

**Table W-1**  
**Approval and Implementation Dates of Termination/Reduction Time Limits, 1992 – 1998**

State	Termination/reduction time limit		TANF Implementation		TANF Policy		
	Approved	Implemented	Official	Actual	Time Limit	Benefit Reduction	Benefit Termination
Alabama			11-15-96		60 months	–	termination
Alaska			7-1-97		60 months	–	termination
Arizona	5-22-95	11-1-95	10-1-96		24 out of 60	24 reduction	60 termination
Arkansas			7-1-97		24 months	–	termination
California			11-26-96	1-1-98	60 months	reduction	–
Colorado			7-1-97		60 months	–	termination
Connecticut	12-18-95	1-1-96	10-1-96		21 months	–	termination
Delaware	5-8-95	— <sup>1</sup>	3-10-97		48 months	–	termination
Dist. of Columbia			3-1-97		60 months	–	termination
Florida		— <sup>2</sup>	10-1-96		24 out of 60	–	termination
Georgia			1-1-97		60 months	–	termination
Hawaii	8-16-96	2-1-97	7-1-97		60 months	–	termination
Idaho			7-1-97		24 months	–	termination
Illinois	— <sup>3</sup>	2-1-96	7-1-97		24/24off/60	–	termination
Indiana	12-15-94	— <sup>4</sup>	10-1-96		60 months	24 reduction	60 termination
Iowa	8-13-93	10-1-93	1-1-97		individualized	–	termination
Kansas			10-1-96		60 months	–	termination
Kentucky			10-18-96		60 months	–	termination
Louisiana			1-1-97		24 out of 60	–	termination
Maine			11-1-96		60 months	–	termination
Maryland			12-9-96		60 months	reduction	–
Massachusetts			9-30-96		24 out of 60	–	termination
Michigan			9-30-96		none	–	–
Minnesota			7-1-97		60 months	–	termination
Mississippi			10-1-96	7-1-97	60 months	–	termination
Missouri			12-1-96		60 months	–	termination
Montana			2-1-97		60 months	–	termination
Nebraska	2-27-95	— <sup>5</sup>	12-1-96		24 out of 48	–	termination
Nevada			12-3-96		24/12off/60	–	termination
New Hampshire			10-1-96		60 months	–	termination
New Jersey			2-1-97	7-1-97	60 months	–	termination
New Mexico			7-1-97		36 months	–	termination
New York			12-2-96	11-1-97	60 months	–	termination
North Carolina	2-5-96	7-1-96	1-1-97		60 months	–	termination
North Dakota			7-1-97		60 months	–	termination
Ohio	3-13-96		10-1-96		60 months	–	termination
Oklahoma			10-1-96		60 months	–	termination
Oregon	3-28-96	7-1-96	10-1-96		24 out of 84	–	termination
Pennsylvania			3-3-97		60 months	–	termination
Rhode Island			5-1-97		60 months	reduction	–
South Carolina	5-3-96		10-12-96		24/120/60 max	–	termination
South Dakota			12-1-96		60 months	–	termination
Tennessee	7-25-96	— <sup>6</sup>	10-1-96		18/3off/60	–	termination
Texas	3-22-96	— <sup>7</sup>	11-5-96		60 months	12/24/36 red.	termination
Utah			10-1-96		36 months	–	termination
Vermont			9-20-96		none	–	–
Virginia	7-1-95	— <sup>8</sup>	2-1-97		24/2-3yrs. off	–	termination
Washington	9-29-95	1-1-96	1-10-97		60 months	–	termination
West Virginia			1-11-97		60 months	–	termination
Wisconsin			9-30-96	9-1-97	60 months	–	termination
Wyoming			1-1-97		60 months	–	termination

Note: Implementation dates are arbitrarily stated as of the first of the month absent specific information to the contrary. The “actual” dates for TANF implementation are based on communications from Urban Institute staff.

Source: Health and Human Services, Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation, *Setting the Baseline: A Report on State Welfare Waivers* and other unpublished documents.

### **Table W-1 (Endnotes)**

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1. Delaware began implementation of its termination time limit, JOBS exemptions, and JOBS sanctions policy with a small number of cases in October 1995; these became universal in March 1997.
2. Florida began to implement its “Family Transition Project” in two counties in February 1994; non-exempt applicants or recipients limited to 36 months of benefits in a 72 month period or 24 months of benefits in a 60 month period depending on education and work history.
3. Illinois’ termination time limit policy, approved September 30, 1995, was not included in the set of waivers presented in the original 1997 CEA analysis due to its limited scope. The time limit applies only to cases where the youngest child is at least 13 years of age and only those months without any earnings counted towards the time limit.
4. Indiana began implementation of its 24-month time limit policy for “job-ready” non-exempt cases in July 1995; beginning May 1997 the 24-month time limit was expanded to all non-exempt cases.
5. Nebraska began to implement its “Welfare Reform Demonstration Project” in eight counties in October 1995 which included a time limit of 24 months of benefits in a 48 month period.
6. Tennessee’s time limit was phased in over a six month period beginning October 1996.
7. Texas’ 12, 24, or 36 month time limit began in one county in June 1996 and was expanded to the entire state by September 1997. The federal 60 month time limit was imposed beginning November 1996.
8. Virginia’s termination time limit began in five counties in July 1995 and was expanded to the entire state by October 1997.