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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) internet web site at <http://www.dss.cahwnet.gov/research>.

- DPA 266 - Fraud Investigation Activity Report
(April 2002 dated July 9, 2002; May 2002 dated August 28, 2002; and June 2002 dated August 28, 2002)
- CA 237 CW - CalWORKs Cash Grant Caseload Movement Report
(April 2002 dated September 9, 2002; May 2002 dated September 9, 2002; and June 2002 dated September 13, 2002)
- CA 237 FC - Aid to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC) Foster Care (FC) Caseload Movement and Expenditures Report
(April 2002 dated July 12, 2002; May 2002 dated August 1, 2002; and June 2002 dated August 21, 2002)
- DFA 256 - Food Stamp Program Participation and Coupon Issuance Report
(April 2002 dated June 19, 2002; May 2002 dated July 31, 2002; and June 2002 dated August 30, 2002)

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 2002

Investigation Requests

- 44,901 requests for investigation were **received** by California Special Investigative Units (SIUs) during the quarter, with a monthly average during the quarter of 14,967 investigation requests. The monthly average of investigation requests represents 3% of the 605,962 CalWORKs statewide caseload (monthly average during April – June 2002).
- 43,808 investigation requests were **accepted** for investigation during the quarter. This is 98% of the 44,901 investigation requests received.
 - ▶ 26,436 (60%) were Early Fraud Prevention/Detection Program (EFP/D) requests.
 - ▶ 6,944 (16%) 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.
 - ▶ 6,159 (14%) were Income and Eligibility Verification System (IEVS) requests.
 - ▶ 4,269 (10%) were family (household) composition requests.
- 125,740 investigations were **available** during the quarter.
 - ▶ 81,932 (65%) of the available investigations were **pending** at the beginning of the quarter (carried over from March 2002).
 - ▶ 43,808 (35%) of the available investigations were **accepted** for investigation during the quarter.

Investigations Completed and the Results

- 46,945 investigations were **completed** during the quarter. This is 37% of the 125,740 total investigations available.
 - ▶ 16,070 (34%) of the completed cases had evidence sufficient to support an allegation of fraud.
 - ▶ 30,875 (66%) of the completed cases did not have evidence sufficient to support an allegation of fraud.
- Of the 46,945 completed investigations, the **results** included:
 - ▶ 7,474 (16%) of the cases were denied, reduced or discontinued due to the Early Fraud Prevention/Detection Program.
 - ▶ 4,102 (9%) of the cases had restitution action taken.
 - ▶ 2,348 (5%) of the cases had fraud found, but with no adverse financial impact.
 - ▶ 1,712 (4%) of the cases were reduced or discontinued in non-Early Fraud cases.
 - ▶ 1,290 (3%) of the cases were referred for prosecution.
 - ▶ 1,134 (2%) of the cases had expiration of statutes.
 - ▶ 441 (1%) 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 46,945 are not shown in this report.

Prosecution Activity

- 5,426 referrals were **available** to the District Attorney for prosecution during the quarter.
 - ▶ 4,160 (77%) were referrals **pending** at the beginning of the quarter (carried over from March 2002).
 - ▶ 1,266 (23%) were referrals **received** during the quarter.
- Of the 5,426 referrals available to the District Attorney for prosecution consideration during the quarter,
 - ▶ 1,069 **prosecutions** were filed. This is 20% of the available prosecution referrals.
- Of the 1,069 prosecutions filed by the District Attorney during the quarter,
 - ▶ 932 **convictions** were obtained. Some convictions obtained are from prosecutions filed in prior quarters.

Overpayments and Collections

- \$6,907,284 **fraud overpayments** were identified during the quarter.
- \$7,369,136 **collections** were made during the quarter.

Food Stamp Statewide Highlights April – June 2002

Investigation Requests

- 60,756 requests for investigation were **received** by California Special Investigative Units (SIUs) during the quarter, with a monthly average during the quarter of 20,252 investigation requests. The monthly average of investigation requests represents 3% of the 687,885 Food Stamp statewide caseload (monthly average during April – June 2002).
- 59,321 investigation requests were **accepted** for investigation during the quarter. This is 98% of the 60,756 investigation requests received.
 - ▶ 35,640 (60%) were Early Fraud Prevention/Detection Program (EFP/D) requests.
 - ▶ 9,729 (16%) 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.
 - ▶ 9,304 (16%) were Income and Eligibility Verification System (IEVS) requests.
 - ▶ 4,648 (8%) were family (household) composition requests.
- 161,055 investigations were **available** during the quarter.
 - ▶ 101,734 (63%) of the available investigations were **pending** at the beginning of the quarter (carried over from March 2002).
 - ▶ 59,321 (37%) of the available investigations were **accepted** for investigation during the quarter.

Investigations Completed and the Results

- 62,235 investigations were **completed** during the quarter. This is 39% of the 161,055 total investigations available.
 - ▶ 20,722 (33%) of the completed cases had evidence sufficient to support an allegation of fraud.
 - ▶ 41,513 (67%) of the completed cases did not have evidence sufficient to support an allegation of fraud.
- Of the 62,235 completed investigations, the **results** included:
 - ▶ 10,228 (16%) of the cases were denied, reduced or discontinued due to the Early Fraud Prevention/Detection Program.
 - ▶ 4,943 (8%) of the cases had restitution action taken.
 - ▶ 2,690 (4%) of the cases had fraud found, but with no adverse financial impact.
 - ▶ 2,460 (4%) of the cases were reduced or discontinued in non-Early Fraud cases.
 - ▶ 1,410 (2%) of the cases were referred for prosecution.
 - ▶ 652 (1%) of the cases had expiration of statutes.
 - ▶ 477 (1%) 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 62,235 are not shown in this report.

Prosecution Activity

- 5,829 referrals were **available** to the District Attorney for prosecution during the quarter.
 - ▶ 4,442 (76%) were referrals **pending** at the beginning of the quarter (carried over from March 2002).
 - ▶ 1,387 (24%) were referrals **received** during the quarter.
- Of the 5,829 referrals available to the District Attorney for prosecution consideration during the quarter,
 - ▶ 1,106 **prosecutions** were filed. This is 19% of the available prosecution referrals.
- Of the 1,106 prosecutions filed by the District Attorney during the quarter,
 - ▶ 997 **convictions** were obtained. Some convictions obtained are from prosecutions filed in prior quarters.

Overissuances and Collections

- \$6,672,118 **fraud overissuances** were identified during the quarter.
- \$3,549,356 **collections** were made during the quarter.

Welfare Fraud Special Investigative Units**April – June 2002**

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	27	20	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 2002

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	605,962	44,901	43,808	46,945	16,070	30,875	78,669
Alameda	21,136	1,114	1,108	1,106	638	468	1,441
Alpine	36	10	10	15	0	15	11
Amador	276	42	42	50	21	29	3
Butte	5,347	421	416	434	202	232	633
Calaveras	561	180	180	179	47	132	3
Colusa	247	26	26	25	3	22	71
Contra Costa	9,770	462	445	457	244	213	429
Del Norte	911	56	56	53	16	37	109
El Dorado	1,217	145	145	163	103	60	385
Fresno	26,209	1,195	1,083	2,181	774	1,407	1,953
Glenn	529	133	133	123	27	96	165
Humboldt	2,527	126	126	146	51	95	181
Imperial	4,466	244	244	291	250	41	429
Inyo	156	1	1	0	0	0	1
Kern	19,448	3,209	3,145	2,943	1,023	1,920	1,067
Kings	2,800	677	677	694	196	498	558
Lake	1,816	135	135	127	72	55	91
Lassen	588	94	94	76	4	72	35
Los Angeles	232,057	9,279	8,851	10,869	3,345	7,524	38,130
Madera	3,493	636	636	726	119	607	119
Marin	940	118	118	50	39	11	302
Mariposa	221	9	9	8	2	6	36
Mendocino	1,941	141	140	79	30	49	295
Merced	6,458	712	712	618	223	395	716
Modoc	245	40	40	26	26	0	79
Mono	68	1	1	1	0	1	0
Monterey	5,258	326	314	231	63	168	2,301
Napa	587	23	23	45	15	30	202
Nevada	630	33	25	23	11	12	60
Orange	22,660	2,668	2,650	2,480	1,307	1,173	3,813
Placer	1,672	56	56	171	29	142	115
Plumas	247	35	35	26	19	7	12
Riverside	23,747	4,868	4,858	4,859	779	4,080	1,443
Sacramento	34,915	1,921	1,802	1,866	1,161	705	5,101
San Benito	602	42	42	46	15	31	21
San Bernardino	42,385	3,309	3,299	2,736	644	2,092	1,915
San Diego	32,137	4,933	4,700	4,621	1,460	3,161	2,931
San Francisco	8,827	411	411	365	189	176	1,743
San Joaquin	14,486	192	192	185	121	64	363
San Luis Obispo	2,034	150	150	150	79	71	182
San Mateo	2,182	161	161	214	80	134	108
Santa Barbara	4,143	185	179	172	66	106	242
Santa Clara	14,261	617	608	1,733	429	1,304	799
Santa Cruz	2,046	468	468	462	87	375	42
Shasta	4,043	294	294	239	174	65	930
Sierra	43	7	7	6	0	6	8
Siskiyou	968	301	301	321	144	177	77
Solano	4,611	828	818	744	370	374	2,802
Sonoma	2,928	174	174	230	128	102	1,484
Stanislaus	9,259	824	815	673	359	314	1,492
Sutter	1,345	357	357	377	172	205	114
Tehama	1,483	87	87	75	22	53	694
Trinity	274	48	44	39	6	33	24
Tulare	12,642	1,361	1,358	1,345	213	1,132	1,865
Tuolumne	771	225	216	268	107	161	124
Ventura	6,314	163	163	172	68	104	151
Yolo	2,654	247	247	218	102	116	245
Yuba	2,346	381	381	413	196	217	24

a/ Effective with the January 2002 report month, the source form (CA 237 CW) was changed to collect families data from Two Parent

Families, Zero Parent Families, All Other Families and TANF Timed-Out Cases. 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 2002 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 2002 Item 4, was 81,932.

TABLE 2
California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids (CalWORKs) Program
REQUESTS ACCEPTED FOR INVESTIGATION BY PRIMARY ELEMENT OF FRAUD
April – June 2002

County	Early Fraud Prevention/ Detection	Income and Eligibility Verification System	Family (Household) Composition	Other Unreported Income	Residence	Unreported Resources/ Assets	Other ^{a/}
Statewide	26,436	6,159	4,269	1,795	873	553	3,723
Alameda	496	345	92	52	13	9	101
Alpine	9	1	0	0	0	0	0
Amador	0	13	5	3	0	1	20
Butte	12	37	138	40	32	11	146
Calaveras	118	17	8	4	7	0	26
Colusa	0	0	4	8	1	0	13
Contra Costa	309	4	8	21	0	4	99
Del Norte	18	2	18	6	5	2	5
El Dorado	9	24	40	20	9	10	33
Fresno	458	187	147	190	15	10	76
Glenn	67	1	19	11	11	3	21
Humboldt	56	1	40	9	1	0	19
Imperial	124	0	58	24	30	3	5
Inyo	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Kern	1,365	40	508	124	35	29	1,044
Kings	540	1	78	15	23	2	18
Lake	4	15	58	10	4	6	38
Lassen	58	0	14	3	6	8	5
Los Angeles	5,286	2,662	185	124	0	81	513
Madera	523	20	27	23	8	2	33
Marin	11	90	6	2	3	0	6
Mariposa	3	3	0	3	0	0	0
Mendocino	5	64	39	15	1	6	10
Merced	379	84	124	51	30	11	33
Modoc	11	8	10	7	0	2	2
Mono	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Monterey	130	36	32	15	13	2	86
Napa	0	0	10	5	2	1	5
Nevada	4	3	9	4	2	0	3
Orange	2,183	214	62	57	4	11	119
Placer	4	0	20	11	11	1	9
Plumas	10	9	12	4	0	0	0
Riverside	4,271	81	213	88	13	11	181
Sacramento	1,249	202	98	62	55	3	133
San Benito	15	10	5	9	1	0	2
San Bernardino	1,474	24	967	252	284	156	142
San Diego	4,079	316	97	82	36	1	89
San Francisco	103	224	5	10	2	0	67
San Joaquin	142	21	3	6	0	1	19
San Luis Obispo	37	1	46	9	11	11	35
San Mateo	34	8	42	43	3	1	30
Santa Barbara	39	8	58	27	6	2	39
Santa Clara	222	217	49	57	4	27	32
Santa Cruz	202	244	9	9	1	0	3
Shasta	90	8	144	22	16	3	11
Sierra	0	0	2	0	5	0	0
Siskiyou	58	0	68	5	47	93	30
Solano	297	367	71	33	17	1	32
Sonoma	55	65	22	6	0	2	24
Stanislaus	134	239	292	31	29	6	84
Sutter	232	1	31	27	24	1	41
Tehama	26	0	27	13	9	3	9
Trinity	21	3	5	3	1	1	10
Tulare	824	185	148	75	15	8	103
Tuolumne	180	2	23	1	2	0	8
Ventura	151	0	2	5	0	2	3
Yolo	122	27	26	24	11	3	34
Yuba	187	25	45	35	14	2	73

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 2002

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	7,474	1,290	441	4,102	1,712	2,348	1,134
Alameda	291	152	0	111	0	84	51
Alpine	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Amador	2	0	0	3	16	0	0
Butte	82	17	1	21	68	13	24
Calaveras	21	0	0	0	4	21	0
Colusa	0	0	0	0	3	0	0
Contra Costa	63	20	23	30	0	108	0
Del Norte	2	0	0	1	11	2	1
El Dorado	0	8	0	40	4	57	0
Fresno	206	92	320	72	80	4	892
Glenn	12	0	0	4	11	0	0
Humboldt	21	3	0	11	26	4	0
Imperial	15	2	0	1	7	1	0
Inyo	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kern	624	27	1	62	183	126	1
Kings	167	9	0	5	10	5	22
Lake	8	7	0	25	18	18	5
Lassen	1	1	0	0	2	0	0
Los Angeles	1,823	240	0	1,036	23	958	0
Madera	10	23	0	23	52	11	0
Marin	5	1	0	27	14	2	1
Mariposa	1	0	0	1	0	0	3
Mendocino	3	2	0	19	1	5	2
Merced	28	35	0	28	103	16	0
Modoc	0	1	0	0	0	25	0
Mono	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Monterey	42	4	0	2	15	13	5
Napa	4	4	0	2	3	2	0
Nevada	1	2	0	4	2	2	0
Orange	772	57	34	244	388	175	11
Placer	1	9	0	4	15	0	0
Plumas	2	2	0	6	5	4	1
Riverside	572	60	0	132	0	7	0
Sacramento	408	117	0	598	32	6	17
San Benito	4	3	0	3	5	0	1
San Bernardino	217	63	9	146	221	105	0
San Diego	994	76	38	405	1	61	0
San Francisco	26	12	0	58	34	1	9
San Joaquin	76	25	0	5	6	10	11
San Luis Obispo	20	4	1	7	39	7	1
San Mateo	29	2	0	25	18	6	0
Santa Barbara	8	12	0	34	24	8	0
Santa Clara	71	43	1	291	0	23	28
Santa Cruz	73	3	0	9	2	0	0
Shasta	43	18	0	4	32	77	0
Sierra	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Siskiyou	12	7	0	34	21	68	0
Solano	110	28	0	204	7	21	13
Sonoma	71	5	6	96	15	68	3
Stanislaus	96	12	4	118	122	51	0
Sutter	55	0	0	19	11	93	0
Tehama	8	0	0	0	9	5	0
Trinity	7	3	0	0	1	4	0
Tulare	118	21	0	61	1	12	32
Tuolumne	75	3	1	3	11	14	0
Ventura	67	1	0	0	0	0	0
Yolo	25	24	2	28	16	21	0
Yuba	82	30	0	40	20	24	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 2002

County	Referrals Received	Referrals Available ^{a/}	Prosecutions Filed	Decision Made Not to Prosecute
Statewide	1,266	5,426	1,069	246
Alameda	152	513	135	9
Alpine	0	0	0	0
Amador	0	4	0	0
Butte	15	28	15	0
Calaveras	0	0	0	0
Colusa	0	0	0	0
Contra Costa	5	78	7	7
Del Norte	0	17	0	10
El Dorado	8	8	8	0
Fresno	92	134	85	3
Glenn	0	0	0	0
Humboldt	4	6	6	0
Imperial	2	27	0	0
Inyo	0	0	0	0
Kern	18	103	31	0
Kings	9	30	13	4
Lake	7	27	7	1
Lassen	2	4	3	0
Los Angeles	240	551	225	61
Madera	23	23	23	0
Marin	1	2	0	1
Mariposa	0	0	0	0
Mendocino	2	23	3	0
Merced	35	486	34	0
Modoc	35	75	0	0
Mono	0	0	0	0
Monterey	4	37	2	1
Napa	4	34	1	0
Nevada	2	4	2	0
Orange	64	138	70	5
Placer	9	143	12	84
Plumas	2	10	0	0
Riverside	55	98	44	2
Sacramento	117	551	51	2
San Benito	3	4	0	3
San Bernardino	63	491	70	0
San Diego	58	453	36	10
San Francisco	12	104	6	8
San Joaquin	25	94	11	3
San Luis Obispo	2	2	2	0
San Mateo	2	90	1	0
Santa Barbara	12	12	9	3
Santa Clara	49	521	49	0
Santa Cruz	3	3	3	0
Shasta	18	22	19	0
Sierra	0	0	0	0
Siskiyou	7	11	7	0
Solano	28	329	16	27
Sonoma	5	13	3	0
Stanislaus	12	12	12	0
Sutter	0	0	0	0
Tehama	0	0	0	0
Trinity	3	3	1	2
Tulare	21	21	21	0
Tuolumne	3	11	0	0
Ventura	1	14	0	0
Yolo	24	24	24	0
Yuba	8	38	2	0

a/ Data is from DPA 266 April 2002 Item 23 Referrals pending beginning of month plus April, May, and June 2002's Item 24 Referrals received during the month.

TABLE 5
California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids (CalWORKs) Program
PROSECUTION OUTCOMES^{a/}
April – June 2002

County	Convictions	Administrative Action	Disqualification Consent Agreements	Charge Pleaded	Dismissals	Acquittals	Declinations	Expiration of Statutes
Statewide	932	24	74	127	188	0	67	84
Alameda	118	7	7	0	92	0	9	0
Alpine	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Amador	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Butte	0	1	6	8	2	0	0	0
Calaveras	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Colusa	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Contra Costa	7	0	0	7	5	0	4	80
Del Norte	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
El Dorado	4	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Fresno	87	1	0	0	6	0	0	0
Glenn	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Humboldt	2	0	1	0	1	0	0	0
Imperial	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Inyo	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kern	18	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Kings	1	0	1	0	1	0	3	0
Lake	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	1
Lassen	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Los Angeles	172	0	0	0	15	0	0	0
Madera	9	0	13	0	0	0	0	0
Marin	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Mariposa	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mendocino	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	2
Merced	21	0	0	0	4	0	9	0
Modoc	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mono	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Monterey	0	0	0	6	26	0	0	0
Napa	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nevada	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Orange	40	3	0	0	2	0	0	0
Placer	3	0	7	0	0	0	0	0
Plumas	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Riverside	72	0	0	92	2	0	0	0
Sacramento	106	0	0	0	0	0	5	0
San Benito	1	0	3	0	0	0	0	0
San Bernardino	53	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
San Diego	30	0	0	0	4	0	0	0
San Francisco	2	7	0	0	3	0	1	0
San Joaquin	13	1	0	0	3	0	3	1
San Luis Obispo	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
San Mateo	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Santa Barbara	7	1	3	0	1	0	0	0
Santa Clara	21	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Santa Cruz	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Shasta	22	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Sierra	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Siskiyou	0	0	7	1	0	0	0	0
Solano	30	0	0	0	6	0	27	0
Sonoma	6	3	0	0	0	0	0	0
Stanislaus	33	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Sutter	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tehama	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Trinity	1	0	2	1	0	0	2	0
Tulare	30	0	0	0	10	0	0	0
Tuolumne	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
Ventura	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Yolo	11	0	0	0	0	0	3	0
Yuba	0	0	22	2	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 2002

County	Fraud Overpayments Identified	Total Collections
Statewide	\$6,907,284	\$7,369,136
Alameda	902,920	503,972
Alpine	0	0
Amador	0	806
Butte	17,611	34,388
Calaveras	0	3,719
Colusa	0	1,199
Contra Costa	66,342	84,774
Del Norte	14,626	7,348
El Dorado	12,072	35,865
Fresno	154,792	249,610
Glenn	1,009	11,128
Humboldt	16,026	16,377
Imperial	3,359	21,611
Inyo	200	1,753
Kern	107,885	136,323
Kings	22,044	44,012
Lake	46,322	7,412
Lassen	3,130	2,477
Los Angeles	656,249	1,555,623
Madera	35,392	29,656
Marin	16,221	53,042
Mariposa	3,398	1,193
Mendocino	58,005	35,828
Merced	57,915	24,288
Modoc	0	0
Mono	0	0
Monterey	4,440	83,980
Napa	24,959	7,259
Nevada	3,147	7,668
Orange	354,980	264,918
Placer	15,686	62,028
Plumas	1,799	10,356
Riverside	239,847	386,354
Sacramento	1,357,034	620,797
San Benito	10,802	31,641
San Bernardino	315,840	253,386
San Diego	381,820	580,708
San Francisco	133,040	418,191
San Joaquin	121,340	59,247
San Luis Obispo	7,858	8,451
San Mateo	36,810	0
Santa Barbara	28,859	45,370
Santa Clara	675,477	511,679
Santa Cruz	15,409	50,570
Shasta	59,444	11,866
Sierra	620	1,592
Siskiyou	66,000	72,000
Solano	487,195	307,333
Sonoma	68,358	203,717
Stanislaus	91,055	156,038
Sutter	20,401	15,780
Tehama	0	1,983
Trinity	0	2,937
Tulare	125,062	0
Tuolumne	3,795	13,267
Ventura	0	229,116
Yolo	33,203	57,284
Yuba	27,486	31,216

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TABLE 7
Food Stamp Program
FRAUD INVESTIGATIONS BY SPECIAL INVESTIGATIVE UNITS
April – June 2002

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	687,885	60,756	59,321	62,235	20,722	41,513	98,710
Alameda	20,895	1,261	1,255	1,284	749	535	1,502
Alpine	33	13	13	38	0	38	13
Amador	367	73	73	68	18	50	12
Butte	6,096	420	415	454	227	227	631
Calaveras	696	305	305	304	79	225	10
Colusa	429	39	39	36	4	32	122
Contra Costa	8,449	512	484	538	313	225	434
Del Norte	1,260	75	75	72	21	51	139
El Dorado	1,557	197	197	199	128	71	391
Fresno	30,686	1,364	1,249	1,691	855	836	1,149
Glenn	709	289	289	248	62	186	422
Humboldt	3,923	197	195	220	80	140	197
Imperial	5,043	247	247	293	250	43	470
Inyo	354	5	5	10	3	7	25
Kern	19,513	4,159	4,091	3,875	1,149	2,726	1,072
Kings	4,037	1,086	1,086	1,096	298	798	658
Lake	2,392	157	157	147	82	65	112
Lassen	675	101	101	84	5	79	33
Los Angeles	279,915	14,396	13,682	16,252	4,527	11,725	53,277
Madera	4,632	869	869	957	144	813	208
Marin	1,448	236	236	68	51	17	732
Mariposa	312	13	13	10	4	6	48
Mendocino	2,604	181	180	116	28	88	330
Merced	7,617	1,132	1,132	1,047	339	708	659
Modoc	285	38	38	21	21	0	86
Mono	119	3	3	3	2	1	0
Monterey	6,281	446	430	335	70	265	2,077
Napa	724	45	45	85	30	55	264
Nevada	756	46	37	36	19	17	79
Orange	25,888	2,849	2,829	2,710	1,535	1,175	3,373
Placer	1,650	62	62	180	32	148	134
Plumas	240	43	43	37	29	8	23
Riverside	20,631	8,348	8,337	8,302	1,414	6,888	1,764
Sacramento	33,920	1,649	1,604	1,712	1,064	648	5,211
San Benito	760	42	42	46	19	27	36
San Bernardino	44,635	4,105	4,095	3,389	883	2,506	2,472
San Diego	29,399	4,806	4,500	4,396	1,699	2,697	3,698
San Francisco	15,468	1,105	1,105	1,022	568	454	3,389
San Joaquin	15,046	190	190	177	122	55	378
San Luis Obispo	2,609	190	190	193	105	88	239
San Mateo	2,480	209	209	384	97	287	189
Santa Barbara	5,956	260	241	225	95	130	218
Santa Clara	15,446	665	656	1,883	529	1,354	1,062
Santa Cruz	3,373	916	916	907	171	736	57
Shasta	4,395	405	405	349	247	102	1,079
Sierra	50	6	6	5	0	5	9
Siskiyou	1,285	502	502	538	199	339	123
Solano	4,315	1,099	1,089	962	350	612	3,236
Sonoma	3,858	217	217	272	171	101	1,606
Stanislaus	10,257	1,016	1,003	810	444	366	1,782
Sutter	1,564	556	556	584	269	315	141
Tehama	1,949	87	87	75	22	53	594
Trinity	303	70	63	65	16	49	20
Tulare	15,936	1,856	1,849	1,784	357	1,427	1,878
Tuolumne	844	374	360	466	216	250	171
Ventura	8,445	313	313	303	130	173	307
Yolo	2,815	399	399	334	130	204	334
Yuba	2,564	512	512	538	251	287	35

a/ Data is the monthly average of the April - June 2002 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 2002 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 2002 Item 4 was 101,734.

TABLE 8
Food Stamp Program
REQUESTS ACCEPTED FOR INVESTIGATION BY PRIMARY ELEMENT OF FRAUD
April – June 2002

County	Early Fraud Prevention/ Detection	Income and Eligibility Verification System	Family (Household) Composition	Other Unreported Income	Residence	Unreported Resources/ Assets	Other ^{a/}
Statewide	35,640	9,304	4,648	2,185	1,096	790	5,658
Alameda	557	395	87	61	13	9	133
Alpine	12	1	0	0	0	0	0
Amador	0	40	6	5	1	1	20
Butte	21	34	146	49	41	15	109
Calaveras	233	19	10	4	11	1	27
Colusa	0	0	5	9	1	0	24
Contra Costa	322	5	8	28	0	6	115
Del Norte	20	2	19	10	9	4	11
El Dorado	13	39	45	30	10	13	47
Fresno	529	217	160	231	18	12	82
Glenn	145	3	42	34	31	8	26
Humboldt	54	1	43	10	8	0	79
Imperial	124	0	58	24	30	3	8
Inyo	0	2	0	0	3	0	0
Kern	1,384	43	535	130	36	30	1,933
Kings	876	3	100	33	27	2	45
Lake	4	19	67	14	4	4	45
Lassen	64	0	14	3	6	8	6
Los Angeles	8,004	4,383	213	206	0	151	725
Madera	730	39	29	25	8	2	36
Marin	13	147	6	5	6	0	59
Mariposa	4	4	2	2	0	1	0
Mendocino	8	70	54	14	2	8	24
Merced	695	148	145	59	34	4	47
Modoc	4	8	9	0	10	1	6
Mono	0	0	0	0	1	0	2
Monterey	137	37	33	19	14	3	187
Napa	0	0	13	11	4	1	16
Nevada	8	4	11	6	2	0	6
Orange	2,428	249	56	64	4	9	19
Placer	6	0	20	12	11	1	12
Plumas	12	11	16	4	0	0	0
Riverside	7,599	104	281	99	13	11	230
Sacramento	1,100	243	85	52	43	3	78
San Benito	15	14	4	5	1	0	3
San Bernardino	1,924	34	1,068	288	337	203	241
San Diego	3,691	519	97	106	40	1	46
San Francisco	125	449	5	12	12	0	502
San Joaquin	141	19	5	6	0	1	18
San Luis Obispo	42	3	58	12	12	15	48
San Mateo	37	12	38	48	4	6	64
Santa Barbara	62	11	62	34	8	4	60
Santa Clara	240	273	48	58	5	30	2
Santa Cruz	526	353	6	8	7	0	16
Shasta	175	11	155	26	18	3	17
Sierra	0	0	2	0	4	0	0
Siskiyou	156	0	74	6	63	182	21
Solano	393	526	68	44	23	2	33
Sonoma	57	86	20	6	0	2	46
Stanislaus	181	356	281	40	35	7	103
Sutter	384	4	27	32	62	2	45
Tehama	26	0	27	13	9	3	9
Trinity	44	7	6	3	1	1	1
Tulare	1,131	293	181	102	17	9	116
Tuolumne	313	3	22	8	4	0	10
Ventura	294	0	2	11	0	2	4
Yolo	250	30	25	30	11	3	50
Yuba	327	31	49	34	22	3	46

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 2002

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	10,228	1,410	477	4,943	2,460	2,690	652
Alameda	335	180	0	126	28	80	48
Alpine	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Amador	0	0	0	2	16	0	0
Butte	105	18	0	20	72	12	26
Calaveras	46	0	0	0	8	24	0
Colusa	0	0	0	0	3	1	0
Contra Costa	83	14	51	65	0	99	1
Del Norte	6	2	0	1	10	2	3
El Dorado	0	7	0	50	5	77	0
Fresno	245	86	304	108	109	3	280
Glenn	32	0	0	4	24	2	0
Humboldt	36	4	0	15	41	5	0
Imperial	15	2	0	1	7	1	0
Inyo	0	1	0	0	1	1	6
Kern	717	33	1	64	203	131	1
Kings	259	10	0	7	15	7	26
Lake	12	7	0	28	19	21	0
Lassen	1	1	0	0	3	0	0
Los Angeles	2,644	257	0	1,180	72	1,198	0
Madera	12	37	0	28	57	10	0
Marin	5	1	0	33	21	4	1
Mariposa	1	0	0	1	2	0	4
Mendocino	3	1	0	13	1	10	5
Merced	45	66	0	51	174	15	0
Modoc	0	0	0	0	0	21	0
Mono	0	2	0	0	2	0	0
Monterey	36	4	0	3	26	15	5
Napa	4	4	0	9	6	7	0
Nevada	4	3	0	9	2	1	0
Orange	974	61	32	252	442	52	9
Placer	1	9	0	4	20	0	0
Plumas	8	2	0	8	8	3	1
Riverside	1,169	67	0	162	0	8	0
Sacramento	402	102	0	524	32	4	17
San Benito	5	5	0	5	4	0	1
San Bernardino	311	74	11	244	333	107	0
San Diego	1,006	74	52	630	0	63	0
San Francisco	35	18	0	183	256	4	24
San Joaquin	79	25	0	3	5	12	11
San Luis Obispo	22	4	1	10	59	9	2
San Mateo	33	3	0	24	17	20	0
Santa Barbara	17	12	0	44	38	9	0
Santa Clara	73	32	1	396	2	25	28
Santa Cruz	145	3	0	19	4	0	0
Shasta	66	23	0	5	37	116	0
Sierra	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Siskiyou	36	7	0	15	33	106	0
Solano	142	30	0	153	7	18	100
Sonoma	71	3	10	113	17	99	3
Stanislaus	137	13	8	167	125	54	0
Sutter	99	0	3	20	14	142	0
Tehama	8	0	0	0	9	5	0
Trinity	15	5	0	0	4	7	0
Tulare	230	28	0	83	1	15	50
Tuolumne	183	3	1	3	13	18	0
Ventura	121	9	0	0	0	0	0
Yolo	53	24	2	34	20	28	0
Yuba	141	34	0	24	33	19	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 2002

County	Referrals Received	Referrals Available ^{a/}	Prosecutions Filed	Decision Made Not to Prosecute
Statewide	1,387	5,829	1,106	287
Alameda	180	449	150	17
Alpine	0	0	0	0
Amador	0	7	0	0
Butte	15	28	15	0
Calaveras	0	0	0	0
Colusa	0	0	0	0
Contra Costa	5	69	8	8
Del Norte	2	18	0	11
El Dorado	7	7	7	0
Fresno	86	101	81	3
Glenn	0	0	0	0
Humboldt	5	8	8	0
Imperial	2	28	0	0
Inyo	2	2	2	0
Kern	21	105	36	0
Kings	10	34	16	3
Lake	7	28	9	1
Lassen	2	4	3	0
Los Angeles	257	936	207	58
Madera	37	37	37	0
Marin	1	2	0	1
Mariposa	0	0	0	0
Mendocino	1	33	4	0
Merced	66	595	45	0
Modoc	35	75	0	0
Mono	2	2	1	1
Monterey	4	41	2	1
Napa	4	34	0	0
Nevada	3	6	3	0
Orange	68	139	72	7
Placer	9	170	10	105
Plumas	2	8	0	0
Riverside	63	105	51	2
Sacramento	102	442	40	2
San Benito	5	7	0	5
San Bernardino	74	551	86	0
San Diego	61	366	31	10
San Francisco	18	152	8	11
San Joaquin	25	89	6	5
San Luis Obispo	2	2	2	0
San Mateo	3	81	0	0
Santa Barbara	12	12	9	3
Santa Clara	32	513	32	0
Santa Cruz	3	3	3	0
Shasta	23	28	23	2
Sierra	0	0	0	0
Siskiyou	7	11	7	0
Solano	30	325	16	28
Sonoma	4	13	3	0
Stanislaus	13	13	13	0
Sutter	0	0	0	0
Tehama	0	0	0	0
Trinity	4	4	2	2
Tulare	28	28	28	0
Tuolumne	3	13	0	0
Ventura	9	32	4	1
Yolo	24	24	24	0
Yuba	9	49	2	0

a/ Data is from DPA 266 April 2002 Item 23 Referrals pending beginning of month plus April, May, and June 2002's Item 24 Referrals received during the month.

TABLE 11
Food Stamp Program
PROSECUTION OUTCOMES^{a/}
April – June 2002

County	Convictions	Administrative Action	Disqualification Consent Agreements	Charge Pleaded	Dismissals	Acquittals	Declinations	Expiration of Statutes
Statewide	997	30	82	141	194	0	78	76
Alameda	142	9	9	0	109	0	17	0
Alpine	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Amador	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Butte	0	1	6	8	2	0	0	0
Calaveras	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Colusa	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Contra Costa	7	0	0	7	5	0	2	72
Del Norte	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
El Dorado	4	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Fresno	85	1	0	0	2	0	0	0
Glenn	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Humboldt	2	0	1	0	2	0	0	0
Imperial	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Inyo	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Kern	19	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Kings	3	0	1	0	1	0	2	0
Lake	0	0	0	8	0	0	0	1
Lassen	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Los Angeles	158	0	0	0	15	0	0	0
Madera	18	0	15	0	0	0	0	0
Marin	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Mariposa	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mendocino	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	2
Merced	28	0	0	0	5	0	12	0
Modoc	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mono	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Monterey	0	0	0	4	18	0	0	0
Napa	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nevada	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Orange	47	2	0	0	1	0	0	0
Placer	0	0	6	2	0	0	0	0
Plumas	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Riverside	82	0	0	104	1	0	0	0
Sacramento	90	0	0	0	0	0	4	0
San Benito	1	0	5	0	0	0	0	0
San Bernardino	67	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
San Diego	28	0	0	0	4	0	0	0
San Francisco	5	10	0	0	3	0	1	0
San Joaquin	10	1	0	0	3	0	5	1
San Luis Obispo	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
San Mateo	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Santa Barbara	9	3	3	0	1	0	0	0
Santa Clara	21	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Santa Cruz	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Shasta	23	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Sierra	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Siskiyou	0	0	7	1	0	0	0	0
Solano	32	0	0	0	6	0	28	0
Sonoma	6	3	0	0	0	0	0	0
Stanislaus	36	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sutter	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tehama	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Trinity	1	0	2	1	0	0	2	0
Tulare	40	0	0	0	10	0	0	0
Tuolumne	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
Ventura	8	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Yolo	15	0	0	0	0	0	3	0
Yuba	0	0	25	2	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 2002

County	Fraud Overissuances Identified	Total Collections
Statewide	\$6,672,118	\$3,549,356
Alameda	467,528	253,669
Alpine	0	0
Amador	39	683
Butte	8,955	11,583
Calaveras	0	186
Colusa	0	4,073
Contra Costa	64,459	47,636
Del Norte	5,677	7,468
El Dorado	9,288	37,070
Fresno	86,016	65,055
Glenn	4,317	10,017
Humboldt	10,363	13,381
Imperial	3,359	0
Inyo	142	1,318
Kern	88,056	70,141
Kings	15,309	62,277
Lake	36,992	10,964
Lassen	2,058	737
Los Angeles	2,695,944	229,681
Madera	35,069	47,933
Marin	5,748	40,736
Mariposa	-532	228
Mendocino	15,529	41,575
Merced	85,848	30,088
Modoc	0	0
Mono	0	0
Monterey	3,207	34,450
Napa	4,785	12,969
Nevada	4,948	6,002
Orange	178,342	74,823
Placer	7,444	35,349
Plumas	2,629	3,390
Riverside	180,920	190,782
Sacramento	891,205	219,597
San Benito	7,148	19,692
San Bernardino	192,856	297,411
San Diego	315,627	91,025
San Francisco	115,982	306,657
San Joaquin	55,370	73,518
San Luis Obispo	8,613	9,786
San Mateo	11,061	0
Santa Barbara	16,193	26,650
Santa Clara	397,521	104,032
Santa Cruz	13,960	13,752
Shasta	29,369	23,663
Sierra	35	663
Siskiyou	63,000	81,500
Solano	192,623	295,022
Sonoma	30,762	70,792
Stanislaus	115,509	241,828
Sutter	16,476	11,136
Tehama	0	4,052
Trinity	0	3,586
Tulare	117,964	0
Tuolumne	2,091	7,582
Ventura	0	203,424
Yolo	31,821	63,827
Yuba	24,493	35,897



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