

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

744 P Street, Sacramento, CA 95814



July 7, 1997

ALL-COUNTY INFORMATION NOTICE I-41-97

REASON FOR THIS TRANSMITTAL

- State Law Change
 Federal Law or Regulation Change
 Court Order or Settlement Agreement
 Clarification Requested by One or More Counties
 Initiated by CDSS

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS

 SUBJECT: ANNUAL FOOD STAMP PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS
 BY ETHNIC GROUP REPORT

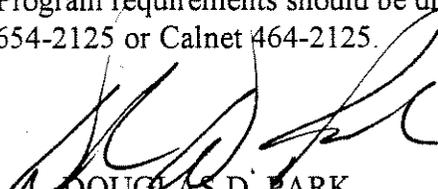
This is to remind all counties of the annual requirement to submit the Food Stamp Participants by Ethnic Group Report Form DFA 358, as required by Public Law 88.352. This law requires states to provide an ethnic and racial breakdown of the households that participated in the Food Stamp program. The second page of this report requests additional data on the Asian and Pacific Islander ethnic group.

The DFA 358 report collects data on those households that participated in the Food Stamp program for the month of July 1997. Data collected on this report is not a duplication of data requested via the ABCD 350, Annual Recipient Report on AFDC, Social Services, Nonassistance Food Stamps, GAIN, and RCA Ethnic Origin and Primary Language Report.

The DFA 358 must be received in the Information Services Bureau by August 20, 1997, in order for California to meet the Federal reporting requirements. Data reported on the DFA 358 should correspond to data reported on the DFA 256, Participation and Issuance Report for July 1997. Reports may be submitted by FAX to (916) 653-4880 or send the completed report to:

California Department of Social Services
 Information Services Bureau M.S. 12-81
 P.O. Box 944243
 Sacramento, CA 95814

The form and reporting instructions are provided for completion and submittal. If you have any questions regarding this report, please contact Information Services Bureau at (916) 653-4180 or Calnet 453-4180. Questions concerning the Food Stamp Program requirements should be directed to your Food Stamp Program Operations analyst at (916) 654-2125 or Calnet 464-2125.


 DOUGLAS D. PARK
 Chief
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c: CWDA

This report is due by August 20th. Send one copy to:

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FOOD STAMP PROGRAM

Participants by Ethnic Group

COUNTY	
FOR THE MONTH OF	YEAR
July	

Number of households participating in the Food Stamp Program during the month of July by ethnic group and assistance status.

ETHNIC GROUP	CODE	NUMBER OF HOUSEHOLDS		
		ASSISTANCE	NONASSISTANCE	TOTAL
Black (not of Hispanic Origin)	(3)			
Hispanic	(2)			
Asian or Pacific Islander	(4)			
American Indian or Alaskan Native	(5)			
White (not of Hispanic Origin)	(1)			
Filipino	(7)			
Other				
TOTAL				

Remarks

SIGNATURE OF PERSON TO CONTACT REGARDING THIS REPORT

TELEPHONE NUMBER

DATE

Instructions for Completing Report

Send an original of the completed form to the Information Services Bureau as soon as possible after the July report month but no later than August 20. The submittal of this report should correspond to the submittal of the Form DFA 256, Participation and Coupon Issuance Report.

Report the number of households participating for the report month for each ethnic group under the applicable Assistance or Nonassistance column. Report only once those households that participated more than once in the month of July.

The ethnic group classification is determined at the time of application or recertification through a verbal request, or a visual determination if a response is not received. The number of households should be the same as the corresponding number of households on Form DFA 256, Participation and Coupon Issuance Report. Any variance between these reports in the number of households reported of plus or minus two percent is to be explained in the "Remarks" section.

Sign and date the report.

Ethnic Group Definitions

Black - (Not of Hispanic Origin) -- All persons having origins in any of the Black racial groups of Africa.

Hispanic -- All persons of Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, Central or South American, or other Spanish culture or origin, regardless of race.

Asian or Pacific Islander -- All persons having origins in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, the Indian Subcontinent, or the Pacific Island. This area includes, for example, China, Japan, Korea and Samoa. Although persons of Filipino descent would normally be included under this category, because of a State requirement, Filipinos will be reported separately under the ethnic category, "Filipino."

American Indian or Alaskan Native -- All persons having origins in any of the original peoples of North America, and who maintain cultural identification through tribal affiliation or community recognition.

White - (Not of Hispanic Origin) -- All persons having origins in any of the original peoples of Europe, North Africa, or the Middle East.

Filipino -- All persons whose ancestry or ethnic origin is the Philippine Islands.

Please complete the reverse side of this form. Thank you.

Asian-Pacific Islander Category

Please list the number of Asian-Pacific Islander households by ethnic group as noted below. The total on this page must equal the number listed on the reverse side, Code 4.

Ethnic Group	Code	Number of Households		
		Assistance	Non Assistance	Total
Chinese	C			
Cambodian	H			
Japanese	J			
Korean	K			
Samoan	M			
Asian Indian	N			
Hawaiian	P			
Guamanian	R			
Laotian	T			
Vietnamese	V			
Other Asian-Pacific Islander	X			
	Total			