xxxxxx	xxxxxx	
Cases	482,196	(1,195)	(0.3)	(4.7)	502.64	521.57	
CalWORKs payments (\$ in millions)	\$242.4	(\$2.0)	(0.8)	(8.2)	xxxxxx	xxxxxx	
Two Parent Families - persons	185,430	(5,404)	(2.8)	(18.9)	xxxxxx	xxxxxx	
Children	111,225	(3,515)	(3.1)	(17.7)	xxxxxx	xxxxxx	
Cases	44,090	(808)	(1.8)	(15.1)	561.25	593.83	
Payments (\$ in millions)	\$24.7	(\$0.9)	(3.6)	(19.7)	xxxxxx	xxxxxx	
Zero Parent Families - persons	312,168	1,330	0.4	(3.5)	xxxxxx	xxxxxx	
Children	312,168	1,330	0.4	(3.5)	xxxxxx	xxxxxx	
Cases	161,196	458	0.3	(4.2)	449.29	448.12	
Payments (\$ in millions)	\$72.4	(\$0.1)	(0.1)	(3.9)	xxxxxx	xxxxxx	
All Other Families - persons	681,240	(6,901)	(1.0)	(11.7)	xxxxxx	xxxxxx	
Children	480,214	(4,883)	(1.0)	(10.7)	xxxxxx	xxxxxx	
Cases	242,332	(1,436)	(0.6)	(9.6)	525.38	544.11	
Payments (\$ in millions)	\$127.3	(\$1.3)	(1.0)	(12.7)	xxxxxx	xxxxxx	
TANF Timed-Out - persons b/	90,944	(4,707)	(4.9)	35.5	xxxxxx	xxxxxx	
Children	66,805	(3,473)	(4.9)	42.2	xxxxxx	xxxxxx	
Cases	27,941	(533)	(1.9)	55.4	528.41	663.64	
Payments (\$ in millions)	\$14.8	(\$0.4)	(2.9)	23.7	xxxxxx	xxxxxx	
Safety Net - persons c/	19,206	4,111	27.2	c/	xxxxxx	xxxxxx	
Children	19,206	4,111	27.2	c/	xxxxxx	xxxxxx	
Cases	6,637	1,124	20.4	c/	469.98	c/	
Payments (\$ in millions)	\$3.1	\$0.7	28.8	c/	xxxxxx	xxxxxx	
Foster Care (FC) Program - children	95,902	(503)	(0.5)	(3.8)	xxxxxx	xxxxxx	
Relative Home placements	33,669	(12)	(0.0)	(9.4)	xxxxxx	xxxxxx	
Foster Family Agency placements	23,222	(75)	(0.3)	2.0	xxxxxx	xxxxxx	
Foster Family Home placements	13,644	(228)	(1.6)	(15.2)	xxxxxx	xxxxxx	
Group Home placements	14,038	(173)	(1.2)	5.8	xxxxxx	xxxxxx	
Guardian Home placements	7,924	11	0.1	12.5	xxxxxx	xxxxxx	
Other home placements	1,342	(65)	(4.6)	(29.0)	xxxxxx	xxxxxx	
Unspecified home placements	2,063	39	1.9	39.5	xxxxxx	xxxxxx	
Supplemental Security Income/State Supplementary Payment (SSI/SSP) - persons d/	1,133,342	1,130	0.1	2.4	xxxxxx	xxxxxx	
Aged	343,741	251	0.1	1.8	487.60	485.17	
Blind	21,782	(18)	(0.1)	0.1	598.97	594.72	
Disabled	767,819	897	0.1	2.7	581.09	576.58	
SSI/SSP payments (\$ in millions)	\$626.8	\$1.2	0.2	3.1	xxxxxx	xxxxxx	
General Relief (GR) - persons	95,511	769	0.8	(3.4)	230.99	231.00	
	March 2003	February 2003	March 2002				
California unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted)	6.7%	6.7%	6.6%				
California population on assistance e/	7.3	7.3	7.7				

a/ All CalWORKs data is for cash grant cases only.

b/ Reporting began December 2001 and took several months to implement. Data is still incomplete.

c/ Reporting began January 2003. Prior year information will not be available until January 2004.

d/ Estimate based on preliminary data from the Social Security Administration.

e/ 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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					\$	\$
Federal and State Food Stamp (FS) Program						
<i>Average Coupon Value</i>						
Persons.....	1,769,170	283	0.0	(4.4)	86.39	80.84
Assistance: persons.....	877,860	(13,114)	(1.5)	(11.8)	xxxxxx	xxxxxx
households.....	316,030	(2,510)	(0.8)	(8.3)	xxxxxx	xxxxxx
Nonassistance: persons.....	891,310	13,397	1.5	4.2	xxxxxx	xxxxxx
households.....	369,869	7,956	2.2	4.1	xxxxxx	xxxxxx
Expenditures paid (\$ in millions).....	\$152.8	\$2.4	1.6	2.1	xxxxxx	xxxxxx
Federal Food Stamp (FS) Program						
Persons.....	1,682,171	1,887	0.1	(4.0)	87.30	81.81
Assistance: persons.....	847,871	(11,282)	(1.3)	(11.2)	xxxxxx	xxxxxx
households f/.....	307,774	(2,107)	(0.7)	(7.8)	xxxxxx	xxxxxx
Nonassistance: persons.....	834,300	13,169	1.6	4.7	xxxxxx	xxxxxx
households f/.....	345,716	7,783	2.3	4.4	xxxxxx	xxxxxx
Expenditures paid (\$ in millions).....	\$146.9	\$2.4	1.6	2.4	xxxxxx	xxxxxx
California Food Assistance Program (CFAP) g/						
Persons.....	86,999	(1,604)	(1.8)	(12.0)	68.65	63.57
Assistance: persons.....	29,989	(1,832)	(5.8)	(25.8)	xxxxxx	xxxxxx
households h/.....	8,256	(403)	(4.7)	(23.9)	xxxxxx	xxxxxx
Nonassistance: persons.....	57,010	228	0.4	(2.4)	xxxxxx	xxxxxx
households h/.....	24,153	173	0.7	(0.0)	xxxxxx	xxxxxx
Expenditures paid (\$ in millions).....	\$6.0	\$0.1	1.2	(4.9)	xxxxxx	xxxxxx
In-Home Supportive Services (IHSS)						
<i>Average Cost Per Person i/</i>						
Persons receiving paid services.....	299,801	12,042	4.2	10.1	721.88	656.93
Hours of service paid.....	25,218,582	1,557,954	6.6	11.8	xxxxxx	xxxxxx
Expenditures paid (\$ in millions).....	\$216.4	\$13.3	6.5	21.0	xxxxxx	xxxxxx
Adult Protective Services (APS)						
Cases opened during the month.....	6,630	435	7.0	1.5	xxxxxx	xxxxxx
Cases carried forward to next month.....	12,102	(235)	(1.9)	(16.3)	xxxxxx	xxxxxx
Confirmed Investigations of self neglect j/.....	2,051	244	13.5	4.1	xxxxxx	xxxxxx
Confirmed Investigations of abuse by others j/.....	1,255	99	8.6	0.6	xxxxxx	xxxxxx

f/ 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.
g/ Large fluctuations in data due to continuing implementation of the Los Angeles County LEADER system.
h/ 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.
i/ Based on paid cases for the month.
j/ Confirmed and unduplicated investigations.

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

MAP (Effective 10/1/01)			FS Allotments (10/1/02 - 9/30/03)	
<i>Eligible persons in the same home</i>	<i>Region 1</i>	<i>Region 2</i>	<i>Eligible persons in the FS household</i>	<i>Maximum Coupon Allotment</i>
1	\$336	\$319	1	\$139
2	548	521	2	256
3	679	647	3	366
4	809	770	4	465
5	920	876	5	553
6	1,033	984	6	663
7	1,136	1,079	7	733
8	1,237	1,177	8	838
9	1,336	1,272	9	943
10+	1,435	1,366	each additional person	105

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

	Aged or Disabled			Blind		
	<i>Total</i>	<i>SSI</i>	<i>SSP</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>SSI</i>	<i>SSP</i>
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