

# Public Assistance Facts and Figures

For the Month of  
**August 2008**

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General Relief (GR)

## Non-Cash Grant Programs

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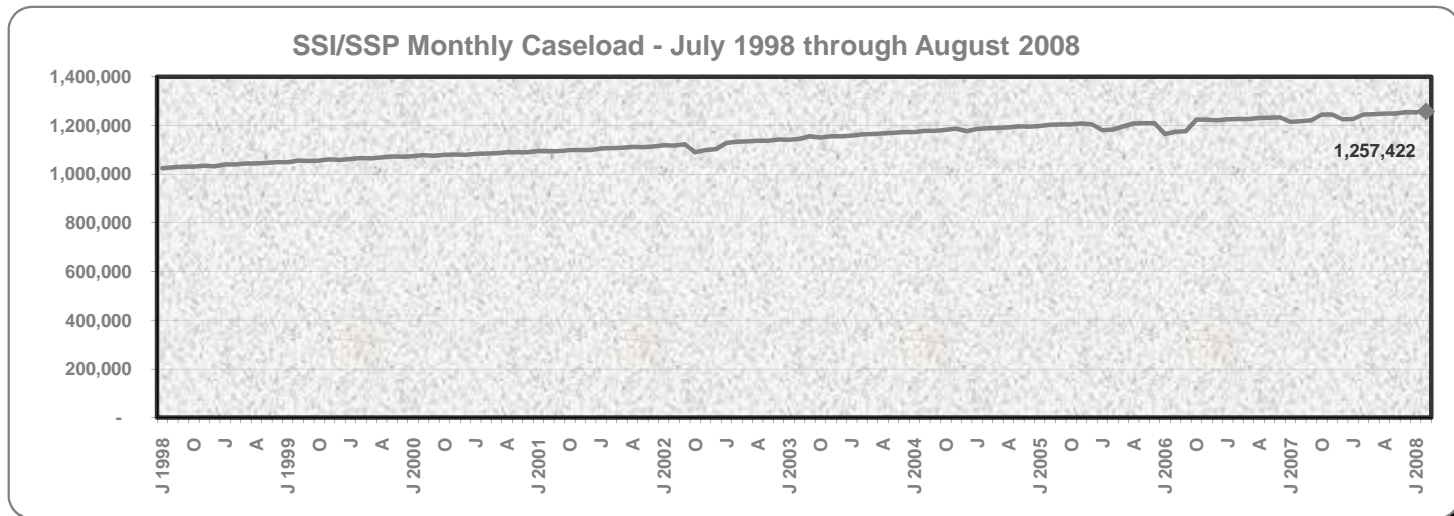
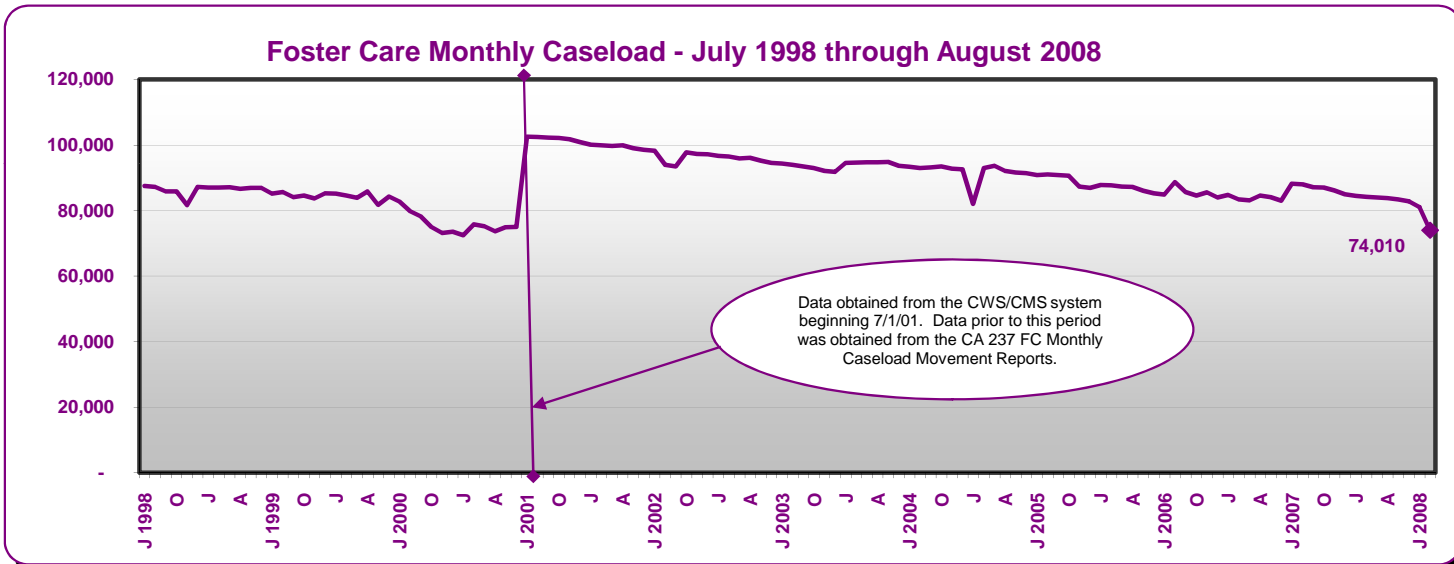
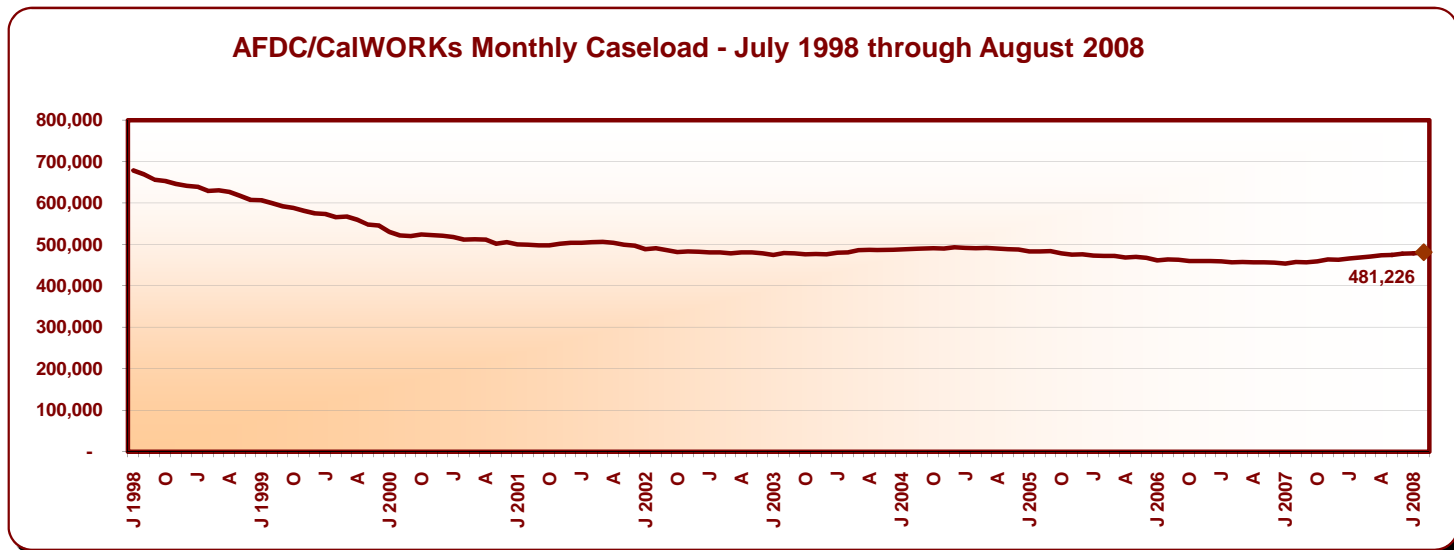
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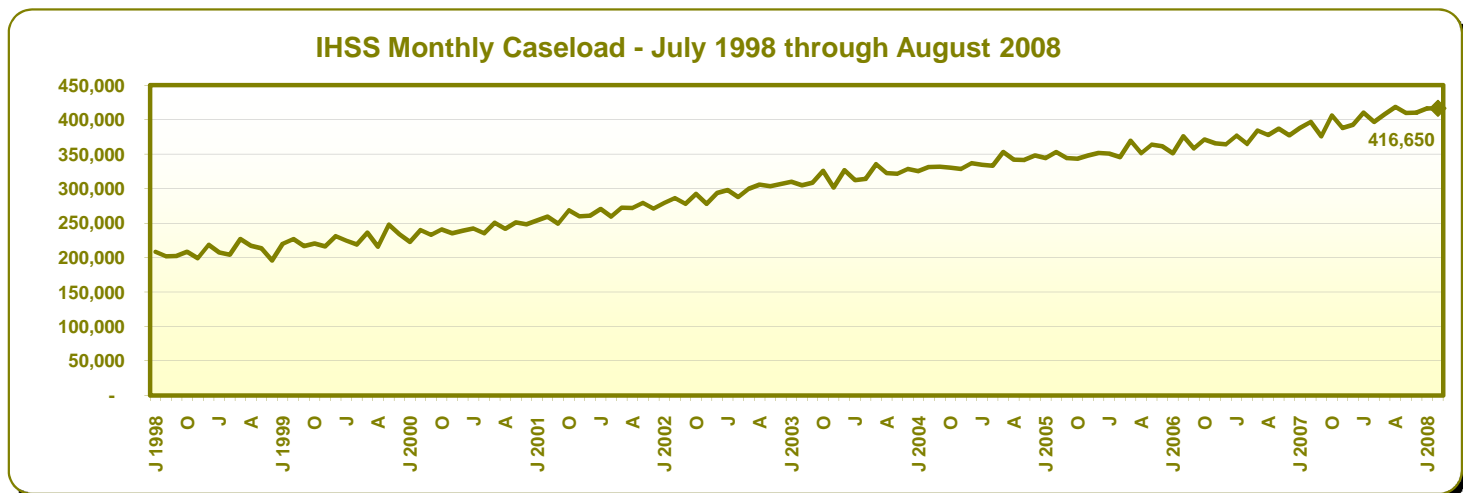
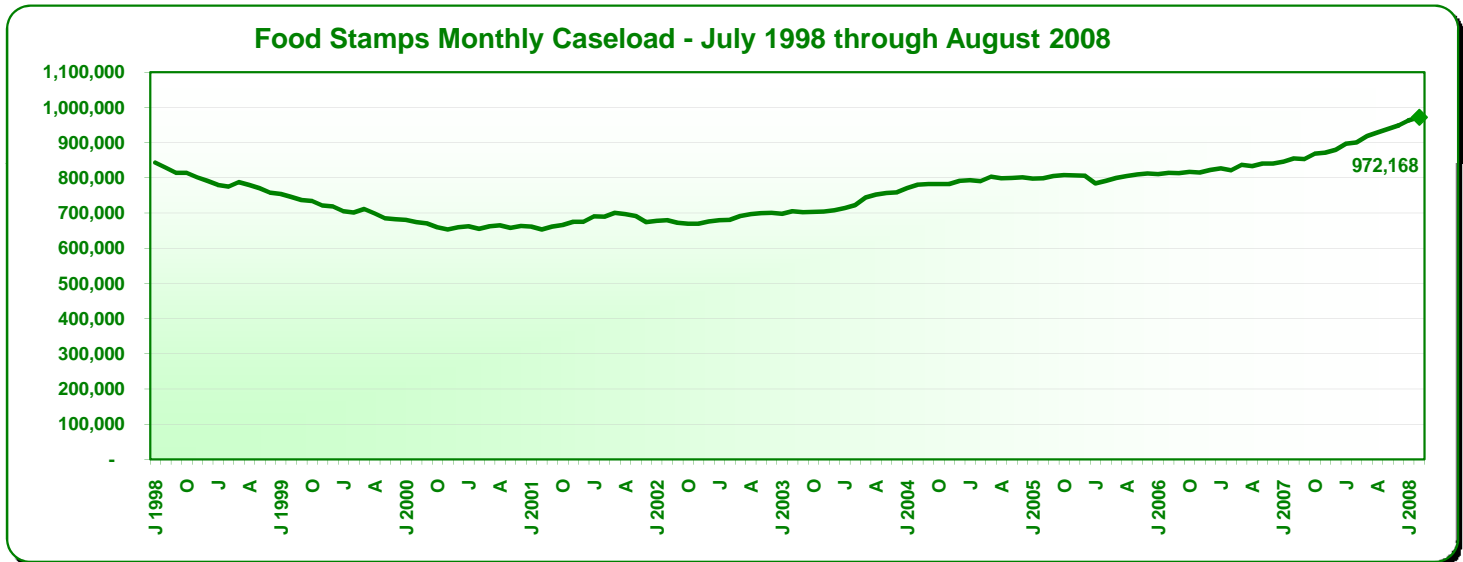
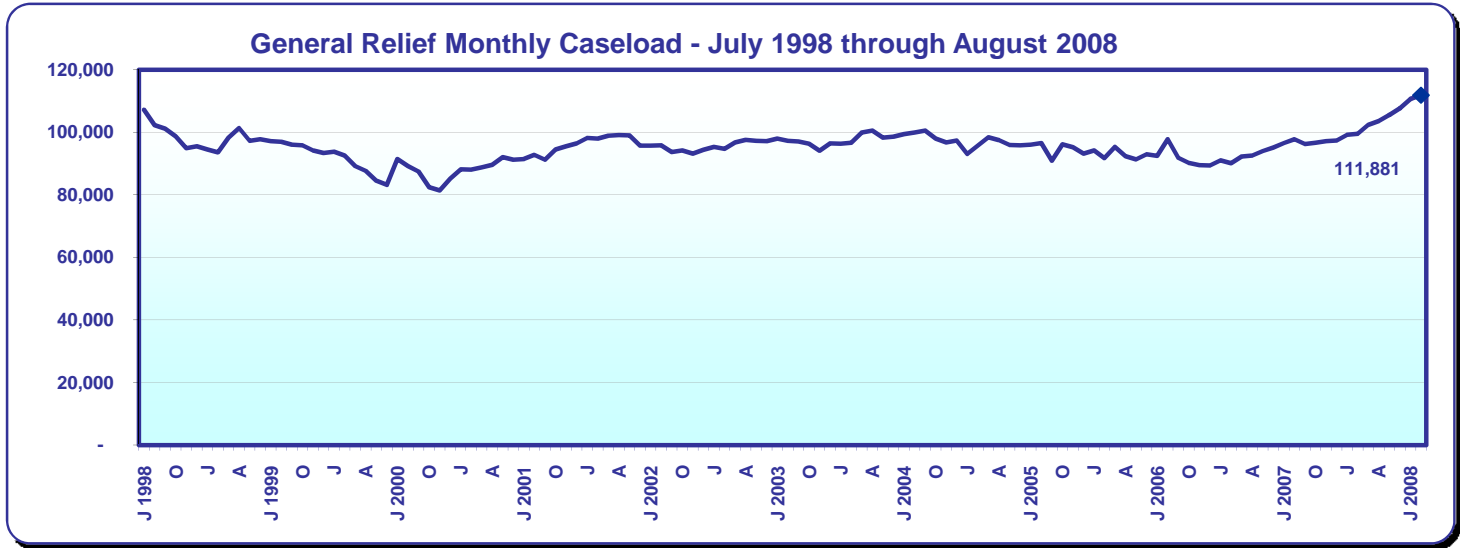


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Programs	Recipients				Average Monthly Benefits	
	Change from		Percent Change from		August 2008	August 2007
	August 2008	July 2008	July 2008	August 2007		
California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids (CalWORKs) - persons a/.....	1,198,255	7,910	0.7	5.3	\$	\$
Children.....	943,741	4,892	0.5	4.5		
Cases.....	481,226	2,762	0.6	5.1	527.18	525.88
CalWORKs payments (\$ in millions).....	\$253.7	\$2.1	0.8	5.4		
Two Parent Families - persons.....	146,966	1,080	0.7	13.1		
Children.....	83,553	412	0.5	10.4		
Cases.....	37,363	377	1.0	14.1	617.05	614.42
Payments (\$ in millions).....	\$23.1	\$0.3	1.1	14.6		
Zero Parent Families - persons.....	330,508	133	0.0	3.7		
Children.....	330,508	133	0.0	3.7		
Cases.....	169,046	(79)	(0.0)	3.4	487.14	489.13
Payments (\$ in millions).....	\$82.3	\$0.1	0.1	3.0		
All Other Families - persons.....	521,502	6,013	1.2	5.9		
Children.....	352,960	3,950	1.1	5.5		
Cases.....	199,827	2,148	1.1	6.4	554.86	554.69
Payments (\$ in millions).....	\$110.9	\$1.9	1.8	6.4		
TANF Timed-Out - persons.....	80,751	708	0.9	(1.8)		
Children.....	58,192	421	0.7	(2.0)		
Cases.....	27,894	242	0.9	(1.0)	576.50	573.79
Payments (\$ in millions).....	\$16.1	\$0.2	1.2	(0.5)		
Safety Net - persons.....	118,528	(24)	(0.0)	3.3		
Children.....	118,528	(24)	(0.0)	3.3		
Cases.....	47,096	74	0.2	3.8	452.94	445.36
Payments (\$ in millions).....	\$21.3	(\$0.3)	(1.6)	5.6		
Foster Care (FC) Program - children.....	74,010	(7,082)	(8.7)	(15.9)		
Relative Home placements.....	25,750	(2,440)	(8.7)	(19.5)		
Foster Family Agency placements.....	19,595	(1,779)	(8.3)	(13.2)		
Foster Family Home placements.....	6,986	(665)	(8.7)	(19.1)		
Group Home placements.....	12,234	(1,363)	(10.0)	(14.7)		
Guardian Home placements.....	7,652	(654)	(7.9)	(8.5)		
Other/Unspecified Home placements.....	1,458	(144)	(9.0)	(14.4)		
Other Facility placements.....	335	(37)	(9.9)	(18.7)		
Supplemental Security Income/State Supplementary Payment (SSI/SSP) - persons b/.....	1,257,422	3,383	0.3	3.4		
Aged.....	369,227	885	0.2	3.6	536.58	528.01
Blind.....	20,467	56	0.3	(0.2)	673.54	659.52
Disabled.....	867,728	2,442	0.3	3.4	651.26	640.00
SSI/SSP payments (\$ in millions).....	\$777.0	\$2.9	0.4	5.2		
General Relief (GR) - persons.....	111,881	1,170	1.1	15.0	214.95	219.90
	August 2008	July 2008	August 2007			
California unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted).....	7.7%	7.3%	5.5%			
California population on assistance c/.....	6.9	6.9	6.7			

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

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

c/ 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.

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					\$	\$
					<i>Average Coupon Value</i>	
Federal and State Food Stamp (FS) Program						
Persons.....	2,349,581	27,930	1.2	12.5	113.05	107.21
Assistance: persons.....	677,510	4,305	0.6	5.7		
households.....	265,501	720	0.3	4.7		
Nonassistance: persons.....	1,672,071	23,625	1.4	15.5		
households.....	706,667	8,247	1.2	17.6		
Expenditures paid (\$ in millions).....	\$265.6	\$2.4	0.9	18.6		
Federal Food Stamp (FS) Program						
Persons.....	2,325,856	27,833	1.2	12.4	113.27	107.38
Assistance: persons.....	672,407	4,336	0.6	5.6		
households d/.....	264,021	736	0.3	4.7		
Nonassistance: persons.....	1,653,449	23,497	1.4	15.5		
households d/.....	698,757	8,253	1.2	17.6		
Expenditures paid (\$ in millions).....	\$263.4	\$2.4	0.9	18.6		
California Food Assistance Program (CFAP) e/						
Persons.....	23,725	97	0.4	18.5	91.72	89.10
Assistance: persons.....	5,103	(31)	(0.6)	12.8		
households f/.....	1,480	(16)	(1.1)	12.1		
Nonassistance: persons.....	18,622	128	0.7	20.2		
households f/.....	7,910	(6)	(0.1)	15.9		
Expenditures paid (\$ in millions).....	\$2.2	(\$0.0)	(0.3)	22.0		
In-Home Supportive Services (IHSS)					<i>Average Cost Per Person</i>	
Persons receiving paid services.....	416,650	607	0.1	5.0	900.71	861.04
Hours of service paid.....	36,195,678	187,946	0.5	6.6		
Expenditures paid (\$ in millions).....	\$375.3	\$2.5	0.7	9.8		

d/ 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.

e/ 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.

f/ Based on paid cases for the month.

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

MAP (Effective 7/1/07 - 8/31/07)			FS Allotments (10/1/06 - 9/30/07)	
Eligible persons in the same home	Region 1	Region 2	Eligible persons in the FS household	Maximum Coupon Allotment
1	\$359	\$340	1	\$162
2	584	555	2	298
3	723	689	3	426
4	862	821	4	542
5	980	934	5	643
6	1,101	1,049	6	772
7	1,210	1,150	7	853
8	1,318	1,255	8	975
9	1,424	1,356	9	1077
10+	1,530	1,456	each additional person	122

## SSI/SSP Grant Levels (Effective 1/1/08)

	Aged or Disabled			Blind		
	Total	SSI	SSP	Total	SSI	SSP
Individual						
Independent.....	\$ 870.00	\$ 637.00	\$ 233.00	\$ 935.00	\$ 637.00	\$ 298.00
Household of another.....	659.00	425.00	234.00	740.00	425.00	315.00
Non-medical Out-of-Home Care.....	1,049.00	637.00	412.00	1,049.00	637.00	412.00
Couple						
Independent, neither member blind.....	1,524.00	956.00	568.00	xxx	xxx	xxx
Independent, one member blind.....	xxx	xxx	xxx	1,666.00	956.00	710.00
Independent, both members blind.....	xxx	xxx	xxx	1,751.00	956.00	795.00
Non-medical Out-of-Home Care.....	2,092.00	956.00	1,136.00	2,098.00	956.00	1,142.00