

# Public Assistance Facts and Figures

For the Month of  
**September 2008**

## Cash Grant Programs

California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids (CalWORKs)  
Foster Care (FC)  
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General Relief (GR)

## Non-Cash Grant Programs

Federal Food Stamp Program (FS)  
California Food Assistance Program (CFAP)  
In-Home Supportive Services (IHSS)

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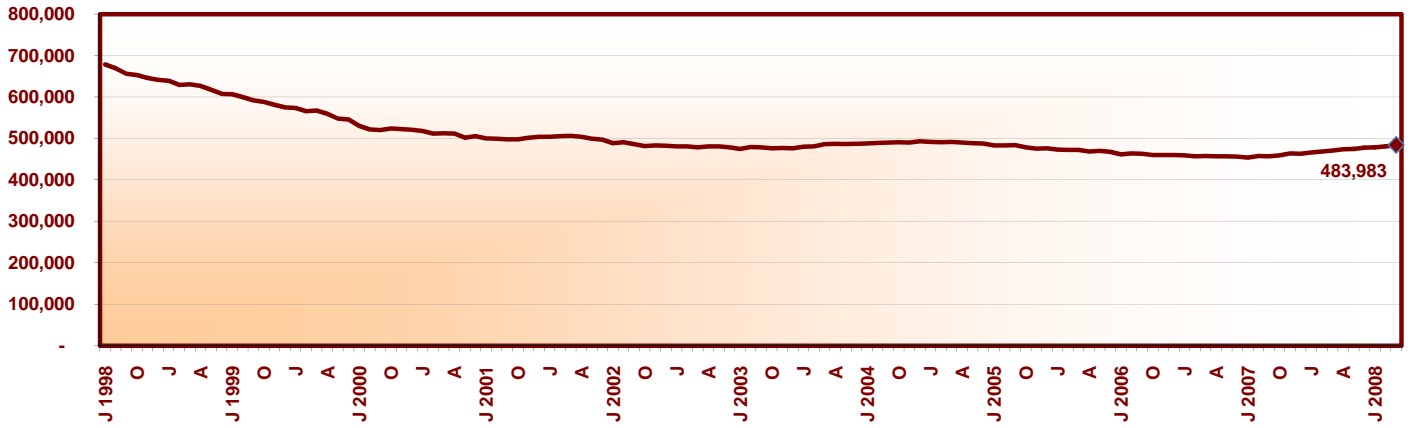
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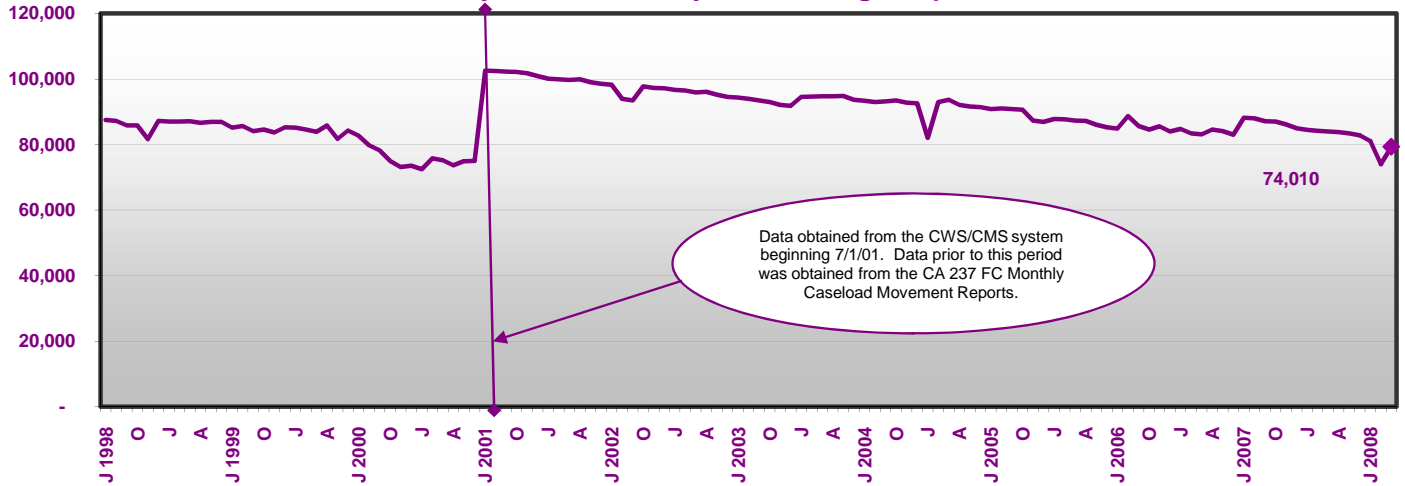
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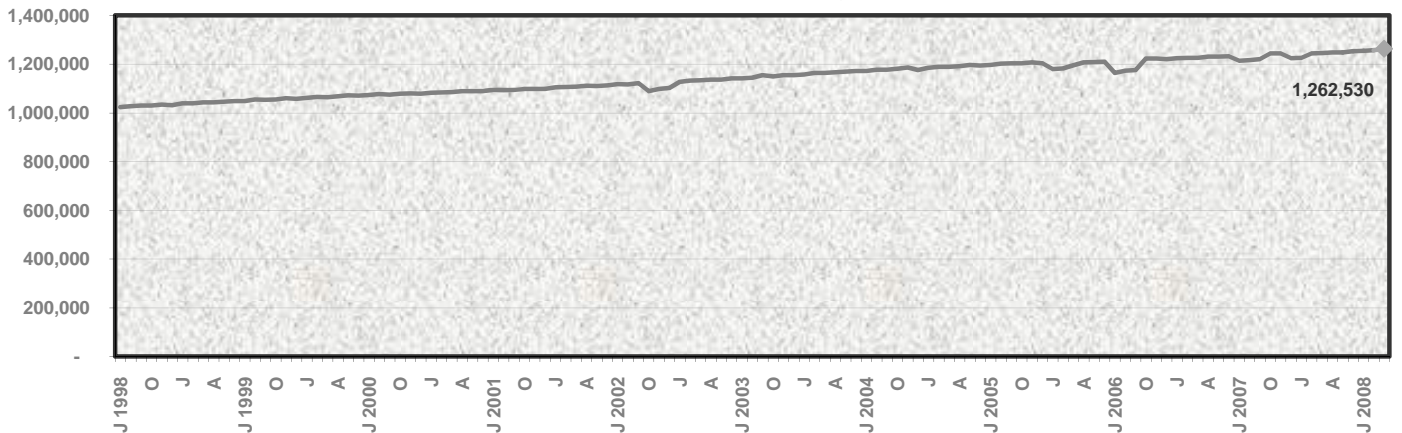
### AFDC/CalWORKs Monthly Caseload - July 1998 through September 2008



### Foster Care Monthly Caseload - July 1998 through September 2008



### SSI/SSP Monthly Caseload - July 1998 through September 2008

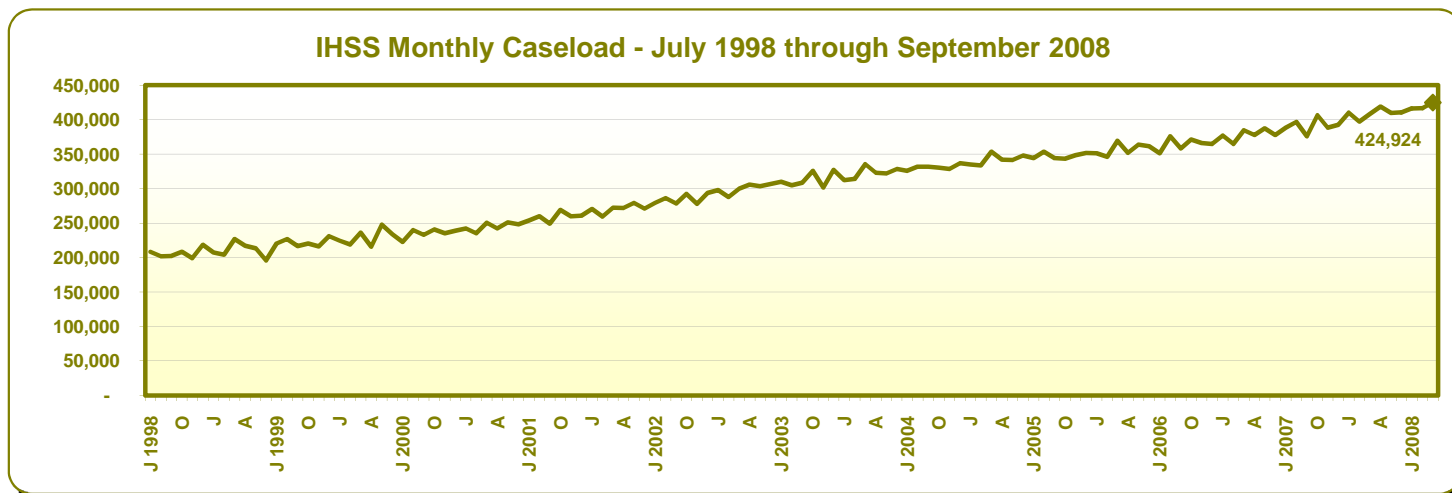
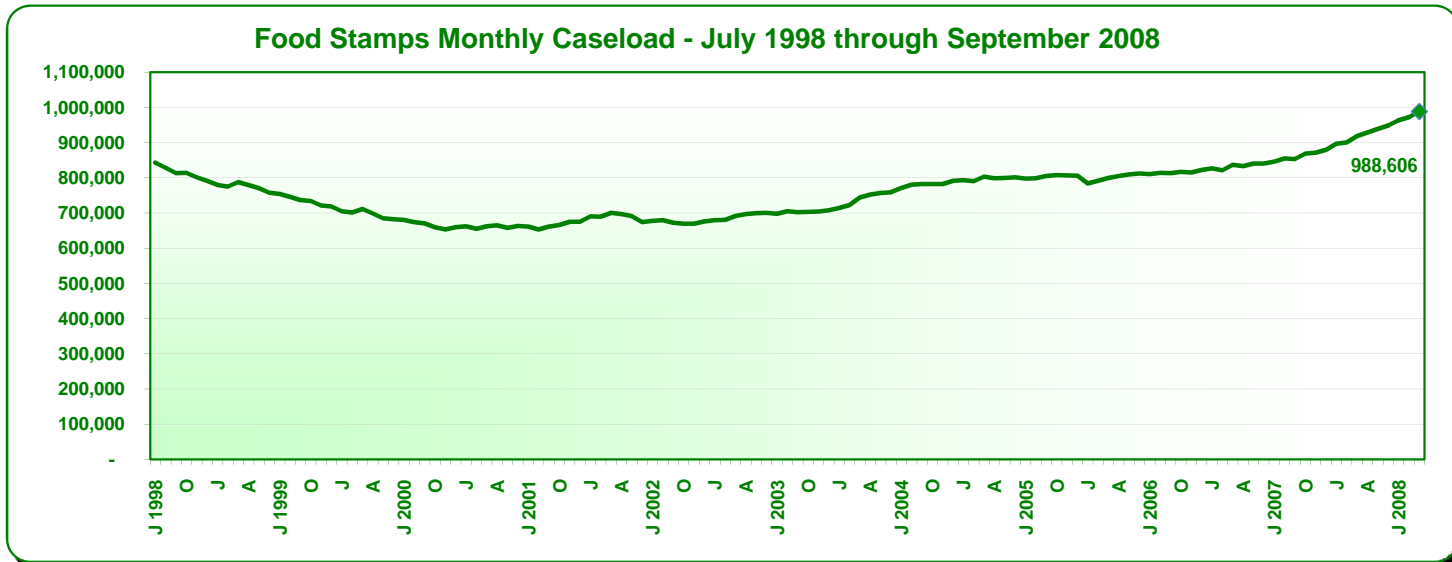
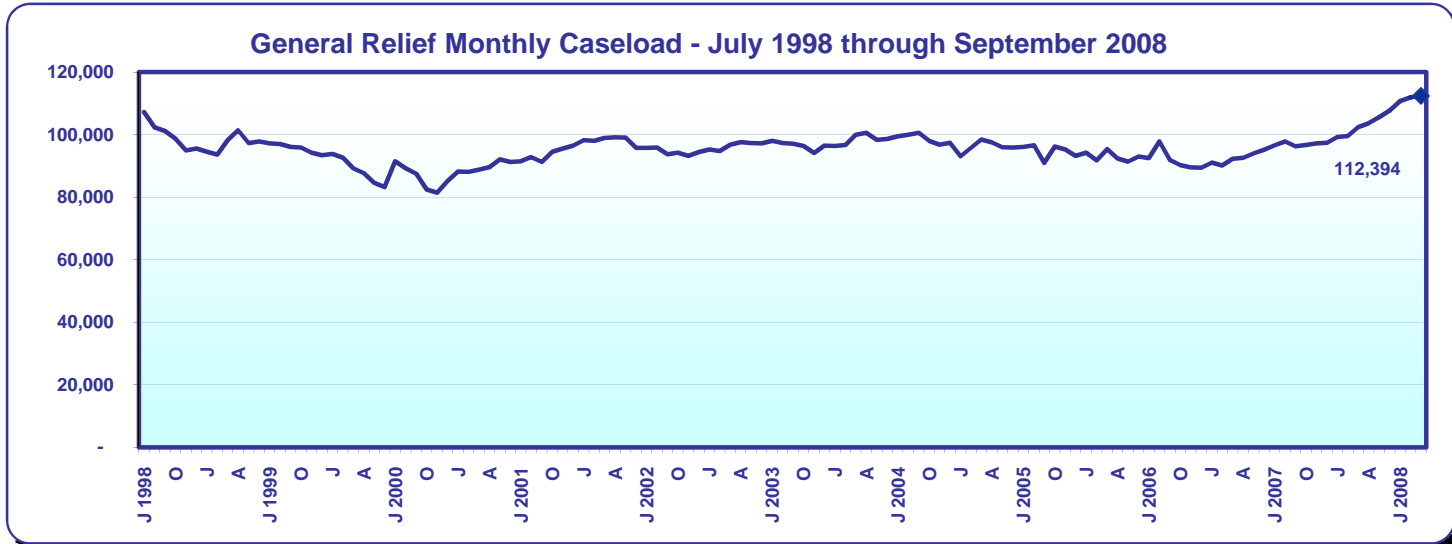


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Programs	Recipients				Average Monthly Benefits	
	September 2008	Change from August 2008	Percent Change from		September 2008	September 2007
			August 2008	September 2007		
California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids (CalWORKs) - persons a/.....	1,204,018	5,999	0.5	5.8	\$	\$
Children.....	947,190	3,668	0.4	5.1		
Cases.....	483,983	2,863	0.7	5.9	528.54	526.07
CalWORKs payments (\$ in millions).....	\$255.8	\$2.1	0.8	6.4		
Two Parent Families - persons.....	148,097	1,172	0.8	13.7		
Children.....	84,083	549	0.7	11.0		
Cases.....	37,697	321	0.9	14.8	619.68	611.81
Payments (\$ in millions).....	\$23.4	\$0.3	1.3	16.3		
Zero Parent Families - persons.....	331,240	881	0.3	4.5		
Children.....	331,240	881	0.3	4.5		
Cases.....	169,477	599	0.4	4.2	487.68	489.78
Payments (\$ in millions).....	\$82.7	\$0.3	0.4	3.7		
All Other Families - persons.....	525,657	4,178	0.8	6.5		
Children.....	355,303	2,381	0.7	6.2		
Cases.....	201,667	1,815	0.9	7.2	555.03	553.50
Payments (\$ in millions).....	\$111.9	\$1.1	1.0	7.5		
TANF Timed-Out - persons.....	80,390	(330)	(0.4)	(2.3)		
Children.....	57,930	(241)	(0.4)	(2.4)		
Cases.....	27,857	(45)	(0.2)	(0.8)	571.65	571.11
Payments (\$ in millions).....	\$15.9	(\$0.2)	(1.0)	(0.7)		
Safety Net - persons.....	118,634	98	0.1	3.6		
Children.....	118,634	98	0.1	3.6		
Cases.....	47,285	173	0.4	4.3	463.97	452.47
Payments (\$ in millions).....	\$21.9	\$0.6	2.8	7.0		
Foster Care (FC) Program - children.....	79,313	5,303	7.2	(9.0)		
Relative Home placements.....	27,318	1,568	6.1	(13.7)		
Foster Family Agency placements.....	21,224	1,629	8.3	(5.4)		
Foster Family Home placements.....	7,538	552	7.9	(11.5)		
Group Home placements.....	13,112	878	7.2	(7.2)		
Guardian Home placements.....	8,197	545	7.1	(1.0)		
Other/Unspecified Home placements.....	1,525	67	4.6	(10.2)		
Other Facility placements.....	399	64	19.1	(1.0)		
Supplemental Security Income/State Supplementary Payment (SSI/SSP) - persons b/.....	1,262,530	5,108	0.4	3.4		
Aged.....	370,369	1,142	0.3	3.6	536.45	528.36
Blind.....	20,538	71	0.3	0.2	675.79	661.09
Disabled.....	871,623	3,895	0.4	3.4	654.35	641.28
SSI/SSP payments (\$ in millions).....	\$782.9	\$5.9	0.8	5.4		
General Relief (GR) - persons.....	112,394	614	0.5	17.3	218.07	221.36
	September 2008	August 2008	September 2007			
California unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted).....	7.7%	7.7%	5.6%			
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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					\$	\$
					Average Coupon Value	
Federal and State Food Stamp (FS) Program						
Persons.....	2,380,770	31,189	1.3	13.8	113.17	106.65
Assistance: persons.....	683,383	5,873	0.9	5.9		
households.....	268,310	2,809	1.1	5.4		
Nonassistance: persons.....	1,697,387	25,316	1.5	17.3		
households.....	720,296	13,629	1.9	19.8		
Expenditures paid (\$ in millions).....	\$269.4	\$3.8	1.4	20.7		
Federal Food Stamp (FS) Program						
Persons.....	2,356,921	31,065	1.3	13.7	113.39	106.84
Assistance: persons.....	678,303	5,896	0.9	5.8		
households d/.....	266,843	2,822	1.1	5.3		
Nonassistance: persons.....	1,678,618	25,169	1.5	17.3		
households d/.....	712,319	13,562	1.9	19.9		
Expenditures paid (\$ in millions).....	\$267.2	\$3.8	1.4	20.7		
California Food Assistance Program (CFAP) e/						
Persons.....	23,849	124	0.5	19.0	91.21	87.31
Assistance: persons.....	5,080	(23)	(0.5)	11.5		
households f/.....	1,467	(13)	(0.9)	9.3		
Nonassistance: persons.....	18,769	147	0.8	21.3		
households f/.....	7,977	67	0.8	17.0		
Expenditures paid (\$ in millions).....	\$2.2	(\$0.0)	(0.0)	24.4		
In-Home Supportive Services (IHSS)					Average Cost Per Person	
Persons receiving paid services.....	424,924	8,274	2.0	13.0	885.93	863.50
Hours of service paid.....	36,401,429	205,751	0.6	13.1		
Expenditures paid (\$ in millions).....	\$376.5	\$1.2	0.3	16.0		

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