

Public Assistance Facts and Figures

For the Month of
March 2008

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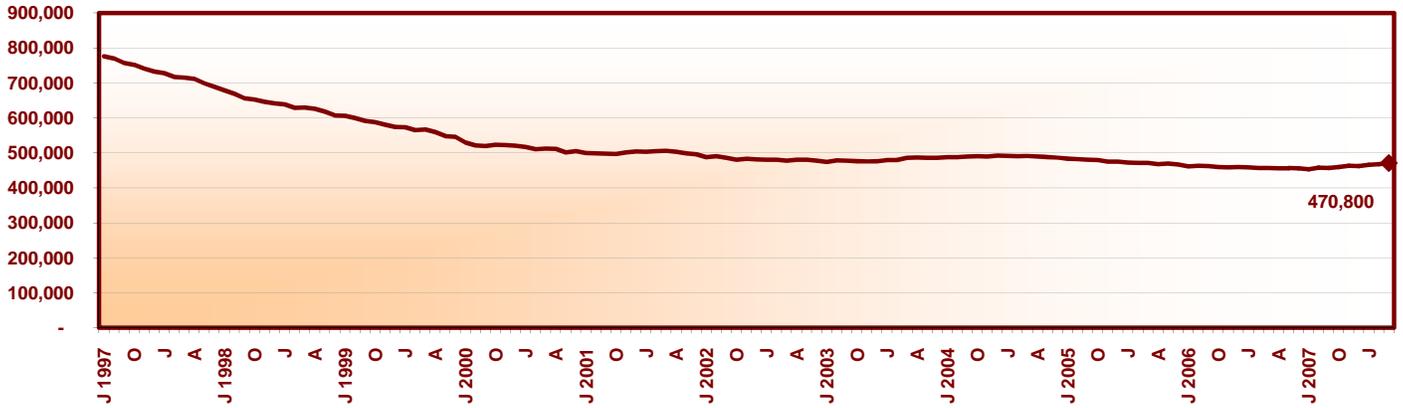
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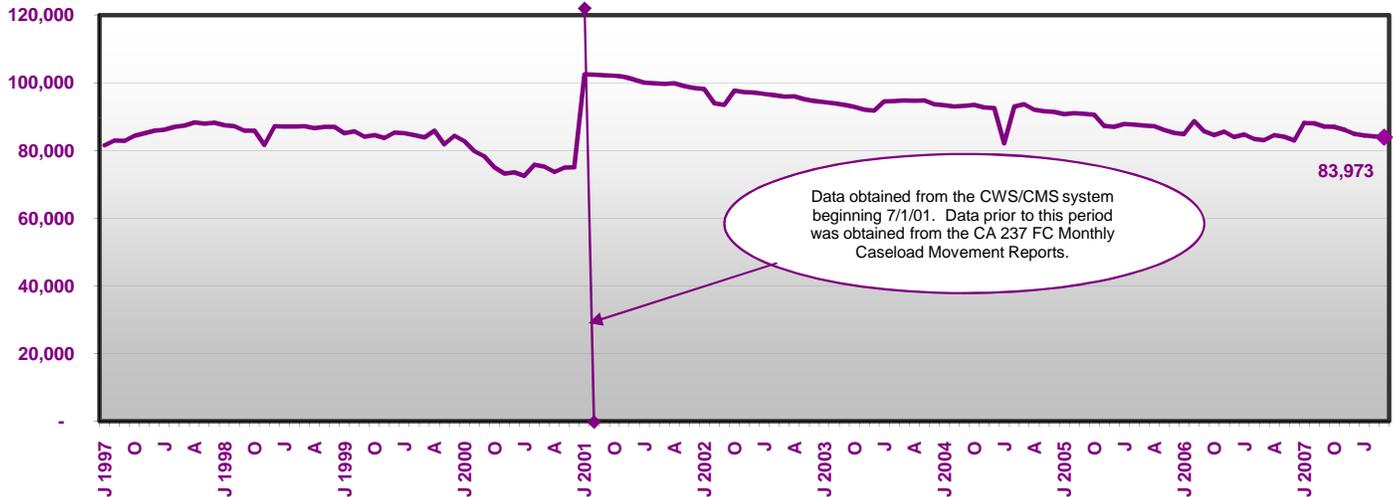
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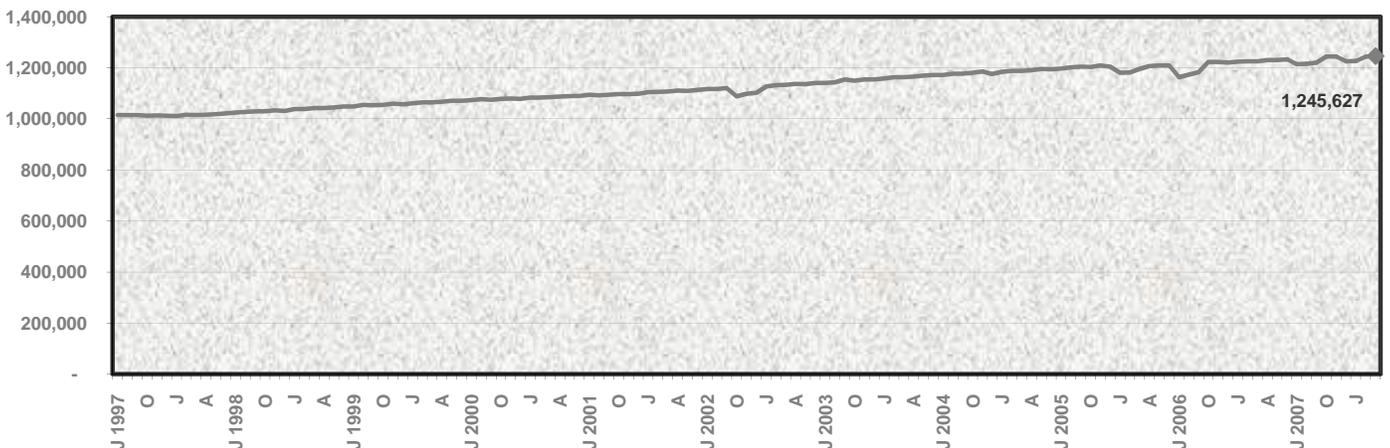
AFDC/CalWORKs Monthly Caseload - July 1997 through March 2008



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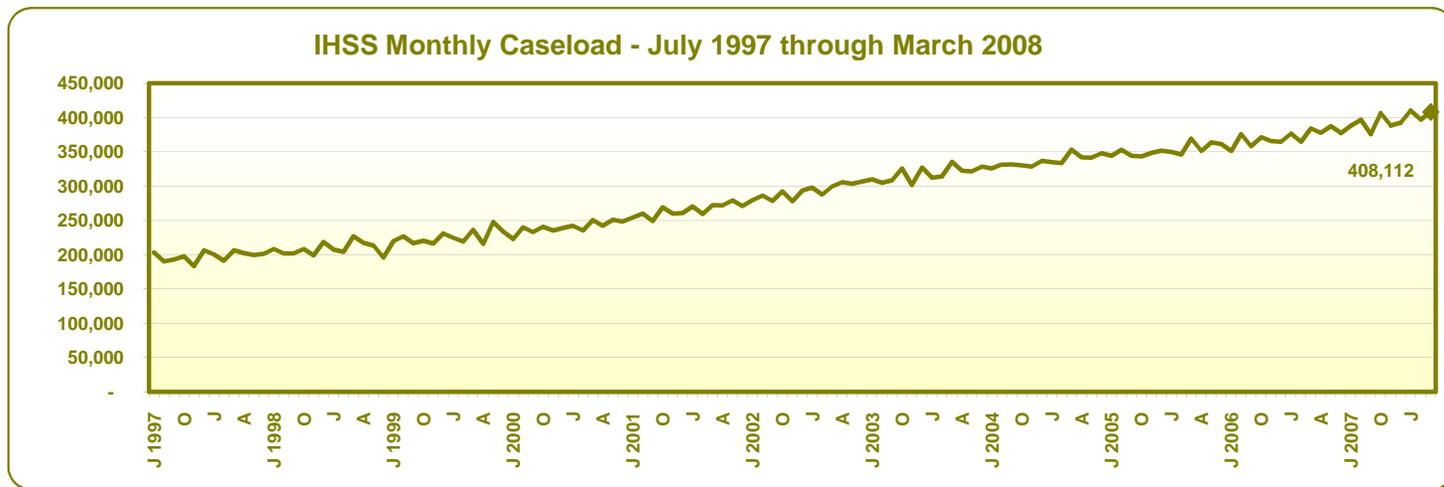
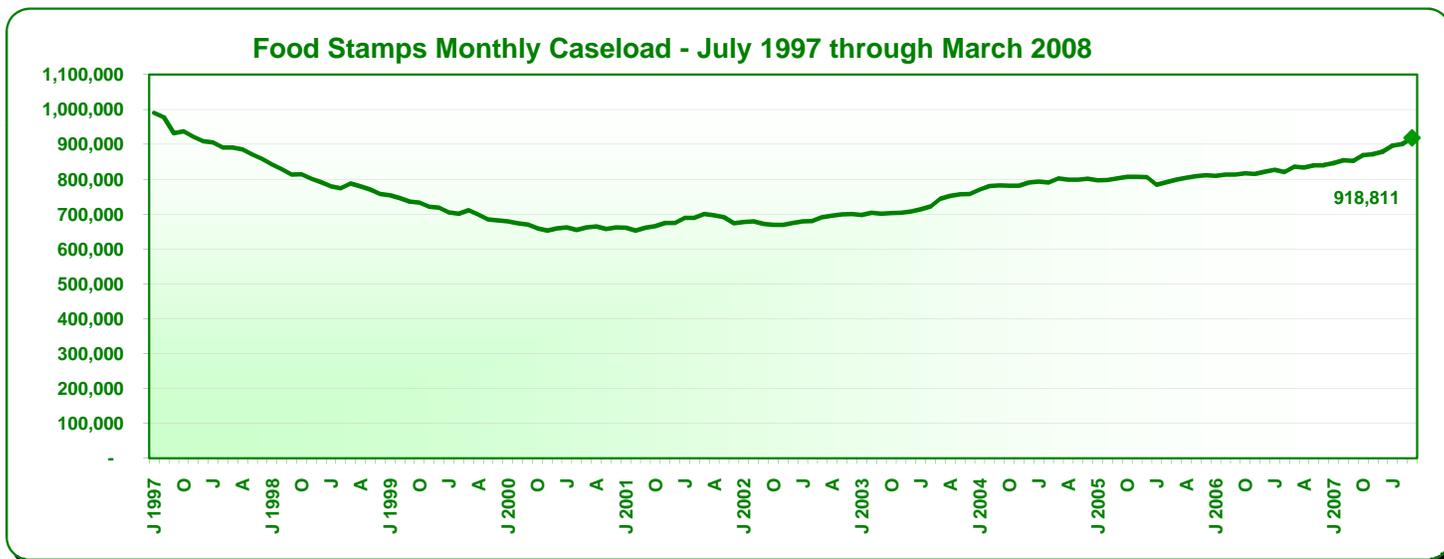
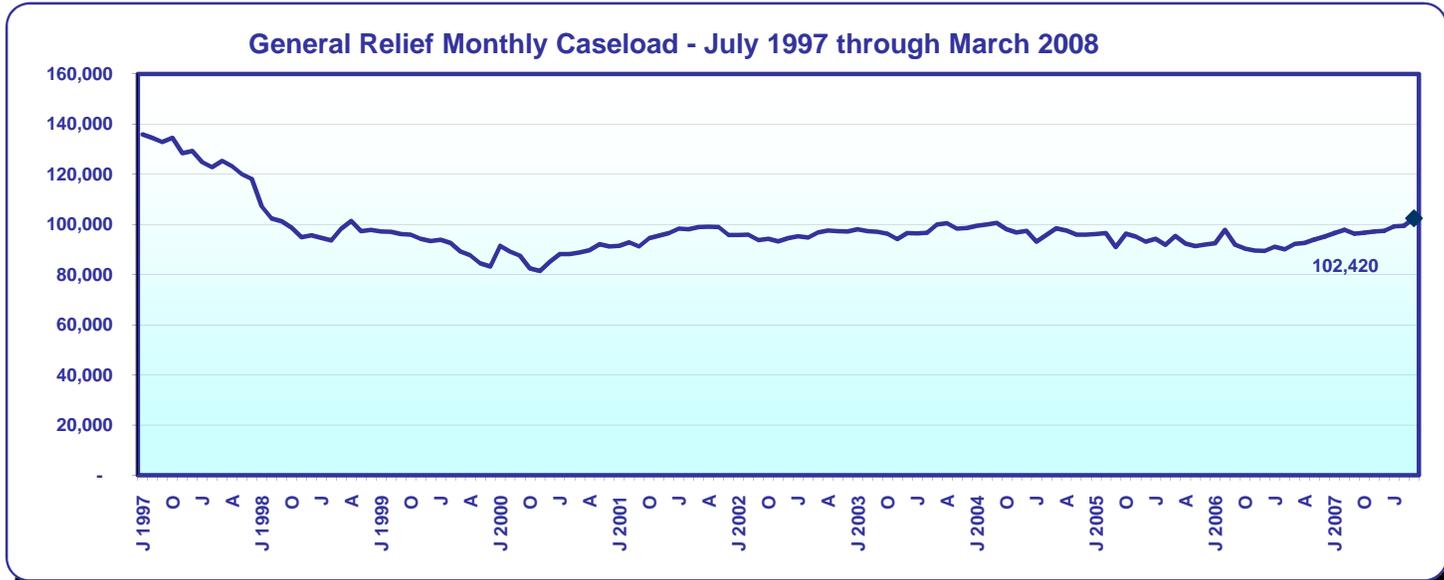


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Programs	Recipients				Average Monthly Benefits	
	Change from		Percent Change from		March 2008	March 2007
	March 2008	February 2008	February 2008	March 2007		
California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids (CalWORKs) - persons a/.....	1,171,961	6,219	0.5	3.2	\$	\$
Children.....	928,176	5,104	0.6	2.3		
Cases.....	470,800	2,416	0.6	2.9	523.21	524.10
CalWORKs payments (\$ in millions).....	\$246.3	\$2.5	1.0	2.7		
Two Parent Families - persons.....	140,608	1,844	1.3	7.1		
Children.....	80,633	986	1.2	4.0		
Cases.....	35,405	417	1.2	7.3	610.34	608.36
Payments (\$ in millions).....	\$21.6	\$0.4	2.0	7.7		
Zero Parent Families - persons.....	332,376	2,397	0.7	2.2		
Children.....	332,376	2,397	0.7	2.2		
Cases.....	170,588	1,238	0.7	1.8	489.49	494.91
Payments (\$ in millions).....	\$83.5	\$1.5	1.8	0.7		
All Other Families - persons.....	500,417	2,047	0.4	4.2		
Children.....	339,097	1,439	0.4	3.2		
Cases.....	190,781	737	0.4	4.1	545.02	545.24
Payments (\$ in millions).....	\$104.0	\$0.5	0.5	4.1		
TANF Timed-Out - persons.....	80,906	(982)	(1.2)	(6.3)		
Children.....	58,416	(631)	(1.1)	(7.0)		
Cases.....	27,894	(242)	(0.9)	(4.1)	573.02	578.57
Payments (\$ in millions).....	\$16.0	(\$0.0)	(0.3)	(5.0)		
Safety Net - persons.....	117,654	913	0.8	4.3		
Children.....	117,654	913	0.8	4.3		
Cases.....	46,132	266	0.6	3.2	460.69	449.26
Payments (\$ in millions).....	\$21.3	\$0.2	0.8	5.8		
Foster Care (FC) Program - children.....	83,973	(161)	(0.2)	1.1		
Relative Home placements.....	29,618	(240)	(0.8)	(1.1)		
Foster Family Agency placements.....	21,437	(2)	(0.0)	2.4		
Foster Family Home placements.....	8,007	34	0.4	(1.8)		
Group Home placements.....	14,414	14	0.1	4.0		
Guardian Home placements.....	8,444	(31)	(0.4)	2.0		
Other/Unspecified Home placements.....	1,648	12	0.7	5.3		
Other Facility placements.....	405	52	14.7	17.4		
Supplemental Security Income/State Supplementary Payment (SSI/SSP) - persons b/.....	1,245,627	1,317	0.1	1.6		
Aged.....	366,616	406	0.1	1.3	539.04	534.62
Blind.....	20,554	(63)	(0.3)	(2.1)	672.33	661.84
Disabled.....	858,457	974	0.1	1.8	650.87	639.26
SSI/SSP payments (\$ in millions).....	\$770.2	\$0.9	0.1	3.2		
General Relief (GR) - persons.....	102,420	3,533	3.6	10.2	220.47	221.55
	March 2008	February 2007	March 2007			
California unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted).....	6.2%	5.7%	5.0%			
California population on assistance c/.....	6.8	6.8	6.7			

a/ All CalWORKs data is for cash grant cases only.

b/ Estimate based on preliminary data from the Social Security Administration.

c/ Persons receiving CalWORKs, SSI/SSP, or GR.

Data represents the most current statistics available at the time of publication. Current month data includes prior month(s) data if current month is not reported timely by the County. Prior period data is updated to include the most current information, including County reported changes/updates.

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Federal and State Food Stamp (FS) Program					<i>Average Coupon Value</i>	
Persons.....	2,231,798	33,493	1.5	8.8	113.32	106.96
Assistance: persons.....	672,992	5,181	0.8	4.3		
households.....	264,664	2,291	0.9	3.5		
Nonassistance: persons.....	1,558,806	28,312	1.8	10.8		
households.....	654,147	15,710	2.5	13.1		
Expenditures paid (\$ in millions).....	\$252.9	\$4.5	1.8	15.2		
Federal Food Stamp (FS) Program						
Persons.....	2,209,370	32,936	1.5	8.8	113.55	107.13
Assistance: persons.....	667,982	5,085	0.8	4.3		
households d/.....	263,225	2,269	0.9	3.5		
Nonassistance: persons.....	1,541,388	27,851	1.8	10.8		
households d/.....	646,705	15,529	2.5	13.1		
Expenditures paid (\$ in millions).....	\$250.9	\$4.4	1.8	15.3		
California Food Assistance Program (CFAP) e/						
Persons.....	22,428	557	2.5	9.3	90.64	90.09
Assistance: persons.....	5,010	96	2.0	7.7		
households f/.....	1,439	22	1.6	6.2		
Nonassistance: persons.....	17,418	461	2.7	9.7		
households f/.....	7,442	181	2.5	8.3		
Expenditures paid (\$ in millions).....	\$2.0	\$0.0	2.1	9.9		
In-Home Supportive Services (IHSS)					<i>Average Cost Per Person</i>	
Persons receiving paid services.....	408,112	11,110	2.8	6.2	881.73	847.03
Hours of service paid.....	34,582,457	371,448	1.1	4.9		
Expenditures paid (\$ in millions).....	\$359.8	\$4.3	1.2	10.5		

d/ Combined count of Federal only and a portion of Federal-CFAP mixed households based on the percentage of Federal persons in Federal-CFAP mixed households.

e/ Combined count of State only and a portion of Federal-CFAP mixed households based on the percentage of State persons in Federal-CFAP mixed households.

f/ Based on paid cases for the month.

CalWORKs Non-Exempt Assistance Unit Maximum Aid Payment (MAP) and Food Stamp (FS) Allotment

MAP (Effective 7/1/07 - 8/31/07)			FS Allotments (10/1/06 - 9/30/07)	
Eligible persons in the same home	Region 1	Region 2	Eligible persons in the FS household	Maximum Coupon Allotment
1	\$359	\$340	1	\$162
2	584	555	2	298
3	723	689	3	426
4	862	821	4	542
5	980	934	5	643
6	1,101	1,049	6	772
7	1,210	1,150	7	853
8	1,318	1,255	8	975
9	1,424	1,356	9	1077
10+	1,530	1,456	each additional person	122

SSI/SSP Grant Levels (Effective 1/1/08)

	Aged or Disabled			Blind		
	Total	SSI	SSP	Total	SSI	SSP
Individual	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Independent.....	870.00	637.00	233.00	935.00	637.00	298.00
Household of another.....	659.00	425.00	234.00	740.00	425.00	315.00
Non-medical Out-of-Home Care.....	1,049.00	637.00	412.00	1,049.00	637.00	412.00
Couple						
Independent, neither member blind.....	1,524.00	956.00	568.00	xxx	xxx	xxx
Independent, one member blind.....	xxx	xxx	xxx	1,666.00	956.00	710.00
Independent, both members blind.....	xxx	xxx	xxx	1,751.00	956.00	795.00
Non-medical Out-of-Home Care.....	2,092.00	956.00	1,136.00	2,098.00	956.00	1,142.00