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Summary

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In California, fraud prevention and detection is an integral part of the overall management of public assistance programs. The fraud prevention program is administered at the local level by 58 county welfare departments. The California Department of Social Services (CDSS) is responsible for developing regulations and disseminating policy information/interpretation to local entities. Within the county welfare departments, the income maintenance units have primary responsibility for determining eligibility and computing grant amounts. If fraud is suspected, the case is referred for investigation to the Special Investigative Unit (SIU). At the discretion of the county, the SIU may be placed in the county welfare department or within another county law enforcement agency such as the District Attorney's or Sheriff's Office. It is the responsibility of the SIU to conduct an investigation of such cases for the purpose of establishing whether or not evidence exists to support a charge of welfare fraud.

The Fraud Investigation Report provides statewide and county-specific fraud activity data on the California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids (CalWORKs) and Food Stamp programs. Investigation activity by the SIUs is reflected in this report. Data shown represents the most current statistics available at the time of publication.

The following four reports are the data sources for this publication, and are available on the CDSS Research and Development Division (RADD) external web site at <http://www.dss.cahwnet.gov/research>.

- DPA 266 - Fraud Investigation Activity Report
(April 2000 dated December 1, 2000; May 2000 dated December 1, 2000; and June 2000 dated November 8, 2001)
- CA 237 CalWORKs - CalWORKs Cash Grant Caseload Movement and Expenditures Report
(April 2000 dated August 15, 2000; May 2000 dated August 31, 2000; and June 2000 dated September 15, 2000)
- CA 237 FC - Aid to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC) Foster Care (FC) Caseload Movement and Expenditures Report
(April 2000 dated July 18, 2000; May 2000 dated July 25, 2000; and June 2000 dated August 29, 2000)
- DFA 256 - Food Stamp Program Participation and Coupon Issuance Report
(April 2000 dated October 12, 2000; May 2000 dated October 12, 2000; and June 2000 dated October 12, 2000)

Unless otherwise stated, each data item in the publication is a quarterly rollup of three months of data from the DPA 266 – Fraud Investigation Activity Report.

CalWORKs Statewide Highlights

April – June 2000

Investigation Requests

- 57,354 requests for investigation were **received** by California Special Investigative Units (SIUs) during the quarter, with a monthly average during the quarter of 19,118 investigation requests. The monthly average of investigation requests represents 3% of the 669,882 CalWORKs statewide caseload (monthly average during April – June 2000).
- 56,088 investigation requests were **accepted** for investigation during the quarter. This is 98% of the 57,354 investigation requests received.
 - ▶ 31,398 (56%) were Early Fraud Prevention/Detection Program (EFP/D) requests.
 - ▶ 13,588 (24%) were Income and Eligibility Verification System (IEVS) requests.
 - ▶ 6,420 (11%) were investigation requests for other reasons including other unreported income, homeless assistance, unreported resources/assets, duplicate/replaced warrants, duplicate aid, forgery, residence, fictitious identity, internal affairs, child care, drug felon, fleeing felon, probation/parole violators, and other miscellaneous elements of fraud.
 - ▶ 4,682 (8%) were family (household) composition requests.
- 142,546 investigations were **available** during the quarter.
 - ▶ 86,458 (61%) of the available investigations were **pending** at the beginning of the quarter (carried over from March 2000).
 - ▶ 56,088 (39%) of the available investigations were **accepted** for investigation during the quarter.

Investigations Completed and the Results

- 52,250 investigations were **completed** during the quarter. This is 37% of the 142,546 total investigations available.
 - ▶ 20,002 (38%) of the completed cases had evidence sufficient to support an allegation of fraud.
 - ▶ 32,248 (62%) of the completed cases did not have evidence sufficient to support an allegation of fraud.
- Of the 52,250 completed investigations, the **results** included:
 - ▶ 9,149 (18%) of the cases were denied, reduced or discontinued due to the Early Fraud Prevention/Detection Program.
 - ▶ 5,866 (11%) of the cases had restitution action taken.
 - ▶ 3,082 (6%) of the cases had fraud found, but with no adverse financial impact.
 - ▶ 1,828 (3%) of the cases were reduced or discontinued in non-Early Fraud cases.
 - ▶ 1,665 (3%) of the cases were referred for prosecution.
 - ▶ 796 (2%) of the cases had expiration of statutes.
 - ▶ 489 (0.94%) of the cases were referred to an Administrative Disqualification Hearing.

Note: Completed investigations could have multiple results. Completed investigations with allegation unfounded, insufficient evidence, and other miscellaneous results included in the 55,250 are not shown in this report.

Prosecution Activity

- 6,273 referrals were **available** to the District Attorney for prosecution during the quarter.
 - ▶ 4,664 (74%) were referrals **pending** at the beginning of the quarter (carried over from March 2000).
 - ▶ 1,609 (26%) were referrals **received** during the quarter.
- Of the 6,273 referrals available to the District Attorney for prosecution consideration during the quarter,
 - ▶ 1,264 **prosecutions** were filed. This is 20% of the available prosecution referrals.
 - ▶ 1,273 **convictions** were obtained. This is 20% of the available prosecution referrals.

Overpayments and Collections

- \$8,474,519 **fraud overpayments** were identified during the quarter.
- \$8,276,221 **collections** were made during the quarter.

Food Stamp Statewide Highlights April – June 2000

Investigation Requests

- 77,518 requests for investigation were **received** by California Special Investigative Units (SIUs) during the quarter, with a monthly average during the quarter of 25,839 investigation requests. The monthly average of investigation requests represents 4% of the 688,561 Food Stamp statewide caseload (monthly average during April – June 2000).
- 76,236 investigation requests were **accepted** for investigation during the quarter. This is 98% of the 77,518 investigation requests received.
 - ▶ 43,383 (57%) were Early Fraud Prevention/Detection Program (EFP/D) requests.
 - ▶ 19,091 (25%) were Income and Eligibility Verification System (IEVS) requests.
 - ▶ 8,700 (11%) were investigation requests for other reasons including other unreported income, unreported resources/assets, duplicate/replaced Food Stamps, duplicate aid, forgery, residence, fictitious identity, Food Stamp trafficking, internal affairs, child care, drug felon, fleeing felon, probation/parole violators, and other miscellaneous elements of fraud.
 - ▶ 5,062 (7%) were family (household) composition requests.
- 173,632 investigations were **available** during the quarter.
 - ▶ 97,396 (56%) of the available investigations were **pending** at the beginning of the quarter (carried over from March 2000).
 - ▶ 76,236 (44%) of the available investigations were **accepted** for investigation during the quarter.

Investigations Completed and the Results

- 70,742 investigations were **completed** during the quarter. This is 41% of the 173,632 total investigations available.
 - ▶ 25,753 (36%) of the completed cases had evidence sufficient to support an allegation of fraud.
 - ▶ 44,989 (64%) of the completed cases did not have evidence sufficient to support an allegation of fraud.
- Of the 70,742 completed investigations, the **results** included:
 - ▶ 12,200 (17%) of the cases were denied, reduced or discontinued due to the Early Fraud Prevention/Detection Program.
 - ▶ 7,843 (11%) of the cases had restitution action taken.
 - ▶ 3,352 (5%) of the cases had fraud found, but with no adverse financial impact.
 - ▶ 2,400 (3%) of the cases were reduced or discontinued in non-Early Fraud cases.
 - ▶ 1,863 (3%) of the cases were referred for prosecution.
 - ▶ 754 (1%) of the cases had expiration of statutes.
 - ▶ 554 (0.78%) of the cases were referred to an Administrative Disqualification Hearing.

Note: Completed investigations could have multiple results. Completed investigations with allegation unfounded, insufficient evidence, and other miscellaneous results included in the 70,742 are not shown in this report.

Prosecution Activity

- 6,177 referrals were **available** to the District Attorney for prosecution during the quarter.
 - ▶ 4,366 (71%) were referrals **pending** at the beginning of the quarter (carried over from March 2000).
 - ▶ 1,811 (29%) were referrals **received** during the quarter.

Of the 6,177 referrals available to the District Attorney for prosecution consideration during the quarter,

- 1,366 **prosecutions** were filed. This is 22% of the available prosecution referrals.
- 1,332 **convictions** were obtained. This is 22% of the available prosecution referrals.

Overissuances and Collections

- \$6,767,166 **fraud overissuances** were identified during the quarter.
- \$2,746,693 **collections** were made during the quarter.

Welfare Fraud Special Investigative Units**April - June 2000**

Below is a listing of the locations of each county's Welfare Fraud Special Investigative Unit(s).

County	County Welfare Department	District Attorney's Office	County Welfare Department and District Attorney's Office	Sheriff's Office
Statewide	30	17	9	2
Alameda			✓	
Alpine	✓			
Amador	✓			
Butte		✓		
Calaveras			✓	
Colusa		✓		
Contra Costa			✓	
Del Norte	✓			
El Dorado	✓			
Fresno		✓		
Glenn	✓			
Humboldt	✓			
Imperial		✓		
Inyo		✓		
Kern	✓			
Kings	✓			
Lake				✓
Lassen				✓
Los Angeles			✓	
Madera	✓			
Marin	✓			
Mariposa	✓			
Mendocino	✓			
Merced			✓	
Modoc		✓		
Mono		✓		
Monterey			✓	
Napa	✓			
Nevada	✓			
Orange		✓		
Placer	✓			
Plumas	✓			
Riverside	✓			
Sacramento	✓			
San Benito	✓			
San Bernardino	✓			
San Diego		✓		
San Francisco		✓		
San Joaquin			✓	
San Luis Obispo	✓			
San Mateo	✓			
Santa Barbara		✓		
Santa Clara		✓		
Santa Cruz	✓			
Shasta		✓		
Sierra	✓			
Siskiyou		✓		
Solano	✓			
Sonoma	✓			
Stanislaus	✓			
Sutter			✓	
Tehama		✓		
Trinity	✓			
Tulare		✓		
Tuolumne	✓			
Ventura		✓		
Yolo			✓	
Yuba	✓			

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Tables

TABLE 1
California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids (CalWORKs) Program
FRAUD INVESTIGATIONS BY SPECIAL INVESTIGATIVE UNITS
April - June 2000

County	CalWORKs Caseload ^{a/}	Investigation Requests		Investigations Completed	Evidence to Support an Allegation of Fraud		Investigations Pending End of Quarter ^{b/}
		Received	Accepted		Sufficient	Not Sufficient	
Statewide	669,882	57,354	56,088	52,250	20,002	32,248	90,192
Alameda	26,077	1,241	1,237	1,231	849	382	5,372
Alpine	33	10	10	0	0	0	14
Amador	354	72	72	65	11	54	130
Butte	6,130	455	335	281	119	162	2,166
Calaveras	671	217	217	217	56	161	2
Colusa	251	52	52	32	2	30	130
Contra Costa	12,039	559	538	704	439	265	841
Del Norte	1,043	92	92	97	53	44	27
El Dorado	1,401	168	168	210	131	79	313
Fresno	27,997	1,556	1,292	1,889	842	1,047	6,345
Glenn	661	163	163	200	55	145	58
Humboldt	3,141	162	159	168	58	110	224
Imperial	5,000	232	212	210	176	34	297
Inyo	298	9	9	2	0	2	10
Kern	20,179	2,610	2,576	2,377	888	1,489	1,086
Kings	2,739	603	603	527	201	326	650
Lake	2,134	103	103	66	32	34	91
Lassen	678	34	34	25	9	16	67
Los Angeles	253,863	20,281	20,226	16,394	5,542	10,852	32,078
Madera	3,543	433	433	494	101	393	396
Marin	1,034	58	57	63	48	15	179
Mariposa	242	30	30	65	15	50	74
Mendocino	2,453	140	140	144	67	77	291
Merced	7,013	617	617	707	186	521	413
Modoc	270	9	9	8	0	8	12
Mono	86	1	1	3	0	3	1
Monterey	5,714	270	266	324	105	219	1,842
Napa	713	55	55	35	23	12	266
Nevada	721	33	27	40	19	21	35
Orange	24,452	2,305	2,291	2,053	1,118	935	3,220
Placer	1,870	82	82	90	48	42	234
Plumas	275	34	34	31	17	14	10
Riverside	26,122	5,269	5,266	5,246	1,900	3,346	858
Sacramento	39,482	1,957	1,864	2,208	923	1,285	4,632
San Benito	614	28	28	42	20	22	27
San Bernardino	44,879	3,967	3,935	3,503	989	2,514	8,630
San Diego	37,584	5,583	5,045	4,964	1,729	3,235	2,350
San Francisco	8,880	472	472	437	264	173	1,596
San Joaquin	16,464	237	237	238	141	97	318
San Luis Obispo	2,213	97	91	122	78	44	109
San Mateo	2,401	177	177	163	97	66	32
Santa Barbara	5,520	234	234	215	74	141	265
Santa Clara	15,177	427	427	162	151	11	5,993
Santa Cruz	2,516	654	641	655	114	541	73
Shasta	4,784	316	316	334	195	139	757
Sierra	56	0	0	2	2	0	0
Siskiyou	1,150	318	318	281	105	176	92
Solano	5,854	1,593	1,577	1,602	679	923	1,849
Sonoma	3,338	211	206	230	139	91	1,665
Stanislaus	10,336	809	796	652	438	214	942
Sutter	1,609	264	264	248	106	142	122
Tehama	1,628	59	59	16	1	15	604
Trinity	337	46	46	37	28	9	31
Tulare	12,776	917	916	1,061	216	845	1,759
Tuolumne	908	225	225	189	45	144	209
Ventura	6,715	127	127	184	60	124	118
Yolo	2,993	246	246	256	116	140	259
Yuba	2,472	435	435	451	182	269	28

a/ Effective with the October 1999 report month, the source form (CA 237 CalWORKs) was changed to collect families data from Two Parent Families, Zero Parent Families and All Other Families. Foster Care caseload data from the CA 237 FC is also included. The data is a monthly average for the quarter. NOTE: County numbers do not add to Statewide total due to rounding.

b/ Data is from DPA 266 June 2000 Item 7 Investigations pending at end of month. The investigations pending numbers include county case adjustments that occurred during the quarter. NOTE: The statewide total of Investigations pending at the *beginning* of the quarter, from DPA 266 April 2000 Item 4, was 86,458.

TABLE 2
California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids (CalWORKs) Program
REQUESTS ACCEPTED FOR INVESTIGATION BY PRIMARY ELEMENT OF FRAUD
April - June 2000

County	Early Fraud Prevention/ Detection	Income and Eligibility Verification System	Family (Household) Composition	Other Unreported Income	Residence	Unreported Resources/ Assets	Other ^{a/}
Statewide	31,398	13,588	4,682	1,907	953	569	2,991
Alameda	413	286	118	79	29	31	281
Alpine	10	0	0	0	0	0	0
Amador	0	1	1	11	1	4	54
Butte	96	10	88	44	10	5	82
Calaveras	162	1	39	8	4	1	2
Colusa	40	0	2	9	0	0	1
Contra Costa	244	79	13	41	0	5	156
Del Norte	13	0	39	6	17	2	15
El Dorado	21	22	27	38	14	9	37
Fresno	510	245	254	159	22	0	102
Glenn	50	2	33	33	23	5	17
Humboldt	60	1	49	17	0	4	28
Imperial	104	1	49	18	24	8	8
Inyo	1	5	1	1	0	1	0
Kern	1,503	13	420	98	28	30	484
Kings	481	3	65	22	9	3	20
Lake	7	11	47	4	28	0	6
Lassen	0	1	17	9	2	4	1
Los Angeles	9,354	10,147	96	118	0	175	336
Madera	255	31	68	23	9	2	45
Marin	9	23	9	5	4	1	6
Mariposa	12	4	5	1	1	1	6
Mendocino	9	68	36	16	3	5	3
Merced	362	60	100	22	6	19	48
Modoc	5	0	2	1	1	0	0
Mono	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Monterey	102	14	65	18	16	1	50
Napa	4	0	19	8	5	1	18
Nevada	8	0	7	1	7	1	3
Orange	2,019	63	88	68	2	5	46
Placer	19	7	23	15	9	3	6
Plumas	6	13	10	2	1	2	0
Riverside	4,614	236	156	70	16	21	153
Sacramento	1,289	247	80	36	21	16	175
San Benito	11	0	4	5	3	0	5
San Bernardino	1,625	107	1,277	237	420	108	161
San Diego	4,222	461	135	133	23	13	58
San Francisco	181	211	3	21	1	1	54
San Joaquin	162	21	19	11	0	3	21
San Luis Obispo	32	2	34	8	3	2	10
San Mateo	22	14	38	56	4	3	40
Santa Barbara	33	5	73	36	14	3	70
Santa Clara	129	91	68	54	4	2	79
Santa Cruz	221	371	25	10	1	4	9
Shasta	124	5	138	27	12	5	5
Sierra	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Siskiyou	177	2	38	13	38	21	29
Solano	979	315	148	63	22	15	35
Sonoma	66	68	33	15	2	0	22
Stanislaus	124	207	335	53	50	1	26
Sutter	169	7	30	20	2	1	35
Tehama	10	2	18	23	0	3	3
Trinity	15	10	7	4	3	1	6
Tulare	650	51	123	50	1	15	26
Tuolumne	186	12	16	4	5	0	2
Ventura	120	0	1	3	0	0	3
Yolo	124	17	41	18	9	0	37
Yuba	234	15	52	42	24	3	65

a/ "Other" includes homeless assistance, duplicate warrants, duplicate (multiple) aid, forgery, fictitious identity, internal affairs, child care, drug felon, fleeing felon, probation/parole violators, and other miscellaneous elements of fraud.

TABLE 3
California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids (CalWORKs) Program
INVESTIGATION RESULTS^{a/}
April - June 2000

County	Early Fraud (Denials/Benefits Reduced/ Discontinuances)	Referred for		Restitution Action	Benefits Reduced or Discontinued (Non-Early Fraud)	Fraud Found, No Adverse Financial Impact	Expiration of Statutes
		Prosecution	Administrative Disqualification Hearing				
Statewide	9,149	1,665	489	5,866	1,828	3,082	796
Alameda	307	302	0	229	0	11	2
Alpine	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Amador	0	0	0	2	9	0	0
Butte	54	22	0	4	32	7	2
Calaveras	38	0	0	3	12	3	0
Colusa	0	1	0	0	0	1	0
Contra Costa	61	57	24	111	31	153	9
Del Norte	5	11	0	4	23	13	0
El Dorado	4	7	0	24	14	84	0
Fresno	209	84	234	239	59	17	115
Glenn	10	7	0	13	11	14	0
Humboldt	16	8	0	27	22	5	2
Imperial	16	10	0	11	15	10	0
Inyo	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kern	421	16	10	71	185	185	3
Kings	144	31	0	3	5	18	0
Lake	2	4	0	11	11	9	0
Lassen	1	1	0	0	7	0	0
Los Angeles	2,293	179	0	2,464	106	1,498	0
Madera	3	12	0	14	71	1	0
Marin	3	2	0	34	18	9	0
Mariposa	8	0	0	1	5	1	22
Mendocino	3	7	0	49	0	8	0
Merced	42	42	0	47	90	18	0
Modoc	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mono	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Monterey	54	10	2	16	14	9	45
Napa	2	2	0	0	14	13	0
Nevada	4	3	0	4	8	0	0
Orange	665	51	2	167	305	180	22
Placer	6	13	0	7	19	3	0
Plumas	0	0	0	5	5	7	0
Riverside	1,504	97	0	213	0	85	0
Sacramento	451	124	47	327	60	23	379
San Benito	3	4	0	5	7	1	0
San Bernardino	326	94	24	224	201	245	0
San Diego	1,019	73	98	598	67	112	0
San Francisco	129	39	0	44	15	1	0
San Joaquin	97	30	0	4	6	8	0
San Luis Obispo	26	11	0	4	28	10	1
San Mateo	19	8	0	34	33	3	0
Santa Barbara	13	19	0	37	24	4	1
Santa Clara	22	55	0	74	0	0	3
Santa Cruz	79	7	0	20	8	0	0
Shasta	72	14	0	7	27	75	1
Sierra	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
Siskiyou	38	0	0	14	41	12	0
Solano	382	74	0	172	11	40	119
Sonoma	93	6	11	108	27	58	2
Stanislaus	78	20	37	313	118	42	0
Sutter	61	4	0	19	4	27	0
Tehama	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Trinity	9	1	0	5	5	9	0
Tulare	154	40	0	22	0	0	29
Tuolumne	20	0	0	3	17	10	0
Ventura	58	2	0	0	0	0	39
Yolo	34	25	0	27	19	31	0
Yuba	89	34	0	32	19	8	0

a/ This table reflects the outcome of an investigation. In some instances an investigation may have more than one outcome reported. Therefore, the data displayed on this table may not correspond to the numbers on Table 1.

TABLE 4
California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids (CalWORKs) Program
DISTRICT ATTORNEY PROSECUTION ACTIVITY
April - June 2000

County	Referrals Received	Referrals Available ^{a/}	Prosecutions Filed	Decision Made Not to Prosecute
Statewide	1,609	6,273	1,264	184
Alameda	302	537	179	10
Alpine	0	0	0	0
Amador	0	24	0	0
Butte	21	155	8	0
Calaveras	0	0	0	0
Colusa	1	1	1	0
Contra Costa	19	63	19	2
Del Norte	10	40	0	0
El Dorado	7	7	7	0
Fresno	84	163	82	2
Glenn	7	9	5	1
Humboldt	10	16	16	0
Imperial	8	30	9	5
Inyo	0	0	0	0
Kern	23	85	17	10
Kings	31	57	12	10
Lake	1	125	9	0
Lassen	1	1	1	0
Los Angeles	179	478	153	11
Madera	12	12	12	0
Marin	2	3	1	1
Mariposa	0	3	0	0
Mendocino	7	36	4	5
Merced	42	447	32	0
Modoc	0	0	0	0
Mono	0	2	2	0
Monterey	10	33	0	1
Napa	2	46	4	1
Nevada	3	4	4	0
Orange	57	100	47	16
Placer	13	141	11	0
Plumas	0	14	0	1
Riverside	99	110	44	34
Sacramento	124	440	100	8
San Benito	4	5	3	1
San Bernardino	94	494	84	0
San Diego	61	676	127	0
San Francisco	39	133	0	37
San Joaquin	30	70	34	2
San Luis Obispo	11	11	11	0
San Mateo	9	47	6	0
Santa Barbara	20	20	17	3
Santa Clara	55	990	36	0
Santa Cruz	7	7	7	0
Shasta	14	22	18	0
Sierra	2	2	0	0
Siskiyou	0	2	0	0
Solano	74	387	37	5
Sonoma	6	18	7	1
Stanislaus	20	20	20	0
Sutter	6	6	5	1
Tehama	0	0	0	0
Trinity	0	0	0	0
Tulare	40	61	42	3
Tuolumne	0	8	0	0
Ventura	2	13	1	1
Yolo	25	25	25	0
Yuba	15	74	5	12

a/ Data is from DPA 266 April 2000 Item 23 Referrals pending beginning of month plus April, May, and June 2000's Item 24 Referrals received during the month.

TABLE 5
California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids (CalWORKs) Program
PROSECUTION OUTCOMES^{a/}
April - June 2000

County	Convictions	Administrative Action	Disqualification Consent Agreements	Charge Pleaded	Dismissals	Acquittals	Declinations	Expiration of Statutes
Statewide	1,273	59	243	174	161	1	41	51
Alameda	179	0	179	0	72	0	10	1
Alpine	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Amador	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Butte	0	0	0	8	0	0	0	0
Calaveras	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Colusa	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Contra Costa	39	0	0	39	0	0	6	38
Del Norte	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
El Dorado	6	0	0	4	0	0	0	0
Fresno	125	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
Glenn	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	0
Humboldt	11	0	5	0	1	0	0	0
Imperial	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Inyo	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kern	24	0	0	0	0	0	8	4
Kings	5	0	7	0	3	0	1	0
Lake	0	0	0	5	1	0	0	0
Lassen	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Los Angeles	164	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
Madera	12	2	0	0	1	0	0	0
Marin	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Mariposa	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mendocino	0	0	0	4	3	0	0	0
Merced	25	0	0	0	6	0	1	0
Modoc	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mono	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Monterey	0	0	1	5	11	0	0	0
Napa	3	0	0	0	1	1	0	0
Nevada	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Orange	65	16	0	0	1	0	0	2
Placer	4	0	8	0	2	0	0	0
Plumas	3	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Riverside	93	0	0	104	5	0	0	0
Sacramento	35	0	0	0	8	0	1	2
San Benito	7	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
San Bernardino	98	0	0	0	8	0	0	0
San Diego	92	0	0	0	16	0	0	0
San Francisco	5	34	0	0	0	0	3	0
San Joaquin	50	2	0	1	7	0	3	0
San Luis Obispo	6	3	0	0	0	0	0	0
San Mateo	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Santa Barbara	13	0	3	0	0	0	0	0
Santa Clara	36	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Santa Cruz	15	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Shasta	15	0	1	0	1	0	0	0
Sierra	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Siskiyou	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Solano	31	0	0	0	4	0	4	4
Sonoma	12	1	0	0	0	0	2	0
Stanislaus	44	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sutter	4	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
Tehama	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Trinity	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tulare	29	0	0	0	4	0	0	0
Tuolumne	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ventura	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Yolo	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Yuba	2	0	29	4	0	0	0	0

a/ This table reflects the outcome of a prosecution. In some instances a prosecution may have more than one outcome reported.

TABLE 6
California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids (CalWORKs) Program
FRAUD OVERPAYMENTS AND COLLECTIONS
April - June 2000

County	Fraud Overpayments Identified	Total Collections
Statewide	\$8,474,519	\$8,276,221
Alameda	1,713,089	120,471
Alpine	0	200
Amador	242	185
Butte	45,837	359,156
Calaveras	1,209	3,979
Colusa	0	2,141
Contra Costa	244,184	89,580
Del Norte	0	5,851
El Dorado	31,649	37,502
Fresno	245,521	292,267
Glenn	23,339	13,611
Humboldt	61,918	22,228
Imperial	8,546	5,121
Inyo	0	1,309
Kern	287,972	148,335
Kings	21,204	103,726
Lake	5,993	3,148
Lassen	2,975	4,254
Los Angeles	530,334	2,326,360
Madera	32,124	30,787
Marin	26,667	49,951
Mariposa	0	0
Mendocino	147,762	22,430
Merced	64,172	14,015
Modoc	0	0
Mono	0	0
Monterey	44,795	70,419
Napa	7,206	14,660
Nevada	7,030	22,103
Orange	476,372	502,349
Placer	23,226	62,755
Plumas	1,830	7,348
Riverside	321,244	387,614
Sacramento	836,690	463,220
San Benito	2,949	32,545
San Bernardino	462,496	489,093
San Diego	700,231	676,804
San Francisco	117,905	331,338
San Joaquin	85,022	91,170
San Luis Obispo	88,288	8,080
San Mateo	70,003	4,453
Santa Barbara	54,199	123,529
Santa Clara	421,119	381,452
Santa Cruz	26,831	89,271
Shasta	56,063	46,572
Sierra	10,407	1,864
Siskiyou	14,902	23,190
Solano	548,078	119,476
Sonoma	80,784	182,826
Stanislaus	255,986	148,700
Sutter	14,409	16,397
Tehama	0	2,573
Trinity	1,555	2,497
Tulare	164,662	0
Tuolumne	614	5,842
Ventura	0	198,648
Yolo	61,884	69,343
Yuba	23,002	43,483

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TABLE 7
Food Stamp Program
FRAUD INVESTIGATIONS BY SPECIAL INVESTIGATIVE UNITS
April - June 2000

County	Participating Households ^{a/}	Investigation Requests		Investigations Completed	Evidence to Support an Allegation of Fraud		Investigations Pending End of Quarter ^{b/}
		Received	Accepted		Sufficient	Not Sufficient	
Statewide	688,561	77,518	76,236	70,742	25,753	44,989	102,771
Alameda	24,581	1,464	1,460	1,416	977	439	2,886
Alpine	26	16	16	1	0	1	26
Amador	376	76	76	68	12	56	138
Butte	6,636	468	349	274	108	166	2,219
Calaveras	780	338	338	338	85	253	4
Colusa	407	130	130	84	3	81	213
Contra Costa	9,970	684	659	873	513	360	894
Del Norte	1,275	157	157	157	81	76	41
El Dorado	1,545	256	256	288	161	127	400
Fresno	25,431	1,795	1,513	1,511	955	556	3,378
Glenn	752	304	304	330	81	249	105
Humboldt	3,972	313	307	319	101	218	252
Imperial	4,935	239	219	214	179	35	307
Inyo	466	62	62	5	1	4	62
Kern	19,396	2,989	2,954	2,787	1,053	1,734	1,074
Kings	3,921	943	943	849	278	571	874
Lake	2,696	124	124	78	38	40	119
Lassen	783	39	39	25	9	16	83
Los Angeles	270,476	31,257	31,159	27,234	7,658	19,576	42,489
Madera	4,414	612	612	729	132	597	429
Marin	1,580	97	96	84	68	16	224
Mariposa	343	44	44	79	19	60	108
Mendocino	2,761	177	177	173	71	102	330
Merced	7,850	849	849	957	234	723	301
Modoc	337	12	12	11	0	11	15
Mono	94	0	0	0	0	0	0
Monterey	6,378	412	408	488	116	372	1,529
Napa	856	75	75	45	33	12	347
Nevada	870	46	38	48	26	22	66
Orange	25,011	2,672	2,656	2,451	1,530	921	3,228
Placer	1,759	123	123	130	76	54	271
Plumas	306	45	45	43	28	15	13
Riverside	22,211	7,366	7,363	7,294	2,857	4,437	955
Sacramento	36,628	1,835	1,780	1,987	827	1,160	5,072
San Benito	695	28	28	40	22	18	39
San Bernardino	45,132	5,222	5,189	4,152	1,257	2,895	10,464
San Diego	32,954	5,331	4,802	4,442	1,572	2,870	2,905
San Francisco	13,509	1,140	1,140	1,086	662	424	3,095
San Joaquin	15,834	238	238	227	145	82	330
San Luis Obispo	2,716	145	139	174	96	78	173
San Mateo	2,141	238	238	187	98	89	137
Santa Barbara	5,604	346	346	345	104	241	245
Santa Clara	15,108	365	365	157	146	11	6,588
Santa Cruz	3,035	1,235	1,219	1,233	212	1,021	96
Shasta	5,685	392	392	394	220	174	883
Sierra	68	0	0	2	2	0	0
Siskiyou	1,481	564	564	511	198	313	139
Solano	5,682	1,884	1,880	1,883	788	1,095	2,330
Sonoma	3,700	271	267	282	165	117	2,185
Stanislaus	11,318	976	963	940	627	313	1,210
Sutter	1,751	373	373	361	164	197	128
Tehama	1,880	59	59	16	1	15	502
Trinity	379	65	65	51	40	11	60
Tulare	15,107	952	951	1,131	261	870	1,761
Tuolumne	1,040	344	344	283	80	203	270
Ventura	8,336	292	292	415	146	269	408
Yolo	2,847	449	449	454	181	273	337
Yuba	2,736	590	590	606	256	350	34

a/ Data is the monthly average of the April-June 2000 quarter of Federal and State Public Assistance and Nonassistance Food Stamp participating households from the DFA 256 report. NOTE: County numbers do not add to Statewide total due to rounding.

b/ Data is from DPA 266 June 2000 Item 7 Investigations pending at the end of the month. The investigations pending numbers include county case adjustments that occurred during the quarter. NOTE: The statewide total of Investigations pending at the beginning of the quarter from DPA 266 April 2000 Item 4 was 97,396.

TABLE 8
Food Stamp Program
REQUESTS ACCEPTED FOR INVESTIGATION BY PRIMARY ELEMENT OF FRAUD
April - June 2000

County	Early Fraud Prevention/ Detection	Income and Eligibility Verification System	Family (Household) Composition	Other Unreported Income	Residence	Unreported Resources/ Assets	Other ^{a/}
Statewide	43,383	19,091	5,062	2,379	1,196	698	4,427
Alameda	544	310	112	154	29	32	279
Alpine	16	0	0	0	0	0	0
Amador	0	2	1	12	1	4	56
Butte	103	10	105	51	19	6	55
Calaveras	277	2	41	9	5	2	2
Colusa	95	0	6	10	0	0	19
Contra Costa	254	100	12	48	0	5	240
Del Norte	38	1	43	9	28	4	34
El Dorado	42	34	42	54	25	10	49
Fresno	614	289	269	175	23	0	143
Glenn	128	5	39	50	37	7	38
Humboldt	60	1	93	21	2	6	124
Imperial	106	2	51	18	25	8	9
Inyo	3	58	1	0	0	0	0
Kern	1,516	14	439	102	29	31	823
Kings	750	2	70	38	14	8	61
Lake	6	14	53	6	34	3	8
Lassen	0	1	18	13	2	4	1
Los Angeles	15,618	14,529	112	271	0	237	392
Madera	418	35	71	25	9	3	51
Marin	12	30	9	4	4	2	35
Mariposa	25	5	4	1	1	1	7
Mendocino	8	95	35	23	5	7	4
Merced	577	95	102	25	5	10	35
Modoc	6	0	2	1	2	0	1
Mono	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Monterey	115	16	66	17	15	0	179
Napa	5	0	21	11	5	2	31
Nevada	14	0	7	4	8	2	3
Orange	2,414	70	81	72	2	5	12
Placer	34	10	33	21	11	4	10
Plumas	17	13	10	2	1	2	0
Riverside	6,669	299	165	76	16	24	114
Sacramento	1,215	286	78	40	26	16	119
San Benito	17	0	3	3	3	0	2
San Bernardino	2,259	122	1,543	297	554	136	278
San Diego	3,920	574	111	133	22	11	31
San Francisco	293	392	4	23	10	1	417
San Joaquin	165	28	19	12	0	3	11
San Luis Obispo	34	6	38	9	6	2	44
San Mateo	30	21	28	61	4	1	93
Santa Barbara	44	5	71	45	17	4	160
Santa Clara	96	80	66	46	4	2	71
Santa Cruz	549	603	26	13	6	7	15
Shasta	174	6	157	28	12	7	8
Sierra	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Siskiyou	382	2	41	13	45	42	39
Solano	1,368	340	78	56	17	9	12
Sonoma	78	85	32	14	2	0	56
Stanislaus	150	328	336	66	52	1	30
Sutter	258	12	31	24	1	0	47
Tehama	10	2	18	23	0	3	3
Trinity	21	14	9	5	6	3	7
Tulare	613	85	133	55	6	16	43
Tuolumne	293	17	15	9	7	1	2
Ventura	253	0	13	23	0	1	2
Yolo	312	26	42	18	9	0	42
Yuba	365	15	57	40	30	3	80

a/ "Other" includes replaced lost Food Stamps, duplicate (multiple) aid, forgery, fictitious identity, Food Stamp trafficking, internal affairs, child care, drug felon, fleeing felon, probation/parole violators, and other miscellaneous elements of fraud.

TABLE 9
Food Stamp Program
INVESTIGATION RESULTS^{a/}
April - June 2000

County	Early Fraud (Denials/Benefits Reduced/ Discontinuances)	Referred for		Restitution Action	Benefits Reduced or Discontinued (Non-Early Fraud)	Fraud Found, No Adverse Financial Impact	Expiration of Statutes
		Prosecution	Administrative Disqualification Hearing				
Statewide	12,200	1,863	554	7,843	2,400	3,352	754
Alameda	351	339	0	264	12	11	1
Alpine	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Amador	1	0	0	2	9	0	0
Butte	39	28	0	4	31	6	2
Calaveras	63	0	0	6	13	3	0
Colusa	0	2	0	0	0	1	0
Contra Costa	69	53	24	153	30	182	9
Del Norte	15	11	0	5	31	29	0
El Dorado	6	6	0	29	19	111	0
Fresno	248	79	252	294	66	16	30
Glenn	23	7	0	15	15	21	0
Humboldt	34	9	0	46	35	4	2
Imperial	16	10	0	11	16	10	0
Inyo	0	0	0	0	0	2	0
Kern	543	18	13	81	215	183	3
Kings	207	35	0	5	10	21	0
Lake	4	5	0	13	14	8	0
Lassen	1	1	0	0	7	0	0
Los Angeles	2,823	189	0	3,765	127	1,827	0
Madera	4	25	0	20	81	2	0
Marin	7	3	0	44	20	16	0
Mariposa	10	0	0	1	7	1	24
Mendocino	3	7	0	54	0	7	15
Merced	66	49	0	64	103	16	0
Modoc	3	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mono	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Monterey	57	9	2	20	22	6	6
Napa	4	2	0	0	21	17	0
Nevada	5	3	0	8	10	0	0
Orange	967	54	6	142	422	55	26
Placer	14	14	0	12	33	3	0
Plumas	5	0	0	6	9	8	0
Riverside	2,461	109	0	286	0	0	0
Sacramento	447	118	43	257	58	17	362
San Benito	6	3	0	6	6	1	0
San Bernardino	430	101	36	332	241	274	0
San Diego	1,073	68	111	727	74	108	0
San Francisco	222	110	0	124	154	2	0
San Joaquin	104	27	0	4	5	9	0
San Luis Obispo	28	13	0	7	38	10	1
San Mateo	24	5	0	34	32	3	0
Santa Barbara	23	25	0	48	30	7	1
Santa Clara	25	56	0	65	0	0	3
Santa Cruz	161	10	0	21	20	0	0
Shasta	84	16	0	5	27	88	1
Sierra	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
Siskiyou	102	0	0	9	55	32	0
Solano	530	77	0	142	9	30	89
Sonoma	101	5	13	119	32	66	3
Stanislaus	99	25	54	457	129	49	0
Sutter	110	5	0	25	4	28	0
Tehama	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Trinity	15	0	0	6	11	7	0
Tulare	177	44	0	39	0	0	57
Tuolumne	47	0	0	7	21	12	0
Ventura	122	24	0	0	0	0	119
Yolo	84	27	0	37	21	35	0
Yuba	137	35	0	22	55	7	0

a/ This table reflects the outcome of an investigation. In some instances an investigation may have more than one outcome reported. Therefore, the data displayed on this table may not correspond to the numbers on Table 7.

TABLE 10
Food Stamp Program
DISTRICT ATTORNEY PROSECUTION ACTIVITY
April - June 2000

County	Referrals Received	Referrals Available ^{a/}	Prosecutions Filed	Decision Made Not to Prosecute
Statewide	1,811	6,177	1,366	277
Alameda	339	555	227	11
Alpine	0	0	0	0
Amador	0	4	0	0
Butte	27	170	7	0
Calaveras	0	0	0	0
Colusa	2	2	2	0
Contra Costa	19	64	19	3
Del Norte	10	40	0	0
El Dorado	6	6	6	0
Fresno	79	168	79	2
Glenn	7	7	5	1
Humboldt	12	18	18	0
Imperial	8	30	9	5
Inyo	0	1	1	0
Kern	22	89	17	13
Kings	35	63	11	15
Lake	2	169	10	0
Lassen	1	1	1	0
Los Angeles	189	696	147	10
Madera	25	25	13	12
Marin	3	4	1	1
Mariposa	0	3	0	0
Mendocino	7	44	3	4
Merced	49	513	35	0
Modoc	0	0	0	0
Mono	0	0	0	0
Monterey	9	30	0	1
Napa	2	48	4	1
Nevada	3	4	4	0
Orange	60	108	50	15
Placer	14	169	10	0
Plumas	0	12	0	1
Riverside	113	119	50	37
Sacramento	118	369	93	7
San Benito	3	5	3	0
San Bernardino	101	541	91	0
San Diego	56	580	125	0
San Francisco	110	243	5	106
San Joaquin	27	63	36	2
San Luis Obispo	12	12	12	0
San Mateo	8	42	5	0
Santa Barbara	26	26	22	4
Santa Clara	56	448	37	0
Santa Cruz	10	10	10	0
Shasta	16	25	20	1
Sierra	2	2	0	0
Siskiyou	0	2	0	0
Solano	77	373	39	5
Sonoma	6	17	7	0
Stanislaus	25	25	25	0
Sutter	7	7	5	2
Tehama	0	0	0	0
Trinity	1	1	1	0
Tulare	44	69	46	4
Tuolumne	0	9	0	0
Ventura	24	42	23	5
Yolo	27	27	27	0
Yuba	12	77	5	9

a/ Data is from DPA 266 April 2000 Item 23 Referrals pending beginning of month plus April, May and June 2000's Item 24 Referrals received during the month.

TABLE 11
Food Stamp Program
PROSECUTION OUTCOMES^{a/}
April - June 2000

County	Convictions	Administrative Action	Disqualification Consent Agreements	Charge Pleaded	Dismissals	Acquittals	Declinations	Expiration of Statutes
Statewide	1,332	130	304	184	180	1	37	50
Alameda	221	0	221	0	89	0	11	2
Alpine	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Amador	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Butte	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	0
Calaveras	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Colusa	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Contra Costa	35	0	0	35	0	0	6	38
Del Norte	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
El Dorado	6	0	0	4	0	0	0	0
Fresno	110	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
Glenn	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	0
Humboldt	14	0	6	0	1	0	0	0
Imperial	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Inyo	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kern	24	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
Kings	5	0	11	0	3	0	1	0
Lake	0	0	0	5	1	0	0	0
Lassen	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Los Angeles	165	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
Madera	10	2	12	0	1	0	0	0
Marin	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Mariposa	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mendocino	0	0	0	1	4	0	0	0
Merced	24	1	0	0	9	0	1	0
Modoc	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mono	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Monterey	0	0	1	4	5	0	0	0
Napa	3	0	0	0	1	1	0	0
Nevada	2	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
Orange	63	16	0	1	1	0	0	1
Placer	1	0	7	4	2	0	0	0
Plumas	3	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
Riverside	106	0	0	117	4	0	0	0
Sacramento	35	0	0	0	7	0	1	2
San Benito	7	0	1	0	1	0	0	0
San Bernardino	116	0	0	0	6	0	0	0
San Diego	86	0	0	0	18	0	0	0
San Francisco	7	102	0	0	0	0	4	0
San Joaquin	44	3	0	2	10	0	3	0
San Luis Obispo	7	3	0	0	0	0	0	0
San Mateo	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Santa Barbara	20	0	4	0	0	0	0	0
Santa Clara	37	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Santa Cruz	15	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Shasta	13	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Sierra	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Siskiyou	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Solano	31	0	0	0	5	0	4	3
Sonoma	12	1	0	0	0	0	1	0
Stanislaus	45	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sutter	4	0	3	0	0	0	0	0
Tehama	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Trinity	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Tulare	31	0	0	0	4	0	0	0
Tuolumne	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ventura	10	0	0	0	0	0	4	0
Yolo	13	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Yuba	2	0	30	4	0	0	0	0

a/ This table reflects the outcome of a prosecution. In some instances a prosecution may have more than one outcome reported.

TABLE 12
Food Stamp Program
FRAUD OVERISSUANCES AND COLLECTIONS
April - June 2000

County	Fraud Overissuances Identified	Total Collections
Statewide	\$6,767,166	\$2,746,693
Alameda	840,955	40,531
Alpine	0	0
Amador	408	455
Butte	17,331	26,914
Calaveras	2,267	544
Colusa	5,166	1,536
Contra Costa	158,051	111,529
Del Norte	9,030	11,475
El Dorado	11,044	30,411
Fresno	133,326	62,560
Glenn	6,223	13,126
Humboldt	14,247	11,742
Imperial	3,015	0
Inyo	0	2,363
Kern	173,760	85,712
Kings	31,176	87,015
Lake	5,868	1,731
Lassen	3,040	543
Los Angeles	2,333,799	19,850
Madera	24,908	42,977
Marin	20,055	29,824
Mariposa	0	0
Mendocino	45,527	18,000
Merced	58,154	11,958
Modoc	0	0
Mono	0	0
Monterey	16,741	35,973
Napa	4,467	7,148
Nevada	9,893	5,827
Orange	248,615	115,695
Placer	17,129	29,567
Plumas	436	4,419
Riverside	279,925	168,670
Sacramento	302,198	308,180
San Benito	3,522	22,190
San Bernardino	249,762	287,501
San Diego	471,913	59,961
San Francisco	182,273	206,509
San Joaquin	53,146	229,387
San Luis Obispo	54,082	10,368
San Mateo	20,428	12,452
Santa Barbara	23,174	42,097
Santa Clara	197,169	86,180
Santa Cruz	16,568	15,034
Shasta	23,989	40,133
Sierra	2,364	199
Siskiyou	5,552	6,900
Solano	219,528	104,805
Sonoma	25,752	43,100
Stanislaus	249,742	116,972
Sutter	12,587	15,292
Tehama	0	1,370
Trinity	1,249	261
Tulare	121,965	0
Tuolumne	1,214	6,806
Ventura	0	68,096
Yolo	38,808	55,517
Yuba	15,625	29,288