

Trends in the AFDC Caseload since 1962

This section summarizes caseload trends in AFDC for the past thirty years. A large variety of factors have influenced the growth of the caseload. Changes in economic conditions, labor markets, family structures, foreign immigration, migrations from rural to urban areas, the civil rights movement, and changes in State and Federal eligibility rules all contributed to the rise and fall of the caseload during this period.

Both the National and the State data are presented. Many of the most important decisions regarding who might be eligible and how much assistance a family would receive were made by the States. The aggregation of National data masks the wide variations among States. These variations among the States reflect the changing National economic and demographic trends during this period, but, perhaps more importantly, also reflect the social and economic histories of the individual States during the past century.

The data are organized in three different ways: by cases, by recipients, and by children. A case is an administrative entity representing a group of persons who receive assistance under a shared determination of eligibility and payment status. Recipients refers to the number of persons who receive assistance within a case, and includes both children and adults.

At times in the following tables and figures we refer to the number of “families.” The reader should understand that the term “family” is not being used here in a sociological sense but as the equivalent of “case.” Usually a “case” refers to a family which maintains a separate household, but there are exceptions. For a variety of reasons, a group of related persons sharing living quarters might include more than one “case,” and thus be counted more than once. Typically this occurs when there is more than one mother with related children in the household—one-third of recipients are in subfamilies. Conversely, family members who do not receive assistance under the AFDC program would not be counted in a “case” even though they may be members of the same household. The rules about who is included in the “assistance unit” or “case” are different in other programs such as the Food Stamp Program.

- There was steady, slow growth in the AFDC caseload in the early 1960s. In 1967 growth began to accelerate and then rose rapidly until 1973. Between 1970 and 1976, the average monthly number of families participating in the AFDC program increased by 87 percent, from 1.9 million to 3.6 million (Table 2.1).
- Since the early 1970s, the *recipiency rate* has been constant between five and seven percent of the population under age 65. Fluctuations in the rate mirror the changes in national economic conditions with increases during times of recession and unemployment and decreases during times of growth and high employment (Figures 2.1 and 2.2).

- From 1976 to 1979 the caseload held steady, even declining marginally. However there was a 10 percent increase in cases during the economic downturn of 1979-1981.
- In 1982, after the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act (OBRA) of 1981 took effect, the number of participating families fell by eight percent. The OBRA legislation included provisions that restricted AFDC eligibility. However, participation increased again in 1983 as the economy suffered its worst recession in the post-World War II era.
- After remaining relatively constant during the remainder of the 1980s, participation increased sharply beginning in 1990, reaching a peak of over 5 million families per month in 1994. However, 1995 and 1996 experienced sharp declines of 170,000 and 316,000 cases respectively, which brought the caseload down to the 1991-1992 levels.
- In 1996 the average monthly number of cases participating in the AFDC program was 4.55 million families. This represents a decrease of nearly ten percent from the monthly average of 5.05 million families in 1994. By the end of August 1996, the number of cases had declined to 4.41 million.

Table 2.1
Trends in Total AFDC Enrollments, 1962 – 1996

Fiscal Year	Average Monthly Number (In thousands)					Children as a Percent of Total Recipients	Average Number of Children per Family
	Total Families ¹	Total Recipients ¹	Unemployed Parent Families	Unemployed Parent Recipients	Total Children		
1962.....	924	3,593	48	224	2,778	77.3	3.0
1963.....	950	3,834	54	291	2,896	75.5	3.0
1964.....	984	4,059	60	343	3,043	75.0	3.1
1965.....	1,037	4,323	69	400	3,242	75.0	3.1
1966.....	1,074	4,472	62	361	3,369	75.3	3.1
1967.....	1,141	4,718	58	340	3,561	75.5	3.1
1968.....	1,307	5,348	67	377	4,011	75.0	3.1
1969.....	1,538	6,147	66	361	4,591	74.7	3.0
1970.....	1,909	7,415	78	420	5,494	74.0	2.9
1971.....	2,532	9,556	143	726	6,963	72.9	2.8
1972.....	2,918	10,632	134	639	7,698	72.4	2.6
1973.....	3,124	11,038	120	557	7,965	72.2	2.6
1974.....	3,170	10,845	93	429	7,824	72.1	2.5
1975.....	3,357	11,094	100	446	7,952	71.7	2.4
1976.....	3,575	11,386	135	593	8,054	70.7	2.3
1977.....	3,593	11,130	149	659	7,846	70.5	2.2
1978.....	3,539	10,672	128	568	7,492	70.2	2.1
1979.....	3,496	10,318	114	506	7,197	69.8	2.1
1980.....	3,642	10,597	141	612	7,320	69.1	2.0
1981.....	3,871	11,160	209	881	7,615	68.2	2.0
1982.....	3,569	10,431	232	976	6,975	66.9	2.0
1983.....	3,651	10,659	272	1,144	7,051	66.1	1.9
1984.....	3,725	10,866	287	1,222	7,153	65.8	1.9
1985.....	3,692	10,813	261	1,131	7,165	66.3	1.9
1986.....	3,748	10,997	254	1,102	7,300	66.4	1.9
1987.....	3,784	11,065	236	1,035	7,381	66.7	2.0
1988.....	3,748	10,920	210	929	7,325	67.1	2.0
1989.....	3,771	10,934	193	856	7,370	67.4	2.0
1990.....	3,974	11,460	204	899	7,755	67.7	2.0
1991.....	4,374	12,592	268	1,148	8,513	67.6	1.9
1992.....	4,768	13,625	322	1,348	9,226	67.7	1.9
1993.....	4,981	14,143	359	1,489	9,560	67.6	1.9
1994.....	5,046	14,226	363	1,510	9,611	67.6	1.9
1995.....	4,879	13,659	335	1,384	9,280	67.9	1.9
1996.....	4,552	12,644	301	1,241	8,671	68.6	1.9

¹ Total families and recipients includes unemployed parent families.

Source: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Office of Planning, Research and Evaluation.

Table 2.2
Caseload Trends in the AFDC-Basic Program, 1962 – 1996 ¹

Fiscal Year	Average Monthly Number (In thousands)				Children as a Percent of Recipients	Average Number of Children per Basic Family
	Basic Families ¹	Basic Recipients	Basic Adults	Basic Children		
1962.....	875	3,369	768	2,601	77.2	3.0
1963.....	896	3,543	846	2,697	76.1	3.0
1964.....	923	3,716	901	2,815	75.8	3.0
1965.....	968	3,923	950	2,973	75.8	3.1
1966.....	1,012	4,111	987	3,124	76.0	3.1
1967.....	1,082	4,378	1,049	3,329	76.0	3.1
1968.....	1,241	4,971	1,214	3,758	75.6	3.0
1969.....	1,472	5,786	1,435	4,352	75.2	3.0
1970.....	1,831	6,995	1,781	5,213	74.5	2.8
1971.....	2,389	8,830	2,319	6,512	73.7	2.7
1972.....	2,784	9,993	2,681	7,312	73.2	2.6
1973.....	3,003	10,481	2,851	7,631	72.8	2.5
1974.....	3,077	10,416	2,853	7,563	72.6	2.5
1975.....	3,258	10,648	2,958	7,663	72.1	2.4
1976.....	3,440	10,793	2,961	7,815	72.5	2.3
1977.....	3,444	10,470	3,004	7,445	71.3	2.2
1978.....	3,411	10,103	2,942	7,153	70.9	2.1
1979.....	3,382	9,812	2,901	6,907	70.4	2.0
1980.....	3,502	9,985	3,009	6,977	69.9	2.0
1981.....	3,662	10,279	3,155	7,124	69.3	1.9
1982.....	3,337	9,455	3,022	6,433	68.0	1.9
1983.....	3,378	9,516	3,100	6,416	67.4	1.9
1984.....	3,438	9,643	3,168	6,475	67.2	1.9
1985.....	3,430	9,682	3,153	6,528	67.4	1.9
1986.....	3,494	9,895	3,218	6,677	67.5	1.9
1987.....	3,548	10,030	3,240	6,790	67.7	1.9
1988.....	3,538	9,991	3,200	6,792	68.0	1.9
1989.....	3,578	10,078	3,204	6,874	68.2	1.9
1990.....	3,771	10,562	3,330	7,232	68.5	1.9
1991.....	4,106	11,444	3,596	7,848	68.6	1.9
1992.....	4,447	12,278	3,837	8,440	68.7	1.9
1993.....	4,622	12,654	3,985	8,669	68.5	1.9
1994.....	4,683	12,716	3,998	8,718	68.6	1.9
1995.....	4,544	12,275	3,812	8,463	68.9	1.9
1996.....	4,250	11,403	3,475	7,928	69.5	1.9

¹ Does not include unemployed parent families.

Source: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Office of Planning, Research and Evaluation.

Table 2.3
Caseload Trends in the AFDC Unemployed Parent Program, 1962 – 1996 ¹

Average Monthly Number (In thousands)							
Fiscal Year	States ¹ providing U-P Benefits at year's end	U-P Families	U-P Recipients	U-P Adults	U-P Children	Children as a Percent of Recipients	Average Number of Children per U-P Family
1962.....	15	48	224	47	176	78.8	3.6
1963.....	14	54	291	92	199	68.3	3.7
1964.....	18	60	343	115	228	66.4	3.8
1965.....	18	69	400	131	269	67.3	3.9
1966.....	21	62	361	116	245	68.0	4.0
1967.....	22	58	340	108	232	68.2	4.0
1968.....	21	67	377	123	254	67.3	3.8
1969.....	25	66	361	121	239	66.3	3.6
1970.....	23	78	420	150	270	64.2	3.4
1971.....	26	143	726	275	451	62.1	3.2
1972.....	24	134	639	253	386	60.4	2.9
1973.....	24	120	557	223	334	60.0	2.8
1974.....	26	93	429	168	261	60.8	2.8
1975.....	25	100	446	181	265	59.5	2.7
1976.....	28	135	593	252	341	57.5	2.5
1977.....	28	149	659	287	373	56.5	2.5
1978.....	28	128	568	245	322	56.8	2.5
1979.....	27	114	506	218	286	56.8	2.5
1980.....	27	141	612	269	343	56.1	2.4
1981.....	23	209	881	390	490	55.7	2.4
1982.....	23	232	976	434	542	55.5	2.3
1983.....	25	272	1,144	509	634	55.5	2.3
1984.....	25	287	1,222	545	678	55.4	2.4
1985.....	26	261	1,131	495	636	56.2	2.4
1986.....	28	254	1,102	478	623	56.6	2.5
1987.....	28	236	1,035	445	590	57.0	2.5
1988.....	29	210	929	395	533	57.5	2.5
1989.....	28	193	856	360	496	57.9	2.6
1990.....	28	204	899	375	523	58.2	2.6
1991.....	52	268	1,148	484	664	58.1	2.5
1992.....	52	322	1,348	562	785	58.5	2.4
1993.....	52	359	1,489	619	869	58.4	2.4
1994.....	52	363	1,510	632	878	58.2	2.4
1995.....	52	335	1,384	567	817	59.0	2.4
1996.....	52	301	1,241	498	743	59.8	2.5

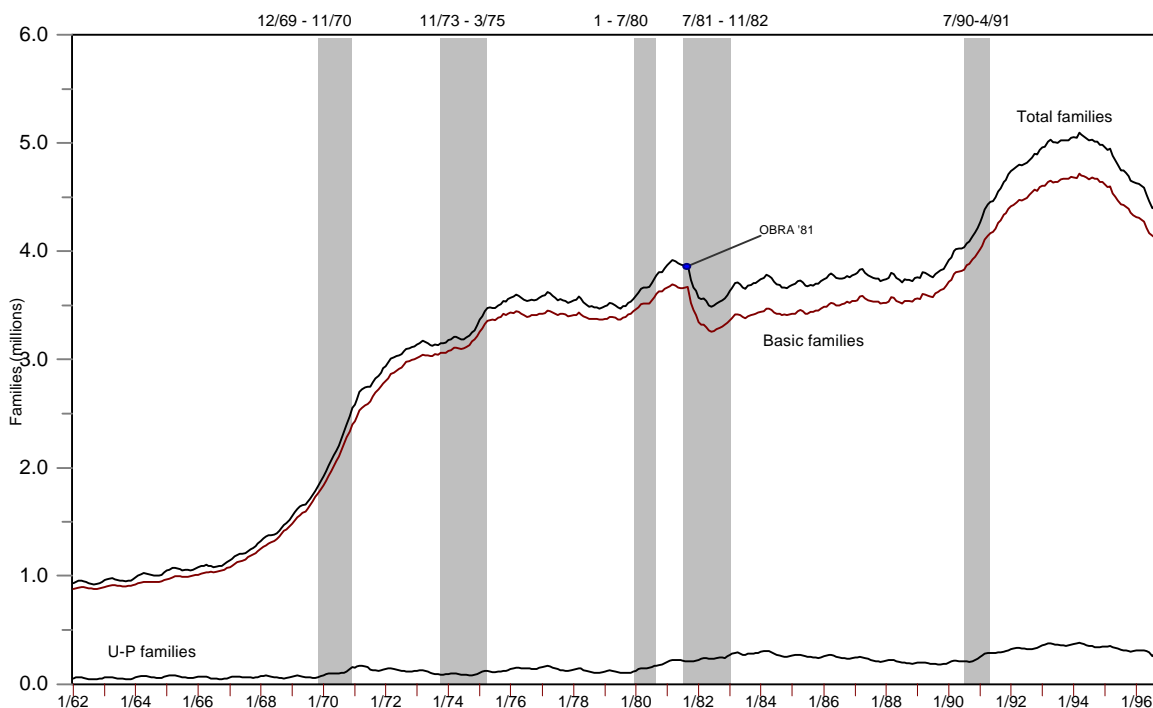
¹ Includes territories.

Source: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Office of Planning, Research and Evaluation.

Families Receiving AFDC — Monthly Participation

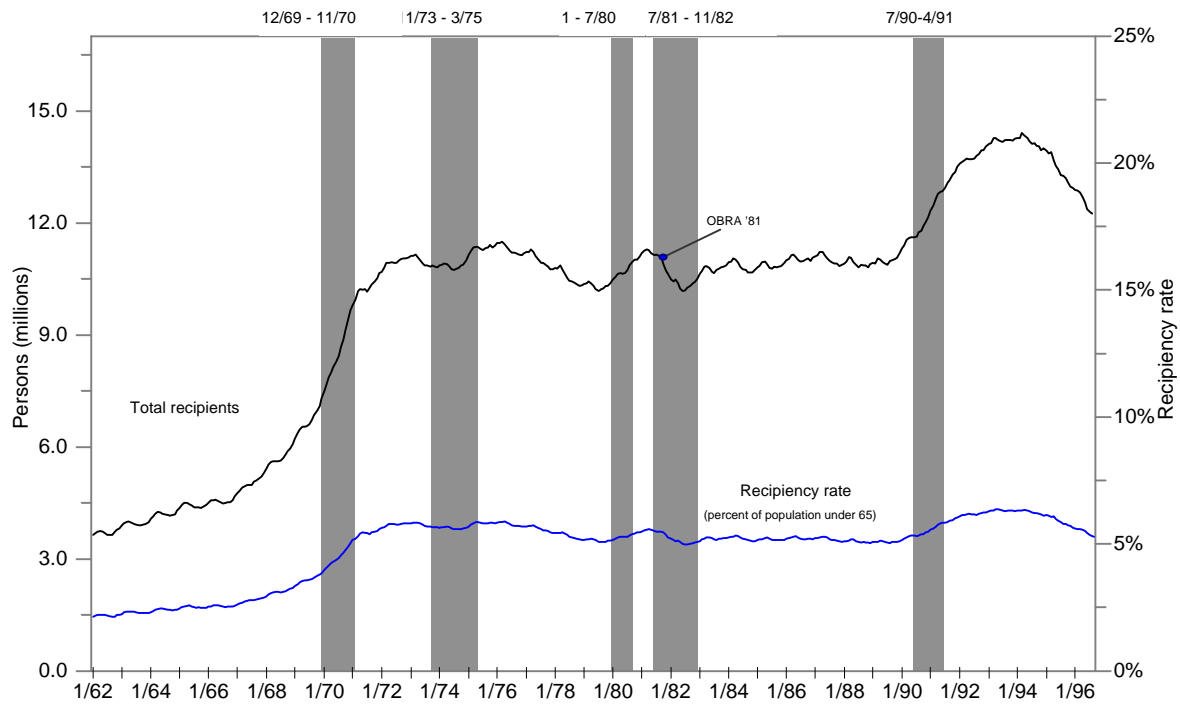
- In the previous three tables (2.1, 2.2, and 2.3), the numbers reflect average annual caseloads. While it is convenient to consider caseloads in annual terms, in actual practice eligibility and therefore participation are determined on a monthly basis. In Figure 2.1, monthly participation is plotted. The result is that the peak caseloads are slightly higher than the annual averages shown in Table 2.1.
- A notable trend shown in Figure 2.2 is the stability in the reciprocity rate (percent of the population under 65 years receiving assistance) between 1972 and 1989. Between 1990 and 1994 the rate increased rapidly, followed by a similarly steep decline from 1994 until August 1996 when the new program (PRWORA) was enacted.
- The shaded areas on the graph indicate periods of economic downturn. Periods of recession correspond with caseload increases with the exception of the 1981-82 recession, when significant restrictive eligibility changes took effect during the middle of the period (OBRA).

Figure 2.1
Monthly Numbers of AFDC Families Receiving Assistance



Notes: Shaded areas are periods of recession. Last data point plotted is August 1996.

Figure 2.2
Monthly Numbers of Persons Receiving Income Assistance and Reciprocity Rate



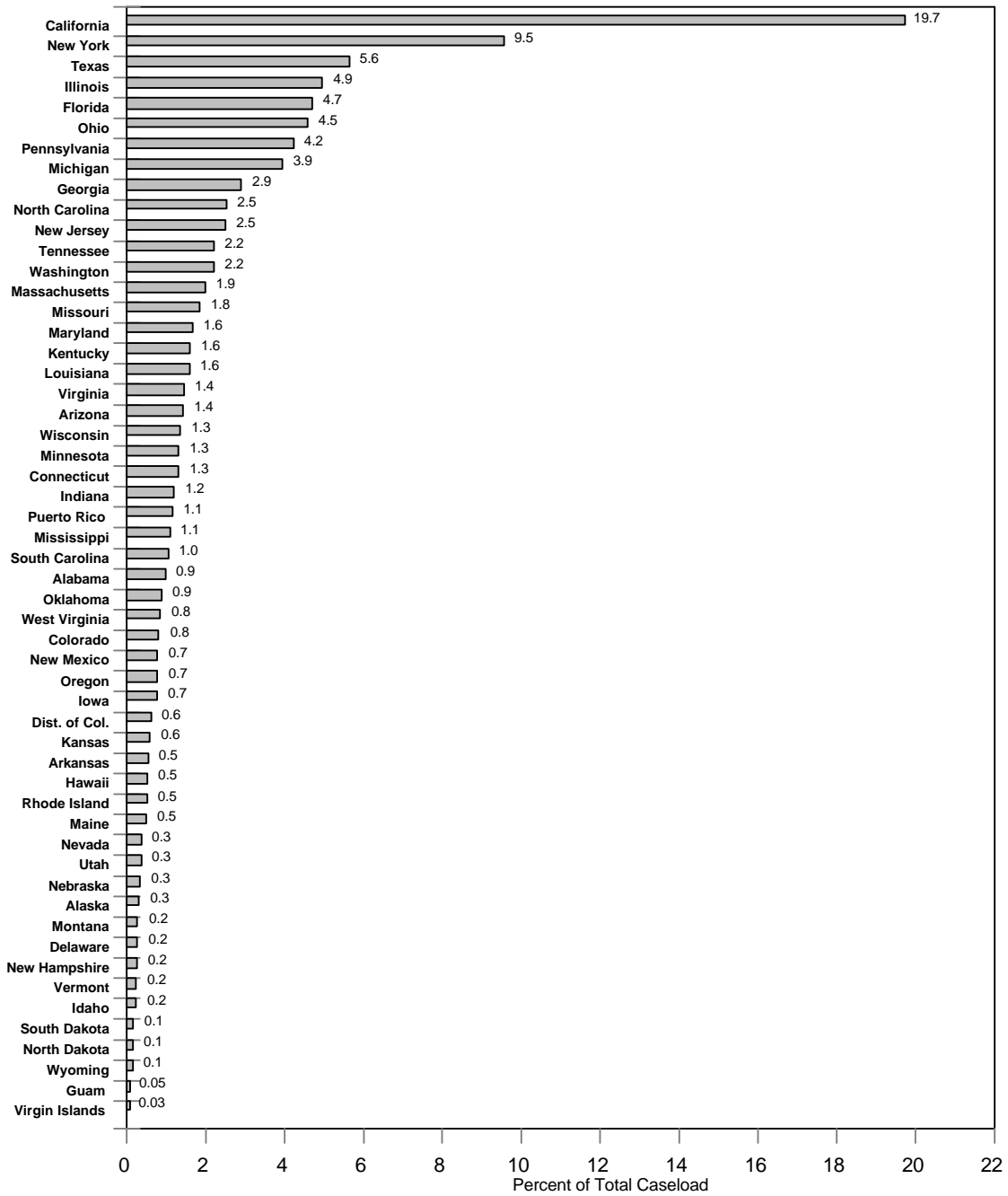
Notes: Reciprocity rate equals number of recipients divided by the resident population under 65 years of age. Shaded areas are periods of recession. Last data point plotted is August 1996.

State AFDC Caseloads

The total caseloads for each State are listed in Table 2.4. They are shown for each of the two major AFDC programs, first for children with absent parents, the “Basic” program (Table 2.5), and then for children with unemployed parents (Table 2.6).

- Figure 2.3 shows each state's share of the national caseload in 1996.
- Table 2.6 shows the number of cases covered under the Unemployed Parent category in selected years. It is noteworthy that in 1990, only 10 of the 28 States and territories providing this program accounted for 1,845,000 of the 2,038,000 cases or 91 percent of the total. These States are California, Illinois, Michigan, New York, Ohio, Minnesota, Pennsylvania, Washington, West Virginia and Wisconsin..
- Table 2.7 lists the number and percent of AFDC cases that did not include an adult recipient. This group of cases has been growing rapidly in recent years. The available data do not distinguish the reasons why an adult was not included in the AFDC unit. However, there are several ways in which an AFDC unit could exist without the presence of an adult:
 - the parent received some kind of income (such as Supplemental Security income) which was exempt from consideration in determining the need of the children;
 - the parent was “sanctioned” for noncompliance with JOBS requirements or for a finding of fraud;
 - the parent was an undocumented alien or was ineligible because the resources of a sponsor were “deemed” available, but the child was a citizen and thus eligible for assistance; or
 - the child lived with another relative or caretaker who was not considered needy according to the AFDC eligibility standard.

Figure 2.3
Distribution of AFDC Caseload by State in 1996



Note: Calculated from Table 2.4. Tot al cases include unemployed parent cases.

Source: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, unpublished data.

Table 2.4
Total AFDC Caseload by State, Selected Fiscal Years 1965 – 1996
 [In thousands]

	1965	1970	1975	1980	1982	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988
Alabama	19.1	29.9	48.4	62.7	55.5	55.0	52.3	50.1	47.2	45.4
Alaska	1.3	2.4	4.2	6.2	5.4	5.8	6.3	6.8	7.4	7.5
Arizona	9.4	12.3	20.5	18.3	22.2	26.1	25.5	26.0	29.3	32.1
Arkansas	7.2	11.4	30.7	29.5	23.7	22.4	21.9	22.6	22.8	23.4
California	128.8	312.7	432.9	476.1	514.8	547.0	553.0	564.6	584.8	587.3
Colorado	10.8	18.4	30.3	27.7	26.4	30.0	27.7	29.1	31.3	32.9
Connecticut	14.8	22.0	38.4	47.9	44.2	43.6	41.8	40.3	38.7	37.4
Delaware	2.6	5.2	9.8	11.6	10.0	9.4	9.0	8.2	7.8	7.6
Dist. of Col.	4.2	9.8	31.2	30.7	26.1	22.9	22.4	21.3	19.8	18.5
Florida	27.8	52.6	80.3	93.5	95.7	103.2	96.8	97.4	103.7	110.6
Georgia	17.5	52.9	112.2	84.6	85.8	89.3	84.8	83.9	86.3	87.8
Guam	0.1	0.3	0.8	1.4	1.5	1.7	1.6	1.6	1.4	1.3
Hawaii	3.2	6.2	14.3	19.4	18.2	17.1	16.2	15.2	14.1	13.4
Idaho	2.6	4.3	6.2	7.8	6.5	6.7	6.2	6.3	6.5	6.4
Illinois	55.6	86.0	215.3	213.8	227.3	243.6	240.1	241.3	236.6	220.1
Indiana	11.9	18.2	51.5	55.0	53.9	57.9	57.0	55.7	52.9	53.0
Iowa	10.9	17.1	26.5	37.8	33.2	39.7	39.9	40.8	39.7	37.1
Kansas	8.6	14.1	22.2	25.8	22.6	24.0	22.8	23.4	24.8	24.0
Kentucky	20.8	34.0	49.7	62.9	55.6	60.5	59.4	60.2	59.5	58.3
Louisiana	23.8	47.8	65.8	68.6	63.1	71.8	76.2	80.2	86.2	90.8
Maine	5.2	9.9	23.7	21.4	17.6	17.9	19.8	20.1	19.3	18.0
Maryland	18.6	34.2	67.0	77.1	71.4	70.8	72.1	69.5	66.4	63.3
Massachusetts	25.1	57.2	106.2	124.4	104.2	87.8	86.4	87.3	87.7	86.7
Michigan	39.7	64.7	194.3	225.1	231.8	240.3	225.2	220.2	214.4	213.2
Minnesota	13.7	22.5	42.1	49.9	46.7	50.3	51.3	53.8	54.6	54.7
Mississippi	20.8	29.3	53.6	57.7	52.0	52.9	51.9	53.3	58.0	59.7
Missouri	26.2	35.6	82.7	67.7	64.5	68.0	66.5	66.5	67.3	67.8
Montana	1.8	3.7	7.3	6.9	5.8	7.2	7.9	8.8	9.5	9.5
Nebraska	3.9	7.8	11.9	12.6	13.2	14.9	15.3	16.1	16.0	14.7
Nevada	1.2	3.4	4.7	4.3	4.7	4.5	4.7	5.5	5.7	6.2
New Hampshire	1.1	2.3	8.2	8.1	7.3	6.1	5.4	5.0	4.3	4.3
New Jersey	26.4	71.9	128.5	148.1	136.2	129.1	124.5	121.3	115.5	107.1
New Mexico	7.4	13.4	18.6	18.4	18.2	18.4	18.0	18.1	19.7	20.8
New York	120.0	274.2	357.9	362.7	353.9	370.6	373.1	368.4	356.3	340.9
North Carolina	26.7	32.0	56.4	77.4	69.5	67.4	63.5	66.9	67.5	70.6
North Dakota	2.0	2.9	4.5	4.8	4.0	4.2	4.4	4.8	5.1	5.2
Ohio	43.6	68.0	166.6	180.2	197.9	225.9	224.4	227.3	227.1	225.5
Oklahoma	18.6	25.6	29.9	30.1	24.0	27.3	28.0	30.2	33.4	35.5
Oregon	7.8	19.9	33.5	38.5	28.7	27.2	27.8	30.4	30.2	30.7
Pennsylvania	68.5	106.5	182.4	215.0	203.3	191.7	186.3	190.8	186.5	179.3
Puerto Rico	49.9	44.8	47.4	44.0	54.5	54.8	53.5	53.7	54.5	54.9
Rhode Island	5.9	10.0	15.7	18.1	17.3	15.8	15.8	16.0	15.8	15.1
South Carolina	7.4	13.1	40.9	55.5	52.0	46.6	43.5	46.1	45.4	40.9
South Dakota	2.9	4.4	7.8	7.5	5.9	5.8	5.8	6.2	6.6	6.5
Tennessee	19.1	33.8	62.7	60.9	55.8	58.8	57.0	59.1	65.7	67.5
Texas	19.9	49.1	114.8	100.7	93.9	113.9	120.2	136.3	157.3	169.4
Utah	5.2	9.3	11.9	12.1	12.0	13.0	12.9	13.4	14.6	14.9
Vermont	1.4	3.3	6.3	7.6	7.5	8.1	7.8	7.6	7.6	7.1
Virgin Islands	0.3	0.5	1.1	1.0	1.2	1.4	1.3	1.3	1.1	1.0
Virginia	10.8	22.1	55.3	60.8	59.3	59.1	58.4	58.5	56.7	54.7
Washington	17.6	30.8	47.2	54.8	51.5	59.0	64.5	70.7	75.5	75.5
West Virginia	25.2	22.1	19.8	27.1	26.2	32.2	33.6	36.5	37.0	37.4
Wisconsin	11.3	21.8	53.0	78.0	82.7	92.7	95.5	98.6	96.1	89.1
Wyoming	0.9	1.4	2.3	2.7	2.3	3.3	3.8	4.0	4.8	5.1
U.S. Total	1,037	1,909	3,357	3,642	3,569	3,725	3,692	3,748	3,784	3,748

Note: Total cases include unemployed parent cases and until FY 1982 Foster Care cases.

Source: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, *Quarterly Public Assistance Statistics, 1992-1993* and unpublished data.

Table 2.4 Continued

	1989	1990	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	Percent Change		
								1989-93	1993-96	1965-96
Alabama	44.8	45.3	50.6	51.6	50.3	46.0	42.4	15.0	-17.8	121.8
Alaska	7.4	7.7	10.8	12.1	12.8	12.4	12.3	63.6	1.0	859.2
Arizona	36.0	43.1	63.6	70.0	72.0	69.6	63.4	94.2	-9.4	572.5
Arkansas	23.9	24.7	26.8	26.6	26.0	24.3	22.7	11.1	-14.4	215.4
California	604.8	652.1	806.1	859.3	909.0	919.5	896.0	42.1	4.3	595.4
Colorado	33.9	35.4	42.1	42.5	41.6	38.6	35.4	25.7	-16.7	229.1
Connecticut	38.3	43.5	55.5	57.3	59.2	61.0	58.1	49.6	1.4	293.7
Delaware	7.5	8.3	10.7	11.4	11.5	10.8	10.4	52.7	-8.9	292.0
Dist. of Col.	18.1	18.5	22.6	24.8	27.1	26.8	25.7	36.9	3.8	511.7
Florida	118.6	134.8	221.2	254.0	247.1	230.8	212.0	114.2	-16.5	662.6
Georgia	92.7	101.8	136.0	141.3	141.5	139.1	130.4	52.5	-7.7	645.3
Guam	1.2	1.2	1.3	1.5	1.9	2.1	2.1	28.1	42.7	1615.3
Hawaii	13.9	14.3	16.5	18.3	20.4	21.7	22.0	32.2	19.7	589.7
Idaho	6.2	6.1	7.3	7.9	8.7	9.1	9.0	27.4	13.5	251.5
Illinois	206.9	208.5	228.6	231.3	240.3	236.2	224.1	11.8	-3.1	302.8
Indiana	51.6	53.9	69.1	73.0	73.8	65.6	52.9	41.5	-27.6	343.7
Iowa	34.8	34.7	37.1	36.7	39.6	36.5	32.8	5.3	-10.6	201.6
Kansas	25.2	25.8	28.7	30.2	30.1	28.2	25.1	19.7	-16.7	192.1
Kentucky	58.7	66.4	83.1	82.8	79.8	75.4	71.8	41.0	-13.3	245.9
Louisiana	92.2	93.9	92.2	90.0	86.9	79.8	70.6	-2.4	-21.6	196.7
Maine	17.9	19.9	23.9	23.9	22.9	21.7	20.5	32.9	-14.2	290.3
Maryland	63.2	66.9	79.8	80.2	80.1	80.4	74.1	26.8	-7.6	298.7
Massachusetts	88.2	94.8	111.4	114.4	111.8	100.9	88.4	29.8	-22.8	251.5
Michigan	211.9	218.1	225.6	229.6	224.0	201.7	178.0	8.3	-22.5	348.1
Minnesota	54.6	56.8	63.7	64.1	63.0	61.3	58.3	17.4	-9.2	323.9
Mississippi	59.9	60.0	60.8	60.1	56.8	52.5	48.0	0.4	-20.2	130.9
Missouri	68.1	70.9	85.2	89.9	92.1	89.3	82.7	32.1	-8.0	216.0
Montana	9.3	9.7	10.9	11.7	11.9	11.5	10.8	25.8	-7.7	502.1
Nebraska	14.2	14.6	16.6	16.7	15.9	14.8	14.2	17.8	-15.4	261.4
Nevada	7.3	8.1	11.9	13.0	14.2	15.7	14.8	78.3	14.0	1098.1
New Hampshire	4.9	6.3	10.5	11.0	11.5	10.8	9.5	124.9	-13.5	780.5
New Jersey	102.5	107.0	125.8	125.9	122.4	118.9	112.0	22.8	-11.1	323.8
New Mexico	20.4	19.2	28.8	31.3	33.6	34.4	33.9	53.5	8.2	359.2
New York	337.3	344.6	397.2	432.8	455.0	456.9	431.7	28.3	-0.2	259.7
North Carolina	77.1	86.5	121.4	130.7	131.2	125.5	113.1	69.6	-13.5	323.4
North Dakota	5.5	5.6	6.4	6.5	5.9	5.2	4.9	18.3	-24.7	149.7
Ohio	222.2	225.9	264.3	257.9	250.2	228.2	206.7	16.1	-19.8	374.0
Oklahoma	35.9	38.8	46.8	48.5	47.0	44.8	38.8	34.9	-20.0	108.5
Oregon	32.1	32.7	41.5	42.6	42.1	39.3	33.4	32.8	-21.5	328.2
Pennsylvania	174.6	177.7	200.7	205.4	210.2	204.8	190.3	17.7	-7.4	177.7
Puerto Rico	57.8	59.3	61.4	60.7	58.8	54.8	50.9	5.0	-16.2	2.0
Rhode Island	15.1	16.7	21.3	22.2	22.7	22.2	21.2	47.4	-4.3	258.4
South Carolina	37.5	38.9	49.7	53.3	51.9	49.0	45.8	42.3	-14.2	518.4
South Dakota	6.6	6.7	7.2	7.2	6.9	6.3	6.0	8.6	-16.8	104.7
Tennessee	70.6	76.5	95.2	107.9	110.8	104.0	99.1	52.8	-8.1	417.8
Texas	181.6	208.9	265.8	278.7	283.7	273.0	255.0	53.4	-8.5	1184.4
Utah	15.0	15.5	17.9	18.4	17.8	16.6	14.8	23.2	-19.9	181.5
Vermont	7.0	7.7	10.0	10.0	9.9	9.6	9.1	42.7	-9.5	536.8
Virgin Islands	0.9	0.9	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.3	1.4	15.1	29.2	351.9
Virginia	53.9	56.2	70.7	73.7	74.8	72.1	64.9	36.6	-11.8	503.5
Washington	78.0	81.3	96.4	101.3	103.0	101.9	98.9	29.8	-2.3	461.6
West Virginia	36.1	36.9	40.5	41.4	40.7	38.4	36.6	14.7	-11.6	45.4
Wisconsin	82.0	79.4	81.7	80.0	77.2	72.4	60.1	-2.4	-24.9	432.3
Wyoming	5.1	5.3	6.6	6.5	5.7	5.2	4.7	27.1	-27.3	419.9
U.S. Total	3,771	3,974	4,768	4,981	5,046	4,879	4,552	32.1	-8.6	338.8

Note: Total cases include unemployed parent cases and until FY 1982 Foster Care cases.

Source: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, *Quarterly Public Assistance Statistics, 1992-1993* and unpublished data.

Table 2.5
AFDC- Basic Program Caseload by State, Selected Fiscal Years 1965 – 1996

[In thousands]

	1965	1970	1975	1980	1982	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988
Alabama	19.1	29.9	48.4	62.7	55.5	55.0	52.3	50.1	47.2	45.4
Alaska	1.3	2.4	4.2	6.2	5.4	5.8	6.3	6.8	7.4	7.5
Arizona	9.4	12.3	20.5	18.3	22.2	26.1	25.5	26.0	29.3	32.1
Arkansas	7.2	11.4	30.7	29.5	23.7	22.4	21.9	22.6	22.8	23.4
California	115.4	279.8	400.2	434.0	437.2	465.3	474.6	490.0	510.6	516.2
Colorado	10.8	17.5	28.7	26.6	24.7	27.4	26.9	29.1	31.3	32.9
Connecticut	12.8	22.0	38.4	47.2	43.0	42.2	40.7	39.5	38.0	37.0
Delaware	2.3	5.1	9.7	11.3	9.6	9.2	8.9	8.1	7.8	7.5
Dist. of Col.	4.2	9.8	30.9	30.4	25.8	22.7	22.2	21.1	19.7	18.4
Florida	27.8	52.6	80.3	93.5	95.7	103.2	96.8	97.4	103.7	110.6
Georgia	17.5	52.9	112.2	84.6	85.8	89.3	84.8	83.9	86.3	87.8
Guam	0.1	0.3	0.8	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.4	1.3	1.2
Hawaii	2.9	6.0	13.9	18.6	17.0	15.8	15.0	14.2	13.3	12.7
Idaho	2.6	4.3	6.2	7.8	6.5	6.7	6.2	6.3	6.5	6.4
Illinois	49.4	82.2	202.6	207.0	213.1	225.2	224.3	225.8	222.1	208.5
Indiana	11.9	18.2	51.5	55.0	53.9	57.9	57.0	55.7	52.9	53.0
Iowa	10.9	17.1	26.2	36.0	32.8	35.1	35.0	35.3	35.0	33.9
Kansas	8.2	13.8	22.0	25.2	20.9	21.5	20.9	21.4	22.6	22.2
Kentucky	20.8	34.0	49.7	62.9	55.6	60.5	59.4	60.2	59.5	58.3
Louisiana	23.8	47.8	65.8	68.6	63.1	71.8	76.2	80.2	86.2	90.8
Maine	5.2	9.8	23.7	21.4	17.6	17.9	19.0	18.8	18.1	17.1
Maryland	18.1	34.0	66.1	75.9	69.5	69.0	70.7	68.3	65.4	62.6
Massachusetts	24.5	55.7	103.0	119.5	100.2	85.2	84.6	85.8	86.4	85.6
Michigan	36.0	62.7	183.3	203.4	191.1	196.1	190.2	188.9	186.4	186.9
Minnesota	13.7	22.5	41.2	47.8	41.5	42.9	44.2	46.1	47.1	47.7
Mississippi	20.8	29.3	53.6	57.7	52.0	52.9	51.9	53.3	58.0	59.7
Missouri	26.2	35.5	82.7	66.4	64.5	64.9	62.8	62.3	62.9	63.7
Montana	1.8	3.7	7.3	6.6	5.7	7.2	7.7	8.1	8.4	8.5
Nebraska	3.9	7.7	11.9	12.4	12.5	13.5	13.9	14.6	14.4	13.5
Nevada	1.2	3.4	4.7	4.3	4.7	4.5	4.7	5.5	5.7	6.2
New Hampshire	1.1	2.3	8.2	8.1	7.3	6.1	5.4	5.0	4.3	4.3
New Jersey	26.4	64.8	128.5	143.1	130.1	123.2	119.8	117.3	112.6	104.9
New Mexico	7.4	13.4	18.6	18.4	18.2	18.4	18.0	18.1	19.7	20.8
New York	104.9	261.5	353.6	353.2	340.3	353.1	356.9	353.3	344.4	331.8
North Carolina	26.7	32.0	56.4	77.4	69.5	67.4	63.5	66.9	67.5	70.5
North Dakota	2.0	2.9	4.5	4.8	4.0	4.2	4.4	4.8	5.1	5.2
Ohio	39.9	65.9	151.9	164.3	169.4	184.2	187.6	192.3	195.1	198.0
Oklahoma	18.6	25.4	29.8	30.1	24.0	27.3	28.0	30.2	33.4	35.5
Oregon	7.0	16.0	29.5	38.5	28.7	27.2	27.8	29.3	28.7	28.9
Pennsylvania	61.2	104.0	179.3	205.9	189.3	174.6	172.0	177.5	175.7	170.7
Puerto Rico	49.9	44.8	47.4	44.0	54.5	54.8	53.5	53.7	54.5	54.9
Rhode Island	5.4	9.7	15.2	17.8	16.9	15.4	15.6	15.9	15.6	15.0
South Carolina	7.4	13.1	40.9	55.5	52.0	46.6	43.5	45.8	44.9	40.5
South Dakota	2.9	4.4	7.8	7.5	5.9	5.8	5.8	6.2	6.6	6.5
Tennessee	19.1	33.8	62.7	60.9	55.8	58.8	57.0	59.1	65.7	67.5
Texas	19.9	49.1	114.8	100.7	93.9	113.9	120.2	136.3	157.3	169.4
Utah	4.2	8.1	11.0	10.6	12.0	13.0	12.9	13.4	14.6	14.9
Vermont	1.4	3.2	5.4	7.1	6.9	7.2	7.1	7.0	7.0	6.7
Virgin Islands	0.3	0.5	1.1	1.0	1.2	1.4	1.3	1.3	1.1	1.0
Virginia	10.8	22.1	55.3	60.8	59.3	59.1	58.4	58.5	56.7	54.7
Washington	15.0	28.7	43.0	49.6	51.5	55.4	58.8	63.6	67.8	68.5
West Virginia	14.9	18.2	18.9	24.3	21.3	23.3	23.7	25.7	26.6	28.0
Wisconsin	11.3	21.7	51.0	73.7	70.9	75.2	79.0	81.9	81.3	77.1
Wyoming	0.9	1.4	2.3	2.7	2.3	3.3	3.8	4.0	4.8	5.1
U.S. Total	968	1,831	3,258	3,502	3,337	3,438	3,430	3,494	3,548	3,538

Note: Until FY 1982 the total number of Basic Cases included AFDC-Foster Care cases (in the last quarter of FY 1981 there were a little over 80,000 Foster Care cases).

Source: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, *Quarterly Public Assistance Statistics, 1992-1993* and unpublished data.

Table 2.5 Continued

	1989	1990	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	Percent Change		
								1989-93	1993-96	1965-96
Alabama	44.8	45.3	50.4	51.1	50.1	45.9	42.3	13.9	-17.1	121.4
Alaska	7.4	7.7	9.2	10.1	10.7	10.5	10.4	36.2	3.4	717.5
Arizona	36.0	43.1	62.2	68.7	70.7	68.4	62.2	90.5	-9.5	559.2
Arkansas	23.9	24.7	26.4	26.2	25.7	24.0	22.5	9.4	-14.0	212.1
California	534.7	572.8	684.8	717.7	749.4	755.2	734.2	34.2	2.3	536.4
Colorado	33.9	35.4	40.9	41.2	40.6	37.8	35.0	21.8	-15.1	225.0
Connecticut	37.9	42.9	53.5	55.1	56.8	58.0	54.9	45.5	-0.5	327.3
Delaware	7.4	8.2	10.6	11.3	11.3	10.7	10.3	51.9	-8.9	344.0
Dist. of Col.	18.0	18.5	22.5	24.6	26.8	26.6	25.6	36.6	3.9	508.3
Florida	118.6	134.8	216.5	247.9	242.7	227.2	209.3	109.0	-15.6	653.1
Georgia	92.7	101.8	134.9	140.3	140.6	138.6	130.1	51.4	-7.3	643.4
Guam	1.1	1.1	1.2	1.4	1.7	1.9	1.9	22.7	40.5	1463.6
Hawaii	13.3	13.9	15.8	17.5	19.2	20.2	20.3	31.0	16.6	600.3
Idaho	6.2	6.1	7.1	7.5	8.1	8.5	8.7	19.8	16.7	240.1
Illinois	197.5	199.2	218.2	221.2	228.4	225.0	214.3	12.0	-3.1	334.1
Indiana	51.6	53.9	66.2	69.2	70.2	63.4	51.5	34.0	-25.5	332.5
Iowa	32.6	32.6	34.8	34.5	36.0	33.0	29.7	5.7	-14.0	172.8
Kansas	23.5	23.9	26.4	27.7	28.0	26.6	24.0	17.9	-13.5	193.2
Kentucky	58.7	66.4	73.7	73.8	73.8	71.4	68.8	25.7	-6.8	231.2
Louisiana	92.2	93.9	91.5	88.9	85.8	79.1	70.4	-3.5	-20.9	195.8
Maine	17.0	18.6	21.3	21.2	20.6	19.8	18.8	24.6	-11.3	258.8
Maryland	62.6	66.3	78.8	79.2	79.3	79.7	73.6	26.5	-7.1	306.8
Massachusetts	87.0	93.2	108.2	107.9	106.4	97.4	85.7	24.0	-20.6	250.5
Michigan	187.7	193.7	199.4	198.0	195.4	178.6	158.3	5.5	-20.0	339.4
Minnesota	48.1	49.8	56.7	57.2	56.8	56.6	54.3	19.0	-5.1	295.2
Mississippi	59.9	60.0	60.7	59.9	56.7	52.5	47.9	0.1	-20.0	130.8
Missouri	64.4	67.3	80.2	84.8	88.2	86.9	81.6	31.5	-3.7	211.8
Montana	8.3	8.8	9.8	10.6	10.8	10.5	9.9	26.9	-6.4	450.2
Nebraska	13.3	13.6	15.2	15.5	14.9	14.1	13.5	16.6	-12.6	245.0
Nevada	7.3	8.1	11.6	12.6	13.7	15.3	14.5	73.4	15.0	1075.6
New Hampshire	4.9	6.3	9.9	10.5	11.0	10.5	9.4	113.7	-10.2	768.5
New Jersey	100.4	104.6	121.1	121.3	118.3	115.3	109.1	20.7	-10.0	313.0
New Mexico	20.4	19.2	27.2	29.5	31.9	33.0	32.7	44.8	10.7	343.1
New York	329.3	335.2	383.0	415.7	434.5	436.9	414.2	26.3	-0.4	294.7
North Carolina	76.9	86.3	119.2	127.7	128.3	122.8	110.9	66.0	-13.1	315.2
North Dakota	5.5	5.6	6.0	6.0	5.6	5.1	4.8	9.4	-19.7	146.0
Ohio	198.5	203.1	236.4	234.0	230.0	211.6	194.7	17.9	-16.8	387.8
Oklahoma	35.9	38.8	46.2	47.8	46.4	44.4	38.5	33.0	-19.3	107.3
Oregon	30.5	31.6	37.7	38.7	38.5	36.2	31.3	26.8	-19.1	348.6
Pennsylvania	167.4	170.5	190.8	195.0	199.5	196.5	183.9	16.4	-5.7	200.5
Puerto Rico	57.8	59.3	61.4	60.7	58.8	54.8	50.9	5.0	-16.2	2.0
Rhode Island	14.9	16.5	20.7	21.5	22.0	21.6	20.7	43.8	-3.5	283.2
South Carolina	37.1	38.6	49.0	52.4	51.2	48.6	45.6	41.2	-13.1	515.9
South Dakota	6.6	6.7	7.2	7.2	6.9	6.3	6.0	8.1	-16.9	103.5
Tennessee	70.6	76.5	93.3	103.4	107.5	102.1	97.7	46.5	-5.5	410.6
Texas	181.6	208.9	258.3	270.8	275.4	266.2	249.0	49.1	-8.1	1154.5
Utah	15.0	15.5	17.7	18.3	17.7	16.6	14.7	21.9	-19.6	245.8
Vermont	6.6	7.1	8.5	8.6	8.6	8.2	7.8	30.9	-9.1	448.4
Virgin Islands	0.9	0.9	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.3	1.4	15.0	29.2	351.9
Virginia	53.9	56.2	69.9	72.9	74.2	71.7	64.4	35.2	-11.6	498.7
Washington	70.2	72.9	82.1	85.3	86.7	86.4	84.8	21.4	-0.5	466.6
West Virginia	27.6	28.6	31.9	33.2	33.8	33.1	32.1	20.3	-3.3	115.0
Wisconsin	72.6	71.0	73.1	72.0	70.2	66.7	56.4	-0.9	-21.7	399.7
Wyoming	5.1	5.3	6.4	6.3	5.6	5.1	4.7	23.5	-26.0	414.0
U.S. Total	3,578	3,771	4,447	4,622	4,683	4,544	4,250	29.2	-8.0	338.9

Note: Until FY 1982 the total number of Basic Cases included AFDC-Foster Care cases (in the last quarter of FY 1981 there were a little over 80,000 Foster Care cases).

Source: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, *Quarterly Public Assistance Statistics, 1992-1993* and unpublished data.

Table 2.6
AFDC Unemployed Parent -Program Caseload by State, Selected Fiscal Years 1965 – 1996

[In thousands]

	1965	1970	1975	1980	1982	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988
Alabama	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Alaska	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Arizona	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Arkansas	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
California	13.5	32.9	32.7	42.1	77.6	81.6	78.4	74.7	74.3	71.0
Colorado	—	0.9	1.6	1.1	1.7	2.6	0.8	—	—	—
Connecticut	1.9	—	—	0.8	1.2	1.5	1.1	0.9	0.6	0.5
Delaware	0.3	*	0.1	0.3	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	*
Dist. of Col.	—	—	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1
Florida	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Georgia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Guam	—	—	—	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.1
Hawaii	0.3	0.2	0.5	0.9	1.2	1.3	1.2	1.0	0.8	0.6
Idaho	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Illinois	6.3	3.8	12.7	6.8	14.3	18.3	15.8	15.5	14.5	11.6
Indiana	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Iowa	—	—	0.2	1.8	0.4	4.6	4.9	5.5	4.7	3.2
Kansas	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.6	1.7	2.5	1.9	1.9	2.1	1.8
Kentucky	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Louisiana	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Maine	—	0.1	—	—	—	—	0.8	1.3	1.1	0.9
Maryland	0.5	0.3	0.9	1.2	1.8	1.8	1.5	1.3	0.9	0.7
Massachusetts	0.7	1.5	3.2	4.9	4.0	2.6	1.8	1.5	1.3	1.1
Michigan	3.7	1.9	10.9	21.7	40.7	44.2	35.0	31.3	28.0	26.3
Minnesota	—	—	0.9	2.1	5.3	7.5	7.1	7.7	7.5	7.0
Mississippi	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Missouri	—	0.1	*	1.3	—	3.1	3.7	4.3	4.4	4.1
Montana	—	—	—	0.3	0.1	—	0.2	0.7	1.0	1.1
Nebraska	—	0.1	*	0.1	0.7	1.3	1.3	1.5	1.5	1.1
Nevada	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
New Hampshire	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
New Jersey	—	7.0	—	5.1	6.1	5.9	4.7	4.0	3.0	2.2
New Mexico	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
New York	15.1	12.6	4.3	9.6	13.6	17.4	16.2	15.0	11.9	9.1
North Carolina	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0.1
North Dakota	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Ohio	3.7	2.1	14.7	15.9	28.5	41.7	36.8	35.1	31.9	27.5
Oklahoma	*	0.2	0.1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Oregon	0.8	3.8	4.0	—	—	—	—	1.0	1.4	1.8
Pennsylvania	7.3	2.5	3.1	9.1	14.0	17.1	14.3	13.3	10.8	8.6
Puerto Rico	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Rhode Island	0.5	0.3	0.5	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1
South Carolina	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0.3	0.5	0.4
South Dakota	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Tennessee	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Texas	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Utah	1.0	1.2	0.9	1.5	—	—	—	—	—	—
Vermont	—	0.1	0.8	0.5	0.7	0.9	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.4
Virgin Islands	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Virginia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Washington	2.6	2.2	4.2	5.3	—	3.6	5.7	7.1	7.7	7.0
West Virginia	10.2	3.9	0.9	2.8	5.0	8.9	9.9	10.8	10.4	9.4
Wisconsin	—	0.2	2.0	4.3	11.8	17.6	16.5	16.7	14.8	12.0
Wyoming	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
U.S. Total	68.9	78.3	99.7	140.6	231.5	287.3	261.3	253.5	236.2	209.9

* denotes benefits provided for less than 50 cases.

Source: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, *Quarterly Public Assistance Statistics, 1992-1993* and unpublished data.

Table 2.6 continued

	1989	1990	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	Percent Change		
								1989-93	1993-96	1965-96
Alabama	—	—	0.2	0.5	0.3	0.1	0.1	NA	-83.2	NA
Alaska	—	—	1.6	2.0	2.1	1.9	1.8	NA	-10.7	NA
Arizona	—	—	1.4	1.3	1.3	1.2	1.3	NA	-5.4	NA
Arkansas	—	—	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.2	NA	-39.9	NA
California	70.1	79.3	121.3	141.6	159.6	164.3	161.8	102.0	14.3	1101.6
Colorado	—	—	1.2	1.3	1.0	0.7	0.4	NA	-66.1	NA
Connecticut	0.4	0.7	2.0	2.2	2.4	3.0	3.3	398.2	47.9	69.2
Delaware	*	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	195.3	-5.0	-65.8
Dist. of Col.	0.1	0.1	*	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.1	82.4	-16.1	NA
Florida	—	—	4.7	6.1	4.4	3.6	2.6	NA	-56.9	NA
Georgia	—	—	1.1	1.0	0.8	0.6	0.3	NA	-68.1	NA
Guam	*	*	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	180.5	70.9	NA
Hawaii	0.6	0.5	0.7	0.9	1.2	1.5	1.6	59.8	82.0	479.5
Idaho	—	—	0.2	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.3	NA	-37.9	NA
Illinois	9.4	9.2	10.4	10.0	11.9	11.3	9.8	6.5	-2.0	56.6
Indiana	—	—	3.0	3.9	3.6	2.2	1.3	NA	-65.5	NA
Iowa	2.2	2.1	2.3	2.2	3.5	3.4	3.1	0.4	41.9	NA
Kansas	1.7	1.9	2.4	2.5	2.1	1.7	1.2	45.1	-53.0	171.5
Kentucky	—	—	9.4	9.0	6.0	4.0	3.0	NA	-66.2	NA
Louisiana	—	—	0.7	1.1	1.1	0.7	0.2	NA	-80.1	NA
Maine	0.9	1.3	2.7	2.7	2.4	1.9	1.7	182.2	-37.9	NA
Maryland	0.6	0.6	1.0	1.0	0.9	0.7	0.5	59.5	-52.4	-4.9
Massachusetts	1.1	1.7	3.3	6.5	5.4	3.4	2.6	470.9	-59.4	287.2
Michigan	24.2	24.5	26.2	31.6	28.5	23.1	19.7	30.3	-37.6	433.7
Minnesota	6.6	7.0	7.0	6.9	6.2	4.8	3.9	5.4	-43.1	NA
Mississippi	—	—	0.2	0.2	0.1	*	*	NA	-79.1	NA
Missouri	3.6	3.6	4.9	5.1	4.0	2.4	1.1	41.9	-78.5	NA
Montana	1.0	0.9	1.1	1.2	1.1	1.0	0.9	16.9	-19.7	NA
Nebraska	0.9	1.0	1.3	1.3	1.0	0.7	0.6	35.7	-49.8	NA
Nevada	—	—	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.3	NA	-21.9	NA
New Hampshire	—	—	0.6	0.5	0.5	0.3	0.1	NA	-76.3	NA
New Jersey	2.1	2.4	4.8	4.7	4.1	3.5	2.9	124.4	-38.7	NA
New Mexico	—	—	1.5	1.8	1.7	1.4	1.2	NA	-33.1	NA
New York	8.0	9.4	14.2	17.1	20.4	20.0	17.6	112.8	2.9	16.3
North Carolina	0.1	0.2	2.2	3.1	3.0	2.7	2.2	2183.0	-28.4	NA
North Dakota	—	—	0.4	0.5	0.2	0.1	0.1	NA	-85.1	NA
Ohio	23.7	22.7	27.9	23.9	20.2	16.6	12.1	1.0	-49.7	225.1
Oklahoma	—	—	0.6	0.7	0.6	0.4	0.3	NA	-62.6	1162.8
Oregon	1.6	1.1	3.7	3.9	3.7	3.0	2.2	152.2	-44.5	159.1
Pennsylvania	7.2	7.2	9.9	10.5	10.6	8.3	6.4	46.4	-38.9	-12.6
Puerto Rico	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	NA	NA	NA
Rhode Island	0.1	0.2	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.5	494.0	-31.0	-4.9
South Carolina	0.3	0.3	0.7	0.9	0.7	0.4	0.2	170.4	-79.1	NA
South Dakota	—	—	*	*	*	*	*	NA	12.3	NA
Tennessee	—	—	1.9	4.5	3.3	2.0	1.4	NA	-69.0	NA
Texas	—	—	7.5	7.8	8.4	6.8	5.9	NA	-24.3	NA
Utah	—	—	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	NA	-47.4	-89.9
Vermont	0.5	0.7	1.5	1.4	1.3	1.4	1.3	212.1	-11.9	NA
Virgin Islands	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	NA	NA	NA
Virginia	—	—	0.7	0.8	0.6	0.4	0.5	NA	-32.7	NA
Washington	7.8	8.5	14.3	16.1	16.2	15.5	14.1	105.2	-12.0	433.5
West Virginia	8.5	8.3	8.6	8.2	7.0	5.4	4.4	-3.6	-45.6	-56.5
Wisconsin	9.4	8.4	8.6	8.0	7.0	5.7	3.7	-14.6	-54.0	NA
Wyoming	—	—	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	NA	-71.3	NA
U.S. Total	192.9	203.8	321.8	359.0	363.1	334.7	301.4	86.2	-16.0	337.2

* denotes benefits provided for less than 50 cases.

Source: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, *Quarterly Public Assistance Statistics, 1992-1993* and unpublished data.

- In 1996 20 percent or more of the cases in 30 States were reported as having no eligible adult. Nationally, more than one in five cases had no adult recipients in 1996 (Table 2.7).
- The average monthly number of AFDC recipients, as distinguished from cases, is shown in Table 2.8. Trends in individual States sometimes differ substantially from the National trends. For example, from 1975 to 1989, the average monthly number of AFDC recipients decreased by two percent nationally. However, the variations by State ranged from a decrease of 54 percent in Washington DC to an increase of 98 percent in Wyoming. Similarly, the National caseload grew by 30 percent from 1989 to 1993, while the change in States ranged from a decrease of five percent in Louisiana to an increase of 132 percent in New Hampshire. The reciprocity rate for each State is shown in Table 2.9.
- Table 2.10 shows the average monthly number of children receiving AFDC, by State, from 1965 to 1996. Note that most of the children receiving AFDC are clustered within a few large States. For example, 20 percent of child recipients in 1995 were in California; 35 percent were in three States (California, New York, and Texas); and 60 percent were in eight States (California, Florida, Illinois, Michigan, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, and Texas).
- Table 2.11 shows the number of child-only recipients as a percentage of the total child population, by State. Nationally, child receipt rates were stable from 1984 until 1990, when the rate began to increase. However State rates were not as stable in many cases.
- Because the AFDC cash grant is frequently supplemented by the issuance of Food Stamps, we provide some comparative data about this program from 1995. Nearly 60 percent or 6.5 million of the 10.8 million food stamp households include one or more children. Of the households that contain children, 4.3 million had at least one person who also received AFDC and 2.2 million households did not receive any AFDC (Table 2.12).
- The average monthly benefit from participation in the Food Stamp Program is shown for households and persons in each State during fiscal year 1995 (October 1, 1994 through September 30, 1995) in Table 2.13.

Table 2.7
AFDC Cases With No Adult Recipients by State, Selected Years 1985 – 96

	Number of AFDC Cases with no Adult Recipient						Percent of AFDC Cases with no Adult Recipient					
	1985	1989	1993	1994	1995	1996	1985	1989	1993	1994	1995	1996
	[In thousands]						[In percent]					
Alabama	10.1	7.4	13.6	16.1	16.5	17.1	19.3	16.5	26.3	32.1	35.8	40.4
Alaska	0.9	0.5	0.9	0.8	0.8	1.1	14.3	6.7	7.5	6.6	6.5	9.1
Arizona	4.9	4.9	12.8	15.1	18.8	18.8	19.2	13.6	18.3	21.0	27.0	29.7
Arkansas	1.1	4.1	6.6	6.9	6.8	8.2	4.8	17.1	24.9	26.4	27.8	36.0
California	96.6	85.7	223.5	201.3	194.9	198.5	17.5	14.2	26.0	22.1	21.2	22.2
Colorado	3.3	2.1	5.1	6.4	6.1	6.7	11.8	6.2	12.1	15.3	15.8	18.9
Connecticut	4.5	3.9	5.5	6.5	7.2	6.6	10.7	10.1	9.6	11.0	11.8	11.3
Delaware	1.6	1.3	2.4	2.8	2.7	2.7	17.8	17.0	21.3	24.3	25.0	25.8
Dist. of Col.	3.4	2.4	4.9	4.5	4.3	4.4	15.3	13.3	19.7	16.5	16.1	17.0
Florida	20.5	27.5	38.2	47.9	45.9	47.8	21.1	23.2	15.0	19.4	19.9	22.5
Georgia	15.5	13.9	22.4	26.6	30.8	29.0	18.1	15.0	15.8	18.8	22.1	22.3
Guam	—	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	—	4.0	4.5	4.0	4.5	3.8
Hawaii	1.3	1.4	1.4	1.8	2.3	2.6	7.9	9.8	7.7	8.8	10.6	12.0
Idaho	0.9	0.3	0.9	1.4	1.5	2.3	14.0	4.8	11.0	16.7	17.0	25.8
Illinois	26.8	17.4	24.1	32.1	34.1	38.8	11.2	8.4	10.4	13.4	14.4	17.3
Indiana	2.9	3.3	7.9	10.4	11.8	13.1	5.2	6.5	10.8	14.1	18.0	24.7
Iowa	3.6	2.8	4.0	5.3	5.0	6.9	9.0	8.1	10.9	13.4	13.7	20.9
Kansas	2.5	2.6	4.1	4.1	5.0	5.5	11.0	10.2	13.4	13.8	17.8	21.7
Kentucky	8.5	8.6	12.9	14.8	17.1	19.9	14.4	14.6	15.6	18.5	22.7	27.7
Louisiana	12.1	10.9	17.4	19.4	20.8	22.5	15.8	11.8	19.4	22.3	26.1	31.9
Maine	1.5	0.9	1.1	1.6	1.8	1.6	7.6	5.1	4.8	6.8	8.2	7.6
Maryland	7.2	6.8	10.9	12.1	12.4	14.6	10.0	10.8	13.6	15.1	16.0	19.7
Massachusetts	8.8	5.2	12.7	14.9	16.8	15.9	10.1	5.9	11.1	13.3	16.7	18.0
Michigan	5.1	3.0	17.6	22.0	24.6	22.6	2.3	1.4	7.7	9.8	12.2	12.7
Minnesota	3.6	1.9	5.2	6.4	6.1	8.1	7.1	3.5	8.1	10.2	10.7	13.8
Mississippi	11.7	8.3	12.8	14.9	13.1	16.5	22.6	13.8	21.3	26.3	25.0	34.3
Missouri	8.0	6.7	10.6	12.2	15.8	14.2	12.0	9.8	11.8	13.3	17.7	17.2
Montana	0.6	0.4	0.9	0.8	1.2	1.2	7.7	4.7	7.9	6.9	10.1	11.0
Nebraska	3.0	2.4	3.5	4.1	4.3	4.1	19.6	17.0	21.1	25.5	28.8	28.9
Nevada	1.0	1.4	2.1	3.5	5.0	4.9	20.9	19.8	16.3	24.6	31.6	32.9
New Hampshire	0.6	0.8	0.9	1.5	2.0	1.7	11.6	15.5	7.9	13.1	18.4	17.7
New Jersey	12.5	14.3	18.7	20.1	19.6	23.2	10.1	13.9	14.9	16.4	16.5	20.7
New Mexico	2.5	2.1	3.5	5.3	5.4	5.4	13.8	10.4	11.3	15.8	15.6	15.9
New York	33.8	16.0	42.6	62.0	66.1	76.1	9.1	4.8	9.8	13.6	14.5	17.6
North Carolina	14.9	12.5	21.4	26.1	29.7	33.3	23.5	16.2	16.4	19.9	23.7	29.4
North Dakota	0.3	0.4	0.6	0.5	0.7	0.7	7.6	6.4	9.8	9.0	12.5	14.2
Ohio	18.3	18.6	35.7	43.6	47.8	48.7	8.2	8.4	13.8	17.4	21.0	23.6
Oklahoma	2.8	3.5	7.2	6.4	8.0	8.6	9.9	9.8	14.8	13.6	17.9	22.3
Oregon	3.6	4.4	6.1	8.0	9.0	12.9	13.1	13.7	14.2	19.0	22.9	38.5
Pennsylvania	14.5	12.1	22.2	24.7	24.2	29.6	7.8	6.9	10.8	11.7	11.8	15.6
Puerto Rico	—	6.1	6.4	6.7	6.2	5.8	—	10.5	10.6	11.4	11.3	11.5
Rhode Island	1.3	0.8	2.1	2.4	2.6	3.2	8.2	5.1	9.6	10.6	11.8	14.9
South Carolina	9.2	7.3	13.7	15.3	15.9	15.7	21.2	19.6	25.7	29.5	32.5	34.4
South Dakota	1.1	0.7	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.6	18.9	10.1	20.1	21.8	23.5	27.2
Tennessee	10.5	10.0	14.8	19.5	21.3	24.2	18.4	14.1	13.7	17.6	20.4	24.4
Texas	5.8	21.1	52.1	53.5	70.9	67.4	4.9	11.6	18.7	18.9	25.8	26.4
Utah	1.5	1.2	2.1	2.7	2.7	3.0	11.4	8.0	11.6	15.1	16.0	20.4
Vermont	0.3	0.2	0.9	0.7	0.6	1.0	4.4	3.4	8.7	7.6	5.9	10.9
Virgin Islands	—	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	—	20.7	9.1	9.4	8.9	8.6
Virginia	11.7	8.9	15.5	16.2	17.7	18.6	19.9	16.6	21.0	21.7	24.5	28.6
Washington	8.0	8.5	14.2	15.1	15.1	16.9	12.5	10.9	14.1	14.7	14.8	17.1
West Virginia	3.4	3.3	6.0	5.4	6.7	7.7	10.1	9.3	14.4	13.3	17.4	21.0
Wisconsin	8.2	8.4	11.6	13.7	15.3	15.7	8.6	10.3	14.5	17.8	21.2	26.2
Wyoming	0.5	0.3	0.7	0.7	1.1	1.1	12.1	6.8	11.1	11.5	20.7	23.6
U.S. Total	437	400	787	869	923	978	12.0	10.6	15.8	17.2	18.9	21.5

Source: ACF, *Characteristics and Financial Circumstances of AFDC Recipients, 1996* and earlier reports.

Table 2.8
Total AFDC Recipients by State, Selected Fiscal Years 1965 – 1996

[In thousands]

	1965	1970	1975	1980	1982	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988
Alabama	78.3	123.2	159.6	179.6	156.0	154.1	151.0	146.0	137.4	131.4
Alaska	4.7	7.8	11.7	15.1	12.8	14.4	15.9	16.9	18.6	19.5
Arizona	40.4	50.8	71.2	51.2	61.9	72.3	72.1	74.4	84.6	93.8
Arkansas	29.9	44.9	100.6	85.0	67.6	63.3	64.2	66.6	66.8	68.5
California	527.7	1,148.3	1,361.7	1,386.9	1,522.4	1,603.2	1,618.9	1,644.2	1,702.7	1,718.6
Colorado	42.1	66.5	96.1	76.8	75.8	87.3	79.1	83.5	90.1	94.5
Connecticut	59.1	82.9	125.3	139.1	127.5	126.7	121.7	117.3	111.9	106.8
Delaware	12.0	19.7	31.5	32.3	28.1	25.3	24.2	21.9	20.6	19.6
Dist. of Col.	20.1	39.8	103.1	85.2	71.0	59.7	58.4	55.2	52.9	49.3
Florida	106.0	203.8	264.8	256.2	259.8	281.3	271.4	275.4	291.0	307.1
Georgia	70.8	197.8	354.2	221.4	230.5	243.4	238.5	237.9	246.3	251.1
Guam	0.6	1.7	3.1	5.0	5.4	6.0	6.0	5.8	4.9	4.5
Hawaii	13.7	24.7	47.4	60.1	56.1	53.1	50.6	47.0	43.0	41.2
Idaho	9.9	15.6	19.3	21.0	17.5	18.3	17.2	17.1	17.6	17.4
Illinois	261.9	368.0	776.5	671.8	711.7	743.4	734.6	736.9	720.8	671.2
Indiana	48.5	73.4	162.2	156.9	156.6	166.1	165.4	161.0	152.0	151.5
Iowa	43.6	63.6	85.2	103.7	90.6	116.6	122.7	127.1	114.7	104.1
Kansas	36.4	53.0	67.1	67.8	63.8	70.8	67.4	68.8	73.2	70.4
Kentucky	80.6	128.7	158.5	167.5	148.4	159.3	159.6	161.8	159.4	155.2
Louisiana	104.1	202.3	235.2	212.6	192.2	217.0	230.3	241.6	259.9	272.4
Maine	19.1	35.8	79.9	60.4	49.6	50.9	57.1	58.4	55.6	51.4
Maryland	79.5	131.1	216.1	212.3	197.0	192.6	194.7	191.9	182.8	175.4
Massachusetts	94.4	208.3	346.8	350.3	286.0	244.5	235.4	235.2	235.0	234.8
Michigan	162.4	253.4	640.8	684.6	727.2	743.7	690.6	672.7	652.1	646.1
Minnesota	50.6	75.5	124.2	135.1	133.8	146.7	151.7	160.1	162.4	163.5
Mississippi	82.9	114.6	186.4	173.1	151.1	154.9	154.8	159.8	174.6	179.7
Missouri	107.1	139.6	260.2	199.3	182.4	197.0	196.9	200.5	203.2	203.6
Montana	7.2	13.4	21.7	19.3	16.1	20.0	22.5	25.8	27.9	28.4
Nebraska	16.1	29.6	38.4	35.2	37.2	42.5	44.2	47.1	46.9	42.7
Nevada	5.1	11.8	14.1	11.8	13.0	12.7	13.7	15.9	16.6	17.3
New Hampshire	4.5	8.9	25.8	22.3	20.1	16.3	14.3	13.1	11.3	11.2
New Jersey	104.4	286.2	440.0	459.5	412.1	382.2	367.0	355.7	339.0	313.2
New Mexico	30.3	51.0	61.3	53.4	50.6	50.7	50.6	51.5	56.5	59.0
New York	517.4	1,051.6	1,209.9	1,099.7	1,075.2	1,115.1	1,111.9	1,099.5	1,062.3	1,010.8
North Carolina	110.9	124.3	169.5	197.7	173.4	166.6	165.5	175.0	175.3	182.8
North Dakota	7.8	10.7	13.7	13.0	10.8	11.5	12.4	13.4	14.0	14.5
Ohio	183.4	265.8	535.1	513.1	587.3	680.2	672.5	676.7	667.4	647.7
Oklahoma	73.4	94.5	97.1	89.2	70.4	78.8	81.8	87.9	96.6	102.0
Oregon	30.9	74.8	99.3	101.9	77.2	71.7	73.9	82.0	81.6	83.8
Pennsylvania	303.0	426.2	627.4	629.0	601.5	576.4	560.8	580.2	562.8	538.0
Puerto Rico	201.6	223.3	232.3	167.7	188.7	178.9	172.8	176.3	177.9	177.4
Rhode Island	23.9	37.8	51.8	52.3	49.3	44.5	43.7	44.4	43.6	42.0
South Carolina	29.7	51.7	134.5	153.0	139.9	125.8	119.8	130.3	129.3	116.8
South Dakota	11.0	16.0	24.6	20.3	16.3	16.3	16.4	17.3	18.7	18.6
Tennessee	76.4	128.6	201.1	161.5	146.6	153.5	155.0	161.6	179.8	185.8
Texas	90.8	213.8	394.1	308.2	285.2	339.2	362.9	413.5	473.4	507.7
Utah	21.9	33.2	34.3	37.4	35.4	37.9	38.0	39.8	43.3	43.8
Vermont	5.5	11.7	21.2	22.5	22.2	23.6	22.4	21.9	21.7	20.2
Virgin Islands	1.2	1.8	4.1	3.1	3.5	3.9	4.2	4.3	4.0	3.5
Virginia	45.9	87.0	173.8	165.8	158.8	155.7	153.6	153.4	149.5	144.6
Washington	70.8	109.2	143.5	153.8	137.0	161.2	177.9	197.6	211.7	211.5
West Virginia	115.7	92.8	68.5	77.2	72.4	97.9	105.8	115.1	114.6	110.8
Wisconsin	44.5	79.5	160.9	212.5	241.8	281.8	288.2	300.9	292.7	269.6
Wyoming	3.5	5.1	6.9	6.8	6.0	8.7	10.0	11.1	12.6	13.5
U.S. Total	4,323	7,415	11,094	10,597	10,431	10,866	10,813	10,997	11,065	10,920

Note: Total recipients include persons receiving benefits under the unemployed parent program and until FY 1982 under AFDC-Foster Care.

Source: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, *Quarterly Public Assistance Statistics, 1992-1993* and unpublished data.

Table 2.8 Continued

[In thousands]

	1989	1990	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	Percent Change		
								1989-93	1993-96	1965-96
Alabama	129.0	130.0	141.9	139.8	132.1	117.7	105.2	8.3	-24.7	34.4
Alaska	19.4	20.2	31.9	36.4	38.0	36.9	36.2	87.3	-0.5	674.6
Arizona	105.4	124.0	180.5	196.5	200.8	190.2	171.5	86.5	-12.7	324.1
Arkansas	69.6	71.4	75.1	72.7	69.3	63.3	58.2	4.4	-20.0	94.4
California	1,762.9	1,902.0	2,306.5	2,462.5	2,639.2	2,679.7	2,625.8	39.7	6.6	397.6
Colorado	97.3	102.2	122.4	123.2	119.0	108.9	98.5	26.6	-20.1	134.1
Connecticut	106.2	120.1	157.0	161.5	165.9	170.6	161.7	52.1	0.1	173.8
Delaware	19.2	21.2	26.5	27.7	27.5	24.9	23.4	44.2	-15.6	95.2
Dist. of Col.	47.9	48.9	60.0	66.7	74.0	72.9	70.2	39.4	5.2	249.2
Florida	326.8	369.9	601.2	694.5	669.4	621.9	560.6	112.5	-19.3	428.8
Georgia	265.9	293.4	388.0	398.3	393.5	382.6	352.6	49.8	-11.5	398.2
Guam	4.1	4.1	4.6	5.4	6.8	7.6	7.9	33.6	44.4	1128.9
Hawaii	42.8	43.9	50.4	55.9	62.0	65.6	66.5	30.6	19.1	384.4
Idaho	16.8	16.6	19.7	21.3	23.2	23.9	22.9	26.6	7.7	132.0
Illinois	632.2	636.0	687.6	688.9	712.3	696.2	655.4	9.0	-4.9	150.2
Indiana	147.4	153.7	199.3	210.8	216.0	189.0	148.0	43.0	-29.8	205.2
Iowa	97.6	98.0	102.5	101.1	110.3	100.5	89.2	3.6	-11.7	104.6
Kansas	73.9	77.0	84.6	88.1	86.7	79.5	68.5	19.2	-22.2	88.1
Kentucky	155.7	175.4	229.4	224.8	208.0	189.4	174.9	44.4	-22.2	116.9
Louisiana	276.6	281.5	273.7	262.7	248.2	251.2	235.6	-5.0	-10.3	126.2
Maine	50.8	56.0	68.1	67.4	64.3	59.9	55.9	32.8	-17.2	192.4
Maryland	176.1	185.5	220.8	221.2	221.8	223.3	204.1	25.6	-7.7	156.7
Massachusetts	241.7	263.4	309.8	325.4	307.1	273.6	236.8	34.6	-27.2	150.8
Michigan	639.9	655.1	674.2	688.1	665.8	597.7	527.1	7.5	-23.4	224.6
Minnesota	163.5	170.6	191.8	191.5	187.0	180.5	171.1	17.1	-10.6	238.2
Mississippi	178.8	178.6	177.3	171.7	158.7	144.1	129.1	-4.0	-24.9	55.6
Missouri	203.1	210.8	250.7	261.5	263.5	253.9	231.9	28.7	-11.3	116.6
Montana	27.7	29.0	32.2	34.6	34.9	33.8	31.2	24.9	-9.8	333.7
Nebraska	41.0	42.6	48.2	48.2	45.3	41.4	38.7	17.6	-19.7	140.8
Nevada	20.1	22.6	32.2	35.2	38.1	40.9	37.6	74.9	6.6	641.0
New Hampshire	12.7	16.3	28.3	29.5	30.3	27.9	24.2	131.9	-17.9	441.4
New Jersey	297.8	309.0	352.7	349.4	335.4	316.1	288.5	17.3	-17.4	176.3
New Mexico	58.7	57.3	87.8	95.4	102.2	103.7	101.1	62.6	6.0	233.5
New York	979.1	981.2	1,117.0	1,196.6	1,254.7	1,255.6	1,183.7	22.2	-1.1	128.8
North Carolina	200.3	223.4	313.5	334.8	332.6	313.3	277.8	67.1	-17.0	150.5
North Dakota	15.3	15.5	18.3	18.5	16.5	14.5	13.4	21.1	-27.6	72.4
Ohio	629.1	632.3	749.1	718.7	684.5	612.0	545.9	14.2	-24.0	197.6
Oklahoma	103.0	111.9	134.9	138.1	131.2	123.7	104.8	34.0	-24.1	42.8
Oregon	87.3	89.0	116.1	117.7	114.0	104.0	86.9	34.8	-26.1	181.4
Pennsylvania	522.7	520.7	593.9	607.9	619.6	596.3	543.5	16.3	-10.6	79.4
Puerto Rico	185.3	189.6	194.4	190.1	182.6	168.3	154.9	2.6	-18.5	-23.2
Rhode Island	41.9	46.1	59.4	61.7	62.8	61.3	58.4	47.3	-5.4	144.7
South Carolina	107.5	110.9	139.6	146.6	139.7	128.9	119.2	36.4	-18.7	301.7
South Dakota	18.9	19.0	20.4	20.1	19.1	17.1	16.3	6.2	-19.0	48.6
Tennessee	195.5	211.2	266.1	310.9	299.7	276.1	260.3	59.0	-16.3	240.5
Texas	539.9	611.3	757.9	781.6	787.5	743.2	684.0	44.8	-12.5	653.5
Utah	43.6	45.1	51.8	52.6	49.9	45.7	40.3	20.6	-23.3	84.5
Vermont	19.7	21.9	29.0	28.5	27.8	27.2	25.3	44.7	-11.4	361.9
Virgin Islands	3.4	3.2	3.8	3.8	3.8	4.6	5.0	11.1	31.6	329.1
Virginia	145.6	150.9	188.4	194.3	194.6	184.0	161.9	33.4	-16.7	252.9
Washington	219.3	228.2	273.5	288.1	291.5	286.3	274.2	31.4	-4.8	287.1
West Virginia	109.3	111.1	118.6	119.0	114.3	104.7	95.1	8.9	-20.1	-17.8
Wisconsin	244.9	237.4	243.9	236.9	226.2	208.7	170.2	-3.3	-28.1	282.3
Wyoming	13.7	14.1	18.9	18.2	16.4	14.6	12.8	32.8	-29.6	265.6
U.S. Total	10,934	11,460	13,625	14,143	14,226	13,659	12,644	29.3	-10.6	192.5

Note: Total recipients include persons receiving benefits under the unemployed parent program and until FY 1982 under AFDC-Foster Care.

Source: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, *Quarterly Public Assistance Statistics, 1992-1993* and unpublished data.

Table 2.9
AFDC Reciprocity Rates by State, Selected Fiscal Years 1965 – 1996

[Total AFDC Recipients as a Percent of the State's Resident Population]

	1965	1970	1975	1980	1982	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988
Alabama	2.2	3.6	4.3	4.6	4.0	3.9	3.8	3.7	3.4	3.3
Alaska	1.8	2.6	3.1	3.7	2.9	2.8	3.0	3.1	3.5	3.6
Arizona	2.6	2.9	3.1	1.9	2.1	2.4	2.3	2.2	2.5	2.7
Arkansas	1.5	2.3	4.7	3.7	2.9	2.7	2.8	2.9	2.9	2.9
California	2.9	5.7	6.3	5.8	6.1	6.2	6.1	6.1	6.1	6.0
Colorado	2.2	3.0	3.7	2.6	2.5	2.8	2.5	2.6	2.8	2.9
Connecticut	2.1	2.7	4.1	4.5	4.1	4.0	3.8	3.6	3.4	3.3
Delaware	2.4	3.6	5.4	5.4	4.7	4.1	3.9	3.5	3.2	3.0
Dist. of Col.	2.5	5.3	14.6	13.3	11.2	9.4	9.2	8.6	8.3	7.8
Florida	1.8	3.0	3.1	2.6	2.5	2.5	2.4	2.4	2.4	2.5
Georgia	1.6	4.3	7.0	4.0	4.1	4.2	4.0	3.9	4.0	4.0
Hawaii	1.9	3.2	5.4	6.2	5.6	5.2	4.9	4.5	4.0	3.8
Idaho	1.4	2.2	2.3	2.2	1.8	1.8	1.7	1.7	1.8	1.8
Illinois	2.5	3.3	6.9	5.9	6.2	6.5	6.4	6.5	6.3	5.9
Indiana	1.0	1.4	3.0	2.9	2.9	3.0	3.0	3.0	2.8	2.8
Iowa	1.6	2.3	3.0	3.6	3.1	4.1	4.3	4.6	4.1	3.8
Kansas	1.6	2.4	2.9	2.9	2.7	2.9	2.8	2.8	3.0	2.9
Kentucky	2.5	4.0	4.6	4.6	4.0	4.3	4.3	4.4	4.3	4.2
Louisiana	2.9	5.6	6.1	5.0	4.4	4.9	5.2	5.5	6.0	6.4
Maine	1.9	3.6	7.5	5.4	4.4	4.4	4.9	5.0	4.7	4.3
Maryland	2.2	3.3	5.2	5.0	4.6	4.4	4.4	4.3	4.0	3.8
Massachusetts	1.8	3.7	6.0	6.1	5.0	4.2	4.0	4.0	4.0	3.9
Michigan	2.0	2.9	7.0	7.4	8.0	8.2	7.6	7.4	7.1	7.0
Minnesota	1.4	2.0	3.2	3.3	3.2	3.5	3.6	3.8	3.8	3.8
Mississippi	3.6	5.2	7.8	6.9	5.9	6.0	6.0	6.2	6.7	7.0
Missouri	2.4	3.0	5.4	4.0	3.7	4.0	3.9	4.0	4.0	4.0
Montana	1.0	1.9	2.9	2.4	2.0	2.4	2.7	3.2	3.5	3.5
Nebraska	1.1	2.0	2.5	2.2	2.4	2.7	2.8	3.0	3.0	2.7
Nevada	1.2	2.4	2.3	1.5	1.5	1.4	1.4	1.6	1.6	1.6
New Hampshire	0.7	1.2	3.1	2.4	2.1	1.7	1.4	1.3	1.1	1.0
New Jersey	1.5	4.0	6.0	6.2	5.5	5.1	4.9	4.7	4.4	4.1
New Mexico	3.0	5.0	5.3	4.1	3.7	3.6	3.5	3.5	3.8	4.0
New York	2.9	5.8	6.7	6.3	6.1	6.3	6.2	6.2	5.9	5.6
North Carolina	2.2	2.4	3.1	3.4	2.9	2.7	2.6	2.8	2.7	2.8
North Dakota	1.2	1.7	2.1	2.0	1.6	1.7	1.8	2.0	2.1	2.2
Ohio	1.8	2.5	5.0	4.8	5.5	6.3	6.3	6.3	6.2	6.0
Oklahoma	3.0	3.7	3.5	2.9	2.2	2.4	2.5	2.7	3.0	3.2
Oregon	1.6	3.6	4.3	3.9	2.9	2.7	2.8	3.1	3.0	3.1
Pennsylvania	2.6	3.6	5.3	5.3	5.1	4.9	4.8	4.9	4.8	4.5
Rhode Island	2.7	4.0	5.5	5.5	5.2	4.6	4.5	4.5	4.4	4.2
South Carolina	1.2	2.0	4.6	4.9	4.4	3.8	3.6	3.9	3.8	3.4
South Dakota	1.6	2.4	3.6	2.9	2.4	2.3	2.3	2.5	2.7	2.7
Tennessee	2.0	3.3	4.7	3.5	3.2	3.3	3.3	3.4	3.8	3.9
Texas	0.9	1.9	3.1	2.1	1.9	2.1	2.2	2.5	2.8	3.0
Utah	2.2	3.1	2.8	2.5	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.4	2.6	2.6
Vermont	1.4	2.6	4.4	4.4	4.3	4.5	4.2	4.1	4.0	3.7
Virginia	1.0	1.9	3.4	3.1	2.9	2.8	2.7	2.6	2.5	2.4
Washington	2.4	3.2	4.0	3.7	3.2	3.7	4.0	4.4	4.7	4.6
West Virginia	6.4	5.3	3.7	4.0	3.7	5.1	5.5	6.1	6.2	6.1
Wisconsin	1.1	1.8	3.5	4.5	5.1	6.0	6.1	6.3	6.1	5.6
Wyoming	1.1	1.5	1.8	1.4	1.2	1.7	2.0	2.2	2.6	2.9
U.S. Total	2.1	3.5	5.0	4.6	4.4	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.4

Note: Reciprocity rate refers to the average number of AFDC recipients in each State as a percent of its total resident population.

Source: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and U.S. Bureau of the Census.

Table 2.9 Continued

[Total AFDC Recipients as a percent of the State's Resident Population]

	1989	1990	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	Percent Change		
								1989-93	1993-96	1965-96
Alabama	3.2	3.2	3.4	3.3	3.1	2.8	2.5	4.4	-26.3	9.7
Alaska	3.5	3.7	5.4	6.1	6.3	6.1	6.0	71.5	-2.1	240.7
Arizona	2.9	3.4	4.7	5.0	4.9	4.4	3.9	70.9	-22.1	50.8
Arkansas	3.0	3.0	3.1	3.0	2.8	2.5	2.3	1.0	-22.7	50.3
California	6.0	6.4	7.5	7.9	8.4	8.5	8.2	30.9	4.3	187.2
Colorado	3.0	3.1	3.5	3.5	3.2	2.9	2.6	16.3	-25.4	19.3
Connecticut	3.2	3.7	4.8	4.9	5.1	5.2	4.9	52.5	0.2	136.6
Delaware	2.9	3.2	3.8	4.0	3.9	3.5	3.2	35.8	-18.5	35.5
Dist. of Col.	7.7	8.1	10.2	11.5	13.0	13.1	12.9	50.3	12.2	415.6
Florida	2.6	2.8	4.4	5.1	4.8	4.4	3.9	95.9	-23.1	112.8
Georgia	4.1	4.5	5.7	5.8	5.6	5.3	4.8	39.1	-16.9	197.5
Hawaii	3.9	3.9	4.4	4.8	5.3	5.6	5.6	23.2	16.7	190.5
Idaho	1.7	1.6	1.8	1.9	2.0	2.1	1.9	14.3	-0.3	35.2
Illinois	5.5	5.6	5.9	5.9	6.1	5.9	5.5	6.5	-6.3	124.8
Indiana	2.7	2.8	3.5	3.7	3.8	3.3	2.5	38.5	-31.4	155.7
Iowa	3.5	3.5	3.7	3.6	3.9	3.5	3.1	1.7	-12.7	97.9
Kansas	3.0	3.1	3.4	3.5	3.4	3.1	2.7	16.5	-23.5	64.4
Kentucky	4.2	4.8	6.1	5.9	5.4	4.9	4.5	39.9	-24.0	77.2
Louisiana	6.5	6.7	6.4	6.1	5.8	5.8	5.4	-5.8	-11.6	85.1
Maine	4.2	4.5	5.5	5.4	5.2	4.8	4.5	30.8	-17.5	131.9
Maryland	3.7	3.9	4.5	4.5	4.4	4.4	4.0	19.9	-9.9	78.9
Massachusetts	4.0	4.4	5.2	5.4	5.1	4.5	3.9	34.6	-28.1	120.7
Michigan	6.9	7.0	7.2	7.3	7.0	6.3	5.5	5.3	-24.5	181.3
Minnesota	3.8	3.9	4.3	4.2	4.1	3.9	3.7	12.2	-13.2	158.6
Mississippi	6.9	6.9	6.8	6.5	5.9	5.3	4.8	-6.3	-27.0	32.3
Missouri	4.0	4.1	4.8	5.0	5.0	4.8	4.3	25.4	-13.4	81.5
Montana	3.5	3.6	3.9	4.1	4.1	3.9	3.5	18.8	-13.8	246.7
Nebraska	2.6	2.7	3.0	3.0	2.8	2.5	2.3	14.7	-21.5	112.7
Nevada	1.8	1.9	2.4	2.5	2.6	2.7	2.3	43.5	-7.8	100.6
New Hampshire	1.2	1.5	2.5	2.6	2.7	2.4	2.1	128.1	-20.7	213.4
New Jersey	3.9	4.0	4.5	4.4	4.2	4.0	3.6	15.3	-18.8	134.6
New Mexico	3.9	3.8	5.5	5.9	6.2	6.1	5.9	51.0	0.2	97.4
New York	5.4	5.5	6.2	6.6	6.9	6.9	6.5	20.9	-0.8	128.7
North Carolina	3.1	3.4	4.6	4.8	4.7	4.3	3.8	57.7	-21.1	68.8
North Dakota	2.4	2.4	2.9	2.9	2.6	2.3	2.1	22.9	-28.4	74.6
Ohio	5.8	5.8	6.8	6.5	6.2	5.5	4.9	11.9	-24.8	172.8
Oklahoma	3.3	3.6	4.2	4.3	4.0	3.8	3.2	30.5	-25.6	5.9
Oregon	3.1	3.1	3.9	3.9	3.7	3.3	2.7	23.8	-29.9	70.2
Pennsylvania	4.4	4.4	5.0	5.1	5.1	4.9	4.5	14.7	-10.8	72.3
Rhode Island	4.2	4.6	5.9	6.2	6.3	6.2	5.9	47.4	-4.5	120.2
South Carolina	3.1	3.2	3.9	4.0	3.8	3.5	3.2	30.0	-20.3	176.9
South Dakota	2.7	2.7	2.9	2.8	2.6	2.3	2.2	3.2	-20.7	39.2
Tennessee	4.0	4.3	5.3	6.1	5.8	5.3	4.9	51.6	-19.8	146.4
Texas	3.2	3.6	4.3	4.3	4.3	4.0	3.6	34.7	-17.3	317.2
Utah	2.6	2.6	2.9	2.8	2.6	2.3	2.0	10.6	-28.7	-8.3
Vermont	3.5	3.9	5.1	5.0	4.8	4.7	4.3	40.3	-13.4	217.0
Virginia	2.4	2.4	2.9	3.0	3.0	2.8	2.4	26.1	-19.2	133.7
Washington	4.6	4.7	5.3	5.5	5.4	5.3	5.0	18.6	-9.5	108.0
West Virginia	6.0	6.2	6.6	6.5	6.3	5.7	5.2	8.1	-20.4	-18.3
Wisconsin	5.0	4.8	4.9	4.7	4.4	4.1	3.3	-6.9	-29.7	206.8
Wyoming	3.0	3.1	4.1	3.9	3.4	3.0	2.7	29.6	-31.3	150.6
U.S. Total	4.4	4.5	5.3	5.4	5.4	5.1	4.7	24.3	-13.0	121.3

Note: Reciprocity rate refers to the average number of AFDC recipients in each State as a percent of its total resident population.

Source: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and U.S. Bureau of the Census.

Table 2.10
Total AFDC Child Recipients by State, Selected Fiscal Years 1965 – 1996

[In thousands]

	1965	1970	1975	1980	1982	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988
Alabama	61.8	95.6	119.2	129.3	110.2	106.6	105.2	102.3	97.0	93.1
Alaska	3.6	6.0	8.6	10.4	8.6	9.2	10.2	10.8	11.9	12.6
Arizona	30.5	38.9	53.9	37.8	43.7	50.5	50.5	52.1	59.2	65.5
Arkansas	22.5	34.0	74.8	62.1	48.1	44.1	45.1	46.9	47.2	48.6
California	390.8	815.6	942.6	932.0	994.4	1,049.8	1,069.9	1,098.0	1,143.0	1,152.1
Colorado	32.7	49.6	68.3	53.0	50.3	56.9	52.6	55.9	60.3	63.3
Connecticut	42.9	61.9	91.8	97.1	86.3	84.4	81.6	79.1	75.9	72.6
Delaware	9.0	14.9	22.9	22.4	18.8	16.8	16.2	14.7	13.9	13.4
Dist. of Col.	16.2	31.0	74.8	58.7	46.8	42.5	43.4	41.9	40.6	38.7
Florida	85.3	159.7	199.7	184.1	181.1	194.8	190.8	194.9	206.4	219.3
Georgia	54.2	150.3	260.8	161.0	160.9	167.7	165.8	165.9	172.3	176.1
Guam	0.5	1.4	2.4	3.7	3.8	4.2	4.1	4.2	3.5	3.2
Hawaii	10.2	17.9	32.9	40.1	36.9	34.2	32.7	30.5	27.9	27.1
Idaho	7.2	11.0	13.5	14.3	11.6	12.0	11.4	11.5	11.9	11.8
Illinois	201.7	282.8	562.3	472.6	483.6	495.5	492.5	494.0	484.9	456.7
Indiana	36.3	54.9	119.4	111.1	105.9	111.1	111.2	108.6	102.9	102.7
Iowa	31.7	45.9	59.1	69.2	59.1	72.3	76.8	79.5	72.4	66.4
Kansas	27.9	40.7	50.3	48.8	43.9	46.5	44.5	45.5	48.1	46.7
Kentucky	58.0	92.7	113.3	118.0	99.6	105.2	106.5	108.2	106.6	104.0
Louisiana	79.0	156.7	177.4	156.4	138.1	154.0	162.6	170.2	182.0	191.4
Maine	14.1	26.4	55.6	40.2	32.4	32.1	35.5	36.4	34.8	32.4
Maryland	61.3	100.3	156.9	145.0	128.5	123.5	125.5	124.2	119.7	116.1
Massachusetts	70.7	152.6	242.4	227.9	180.3	147.6	151.8	150.7	150.2	151.9
Michigan	119.5	190.1	454.3	460.3	464.2	470.2	440.8	430.6	418.8	416.2
Minnesota	39.4	58.0	88.9	90.6	84.0	91.3	95.3	100.8	102.8	104.4
Mississippi	66.3	93.4	144.4	128.1	109.7	111.6	111.6	114.9	125.0	128.1
Missouri	81.8	106.5	193.1	135.5	122.9	128.1	128.6	131.1	132.6	133.7
Montana	5.6	10.1	16.0	13.3	10.6	13.1	14.5	16.5	17.7	18.1
Nebraska	12.3	22.6	27.8	24.6	25.2	28.1	29.4	31.2	31.3	29.0
Nevada	4.0	8.9	10.5	8.2	8.7	8.5	9.3	10.8	11.3	11.9
New Hampshire	3.3	6.6	18.1	14.8	13.0	10.6	9.4	8.6	7.5	7.5
New Jersey	79.1	209.1	315.8	317.6	278.6	255.4	246.6	239.9	230.2	214.1
New Mexico	23.1	38.7	45.2	35.4	34.6	33.9	34.2	34.6	38.1	40.3
New York	379.6	758.8	861.9	758.9	720.3	731.5	729.0	718.2	698.8	668.4
North Carolina	82.8	93.8	125.0	141.1	119.2	112.4	113.3	118.9	119.1	124.1
North Dakota	5.9	8.1	10.0	9.0	7.3	7.6	8.2	8.9	9.2	9.6
Ohio	136.5	197.8	372.7	347.5	377.4	425.2	424.1	428.6	425.3	418.9
Oklahoma	54.5	70.9	73.6	65.2	50.3	55.2	57.0	60.9	66.6	70.0
Oregon	22.8	51.5	67.2	65.4	49.7	47.1	48.7	54.0	54.3	55.8
Pennsylvania	217.3	307.1	429.7	432.2	405.7	380.7	369.0	376.5	369.1	355.6
Puerto Rico	161.2	166.4	170.0	118.2	130.4	120.9	116.4	119.6	120.7	120.7
Rhode Island	17.5	27.4	36.6	35.7	32.6	28.7	28.3	28.7	28.3	27.5
South Carolina	23.8	40.2	99.8	109.4	97.8	87.4	83.6	90.8	90.4	82.8
South Dakota	8.3	11.9	18.1	14.7	11.3	11.3	11.4	12.0	12.9	13.0
Tennessee	58.0	99.0	149.7	115.1	100.7	103.9	105.4	109.4	121.3	125.8
Texas	68.5	162.4	291.8	225.4	203.7	237.9	255.7	291.3	332.9	355.8
Utah	15.8	22.9	23.1	23.6	22.7	24.3	24.4	25.6	27.8	28.0
Vermont	4.0	8.5	14.2	14.4	13.8	14.4	13.8	13.6	13.5	12.7
Virgin Islands	1.0	1.5	3.3	2.5	2.7	2.9	3.2	3.2	3.0	2.6
Virginia	35.4	65.8	125.0	115.8	106.8	104.3	102.6	102.7	100.7	98.0
Washington	50.5	76.0	95.0	97.2	89.1	102.8	112.8	125.7	135.3	135.9
West Virginia	80.0	65.2	47.0	58.3	50.7	61.2	64.2	69.7	69.5	67.6
Wisconsin	33.6	59.9	116.0	142.0	154.1	175.2	180.7	189.2	186.1	174.1
Wyoming	2.7	3.8	5.1	4.9	4.0	5.7	6.5	7.2	8.2	9.0
U.S. Total	3,242	5,483	7,952	7,320	6,975	7,153	7,165	7,300	7,381	7,325

Note: Total child recipients include children receiving benefits under the unemployed parent program and until FY 1982 Foster Care.

Source: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, *Quarterly Public Assistance Statistics, 1992-1993* and unpublished data.

Table 2.10 Continued

[In thousands]

	1989	1990	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	Percent Change		
								1989-93	1993-96	1965-96
Alabama	91.7	92.6	100.7	100.1	95.8	87.0	79.3	9.2	-20.8	28.2
Alaska	12.6	13.2	20.2	23.0	24.1	23.5	23.2	82.3	0.7	550.0
Arizona	73.6	86.7	125.9	134.1	135.9	129.8	118.2	82.1	-11.9	287.4
Arkansas	49.6	51.1	53.4	51.8	49.5	45.5	42.0	4.4	-18.9	86.6
California	1,186.0	1,293.8	1,601.8	1,704.5	1,804.1	1,833.2	1,804.8	43.7	5.9	361.8
Colorado	65.6	68.8	81.5	82.7	80.3	74.1	67.7	26.1	-18.2	107.2
Connecticut	71.5	81.3	105.1	108.2	111.4	114.1	108.1	51.5	-0.1	151.9
Delaware	13.1	14.5	17.9	18.7	18.5	16.9	15.8	42.0	-15.5	74.9
Dist. of Col.	38.1	34.4	42.2	45.9	50.8	50.6	48.2	20.4	5.2	197.9
Florida	234.7	264.2	416.9	477.1	462.6	432.1	394.8	103.3	-17.3	363.0
Georgia	186.9	206.0	268.3	276.4	274.5	268.6	250.6	47.9	-9.3	362.2
Guam	2.9	2.9	3.2	3.8	4.8	5.3	5.5	31.1	44.2	936.1
Hawaii	28.3	29.3	33.7	37.2	41.1	43.4	44.2	31.5	18.9	333.6
Idaho	11.4	11.3	13.3	14.2	15.6	16.3	15.9	24.3	11.9	120.4
Illinois	432.2	435.6	471.8	472.4	485.8	477.7	455.6	9.3	-3.6	125.8
Indiana	100.3	104.8	133.0	140.3	145.1	129.4	104.0	39.8	-25.9	186.9
Iowa	63.0	63.6	67.0	66.2	71.5	66.0	59.2	4.9	-10.5	86.5
Kansas	50.2	52.4	56.7	59.2	58.7	54.6	48.0	17.9	-18.9	72.0
Kentucky	104.5	117.3	147.1	144.7	136.7	127.6	120.3	38.4	-16.9	107.3
Louisiana	194.6	199.0	195.5	188.5	179.7	173.3	161.8	-3.2	-14.2	104.8
Maine	32.0	35.3	42.3	41.9	40.1	37.6	35.3	31.3	-15.9	150.5
Maryland	117.5	124.4	148.8	149.7	150.6	152.1	140.4	27.4	-6.2	129.2
Massachusetts	154.2	168.0	208.0	208.7	197.3	176.4	152.8	35.3	-26.8	116.2
Michigan	414.2	426.9	440.9	449.9	438.8	397.5	353.9	8.6	-21.3	196.1
Minnesota	105.4	110.3	125.1	125.8	124.0	121.1	116.1	19.4	-7.8	194.2
Mississippi	128.6	128.7	127.7	124.1	115.7	105.8	96.0	-3.5	-22.7	44.7
Missouri	134.1	139.4	164.3	171.3	176.4	175.2	162.4	27.7	-5.2	98.5
Montana	17.8	18.7	20.7	22.5	22.7	22.1	20.5	26.2	-8.6	269.0
Nebraska	28.1	29.2	32.6	32.7	31.0	28.6	26.9	16.3	-17.8	117.8
Nevada	14.1	15.9	22.3	24.5	26.7	28.8	27.2	74.0	10.9	578.2
New Hampshire	8.4	10.7	17.9	18.8	19.4	18.0	15.8	122.6	-15.6	373.9
New Jersey	204.8	212.8	241.0	238.3	227.5	213.2	195.4	16.3	-18.0	147.0
New Mexico	40.5	37.4	57.0	61.8	66.3	67.1	65.4	52.4	5.8	183.3
New York	647.6	657.8	742.6	782.1	813.0	811.5	770.5	20.8	-1.5	103.0
North Carolina	136.2	151.8	209.5	223.4	222.6	211.1	191.1	64.1	-14.5	130.8
North Dakota	10.2	10.3	11.9	12.0	10.8	9.7	9.1	17.6	-24.4	52.4
Ohio	410.9	414.4	489.0	473.1	454.9	415.5	381.8	15.1	-19.3	179.7
Oklahoma	70.7	76.9	92.0	94.3	90.2	85.6	74.1	33.4	-21.4	35.9
Oregon	58.3	59.9	76.2	77.7	75.9	70.5	59.9	33.3	-22.9	163.2
Pennsylvania	348.5	345.2	396.6	408.0	416.8	402.8	367.9	17.1	-9.8	69.3
Puerto Rico	126.5	129.7	132.3	129.6	124.1	114.2	105.3	2.4	-18.7	-34.7
Rhode Island	27.5	30.4	38.9	40.5	41.4	40.7	39.0	46.9	-3.6	122.8
South Carolina	76.9	79.6	99.6	105.7	102.2	95.7	89.1	37.4	-15.8	273.5
South Dakota	13.3	13.3	14.4	14.2	13.6	12.4	11.9	7.2	-16.4	43.8
Tennessee	133.0	143.9	179.5	216.8	203.2	189.7	180.8	63.1	-16.6	211.7
Texas	378.2	427.7	528.3	545.5	549.5	522.3	483.9	44.2	-11.3	606.7
Utah	28.4	30.5	34.5	34.8	33.1	30.6	27.1	22.7	-22.2	71.9
Vermont	12.4	13.7	17.7	17.5	17.2	16.8	15.7	41.3	-10.5	290.0
Virgin Islands	2.5	2.4	2.8	2.8	2.8	3.4	3.7	8.8	32.4	275.4
Virginia	99.9	104.0	129.0	133.4	134.1	127.9	114.0	33.6	-14.5	222.4
Washington	141.0	147.6	175.9	184.9	186.7	184.1	177.2	31.1	-4.2	251.2
West Virginia	67.2	68.5	73.4	74.0	71.8	66.9	61.6	10.1	-16.7	-23.0
Wisconsin	160.8	158.0	165.0	158.5	152.6	145.7	122.9	-1.4	-22.5	265.6
Wyoming	9.1	9.5	12.6	12.2	11.1	10.1	9.1	34.4	-25.6	235.5
U.S. Total	7,370	7,755	9,226	9,560	9,611	9,280	8,673	29.7	-9.3	167.4

Note: Total child recipients include children receiving benefits under the unemployed parent program and also AFDC-Foster Care.

Source: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, *Quarterly Public Assistance Statistics, 1992-1993* and unpublished data.

Table 2.11
AFDC Child Reciprocity Rates by State, Selected Fiscal Years 1965 – 1996

[Total AFDC Child Recipients as a Percent of the State's Resident Population under 18 Years of Age]

	1965	1970	1975	1980	1982	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988
Alabama	4.6	7.7	9.9	11.1	9.8	9.7	9.7	9.4	8.9	8.6
Alaska	3.1	5.0	6.2	8.0	6.0	5.7	5.9	6.1	6.7	7.2
Arizona	4.8	6.0	7.2	4.8	5.5	6.1	5.9	5.9	6.4	6.9
Arkansas	3.1	5.2	10.9	9.3	7.5	7.0	7.1	7.4	7.5	7.7
California	6.0	12.3	14.6	14.6	15.3	15.6	15.6	15.6	15.8	15.6
Colorado	4.4	6.4	8.4	6.5	6.0	6.7	6.1	6.4	6.9	7.3
Connecticut	4.4	6.1	9.8	11.8	11.1	11.1	10.8	10.5	10.1	9.7
Delaware	4.7	7.5	12.2	13.4	11.7	10.6	10.2	9.3	8.7	8.3
Dist. of Col.	6.0	13.8	41.1	40.9	34.7	33.2	33.9	32.5	31.5	30.7
Florida	4.3	7.6	8.4	7.8	7.5	7.9	7.6	7.5	7.7	8.0
Georgia	3.2	9.1	15.5	9.8	9.9	10.3	10.1	9.9	10.2	10.3
Hawaii	3.6	6.5	11.7	14.5	13.4	12.2	11.6	10.8	9.9	9.7
Idaho	2.7	4.2	4.7	4.7	3.7	3.8	3.6	3.7	3.8	3.9
Illinois	5.3	7.5	16.0	14.6	15.4	16.0	16.1	16.2	16.0	15.3
Indiana	2.0	3.0	6.9	6.9	6.8	7.4	7.5	7.4	7.0	7.1
Iowa	3.2	4.7	6.6	8.4	7.5	9.4	10.2	10.8	10.0	9.3
Kansas	3.5	5.4	7.3	7.5	6.8	7.2	6.9	7.0	7.4	7.1
Kentucky	4.9	8.3	10.2	10.9	9.5	10.3	10.5	10.8	10.8	10.7
Louisiana	5.5	11.3	13.2	11.8	10.3	11.6	12.2	12.8	14.0	15.0
Maine	3.9	7.7	16.4	12.5	10.4	10.5	11.7	12.0	11.4	10.5
Maryland	4.6	7.3	11.9	12.4	11.4	11.2	11.4	11.2	10.7	10.2
Massachusetts	3.8	8.1	14.2	15.3	12.8	10.8	11.2	11.1	11.1	11.3
Michigan	3.7	5.8	15.0	16.7	17.8	18.7	17.7	17.4	17.0	16.9
Minnesota	2.9	4.2	7.0	7.7	7.3	8.1	8.5	9.0	9.1	9.2
Mississippi	7.0	11.1	17.3	15.7	13.7	14.1	14.0	14.5	16.0	16.7
Missouri	5.2	6.9	13.2	9.9	9.3	9.8	9.8	10.0	10.1	10.1
Montana	2.0	4.0	6.6	5.7	4.6	5.5	6.1	7.0	7.7	8.0
Nebraska	2.3	4.4	5.8	5.5	5.7	6.5	6.8	7.2	7.3	6.8
Nevada	2.5	5.2	5.4	3.8	3.8	3.6	3.9	4.4	4.4	4.4
New Hampshire	1.4	2.6	6.9	5.8	5.1	4.2	3.7	3.3	2.9	2.8
New Jersey	3.4	8.8	14.1	16.0	14.7	13.9	13.5	13.2	12.7	11.8
New Mexico	5.2	9.5	10.9	8.5	8.2	7.9	7.8	7.9	8.6	9.0
New York	6.3	13.0	16.3	16.2	16.1	16.6	16.7	16.5	16.2	15.5
North Carolina	4.4	5.3	7.2	8.5	7.4	7.0	7.1	7.4	7.4	7.7
North Dakota	2.3	3.6	4.9	4.7	3.8	3.9	4.3	4.7	4.9	5.3
Ohio	3.6	5.3	10.9	11.2	12.7	14.6	14.7	15.0	15.0	14.8
Oklahoma	6.4	8.5	8.7	7.6	5.7	6.1	6.3	6.8	7.5	8.1
Oregon	3.3	7.4	9.6	9.0	6.9	6.7	6.9	7.7	7.8	8.0
Pennsylvania	5.5	8.0	12.3	13.8	13.6	13.1	12.9	13.3	13.1	12.6
Rhode Island	5.9	9.1	13.3	14.7	14.0	12.7	12.6	12.8	12.5	12.2
South Carolina	2.3	4.2	10.4	11.6	10.6	9.6	9.1	9.9	9.8	9.0
South Dakota	3.1	5.0	8.2	7.1	5.7	5.7	5.7	6.0	6.5	6.5
Tennessee	4.2	7.5	11.3	8.9	8.0	8.4	8.6	8.9	9.9	10.3
Texas	1.7	4.1	7.1	5.2	4.5	5.1	5.4	6.0	6.9	7.3
Utah	3.7	5.4	5.0	4.4	3.9	4.0	4.0	4.2	4.4	4.5
Vermont	2.7	5.4	9.2	9.9	9.7	10.3	9.9	9.7	9.7	8.9
Virginia	2.2	4.1	8.0	7.9	7.4	7.3	7.1	7.1	6.8	6.6
Washington	4.7	6.5	8.5	8.5	7.8	9.0	9.7	10.8	11.5	11.3
West Virginia	12.2	11.2	8.4	10.4	9.4	11.7	12.6	14.0	14.4	14.4
Wisconsin	2.2	3.8	7.8	10.5	11.8	13.8	14.2	14.9	14.7	13.7
Wyoming	2.1	3.2	4.1	3.4	2.5	3.6	4.1	4.6	5.4	6.2
U.S. Total	4.4	7.6	11.6	11.3	10.9	11.2	11.2	11.4	11.5	11.4

Note: Reciprocity rate refers to the average number of AFDC child recipients in each State as a percent of its population under 18 years of age.

Source: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and U.S. Bureau of the Census.

Table 2.11 Continued

[Total AFDC Child Recipients as a Percent of the State's Resident Population under 18 Years of Age]

	1989	1990	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	Percent Change		
								1989-93	1993-96	1965-96
Alabama	8.6	8.8	9.5	9.4	8.9	8.1	7.4	9.0	-21.3	60.2
Alaska	7.3	7.4	10.9	12.2	12.7	12.4	12.6	68.5	2.8	305.4
Arizona	7.6	8.6	11.9	12.2	11.8	10.9	10.3	61.2	-15.8	112.8
Arkansas	7.9	8.2	8.4	8.2	7.7	7.0	6.4	2.7	-21.8	102.6
California	15.6	16.3	19.1	20.0	20.8	20.8	20.4	27.9	1.9	242.0
Colorado	7.6	7.8	8.8	8.7	8.3	7.6	6.8	15.4	-22.4	52.8
Connecticut	9.5	10.8	13.6	13.9	14.1	14.3	13.6	45.7	-2.3	210.3
Delaware	8.1	8.7	10.4	10.7	10.5	9.4	9.0	32.4	-16.6	90.8
Dist. of Col.	30.7	30.7	36.6	39.7	44.0	44.1	44.0	29.2	10.9	634.3
Florida	8.4	8.8	13.4	14.9	14.0	12.8	11.5	77.8	-22.4	171.1
Georgia	10.8	11.8	14.8	14.9	14.5	14.0	12.8	38.0	-14.0	301.0
Hawaii	10.1	10.5	11.5	12.4	13.5	14.0	14.4	23.6	15.9	300.3
Idaho	3.7	3.6	4.1	4.3	4.6	4.7	4.6	14.7	6.4	71.4
Illinois	14.5	14.8	15.6	15.5	15.7	15.3	14.4	6.3	-6.6	170.8
Indiana	6.9	7.3	9.1	9.6	9.8	8.7	6.9	39.2	-27.6	248.4
Iowa	8.8	8.8	9.3	9.1	9.9	9.1	8.2	3.6	-9.6	159.3
Kansas	7.6	7.9	8.4	8.7	8.5	7.9	7.0	14.0	-19.3	102.5
Kentucky	10.9	12.4	15.3	15.0	14.1	13.1	12.4	37.7	-17.2	152.4
Louisiana	15.5	16.5	15.9	15.3	14.5	14.0	13.1	-1.1	-14.5	140.4
Maine	10.4	11.5	13.8	13.7	13.1	12.3	11.8	31.8	-13.8	201.1
Maryland	10.2	10.6	12.2	12.0	12.0	12.0	10.9	18.0	-9.2	135.8
Massachusetts	11.4	12.4	15.1	14.9	13.9	12.3	10.7	30.5	-27.7	179.9
Michigan	16.9	17.4	17.7	17.9	17.4	15.8	13.9	6.3	-22.2	272.1
Minnesota	9.2	9.4	10.3	10.3	10.0	9.7	9.3	12.2	-9.4	222.1
Mississippi	17.1	17.6	17.1	16.5	15.3	13.9	12.7	-3.1	-23.2	80.9
Missouri	10.2	10.6	12.2	12.6	12.8	12.7	11.6	23.3	-7.4	122.1
Montana	7.9	8.4	9.0	9.6	9.7	9.4	8.8	21.8	-8.4	332.8
Nebraska	6.5	6.8	7.5	7.5	7.0	6.5	6.1	14.2	-18.6	162.5
Nevada	5.0	5.0	6.6	6.9	7.0	7.2	6.5	36.6	-5.1	162.0
New Hampshire	3.1	3.9	6.3	6.5	6.6	6.1	5.4	113.8	-18.0	282.8
New Jersey	11.3	11.8	12.9	12.5	11.7	10.9	9.8	10.4	-21.3	187.4
New Mexico	9.0	8.3	12.1	12.8	13.5	13.4	13.0	41.5	2.1	152.6
New York	15.1	15.4	16.8	17.5	18.0	17.9	17.0	15.9	-3.0	167.5
North Carolina	8.5	9.3	12.5	13.0	12.6	11.7	10.4	53.2	-19.7	134.7
North Dakota	5.7	6.0	6.9	7.0	6.3	5.7	5.4	22.9	-23.2	131.3
Ohio	14.6	14.9	17.3	16.7	15.9	14.5	13.4	14.2	-19.5	271.8
Oklahoma	8.3	9.1	10.7	10.9	10.3	9.7	8.4	30.5	-22.7	31.0
Oregon	8.2	8.1	9.9	10.0	9.6	8.8	7.4	22.2	-26.1	121.4
Pennsylvania	12.4	12.3	13.9	14.2	14.4	13.8	12.7	14.3	-10.4	130.6
Rhode Island	12.1	13.4	16.8	17.2	17.5	17.1	16.6	41.6	-3.4	183.1
South Carolina	8.3	8.7	10.6	11.3	10.8	10.1	9.5	35.2	-15.6	308.7
South Dakota	6.7	6.7	7.0	6.9	6.6	6.0	5.8	3.2	-15.4	88.8
Tennessee	10.9	11.8	14.3	17.0	15.7	14.5	13.7	56.5	-19.6	228.7
Texas	7.9	8.7	10.4	10.5	10.4	9.7	8.9	33.4	-15.5	427.0
Utah	4.5	4.9	5.3	5.3	4.9	4.5	4.0	15.9	-24.2	7.9
Vermont	8.8	9.6	12.3	12.1	11.8	11.5	10.7	37.6	-11.7	296.2
Virginia	6.7	6.8	8.2	8.4	8.4	7.9	7.0	26.7	-17.1	222.7
Washington	11.5	11.3	12.9	13.4	13.3	13.0	12.3	16.6	-7.8	162.3
West Virginia	14.8	15.7	16.9	17.1	16.8	15.9	14.6	15.7	-14.7	19.5
Wisconsin	12.6	12.1	12.4	11.9	11.4	10.8	9.1	-5.4	-23.0	323.5
Wyoming	6.6	7.0	9.2	9.0	8.1	7.4	6.8	36.8	-23.8	222.2
U.S. Total	11.4	11.9	13.7	14.0	13.9	13.3	12.4	23.1	-11.7	183.4

Note: Reciprocity rate refers to the average number of AFDC child recipients in each State as a percent of its population under 18 years of age

Source: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and U.S. Bureau of the Census.

Table 2.12
Distribution of Food Stamp Households with Children and with AFDC
By State, 1995

	Total [thousands]	Households with Children					
		Number	Percent of all FS Recipients	At Least One Person on AFDC		With No One on AFDC	
				Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Alabama	209	125	<i>59.9</i>	40	<i>32.0</i>	85	<i>68.0</i>
Alaska	15	11	<i>69.8</i>	9	<i>81.8</i>	2	<i>18.2</i>
Arizona	178	123	<i>69.0</i>	68	<i>55.3</i>	55	<i>44.7</i>
Arkansas	107	59	<i>55.3</i>	19	<i>32.2</i>	40	<i>67.8</i>
California	1,176	944	<i>80.3</i>	856	<i>90.7</i>	87	<i>9.2</i>
Colorado	103	62	<i>59.8</i>	33	<i>53.2</i>	28	<i>45.2</i>
Connecticut	100	62	<i>61.7</i>	57	<i>91.9</i>	4	<i>6.5</i>
Delaware	21	13	<i>63.8</i>	9	<i>69.2</i>	5	<i>38.5</i>
Dist. of Col.	43	25	<i>58.4</i>	20	<i>80.0</i>	5	<i>20.0</i>
Florida	588	333	<i>56.6</i>	202	<i>60.7</i>	130	<i>39.0</i>
Georgia	329	197	<i>59.9</i>	116	<i>58.9</i>	81	<i>41.1</i>
Guam	5	4	<i>67.5</i>	2	<i>50.0</i>	2	<i>50.0</i>
Hawaii	55	27	<i>48.9</i>	20	<i>74.1</i>	7	<i>25.9</i>
Idaho	30	19	<i>64.0</i>	8	<i>42.1</i>	11	<i>57.9</i>
Illinois	488	267	<i>54.7</i>	210	<i>78.7</i>	57	<i>21.3</i>
Indiana	183	108	<i>58.8</i>	55	<i>50.9</i>	53	<i>49.1</i>
Iowa	75	45	<i>60.4</i>	32	<i>71.1</i>	13	<i>28.9</i>
Kansas	75	44	<i>59.0</i>	26	<i>59.1</i>	18	<i>40.9</i>
Kentucky	187	112	<i>59.8</i>	63	<i>56.3</i>	49	<i>43.8</i>
Louisiana	267	167	<i>62.6</i>	69	<i>41.3</i>	99	<i>59.3</i>
Maine	60	27	<i>45.6</i>	19	<i>70.4</i>	9	<i>33.3</i>
Maryland	169	103	<i>60.9</i>	76	<i>73.8</i>	27	<i>26.2</i>
Massachusetts	178	115	<i>64.6</i>	99	<i>86.1</i>	16	<i>13.9</i>
Michigan	418	235	<i>56.3</i>	187	<i>79.6</i>	49	<i>20.9</i>
Minnesota	131	74	<i>56.5</i>	57	<i>77.0</i>	17	<i>23.0</i>
Mississippi	185	110	<i>59.4</i>	49	<i>44.5</i>	61	<i>55.5</i>
Missouri	237	138	<i>58.3</i>	80	<i>58.0</i>	59	<i>42.8</i>
Montana	28	16	<i>57.5</i>	11	<i>68.8</i>	5	<i>31.3</i>
Nebraska	43	25	<i>57.9</i>	13	<i>52.0</i>	13	<i>52.0</i>
Nevada	46	25	<i>54.9</i>	13	<i>52.0</i>	12	<i>48.0</i>
New Hampshire	25	14	<i>56.1</i>	9	<i>64.3</i>	5	<i>35.7</i>
New Jersey	234	137	<i>58.6</i>	109	<i>79.6</i>	28	<i>20.4</i>
New Mexico	87	56	<i>65.0</i>	31	<i>55.4</i>	26	<i>46.4</i>
New York	1,027	465	<i>45.2</i>	376	<i>80.9</i>	89	<i>19.1</i>
North Carolina	258	144	<i>55.8</i>	88	<i>61.1</i>	55	<i>38.2</i>
North Dakota	17	9	<i>53.5</i>	4	<i>44.4</i>	5	<i>55.6</i>
Ohio	506	267	<i>52.7</i>	194	<i>72.7</i>	73	<i>27.3</i>
Oklahoma	153	88	<i>57.6</i>	41	<i>46.6</i>	47	<i>53.4</i>
Oregon	132	68	<i>52.0</i>	33	<i>48.5</i>	35	<i>51.5</i>
Pennsylvania	516	255	<i>49.5</i>	177	<i>69.4</i>	78	<i>30.6</i>
Rhode Island	40	26	<i>63.9</i>	22	<i>84.6</i>	4	<i>15.4</i>
South Carolina	140	88	<i>62.6</i>	46	<i>52.3</i>	42	<i>47.7</i>
South Dakota	19	12	<i>62.7</i>	5	<i>41.7</i>	6	<i>50.0</i>
Tennessee	281	147	<i>52.2</i>	84	<i>57.1</i>	63	<i>42.9</i>
Texas	948	644	<i>67.9</i>	239	<i>37.1</i>	405	<i>62.9</i>
Utah	44	28	<i>63.9</i>	14	<i>50.0</i>	14	<i>50.0</i>
Vermont	27	15	<i>56.4</i>	11	<i>73.3</i>	4	<i>26.7</i>
Virgin Islands	7	5	<i>67.5</i>	2	<i>40.0</i>	3	<i>60.0</i>
Virginia	235	136	<i>57.7</i>	64	<i>47.1</i>	72	<i>52.9</i>
Washington	204	120	<i>58.8</i>	93	<i>77.5</i>	27	<i>22.5</i>
West Virginia	123	67	<i>54.3</i>	34	<i>50.7</i>	32	<i>47.8</i>
Wisconsin	119	78	<i>65.6</i>	62	<i>79.5</i>	16	<i>20.5</i>
Wyoming	13	9	<i>70.1</i>	5	<i>55.6</i>	4	<i>44.4</i>
U.S. Total	10,883	6,492	59.7	4,261	65.6	2,231	34.4

Source: USDA, Food and Nutrition Service, Fiscal Year 1995 Quality Control Database.

Table 2.13
Distribution Of AFDC Households, Recipients and Benefits by State, 1995

	Household Units			Persons			
	Number [In thousands]	Percent of All AFDC Units	Average Benefit	Number [In thousands]	Percent of All AFDC Recips	Persons per Unit	Average Benefit
Alabama	41	0.9	\$139	111	0.9	2.7	\$51
Alaska	9	0.2	775	29	0.2	3.2	239
Arizona	68	1.6	290	195	1.5	2.9	101
Arkansas	19	0.4	174	52	0.4	2.8	63
California	868	20.0	516	2,700	21.1	3.1	166
Colorado	34	0.8	311	98	0.8	2.9	108
Connecticut	58	1.3	513	174	1.4	3	171
Delaware	9	0.2	311	25	0.2	2.7	115
Dist. of Col.	21	0.5	396	63	0.5	3	134
Florida	206	4.7	264	597	4.7	2.9	91
Georgia	118	2.7	238	344	2.7	2.9	82
Guam	2	0	434	6	0	3.5	124
Hawaii	20	0.5	666	66	0.5	3.3	203
Idaho	8	0.2	265	22	0.2	2.7	99
Illinois	213	4.9	288	653	5.1	3.1	94
Indiana	57	1.3	259	163	1.3	2.9	90
Iowa	32	0.7	342	94	0.7	2.9	119
Kansas	27	0.6	323	83	0.6	3	107
Kentucky	64	1.5	202	174	1.4	2.7	74
Louisiana	69	1.6	158	196	1.5	2.8	56
Maine	19	0.4	374	56	0.4	2.9	131
Maryland	82	1.9	275	234	1.8	2.9	96
Massachusetts	100	2.3	508	289	2.3	2.9	176
Michigan	195	4.5	416	585	4.6	3	139
Minnesota	58	1.3	477	177	1.4	3	157
Mississippi	49	1.1	108	145	1.1	3	37
Missouri	80	1.8	255	232	1.8	2.9	88
Montana	11	0.3	338	34	0.3	3	111
Nebraska	13	0.3	303	36	0.3	2.8	108
Nevada	14	0.3	299	39	0.3	2.8	106
New Hampshire	9	0.2	488	25	0.2	2.8	172
New Jersey	110	2.5	345	317	2.5	2.9	120
New Mexico	32	0.7	326	93	0.7	3	110
New York	393	9.0	435	1,130	8.8	2.9	151
North Carolina	90	2.1	231	256	2.0	2.8	81
North Dakota	4	0.1	343	11	0.1	2.9	120
Ohio	201	4.6	306	579	4.5	2.9	106
Oklahoma	41	0.9	287	117	0.9	2.9	101
Oregon	34	0.8	306	98	0.8	2.9	106
Pennsylvania	181	4.2	387	543	4.2	3	129
Rhode Island	22	0.5	421	62	0.5	2.8	150
South Carolina	46	1.1	184	134	1.0	2.9	63
South Dakota	5	0.1	300	16	0.1	2.9	103
Tennessee	85	2.0	172	246	1.9	2.9	59
Texas	239	5.5	158	651	5.1	2.7	58
Utah	15	0.3	347	43	0.3	2.9	120
Vermont	11	0.3	504	33	0.3	2.9	173
Virgin Islands	2	0	279	6	0.1	4	70
Virginia	65	1.5	257	175	1.4	2.7	95
Washington	95	2.2	442	290	2.3	3.1	144
West Virginia	35	0.8	231	96	0.8	2.8	84
Wisconsin	63	1.5	472	201	1.6	3.2	148
Wyoming	5	0.1	308	14	0.1	2.8	111
U.S. Total	4,345	100.0	—	12,808	100.0	2.9	—

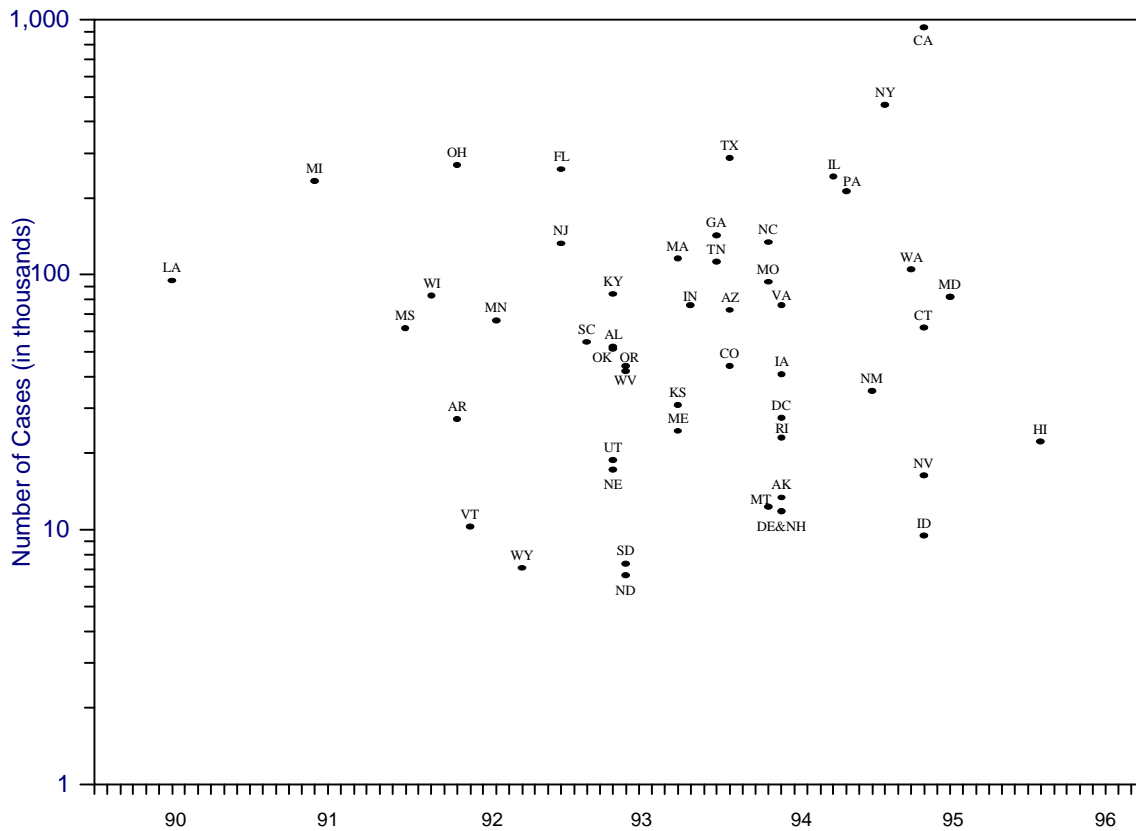
Note: Estimates include all AFDC participants in the Quality Control survey, whether or not they participated in the Food Stamp Program.
Source: USDA, Food and Nutrition Service, Fiscal Year 1995 Quality Control Database.

Peaks in AFDC Participation by State

- While Figure 2.1 previously showed that from a national perspective, the AFDC caseload peaked in March of 1994, the State caseloads peaked over a span of eight years.
- Figure 2.4 plots when States reached their peak caseloads. It is noteworthy that five of the largest States, California, New York, Texas, Illinois and Pennsylvania, experienced peaks rather late within this eight-year band of time. This had the effect of placing the National peak later in time that it otherwise would have been.
- Table 2.14 shows peak caseloads by State between October 1989 and August 1996, the month in which the peak was reached, and the percentage decline from the time of the peak to August 1996.
- Louisiana was the first State to achieve declining caseloads, as its peak was reached in May, 1990. Hawaii was the last State to reach its peak caseload, which was achieved in June 1996¹. These variations in caseloads reflect local labor markets and differences in State policies.
- Nationally, the number of cases receiving AFDC declined by 13.4 percent from its peak in March 1994 to passage of PRWORA in August 1996. However, the decline in the States has varied widely. Wyoming had the largest decline in the number of cases (39.1 percent), followed by Wisconsin (37.4 percent). Hawaii (0.7 percent), New Mexico (4 percent), and California (6 percent) experienced the smallest reductions in the number of participating families.
- Table 2.15 shows peaks in the number of *recipients*, whereas Table 2.14 shows peaks in the number of *cases*. In most States, the number of recipients peaked before the number of cases, a consequence of a trend toward fewer recipients per case.

¹ Hawaii's caseloads under AFDC and TANF have increased since that point.

Figure 2.4
Peak AFDC Caseload by State, October 1989 – August 1996
Peak plotted in Month of Occurrence



Note: It is necessary to plot the peak caseload on a logarithmic scale owing to the large differences in the size of the various States; for example, California's (CA) peak caseload of 933 thousand is roughly 10 times that of Missouri (MO) and Missouri's peak caseload of 94 thousand is about 9 times that of Vermont (VT).

Source: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Office of Planning, Research, and Evaluation.

Table 2.14
Peak AFDC Caseload by State, October 1989 to August 1996

[In thousands]

	October '89 Caseload	Peak Cases Oct '89 to June '96	Date Peak Caseload Occurred	August '95 Caseload	August '96 Caseload	Decline ¹ from Aug. '95 (In percent)	Decline ¹ from Peak (In percent)
Alabama	44.8	52.3	Mar-93	44.0	41.0	6.7	21.6
Alaska	7.1	13.4	Apr-94	11.8	12.2	-3.3	9.0
Arizona	39.2	72.8	Dec-93	67.5	62.4	7.5	14.2
Arkansas	23.8	27.1	Mar-92	23.3	22.1	5.3	18.7
California	620.6	933.1	Mar-95	908.0	880.4	3.2	5.8
Colorado	33.9	43.7	Dec-93	37.1	34.5	7.0	21.2
Connecticut	39.3	61.9	Mar-95	60.3	57.3	4.9	7.4
Delaware	7.9	11.8	Apr-94	10.3	10.6	-3.0	10.4
Dist. of Columbia	18.2	27.5	Apr-94	26.5	25.4	4.2	7.7
Florida	126.2	259.9	Nov-92	219.6	200.9	8.5	22.7
Georgia	96.5	142.8	Nov-93	137.3	123.3	10.2	13.6
Guam	1.2	2.2	Aug-96	2.0	2.2	-11.1	0.0
Hawaii	14.3	22.1	Dec-95	21.9	21.9	-0.0	1.0
Idaho	5.8	9.5	Mar-95	8.8	8.6	2.2	9.4
Illinois	203.0	243.1	Aug-94	229.5	220.3	4.0	9.4
Indiana	51.3	76.1	Sep-93	58.5	51.4	12.1	32.4
Iowa	34.4	40.7	Apr-94	34.5	31.6	8.4	22.5
Kansas	25.3	30.8	Aug-93	27.7	23.8	14.1	22.8
Kentucky	63.2	84.0	Mar-93	73.5	71.3	3.0	15.1
Louisiana	93.2	94.7	May-90	76.1	67.5	11.3	28.8
Maine	18.4	24.4	Aug-93	20.9	20.0	4.4	18.0
Maryland	64.6	81.8	May-95	79.1	70.7	10.7	13.7
Massachusetts	91.8	115.7	Aug-93	94.5	84.7	10.4	26.8
Michigan	210.3	233.6	Apr-91	190.6	170.0	10.8	27.2
Minnesota	54.5	66.2	Jun-92	60.9	57.7	5.1	12.8
Mississippi	60.0	61.8	Nov-91	50.6	46.4	8.3	24.8
Missouri	68.4	93.7	Mar-94	87.1	80.1	8.0	14.5
Montana	9.2	12.3	Mar-94	11.2	10.1	9.5	17.6
Nebraska	14.1	17.2	Mar-93	14.7	14.1	3.8	17.7
Nevada	7.8	16.3	Mar-95	15.5	13.7	11.3	15.9
New Hampshire	5.4	11.8	Apr-94	10.2	9.1	10.7	23.0
New Jersey	103.6	132.6	Nov-92	116.6	108.4	7.0	18.3
New Mexico	18.2	34.9	Nov-94	34.2	33.4	2.4	4.4
New York	338.0	463.7	Dec-94	449.2	418.3	6.9	9.8
North Carolina	81.2	134.1	Mar-94	121.0	110.1	9.1	17.9
North Dakota	5.5	6.6	Apr-93	5.1	4.8	6.1	28.1
Ohio	222.1	269.8	Mar-92	220.3	204.2	7.3	24.3
Oklahoma	36.0	51.3	Mar-93	42.9	36.0	16.1	29.9
Oregon	31.2	43.8	Apr-93	37.6	29.9	20.4	31.7
Pennsylvania	174.4	212.5	Sep-94	199.7	186.3	6.7	12.3
Puerto Rico	58.3	61.7	Jan-92	53.1	49.9	6.0	19.2
Rhode Island	15.6	22.9	Apr-94	21.7	20.7	4.9	9.8
South Carolina	38.5	54.6	Jan-93	47.2	44.1	6.7	19.3
South Dakota	6.5	7.4	Apr-93	6.0	5.8	3.6	20.8
Tennessee	73.2	112.6	Nov-93	102.3	97.2	5.0	13.7
Texas	193.3	287.5	Dec-93	267.3	243.5	8.9	15.9
Utah	15.4	18.7	Mar-93	15.9	14.2	10.7	24.0
Vermont	7.1	10.3	Apr-92	9.5	8.8	7.2	14.6
Virgin Islands	1.0	1.4	Dec-95	1.4	1.4	0.7	4.6
Virginia	54.5	76.0	Apr-94	68.8	61.9	10.0	18.5
Washington	78.7	104.8	Feb-95	99.5	97.5	2.0	7.0
West Virginia	36.3	41.9	Apr-93	37.8	37.0	2.0	11.7
Wisconsin	79.1	82.9	Jan-92	70.0	51.9	25.8	37.4
Wyoming	5.0	7.1	Aug-92	4.8	4.3	10.0	39.1
United States	3,826	5,098	Mar-94	4,745	4,415	7.0	13.4

¹ Negative values denote percent increase.

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Table 2.15
Peak Number of AFDC Recipients by State, October 1989 to August 1996

[In thousands]

	October '89	Peak	Date Peak	August '95	August '96	Decline ¹	Decline ¹
	Recipients	Recipients Oct '89 to	Occurred			from Aug. '95 (In percent)	from Peak (In percent)
Alabama	128	144	Mar-92	111	101	9.5	30.1
Alaska	19	40	Apr-94	35	36	-2.9	11.3
Arizona	114	203	Dec-93	183	169	7.4	16.7
Arkansas	69	76	Mar-92	60	56	6.3	26.1
California	1,810	2,721	Mar-95	2,665	2,582	3.2	5.2
Colorado	98	127	Dec-91	104	96	7.8	24.6
Connecticut	109	173	Mar-95	168	159	5.3	8.2
Delaware	20	29	Jan-94	23	24	-1.3	19.2
Dist. of Columbia	48	75	Apr-94	71	69	3.0	7.7
Florida	346	712	Nov-92	587	534	9.1	25.0
Georgia	280	402	Jan-93	377	330	12.4	17.9
Guam	4	8	Aug-96	7	8	-12.9	0.0
Hawaii	44	67	Jun-96	66	66	-0.8	0.8
Idaho	16	25	Mar-95	24	22	8.5	13.2
Illinois	620	720	Apr-94	674	643	4.6	10.7
Indiana	146	222	Sep-93	168	143	15.3	35.8
Iowa	96	114	Apr-94	95	86	9.0	24.7
Kansas	76	90	Mar-93	77	64	17.4	29.2
Kentucky	167	231	Mar-92	182	172	5.4	25.5
Louisiana	279	284	May-90	249	228	8.2	19.8
Maine	51	69	Dec-91	57	54	6.1	22.4
Maryland	180	228	Jan-95	218	194	10.8	14.8
Massachusetts	254	335	Dec-92	254	226	11.2	32.6
Michigan	631	704	Apr-91	566	502	11.2	28.7
Minnesota	163	201	Jun-92	180	170	5.5	15.4
Mississippi	179	182	Apr-90	138	124	10.2	31.8
Missouri	203	268	Mar-94	248	223	10.1	16.8
Montana	27	37	Jun-95	32	29	9.8	22.1
Nebraska	41	50	Mar-93	41	39	5.0	22.1
Nevada	21	43	Mar-95	40	34	14.1	19.8
New Hampshire	14	31	Apr-94	26	23	12.0	27.0
New Jersey	301	364	Dec-91	307	276	10.2	24.2
New Mexico	55	105	Nov-94	103	100	3.0	5.4
New York	967	1,273	Mar-95	1,234	1,144	7.3	10.2
North Carolina	210	340	Mar-93	301	267	11.2	21.4
North Dakota	15	19	Apr-93	14	13	7.1	31.0
Ohio	596	769	Mar-92	586	549	6.3	28.6
Oklahoma	103	147	Mar-93	118	96	18.5	34.7
Oregon	84	121	Apr-93	99	78	20.4	35.3
Pennsylvania	518	626	Mar-94	578	531	8.1	15.2
Puerto Rico	186	196	Jan-92	162	151	7.0	22.9
Rhode Island	43	64	Apr-94	60	57	5.5	11.1
South Carolina	110	151	Jan-93	123	114	7.3	24.3
South Dakota	19	21	Mar-92	17	16	3.9	23.5
Tennessee	203	321	Jan-93	270	255	5.8	20.5
Texas	570	799	Dec-93	722	649	10.0	19.2
Utah	45	53	Mar-93	43	39	10.1	26.8
Vermont	20	30	Apr-92	27	24	8.2	18.4
Virgin Islands	3	5	Jan-96	5	5	-0.8	3.5
Virginia	147	198	Mar-94	174	153	12.2	22.7
Washington	220	297	May-94	278	269	3.1	9.4
West Virginia	110	121	Apr-93	102	89	12.7	26.4
Wisconsin	236	248	Jan-92	200	149	25.6	40.0
Wyoming	13	21	Mar-92	13	11	13.3	44.5
United States	11,029	14,398	Mar-94	13,261	12,241	8.5	15.0

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