

Table A-5. Number of AFDC/TANF Recipients, and Recipients as a Percentage of Various Population Groups, 1970 – 1998

Calendar Year ¹	Total Recipients in the States & DC (in thousands)	Child Recipients in the States & DC (in thousands)	Recipients as a Percent of Total Population ²	Recipients as a Percent of Poverty Population ³	Recipients as a Percent of Pretransfer Poverty Population ⁴	Child Recipients as a Percent of Total Child Population ²	Child Recipients as a Percent of Children in Poverty ³
1970.....	8,303	6,104	4.1	32.7	NA	8.8	58.5
1971.....	10,043	7,303	4.9	39.3	NA	10.5	69.2
1972.....	10,736	7,766	5.1	43.9	NA	11.2	75.5
1973.....	10,738	7,763	5.1	46.7	NA	11.3	80.5
1974.....	10,621	7,637	5.0	45.4	NA	11.3	75.2
1975.....	11,131	7,928	5.2	43.0	NA	11.8	71.4
1976.....	11,098	7,850	5.1	44.4	NA	11.8	76.4
1977.....	10,856	7,632	4.9	43.9	NA	11.7	74.2
1978.....	10,387	7,270	4.7	42.4	NA	11.2	73.2
1979.....	10,140	7,057	4.5	38.9	53.1	11.0	68.0
1980.....	10,599	7,295	4.7	36.2	49.2	11.4	63.2
1981.....	10,893	7,397	4.7	34.2	47.1	11.7	59.2
1982.....	10,161	6,767	4.4	29.5	40.6	10.8	49.6
1983.....	10,569	6,967	4.5	29.9	41.9	11.1	50.1
1984.....	10,644	7,017	4.5	31.6	43.6	11.2	52.3
1985.....	10,672	7,073	4.5	32.3	45.0	11.3	54.4
1986.....	10,851	7,206	4.5	33.5	46.6	11.5	56.0
1987.....	10,842	7,240	4.5	33.6	46.7	11.5	55.9
1988.....	10,728	7,201	4.4	33.8	47.7	11.4	57.8
1989.....	10,799	7,286	4.4	34.3	47.6	11.5	57.9
1990.....	11,497	7,781	4.6	34.2	47.1	12.1	57.9
1991.....	12,728	8,601	5.0	35.6	49.1	13.2	60.0
1992.....	13,571	9,189	5.3	35.7	50.8	13.9	60.1
1993.....	14,007	9,460	5.4	35.7	48.5	14.1	60.2
1994.....	13,970	9,448	5.4	36.7	50.0	13.9	61.8
1995.....	13,241	9,013	5.0	36.4	50.1	13.1	61.5
1996.....	12,155	8,355	4.6	33.3	46.4	12.1	57.8
1997.....	10,223	7,340 ⁵	3.8	28.7	40.7	10.5	52.0
1998.....	8,200	5,756	3.0	23.8	34.6	8.2	42.7

¹ Total recipients are calculated here as the monthly average for the calendar year in order to compare with the calendar year counts of the poverty populations used to compute the reciprocity rates. See Table IND 9a for fiscal year reciprocity rates.

² Population numbers used as denominators are resident population. See *Current Population Reports*, Series P25-1106.

³ For poverty population data see *Current Population Reports*, Series P60-201 and Resident Population Estimates of the United States by Age and Sex, April 1, 1990 to November 1, 1999, Internet release date December 23, 1999.

⁴ The pretransfer poverty population used as denominator is the number of all persons in families with related children under 18 years of age whose income (cash income plus social insurance plus Social Security but before taxes and means-tested transfers) falls below the appropriate poverty threshold. See Appendix J, Table 20, *1992 Green Book*; data for subsequent years are unpublished Congressional Budget Office tabulations.

⁵ Average for January through June of 1997.

Source: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Office of Family Assistance and U.S. Bureau of the Census, "Poverty in the United States: 1998," *Current Population Reports*, Series P60-207 and earlier years, (Available online at <http://www.census.gov/hhes/www/poverty.html>).