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March 5, 1998

Judy Paradis, Senate Chair
J. Elizabeth Mitchell, House Chair
Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services
State House, Room 436
Augusta, Maine 04333

Dear Senator Paradis, Representative Mitchell and Members of the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services:

LD 1896, An Act Regarding Temporary Assistance for Needy Families and Welfare Reform, requires an annual reporting to the Legislature. The report must include information about the number of families receiving TANF or PaS benefits, a comparison of TANF eligibility levels with the Federal poverty level, the number of TANF or PaS participants involved in training, education and work activity components and the rates of recidivism for individual who have found employment through the ASPIRE/TANF/PaS program. Attached to this letter is that information. The Department will also be providing additional information as requested during discussions of various bills affecting TANF recipients which the Committee will be addressing this Session.

After several years of steady decline, from 23,266 families receiving benefits in December, 1991 to 15,247 families in December, 1997, the number of families receiving TANF benefits began increasing slightly in January. As of March, 15,531 families are receiving TANF or PaS grants. We speculate that the increase stems from the implementation of changes in disregards to earned income throughout the State. Families with earned income have less countable income applied to their grant, therefore, some families who would have lost benefits under the prior method of budgeting remain eligible under the budgeting system introduced in January. The overall reduction in the number of families served means a savings of \$1.7 million monthly since the implementation of welfare reform in 1995. Those savings amount to \$20 million annually.



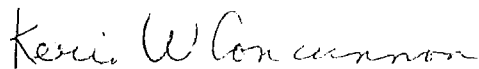
I would also like to draw your attention to the following:

- In October, 1995, when Maine implemented its first welfare reform legislation, 1,511 of the 19,523 families receiving AFDC were doing so because the principle wage earner in the family was unemployed or working less than 100 hours per month. As of March, 1998, the number of families receiving TANF or PaS benefits because of unemployment or underemployment was 846 or 44% of the number a little over two years ago.
- The number of individuals entering employment increased from 2,323 in Calendar Year 1995 to 5,779 in Calendar Year 1997. That is an increase of almost 149%. Many of these individuals are now able to support their family without the help of TANF or PaS benefits.
- As you are aware, Federal welfare reform legislation required states to meet stringent performance rates for TANF recipient's participating in work activities. The latest information submitted to the Federal government, including caseload reduction offsets, verifies that Maine is meeting its work participation requirements and is not, therefore, in danger of losing Federal Block Grant funding.
- On an on-going basis, approximately 3,000 families monthly receive Transitional Services because income has ended their eligibility for TANF or PaS benefits. These services include transportation, child care and Medicaid.

I am also enclosing some information about the TANF program as well as what happens to a family's income once the parent begins working. This information is used for outreach and is available in our regional offices.

I hope that the attached information is useful. I shall be happy to provide more information specific to the topics which the Committee will be discussing at work sessions on specific bills.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kevin W. Concannon".

Kevin W. Concannon, Commissioner

Earned Income Disregards:

In January 1998 the work related deduction of \$90 and the time-limited disregards of \$30 and 1/3 were replaced with the following sets of disregard, depending on the county in which the client lives:

- In Cumberland, Androscoggin, Oxford, Franklin Somerset, Aroostook, Washington, and Hancock, the no-time-limit disregards will be:
 - 20% of gross earnings
 - \$134 of the remaining earnings
- In York, Sagadahoc, Lincoln, Knox, Kennebec, Waldo, Penobscot and Piscataquis, the no-time-limit disregards will be:
 - \$150 of gross earnings
 - 50% of the remaining earnings

These disregards are referred to as the enhanced disregards.

On November 26, the computer recalculated TANF, PaS, and Food Stamp benefits of the TANF and PaS working families and notified them of their January 1998 benefits.

The results of the conversion follow:

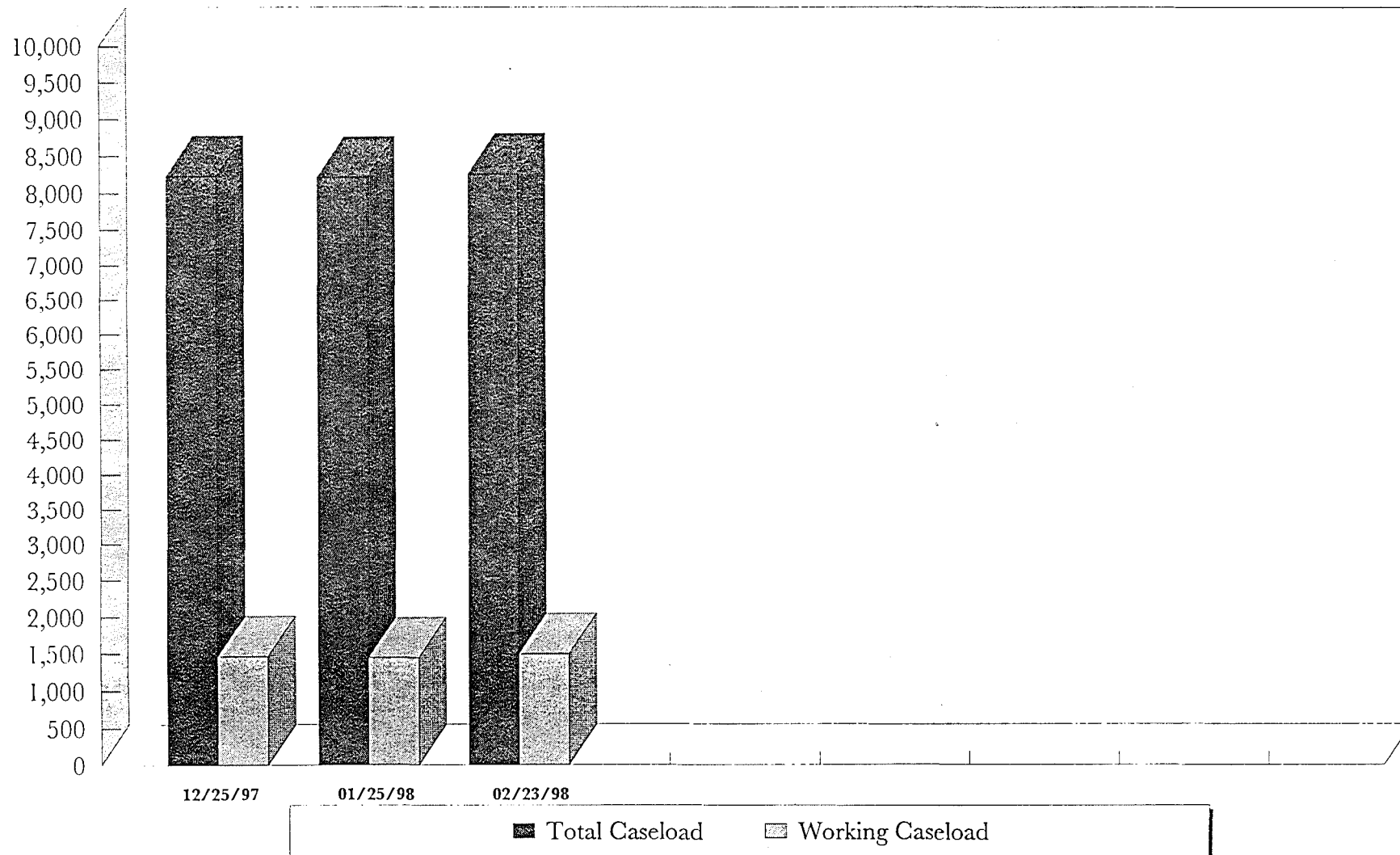
- In the Regular Disregard Area:
 - 1430 families were converted.
 - 714 families will get increased benefits in 1/98.
 - 400 families experience no change in benefits.
 - 284 families will get decreased benefits.
 - 32 families become ineligible.
- In the Enhanced Disregard Area:
 - 1187 families were converted.
 - 846 families will get increased benefits in 1/98.
 - 341 families will experience no change in benefits.

TANF and PaS benefits for these families increased from \$654,046 monthly to \$821,007 monthly. The increased annual cost of funding the new earned income disregards statewide is \$2 Mil.

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Percentage of TANF and PaS Working Families per Disregard Area

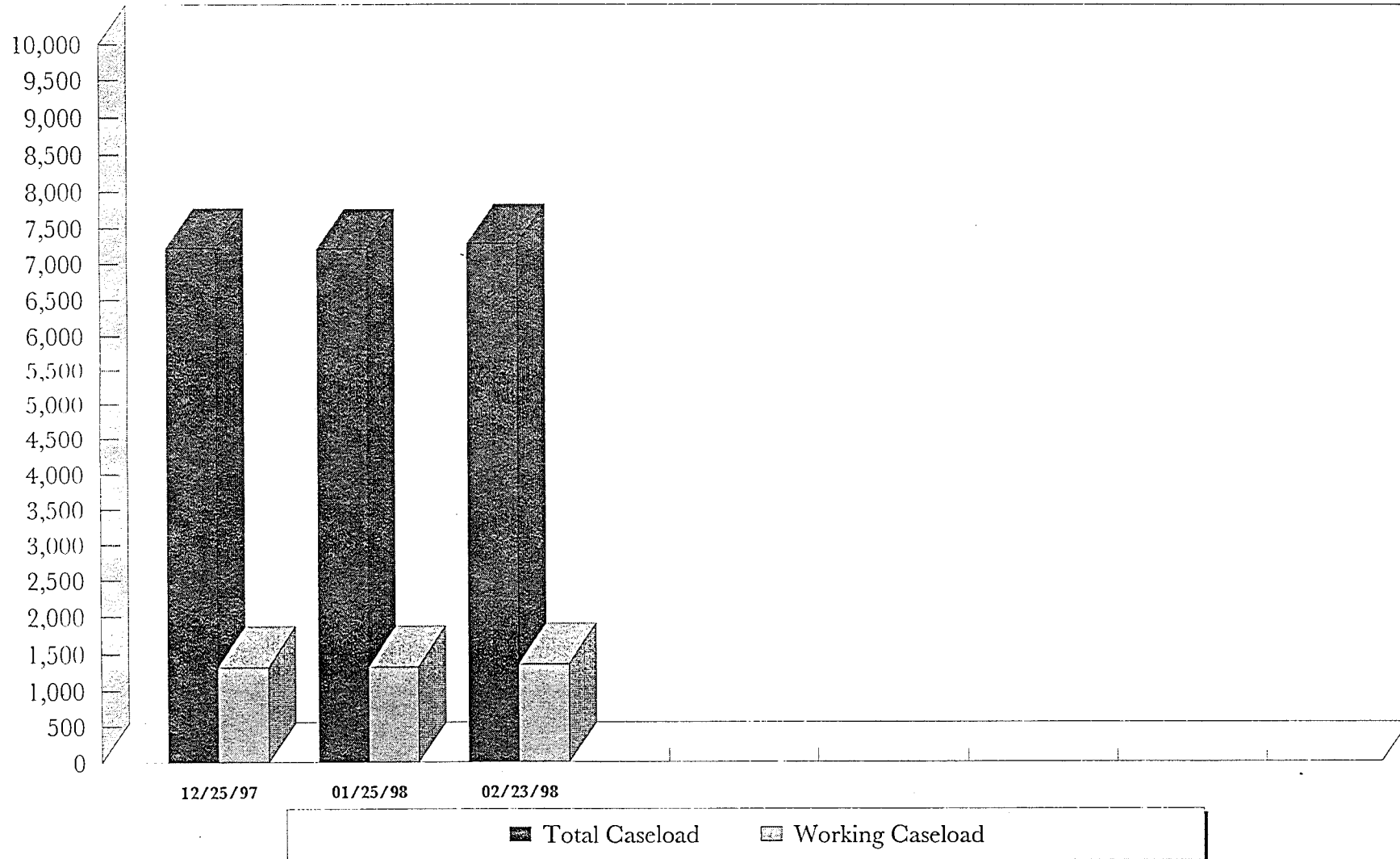
Regular Disregard Area: Androscoggin, Aroostook, Cumberland, Franklin, Oxford, Hancock, Somerset and Washington Counties



	12/25/97	01/25/98	02/23/98
Total Caseload	8,230	8,212	8,257
Working Caseload	1,466	1,448	1,497
% Working Caseload	17.8%	17.6%	18.1%

Percentage of TANF and PaS Working Families per Disregard Area

Enhanced Disregard Area: Knox, Kennebec, Lincoln, Penobscot, Piscataquis, Sagadahoc, Waldo and York Counties



	12/25/97	01/25/98	02/23/98
Total Caseload	7,220	7,206	7,274
Working Caseload	1,315	1,316	1,350
% Working Caseload	18.2%	18.3%	18.6%

MAINE'S WELFARE REFORM LEGISLATIVE HISTORY

The 117th Legislature:

The 117th Maine Legislature passed a welfare reform package which emphasized the temporary nature of welfare and provided several major tools to enable persons receiving welfare to obtain the skills and opportunities to become self supporting. Some of the changes were implemented in October 1995 while others required waivers from the Federal Department of Health and Human Services. The following are changes implemented in October 1995:

- Families were required to sign a Family Contract which outlined the obligations of the AFDC (now TANF) family to the Program and the Department, and outlined the Department's responsibilities to the AFDC family.
- Families in selected areas of the state received home visits at which the AFDC and ASPIRE-JOBS programs were explained, and follow-up verification needed to determine eligibility was obtained.
- All unmarried minor parents began receiving vouchers for basic services instead of cash benefits and were required to complete high school, preferably through a traditional or alternative high school program.

Maine's welfare reform waivers were approved by the Federal Government in June 1996 and the following were among the program changes implemented in August 1996:

- Families who needed only short-term assistance to obtain or retain a job could apply for Alternative Aid Assistance which provided benefits in the form of a voucher equal to three times the monthly AFDC benefit to which the family was entitled.
- The types of exemptions allowed for the ASPIRE Program were reduced, including the exemption for the youngest child reducing from under 3 years old to under 2 years old.

- Adults who were determined “job ready” were expected to participate in job search activities as soon as their eligibility for AFDC was determined.

Simultaneously, Congress enacted the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act (PRWORA) of 1996. Since Maine’s program was largely consistent with the spirit of TANF, the state submitted a TANF plan which incorporated the Welfare to Work program and upon approval began its TANF program in November 1996, although it continued to call the program, AFDC.

Since PRWORA made waivers unnecessary, it provided an opportunity within the state to rethink the program. This rethinking resulted in new state legislation by the 118th Maine Legislature.

The 118th Legislature:

The 118th Legislature renamed the AFDC and ASPIRE/JOBBS programs to TANF and ASPIRE-TANF programs. Under the new programs, virtually everyone must participate in an ASPIRE-TANF activity which will lead to the family’s self-support. The new legislation eliminated the time-limited earned income disregard statewide and an even more generous disregard, referred to as the enhanced disregard, is being tested in 8 of the State’s 16 counties. In order to achieve the objective of requiring maximum participation in the ASPIRE-TANF program, funds were appropriated for services to overcome issues arising from mental health, domestic violence, or substance abuse.

The legislation, also, established a separate state program called Parents as Scholars. This is a separate state funded program to assist up to 2000 families to obtain a 2- or 4-year post secondary education. The program follows TANF eligibility criteria and provides the same support benefits. Under this separate state program, the student is required to attend school and participate in other activities for at least 20 hours per week during the first 2 years. After the initial 2 years, the student must participate in a work activity for a minimum of 20 hours per week.

Additionally, Maine pays benefits to aliens lawfully admitted for permanent residence who were eligible for benefits under the old AFDC Program who are not considered qualified aliens under TANF. Also, the Jay Treaty of 1794 recognizes the aboriginal right of native Americans to pass the border of the U. S. and Canada. When Native Americans move to Maine, the state agency recognizes them as lawfully admitted for permanent residence.

Furthermore, the latest State Legislation eliminated the 12-month limit on its Transitional Child Care (TCC) program for families becoming ineligible for TANF or Pas because of employment. To serve more families, Maine has raised its income eligible level to 85% of the State Median Income. To promote personal responsibility,

the family's fees were increased from \$1 per week per child to a sliding fee scale to 10% of the family's gross income for each child receiving TCC benefits.

A detailed summary of the current program changes, the date of the policy implementation, and an explanation of its relevance to Maine's welfare reform initiatives is located in the Appendix of this report.



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WELFARE REFORM LEGISLATION -- KEY ASPECTS

Maine's Welfare Program For Families Renamed: Temporary Assistance For Needy Families (TANF)

- Maintains philosophical underpinning of Maine's welfare programs for families by promoting support by both parents, moving families to sustainable employment, using collaborative approaches and minimizing the number of teenage pregnancies.
- Eliminates the programs known as Aid to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC) and ASPIRE/JOBS. Replaces these programs with Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) and ASPIRE/TANF.

Full Participation in ASPIRE

- Requires all TANF adults to participate in ASPIRE with exceptions for families in which
 - only the children are receiving cash benefits;
 - the adult(s) is a VISTA volunteer; or
 - there is a child under age 1. This exemption is available only once for a twelve month period.
- Recognizes that there are occasions when adults may not be able to participate in ASPIRE and excuses the adult, when there is a good reason, from taking part in a particular ASPIRE activity. Added to the acceptable reasons is the fear of physical injury or psychological effects, appearance at legal proceedings, counseling or other activities relating to domestic abuse.
- Allocates additional funds for ASPIRE services, including child care, to serve approximately 5,000 additional families, thus eliminating the ASPIRE waiting list.

Financial Incentives to Support Families

- Changes the earned income disregard policy statewide to remove barriers which discourage work. In most areas, the new disregard will be 20% of



gross earned income plus \$134. In eight areas of the State, a demonstration project will allow an enhanced earned income disregard of \$150 and 50% of the remaining income.

- Increases access to child care subsidies by connecting with the Department's other child care programs in order to provide a seamless system. All of the Department's child care subsidy programs will be based on the needs of the child rather than the funding source. These changes will provide subsidies to approximately 3,400 children.
- Expands Alternative Aid and ASPIRE Plus statewide while eliminating the evaluation and control groups required by the waivers from Federal government. Alternative Aid provides a lump sum vendor payment worth up to three months of TANF benefits to help families obtain or maintain employment. ASPIRE Plus provides financial incentives to employers to hire and train ASPIRE participants.
- Continues policies no longer specifically addressed in Federal law including:
 - Pass Through of Child Support;
 - coverage of some legally admitted non-citizens;
 - eligibility for 19 and 20 years old dependent children who are in secondary school;
 - additional money for families whose housing costs exceed 75% of their income;
 - assistance to pregnant women;
 - Medicaid, child care subsidies and transportation reimbursement for families which lose their cash benefit due to income from work;
 - timely and adequate notice for actions on applications, grants and support service requests as well as opportunity for review of staff actions or fair hearings.
- Allows up to \$10,000 received from a lump sum payment to be placed in a Family Development Account or used for specific purposes without affecting the TANF benefit.

Services to Assist Families With Multiple Barriers in Entering the Workforce

- Provides up to \$1.3 million to obtain services to assist families in which the number of barriers or the extent of those barriers have previously precluded the adult's working outside the home.

- Increases the amount of substance abuse and mental health counseling that can be provided.

Provides increased counseling and support services to individuals who have been involved in domestic abuse situations.

Effective Program Operations

- Streamlines the service delivery process by using the Family Contract as the means of identifying the employment plan and authorizing the services necessary to achieve that plan.
- Allows the development and implementation of automated eligibility software known as ACES and provides the ergonomic equipment to reduce the amount of lost time, Workers' Compensation claims and pain due to unsafe equipment.
- Provides funding to develop and implement an Electronic Benefits Transfer system which will allow recipients to access their benefits more quickly.
- Brings TANF policy in line with Food Stamp policy.
 - Increases asset limit from \$1000 to \$2000;
 - Equalizes the length of Intentional Program Violation sanctions;
 - Eliminates the consideration of the cash value of life insurance as an asset.

Establishes the Parents as Scholars Program

- Creates a separate, state funded program to assist up to 2000 parents in obtaining two or four year post secondary education.
- Requires the program to follow TANF eligibility and ASPIRE criteria and to provide the same support services. This includes
 - providing a cash benefit to be used for living expenses while the student attends classes.
 - requiring the student to attend school and participate in other activities for at least 20 hours per week during the first two years of school.
 - requiring the student to participate in a work activity for a minimum of 20 hours per week after the initial two years.
- Establishes a subcommittee of providers and participants in the Parents as Scholars Program within the TANF Advisory Council. The Subcommittee will make recommendations to the Commissioner to improve the functioning of the Program.

Evaluation, Collaboration and Reports

- Provides for the evaluation of the enhanced disregard demonstration.
- Through the TANF Advisory Council, assesses the impact of the Parents as Scholars Program.
- Utilizes collaboration with other State departments, community resources and businesses in the development of additional resources.
- Requires the Department to provide education in nutrition, food preparation and home and money management and allows contracting with other agencies for this service.
- Reinstates and revises the annual report to the Legislature appraising them of the accomplishments of the TANF program.

REPORT TO THE JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE OF THE LEGISLATURE

March, 1998

Each year the Department of Human Services must provide information to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over health and human services matters in order to allow the Legislature to evaluate the TANF Program. This report is required by 22 MRSA 3762. This information must include, but is not limited to the following:

- the number of TANF households and family members,
- a comparison of TANF eligibility levels with the federal poverty level,
- the number of TANF participants in training, education and work activity components, and
- the rates at which individuals who have found employment through ASPIRE-TANF return to the TANF program.

TANF and PaS Recipients in Maine: Who are they?

Demographics as of 02/23/98	TANF	PaS	Totals
# of Families	14,640	891	15,531
# of children served	25,845	1,426	27,271
ave.# children per family	1.6	1.6	1.6
child only families	2,196	5	2,201
1-parent families	11,378	848	12,226
2-parent families (incapacity)	253	5	258
2-parent famlies (P.W.E. underemployed)	813	33	846
Average age of parents	32	30	32
Average age of children	7	7	7
Average school age completed	10	10	10
# of families who are non-citizens	231	3	234
# of working families	2,688	159	2,847
# of families w/unearned income	1,374	50	1,424
# of families receiving SN* payment	4,083	211	4,294
# of families receiving Pass Thru +/-or Gap payments			4,554
# Minor Parent Head of Household	69	0	69
average age of minor parent	15	0	15
# of families with married adults	2,660	96	2,756
# of active sanctions	1,445	23	1,468
Ave. monthly Grant amount	\$361	\$386	\$363
Ave. monthly Food Stamps	\$226	\$232	\$227
Ave. Pass Thru & Gap Payment	\$126	\$142	\$128
Ave. monthly Transitional Child Care	\$210	\$0	\$210
Ave. Transitional Trans. reimb., 3 mos.	\$432	\$0	\$432
# of Alternative Aid (AA) families			85
# AA families who remain off TANF/Pas			67

*Special Needs Housing Allowance of up to \$50 per month.

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FAMILY COUNTS #1
CASELOAD BY COUNTY BY AREA
USER IS ROSE MASURE

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	TOTAL CASE COUNT	TANF CHILD ONLY	TANF 1 PARENT	TANF 2PARENT IC	TANF 2PARENT UP	TANF TOTAL CASES	PAS CHILD ONLY	PAS 1 PARENT	PAS 2PARENT IC	PAS 2PARENT UP	PAS TOTAL CASES
REGULAR DISREGARD AREA											
ANDROSCOGGIN COUNTY	1,553 *	235	1,190	12	31	1,468 *		84		1	85
AROOSTOOK COUNTY	1,146 *	149	792	36	70	1,047 *		87	2	10	99
CUMBERLAND COUNTY	2,576 *	346	1,980	40	76	2,442 *	1	130		3	134
FRANKLIN COUNTY	392 *	65	263	3	20	351 *		39		2	41
HANCOCK COUNTY	356 *	36	282	8	16	342 *		14			14
OXFORD COUNTY	713 *	109	530	7	27	673 *		40			40
SOMERSET COUNTY	896 *	153	654	14	31	852 *	2	40	1	1	44
WASHINGTON COUNTY	625 *	112	427	16	33	588 *		34		3	37
TOTAL REGULAR DISREGARD AREA	8,257	1,205	6,118	136	304	7,763	3	468	3	20	494
ENHANCED DISREGARD AREA											
KENNEBEC COUNTY	1,465 *	232	1,066	21	44	1,363 *		99		3	102
KNOX COUNTY	373 *	56	287	4	13	360 *		13			13
LINCOLN COUNTY	313 *	41	246	10	6	303 *	1	9			10
PENOBSCOT COUNTY	2,262 *	280	1,686	31	124	2,121 *		133	1	7	141
PISCATAQUIS COUNTY	252 *	42	179	7	14	242 *		10			10
SAGadahoc COUNTY	289 *	39	229	4	7	279 *		10			10
WALDO COUNTY	454 *	93	321	9	19	442 *		10		2	12
YORK COUNTY	1,866 *	208	1,437	31	91	1,767 *	1	96	1	1	99
TOTAL ENHANCED DISREGARD AREA	7,274	991	5,451	117	318	6,877	2	380	2	13	397
FINAL TOTAL	15,531	2,196	11,569	253	622	14,640	5	848	5	33	891

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Doesn't include
sanctioned families.
Use payroll counts of 846
& minus 191 from
1-parents hh for
correct counts
by department.

FAMILY COUNTS #16
BREAKDOWN AVG. NUMBER OF PERSONS ON GRANT BY COUNTY BY AREA
USER IS ROSE MASURE

REGULAR DISREGARD AREA

	COUNTY AVG	TANF CHLD ONLY	TANF 1PRNT	TANF 2PRNT IC	TANF 2PRNT UP	TANF AVG	PAS CHLD ONLY	PAS 1 PRNT	PAS 2PRNT IC	PAS 2PRNT UP	PAS AVG
ANDROSCOGGIN	2.62	1.60	2.75	4.75	4.29	2.62		2.66		3.50	2.68
AROOSTOOK	2.70	1.62	2.69	4.50	3.98	2.69		2.70	4.00	4.30	2.89
CUMBERLAND	2.66	1.61	2.76	4.30	4.48	2.67	1.00	2.46		5.66	2.52
FRANKLIN	2.76	1.75	2.83	4.33	4.95	2.76		2.64		4.50	2.73
HANCOCK	2.71	1.61	2.72	4.00	4.62	2.72		2.50			2.50
OXFORD	2.65	1.53	2.77	4.14	4.25	2.65		2.77			2.77
SOMERSET	2.62	1.62	2.73	4.42	4.28	2.62	2.50	2.56	3.00		2.57
WASHINGTON	2.66	1.46	2.78	3.75	4.27	2.64		2.91		4.00	3.00
REGULAR DISREGARD TOTAL	2.66	1.60	2.75	4.31	4.32	2.66	2.00	2.62	3.66	4.40	2.70

ENHANCED DISREGARD AREA

KENNEBEC	2.64	1.58	2.73	4.66	4.59	2.62		2.75		5.33	2.83
KNOX	2.63	1.60	2.75	3.60	4.07	2.63		2.61			2.61
LINCOLN	2.63	1.51	2.73	4.30	4.16	2.64		2.30			2.30
PENOBSCOT	2.67	1.53	2.69	4.38	4.47	2.66		2.61	4.00	4.28	2.70
PISCATAQUIS	2.68	1.66	2.75	4.71	4.07	2.69		2.50			2.50
SAGadahoc	2.58	1.66	2.64	4.75	4.00	2.56		3.00			3.00
WALDO	2.74	1.64	2.88	4.77	4.52	2.73		2.70		5.00	3.08
YORK	2.73	1.50	2.77	4.22	4.34	2.73	2.00	2.80	4.00	4.00	2.81
ENHANCED DISREGARD TOTAL	2.68	1.56	2.73	4.41	4.40	2.67	2.00	2.70	4.00	4.61	2.76
FINAL TOTAL	2.67	1.58	2.74	4.36	4.36	2.66	2.00	2.66	3.80	4.48	2.73

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FAMILY COUNTS #14
BREAKDOWN AVG. AGE OF PARENTS BY COUNTY BY AREA
USER IS ROSE MASURE

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ENHANCED DISREGARD AREA

	TOTAL AVG	TANF CHLD ONLY	TANF 1PRNT	TANF 2PRNT IC	TANF 2PRNT UP	TANF AVG	PAS CHLD ONLY	PAS 1 PRNT	PAS 2PRNT IC	PAS 2PRNT UP	PAS AVG
ANDROSCOGGIN	30	36	29	30	29	30		30		22	30
AROOSTOOK	32	40	31	35	30	32		31	28	28	30
CUMBERLAND	32	40	31	36	32	32	39	29		31	29
FRANKLIN	33	36	32	37	35	33		30		30	30
HANCOCK	32	43	31	38	30	32		30			30
OXFORD	32	38	31	32	30	32		31			31
SOMERSET	31	34	31	34	29	31	32	29	22		29
WASHINGTON	34	40	32	38	31	34		33		28	32
REGULAR DISREGARD TOTAL	32	38	31	35	31	32	34	30	26	28	30
KENNEBEC	32	38	30	35	32	32		29		34	29
KNOX	32	42	30	35	31	32		30			30
LINCOLN	33	45	31	37	33	33		28			28
PENOBSCOT	32	38	31	32	32	32		30	28	34	30
PISCATAQUIS	33	41	32	33	30	33		28			28
SAGADAHOC	32	38	31	36	28	32		25			25
WALDO	33	37	31	36	32	33		33		34	33
YORK	31	40	30	32	30	31	27	30	34	37	30
ENHANCED DISREGARD TOTAL	32	39	31	34	31	32	27	30	31	34	30
FINAL TOTAL	32	39	31	34	31	32	32	30	28	30	30

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FAMILY COUNTS #15
BREAKDOWN AVG. AGE OF CHILDREN BY COUNTY BY AREA
USER IS ROSE MASURE

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ENHANCED DISREGARD AREA

	TOTAL AVG	TANF CHLD ONLY	TANF 1PRNT	TANF 2PRNT IC	TANF 2PRNT UP	TANF AVG	PAS CHLD ONLY	PAS 1 PRNT	PAS 2PRNT IC	PAS 2PRNT UP	PAS AVG
ANDROSCOGGIN	7	9	7	6	5	7		7		2	7
AROOSTOOK	7	10	7	8	5	8		7	12	5	7
CUMBERLAND	7	10	7	8	7	7	17	6		6	6
FRANKLIN	8	9	7	10	8	8		7		4	7
HANCOCK	8	10	7	9	6	8		8			8
OXFORD	8	9	8	7	6	8		8			8
SOMERSET	7	8	7	7	6	7	11	7	2		7
WASHINGTON	8	10	8	10	7	8		8		6	8
REGULAR DISREGARD TOTAL	7	9	7	8	6	7	12	7	10	5	7
KENNEBEC	7	9	7	9	7	7		7		9	7
KNOX	7	10	7	10	4	7		7			7
LINCOLN	8	9	7	9	5	8		6			6
PENOBSCOT	7	9	7	7	7	7		7	5	6	7
PISCATAQUIS	8	10	8	6	4	8		8			8
SAGadahoc	7	8	7	3	4	7		5			5
WALDO	8	9	7	9	7	8		9		7	9
YORK	7	9	7	7	6	7	7	7	9	4	7
ENHANCED DISREGARD TOTAL	7	9	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7
FINAL TOTAL	7	9	7	8	6	7	10	7	9	6	7

FAMILY COUNTS #22
AVERAGE SCHOOL GRADE COMPLETED BY COUNTY BY AREA
USER IS ROSE MASURE

ENHANCED DISREGARD AREA

	COUNTY AVG	TANF CHLD ONLY	TANF 1PRNT	TANF 2PRNT IC	TANF 2PRNT UP	TANF AVG	PAS CHLD ONLY	PAS 1 PRNT	PAS 2PRNT IC	PAS 2PRNT UP	PAS AVG
ANDROSCOGGIN	9	9	9	9	10	9		11		12	11
AROOSTOOK	10	10	10	10	11	10		11	11	12	11
CUMBERLAND	10	9	10	10	9	9	15	11		10	11
FRANKLIN	10	9	10	11	9	10		11		13	11
HANCOCK	9	8	9	8	8	9		9			9
OXFORD	9	9	9	10	10	9		10			10
SOMERSET	10	9	10	10	10	10	7	10	11		10
WASHINGTON	8	8	8	9	9	8		9		8	8
REGULAR DISREGARD TOTAL	9	9	9	9	10	9	8	10	11	11	10
KENNEBEC	10	10	10	11	10	10		11		10	11
KNOX	10	8	10	7	11	10		11			11
LINCOLN	10	9	10	9	9	10		12			12
PENOBSCOT	10	9	10	9	10	10		11	12	12	11
PISCATAQUIS	10	9	9	10	10	9		11			11
SAGadahoc	10	9	10	9	11	10		11			11
WALDO	10	10	10	9	11	10		10		11	10
YORK	9	9	9	9	9	9	11	10	9	12	10
ENHANCED DISREGARD TOTAL	10	9	10	9	10	10	11	11	10	12	11
FINAL TOTAL	10	9	10	9	10	10	8	10	10	11	10

FAMILY COUNTS #10
CASELOAD ALIEN FAMILIES BY COUNTY BY AREA
USER IS ROSE MASURE

	TOTAL CASE COUNT	TANF CHILD ONLY	TANF 1 PARENT	TANF 2PARENT IC	TANF 2PARENT UP	TANF TOTAL CASES	PAS CHILD ONLY	PAS 1 PARENT	PAS 2PARENT IC	PAS 2PARENT UP	PAS TOTAL CASES
REGULAR DISREGARD AREA											
ANDROSCOGGIN COUNTY	2 *	1	1			2 *					
AROOSTOOK COUNTY	12 *	1	9		1	11 *		1			1
CUMBERLAND COUNTY	200 *	20	155	8	15	198 *		1		1	2
FRANKLIN COUNTY	2 *		2			2 *					
HANCOCK COUNTY	1 *				1	1 *					
OXFORD COUNTY	1 *		1			1 *					
SOMERSET COUNTY	2 *	1	1			2 *					
TOTAL REGULAR DISREGARD AREA	220	23	169	8	17	217		2		1	3
ENHANCED DISREGARD AREA											
KENNEBEC COUNTY	9 *	1	4		4	9 *					
LINCOLN COUNTY	1 *		1			1 *					
YORK COUNTY	4 *	1	3			4 *					
TOTAL ENHANCED DISREGARD AREA	14	2	8		4	14					
FINAL TOTAL	234	25	177	8	21	231		2		1	3

FAMILY COUNTS #2
CASELOAD OF WORKING FAMILIES BY COUNTY BY AREA
USER IS ROSE MASURE

	TOTAL CASE COUNT	TANF CHILD ONLY	TANF 1 PARENT	TANF 2PARENT IC	TANF 2PARENT UP	TANF TOTAL CASES	PAS CHILD ONLY	PAS 1 PARENT	PAS 2PARENT IC	PAS 2PARENT UP	PAS TOTAL CASES
REGULAR DISREGARD AREA											
ANDROSCOGGIN COUNTY	292 *	4	255	4	9	272 *		19		1	20
AROOSTOOK COUNTY	246 *	2	186	9	31	228 *		13		5	18
CUMBERLAND COUNTY	405 *	9	335	8	32	384 *		21			21
FRANKLIN COUNTY	70 *	1	49	1	12	63 *		6		1	7
HANCOCK COUNTY	62 *		48	3	7	58 *		4			4
OXFORD COUNTY	151 *	9	118	3	9	139 *		12			12
SOMERSET COUNTY	164 *	3	135	6	13	157 *		7			7
WASHINGTON COUNTY	107 *		86	2	14	102 *		4		1	5
TOTAL REGULAR DISREGARD AREA	1,497	28	1,212	36	127	1,403		86		8	94
ENHANCED DISREGARD AREA											
KENNEBEC COUNTY	266 *	5	223	6	11	245 *		19		2	21
KNOX COUNTY	89 *	3	76	2	4	85 *		4			4
LINCOLN COUNTY	59 *		52	5	2	59 *					
PENOBSCOT COUNTY	405 *	2	342	5	36	385 *		17		3	20
PISCATAQUIS COUNTY	48 *	2	40	2	2	46 *		2			2
SAGADAHOC COUNTY	57 *	2	51	2	2	57 *					
WALDO COUNTY	92 *	7	75	3	5	90 *		2			2
YORK COUNTY	334 *	1	271	10	36	318 *		14	1	1	16
TOTAL ENHANCED DISREGARD AREA	1,350	22	1,130	35	98	1,285		58	1	6	65
FINAL TOTAL	2,847	50	2,342	71	225	2,688		144	1	14	159

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FAMILY COUNTS #3
CASELOAD OF FAMILIES WITH UNEARNED INCOME BY COUNTY BY AREA
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	TOTAL CASE COUNT	TANF CHILD ONLY	TANF 1 PARENT	TANF 2PARENT IC	TANF 2PARENT UP	TANF TOTAL CASES	PAS CHILD ONLY	PAS 1 PARENT	PAS 2PARENT IC	PAS 2PARENT UP	PAS TOTAL CASES
REGULAR DISREGARD AREA											
ANDROSCOGGIN COUNTY	152 *	46	101	3		150 *		2			2
ARDOOSTOOK COUNTY	115 *	28	61	9	5	103 *		10	1	1	12
CUMBERLAND COUNTY	217 *	73	129	7	5	214 *		3			3
FRANKLIN COUNTY	55 *	16	32	1	4	53 *		1		1	2
HANCOCK COUNTY	31 *	7	21		1	29 *		2			2
OXFORD COUNTY	67 *	22	40		4	66 *		1			1
SOMERSET COUNTY	90 *	31	53		3	87 *	1	1		1	3
WASHINGTON COUNTY	65 *	18	39	3	3	63 *		2			2
TOTAL REGULAR DISREGARD AREA	792	241	476	23	25	765	1	22	1	3	27
ENHANCED DISREGARD AREA											
KENNEBEC COUNTY	144 *	46	77	5	7	135 *		9			9
KNOX COUNTY	32 *	10	18		3	31 *		1			1
LINCOLN COUNTY	30 *	12	17		1	30 *					
PENOBSCOT COUNTY	201 *	53	123	3	14	193 *		8			8
PISCATAQUIS COUNTY	23 *	8	12	1	1	22 *		1			1
SAGadahoc COUNTY	19 *	7	12			19 *					
WALDO COUNTY	37 *	11	24	1	1	37 *					
YORK COUNTY	146 *	43	90	4	5	142 *	1	3			4
TOTAL ENHANCED DISREGARD AREA	632	190	373	14	32	609	1	22			23
FINAL TOTAL	1,424	431	849	37	57	1,374	2	44	1	3	50

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FAMILY COUNTS #4
CASELOAD OF SPECIAL NEEDS HOUSING ALLOWANCE BY COUNTY BY AREA
USER IS ROSE MASURE

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	TOTAL CASE COUNT	TANF CHILD ONLY	TANF 1 PARENT	TANF 2PARENT IC	TANF 2PARENT UP	TANF TOTAL CASES	PAS CHILD ONLY	PAS 1 PARENT	PAS 2PARENT IC	PAS 2PARENT UP	PAS TOTAL CASES
REGULAR DISREGARD AREA											
ANDROSCOGGIN COUNTY	467 *	134	300	1	8	443 *		24			24
AROOSTOOK COUNTY	139 *	26	95	1	5	127 *		11		1	12
CUMBERLAND COUNTY	866 *	187	608	10	24	829 *	1	36			37
FRANKLIN COUNTY	120 *	34	73	1	1	109 *		11			11
HANCOCK COUNTY	40 *	5	30		2	37 *		3			3
OXFORD COUNTY	222 *	56	148	1	6	211 *		11			11
SOMERSET COUNTY	276 *	75	186	4	3	268 *	1	6	1		8
WASHINGTON COUNTY	91 *	18	62	1	1	82 *		9			9
TOTAL REGULAR DISREGARD AREA	2,221	535	1,502	19	50	2,106	2	111	1	1	115
ENHANCED DISREGARD AREA											
KENNEBEC COUNTY	406 *	29	337	4	11	381 *		25			25
KNOX COUNTY	103 *	15	80		4	99 *		4			4
LINCOLN COUNTY	73 *	3	63	2		68 *	1	4			5
PENOBSCOT COUNTY	562 *	111	404	3	16	534 *		28			28
PISCATAQUIS COUNTY	42 *	18	20	1	3	42 *					
SAGadahoc COUNTY	69 *	12	53		3	68 *		1			1
WALDO COUNTY	90 *	22	61	1	2	86 *		4			4
YORK COUNTY	728 *	81	570	13	35	699 *		29			29
TOTAL ENHANCED DISREGARD AREA	2,073	291	1,588	24	74	1,977	1	95			96
FINAL TOTAL	4,294	826	3,090	43	124	4,083	3	206	1	1	211



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AFDC SUPPORT PASS-THROUGH/GAP SUMMARY FOR JANUARY 1998 COLLECTIONS

DIS OFF	COUNT	CHECK TOTAL	AVERAGE CHECK	PASS THRU COUNT	PASS THRU TOTAL	AVERAGE PASSTHRU	GAP COUNT	GAP TOTAL	AVERAGE GAP
	1	150.00	150.00	1	50.00	50.00	1	100.00	100.00
10	748	93,912.01	125.55	728	35,212.82	48.36	614	58,699.19	95.60
11	316	41,950.18	132.75	309	15,195.29	49.17	277	26,754.89	96.58
12	228	28,791.27	126.27	224	10,948.85	48.87	191	17,842.42	93.41
20	706	89,144.28	126.26	690	33,668.17	48.79	581	55,476.11	95.48
22	171	21,226.49	124.13	166	8,103.06	48.81	142	13,123.43	92.41
30	430	53,786.78	125.08	422	20,358.13	48.24	346	33,428.65	96.61
31	384	45,135.03	117.53	372	17,890.49	48.09	307	27,244.54	88.74
32	275	33,982.81	123.57	268	13,073.09	48.78	214	20,909.72	97.70
40	722	90,622.25	125.51	703	34,076.99	48.47	608	56,545.26	93.00
41	88	11,026.63	125.30	86	4,158.86	48.35	72	6,867.77	95.38
42	77	9,846.10	127.87	77	3,802.32	49.38	63	6,043.78	95.93
43	66	7,528.24	114.06	63	3,070.00	48.73	53	4,458.24	84.11
50	102	12,812.67	125.61	99	4,896.56	49.46	90	7,916.11	87.95
51	182	21,751.91	119.51	179	8,715.11	48.68	147	13,036.80	88.68
52	58	7,560.22	130.34	58	2,870.00	49.48	41	4,690.22	114.39
FINAL TOTAL									
	4,554	569,226.87	124.99	4,445	216,089.74	48.61	3,747	353,137.13	94.24

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FAMILY COUNTS #5
CASELOAD MINOR PARENT HEAD OF HOUSEHOLD BY COUNTY BY AREA
USER IS ROSE MASURE

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	TOTAL CASE COUNT	TANF CHILD ONLY	TANF 1 PARENT	TANF 2PARENT IC	TANF 2PARENT UP	TANF TOTAL CASES	PAS CHILD ONLY	PAS 1 PARENT	PAS 2PARENT IC	PAS 2PARENT UP	PAS TOTAL CASES
REGULAR DISREGARD AREA											
ANDROSCOGGIN COUNTY	11 *			11		11 *					
AROOSTOOK COUNTY	4 *			3	1	4 *					
CUMBERLAND COUNTY	15 *	1		14		15 *					
FRANKLIN COUNTY	2 *			2		2 *					
HANCOCK COUNTY	1 *			1		1 *					
OXFORD COUNTY	4 *			4		4 *					
SOMERSET COUNTY	5 *	3		2		5 *					
WASHINGTON COUNTY	3 *			3		3 *					
TOTAL REGULAR DISREGARD AREA	45	4		40	1	45					
ENHANCED DISREGARD AREA											
KENNEBEC COUNTY	9 *			8	1	9 *					
KNOX COUNTY	3 *			3		3 *					
LINCOLN COUNTY	1 *			1		1 *					
PENOBSCOT COUNTY	5 *			5		5 *					
PISCATAQUIS COUNTY	1 *			1		1 *					
SAGADAHOC COUNTY	1 *			1		1 *					
YORK COUNTY	4 *			4		4 *					
TOTAL ENHANCED DISREGARD AREA	24			23	1	24					
FINAL TOTAL	69	4		63	2	69					

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FAMILY COUNTS #19
BREAKDOWN AVG. AGE OF MINOR PARENTS BY COUNTY BY AREA
USER IS ROSE MASURE

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REGULAR DISREGARD AREA

COUNTY	TANF CHLD ONLY	TANF 1PRNT	TANF 2PRNT IC	TANF 2PRNT UP	TANF AVG	PAS CHLD ONLY	PAS 1 PRNT	PAS 2PRNT IC	PAS 2PRNT UP	PAS AVG
ANDROSCOGGIN	16	16			16					
AROOSTOOK	17	17		17	17					
CUMBERLAND	11	17			11					
FRANKLIN										
HANCOCK	17	17			17					
OXFORD	17	17			17					
SOMERSET	17	17			17					
WASHINGTON										
REGULAR DISREGARD TOTAL	15	16		17	15					

ENHANCED DISREGARD AREA

KENNEBEC	17			17	17					
KNOX	17	17			17					
LINCOLN										
PENOBSCOT										
PISCATAQUIS										
SAGadahoc										
WALDO										
YORK	16	16			16					
ENHANCED DISREGARD TOTAL	16	16		17	16					
FINAL TOTAL	15	16		17	15					



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FAMILY COUNTS #6
CASELOAD MARITAL STATUS M BY COUNTY BY AREA
USER IS ROSE MASURE

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	TOTAL CASE COUNT	TANF CHILD ONLY	TANF 1 PARENT	TANF 2PARENT IC	TANF 2PARENT UP	TANF TOTAL CASES	PAS CHILD ONLY	PAS 1 PARENT	PAS 2PARENT IC	PAS 2PARENT UP	PAS TOTAL CASES
REGULAR DISREGARD AREA											
ANDROSCOGGIN COUNTY	217 *	43	145	5	13	206 *		11			11
AROOSTOOK COUNTY	280 *	52	138	28	44	262 *		9	1	8	18
CUMBERLAND COUNTY	377 *	79	225	28	40	372 *		4		1	5
FRANKLIN COUNTY	77 *	12	43	1	14	70 *		5		2	7
HANCOCK COUNTY	59 *	10	34	3	9	56 *		3			3
OXFORD COUNTY	101 *	23	61	2	10	96 *		5			5
SOMERSET COUNTY	191 *	28	130	9	21	188 *		2		1	3
WASHINGTON COUNTY	166 *	39	91	14	20	164 *		2			2
TOTAL REGULAR DISREGARD AREA	1,468	286	867	90	171	1,414		41	1	12	54
ENHANCED DISREGARD AREA											
KENNEBEC COUNTY	249 *	56	151	8	23	238 *		9		2	11
KNOX COUNTY	83 *	16	50	2	11	79 *		4			4
LINCOLN COUNTY	74 *	16	44	9	4	73 *		1			1
PENOBSCOT COUNTY	415 *	64	261	18	56	399 *		12	1	3	16
PISCATAQUIS COUNTY	56 *	8	33	5	9	55 *		1			1
SAGadahoc COUNTY	48 *	12	27	4	5	48 *					
WALDO COUNTY	105 *	26	61	6	10	103 *		1		1	2
YORK COUNTY	258 *	53	143	10	45	251 *		6		1	7
TOTAL ENHANCED DISREGARD AREA	1,288	251	770	62	163	1,246		34	1	7	42
FINAL TOTAL	2,756	537	1,637	152	334	2,660		75	2	19	96

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FAMILY COUNTS #25
TANF BREAKDOWN OF SANCTION CODES BY COUNTY BY AREA
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<u>Active</u> TOTAL SANCT INDVS		A	B	C	D	L	N	D	P	Q	S	U	V	W	Y	O	I	2	3
REGULAR DISREGARD AREA																			
ANDROSCOGGIN COUNTY	198	124	16	8	22	2					1	1		22				2	
ARROSTOCK COUNTY	176	130	24	6	7	1	1			3	1			1				2	
CUMBERLAND COUNTY	146	91	7	2	15	4			1	1				19				6	
FRANKLIN COUNTY	33	16	4		5	3								3				2	
HANCOCK COUNTY	9													1				8	
OXFORD COUNTY	92	56	9	2	12					1		1		10				1	
SOMERSET COUNTY	325	259	29	7	23		1							1				5	
WASHINGTON COUNTY	18	11		1										1				5	
TOTAL REGULAR DISREGARD AREA	997	687	89	26	84	10	2		1	5	2	2		58			31		
ENHANCED DISREGARD AREA																			
NON MAINE RESIDENT	1	1																	
NOT IN STATE	2	2																	
KENNEBEC COUNTY	136	107	8	1	16					1	2			1			1	1	
KNOX COUNTY	19	14	1							1							3		
LINCOLN COUNTY	25	18	1		1	1				1							7		
PENOBSCOT COUNTY	112	73	8		17	4				1				2					
PISCATAQUIS COUNTY	20	19	1														3		
SAGadahoc COUNTY	19	12		1	2							1		1			5		
WALDO COUNTY	71	56	5	1	3							1					7		
YORK COUNTY	43	20	2		7	1				1				5					
TOTAL ENHANCED DISREGARD AREA	448	322	26	3	46	6				5	2	1		9			26	2	
FINAL TOTAL	1,445	1009	115	29	130	16	2		1	10	4	3		67			57	2	

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FAMILY COUNTS #26
PAS BREAKDOWN OF SANCTION CODES BY COUNTY BY AREA
USER IS ROSE MASURE

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FAMILY COUNTS #12
BREAKDOWN AVG. GRANT AND AVG. FOOD STAMP BY COUNTY BY AREA
USER IS ROSE MASURE

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	TYPE	COUNTY AVG	TANF CHLD ONLY	TANF 1PRNT	TANF 2PRNT IC	TANF 2PRNT UP	TANF AVG	PAS CHLD ONLY	PAS 1 PRNT	PAS 2PRNT IC	PAS 2PRNT UP	PAS AVG
ENHANCED DISREGARD AREA												
WALDO	GRANT	365	191	396	551	562	363		406		632	444
	BONUS	237	194	239	351	321	235		258		420	285
YORK	GRANT	383	182	398	484	550	382	167	402	526	526	403
	BONUS	230	177	233	272	292	230	106	240	297	341	240
ENHANCED DISREGARD TOTAL	GRANT	369	183	388	520	546	368	167	390	526	582	395
	BONUS	226	184	227	315	306	226	114	232	309	340	236
FINAL TOTAL	GRANT	363	188	382	505	520	361	177	382	394	506	386
	BONUS	227	182	229	316	302	226	184	228	314	323	232

FAMILY COUNTS #12
BREAKDOWN AVG. GRANT AND AVG. FOOD STAMP BY COUNTY BY AREA
USER IS ROSE MASURE

REGULAR DISREGARD AREA

	TYPE	COUNTY AVG	TANF CHLD ONLY	TANF 1PRNT	TANF 2PRNT IC	TANF 2PRNT UP	TANF AVG	PAS CHLD ONLY	PAS 1 PRNT	PAS 2PRNT IC	PAS 2PRNT UP	PAS AVG
ANDROSCOGGIN	GRANT	353	196	376	534	510	351		381		418	381
	BONUS	219	170	226	319	302	219		213		186	213
AROOSTOOK	GRANT	348	181	363	464	444	346		369	226	390	368
	BONUS	228	182	225	337	289	227		226	329	296	236
CUMBERLAND	GRANT	365	199	384	505	521	364	168	363		703	370
	BONUS	224	176	228	296	297	224	211	217		383	221
FRANKLIN	GRANT	373	214	394	511	533	370		388		579	397
	BONUS	227	186	228	304	311	225		233		358	239
HANCOCK	GRANT	360	177	370	514	520	360		357			357
	BONUS	232	183	232	303	310	232		224			224
OXFORD	GRANT	356	184	379	542	495	354		390			390
	BONUS	230	174	237	307	295	230		229			229
SOMERSET	GRANT	351	199	376	541	490	351	191	376	468	7	361
	BONUS	236	196	240	334	284	235	242	237	295	226	238
WASHINGTON	GRANT	347	167	375	416	486	342		406		509	414
	BONUS	240	184	244	322	321	239		247		338	255
REGULAR DISREGARD TOTAL	GRANT	357	192	378	492	494	355	183	376	306	456	378
	BONUS	227	179	230	317	298	227	231	225	318	313	229

ENHANCED DISREGARD AREA

KENNEBEC	GRANT	363	175	389	495	567	360		397		668	405
	BONUS	225	195	226	314	292	224		236		316	238
KNOX	GRANT	361	180	389	498	466	360		368			368
	BONUS	222	192	224	293	267	221		233			233
LINCOLN	GRANT	363	166	386	567	458	364	168	369			349
	BONUS	238	189	241	330	327	239	122	221			211
PENOBSCOT	GRANT	368	187	380	525	548	367		377	526	539	386
	BONUS	222	177	219	334	322	221		222	321	328	228
PISCATAQUIS	GRANT	358	197	373	607	534	358		350			350
	BONUS	224	178	223	353	315	224		220			220
SAGadahoc	GRANT	359	189	376	577	529	356		423			423
	BONUS	224	182	226	347	288	223		258			258

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FAMILY COUNTS #17
BREAKDOWN AVG. PASS THRU & GAP PAYMENTS BY COUNTY BY AREA
USER IS ROSE MASURE

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REGULAR DISREGARD AREA

COUNTY AVG	TANF CHLD ONLY	TANF 1PRNT	TANF 2PRNT IC	TANF 2PRNT UP	TANF AVG	PAS CHLD ONLY	PAS 1 PRNT	PAS 2PRNT IC	PAS 2PRNT UP	PAS AVG
ANDROSCOGGIN	130	96	132	97	100	127	156			156
AROOSTOOK	127	95	128	93	155	124	147			147
CUMBERLAND	131	99	133	241	124	130	145		132	145
FRANKLIN	127	119	132		25	129	117			117
HANCOCK	123	97	126	109		122	131			131
OXFORD	130	90	137	32	69	129	134			134
SOMERSET	118	90	121	255	195	118	117			117
WASHINGTON	117	76	122	127	41	116	131			131
REGULAR DISREGARD TOTAL	128	95	130	128	128	126	141		132	141

ENHANCED DISREGARD AREA

KENNEBEC	136	92	139	50	100	134	155			155
KNOX	114	87	117		290	115	76			76
LINCOLN	120	85	122			120	118			118
PENOBSCOT	125	83	130	129	107	125	131		99	129
PISCATAQUIS	123	74	129		324	122	133			133
SAGadahoc	131	91	133		75	128	163			163
WALDO	117	100	122	50		117	128			128
YORK	131	105	132	152	121	130	50	156		153
ENHANCED DISREGARD TOTAL	128	92	131	105	127	127	50	145	99	143
FINAL TOTAL	128	94	131	121	127	126	50	143	110	142

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FAMILY COUNTS #21
AVERAGE TRANSITIONAL CHILD CARE COST BY COUNTY BY AREA
USER IS ROSE MASURE

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REGULAR DISREGARD AREA

COUNTY	TANF	TANF	TANF	TANF	TANF	PAS	PAS	PAS	PAS	PAS
AVG	CHLD	1PRNT	2PRNT	2PRNT	AVG	CHLD	1	2PRNT	2PRNT	AVG
	ONLY		IC	UP		ONLY	PRNT	IC	UP	
ANDROSCOGGIN	202		200	206	314	202				
AROOSTOOK	126	187	124	112		126				
CUMBERLAND	272		273	202		272				
FRANKLIN	155	335	143			155				
HANCOCK	183		183			183				
OXFORD	164	203	163			164				
SOMERSET	191	129	187	236		191				
WASHINGTON	205		207	186		205				
REGULAR DISREGARD TOTAL	212	213	212	198	314	212				

ENHANCED DISREGARD AREA

KENNEBEC	155		152	323		155				
KNOX	154		154			154				
LINCOLN	311		311			311				
PENOBSCOT	214	325	208	209	309	214				
PISCATAQUIS	129		129			129				
SAGadahoc	299		299			299				
WALDO	196	45	221			196				
YORK	222		224	101	209	222				
ENHANCED DISREGARD TOTAL	208	231	208	189	259	208				
FINAL TOTAL	210	221	210	195	277	210				

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FAMILY COUNTS #20
AVERAGE TRANSITIONAL TRANSPORTATION COST BY COUNTY BY AREA
USER IS ROSE MASURE

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REGULAR DISREGARD AREA

COUNTY	TANF	TANF	TANF	TANF	TANF	PAS	PAS	PAS	PAS	PAS
AVG	CHLD	1PRNT	2PRNT	2PRNT	AVG	CHLD	1	2PRNT	2PRNT	AVG
	ONLY		IC	UP		ONLY	PRNT	IC	UP	
ANDROSCOGGIN	351		351	50	645	351				
AROOSTOOK	286	474	244	567		286				
CUMBERLAND	1,057	9,782	377	417		1,057				
FRANKLIN	397	645	384	296		397				
HANCOCK										
OXFORD	311		281	645		311				
SOMERSET	348		348			348				
WASHINGTON	444		244	645		444				
REGULAR DISREGARD TOTAL	470	3,633	330	431	645	470				

ENHANCED DISREGARD AREA

KENNEBEC	149		149			149				
KNOX	272		272			272				
LINCOLN										
PENOBSCOT	402		402			402				
PISCATAQUIS	535		445	580	580	535				
SAGadahoc	194		145		294	194				
WALDO	395		395			395				
YORK	326	322	315	385		326				
ENHANCED DISREGARD TOTAL	350	322	335	450	437	350				
FINAL TOTAL	432	2,805	332	436	506	432				

FAMILY COUNTS #8
CASELOAD RECEIVED ALTAID AND THOSE THAT RETURNED TO TANF/PAS
USER IS ROSE MASURE

	TOTAL ALTAID	TOTAL TANF PAS	TANF CHILD ONLY	TANF 1 PARENT	TANF 2PARENT IC	TANF 2PARENT UP	TANF TOTAL CASES	PAS CHILD ONLY	PAS 1 PARENT	PAS 2PARENT IC	PAS 2PARENT UP	PAS TOTAL CASES	RECOUP ALTAID
REGULAR DISREGARD AREA													
ANDROSCOGGIN COUNTY	1	*					*					*	
AROOSTOOK COUNTY	1	*					*					*	
CUMBERLAND COUNTY	38	6 *		5	1		6 *					*	
HANCOCK COUNTY	1	1 *		1			1 *					*	
OXFORD COUNTY	2	1 *		1			1 *					*	
SOMERSET COUNTY	5	*					*					*	
TOTAL REGULAR DISREGARD AREA	48	8		7	1		8						

ENHANCED DISREGARD AREA

KENNEBEC COUNTY	5	1 *		1			1 *					*	
KNOX COUNTY	2	*					*					*	
LINCOLN COUNTY	1	1 *				1	1 *					*	
PENOBSCOT COUNTY	2	*					*					*	
SAGadahoc COUNTY	2	*					*					*	
WALDO COUNTY	2	*					*					*	
YORK COUNTY	23	8 *		7			7 *		1			1 *	
TOTAL ENHANCED DISREGARD AREA	37	10		8		1	9		1			1	

FINAL TOTAL

85

18 returned to
TANF/PAS

67 stayed off
TANF/PAS

85

COMPARISON OF THE TANF PAYMENT STANDARD

and

THE FEDERAL POVERTY LEVEL PUBLISHED 2/98

The Department is required to report the difference between Maine's current TANF payment standards and the latest Federal poverty level standards. The latest available report for the Poverty Level was published in February 1998. The chart on the following page makes the comparison required.

Column six of the comparison chart gives the percentage of the latest Federal poverty level met by the current TANF basic grant for families with no other income. For example, a 3 person household with no other income and reasonable shelter costs would receive the maximum basic TANF grant of \$418 per month. This is 36.7% of the Federal poverty level. However, the TANF program makes allowances for families whose certain shelter costs equal or exceed 75% of their countable income. Over 4,200 families receive an additional \$50 Special Needs housing allowance added to their basic TANF grant. This figure is in the lower half of column 5. For a family of 3, the basic TANF grant increases to \$468 per month bringing the family up to 41.1 % of the Federal poverty level.

Approximately 95% of TANF families receive Food Stamps. The last column of the top half of the chart indicates that when maximum allotments of Food Stamps are added to the TANF basic grant, the Federal poverty level met by a 3 person household is 65.5% without the Special Needs housing allowance.

Additionally, over 34% of the required TANF caseload works, 9% receive unearned income such as unemployment benefits, and 30% receive child support. Maine's budgeting system, called the "fill-the-gap" and work incentive disregards allow TANF families with earnings and other income to keep part or all of their income before it reduces their grant.

**Comparison of TANF Payment Standard and the Federal
Poverty Level (Fed. Reg. Vol. 63 Published 2/98)**

Number of Persons in Family	1998 Federal Poverty Level used for 1998	State Standard of Need	Current % of Poverty Level Met When S.O.N. is Filled w/Income	Current Maine TANF Maximum Basic Grant Payment Standard	Current % of Poverty Level Met by Current TANF Maximum Payment	Food Stamps which can be Received When TANF is the Only Income & the Family Qualifies for Max. Shelter Deduction	Current % of Poverty Level met When Family receives Max TANF & Max FS
2	905	412	45.5%	312	34.4%	224	59.2%
3	1138	553	48.5%	418	36.7%	310	63.9%
4	1371	695	50.6%	526	38.3%	365	64.9%
5	1605	837	52.1%	632	39.3%	410	64.9%
6	1838	979	53.2%	739	40.2%	475	66.1%
	Add 234 for each additional person			Add 107 for each additional person			
		State Standard of Need w/SN Payment		Max TANF Grant with SN payment*			
2	905	462	51.0%	362	40.3%		
3	1138	603	52.9%	468	41.1%		
4	1371	745	54.3%	576	42.0%		
5	1605	887	55.2%	682	42.4%		
6	1838	1029	55.9%	789	42.9%		

*Special Needs Housing Allowance of \$50 monthly.

ASPIRE PARTICIPANT COMPONENT/ACTIVITY SUMMARY

REPORT PERIOD 01/01/98 TO 01/31/98

The Department tracks the activities that ASPIRE participants are involved in for State and Federal reporting requirements. This report (ASP 120) details both monthly and year-to-date (State Fiscal Year and Federal Fiscal Year) performance in activity components for the ASPIRE Program. It also gives an average of the scheduled hours for all ASPIRE participants in a specific activity; this enables management to assess, at a glance, if the minimum number of hours of participation required by the ASPIRE program are being met.

With this information, it can be determined how many TANF recipients are participating in training, educational or employment activities, and where the state is in relation to target numbers established by the Federal and State governments, and also by DHS management staff.

This report is extremely useful in determining if a certain activity is underutilized, or if there are areas where DHS should be concentrating additional resources. In addition, it provides a status report for the Parents as Scholars Program (a State-funded program of financial assistance for post-secondary educational programs that provided two and four year degrees).

ASPIRE PARTICIPANT COMPONENT/ACTIVITY SUMMARY
FOR SUB-PROGRAM JOBS/JOB YOUTH
REPORT PERIOD 01/01/98 TO 01/31/98

STATEWIDE JOBS/JOB YOUTH

STATEWIDE JOBS/JOBS YOUTH		***** MONTHLY *****			AVERAGE SCHED HRS	NON- COMP MO.	***** YEAR TO DATE *****			
		PROGRAM PERFORMANCE					PROGRAM PERFORMANCE			
		ENTERED IN MO.	COMPLETED IN MO.	ACTIVE @ EOM			STATE FYE SERVE	COMPLETE SERVE	FEDERAL FYE SERVE	COMPLETE SERVE
ASSESSMENT	25-PRELIM/ORIENT/ASSESS	0	0	202	5	0	1838	1575	1117	875
	29-SUBSEQUENT ASSESSMENT	0	0	146	9	0	306	131	230	65
	51-INTAKE REFERRAL	0	0	8	13	0	23	12	15	6
JOB READINESS	18-PRE-VOC (REFERRED)	0	0	263	13	0	483	164	371	75
	19-PRE-VOC JOBS	0	0	399	13	0	1043	545	760	312
	20-JTPA NON-SKILLS	0	0	8	14	0	18	7	12	3
	21-FIELD TRAIN/READINESS	0	0	13	18	0	27	8	20	1
	99-MENTAL HEALTH/SUB ABUSE	0	0	44	13	0	45	1	45	1
SECONDARY EDUCATION	01-ADULT ED (DIPLOMA)	0	0	124	16	0	176	28	149	15
	02-GED PROGRAMS	0	0	254	12	0	420	84	338	47
	03-ADULT ED (REMEDIAL)	0	0	125	12	0	228	58	183	35
	04-HIGH SCHOOL	0	0	97	25	0	151	38	124	18
	05-ECO PROGRAMS	0	0	8	11	0	11	2	11	2
	06-ALTERNATIVE ED. PGRM	0	0	30	22	0	54	10	39	5
JOBS SKILLS TRAINING	10-VTC COURSES	0	0	74	15	0	115	34	103	23
	11-VTC CERTIFICATE	0	0	86	20	0	160	56	126	29
	13-VTC 2 YR DEGREE	0	0	96	24	0	130	25	111	12
	14-JTPA SKILLS TRAINING	0	0	18	18	0	35	11	24	3
	15-EMPLOYER SPONSORED	0	0	8	18	0	19	9	14	5
	16-ADULT ED.-SKILLS	0	0	251	16	0	438	142	340	69
	17-FIELD TRAINING-SKILLS	0	0	83	15	0	202	96	133	36
	41-NOT IN USE	0	0	1	20	0	1	0	1	0
	42-NOT IN USE	0	0	1	20	0	1	0	1	0
	43-NOT IN USE	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0
POST SECONDARY EDUCATION	07-COLLEGE COURSES	0	0	101	14	0	172	48	137	23
	08-ASSOC. DEGREE	0	0	435	22	0	577	92	494	34
	09-BA/BS DEGREE	0	0	295	23	0	378	54	330	23
	38-NOT IN USE	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
	39-ASPIRE CC VOLUNTEER	0	0	4	34	0	4	0	4	0
	40-ASPIRE CC EMPLOYMENT	0	0	2	27	0	2	0	2	0
JOB SEARCH	24-PLACEMENT ASSISTANCE	0	0	13	13	0	31	13	23	7
	30-INDIVIDUAL JOB SEARCH	0	0	1139	13	0	2727	1137	1811	460
	31-GROUP JOB SEARCH	0	0	304	19	0	864	366	610	191
	54-UP FRONT JOB SEARCH	0	0	75	19	0	186	78	118	32
WORK COMPONENT	35-JTPA WORK EXPERIENCE	0	0	2	15	0	2	0	2	0
	49-TEMP	0	0	220	24	0	401	100	289	30
	53-TEMP-REG	0	0	688	16	0	1249	368	936	152
JOB ENTRY	33-IV-F (JOBS) OJT	0	0	12	26	0	20	6	15	3
	37-JTS OTHER OJT	0	0	2	25	0	2	0	2	0
	44-EMPLOYMENT UNSUB > 40HR	0	0	2647	20	0	4534	1501	3611	759
	45-WORK STUDY	0	0	105	12	0	142	33	117	10
	50-APPRENTICESHIP	0	0	5	20	0	7	2	6	1
	55-SECONDARY EMPLOYMENT	0	0	61	16	0	124	46	98	29
PARTICIPANTS - UNDUPLICATED		0	0	6662		0	6397	4898	3693	2738

RATES AT WHICH INDIVIDUALS WHO FOUND EMPLOYMENT THROUGH ASPIRE-TANF RETURN TO THE TANF PROGRAM

A perennial question faced by the Department concerns the number of individuals that find employment through the ASPIRE-TANF program, and subsequently return to public assistance (TANF).

The following report shows, quite dramatically, that the rate of recidivism for the ASPIRE-TANF program is at 3%, based on a TANF population of approximately 15,000 families at the end of October, 1997. This covers a period of over 9 years, between August, 1988 and October, 1997.

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Rates at Which Individuals Who Found Employment
Through ASPIRE-TANF Return to the TANF Program

8/8/88 - 10/31/97

Region I	129
Office 10	85
11	13
12	31
Region II	105
Office 20	87
22	18
Region III	106
Office 30	46
31	25
32	35
Region IV	79
Office 40	51
41	15
42	6
43	7
Region V	54
Office 50	20
51	27
52	7
Statewide	473

ASPIRE-JOBS EMPLOYMENTS

COUNTY TANF Caseload BFI Office	Calendar Year 1995 Employments	Calendar Year 1996 Employments	Calendar Year 1997 Employments	CALENDAR YEAR 1998 PROJECTIONS	TOTAL 1998 to Date 1 MONTH	January 1998 Employments	
YORK	<u>137</u>	<u>355</u>	<u>719</u>	<u>792</u>	<u>57</u>	<u>57</u>	7.2%
Biddeford	57	102	293	323	36	36	11.1%
Sanford	80	253	426	469	21	21	4.5%
1836							
CUMBERLAND	<u>229</u>	<u>515</u>	<u>887</u>	<u>976</u>	<u>83</u>	<u>83</u>	8.5%
Portland	229	515	887	976	83	83	8.5%
2570							
ANDROSCOGGIN/OXFORD	<u>411</u>	<u>616</u>	<u>783</u>	<u>862</u>	<u>57</u>	<u>57</u>	6.6%
1498/719 Lewiston	411	616	783	862	57	57	6.6%
2217							
FRANKLIN	<u>89</u>	<u>121</u>	<u>240</u>	<u>264</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>17</u>	6.4%
Farmington	89	121	240	264	17	17	6.4%
412							
KENNEBEC	<u>173</u>	<u>304</u>	<u>603</u>	<u>663</u>	<u>49</u>	<u>49</u>	7.4%
Augusta	173	304	603	663	49	49	7.4%
1474							
SOMERSET	<u>144</u>	<u>192</u>	<u>251</u>	<u>276</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>11</u>	3.9%
Skowhegan	144	192	251	276	11	11	3.9%
909							
KNOX, WALDO, LINCOLN, SAG.	<u>129</u>	<u>284</u>	<u>579</u>	<u>637</u>	<u>37</u>	<u>37</u>	5.8%
344/462/307/283	129	284	579	637	37	37	5.8%
Rockland							
1396							
PENOBSCOT	<u>365</u>	<u>432</u>	<u>735</u>	<u>810</u>	<u>41</u>	<u>41</u>	5.1%
Bangor	416	432	735	810	41	41	5.1%
2272							
PISCATAQUIS	<u>51</u>	<u>134</u>	<u>167</u>	<u>184</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>7</u>	3.9%
Dover-Foxcroft	51	134	167	184	7	7	3.9%
242							
HANCOCK	<u>98</u>	<u>122</u>	<u>141</u>	<u>155</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>5</u>	3.2%
Ellsworth	98	122	141	155	5	5	3.2%
366							
WASHINGTON	<u>114</u>	<u>198</u>	<u>227</u>	<u>251</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>15</u>	6.0%
Calais	62	121	125	139	10	10	7.2%
Machias	52	77	102	112	5	5	4.5%
603							
AROOSTOOK	<u>383</u>	<u>398</u>	<u>447</u>	<u>493</u>	<u>35</u>	<u>35</u>	7.1%
Houlton	114	114	105	116	15	15	12.9%
Caribou	220	212	263	290	16	16	5.5%
Ft. Kent	49	72	79	87	4	4	4.6%
1153							
STATEWIDE	<u>2323</u>	<u>3671</u>	<u>5779</u>	<u>6363</u>	<u>414</u>	<u>414</u>	6.5%
15,450							

* Estimated distribution based on County actuals.

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