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A broader interpretation of existing SNAP categorical eligibility rules is increasingly being used by states to eliminate the SNAP asset test and raise gross income limits. Households that qualify for a non-cash service that is funded by the Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) may be categorically eligible for SNAP and thus not subject to these tests. Under this task, we collected detailed information on the non-cash TANF-funded programs used by states to confer categorical eligibility to SNAP households and examined the number and characteristics of households categorically eligible through those programs.

**BACKGROUND**

Households in which all members are authorized to receive means-tested cash assistance from TANF, Supplemental Security Income (SSI), or General Assistance (GA) have long been considered *categorically eligible* for SNAP benefits, and thus exempt from SNAP asset and income eligibility tests. Because these *pure* public assistance (PA) households have already been deemed *needy* by other means-tested PA programs, they do not have to be re-assessed for SNAP eligibility.

November 2000 SNAP regulations clarified that households authorized to receive *non-cash or in-kind* benefits or services that are at least 50 percent funded by TANF or state Maintenance of Effort (MOE) money are also categorically eligible for SNAP.<sup>1</sup> In addition, states may choose to confer categorical eligibility (CE) on the basis of programs that are less than 50 percent

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<sup>1</sup> 65 Federal Register 70198, November 21, 2000, amending 7 CFR 273.2(j) (2); and July 30, 2001 USDA memo, "Questions and Answers on Categorical Eligibility and Vehicles."

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funded by TANF/MOE money.<sup>2</sup> Depending on the purpose of the TANF/MOE-funded program that confers CE, the state may be required to use a gross income test at or below 200 percent of the poverty level to determine eligibility for the program.<sup>3</sup>

SNAP regulations also clarified that to be *authorized to receive a benefit* (and thus exempt from the SNAP asset and income tests), the household must be determined eligible for the benefit and receive notification of the eligibility determination. Categorical eligibility may not be extended to the household if any members are disqualified for an intentional program violation or failure to comply with work requirements.

SNAP has three types of categorical eligibility:

- **Pure PA (traditional) categorical eligibility** refers to households in which all members are authorized to receive cash assistance from TANF, SSI, or GA. Pure PA households have traditionally been categorically eligible in all states.
- **Broad-based (non-cash) categorical eligibility** refers to non-cash TANF/MOE-funded benefits or services that confer categorical eligibility to virtually all households applying for SNAP. The benefit is usually in the form of a TANF/MOE-funded brochure or handout that provides information on a range of government assistance programs available to households in need. The information is given to all SNAP applicants who meet the state-determined eligibility criteria for receiving the brochure or handout. Because the brochure is prepared with TANF/MOE funds, most households who receive the brochure are categorically eligible for SNAP. For example, in Oregon, all households with gross income at or below 185 percent of the poverty level are given a pamphlet called *Resource Guide for Low-Income Families* which confers categorical eligibility for SNAP. States have flexibility in setting the eligibility criteria for receiving the referral information, but most use only a gross income test.

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<sup>2</sup> The state agency may confer categorical eligibility to households in which one member is authorized to receive the non-cash or in-kind benefits if the state determines that the entire household benefits from the services.

<sup>3</sup> Non-cash TANF/MOE-funded programs furthering TANF purposes 1 and 2, which are programs to assist needy families so children remain in their own homes or encourage employment and marriage, are not required to impose any means test beyond that already used for the TANF non-cash service. The implicit assumption is that programs targeted toward needy families already impose some type of income-based means test, so no further income test is required. Non-cash TANF/MOE-funded programs furthering TANF purposes 3 and 4, which are programs to prevent pregnancies or encourage the formation and maintenance of two-parent families, are required to impose a gross income test of 200 percent or less of the poverty level.

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- **Narrow (non-cash) categorical eligibility** refers to non-cash TANF/MOE-funded benefits or services that confer categorical eligibility to a small group of needy households that, in most cases, formerly received or were diverted from TANF cash benefits. Examples of these services include post-TANF job counseling, diversionary assistance, kinship care, child care, or transportation assistance. For example, when a family in Nebraska receives *Employment First Transitional Supportive Services*, the family is categorically eligible for SNAP because it met the eligibility criteria for that program. Because the purpose of most narrow programs is to assist *needy* families (furthering purposes 1 and 2 of the TANF grant), the state is usually not required to impose any means test beyond that already used for the TANF non-cash service.

Since January 2009, FNS has strongly encouraged states to implement broad-based categorical eligibility as a way to reduce state workloads and help families. In September 2009, the USDA Associate Administrator of SNAP sent out a memo to all regional directors saying, “We believe that increasing the number of States that implement broad-based categorical eligibility will benefit families hurt by the economic crisis, promote savings among low-income households, and simplify State policies. Please encourage your States to adopt broad-based categorical eligibility to improve SNAP operations in your States.”<sup>4</sup> States have heeded this call. The number of states with broad-based categorical eligibility has more than doubled between FY 2008 and July 2010, reaching 39 states as of July 2010.

In the remainder of this memorandum, we describe the methodology used to collect and document the state non-cash categorical eligibility policies, present key findings on state policies as of July 1, 2010, and describe the characteristics of SNAP households that are categorically eligible through these policies. We also provide recommendations for future work. Appendix A provides a detailed description of each state’s non-cash categorical eligibility policy, Appendix B contains summary tables on state policies, and Appendix C presents tabulations based on FY 2008 SNAP QC data on the characteristics of categorically eligible SNAP households.

## METHODOLOGY

A key component of this subtask was to collect and compile detailed information on state categorical eligibility policies. We collected this information using a variety of sources, and when possible, used multiple sources for each state. Our starting point was to review existing

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<sup>4</sup> “Improving Access to SNAP Through Broad-Based Categorical Eligibility.” Memo to Regional Administrators from Jessica Shahin, Associate Administrator of SNAP, September 30, 2009.

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information on state narrow and broad-based categorical eligibility policies from FNS state options surveys, available reports, and previous information we had collected for microsimulation modeling purposes. We then examined state SNAP policy manuals and other information on state websites, and finally, to clarify conflicting or incomplete information, we contacted state SNAP policy staff by phone or email. Appendix A presents the state policies and lists the sources of information used for all states as well as specific sources for each state. Note that the information on broad-based categorical eligibility policies is accurate as of July 1, 2010. The sources we used for all states include:

- **2009 FNS State Options Survey (with updated categorical eligibility information from FNS as of July 1, 2010).** We obtained the state responses to an FNS survey that collected information on state SNAP options implemented as of June, 2009, with updates from FNS on states that have implemented categorical eligibility as of July 1, 2010. Specifically, the survey asked whether the state has extended categorical eligibility to *more than just the basic TANF/SSI households*, and if so, the nature of the program conferring extended categorical eligibility and the eligibility requirements. The survey also asked about the state's vehicle policy, including whether it follows the rules of TANF, categorical eligibility, child care, or SNAP, whether vehicles are counted toward the asset limit, and, if so, how they are counted.
- **2007 FNS State Options Survey.** Similar to the 2009 survey, this instrument is useful in confirming vehicle policies prior to 2009, before many states had implemented broad-based categorical eligibility.
- **2002 FNS Categorical Eligibility Summary.** FNS obtained state information on TANF/MOE-funded non-cash programs that conferred categorical eligibility as of September 30, 2002. This document provides information on most of the narrow non-cash TANF/MOE-funded programs that confer categorical eligibility.
- **March 2007 GAO Report on Noncash Categorical Eligibility.**<sup>5</sup> Prepared in response to a Congressional request after the Administration proposed to eliminate TANF non-cash categorical eligibility for SNAP, this report provides information on how states implemented TANF non-cash categorical eligibility; what the income levels of non-cash categorically eligible SNAP recipients are; and the potential effect of eliminating TANF non-cash categorical eligibility.

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<sup>5</sup> "Food Stamp Program: FNS Could Improve Guidance and Monitoring to Help Ensure Appropriate Use of Noncash Categorical Eligibility," GAO-07-465, Washington, DC, March 2007.



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- **CBPP 2008 States' Vehicle Asset Policies.**<sup>6</sup> States can exclude the value of vehicles from the SNAP asset test by conferring categorical eligibility through programs without an asset test or by aligning their SNAP vehicle rules with the rules of another program such as TANF cash benefits or child care as long as the alternate rules are at least as generous as the federal SNAP vehicle rules. This report includes a description of each state's policy for valuing vehicles in FY 2008 and the option used to set these policies.
- **CBPP List of State SNAP Websites.**<sup>7</sup> This paper provides links to the addresses for each state's SNAP web pages and SNAP policy manuals.

We used FY 2008 SNAP QC data to tabulate the number of categorically eligible SNAP participants by state and pure PA status and the characteristics of these participants. The SNAP QC data contain a sample of SNAP participants that are representative at the state level and weighted to match adjusted SNAP program operations totals for households, individuals, and benefits. The SNAP QC data include a flag for categorically eligible households. When combined with data on PA cash benefits received, this information allows us to identify households that are categorically eligible because all members receive cash PA (pure PA households), and those categorically eligible through the receipt of non-cash TANF/MOE-funded services (broad-based or narrow categorical eligibility). Although FY 2008 is the latest available SNAP QC data, we will be able to update these tabulations using FY 2009 SNAP QC data when they become available in September 2010.

### **Guide to Appendix A: Master Document of State Categorical Eligibility Policies**

The searchable PDF document of state broad-based and narrow categorical eligibility policies in Appendix A provides the following information for each state on categorical eligibility policies as of July 1, 2010:

- **Data Sources:** The document identifies state-specific data sources for the state categorical eligibility policies (in addition to the general sources used for all states). It lists the name, phone number, and email address of a state SNAP contact who is knowledgeable about the state's policies, a website link to the state SNAP manual, and

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<sup>6</sup> "States' Vehicle Asset Policies in the Food Stamp Program," Center on Budget and Policy Priorities, Washington DC, July 1, 2008.

<sup>7</sup> "Food Stamps On-Line: A Review of State Government Food Stamp Websites," Center on Budget and Policy Priorities, Washington DC, December 18, 2009.

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links to other state-specific relevant web-based information, such as the state brochure used to confer categorical eligibility.

- **Description of Broad-based and/or Narrow Categorical Eligibility:** The document identifies the following information for each state's broad-based and/or narrow programs:<sup>8</sup>
  - **Effective date:** This is the date that the state started conferring categorical eligibility on households authorized to receive the TANF/MOE-funded non-cash benefit. For narrow policies, it was more difficult to identify the exact effective dates because this information is not available on state web sites and most SNAP contacts do not have this information. However, in most cases, they were implemented *prior to 2001*—near the time the November 2000 regulations were issued.
  - **TANF/MOE-funded service or program conferring categorical eligibility:** This is the name and description of the specific TANF/MOE-funded program that confers categorical eligibility. For example, Georgia uses a TANF-funded brochure, which provides referral information on available assistance provided through TANF Community Outreach Services (TCOS), to confer broad-based categorical eligibility. Georgia also has a small TANF/MOE-funded service, called the Transitional Work Supplement Payment (TWSP), which provides a one-time payment for transportation and other incidental expenses to families who are leaving the TANF cash assistance program and confers narrow categorical eligibility.
  - **Eligibility criteria:** This identifies the gross income test (and in states that have them, the net or asset test) used by the state to determine eligibility for the TANF/MOE-funded program conferring categorical eligibility, and the population covered by the TANF/MOE-funded program or service. For example, in Georgia, all households with gross income less than or equal to 130 percent of the poverty level (or less than or equal to 200 percent of the poverty level if all adult members of the household are elderly or disabled) are eligible for the TCOS brochure, and thus categorically eligible for SNAP.
  - **Vehicle policy for SNAP households that are not categorically eligible:** Although households categorically eligible for SNAP benefits are not subject to the SNAP asset test, vehicle rules are still salient for those not categorically eligible. Thus, the document describes the policies for counting vehicle assets

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<sup>8</sup> We do not include traditional (Pure PA) categorical eligibility policies because they are the same in all states.

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for households that are not categorically eligible. For states with broad-based categorical eligibility, these rules may apply to a very small group of households that are not categorically eligible. In states without broad-based categorical eligibility, the rules apply to most households.

### **Guide to Appendix B: Summary Tables on State Categorical Eligibility Policies**

In addition to the state policy document, Appendix B summarizes the state policies based on information in the comprehensive document:

- **Summary of Broad-Based Non-Cash Programs.** This table lists the states that have implemented broad-based CE as of July 1, 2010, and provides a row of information for each state including the name and short description of the broad-based program conferring categorical eligibility, the population covered, the criteria for qualifying for the TANF/MOE service, and the effective date of the policy. Where states have made changes to their policies over time, the table lists each policy and the applicable time period of the policy.
- **Summary of Narrow Non-Cash Programs.** This table provides the same type of information as the broad-based table but on the narrow-based programs in each state.
- **Summary of SNAP State Vehicle Asset Rules** used for non-categorically eligible households.

### **Guide to Appendix C: Number and Characteristics of Categorically Eligible SNAP Households Based on FY 2008 SNAP QC Data**

The tables in Appendix C examine the number and characteristics of SNAP households who were categorically eligible for SNAP benefits and those who would be income ineligible for SNAP without non-cash categorical eligibility based on FY 2008 SNAP QC data. We identify households that are categorically eligible through receipt of non-cash benefits using a flag that indicates categorical eligibility and data on cash PA benefits received. While most categorically eligible households are identified through the flag, some households were re-coded during the file creation process to be categorically eligible after being identified as a pure PA household or as meeting state-specified criteria for broad-based categorical eligibility, which indicates they should have been flagged as categorically eligible.<sup>9</sup>

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<sup>9</sup> In the FY 2008 file, only five percent of SNAP households were recoded to be categorically eligible.

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Each table in Appendix C divides categorically eligible SNAP households into those that are 1) pure cash PA households and 2) non-cash categorically eligible households as defined below.

- **Pure Cash PA Households:** Households that are categorically eligible because all members receive cash TANF, GA, or SSI.<sup>10</sup> Two subgroups are identified:
  - With Cash TANF: Pure cash PA households that receive cash TANF. (Some members may also receive SSI or GA benefits.)
  - With SSI or GA Only: Pure cash PA households that receive SSI and/or GA benefits and no members receive cash TANF.
- **Non-Cash Categorically Eligible Households:** Households that are identified as categorically eligible but that are not pure PA households. We infer that these categorically eligible households were authorized to receive non-cash TANF/MOE-funded services that confer categorical eligibility.<sup>11</sup>

The SNAP QC tables provide the following information on each group of categorically eligible households:

- Tables C1–C3. Number of Categorically Eligible Households by:
  - State
  - States with broad-based versus narrow policies
  - States with broad-based policies by criteria for non-cash categorical eligibility

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<sup>10</sup> In the SNAP QC data, cash TANF benefits to families are reported only on the adult's record (except for child-only households), so we use an algorithm to identify the children in the household who are most likely covered by the TANF cash benefit.

<sup>11</sup> Most (96 percent) of these non-cash categorically eligible households receive no cash PA. About 4 percent of the households receive some cash PA, but because not all members receive the PA, the household is not identified as pure cash PA. For purposes of this analysis, therefore, we assume that these households receive both cash PA and non-cash TANF-funded services. It is possible, however, that some of these households could be pure cash PA but misclassified as not pure cash PA due to limitations in the data.

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- Tables C4.1–C4.3. Number of SNAP Households That Would Be Income Ineligible If Categorical Eligibility Were Eliminated, by: <sup>12</sup>
  - Households
  - Individuals in households
  - Benefits to households
- Table C5. Number of SNAP Households In Broad-Based States That Would Be Income Ineligible If Categorical Eligibility Were Eliminated, By State
- Tables C6.1–C6.3. Characteristics of SNAP Households That Would Be Income Ineligible If Categorical Eligibility Were Eliminated, by:
  - Households
  - Individuals in households
  - Benefits to households
- Table C7. Average SNAP Benefits, Income and Deduction Amounts, Household Size and Certification Period of SNAP Households That Would Be Income Ineligible
- Table C8: Deductions of SNAP Households That Would Be Income Ineligible If Categorical Eligibility Were Eliminated
- Table C9. Number of Categorically Eligible SNAP Households by Fiscal Year

## MAJOR FINDINGS

As more states adopt broad-based categorical eligibility, the number of households that are categorically eligible for SNAP, and thus not subject to the SNAP asset and income tests, will continue to grow substantially. It is important to track this expansion and understand how it is affecting the SNAP population. The findings below address these issues and Appendices A – C provide details on state non-cash categorical eligibility policies and characteristics of households affected.

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<sup>12</sup> The table does not include households that would fail the asset test because SNAP QC data has limited asset data on categorically eligible households.

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### States with Non-Cash Categorical Eligibility Policies as of July 1, 2010

- **As of July 1, 2010, 39 states (including the District of Columbia, Guam, and Virgin Islands) had implemented broad-based categorical eligibility programs**, mostly since FY 2008. Between FY 2008 and July 1, 2010, the number of states with broad-based categorical eligibility more than doubled from 15 to 39 states (Table 1 and Figure 1).<sup>13</sup>
- **States implementing narrow categorical eligibility programs implemented them very early**, but most expanded to broad-based programs. As of FY 2001, 28 states had added narrow programs to their traditional cash benefit programs conferring categorical eligibility, but by July 2010, only 12 states still had only narrow programs (the others had implemented broad-based programs) (Table 1).
- **A small group of states reported that they had no narrow or broad-based categorical eligibility programs for much of the period from FY 2001 until FY 2008**. In FY 2001, 17 states had no narrow or broad-based programs, and by FY 2008, 11 states still had no narrow or broad-based programs. By July 2010, however, all but 2 states had adopted either narrow or broad-based programs<sup>14</sup> (Table 1).
- **There were nine *early implementers of broad-based categorical eligibility***, which remained the only states with broad-based programs until FY 2004. The early implementers were Delaware, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, North Dakota, Oregon, South Carolina, and Texas. Two more states, Washington and Wisconsin, implemented broad-based programs in FY 2004 (Table 1).
- **Most states use only a gross income test for determining eligibility for the broad-based program conferring categorical eligibility**. Of the 39 states with broad-based programs as of July 2010, 23 set the gross income threshold at higher than 130 percent of the poverty level (with no asset test), and 13 states set the threshold at less than or equal to 130 percent of the poverty level (with no asset test).

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<sup>13</sup> For the remainder of this memorandum, we define *state* as the 50 states plus the District of Columbia, Guam, and the Virgin Islands for a total of 53 *states*.

<sup>14</sup> Although some states reported having no non-cash services conferring categorical eligibility, these states may, in fact, have had very small narrow programs that were not widely-known and thus were not reported. The SNAP QC data identifies a very small number of non-cash categorically eligible households even in states that reported having no non-cash services.

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One state, North Dakota, uses only a net income test. Only 2 states (Minnesota and Texas) use an asset test in addition to a gross income test (Table 2).

- **Only three states with broad-based programs use demographic criteria to restrict the population** that may be authorized to receive the non-cash benefit. In California, Maryland and New Hampshire, only households with children may qualify for the non-cash benefit (Table 2).

### **Description of Categorically Eligible SNAP Households Based on FY 2008 SNAP QC Data**

In this section, we examine the number and characteristics of categorically eligible SNAP households based on tabulations of FY 2008 SNAP QC data. We primarily focus on non-cash categorically eligible households, but also make comparisons with pure PA households. In FY 2008, only 15 states, rather than 39, had implemented broad-based categorical eligibility policies, so the results reflect the SNAP population in FY 2008 rather than as of July 2010. The findings are based on the tables in Appendix C.

- **Of the 12.5 million SNAP households in FY 2008, 27 percent were non-cash categorically eligible households**, 30 percent were pure cash PA categorically eligible, and 43 percent were not categorically eligible (Table C1 and Figure 2).
- **Most of the 3.3 million non-cash CE households reside in states with broad-based programs.** Over 91 percent of the non-cash CE households were in states with broad-based programs, and only about 8 percent were in states with only narrow-based programs. About 1 percent were in states that reported having no non-cash services conferring categorical eligibility (Table C2 and Figure 3).
- **Narrow programs serve a very small group of SNAP households.** Only 4 percent of SNAP households in states with narrow programs were non-cash CE households, while 62 percent of those in states with broad-based programs were non-cash CE households. In contrast, the percentage of SNAP households that were categorically eligible through receipt of pure cash PA was the same in states with broad-based and narrow programs (31 percent) (Table C2).
- **The proportion of total SNAP households in states with broad-based programs that are non-cash CE households varies according to differences in state eligibility criteria** used for authorizing the non-cash service. The proportion ranged from a low of 29 percent in Maine to a high of 86 percent in Wisconsin (Table C3):
  - In the eight broad-based states with gross income thresholds over 130 percent of poverty in FY 2008, 77 percent of the SNAP households were non-cash CE households, and 23 percent were pure cash PA households.

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- In the four broad-based states with gross income thresholds less than or equal to 130 percent of poverty, 48 percent were non-cash CE households and 38 percent were pure cash PA households.<sup>15</sup>
- In the three broad-based states that restrict non-cash services to households with children, about 38 percent were non-cash CE households, even though these states use the higher gross income thresholds over 130 percent of poverty. About 42 percent were pure cash PA households.
- In broad-based states that use an asset test in addition to a gross test (Texas and Minnesota), the proportion of households that were non-cash CE households was similar to the proportion among states that use the same gross income tests but no asset test.

### **SNAP Households that Would be Income Ineligible if Categorical Eligibility were Eliminated**

In this section, we discuss the number and characteristics of SNAP households that were income eligible for SNAP *only* because of non-cash CE;<sup>16</sup> these households would be *income ineligible* for SNAP if non-cash CE were eliminated.<sup>17</sup>

Using FY 2008 SNAP QC data, we tabulated the number and characteristics of categorically eligible households that would fail the regular SNAP gross and/or net income tests if applied. These households would be ineligible for SNAP if categorical eligibility were eliminated. We examined the results separately for pure cash PA and non-cash CE households.

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<sup>15</sup> The low percentage of households that are categorically eligible in states with gross income thresholds less than or equal to 130 percent also reflect the fact that two of the states, Georgia and New York, implemented programs conferring non-cash categorical eligibility part way through FY 2008 so they only represent about six months of the policy.

<sup>16</sup> Because assets are not counted for categorically eligible households, asset information is missing or set to zero in the SNAP QC data for most of these households. Therefore, we cannot assess how many households would fail the SNAP asset test without non-cash CE.

<sup>17</sup> To be income eligible for SNAP, non-categorically eligible households without elderly or disabled members must have gross income at or below 130 percent of the poverty guideline, and all households must have net income at or below 100 percent of the poverty guideline.



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### **Number of Non-Cash CE Households that Would be Income Ineligible**

- **In FY 2008, less than five percent of non-cash CE SNAP households would be income ineligible for SNAP if they were subject to federal gross and net income tests.** Thus, of the 3.3 million non-cash CE SNAP households in FY 2008, over 95 percent would still be income eligible under the regular SNAP rules if categorical eligibility were eliminated for non-pure PA households (Table C4.1).
- **The less than five percent of non-cash CE households that fail the SNAP income tests represent only one percent of the total SNAP caseload in FY 2008.** These households receive less than one percent of the SNAP benefits going to non-cash CE households; the households that would fail generally have higher incomes, and thus lower monthly benefits, than other households (Tables C4.1 and C4.3).
- **Because pure cash PA households tend to have lower incomes than non-cash CE households, a smaller proportion would lose eligibility if subject to the SNAP income tests.** Of the 3.8 million pure cash PA households in FY 2008, 98 percent would still be income eligible for SNAP if categorical eligibility were eliminated for pure PA households Table C4.1).
- **Almost all (97 percent) of the 154,000 non-cash CE households that would be income ineligible if subject to the income tests are in states with broad-based policies.** The remaining 3 percent are in states with narrow policies (Table C4.1).
- **In eight states with broad-based CE, which raised the gross income screen for all, about six percent of non-cash CE households would have been income ineligible without broad-based CE,** ranging from less than one percent in South Carolina to 11 percent in Delaware.<sup>18</sup> In four states that did not raise the gross income screen, but eliminated the net income test, less than 2 percent of households would be income ineligible (Table C5).

### **Characteristics of Non-Cash CE Households that Would be Income Ineligible**

In general, non-cash CE households that would be income ineligible if categorical eligibility were eliminated were more likely to have (1) children, (2) earned income, (3) higher gross and

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<sup>18</sup>The percentage of households in South Carolina that would be income ineligible is very low (0.1 percent). Despite state policy to raise the gross income limit to 200 percent, computer issues hindered that state's ability to confer categorical eligibility to households with incomes over 130 percent of poverty.

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net income, and (4) receive the minimum benefit than other SNAP households, as described below:

- **Household Composition and Size:** About 57 percent of non-cash CE households that would be income ineligible had children (compared with 51 percent among all SNAP households), and 18 percent had elderly individuals (similar to the 19 percent among all SNAP households). Average household size was the same for non-cash CE households that would be income ineligible as for all SNAP households (2.2 persons) (Table C6.1 and C7).
- **Income Sources:** Non-cash CE households that would be income ineligible were more likely to have earned income than all SNAP households (70 percent versus 29 percent), and less likely to have unearned income (58 percent versus 66 percent). Less than one percent received any cash TANF and only six percent received any SSI income (Table C6.1)
- **Poverty Status:** Most (82 percent) of the non-cash CE households that would be income ineligible had gross income between 131 and 185 percent of the federal poverty guideline. Non-cash CE households in this income range received 93 percent of the benefits paid out to households that would be income ineligible. In comparison, only 2 percent of all SNAP households had income between 131 and 185 percent of the poverty guideline, and 87 percent had income at or below the poverty guideline (Tables C6.1 and C6.3).
- **Monthly Benefits:** A majority (63 percent) of non-cash CE households that would be income ineligible were households that received the minimum benefit (\$10 in FY 2008), and 23 percent received between zero and 24 percent of the maximum benefit (excluding those households receiving the minimum). The average benefit was \$39 compared with \$222 for all SNAP households. Among households not at the minimum benefit, the average benefit was \$89 compared with \$238 for all SNAP households (Tables C6.1 and C7).
- **Average Income Amounts:** Average gross and net income amounts were more than two times higher for non-cash CE households that would be income ineligible than for all SNAP households with positive income.<sup>19</sup> Average gross income was \$1,824 for non-cash CE households that would fail the income tests compared with \$834

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<sup>19</sup> All non-cash CE households have positive gross and net income, so average values for these households are the same among all households and those with positive income. We compared average income values for these households with values of SNAP households with positive income.

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among all SNAP households, and average net income was \$1,215 compared with \$506 (Table C7).

- **Deductions:** Non-cash CE households that would be income-ineligible had higher average deductions than all SNAP households—\$609 versus \$443. They were also more likely to have an earned income deduction (70 percent versus 29 percent), dependent care deduction (16 percent versus 4 percent), and medical deduction (12 percent versus 4 percent). Although they were slightly less likely to have a shelter deduction (60 percent versus 71 percent), they were more likely to have shelter expenses (94 percent versus 83 percent), and had higher average shelter expenses (\$805 versus \$610) (Table C8).

### **Growth in Number of Categorically Eligible Households over Time**

- With the expansion in the number of states adopting broad-based programs conferring categorical eligibility, the proportion of SNAP households that are non-cash CE increased to 27 percent in FY 2008 from 17 percent in FY 2003. At the same time, the proportion of households that are pure cash PA dropped to 31 percent in FY 2008 from 38 percent in FY 2003 (Table C9).

### **RECOMMENDATIONS FOR FUTURE WORK**

The results of this task are an important step in tracking state non-cash categorical eligibility programs and assessing the number and characteristics of households that are categorically eligible through these programs. In addition, microsimulation models used to examine the effects and costs of changes to the SNAP need to reflect these non-cash categorical eligibility policies in order to provide realistic estimates of the number and characteristics of the baseline SNAP population and the effects of changes. Below, we make recommendations for building on the information presented in this memorandum and for incorporating the findings into the microsimulation models.

1. Update master document of state CE policies each September to add new or revised information for the next fiscal year. One approach would be for FNS to contact each region for information on any new states implementing broad-based CE or making changes to existing CE policies each year. Based on this information, Mathematica could contact states as needed to clarify new policies or changes.
2. Continue modeling broad-based CE policies in the MATH SIPP+ model and SNAP QC database and QC Minimodel so that they are reflected in model and reform impact estimates.
3. Do not attempt to model narrow CE policies in any models or databases because:

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- a. There is not enough information in the CPS or SIPP data to identify households that are categorically eligible through narrow programs conferring CE.
  - b. Narrow CE programs are targeted to a very small group of households often in the form of short-term post-TANF or diversionary services or counseling. Also, 99 percent of categorically eligible households in states with narrow CE would pass the regular federal SNAP income tests anyway.
4. Assess the effects of modeling the broad-based income tests for conferring categorical eligibility on households in the CPS-based *Trends* eligibility file. As the proportion of categorically eligible households based on broad-based non-cash programs grows, it will become more important to understand the participation rate among this group, and among the population of individuals who are eligible only through categorical eligibility.

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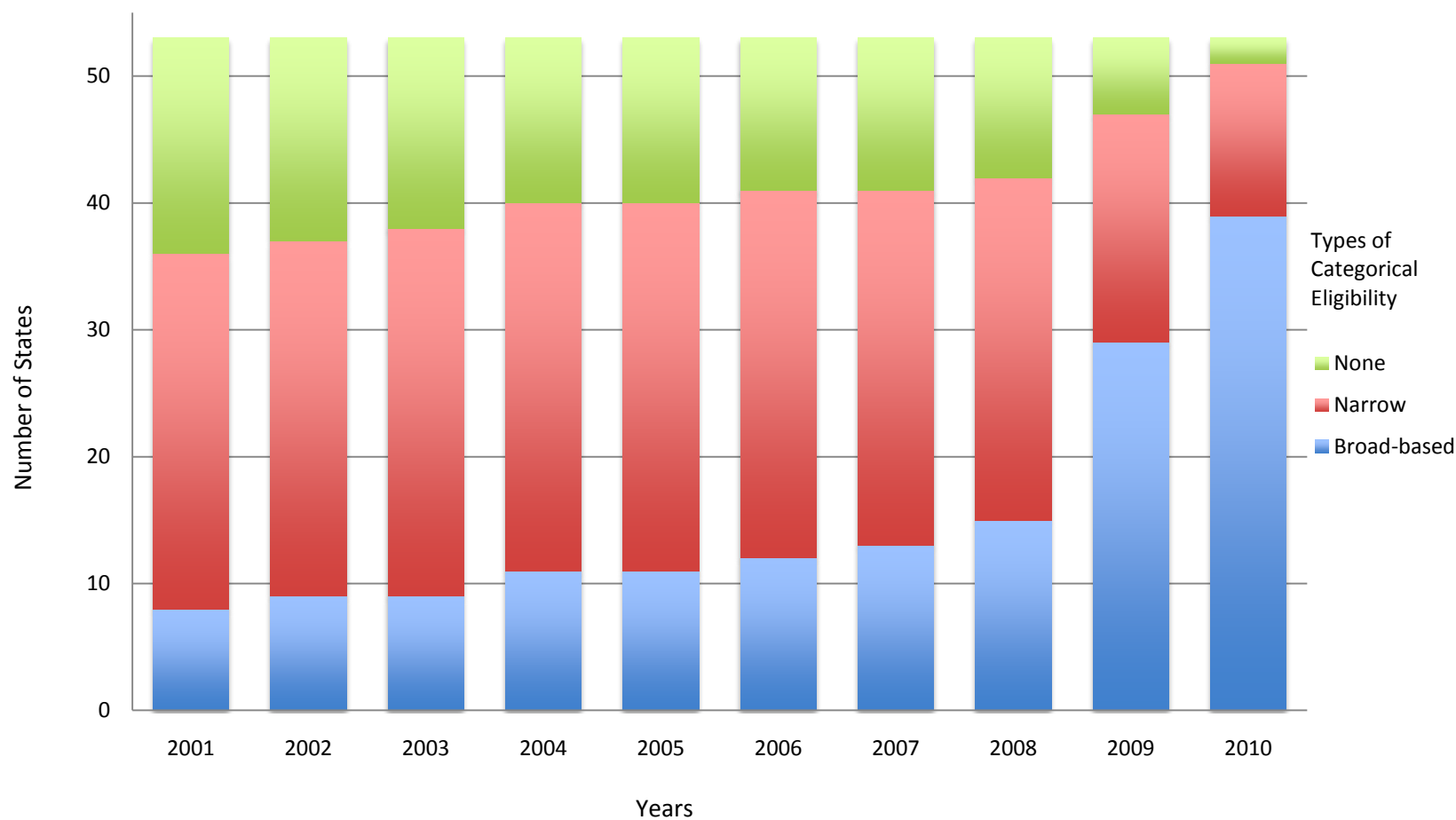
TABLE 1  
STATES BY TYPE OF NON-CASH CATEGORICAL ELIGIBILITY OVER TIME

State	Year and Type of Non-Cash Categorical Eligibility									
	FY 2001	FY 2002	FY 2003	FY 2004	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008	FY 2009	FY 2010
Alabama	None									Broad
Alaska	Narrow									
Arizona	Narrow						Broad			
Arkansas	Narrow									
California	Narrow								Broad	
Colorado	Narrow									
Connecticut	Narrow								Broad	
Delaware	Broad									
District of Columbia	None									Broad
Florida	None		Narrow							Broad
Georgia	Narrow							Broad		
Guam	None								Broad	
Hawaii	Narrow									
Idaho	None								Broad	
Illinois	None									Broad
Indiana	Narrow									
Iowa	None									
Kansas	Narrow									
Kentucky	Narrow									Broad
Louisiana	Narrow									Broad
Maine	Broad									
Maryland	Broad									
Massachusetts	Broad									
Michigan	Broad									
Minnesota	Narrow					Broad				
Mississippi	None									Broad
Missouri	Narrow									

See notes at end of table.



**Figure 1**  
**The Number of States with Broad-Based CE Programs Has Increased Dramatically since FY 2008**



Source: FNS State Options Surveys, State SNAP Policy Manuals, and other State information.

TABLE 2

BROAD-BASED STATES GROUPED BY ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA FOR THE NON-CASH BENEFIT CONFERRING CATEGORICAL ELIGIBILITY  
July 1, 2010

	Eligibility Criteria <sup>a</sup>				
	No Asset Test				Asset Test
	Gross Income Screen Is Over 130% of Poverty	Gross Income Screen Is Over 130% of Poverty, but Program Restricted to Households with Children	Gross Income Screen Less Than Or Equal to 130% of Poverty	Net Income Screen Less Than Or Equal to 100% of Poverty	Gross Income Screen Varies <sup>b</sup>
Number of States (39)	20	3	13	1	2
States	Arizona Connecticut Delaware District of Columbia Florida Guam Maine Massachusetts Michigan Montana* Nevada New Jersey New Mexico North Carolina Oregon Pennsylvania Rhode Island Vermont* Washington Wisconsin	California* Maryland New Hampshire	Alabama Georgia Idaho* Illinois Kentucky Louisiana Mississippi New York Ohio Oklahoma South Carolina Virgin Islands West Virginia	North Dakota	Minnesota Texas

Source: See Appendix Table B1

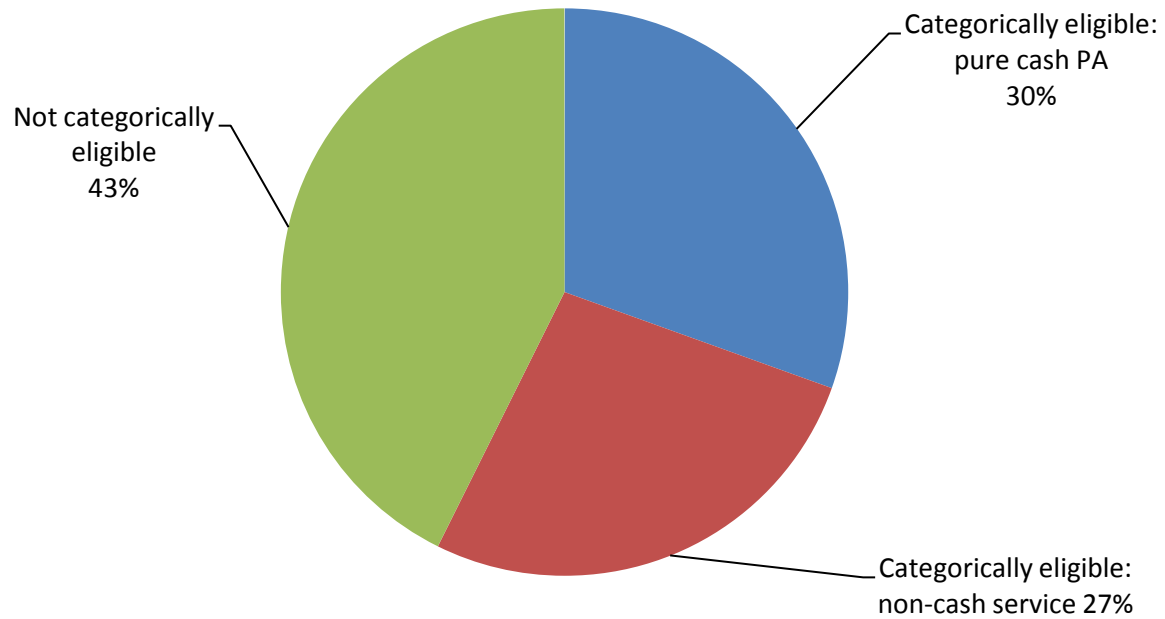
\*Note: California, Idaho, Montana, and Vermont also use a net income screen ( $\leq 100\%$  of poverty) to determine eligibility for the non-cash benefit conferring categorical eligibility.

<sup>a</sup>The gross income screens are for households without elderly or disabled members; many states use a higher income screen for households with elderly or disabled members.

<sup>b</sup>In addition to the asset test, Minnesota's gross income screen is  $\leq 130\%$  of poverty, and Texas' gross income screen is  $> 130\%$  of poverty.

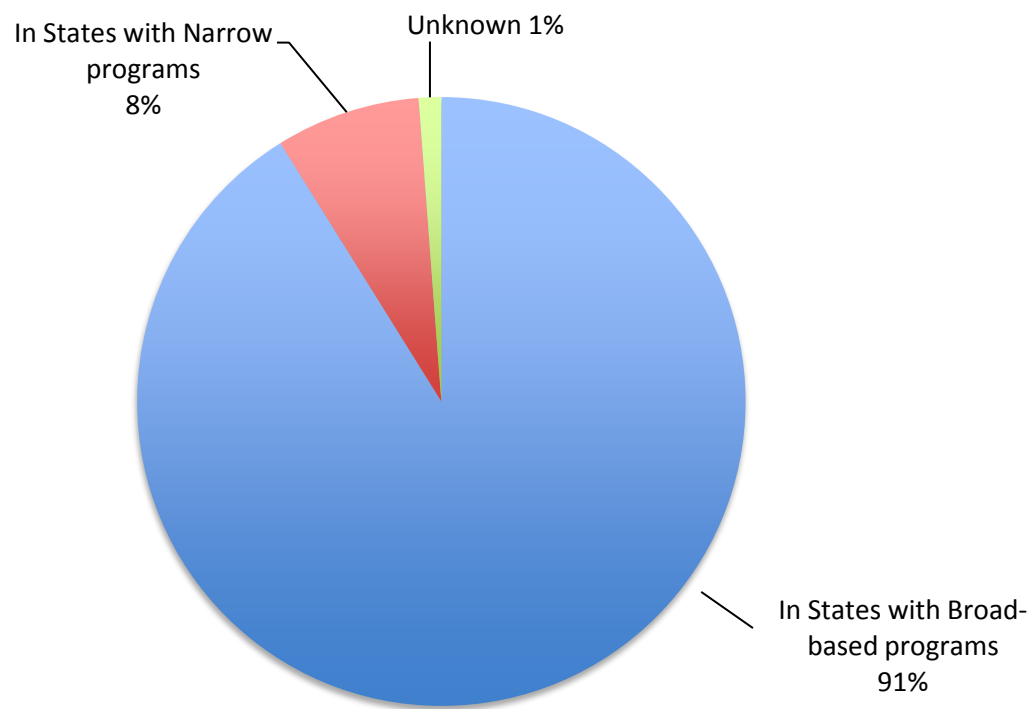


**Figure 2**  
**SNAP Households by Categorical Eligibility Status, FY 2008**



Source: FY 2008 SNAP QC data

**FIGURE 3**  
**Most Non-Cash Categorically Eligible Households Are In States with Broad-Based Programs**



Source: FY 2008 SNAP QC datafile

**APPENDIX A**

**STATE NON-CASH CATEGORICAL ELIGIBILITY POLICIES**

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# State Non-Cash Categorical Eligibility Policies

## July 1, 2010

This is a list of state TANF/MOE-funded non-cash programs that confer categorical eligibility for SNAP as of July 1, 2010. For each state, we identify two types of categorical eligibility and the vehicle policy for non-categorically eligible households:

**Broad-Based Categorical Eligibility:** TANF/MOE-funded non-cash programs that confer categorical eligibility on most households that apply for SNAP. The benefit is usually in the form of a TANF/MOE-funded brochure or handout that provides information on state-provided assistance and services. The information is given to all applicants that meet the eligibility criteria for receiving the brochure or handout.

**Narrow Categorical Eligibility:** TANF/MOE-funded non-cash (or short-term emergency cash) service that confers categorical eligibility on a very small group of households in addition to households in which all members are receiving TANF, GA, or SSI. The service is usually in the form of a post-TANF or diversionary short-term assistance such as work-related support services, kinship care, child care, transportation assistance, or family preservation. The programs serve a very small portion of households including those who formerly received or were diverted from TANF cash benefits, or are eligible for TANF cash benefits but receive a TANF-funded service instead of receiving the TANF cash grant.

**Vehicle Policy for Non-Categorically Eligible Households:** This is the state policy used for counting vehicle assets for households that are not categorically eligible. For states with broad-based CE, these rules apply to a very small group of households that are not included in the population covered by CE, while in states without broad-based CE, the rules apply to most households.

This list does not include the basic monthly TANF cash grant programs in each state that confer categorical eligibility when all members receive TANF, GA, or SSI cash benefits, often referred to as “traditional” categorical eligibility.

**Data Sources:** We used the following sources on categorical eligibility and vehicle asset policies across all states:

[2009 Unpublished FNS State Options Survey Data](#)

[2007 Unpublished FNS State Options Survey Data](#)

[2002 Unpublished FNS Categorical Eligibility Survey](#)

“Food Stamp Program: FNS Could Improve Guidance and Monitoring to Help Ensure Appropriate Use of Noncash Categorical Eligibility,” GAO-07-465, Washington, DC, March 2007.

<http://www.gao.gov/new.items/d07465.pdf>

“States’ Vehicle Asset Policies in the Food Stamp Program,” Center on Budget and Policy Priorities, Washington DC, July 1, 2008.

<http://www.cbpp.org/cms/?fa=view&id=554>

“Food Stamps On-Line: A Review of State Government Food Stamp Websites,” Center on Budget and Policy Priorities, Washington DC, December 18, 2009.

<http://www.cbpp.org/cms/index.cfm?fa=view&id=618>

We also used the state-specific sources (including links to SNAP policy manuals, brochures, other state information, and contacts for SNAP staff) that are listed on the pages that follow for each state.

Categorical eligibility is abbreviated as “CE” throughout the remainder of this document.

# Alabama

## Sources

State SNAP Contact:

Beverly G. Nix

334-242-1757

[beverly.nix@dhr.alabama.gov](mailto:beverly.nix@dhr.alabama.gov)

## Broad-Based CE

### Effective Date

2/1/2010

### TANF-funded service or program conferring CE:

Brochure- "Putting It Together For Those Who Need Us."

### Eligibility Criteria for CE

Population covered: All households

Gross Test: <=130%: Units without elderly/disabled

<=200%: Units with elderly/disabled

Net Test: None

Asset Test: None

## Narrow CE

None

## Vehicle Policy for Non-CE Households

Effective Date: October 2001

Aligning to cash assistance

All vehicles are excluded

# Alaska

## Sources

State SNAP Contact:

Carolyn Spaulding

(907) 465-2340

[carolyn.spaulding@alaska.gov](mailto:carolyn.spaulding@alaska.gov)

Website: <http://dpaweb.hss.state.ak.us/manuals/fs/fsp.htm> (section 605-6)

## Broad-Based CE

None

## Narrow CE

### Effective Date

July 1, 2001

### TANF-funded service or program conferring CE

TANF post-recipient case management services which occur when there is an employed adult family member at time of TANF closure.

### Eligibility Criteria for CE

Population covered: Households that left TANF with employment.

Gross Test: There is no gross income limit, other than that the family had to have been receiving Temporary Assistance. The limit for TANF is  $\leq 185\%$  of the State's Temporary Assistance Need standard (not the FPL).

Net Test: None

Asset Test: None

## Vehicle Policy for Non-CE Households

Effective Date: October 2001

Excludes the value of one vehicle per driver if it is necessary for transport to meet basic needs.

Remaining vehicles subject to federal SNAP rules



## **Arizona**

### **Sources**

State SNAP Contact:

Wallin Gustin

(602) 542-0482

[wgustin@azdes.gov](mailto:wgustin@azdes.gov)

### **Broad-Based CE**

#### **Effective Date**

6/1/2007

#### **TANF-funded service or program conferring CE**

Health-e-Arizona (on-line) and referral to web-site on application confer CE.

Anyone using Health-e-Arizona website to apply receives TANF-funded referral information to available medical coverage, Medicare, SNAP, TANF cash and other resources. The SNAP application also has a referral to the Website with information.

#### **Eligibility Criteria for CE**

Population Covered: All households.

Gross Test: <=185% of FPL for all households

Net Test: None

Asset test: None

### **Narrow CE**

#### **Effective Date:**

Prior to 1/1/2001

#### **TANF-funded service or program conferring CE**

Child Care Services confers CE and meets purposes one and two of TANF.

Jobs Administration Services provides employment assistance and confers CE.

#### **Eligibility Criteria for CE**

Population Covered: All households

Gross Test: <=165% of FPL

Asset test: No limit.

### **Vehicle Policy for Non-CE Households**

Effective Date: 6/2007

Aligns with TANF/MOE rules if not cat-el

If not categorically eligible, exclude all vehicles

# **Arkansas**

## **Sources**

State SNAP Contact:

Larry Crutchfield

(501) 682-8283

[larry.crutchfield@arkansas.gov](mailto:larry.crutchfield@arkansas.gov)

## **Broad-Based CE**

None

## **Narrow CE**

### **Effective Date**

July 1, 1997

### **TANF-funded service or program conferring CE**

Mentoring Services

Transportation Assistance

Case Management Services and extended case management services

### **Eligibility Criteria for CE**

Population Covered: Available to households following closure of TANF cash assistance case.

## **Vehicle Policy for Non-CE**

Effective Date: October 2001

Aligning to cash assistance

In conjunction with the TANF rule, the state exempts one vehicle per household regardless of the value.

All other vehicles subject to the federal SNAP rules.

# California

## Sources

State SNAP Contact:

Mike Papin

(916) 654-1880

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Website: [http://hhsa-pg.sdcounty.ca.gov/FoodStamps/LETTERS/FSPG\\_Letters/FSPG\\_Letter\\_545\\_Modified\\_Categorical\\_Eligibility\\_\(MCE\).htm](http://hhsa-pg.sdcounty.ca.gov/FoodStamps/LETTERS/FSPG_Letters/FSPG_Letter_545_Modified_Categorical_Eligibility_(MCE).htm)

## Broad-Based CE

### Effective Date

7/1/2009-1/1/2010 (Counties implemented between 7/1/2009 and 1/1/2010; all counties had to be implemented by 1/1/2010)

### TANF-funded service or program conferring CE

“[Family Planning – PUB 275](#)” brochure

The brochure contains information on locating family planning services providers and the benefits of family planning services available to assist households in need.

PUB 275 can be given during the face-to-face interview or by mail in the case of a telephone or other out-of-office interview. Focus on preventing teen pregnancy:

Purpose 3 of TANF

### Eligibility Criteria for CE

Population Covered: Only households with children under 18 are eligible.

Gross Test: <=130%: Units without elderly/disabled

<=200%: Units with elderly/disabled

Net Test: <= 100% FPL

Asset test: None

### Notes

CDSS established the Modified Categorical Eligibility (MCE) program.

Modified Categorical Eligibility Definition: A NAFS household which includes a child under 18 years of age exceeding the FS resource limits, but otherwise eligible to FS, will be considered MCE after receiving a TANF/MOE-funded service.

MCE uses SNAP gross and net income rules, but does not count resources.

**Narrow CE**

**Effective Date**

Prior to 1/1/2001

**TANF-funded service or program conferring CE**

Two Parent Family Program- Family preservation program, state funded with MOE funds.

**Eligibility Criteria for CE**

Gross test:  $\leq 180\%$  of FPL

Asset test: None

**Vehicle Policy for Non-CE**

Effective Date: September 2004

Aligning to child care assistance

All vehicles are excluded.

## **Colorado**

### **Sources**

State SNAP Contact:

Sue McGinn

(303) 866-2535

[Sue.McGinn@state.co.us](mailto:Sue.McGinn@state.co.us)

### **Broad-Based CE**

None (Anticipated in 2010)

### **Narrow CE**

#### **Effective Date**

Prior to 1/1/2001

#### **TANF-funded service or program conferring CE**

Family Preservation/Emergency Service confers cat-el.

This is a Child Welfare program to assist families who have children that are at risk of being placed out of the home. The program provides Home base Intervention, Family Counseling and Therapy, Life Skills, Day Treatment, etc.

#### **Eligibility Criteria for CE**

Asset Test: None

### **Vehicle Policy for Non-CE**

Effective Date: September 2004

All vehicles are exempt except recreational vehicles.

# Connecticut

## Sources

State SNAP Contact:

Marc Shok (860) 424-5246

[Marc.shok@ct.gov](mailto:Marc.shok@ct.gov)

Website: [http://www.ct.gov/dss/lib/dss/pdfs/2009press/aug6snap\\_\(2\).pdf](http://www.ct.gov/dss/lib/dss/pdfs/2009press/aug6snap_(2).pdf)

[http://www.ct.gov/dss/LIB/dss/PDFs/HSI\\_Brochure\\_2-1-05.pdf](http://www.ct.gov/dss/LIB/dss/PDFs/HSI_Brochure_2-1-05.pdf)

<http://www.ct.gov/dss/cwp/view.asp?a=2353&q=320232>

## Broad-Based CE

### Effective Date

July 1, 2009

### TANF-funded service or program conferring CE

TANF-funded information and referral program called "Help for People in Need" (HFPIN) brochure. Eligible recipients of HFPIN will be mailed an information and referral brochure at time of grant and at recertification.

### Eligibility Criteria for CE

Population covered: Covers all households

Gross Test: <= 185% of FPL for all households

Net Test: None

Asset test: None

## Narrow CE

### Effective Date

1/1/2001

### TANF-funded service or program conferring CE

Child Care Assistance Program- Subsidizes child day care costs

### Eligibility Criteria for CE:

Gross test: <=300% of FPL

### Effective Date:

10/1/2001

### TANF-funded service or program conferring CE:

T-RAP (Temporary Rental Assistance Program)-Assistance with paying rent.

### Eligibility Criteria for CE

Gross Test: <=50% median income limit for residence area.

**Vehicle Policy for Non-CE**

Effective Date: July 2007

Aligning to child care

Excludes the value of all vehicles

# Delaware

## Sources

State SNAP Contact:

Linda Crusco

[linda.crusco@state.de.us](mailto:linda.crusco@state.de.us)

Website: [http://regulations.delaware.gov/AdminCode/title16/5000/5100/9000/9000%20Food%20Stamp%20Program-44.shtml#P1763\\_181796](http://regulations.delaware.gov/AdminCode/title16/5000/5100/9000/9000%20Food%20Stamp%20Program-44.shtml#P1763_181796)  
<http://www.aphsa.org/Policy/Doc/Successful-Food-Stamp-Innovations.pdf>

## Broad-Based CE

### Effective Date

8/1/2001

### TANF-funded service or program conferring CE

Pregnancy prevention information- application contains information on available pregnancy prevention services (telephone numbers and names of organizations such as Planned Parenthood). Statement says, "You are authorized to receive pregnancy prevention information." The household is categorically eligible because Delaware uses TANF funds to provide pregnancy prevention information. Reduction of out-of-wedlock pregnancies is the 3<sup>rd</sup> purpose of the TANF program.

### Eligibility Criteria for CE

Population covered: All households

Gross Test: <= 200% of FPL for all households

Net Test: None

Asset test: None

DE added the gross income cap on 8/1/2001 to limit categorical eligibility to households whose income was at or below 200% of the FPL based on changes made to the federal regulations.

## Broad-Based CE

### Effective Date

2/3/2000 - 7/31/2001

### TANF-funded service or program conferring CE

Pregnancy prevention information- application contains information on available pregnancy prevention services (telephone numbers and names of organizations such as Planned Parenthood). Statement says, "You are authorized to receive pregnancy prevention information." The household is categorically eligible because Delaware uses TANF funds to provide pregnancy prevention information. Reduction of out-of-wedlock pregnancies is the 3<sup>rd</sup> purpose of the TANF program.

### Eligibility Criteria for CE

Population covered: All households

Gross Test: None



Net Test: None  
Asset test: None

**Notes**

The authorization to receive information and/or services for pregnancy prevention is included on all applications for SNAP as follows:

**AUTHORIZATION FOR RECEIPT OF PREGNANCY PREVENTION INFORMATION:**

You are authorized to receive pregnancy prevention information. If you wish to receive this information you can call Planned Parenthood at 1-800-230-PLAN (7526). If you wish to get teen pregnancy prevention information, you may also call the Alliance for Adolescent Pregnancy Prevention at 1-800-499-WAIT (9248). You can also call the Delaware Helpline at 1-800-464-4357 for the Public Health Family Planning clinic in your area.

**Narrow CE**

None

**Vehicle Policy for Non-CE**

Effective Date: October 2001

Remaining vehicles subject to Federal SNAP rules

## **District of Columbia**

### **Sources**

State SNAP Contact:

Michael Cunningham

202-698-3958

[Michael.cunningham@dc.gov](mailto:Michael.cunningham@dc.gov)

Website: [http://www.dchunger.org/fedfoodprogs/foodstamps/09expansion\\_food\\_stamps.htm](http://www.dchunger.org/fedfoodprogs/foodstamps/09expansion_food_stamps.htm)

### **Broad-Based CE**

#### **Effective Date**

March 15, 2010

#### **TANF-funded service or program conferring CE**

All applicants are given domestic violence brochure at recertification.

#### **Eligibility Criteria for CE:**

Population covered: All households

Gross Test: <= 200% of FPL for all households

Net Test: None

Asset test: None

### **Narrow CE**

None

### **Vehicle Policy for Non-CE**

Effective Date: October 2001

Aligning to cash assistance

Excludes the value of all vehicles

# Florida

## Sources

State SNAP Contact:

Eileen Schilling or Connie Mathers

(850) 414-5643 or (850) 921-5578

Eileen\_Schilling@dcf.state.fl.us or Connie\_Mathers@dcf.state.fl.us

Confirmed via call

Website: [http://www.healthyfamiliesfla.org/who\\_eligible.html](http://www.healthyfamiliesfla.org/who_eligible.html)

<http://www.dcf.state.fl.us/publications/esspolicymanual/4600.pdf>

## Broad-Based CE

### Effective Date

July 1, 2010

### TANF-funded service or program conferring CE

Brochure

### Eligibility Criteria for CE:

Population covered: All households

Gross Test: <= 200% of FPL for all households

Net Test: None

Asset test: None

## Narrow CE

### Effective Date

October 1, 2002

### TANF-funded service or program conferring CE

Healthy Families Florida program- Services are offered to expectant families and families of newborns that live in targeted high-risk geographic areas and who are voluntarily assessed as having risk factors that place them at risk of child maltreatment and other adverse outcomes. Provides free home visiting services to parents expecting a baby and parents of newborns. Most families with Healthy Families receive TANF anyway, so program does not bring in any new families to SNAP.

### Eligibility Criteria for CE

Population covered: Households that are served by Healthy Families Florida

Gross Test: <= 200% of FPL

Net Test: None

Asset test: None

## Vehicle Policy for Non-CE

Effective Date: October 2001

Excludes any vehicle possible by using the SNAP rules to exempt vehicles

For those that cannot be exempted, exclude \$8,500 equity from combined value of as many vehicles as there are people subject to work requirements; if no one subject to work, then exclude \$8,500 equity from one vehicle.

# Georgia

## Sources

State SNAP Contact:

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Website: [http://www.odis.dhr.state.ga.us/3000\\_fam/3420\\_food/MAN3420.doc](http://www.odis.dhr.state.ga.us/3000_fam/3420_food/MAN3420.doc)

## Broad-Based CE

### Effective Date

March 1, 2008

### TANF-funded service or program conferring CE

Georgia offers a brochure in the county offices through the TANF Community Outreach Services (TCOS), which provides information on all DHR services. Eligibility for TANF Community Outreach Services (TCOS) must be determined prior to a SNAP eligibility determination. The 800 numbers are provided on the brochure. At application and review, signatures of applying AUs will be obtained on the application or review form indicating TCOS eligibility has been explained and that the TCOS brochure was provided. The client's statement of gross income is accepted to initially establish eligibility for TANF Community Outreach Services.

### Eligibility Criteria for CE

Population covered: Categorical eligibility is expanded to include all households in which any member receives, or is authorized to receive, TANF Community Outreach Services (TCOS).

Gross Test:  $\leq 130\%$ : Except for units with all elderly/disabled

$\leq 200\%$ : Units with all elderly/disabled

Asset test: None

## Narrow CE

### Effective Date

1/1/2001

### TANF-funded service or program conferring CE

Transitional Work Supplement Payment (TWSP)-Provides a one-time payment to families that are leaving the TANF cash assistance program. TWSP is intended for transportation and other incidental expenses.

### Eligibility Criteria for CE

Gross Test:  $\leq 185\%$  of FPL

Asset Test: None

**Vehicle Policy for Non-CE**

Effective Date: January 2005

Exclude all vehicles

# Guam

## Sources

State SNAP Contact:

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[linda.susuico@dphss.guam.gov](mailto:linda.susuico@dphss.guam.gov)

## Broad-Based CE

### Effective Date

January 1, 2009

### TANF-funded service or program conferring CE

Brochures providing referral information on services available- All applicants are given brochure with information on all state services, including medical assistance, housing, domestic violence, and job assistance.

### Eligibility Criteria for CE

Population covered: All households are eligible

Gross Test:  $\leq 165\%$  of FPL for all households

Net Test: None

Asset test: None

## Narrow CE

None

## Vehicle Policy for Non-CE

Not available

# Hawaii

## Sources

State SNAP Contact:

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Website: [http://hawaii.gov/dhs/self-sufficiency/benefit/index\\_html#FNS](http://hawaii.gov/dhs/self-sufficiency/benefit/index_html#FNS)

## Broad-Based CE

### Effective Date

Not implemented yet, as of July 1, 2010.

### TANF-funded service or program conferring CE

All applicants are given brochure with information on all state services including medical assistance, housing, domestic violence, job assistance.

### Eligibility Criteria for CE

Population covered: all households are eligible

Gross Test:  $\leq 200\%$  of FPL for all households

Asset test: None

## Narrow CE

### Effective Date

Prior to 1/2001

Early 2006- Supporting Employment Empowerment (SEE)

### TANF-funded service or program conferring CE

Employment Subsidy Program- provides a monthly payment of \$200 for up to 60 months to TANF households that became ineligible for TANF due to the 60 month time limit.

### Eligibility Criteria for CE

Population covered: To receive ES the household must be employed a minimum of 19 hours per week for the first 12 months, 20 hours per week for the thirteenth to twenty-fourth month, and 30 hours per week for the twenty-fifth to the sixtieth month.

Gross Test:  $\leq 185\%$  of FPL for all households

Asset test: Less than \$5,000



**TANF-funded service or program conferring CE**

The Self-Sufficiency (SS) Program- provides a lump-sum payment equal to 3, 6 or 8 months of benefits. If the household receives the SS payment, the household is ineligible for 5, 9 or 12 months. CE is conferred for the ineligible period of 5, 9 or 12 months.

**Eligibility Criteria for CE**

At the time of SS determination the household must meet the TANF resource and income limits.

**TANF-funded service or program conferring CE**

The Grant Plus (Grant+) program is a 12 month work subsidy program whereby the household's assistance payment of \$650 is paid to the employer in exchange for employment.

**Eligibility Criteria for CE**

The household must meet TANF categorical requirements and resource limit. Time on Grant+ is not counted toward the TANF 60 month limit.

**TANF-funded service or program conferring CE**

The Supporting Employment Empowerment (SEE) program is also a 12 month employment subsidy program whereby the employer receives a wage subsidy and a payment equal to 14% of the subsidy for fringe benefits. The household's wages are budgeted as earned income and the household may or may not be eligible for a TANF assistance payment.

**Eligibility Criteria for CE**

If the household is not eligible for a TANF assistance payment the SEE household would still be categorically eligible for SNAP for the 12 month period due to the non-assistance payment to the employer.

**Vehicle Policy for Non-CE**

Effective Date: November 2002

Aligning to cash assistance

All vehicles are excluded

# Idaho

## Sources

State SNAP Contact

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Website: [http://www.healthandwelfare.idaho.gov/Portals/\\_Rainbow/Manuals/FS/FS\\_Handbook.htm#about.htm](http://www.healthandwelfare.idaho.gov/Portals/_Rainbow/Manuals/FS/FS_Handbook.htm#about.htm)

<http://www.idahocareline.org/> (Careline info)

<http://www.idahocareline.org/pdf/2010-1Call%20Data%20Summary.pdf>

## Broad-Based CE

### Effective Date

6/1/2009

### TANF-funded service or program conferring CE

The 2-1-1 Idaho CareLine is a free, statewide comprehensive referral service that provides contact information for community resources to health and human services such as child care resources, financial services, rental assistance, energy assistance, medical assistance, and more. It has contact info for over 3,400 different programs and organizations throughout Idaho. All SNAP applicants receive information about 2-1-1 Careline, and that it offers referrals for services that fall within the 4 TANF goals.

### Eligibility Criteria for CE

Population covered: All households

Gross Test:  $\leq 130\%$ : Units without elderly/disabled

$\leq 200\%$ : Units with elderly/disabled.

Net Test:  $\leq 100\%$

Asset test: None

### Note

While Idaho excluded the asset test in June 2009, they did so under temporary rule (due to the economy). They will be extending that exclusion through May 2011 but will be

## Narrow CE

None

## Vehicle Policy for Non-CE

Effective Date: July 2007

Aligning to cash assistance

Excludes one vehicle per adult except RVs.

All other vehicles subject to the federal SNAP rules.

# Illinois

## Sources

State SNAP Contact

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Website: <http://www.dhs.state.il.us/page.aspx?item=42124>

<http://www.dhs.state.il.us/page.aspx?item=48738>

## Broad-Based CE

### Effective Date

3/1/2010

### TANF-funded service or program conferring CE

Guide to DHS Services Brochure (DHS 4474)- TANF funded information and referral brochure that provides a list of services offered through DHS and other agencies and community partners.

### Eligibility Criteria for CE

Population covered: All households

Gross Test: <=130%: Units without elderly/disabled

<=200%: Units with elderly/disabled

Net Test: None

Asset test: None

## Narrow CE

None

## Vehicle Policy for Non-CE

Effective Date: October 2001

Excludes one vehicle per adult (and any vehicles used by minors under 18 to drive to employment, training, or school) plus one vehicle per household.

All other vehicles subject to the federal SNAP rules.

# Indiana

## Sources

State SNAP Contact:

David Smalley

[David.Smalley@fssa.in.gov](mailto:David.Smalley@fssa.in.gov)

## Broad-Based CE

None

## Narrow CE

### Effective Date

10/1/2000

### TANF-funded service or program conferring CE

Short Term Empowerment Program- Provides service to families with an employment crisis. Examples include a client who is in danger of losing current employment or a client who is unable to accept an offer of employment.

### Eligibility Criteria for CE

Population Served: Families with employment crisis

Gross Test: <=200% of FPL

Asset Test: None

## Vehicle Policy for Non-CE

Effective Date: November 2002

Aligning to child care assistance

Excludes the value of all vehicles used for transportation.

All other vehicles subject to the federal SNAP rules.

# **Iowa**

## **Sources**

State SNAP Contact:

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## **No Non-Cash CE**

### **Vehicle Policy for Non-CE**

Effective Date: September 2004

Aligning to cash assistance

Excludes the value of one vehicle per household. All other vehicles subject to the federal SNAP rules.

# **Kansas**

## **Sources**

State SNAP Contact

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Website: <http://www.khpa.ks.gov/KFMAM/main.asp?tier1=02000&tier2=02230&#b02230>  
[http://www.srskansas.org/KEESM/KEESM07\\_01\\_08/keesm2510.htm](http://www.srskansas.org/KEESM/KEESM07_01_08/keesm2510.htm)

## **Broad-Based CE**

None

## **Narrow CE**

### **Effective Date**

Prior to 1/1/2001

### **TANF-funded service or program conferring CE**

- Four Month Extended Medical Coverage
- TransMed- Transitional Medical Coverage not to exceed 12 months.
- TANF work program support services- Total payments for support services and Education/Job Skills Training/Vocational Education component costs may not exceed \$5,000 per TAF client per twelve month period without approval of the EES Program Administrator on a case-by-case basis. The twelve month period starts the month in which the first payment is authorized and is not affected by breaks in eligibility. Payments for Contracted Employment Services are not included within the \$5,000 limit.

### **Eligibility Criteria for CE**

Population covered: Households in which all members receive or are authorized to receive Temporary Assistance for Families (TAF) or TransMed or Four Month Extended Medical

Gross Test: <= 130% for TAF and Four Month Extended Medical  
<=185% for TransMed

Asset Test: None

## **Vehicle Policy for Non-CE**

Effective Date: October 2001

Aligning to cash assistance

Excludes all vehicles.

# Kentucky

## Sources

State SNAP Contact:

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Website: [MS 3160](#), [MS 3170](#) and [MS 5045](#)

## Broad-Based CE

### Effective Date

June 1, 2010

### TANF-funded service or program conferring CE

They will give a hand-out with information on available services to all applicants (at application) who meet the income criteria for receiving the hand-out.

### Eligibility Criteria for CE

Population covered: All households

Gross Test: <=130%: Units without elderly/disabled

<=200%: Units with elderly/disabled

Net Test: None

Asset Test: No limit

## Narrow CE

### Effective Date

June 1, 2000 (no date for FAD)

### TANF-funded service or program conferring CE

- Categorical eligibility is expanded to include households where at least one member receives or is authorized to receive TANF cash benefits, such as K-TAP, Kinship Care and/or Work Incentive Reimbursement (WIN)
- Kinship Care- Provides assistance to relatives caring for children who have been removed from their immediate families
- WIN- Employed members of a K-TAP case discontinued with earnings may be eligible for Work Incentive (WIN) Reimbursement payments of \$130 per month for up to nine consecutive months.
- FAD- A TANF diversion program that pays a family's bills for 3 months so it won't go onto cash TANF program (and is ineligible for cash TANF for a year). The family must be TANF eligible to receive the FAD payments.

\*Note: K-TAP is Kentucky's TANF program.

**Eligibility Criteria for CE**

Population covered: Households receiving TANF cash benefits

Gross Test:  $\leq 100\%$  for Kinship Care

$\leq 200\%$  for WIN

Asset Test: None

**Vehicle Policy for Non-CE**

Effective Date: October 2001

Aligning to cash assistance

Excludes the value of all vehicles



# Louisiana

## Sources

State SNAP Contact:  
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Website: <http://doa.louisiana.gov/osr/lac/67v01/67v01.pdf>  
<http://www.dss.state.la.us/index.cfm?md=pagebuilder&tmp=home&pid=138> (Kinship Care)  
<http://www.dss.state.la.us/index.cfm?md=pagebuilder&tmp=home&pid=139> (FITAP)  
<http://www.dss.state.la.us/index.cfm?md=pagebuilder&tmp=home&pid=92> (STEP)

## Broad-Based CE

**Effective Date**  
May 12, 2010

### TANF-funded service or program conferring CE

A hand-out with information on available services to all applicants (at application) who meet the income criteria for receiving the hand-out.

### Eligibility Criteria for CE

Population covered: All households  
Gross Test: <=130%: Units without elderly/disabled  
<=200%: Units with elderly/disabled  
Net Test: None  
Asset Test: No limit

## Narrow CE

**Effective Date**  
7/1/2001

### TANF-funded service or program conferring CE

Benefits from the STEP, and/or Kinship Care Subsidy Programs (KCSP)  
KCSP provides cash assistance of \$280 per month for each eligible child who resides with a qualified relative other than a parent.

**Effective Date**  
1/1/2003

### TANF-funded service or program conferring CE

The goal of the Strategies to Empower People (STEP) Program is to provide opportunities for work-eligible families of FITAP to receive job training, employment and supportive services to enable them to become self-sufficient.

### Eligibility Criteria for CE

Population covered: Households in which a member is a recipient of benefits from the STEP and/or Kinship Care Subsidy Programs shall be considered categorically eligible for SNAP.

Gross Test: Categorically eligible households are not subject to a gross income limit test.

Net Test: Categorically eligible households are not subject to a net income limit test.

Asset Test: No limit.

**Vehicle Policy for Non-CE**

Effective Date: October 2001

Aligning to cash assistance

Excludes the value of one vehicle per household. All other vehicles subject to the federal SNAP rules.

# Maine

## Sources

State SNAP Contact:

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Confirmed via call

Website: <http://www.maine.gov/sos/cec/rules/10/ch301.htm>

## Broad-Based CE

### Effective Date

7/01/2010

### TANF-funded service or program conferring CE

Maine Resource Guide for Families brochure Resource Guide provides information related to employment and job retention, including phone numbers. Guide is given to all households with children at application and recertification.

### Eligibility Criteria for CE

Population covered: All households will be considered categorically eligible for FS.

Gross Test:  $\leq 185\%$  of FPL

Net Test: None

Asset test: No limit

### Effective Date

12/01/2006 – 6/30/2010

### TANF-funded service or program conferring CE

Maine Resource Guide for Families brochure Resource Guide provides information related to employment and job retention, including phone numbers. Guide is given to all households with children at application and recertification.

### Eligibility Criteria for CE

Population covered: All households will be considered categorically eligible for FS if at least one member of the household receives a TANF funded service or benefit and has a child under the age of eighteen (18), or (18) and a full time high school student, who lives with a parent or caretaker relative.

Gross Test:  $\leq 185\%$  of FPL for families with children

Net Test: None

Asset test: No limit

### Effective Date

11/1/2001 – 11/30/2006

### Eligibility Criteria for CE

Population covered: All households will be considered categorically eligible for FS if at least one member of the household receives a TANF funded service or benefit and has a child under the age of eighteen (18), or (18) and a full time high school student, who lives with a parent or caretaker relative.

Gross Test:  $\leq 200\%$  of FPL for families with children

Net Test: None

Asset test: No limit

**Effective Date**

9/1/2000 – 10/31/2001

**Eligibility Criteria for CE**

Population covered: All households will be considered categorically eligible for FS if at least one member of the household receives a TANF funded service or benefit and has a child under the age of eighteen (18), or (18) and a full time high school student, who lives with a parent or caretaker relative.

Gross Test: None

Net Test: None

Asset test: No limit

**Narrow CE**

None

**Vehicle Policy for Non-CE**

Effective Date: December 2006

If not categorically eligible, exclude one vehicle per unit. All other vehicles subject to federal SNAP rules.

# Maryland

## Sources

State SNAP Contact

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## Broad-Based CE

### Effective Date

March 1, 2001

### TANF-funded service or program conferring CE

Maryland has added language to the Eligibility Determination Document that notifies households of their eligibility for Family Preservation Services, which is a TANF funded program. These programs are specifically identified for families in crisis whose children are at risk of out-of-home placement. Family preservation seeks to obtain or provide the critical services needed to enable the family to remain together in a safe and stable environment. The entire household is categorically eligible if any one member receives or is authorized to receive TANF funded non-cash benefit or service.

### Eligibility Criteria for CE

Population covered: Only households that include related children age 17 or younger or a related child age 18 or 19 who will graduate from high school by 19.

Gross Test:  $\leq 200\%$  of FPL for all households

Net Test: None

Asset test: No limit.

### Notes

Language on eligibility notification:

You are eligible to receive Family Preservation Services if:

You live in a family with related children, and your family's total gross income is less than 200% of the federal poverty level. If you want these services talk to your case manager.

## Narrow CE

None

## Vehicle Policy for Non-CE

Effective Date: October 2001

If not categorically eligible, exclude all vehicles, and align to cash assistance

## Massachusetts

### Sources

State SNAP Contact

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Websites: [http://www.mass.gov/Eeohhs2/docs/dta/g\\_reg\\_365.pdf](http://www.mass.gov/Eeohhs2/docs/dta/g_reg_365.pdf) (365.180)

<http://www.docstoc.com/docs/9078564/Help-for-Those-in-Need-A-Resource-Brochure/>  
(Brochure)

<http://www.masslegalservices.org/system/files/RSB-1.pdf>

### Broad-Based CE

#### Effective Date

June 9, 2008

#### TANF-funded service or program conferring CE

Receipt of the TANF-funded brochure "Help for Those in Need, a Resource Brochure" confers Categorically Eligible Households. Brochure provides information on resources to help with issues such as housing, medical asst., elderly services, SNAP, WIC, EITC, child care, domestic violence. Brochure addresses all 4 TANF purposes. Applicable to households with and without children and elder households. The AU Manager must hand the brochure to all walk-in applicants. Mail-in, fax, Internet, and applicants who drop-off their application forms will be mailed the brochure as part of the Application Information Notice.

Their system is not set up to give the minimum benefit to 1- 2 person household for those with zero benefit, but are upgrading system to do that.

#### Eligibility Criteria for CE

Population covered: All households.

Gross Test:  $\leq 200\%$  for all units with children under age 19

$\leq 130\%$  for units without children under age 19

and no elderly/disabled in unit

$\leq 200\%$  for units without children under age 19

and elderly/disabled in unit

Net Test:  $\leq 100\%$  for all units without children under age 19

Asset test: No limit

#### Effective Date

October 29, 2001 – June 8, 2006

**Eligibility Criteria for CE**

Population covered: Households with children under age 19

Gross Test: <=200% for households with children under age 19

Net Test: None

Asset test: No limit

**Narrow CE**

None

**Vehicle Policy for Non-CE**

Effective Date: October 2001

Exclude all vehicles, align to cash assistance

**Note: Massachusetts definition of children for broad-based CE:**

SNAP-Only TANF Service Family Households include SNAP households:

- (a) consisting solely of a pregnant woman;
- (b) with a child(ren) under age 19 living with a parent;
- (c) with a child(ren) under age 19 living with a caretaker relative;
- (d) with a child(ren) under age 19 living with an adult caretaker exercising SNAP parental control pursuant to 106 CMR 361.200(A)(2).

# Michigan

## Sources

State SNAP Contact:

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Confirmed with call

Website: <http://www.mfia.state.mi.us/olmweb/ex/bem/213.pdf>

## Broad-Based CE

### Effective Date

October 1, 2001

### TANF-funded service or program conferring CE

Domestic Violence Prevention Services Brochure (The brochure can be found here:

[http://www.michigan.gov/documents/DHS-PUB-0859\\_150104\\_7.pdf](http://www.michigan.gov/documents/DHS-PUB-0859_150104_7.pdf))

### Eligibility Criteria for CE

Population covered: All households

Gross Test: <= 200% of FPL

Net Test: None

Asset test: No limit

### Effective Date

October 1, 2000 – 9/30/2001

### TANF-funded service or program conferring CE

Domestic Violence Prevention Services Brochure (The brochure can be found here:

[http://www.michigan.gov/documents/DHS-PUB-0859\\_150104\\_7.pdf](http://www.michigan.gov/documents/DHS-PUB-0859_150104_7.pdf))

### Eligibility Criteria for CE

Population covered: All households

Gross Test: None

Net Test: None (and no minimum benefit)

Asset test: No limit

## Narrow CE

None

## Vehicle Policy for Non-CE

Effective Date: October 2001

Remaining vehicles subject to Federal SNAP rules



# Minnesota

## Sources

State SNAP Contact:

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Website:

[http://www.dhs.state.mn.us/main/groups/county\\_access/documents/pub/dhs16\\_146386.pdf](http://www.dhs.state.mn.us/main/groups/county_access/documents/pub/dhs16_146386.pdf)

[http://www.mcbw.org/files/u1/mfipfvwaiver\\_0.pdf](http://www.mcbw.org/files/u1/mfipfvwaiver_0.pdf) (Brochure)

## Broad-Based CE

### Effective Date

December 1, 2006

### TANF-funded service or program conferring CE

A household member has received the Domestic Violence Information Brochure

The brochure must be given to all households that apply for SNAPs

See §0029.36(Domestic Violence Brochure Program).

This TANF-funded program provides information about the identification of domestic violence and resources available to victims of domestic violence through other DHS programs.

### Eligibility Criteria for CE

Population covered: All households are eligible

Gross Test: ≤130%: Units without elderly/disabled

≤165%: Units with elderly/disabled

Net Test: None

Asset Test: The unit's assets, not including vehicles, total less than \$7,000.

## Narrow CE

### Effective Date

6/1/2001

### TANF-funded service or program conferring CE

Transition Year Child Care, see §0029.30 (Child Care Assistance), child care assistance used to support employment or job search for families who have received MFIP

assistance or who were eligible to receive MFIP assistance after choosing to

discontinue receipt of the cash portion of MFIP assistance or who have received DWP assistance for at least 3 of the last 6 months before losing eligibility for MFIP or DWP.

To be considered eligible or authorized to receive TYCC, someone in the unit must apply and be determined eligible OR Basic Sliding Fee Child Care. See §0029.30

(Child Care Assistance). To be considered categorically eligible, the client must apply and be determined eligible for Basic Sliding Fee, even if not receiving child care

assistance. Being on the Basic Sliding Fee waiting list does not meet the Categorical Units in which 1 member participates in the Diversionary Work Program (DWP).

**Eligibility Criteria for CE**

Net Test: None

Asset Test: None

**Effective Date**

6/1/2001

**TANF-funded service or program conferring CE**

Post MFIP Employment Services- MFIP is the state welfare program. This program provides employment services once individual is closed off welfare.

**Eligibility Criteria for CE**

Gross Test:  $\leq 120\%$  of FPL

Net Test: None

Asset Test: None

**Effective Date**

6/1/2001

**TANF-funded service or program conferring CE**

Basic Sliding Fee Child Care Program- Child care at subsidized rates.

**Eligibility Criteria for CE**

Gross Test:  $\leq 47\%$  of state median income

Net Test: None

Asset Test: None

**Vehicle Policy for Non-CE**

Effective Date: August 2003

Use SNAP rules and count Fair Market Value over \$7,500 of all non-excluded vehicles

# Mississippi

## Sources

State SNAP Contact

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## Broad-Based CE

### Effective Date

June 1, 2010

### TANF-funded service or program conferring CE

A 1-800 number that gives information on TANF funded services.

### Eligibility Criteria for CE

Population covered: All households are eligible

Gross Test:  $\leq 130\%$  for all households

Net Test: None

Asset Test: None

## Narrow CE

None

## Vehicle Policy for Non-CE

Effective Date: September 2004

Aligning to cash assistance

Mississippi excludes all vehicles except recreational vehicles such as boats, all-terrain vehicles (ATV), etc.

# Missouri

## Sources

State SNAP Contact

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<http://www.dss.mo.gov/fsd/iman/chldcare/1210-000-00.html>

## Broad-Based CE

None

## Narrow CE

### Effective Date

5/1/2000

### TANF-funded service or program conferring CE

Transportation Related Expense (TRE) or Work Related Expenses (WRE)- This program provides transportation or work related expenses for Temporary Assistance participants for 90 days after the closing of the cash case. Participants receiving this service can be identified through the JCAT screen.

### Eligibility Criteria for CE

Population covered: Households eligible to receive Transportation Related Expense or Work Related Expense

Gross Test: None

Asset Test: None

### Effective Date

5/1/2000

### TANF-funded service or program conferring CE

Child Care-This program provides child care support for participant EUs. Based on the EU's income, the participant may be responsible for a portion of the child care expense based on a sliding scale. In addition, the participant may be responsible for a co-payment to the provider. Participants receiving child care assistance can be identified through the FAMIS Program Participation screen (FM0D).

### Eligibility Criteria for CE

Population covered: Households eligible to receive child care support

Gross Test: <= 127% to be eligible for regular child care

>=127% but <=139% then eligible for transitional childddcare

Asset Test: None

**Effective Date**

5/1/2000

**TANF-funded service or program conferring CE**

Community Partnerships- Services are provided to help prepare them for the job market. The services offered include, but are not limited to the following: )Missouri Mentoring -- Private companies participate in this program by providing structured job site mentoring with a volunteer on-site mentor. The individual is hired and paid by the company. This program is available to individuals up to age 21 and offered in St. Louis City and County, Phelps, Cape Girardeau, Scott, Boone, Greene, Buchanan, Pemiscot, New Madrid, Ripley, Butler, and Jackson counties. Funded by MOE.)

**Eligibility Criteria for CE**

Population covered: Households eligible to receive community partnerships.

Gross Test: None

Asset Test: None

**Vehicle Policy for Non-CE**

Effective Date: October 2001

Aligning to child care assistance

Excludes the value all vehicles.

# Montana

## Sources

State SNAP Contact:

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Websites: <http://www.dphhs.mt.gov/hcsd/fsmanual/index.shtml>

<http://www.dphhs.mt.gov/hcsd/fsmanual/search.php>

## Broad-Based CE

### Effective Date

March 1, 2009

### TANF-funded service or program conferring CE

TANF Information and Referral (I & R) Services is a TANF funded brochure with information and referrals to other various agencies, programs, organizations, and community resources that can benefit the entire household. The Office of Public Assistance (OPA) provides all households with the brochure. By receiving the brochure the household is considered to be receiving a TANF service and may be eligible for categorical eligibility.

This includes elderly, disabled, and childless individuals because the brochure is designed to educate and serve all individuals in the community who want to use the services.

### Eligibility Criteria for CE

Population covered: All households

Gross Test:  $\leq 185\%$ : Units without elderly/disabled

No test for units with elderly/disabled

Net Test:  $\leq 100\%$

Asset Test: None

### Notes

Due to recent FNS clarifications, households with an elderly and/or disabled member do have to meet a gross income test. Montana is anticipating raising the gross income test from  $\leq 185\%$  to  $\leq 200\%$  as soon as they hear back from FNS on some policy questions relating to this and their computer system can be programmed with all of the needed changes. They anticipate this happening within the next 2-3 months.

## Narrow CE

None

**Notes**

MT did not have any non-cash program that conferred categorical eligibility for SNAP before broad based was implemented. TANF post employment is not really a service. Beginning July 1, 2008, households who are losing eligibility for TANF Cash Assistance due to the receipt of new or increased earned income of an individual receiving TANF, may be eligible for no more than three months of assistance under the TANF Cash Assistance Post-Employment Program. MT considered the household still receiving TANF cash assistance and therefore categorically eligible.

**Vehicle Policy for Non-CE**

Effective Date: September 2005

Aligning to child care assistance

Excludes the value of all vehicles.

# Nebraska

## Sources

State SNAP Contact

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Website:

[http://www.dhhs.ne.gov/webhelp/NFOCUS/Manuals/NAC475/default.htm#nac475/2\\_007\\_07\\_categorical\\_eligibility.htm](http://www.dhhs.ne.gov/webhelp/NFOCUS/Manuals/NAC475/default.htm#nac475/2_007_07_categorical_eligibility.htm)

<http://www.hhs.state.ne.us/wer/werindex.htm> (Employment First Transitional Supportive Services)

## Broad-Based CE

None

## Narrow CE

### Effective Date

June 9, 2003

### TANF-funded service or program conferring CE

Households in which one or more members are authorized to or received Employment First Transitional Supportive Services are also categorically eligible but must be notified of eligibility for supportive services.

Examples of notification of eligibility for transitional supportive services are:

A signed Employment First contract;

An authorization for Employment First services, other than child care; or

Proof the Employment First letter was sent to the client.

### Eligibility Criteria for CE

Population covered: Households receiving Employment First Transitional Supportive Services

Gross Test: None

Net Test: None

Asset Test: None

## Vehicle Policy for Non-CE

Effective Date: November 2002

Exclude one vehicle up to \$12,000 Fair Market Value.

All other vehicles subject to the federal SNAP rules.



# Nevada

## Sources

State SNAP Contact:

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[shaar@dwss.nv.gov](mailto:shaar@dwss.nv.gov)

Confirmed via call

## Broad-Based CE

### Effective Date

March 16, 2009

### TANF-funded service or program conferring CE

Receiving the “This is Your Copy” page from the back of the application makes you categorically eligible for benefits. This page was revised to contain the following information about services available from the Nevada Public Health Foundation (NPHF): Utilizing TANF funds, DWSS through the Nevada Public Health Foundation (NPHF), has developed a class to target pregnant and parenting teens receiving TANF cash assistance. Teen parents receiving TANF benefits and services are known as STARS (Supporting Teens Achieving Real-life Success) participants (purpose 3 of TANF)

Information regarding NPHF and available services can be located at

<http://www.nphf.org/> or contact NPHF at (775) 884-0392 or by fax at (775) 884-0274.

### Eligibility Criteria for CE

Population Covered: All households

Gross Test: <= 200% of FPL for all.

Net Test: None

Asset test: None

## Narrow CE

### Effective Date

Prior to 2001

### TANF-funded service or program conferring CE

Child Care funded by TANF/MOE conferred Cat-El. Available to families on transitional TANF.

### Eligibility Criteria for CE

Gross Test: <=185% of FPL

Asset test: None

**Vehicle Policy for Non-CE**

Effective Date: October 2001

Aligning to cash assistance

Excludes the value of one vehicle per household. All other vehicles subject to the federal SNAP rules.

# **New Hampshire**

## **Sources**

State SNAP Contact

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Websites: [http://www.dhhs.state.nh.us/FSM\\_hm/NEWFSM.HTM](http://www.dhhs.state.nh.us/FSM_hm/NEWFSM.HTM)

## **Broad-Based CE**

### **Effective Date**

May 1, 2009

### **TANF-funded service or program conferring CE**

Brochure with information and numbers about programs available

### **Eligibility Criteria for CE**

Population covered: Households where at least one SNAP household member is a dependent child under age 18 and a relative to that dependent child.

Gross Test:  $\leq$  185% of FPL for all

Net Test: None

Asset Test: None

## **Narrow CE**

### **Effective Date**

Prior to 2001

### **TANF-funded service or program conferring CE**

Extended Case Management-All individuals who were members of a TANF financial assistance group may receive up to 12 months of extended case management services without completing a new application.

## **Vehicle Policy for Non-CE**

Effective Date: October 2001

Aligning to cash assistance

Excludes the value of one vehicle per household. All other vehicles subject to the federal SNAP rules.

## **New Jersey**

### **Sources**

State SNAP Contact

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Website:

[http://www.state.nj.us/humanservices/providers/ruleprop/RuleProposals/RuleProp\\_NJAC10\\_87\\_FSscategoricalEligibl09\\_08\\_09.doc](http://www.state.nj.us/humanservices/providers/ruleprop/RuleProposals/RuleProp_NJAC10_87_FSscategoricalEligibl09_08_09.doc)

### **Broad-Based CE**

#### **Effective Date**

April 1, 2010

#### **TANF-funded service or program conferring CE**

NJ will be implementing a brochure that provides resources for low-income families. Each participant/household shall be given a brochure at the time of application, which will describe the services available for needy families.

#### **Eligibility Criteria for CE**

Population covered: All households

Gross test:  $\leq 185\%$  of FPL for all

Net test: None

Asset test: None

### **Narrow CE**

#### **Effective Date**

Prior to 1/1/2001

#### **TANF-funded service or program conferring CE**

- Early Employment Initiative- Immediate up front short term financial assistance to pay for necessary supportive services.
- Childcare- Post-TANF childcare benefits to employed households for up to 24 consecutive months. Adheres to purpose 2 of TANF.
- Medical Support- Extends Medicaid benefits to families who lose eligibility for AFDC- related Medicaid due to employment-related criteria. Meets purpose 2 of TANF.
- Case Management Counseling Services- Directs eligible post-TANF households to those supportive services which are beneficial to the household's maintenance of active employment. Adheres to purpose 2 of TANF.
- Transportation Assistance- Post TANF employed households are eligible for subsidized bus passes and other transportation services. Other income eligible employed households who meet income criteria can also participate. Meets purpose 2 of TANF.

**Eligibility Criteria for CE**

Gross test:  $\leq 250\%$  of FPL

Asset test: None

**Vehicle Policy for Non-CE**

Effective Date: January 2008

Aligning to cash assistance

Excludes the value of all vehicles

## **New Mexico**

### **Sources**

State SNAP Contact:

Sandra Bivens

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Website:

[http://www.hsd.state.nm.us/pdf/isd/Vol32No60ConversionFactor\\_CE\\_ProcessingTimePROPOS ED.pdf](http://www.hsd.state.nm.us/pdf/isd/Vol32No60ConversionFactor_CE_ProcessingTimePROPOS ED.pdf)

<http://www.hsd.state.nm.us/pdf/newsroom/nr/Broad-Based%20Categorical%20Eligibility%20NR.pdf>

### **Broad-Based CE**

#### **Effective Date**

April 1, 2010

#### **TANF-funded service or program conferring CE**

Brochure with information on services available. All households receive a referral to a non-cash TANF/MOE-funded benefit (i.e. domestic violence, child care assistance, transportation, etc.) at application and recertification.

#### **Eligibility Criteria for CE**

Population Covered: All households

Gross Test: <= 165% of FPL for all

Asset Test: None

### **Narrow CE**

#### **Effective Date**

2/1/2000

#### **TANF-funded service or program conferring CE**

Diversion Cash Assistance Program- Provides a lump sum payment in lieu of monthly cash assistance. After receipt of a diversion payment the household is "locked out" of entitlement to cash assistance for a 12-month period. The household is considered CE for the 12-month period.

#### **Effective Date**

10/1/2000

**TANF-funded service or program conferring CE**

Education Works Cash Assistance- State-funded cash assistance where at least one member of the benefit group is a full-time student in a post-secondary institution. The program is limited to 24 months and does not count towards the 60-month term limit for TANF cash assistance

**Eligibility Criteria for CE**

Gross Test:  $\leq$  85% of FPL

Asset Test: None

**Vehicle Policy for Non-CE**

Effective Date: November 2002

Aligning to child care assistance

Excludes the value of all vehicles

## **New York**

### **Sources**

State SNAP Contact:

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Website: <http://www.otda.state.ny.us/main/directives/2007/ADM/07-ADM-09.pdf><http://www.otda.state.ny.us/main/publications/4916.pdf> (Brochure)

### **Broad-Based CE**

#### **Effective Date**

March 1, 2009

#### **TANF-funded service or program conferring CE**

New York State is expanding categorical eligibility for the SNAP. Those who receive the *Helping Hands* brochure will have received a Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)/Maintenance of Effort (MOE)-funded service that confers categorical eligibility for the SNAP. The brochure contains information on a range of programs available to assist households in need. In December, 2007, there will be a mass mailing of this brochure to all SNAP recipients. Receipt of this brochure by a household that meets the) income threshold will confer categorical eligibility for the FSP for a period of one year.

Local districts will receive a supply of the "*Helping Hands*" brochure to include as part of the application package given to clients. Additionally, the brochure is available on the OTDA Internet and Intranet sites. Outreach brochure created by Empire Justice Center

#### **Eligibility Criteria for CE**

Population covered: Households with dependent care expenses

Gross Test:  $\leq 200\%$  for all households

Net Test: None

Asset Test: None

#### **Effective Date**

January 1, 2008 – February 28, 2009



**Eligibility Criteria for CE**

Population covered: All households

Gross Test:  $\leq 130\%$  of FPL for units without elderly/disabled  
 $\leq 200\%$  of FPL for units with elderly/disabled

Net Test: None

Asset Test: None

**Narrow CE**

None

**Vehicle Policy for Non-CE**

Effective Date: November 2002

Exclude one vehicle per driver

All other vehicles subject to the federal SNAP rules.

## North Carolina

### Sources

State SNAP Contact:

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Website: <http://info.dhhs.state.nc.us/olm/manuals/dss/ei-30/man/FSs620.htm>

### Broad-Based CE

#### Effective Date

July 1, 2010

#### TANF-funded service or program conferring CE

1-800-Careline. Phone number that provides information on resources available to households. Explained at application/recertification.

#### Eligibility Criteria for CE

Population covered: All households

Gross Test: <= 200% of FPL for all households

Net Test: None

Asset Test: None

### Narrow CE

#### Effective Date

6/1/2001

#### TANF-funded service or program conferring CE

- Work First Employment Services for Working Low-Income Families- Employment services provided through the TANF Block Grant to assist low-income families
- Work First Employment Services for Non-Custodial Parents- Employment services provided through the TANF Block Grant to assist non-custodial parents

#### Eligibility Criteria for CE

Population covered: It is for people who don't qualify for TANF cash benefits but that have income <= 200% of poverty. It serves a very small group.

Gross Test: <=200% of FPL

**Vehicle Policy for Non-CE**

Effective Date: October 2001

Aligning to cash assistance

North Carolina excludes one vehicle per adult household member plus others if they are used for specific purposes or if the sale of the vehicle would net the owner less than \$1,500.

All other vehicles subject to the federal SNAP rules.

## North Dakota

### Sources

State SNAP Contact  
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Website: <http://www.state.nd.us/robo/projects/foodstamp/foodstamp.htm>  
[http://www.state.nd.us/humanservices/policymanuals/foodstamps-508/430\\_05\\_20\\_85.htm](http://www.state.nd.us/humanservices/policymanuals/foodstamps-508/430_05_20_85.htm)  
[http://www.state.nd.us/humanservices/policymanuals/foodstamps-508/430\\_05\\_20\\_85.htm](http://www.state.nd.us/humanservices/policymanuals/foodstamps-508/430_05_20_85.htm)

### Broad-Based CE

#### Effective Date

October 1, 2001

#### TANF-funded service or program conferring CE

Brochure (TANF Information and Referral Services)

All applicants and recipients are authorized and notified of these services by signing the [SFN 405 - Application for Assistance](#) or the [SFN 407 - Recertification of Eligibility for SNAP](#). Both of these forms include a statement that if the household is eligible for TANF Information and Referral Services, the household has been notified and is authorized to receive TANF Information and Referral Services.

The county will provide individuals with information and referrals to various other agencies, programs, organizations and community/county resources that could be of benefit to the household (such as housing, Child Care Assistance, Salvation Army, Community Action, Job Services, Bureau of Indian Affairs, etc.).

#### Eligibility Criteria for CE

Population covered: All households

Gross Test: None

Net Test: <=100% FPL

Asset Test: None

#### Note

North Dakota expanded categorical eligibility effective October 1, 2000 to include any household in which all household members receive or are authorized to receive TANF I & R Services. Based on federal regulations published in November 21, 2000, they then implemented a net income test effective October 1, 2001 (100% of poverty).

### Effective Date

October 1, 2000

#### TANF-funded service or program conferring CE

Brochure (TANF Information and Referral Services)

**Eligibility Criteria for CE**

Population covered: All households

Gross Test: None

Net Test: None

Asset Test: None

**Narrow CE**

None

**Vehicle Policy for Non-CE**

Effective Date: October 2001

Remaining vehicles subject to Federal SNAP rules

# Ohio

## Sources

State SNAP Contact  
Kara Wentz  
(614) 752-0747

Website: <http://jfs.ohio.gov/ofam/pdf/OFS%20Letter75.Att.pdf>

## Broad-Based CE

### Effective Date

October 1, 2008

### TANF-funded service or program conferring CE

The Ohio Benefit Bank, a statewide service that is funded with TANF funding and other state, federal and private funding, offers application assistance and outreach to low and moderate income Ohioans for existing benefits and services, including cash assistance, SNAP, Medicaid, child care, student financial aid, and fatherhood programs. With the variety of outreach, referral and application assistance offered, the Ohio Benefit Bank is reasonably expected to meet all four purposes of the TANF program, and thus, all SNAP households, not just families with children, can be authorized to receive Ohio Benefit Bank services.

The county departments of job and family services will automatically authorize households to be eligible to receive Ohio Benefit Bank services when they apply for SNAP. Every assistance group will receive information on how to access the Ohio Benefit Bank services. The following statement will be provided to each assistance group on the "Printed Copy of Information" provided to them at the end of an interactive interview, and on every SNAP approval notice.

### Eligibility Criteria for CE

Population covered: All households

Gross Test: <=130%: Units without elderly/disabled  
<=200%: Units with elderly/disabled

Net Test: None

Asset test: No limit.

### Notes

Here is the statement provided to each assistance group:

*This is to let you know that you are authorized to receive services such as help in applying for cash, food, or medical benefits, income tax credits, and work support programs from the Ohio Benefit Bank. The Ohio Benefit Bank is a community-based program that helps low and moderate-income Ohioans claim the work supports they need to make ends meet, to continue working and to improve their lives. If you would like to learn more about the Ohio Benefit Bank or receive services from the Ohio Benefit Bank, you may call 1-800-648-1176 or go to [www.obb.ohio.gov](http://www.obb.ohio.gov) to find a location near you. All SNAP assistance groups (with the exception of sanctioned households and households under an intentional program violation) will automatically*

*receive this information, and will therefore be categorically eligible for SNAP. County agencies will not need to do any type of referrals or provide information about the Ohio Benefit Bank since the notification will occur automatically via CRIS-E.*

**Narrow CE**

**Effective Date**

8/1/2000

**TANF-funded service or program conferring CE**

Prevention Retention and Contingency (PRC) Program- Provides benefits and services to support working families and to help those leaving the cash public assistance program retain their job. The benefits are only for 1 month, so the program is not used very often or widely.

**Eligibility Criteria for CE**

Gross Test: Varies by county

Asset Test: None

**Vehicle Policy for Non-CE**

Effective Date: October 2001

Aligning to cash assistance

Ohio excludes all vehicles in determining resources for SNAP, following TANF policy to exclude vehicles.

# Oklahoma

## State SNAP Contact

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[Kathie.Wright@okdhs.org](mailto:Kathie.Wright@okdhs.org)

Website: <http://www.okdhs.org/library/policy/oac340/050/07/0002000.htm>

<http://www.okmarriage.org/services/OklahomaDHS.asp>

## Broad-Based CE

### Effective Date

June 1, 2009

### TANF-funded service or program conferring CE

The Oklahoma DHS has dedicated significant Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) funds toward the work of the Oklahoma Marriage Initiative to strengthen marriages and increase child well-being. SNAP certification notice contains explanation about OK marriage initiative classes, available to all persons. (TANF purpose 4- encouraging the formation and maintenance of two-parent families). Website for marriage initiative classes and 1-800# info included in SNAP certification notice.

### Eligibility Criteria for CE

Population covered: All households

Gross Test: <= 130% for non elderly/disabled

None for elderly/disabled

Net Test: <=100% for elderly/disabled

Asset test: None

## Narrow CE

### Effective Date

1/1/2001

### TANF-funded service or program conferring CE

Supportive Services- Assessment services, substance abuse services, literacy and GED, transportation, job placement, abstinence, life skills, vocational training, client reimbursement for work-related expenses (households must have received TANF cash assistance before they are eligible for any of the above services).

### Eligibility Criteria for CE

Gross Test: Based on need

Net Test: None

Asset Test: Based on need



**Vehicle Policy for Non-CE**

Effective Date: August 2003

Aligning to cash assistance

Excludes one vehicle per adult (including ineligible and disqualified members) regardless of use and any other vehicle used by a member under 18 for education of employment purposes.

The equity in all other vehicles in excess of \$5,000 is considered against the SNAP resource limit.

# Oregon

## Sources

State SNAP Contact:

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Website:

<http://apps.state.or.us/cf1/EligManual/EMnlFrame.htm?token=categorical%20eligibility&Page+ID=06fs-e&contents=categorical%20eligibility&TOC=06-toc&Chapter=Supplemental%20Nutrition%20Assistance%20Program%20%28SNAP%29%20%2D%20Table%20of%20Contents>

## Broad-Based CE

### Effective Date

December 1, 2000

### TANF-funded service or program conferring CE

Household applicant is given the TANF Information and Referral Services pamphlet ([DHS 3400](#)): *Resource Guide for Low-Income Families*. All applicants and recipients are given the TANF information and referral services pamphlet at certification and recertification. The pamphlet provides referral information and phone numbers for services such as family planning, child welfare, food assistance, child care, employment, housing, medical, and utilities.

### Eligibility Criteria for CE

Population covered: All households

Gross Test: 185% of FPL for all units

Net Test: None

Asset test: None

### Effective Date

October 1, 1999

### TANF-funded service or program conferring CE

Household applicant is given the TANF Information and Referral Services pamphlet ([DHS 3400](#)): *Resource Guide for Low-Income Families*.

### Eligibility Criteria for CE

Population covered: All households

Gross Test: None

Net Test: None

Asset test: None

**Narrow CE**  
None

**Vehicle Policy for Non-CE**

Effective Date: October 2001

If not cat-el, exclude \$10,000 equity from combined value of all vehicles.

# Pennsylvania

## Sources

State SNAP Contact:

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Website: [Policy update](#)

<http://www.dpw.state.pa.us/oimpolicymanuals/manuals/bop/ops/ops-08-09-05Attach1.pdf>

(Brochure)

## Broad-Based CE

### Effective Date

July 27, 2009

### TANF-funded service or program conferring CE

The “Help for Pennsylvanians in Need” brochure.

Distributed to all SNAP applicant and recipient households at application and recertification

### Eligibility Criteria for CE

Population covered: All households of one or two persons.

Gross Test:  $\leq 160\%$ : Units without elderly/disabled

$\leq 200\%$ : Units with elderly/disabled

Net Test: None

Asset Test: None

### Effective Date

October 1, 2008 – July 26, 2009

### Eligibility Criteria for CE

Population covered: All households of one or two persons.

Gross Test:  $\leq 130\%$  for non elderly/disabled units

$\leq 200\%$  for elderly/disabled units

Net Test: None

Asset Test: None

## Narrow CE

### Effective Date

Prior to 1/1/2001

**TANF-funded service or program conferring CE**

ELECT Initiative- The Education Leading to Employment and Career Training program assists eligible expectant and parenting youth to break the cycle of welfare dependence by remaining in school, maintaining regular attendance, obtaining a high school diploma or General Equivalency Diploma (GED) certificate and securing post-graduation employment, education or training that will help them become successful parents and self-sufficient adults. In addition to general self-sufficiency building, programs provide participants with pregnancy prevention information, guidance and services to reduce the incidence of youth pregnancies.

**Eligibility Criteria for CE**

Population covered: All households  
Gross Test: Not available  
Asset Test: None

**TANF-funded service or program conferring CE**

Fatherhood Initiative- Pennsylvania's ELECT Fatherhood Initiative is designed to motivate and challenge fathers to become involved in their children's lives through outreach services, individual and group support, and education and skills training activities.

**Eligibility Criteria for CE**

Population covered: All households  
Gross Test: Not available  
Asset Test: None

**Vehicle Policy for Non-CE**

Effective Date: October 2001  
Exclude one vehicle per unit  
Remaining vehicles subject to Federal SNAP rules

## **Rhode Island**

### **Sources**

State SNAP Contact

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Website: <http://www.dhs.ri.gov/Portals/0/Uploads/Documents/Public/Policy/SNAP/draftsnapstandards.pdf>

### **Broad-Based CE**

#### **Effective Date**

April 1, 2009

#### **TANF-funded service or program conferring CE**

RI has chosen to issue a TANF funded publication. A TANF-funded service includes receipt of the RI Department of Human Services TANF Information Publication. All applicants are given tri-fold brochure with resource information on all public services including child care services, medical services, domestic violence services.

Note: Their broad-based CE was designed to bring in more working poor and elderly households

#### **Eligibility Criteria for CE**

Population covered: All households (including related children)

Gross Test: <=185%: Units without elderly/disabled

<=200%: Units with elderly/disabled

Net Test: None

Asset test: None

### **Narrow CE**

None

### **Vehicle Policy for Non-CE**

Effective Date: August 2003

Rhode Island excludes one vehicle per household member with a maximum of two vehicles being excluded per household.

If there are any other vehicles, the regular SNAP rules would apply to those vehicles.

## South Carolina

### Sources

State SNAP Contact

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Website: <http://dss.sc.gov/content/library/manuals/snap.pdf>

<https://dss.sc.gov/content/library/forms/files/24126.pdf> (Brochure)

<http://www.scjustice.org/Brochures%20for%20Web%202009/Public%20Benefits/SNAP%20In%20South%20Carolina%20-%20A%20Guide%20for%20Advocates.pdf>

### Broad-Based CE:

#### Effective Date

April 1, 2009

#### TANF-funded service or program conferring CE

Categorical eligibility is expanded to include all households in which any member receives, is authorized to receive, or benefits from Family Independence Information and Referral Services. Signature of the SNAP applicant who makes initial application in person, including those who are also applying for Family Independence (TANF), will be obtained on the DSS Form 3800, acknowledging notification of eligibility for Family Independence Information and Referral Services. Family Independence Information and Referral Services brochures will be available to these households. SNAP certification workers will discuss Family Independence Information and Referral Services with applicants whose SNAP application is received through the mail, facsimile, or through the internet. Family Independence Information and Referral Services brochures will be mailed to the household upon request. Eligibility for expanded categorical eligibility through Family Independence Information and Referral Services will be determined prior to SNAP eligibility determination. The applicant's statement of gross income is accepted to initially establish eligibility for Family Independence Information and Referral Services.

#### Eligibility Criteria for CE

Population covered: All households

Gross Test: <=130%: Units without elderly/disabled

<=200%: Units with elderly/disabled

Net Test: None.

Asset Test: None

#### Effective Date

April 1, 2001 – March 31, 2009

**Eligibility Criteria for CE**

Population covered: All households  
Gross Test: <=200% of FPL for all households  
Net Test: None  
Asset Test: None

**Narrow CE****Effective Date**

06/01/2000 S.C. Alliance of Boys and Girls Club  
06/01/2000 PACE  
07/01/2000 Horry  
05/01/2000 Columbia Urban League  
06/01/2000 Wesley United Methodist Church  
10/01/1996 F1 Family Cap  
01/01/1998 F1 Work Experience Training Allowance  
10/01/1999 F1 Applicant Support Services

**TANF-funded service or program conferring CE**

- S.C. Alliance of Boys and Girls Club- After School Enhancement Program- After school program. Meets purpose 3 of TANF.
- PACE- Enhancement programs to ensure better progress in school. Meets purpose 3 of TANF.
- Horry- The Family Learning Center- Education and parenting services. Meets purpose 2 of TANF.
- Columbia Urban League- Leadership Training Institute for youth. Meets purpose 3 of TANF.
- Wesley United Methodist Church- After school program at Roosevelt Village. Meets purpose 3 of TANF.
- F1 Family Cap Voucher- Voucher/services for family cap babies. Meets purpose 1 of TANF.
- F1 Work Experience Training Allowance- Services to aid in training for job applicants. Meets purpose 2 of TANF.
- F1 Applicant Support Services- Assistance with job applicants. Meets purpose 2 of TANF.

**Eligibility Criteria for CE**

Gross Test: <=200% for S.C. Alliance of Boys and Girls Club- After School Enhancement Program, Horry, Columbia Urban League and Wesley Methodist Church  
<=185% for PACE and F1 services.  
Asset Test: None

**Vehicle Policy for Non-CE**

Effective Date: October 2001  
Aligns with cash assistance  
Exclude value of all vehicles



## **South Dakota**

### **Sources**

State SNAP Contact:

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### **Broad-Based CE**

None

### **Narrow CE**

#### **Effective Date**

May 1, 2006

#### **TANF-funded service or program conferring CE**

The household has one member receiving or authorized to receive Child Care Services (CCS) benefits.

#### **Eligibility Criteria for CE**

Population covered: Households receiving Child Care Service benefits.

Gross Test:  $\leq$  200% of FPL for all units

Net Test: None

Asset Test: None

#### **Vehicle Policy for Non-CE**

Effective Date: October 2001

Aligning to cash assistance

Per TANF rules, the state excludes one vehicle per unit. All other vehicle exclusions follow federal SNAP regulations.

# Tennessee

## Sources

State SNAP Contact

Richard Dobbs or Sandra Ramsey

(615) 313-5531

Sandra.Ramsey@tn.gov

Website: <http://tennessee.gov/humanserv/adfam/fs-man-1.pdf>

## Broad-Based CE

### Effective Date

Not implemented yet, as of 7/1/2010

### TANF-funded service or program conferring CE

Still in planning stage, but most likely a brochure with information on services.

### Eligibility Criteria for CE

Gross test:  $\leq 130\%$  Units without elderly/disabled

No test for units with elderly/disabled

Net test:  $\leq 100\%$  of poverty for all households

Asset test:  $\leq \$25,000$  in financial assets (all vehicles excluded)

## Narrow CE

### Effective Date

6/1/2001

### TANF-funded service or program conferring CE

Family Services Counseling or a First Wheels loan. CE status on this basis applies as long as the CE individual is eligible for the Families First extended services. This extended categorical eligibility applies only when the Families First aid group is closed for cash. Family Services Counseling – It is not necessary for the AG to actually receive FSC services (such as post employment services). The qualifying factor is that the AG is eligible to receive FSC after the AG is closed for cash assistance. Family Services Counseling is only offered for 12 months.

First Wheels – An AG member must actually be eligible for and approved for a First Wheels loan. First Wheels is being phased out and is a very small program.

TANF funded Child Care Assistance also confers Cat-El, but it is a very small program.

### Eligibility Criteria for CE

Population covered: Households receiving Family Services Counseling or First Wheels loan or TANF funded Child Care Assistance.

Gross Test: None

Net Test: None

Asset Test: None

**Vehicle Policy for Non-CE**

Effective Date: September 2004

Aligning to child care assistance

Exclude all vehicles with certain exceptions such as vehicles used for recreational purposes, such as personal watercraft.

# Texas

## Sources

State SNAP Contact

Eric McDaniel

(512) 206-4564

Eric.McDaniel@hhsc.state.tx.us

Website: <http://www.dads.state.tx.us/handbooks/texasworks/b/400/400.htm>

## Broad-Based CE

### Effective Date

February 16, 2002

### TANF-funded service or program conferring CE

Description of the TANF funded programs and contact information is included on the application form. Categorical eligibility extends to any household authorized to receive services funded by the TANF program. TANF non-cash (TANF-NC) services consist of various services such as family planning, adult education, prevention and treatment of substance abuse, and employment services.

### Eligibility Criteria for CE

Population covered: All households

Gross Test:  $\leq 165\%$  of FPL all households.

Net Test: None

Asset Test: The resource test consists of the following criteria: the household must have \$5,000 or less in countable liquid resources combined with excess vehicle value.

Exempt up to \$15,000 of the fair market value (FMV) for the highest valued countable vehicle. Count the excess over \$15,000. FMV toward the combined resource limit.

Exempt up to \$4,650 FMV for all other countable vehicles. Count the excess over \$4,650 FMV toward the combined resource limit. Note: Refer to the policy in [A-1238](#), Vehicles, to determine if a vehicle can be exempt for another reason.

[Also exempt up to \$7,500 cash value of a prepaid burial insurance policy, funeral plan or funeral arrangement for each certified household member. Any cash value exceeding \$7,500 must be counted as a liquid resource.]

## Narrow CE

None

## Vehicle Policy for Non-CE

Effective Date: October 2001

All other vehicles subject to the federal SNAP rules with the excess value of vehicles counted toward a \$5,000 resource limit

# Utah

## Sources

State SNAP Contact

Jennifer Meyers Smart

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[jmeyersmart@utah.gov](mailto:jmeyersmart@utah.gov)

## Broad-Based CE

None

## Narrow CE

### Effective Date

Prior to 1/1/2001

### TANF-funded service or program conferring CE

FEP Emergency Assistance Homeless Prevention Program cases are categorically eligible for the month the benefit is paid. 24 month transition program to provide services like case management and job search for families after leaving TANF.

### Eligibility Criteria for CE

Population covered: Cash assistance or recipients of FEP Emergency Assistance Homeless Prevention Program

Gross Test:  $\leq 185\%$  of FPL

Asset Test: None

## Vehicle Policy for Non-CE

Effective Date: January 2007

Aligning to child care assistance

Excludes the value of all vehicles.

# Vermont

## Sources

State SNAP Contact

Catherine Simpson

(802) 241-2556

[catherine.simpson@ahs.state.vt.us](mailto:catherine.simpson@ahs.state.vt.us)

Website: <http://dcf.vermont.gov/esd/3SquaresVT>

<http://governor.vermont.gov/tools/index.php?topic=GovPressReleases&id=3125&v=Article>

## Broad-Based CE

### Effective Date

January 1, 2009

### TANF-funded service or program conferring CE

VT uses a TANF-funded informational “bookmark” (an actual bookmark) and other written referrals to a screening website and toll-free telephone number for a wide range of human service organizations. The bookmark has referral information on available services provided by AHS (Agency of Human Services) including assistance for food, health, mental health, housing, child care, transportation, and also information on their “screen door” AHS web site used to screen people for eligibility for services. Now Vermont prints this information on the application and other case notices with phone numbers and website addresses for all the services.

### Eligibility Criteria for CE

Population covered: All households- 3SquaresVT household is a person living alone or a group of people living together who buy food and make meals together. The group does not need to be related.

Gross Test:  $\leq 185\%$  of FPL for all households

Net Test:  $\leq 100\%$  of federal poverty level

Asset test: None

## Narrow CE

### Effective Date

7/1/2001

### TANF-funded service or program conferring CE

Vermont EITC- VT State EITC (not federal EITC) is funded with TANF-MOE funds and confers CE for SNAP for one year only. Very small program (maybe 20,000).

### Eligibility Criteria for CE

Gross Test: Same as Federal EITC limit

Asset Test: None

### TANF-funded service or program conferring CE

Post secondary Education Program (PSE)- Pays for parents to attend school, and since it is funded with TANF-MOE funds, they are CE for SNAP while in school (very small program).

**Eligibility Criteria for CE**

Gross Test:  $\leq 150\%$

Asset Test: None

**Vehicle Policy for Non-CE**

Effective Date: January 2009

Exclude one vehicle per adult up to a maximum of two vehicles.

Remaining vehicles subject to federal SNAP rules.

## Virgin Islands

### Sources

State SNAP Contact

Coleen A. Evans

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[evanscoleen@yahoo.com](mailto:evanscoleen@yahoo.com)

Website:

[http://www.dhs.gov.vi/financial\\_programs/documents/Combined\\_Food\\_and\\_Cash\\_Application\\_Form.pdf](http://www.dhs.gov.vi/financial_programs/documents/Combined_Food_and_Cash_Application_Form.pdf) (application online about receiving the Smart Family Brochure)

### Broad-Based CE

#### Effective Date

January 1, 2009

#### TANF-funded service or program conferring CE

The Smart Family Brochure is given to all SNAP households at application and recertification. Signature on application indicates receipt of brochure.

#### Eligibility Criteria for CE

Population covered: All households

Gross Test: <=130%: Units without elderly/disabled

<=200%: Units with elderly/disabled

Asset Test: No limit.

### Narrow CE

None

### Vehicle Policy for Non-CE

No information available.



# Virginia

## Sources

State SNAP Contact

Celestine Jackson

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[celestine.jackson@dss.virginia.gov](mailto:celestine.jackson@dss.virginia.gov)

Confirmed with call

Website: <https://jupiter.dss.state.va.us/FoodStampManual/search.html?page=P2/P2CG.html>

## Broad-Based CE

None

## Narrow CE

### Effective Date

June 1, 2001

### TANF-funded service or program conferring CE

Programs through TANF/MOE funds (i.e. Transitional Transportation Program). Any household in which at least one person receives or is authorized to receive services funded through the TANF block grant also will be categorically eligible

### Eligibility Criteria for CE

Population covered: Households receiving programs funded through TANF block grants

Gross Test:  $\leq 200\%$  of FPL

Net Test:  $\leq 100\%$  of FPL

Asset Test: None

## Vehicle Policy for Non-CE

Effective Date: September 2004

Aligning to cash assistance

Excludes the value of all vehicles

# Washington

## Contact

State SNAP Contact

John Camp

(360) 725-4616

[Campjx@dshs.wa.gov](mailto:Campjx@dshs.wa.gov)

Website: <http://www.dshs.wa.gov/manuals/eaz/sections/CatEligFoodAssist.shtml>

<https://fortress.wa.gov/dshs/f2ws03esaapps/onlinecso/cover.asp>

## Broad-Based CE

### Effective Date

October 1, 2008

### TANF-funded service or program conferring CE

Web-based information and referral service (Online CSO website). Households are informed of availability of service on their approval letters. This website provides information about programs as well as referrals to resources in the community.

This web-based information and referral service partly funded with TANF and TANF Maintenance of Effort funds. The CSO provides many services, including cash assistance, child care, medical assistance, food assistance, family planning, voter registration assistance.

### Eligibility Criteria for CE

Population covered: All households.

Gross Test: <=200% of FPL for all households

Net Test: None

Asset Test: None

### Effective Date

May 1, 2004 – September 30, 2008

### Eligibility Criteria for CE

Population covered: All households.

Gross Test: <=130% of FPL for all households

Net Test: None

Asset Test: None

## Narrow CE

None

## Vehicle Policy for Non-CE

Effective Date: October 2008

If not cat-el all households must follow SNAP rules.

<http://www.dshs.wa.gov/manuals/eaz/sections/RSCSvehicles.shtml>

## West Virginia

### Sources

State SNAP Contact:

Anna Harper

(304) 558-8290

Website:

[http://www.wvdhhr.org/bcf/policy/imm/new\\_manual/IMManual/Manual\\_PDF\\_Files/Chapter\\_01/ch1\\_4.pdf](http://www.wvdhhr.org/bcf/policy/imm/new_manual/IMManual/Manual_PDF_Files/Chapter_01/ch1_4.pdf)

### Broad-Based CE

#### Effective Date

October 1, 2008

#### TANF-funded service or program conferring CE

Receiving information and referral services about TANF and other department programs in brochure.

#### Eligibility Criteria for CE

Population covered: All households

Gross Test: <=130%: Units without elderly/disabled

<=200%: Units with elderly/disabled

Net Test: None

Asset test: None

### Narrow CE

#### Effective Date

5/1/2000

#### TANF-funded service or program conferring CE

Supportive Service payments- Enable those leaving cash assistance for employment to continue that employment

#### Eligibility Criteria for CE

Gross Test: <=185% of FPL

Asset Test: None

#### TANF-funded service or program conferring CE

School Clothing Allowance- Stipend for buying school clothes

#### Eligibility Criteria for CE

Gross Test: <=100% of FPL

Asset Test: None

**Vehicle Policy for Non-CE**

Effective Date: October 2001

Aligning to child care assistance

All vehicles are excluded

# Wisconsin

## Sources

State SNAP Contact

Jeff Brikowski

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[Jeffrey.Brikowski@dhs.wisconsin.gov](mailto:Jeffrey.Brikowski@dhs.wisconsin.gov)

Website:

<http://dhs.wisconsin.gov/em/fsh/2004/FS-Handbook-04-01.pdf>

<http://www.emhandbooks.wi.gov/fsh/>

FS (4.2.1). (cat-el policy)

<http://dhs.wisconsin.gov/em/ops-memos/1999/pdf/99-077.pdf>

## Broad-Based CE

### Effective Date

June 13, 2004

### TANF-funded service or program conferring CE

JobNet, a partially TANF funded service that all food unit members are authorized to receive, is issued to the group on a CARES Client Assistance for Reemployment and Economic Support generated notice of decision. JobNet access information is included on all approval and change notices. JobNet access information (web link and phone number) is included on all approval and change notices. JobNet is the largest source of job openings in Wisconsin, and can be accessed via the internet or on touch screen monitors at local job centers. All SNAP members are authorized to receive JobNet information. The CARES system is the Wisconsin statewide, automated, integrated reporting system for economic support eligibility programs as well as both eligibility and non-eligibility work programs.

### Eligibility Criteria for CE

Population covered: All households

Gross Test: <= 200% of FPL for all households

Net Test: None

Asset test: None

### Notes

The following text appears on approval and change notices:

"Wisconsin JobNet is available to you. JobNet is the single largest source of job openings in Wisconsin, you can access JobNet via the internet at

<http://www.dwd.state.wi.us/jobnet/mapWI.htm> or on touch screen monitors at your local job center. To locate a Job Center nearest you call 1-888-258-9966."

## **Narrow CE**

### **Effective Date**

Prior to 1/1/2001

### **TANF-funded service or program conferring CE**

- W-2 TANF Cash Payment Programs- Various programs provide cash payment and employment services intended to help participants overcome barriers to employment, obtain employment, and become self-sufficient. Purposes 1, 2, 4 of TANF.
- Caretaker Supplement Program-Provides a cash payment to custodial parents who are SSI recipients. Purposes 1 of TANF.
- Child Care Assistance Program-Provides payments to child care providers on behalf of eligible participants to offset daycare costs incurred by the participants in order for them to obtain and maintain employment. Purpose 2 of TANF.
- Welfare to Work Program- Provides employment services including job placement, job retention, and job advancement to TANF recipients, former TANF recipients who have exhausted 60 month clock but still meet TANF eligibility requirements, and noncustodial parents of children receiving TANF benefits. Purpose 1, 2, 4 of TANF.
- Children First- A work experience program for non-custodial parents who fail to pay child support due to unemployment or underemployment. Purposes 1,2 of TANF.
- Milwaukee Jobs Initiative- Provides assessment, referral and placement services for TANF eligible participants. Milwaukee Jobs Initiative matches individuals to family supporting jobs and secures any prerequisite training and supportive services required for placement in these jobs.
- Tribal TANF Program- Assistance programs administered by five Indian nation communities in Wisconsin. The programs provide economic development, job creation activities and supportive services to assist needy families to prepare for, obtain and retain employment. All 4 purposes of TANF.
- Kinship Care Program- The program provides a cash payment to eligible caretaker relatives for minor children in their care. There are "child only grants" for care and maintenance of a child placed with relatives. Purpose 1 of TANF.

### **Eligibility Criteria for CE**

Gross Test:  $\leq 115\%$  or  $\leq 165\%$  for Employment Skills Advancement Program  
 $\leq 185\%$  for Child Care Assistance (once eligible family can remain in program up to 200%)  
 $\leq 200\%$  Welfare to Work and Milwaukee Jobs Initiative, Avg weekly gross income less than 40 times minimum wage or court determines the non-custodial parent is earning less than their capacity for Children First  
 $\leq 115\%$  for Tribal TANF  
No financial eligibility requirement for Kinship Care Program.

Asset Test: None

**Vehicle Policy for Non-CE**

Effective Date: June 2004

Aligning to child care

Exclude all vehicles

# Wyoming

## Sources

State SNAP Contact

Alice Sullivan

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Website: <http://www.thresholdcomputer.net/dfs/training.htm>

## No Non-Cash CE

### Vehicle Policy for Non-CE

Effective Date: October 2001

Aligning to cash assistance

Excludes the fair market value of two cars combined up to \$12,000 if the household contains a married couple. Otherwise, excludes the fair market value of only one car up to \$12,000.

All other vehicles subject to federal SNAP rules.



**APPENDIX B**

**SUMMARY TABLES ON STATE NON-CASH CATEGORICAL ELIGIBILITY  
POLICIES**

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TABLE B1

## BROAD-BASED NON-CASH TANF/MOE-FUNDED PROGRAMS THAT CONFER CATEGORICAL ELIGIBILITY FOR SNAP

July 1, 2010

State	Program Conferring Broad-Based Categorical Eligibility	Description of Program Conferring Categorical Eligibility	Population Covered	Criteria for Qualifying for TANF/MOE-Funded Service				Effective Date
				Asset Test	Gross Income as % of Poverty Guideline		Net Income as % of Poverty Guideline	
					No Elderly or Disabled in Unit	With Elderly or Disabled in Unit		
Alabama	"Putting It Together For Those Who Need Us" brochure	Brochure has information on assistance and services available to households, including information on cash and food assistance, jobs, child support, adult protective services, family services, child care, medical services.	All households	None	<=130%	<=200%	None	2/1/2010
Arizona	Health-e-Arizona (on-line) and referral to web-site on application	Anyone using Health-e-Arizona website to apply receives TANF-funded referral information to available medical coverage, Medicare, SNAP, TANF cash and other resources. The SNAP application also has a referral to the website with information.	All households	None	<=185%	<=185%	None	6/1/2007
California	Family Planning (PUB 275) brochure	Brochure contains information on locating family planning services providers and the benefits of family planning services available to assistance households in need. Brochure is given during interview (face-to-face) or by mail for telephone or out-of-office interview. Brochure is given to head of household when household with child under 18 is determined ineligible for SNAP due to resources. Focus on preventing teen pregnancy.	Households with children under age 18	None	<=130%	<=200%	<=100%	7/1/2009 - 1/1/2010
Connecticut	"Help for People in Need" (HFPIN) brochure	HFPIN brochure is given or mailed to households at time of grant and at recertification. Brochure has referral information on resources available.	All households	None	<=185%	<=185%	None	7/1/2009

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State	Program Conferring Broad-Based Categorical Eligibility	Description of Program Conferring Categorical Eligibility	Population Covered	Criteria for Qualifying for TANF/MOE-Funded Service				Effective Date
				Asset Test	Gross Income as % of Poverty Guideline		Net Income as % of Poverty Guideline	
					No Elderly or Disabled in Unit	With Elderly or Disabled in Unit		
Delaware	Pregnancy Prevention Information	Application contains information on available pregnancy prevention services (telephone numbers and names of organizations such as Planned Parenthood). Statement says: "You are authorized to receive pregnancy prevention information."	All households	None	None	None	None	2/3/2000
			All households	None	<=200%	<=200%	None	8/1/2001
District of Columbia	Domestic Violence brochure	Brochure is given to all households at application or recertification.	All households	None	<=200%	<=200%	None	3/15/2010
Florida			All households	None	<=200%	<=200%	None	7/1/2010
Georgia	TANF Community Outreach Services (TCOS) brochure	TCOS brochure provides information on all Dept. of Human Resources services. On application, signature acknowledges notification of eligibility for TCOS services and receipt of the TCOS brochure. The client's statement of gross income is accepted to initially establish eligibility for TANF Community Outreach Services.	All households	None	<=130% (except for households with all elderly or disabled members)	<=200% (if all members are elderly or disabled)	None	3/1/2008
Guam	Brochures providing referral information on services available	All applicants are given brochure with information on all state services, including medical assistance, housing, domestic violence, job assistance.	All households	None	<=165%	<=165%	None	1/1/2009

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State	Program Conferring Broad-Based Categorical Eligibility	Description of Program Conferring Categorical Eligibility	Population Covered	Criteria for Qualifying for TANF/MOE-Funded Service				Effective Date
				Asset Test	Gross Income as % of Poverty Guideline		Net Income as % of Poverty Guideline	
					No Elderly or Disabled in Unit	With Elderly or Disabled in Unit		
Idaho	2-1-1 Idaho CareLine	The 2-1-1 Idaho CareLine is a free, statewide comprehensive referral service that provides contact information for community resources to health and human services such as child care resources, financial services, rental assistance, energy assistance, medical assistance, and more. It has contact info for over 3,400 different programs and organizations throughout Idaho. All SNAP applicants receive information about 2-1-1 Careline, and that it offers referrals for services that fall within the 4 TANF goals.	All households	None (Idaho will be reinstating an asset test higher than the \$2000/3000 in June of 2011.)	<=130%	<=200%	<=100%	6/1/2009
Illinois	Guide to DHS Services brochure (DHS 4474)	TANF funded information and referral brochure that provides a list of services offered through DHS, other agencies and community partners.	All households	None	<=130%	<=200%	None	3/1/2010
Kentucky	Hand-out with information on services	Kentucky has received approval for a broad-based expanded cat el policy that they hope to begin this summer. They will give a hand-out with information on available services to all applicants who meet the income criteria for receiving the hand-out.	All households	None	<=130%	<=200%	None	Summer 2010
Louisiana	Hand-out with information on services	They will give a hand-out with information on available services to all applicants who meet the income criteria for receiving the hand-out.	All households	None	<=130%	<=200%	None	5/12/2010

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State	Program Conferring Broad-Based Categorical Eligibility	Description of Program Conferring Categorical Eligibility	Population Covered	Criteria for Qualifying for TANF/MOE-Funded Service				Effective Date
				Asset Test	Gross Income as % of Poverty Guideline		Net Income as % of Poverty Guideline	
					No Elderly or Disabled in Unit	With Elderly or Disabled in Unit		
Maine	Maine Resource Guide for Families brochure	Resource Guide provides information related to employment and job retention, including phone numbers. Guide is given to all households with children at application or recertification.	Households with children under age 18 (or 18 and full time high school student) who live with a parent or caretaker relative.	None	None	None	None	9/1/2000
				None	<=200%	<=200%	None	11/1/2001
				None	<=185%	<=185%	None	12/1/2006
			All households	None	<=185%	<=185%	None	7/1/2010
Maryland	Family Preservation Services	Application includes language that notifies households of their eligibility for Family Preservation Services. These programs are specifically identified for families in crisis whose children are at risk of out-of-home placement. Family preservation actively seeks to obtain or directly provide the critical services needed to enable the family to remain together in a safe and stable environment.	Households with related children under age 18, or related children age 18 or 19 and will graduate in 19th year.	None	<=200%	<=200%	None	3/1/2001

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State	Program Conferring Broad-Based Categorical Eligibility	Description of Program Conferring Categorical Eligibility	Population Covered	Criteria for Qualifying for TANF/MOE-Funded Service				Effective Date
				Asset Test	Gross Income as % of Poverty Guideline		Net Income as % of Poverty Guideline	
					No Elderly or Disabled in Unit	With Elderly or Disabled in Unit		
Massachusetts	"Help for Those in Need," a resource brochure	Brochure is handed to all walk-in applicants, or mailed to others as part of the Application Information Notice. Brochure provides information on resources to help with issues such as housing, medical asst., elderly services, SNAP, WIC, EITC, child care, domestic violence.	Households with children (<= 18)	None	<=200%	<=200%	None	10/29/2001
			Households with children (no change)	None	<=200%	<=200%	None	6/9/2008
			Households without children	None	<=130%	<=200%	<=100%	
Michigan	Domestic Violence Prevention Services brochure (PUB 859)	Brochure provides information on domestic violence programs.	All households	None	None	None	None	10/1/2000
				None	<=200%	<=200%	None	10/1/2001
Minnesota	Domestic Violence Information brochure	The brochure is given to all households that apply for SNAP. It provides information about the identification of domestic violence and resources available to victims of domestic violence through other Dept. of Human Services programs.	All households	Financial assets (not vehicles) < \$7,000	<=130%	<=165%	None	12/1/2006
Mississippi	1-800 phone number	The 1-800 number will provide eligible clients with contact information for TANF funded services.	All households	None	<=130%	<=130%	None	6/1/2010

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State	Program Conferring Broad-Based Categorical Eligibility	Description of Program Conferring Categorical Eligibility	Population Covered	Criteria for Qualifying for TANF/MOE-Funded Service				Effective Date
				Asset Test	Gross Income as % of Poverty Guideline		Net Income as % of Poverty Guideline	
					No Elderly or Disabled in Unit	With Elderly or Disabled in Unit		
Montana	TANF Information and Referral (I&R) Services	Brochure provides information and referrals to other agencies, programs, organizations, and community resources that can benefit the entire household. All households are provided the brochure.	All households	None	<=185%	None	<=100%	3/1/2009
Nevada	Application includes information on services for teen parents from Nevada Public Health Foundation (NPHF)	Information on application about services for pregnant and parenting teens receiving TANF cash--also teen pregnancy prevention.	All households	None	<=200%	<=200%	None	3/16/2009
New Hampshire	Brochure with information and phone numbers about programs available	Brochure given to households with children at application and recertification.	Households with children under age 18 and relative to child	None	<=185%	<=185%	None	5/1/2009
New Jersey	Brochure with information on services available	Brochure is given to all applicant and recertifying households.	All households	None	<=185%	<=185%	None	4/1/2010
New Mexico	Brochure with information on services available	All households receive a referral to a non-cash TANF/MOE-funded benefit (i.e. domestic violence, child care assistance, transportation, etc.) at application and recertification.	All households	None	<=165%	<=165%	None	4/1/2010



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State	Program Conferring Broad-Based Categorical Eligibility	Description of Program Conferring Categorical Eligibility	Population Covered	Criteria for Qualifying for TANF/MOE-Funded Service				Effective Date
				Asset Test	Gross Income as % of Poverty Guideline		Net Income as % of Poverty Guideline	
					No Elderly or Disabled in Unit	With Elderly or Disabled in Unit		
New York	"Helping Hands" brochure	Brochure contains information on a range of programs available to assist households in need. In 12/07 did mass mailing of the brochure to all SNAP recipients (and once per year thereafter). Brochure is included as part of the application package given to clients (also on internet and intranet sites).	All households	None	<=130%	<=200%	None	1/1/2008
			All households (without dependent care expenses)	None	<=130%	<=200%	None	3/1/2009
			Households with dependent care expenses	None	<=200%	<=200%	None	
North Carolina	1-800-Careline	Phone number that provides information on resources available to households. Explained at application/recertification.	All households	None	<=200%	<=200%	None	7/1/2010
North Dakota	TANF information and Referral Services brochure	All applicants and recipients are authorized and notified of these services when they sign application or recertification. The county provides information and referrals to organizations and resources that could benefit the household, including housing, child care, job services, Salvation Army, Community Action, Bureau of Indian Affairs.	All households	None	None	None	None	10/1/2000
			All households	None	None	None	<=100%	10/1/2001

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State	Program Conferring Broad-Based Categorical Eligibility	Description of Program Conferring Categorical Eligibility	Population Covered	Criteria for Qualifying for TANF/MOE-Funded Service				Effective Date
				Asset Test	Gross Income as % of Poverty Guideline		Net Income as % of Poverty Guideline	
					No Elderly or Disabled in Unit	With Elderly or Disabled in Unit		
Ohio	Ohio Benefit Bank	Offers application assistance and outreach for existing benefits and services, including cash assistance, SNAP, Medicaid, child care, student financial aid, and fatherhood programs. Each assistance group receives information on how to access Ohio Benefit Bank services. Statement is provided at the end of interview and on every SNAP approval notice.	All households	None	<=130%	<=200%	None	10/1/2008
Oklahoma	Oklahoma Marriage Initiative	SNAP certification notice contains an explanation about the OK marriage initiative classes, including phone number and website, available to all persons.	All households	None	<=130%	None	<=100% (only for elderly/disabled)	6/1/2009
Oregon	Resource Guide for Low-Income Families (DHS 3400)	All applicants and recipients are given the TANF information and referral services pamphlet at certification and recertification. The pamphlet provides referral information and phone numbers for services such as family planning, child welfare, food assistance, child care, employment, housing, medical, and utilities.	All Households	None	None	None	None	10/1/1999
			All Households	None	<=185%	<=185%	None	12/1/2000
Pennsylvania	"Help for Pennsylvanians in Need" brochure	Brochure is given to all SNAP applicants and recipient households at application and recertification.	All households	None	<=130%	<=200%	None	10/1/2008
			All households	None	<=160%	<=200%	None	7/27/2009

Table B1, Continued

State	Program Conferring Broad-Based Categorical Eligibility	Description of Program Conferring Categorical Eligibility	Population Covered	Criteria for Qualifying for TANF/MOE-Funded Service				Effective Date
				Asset Test	Gross Income as % of Poverty Guideline		Net Income as % of Poverty Guideline	
					No Elderly or Disabled in Unit	With Elderly or Disabled in Unit		
Rhode Island	TANF Information Publication	All applicants are given the tri-fold brochure with resource information on all public services including child care, medical, and domestic violence services.	All households	None	<=185%	<=200%	None	4/1/2009
South Carolina	Family Independence Information and Referral Services brochures	Brochures are given to SNAP applicants, or services are discussed with applicants whose application is received through the mail or internet. Applicant's statement of gross income is accepted to initially establish eligibility for the services. Signature of applicant acknowledges notification of eligibility for the services.	All households	None	<=200%	<=200%	None	4/1/2001
			All households	None	<=130%	<=200%	None	4/1/2009
Texas	Information on services included on application form	Application form includes information on TANF non-cash services such as family planning, adult education, prevention and treatment of substance abuse, and employment services.	All households	Assets <= \$5,000; vehicles <= \$15000 exempt. <sup>a</sup>	<=165%	<=165%	None	2/16/2002

Table B1, Continued

State	Program Conferring Broad-Based Categorical Eligibility	Description of Program Conferring Categorical Eligibility	Population Covered	Criteria for Qualifying for TANF/MOE-Funded Service				Effective Date
				Asset Test	Gross Income as % of Poverty Guideline		Net Income as % of Poverty Guideline	
					No Elderly or Disabled in Unit	With Elderly or Disabled in Unit		
Vermont	Informational bookmark	Provide bookmark with referrals to a wide range of human service organizations provided by Agency of Human Services including assistance for food, health, mental health, housing, child care, transportation, and also information on how to access website. "Screen door" is the AHS web site used to screen people for eligibility for services. Now Vermont prints this information on the application and other case notices with phone numbers and website addresses for all the services.	All households	None	<=185%	<=185%	<=100%	1/1/2009
Virgin Islands	"Smart Family" brochure	Brochure is given to all SNAP households at application and recertification. Signature on application indicates receipt of brochure.	All households	None	<=130%	<=200%	None	1/1/2009
Washington	Web-based information and referral service	Households are informed of available services provided by the Community Services Office (CSO). The website information is included on household's approval letters. The CSO provides many services, including cash assistance, child care, medical assistance, food assistance, family planning, voter registration assistance.	All households	None	<=130%	<=130%	None	5/1/2004
				None	<=200%	<=200%	None	10/1/2008
West Virginia	Information and Referral Services brochure	Brochure is mailed to the applicant to inform the client of potential programs or services available.	All households	None	<=130%	<=200%	None	10/1/2008

Table B1, Continued

State	Program Conferring Broad-Based Categorical Eligibility	Description of Program Conferring Categorical Eligibility	Population Covered	Criteria for Qualifying for TANF/MOE-Funded Service				Effective Date
				Asset Test	Gross Income as % of Poverty Guideline		Net Income as % of Poverty Guideline	
					No Elderly or Disabled in Unit	With Elderly or Disabled in Unit		
Wisconsin	JobNet services	JobNet access information (web link and phone number) is included on all approval and change notices. JobNet is the largest source of job openings in Wisconsin, and can be accessed via the internet or on touch screen monitors at local job centers. All SNAP members are authorized to receive JobNet information.	All households	None	<=200%	<=200%	None	6/13/2004

<sup>a</sup>Texas asset test: Assets <= \$5,000 after excluding up to \$15,000 FMV from highest value vehicle. All other vehicles subject to the federal SNAP vehicle rules with excess values counted towards the \$5,000 asset limit.

Note: Colorado, Hawaii, Iowa, and Tennessee are planning to newly implement BBCE after July 1, 2010. Minnesota will revise their existing BBCE after July 1, 2010.

TABLE B2

NARROW NON-CASH TANF/MOE-FUNDED PROGRAMS THAT CONFER CATEGORICAL  
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State	Program Conferring Categorical Eligibility	Description of Program and Population Covered	Criteria for Qualifying For TANF/MOE-Funded Service		Effective Date
			Asset Test	Gross Income as % of Poverty Guideline	
Alaska	TANF post-recipient case management services	Households that left TANF with employment are eligible and can receive case management services that confer catel.	None	<= 185% (of AK's Temporary Assistance Need Standard - not the FPL).	7/1/2001
Arizona	Child Care Services	Provides child care. Meets purposes 1 and 2 of TANF.	None	<=165%	Prior to 1/1/2001
	Jobs Administration Services	Provides employment assistance.	None	<=165%	Prior to 1/1/2001
Arkansas	Mentoring Services	Available to households following closure of TANF cash assistance case. Provides mentoring services.	None	Prior TANF recipients	7/1/1997
	Transportation Assistance	Available to households following closure of TANF cash assistance case. Transportation assistance for families.	None	Prior TANF recipients	7/1/1997
	Case Management Services and extended case management services	Available to households following closure of TANF cash assistance case. Case management support.	None	Prior TANF recipients	7/1/1997

Table B2, Continued

State	Program Conferring Categorical Eligibility	Description of Program and Population Covered	Criteria for Qualifying For TANF/MOE-Funded Service		Effective Date
			Asset Test	Gross Income as % of Poverty Guideline	
California	Two Parent Family Program	State-funded with MOE funds	None	<=180%	Prior to 1/1/2001
Colorado	Family Preservation/ Emergency Service	This is a Child Welfare program to assist families who have children that are at risk of being placed out of the home. The program provides Homebase Intervention, Family Counseling and Therapy, Life Skills, Day Treatment, etc. Purpose 1 of TANF.	None	Not Available	Prior to 1/1/2001
Connecticut	Child Care Assistance Program	Subsidizes child day care costs	None	<=300%	1/1/2001
	T-RAP (Temporary Rental Assistance Program)	Assistance with paying rent.	None	<=50% median income limit for residence area	10/1/2001
Florida	Healthy Families Florida	Services offered to expectant families and families of newborns that live in targeted high-risk geographic areas and who are voluntarily assessed as having risk factors that place them at risk of child maltreatment and other adverse outcomes. Provides free home visiting services to parents expecting a baby and parents of newborns.	None	<=200%	10/1/2002

Table B2, Continued

State	Program Conferring Categorical Eligibility	Description of Program and Population Covered	Criteria for Qualifying For TANF/MOE-Funded Service		Effective Date
			Asset Test	Gross Income as % of Poverty Guideline	
Georgia	Transitional Work Supplement Payment (TWSP)	Provides a one-time payment to families that are leaving the TANF cash assistance program. TWSP is intended for transportation and other incidental expenses.	None	<=185%	1/1/2001
Hawaii	Employment Subsidy	Provides a monthly payment of \$200 for up to 60 months to TANF households that became ineligible for TANF due to the 60 month time limit. To receive ES the household must be employed a minimum of 19 hours per week for the first 12 months, 20 hours per week for the thirteenth to twenty-fourth month, and 30 hours per week for the twenty-fifth to the sixtieth month.	<=\$5000	<=185%	1/1/2001
	Self-Sufficiency Program	Provides a lump-sum payment equal to 3, 6 or 8 months of benefits.	Prior TANF recipients	Prior TANF recipients	1/1/2001
	Supporting Employment Empowerment (SEE)	A 12 month employment subsidy program whereby the employer receives a wage subsidy and a payment equal to 14% of the subsidy for fringe benefits. The household's wages are budgeted as earned income and the household may or may not be eligible for a TANF assistance payment. If the household is not eligible for a TANF assistance payment the SEE household would still be categorically eligible for SNAP for the 12 month period due to the non-assistance payment to the employer.	Prior TANF recipients	Prior TANF recipients	2006
	Grant Plus (Grant+)	A 12 month work subsidy program whereby the household's assistance payment of \$650 is paid to the employer in exchange for employment.	TANF requirements	TANF requirements	1/1/2001



Table B2, Continued

State	Program Conferring Categorical Eligibility	Description of Program and Population Covered	Criteria for Qualifying For TANF/MOE-Funded Service		Effective Date
			Asset Test	Gross Income as % of Poverty Guideline	
Indiana	Short Term Empowerment Program	Provides service to families with an employment crisis. Examples include a client who is in danger of losing current employment or a client who is unable to accept an offer of employment.	None	<=200%	10/1/2000
Kansas	Four Month Extended Medical	Extends Medicaid benefits to families.	None	<=130%	Prior to 1/1/2001
	TransMed	Transitional Medical Coverage- not to exceed 12 months.	None	<=185%	Prior to 1/1/2001
	Temporary Assistance to Families work- related support services	Work- related support services. Total payments for support services and Education/Job Skills Training/Vocational Education component costs may not exceed \$5,000 per TAF client per twelve month period without approval of the EES Program Administrator on a case-by-case basis. The twelve month period starts the month in which the first payment is authorized and is not affected by breaks in eligibility. Payments for Contracted Employment Services are not included within the \$5,000 limit.	None	<=130%	Prior to 1/1/2001

Table B2, Continued

State	Program Conferring Categorical Eligibility	Description of Program and Population Covered	Criteria for Qualifying For TANF/MOE-Funded Service		Effective Date
			Asset Test	Gross Income as % of Poverty Guideline	
Kentucky	Kinship Care	Provides assistance to relatives caring for children who have been removed from their immediate families	None	<=100%	6/1/2000
	Work Incentive Reimbursement (WIN)	Employed members of a K-TAP case with discontinued earnings may be eligible for Work Incentive (WIN) Reimbursement payments of \$130 per month for up to nine consecutive months	None	<=200%	6/1/2000
	Family Alternative Diversion (FAD)	A TANF diversion program that pays a family's bills for 3 months so it won't go onto cash TANF program (and is ineligible for cash TANF for a year). The family must be TANF eligible to receive the FAD payments.	None	Prior TANF recipients	6/1/2000
Louisiana	STEP	The goal of the Strategies to Empower People (STEP) Program is to provide opportunities for work-eligible families of FITAP to receive job training, employment and supportive services to enable them to become self-sufficient.	None	None	1/1/2003
	Kinship Care Subsidy Program	Provides cash assistance for eligible children who reside with qualified relatives other than their parents	None	None	7/1/2001

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State	Program Conferring Categorical Eligibility	Description of Program and Population Covered	Criteria for Qualifying For TANF/MOE-Funded Service		Effective Date
			Asset Test	Gross Income as % of Poverty Guideline	
Minnesota	Basic Sliding Fee Child Care Program	Child care at subsidized rates.	None	<=47% of state median income	6/1/2001
	Post MFIP Employment Services	MFIP is the state welfare program. This program provides employment services once individual is closed off welfare.	None	<=120%	6/1/2001
	Transition Year Child Care	Child care assistance used to support employment or job search for families who have received MFIP assistance or who were eligible to receive MFIP assistance after choosing to discontinue receipt of the cash portion of MFIP assistance or who have received DWP assistance for at least 3 of the last 6 months before losing eligibility for MFIP or DWP.	None	Prior MFIP recipient	6/1/2001
Missouri	Transportation Related Expense (TRE) or Work Related Expenses (WRE)	This program provides transportation or work related expenses for Temporary Assistance participants for 90 days after the closing of the cash case. Participants receiving this service can be identified through the JCAT screen.	None	None	5/1/2000

Table B2, Continued

State	Program Conferring Categorical Eligibility	Description of Program and Population Covered	Criteria for Qualifying For TANF/MOE-Funded Service		Effective Date
			Asset Test	Gross Income as % of Poverty Guideline	
Missouri <i>(continued)</i>	Child Care	This program provides child care support for participant EUs. Based on the EU's income, the participant may be responsible for a portion of the child care expense based on a sliding scale. In addition, the participant may be responsible for a co-payment to the provider. Participants receiving child care assistance can be identified through the FAMIS Program Participation screen (FM0D).	None	<= 127% to be eligible for regular child care. If >= 127% but <= 139% then eligible for transitional child care. Both of which confer cat el.	5/1/2000
	Community Partnerships (mentoring)	Services are provided to help prepare 16-21 year olds for the job market. The services offered include, but are not limited to the following: Missouri Mentoring	None	None	5/1/2000
Nebraska	Employment First Transitional Supportive Services	Households in which one or more members are authorized to or received Employment First Transitional Supportive Service. Examples of notification of eligibility for transitional supportive services are: A signed Employment First contract; An authorization for Employment First services, other than child care; or proof the Employment First letter was sent to the client.	None	None	6/9/2003
Nevada	Child Care	Child care funded by TANF/MOE funds conferred cat-el for families on transitional TANF.	None	<=185%	Prior to 1/1/2001

Table B2, Continued

State	Program Conferring Categorical Eligibility	Description of Program and Population Covered	Criteria for Qualifying For TANF/MOE-Funded Service		Effective Date
			Asset Test	Gross Income as % of Poverty Guideline	
New Hampshire	Extended Case Management	All individuals who were members of a TANF financial assistance group may receive up to 12 months of extended case management services without completing a new application.	None	Prior TANF recipients	Prior to 1/1/2001
New Jersey	Early Employment Initiative	Immediate up front short term financial assistance to pay for necessary supportive services. Adheres to purpose 2 of TANF.	None	<=250%	Prior to 1/1/2001
	Childcare	Post-TANF childcare benefits to employed households for up to 24 consecutive months. Adheres to purpose 2 of TANF.	None	<=250%	Prior to 1/1/2001
	Medical Support	Extends Medicaid benefits to families who lose eligibility for AFDC-related Medicaid due to employment-related criteria. Meets purpose 2 of TANF.	None	<=250%	Prior to 1/1/2001
	Case Management Counseling Services	Directs eligible post-TANF households to those supportive services which are beneficial to the household's maintenance of active employment. Adheres to purpose 2 of TANF.	None	<=250%	Prior to 1/1/2001
	Transportation Assistance	Post TANF employed households are eligible for subsidized bus passes and other transportation services. Other income eligible employed households who meet income criteria can also participate. Meets purpose 2 of TANF.	None	<=250%	Prior to 1/1/2001

Table B2, Continued

State	Program Conferring Categorical Eligibility	Description of Program and Population Covered	Criteria for Qualifying For TANF/MOE-Funded Service		Effective Date
			Asset Test	Gross Income as % of Poverty Guideline	
New Mexico	Diversion Cash Assistance Program	Provides a lump sum payment in lieu of monthly cash assistance. After receipt of a diversion payment the household is "locked out" of entitlement to cash assistance for a 12-month period. The household is considered CE for the 12-month period.	None	<=85%	2/1/2000
	Education Works Cash Assistance	State-funded cash assistance where at least one member of the benefit group is a full-time student in a post-secondary institution. The program is limited to 24 months and does not count towards the 60-month term limit for TANF cash assistance.	None	<=85%	10/1/2000
North Carolina	Work First Employment Services for Working Low-Income Families	Employment services provided through the TANF Block Grant to assist low-income families. It is for people who don't qualify for TANF cash benefits but that have income <= 200% of poverty. It serves a very small group.	None	<=200%	6/1/2001
	Work First Employment Services for Non-Custodial Parents	Employment services provided through the TANF Block Grant to assist non-custodial parents. It is for people who don't qualify for TANF cash benefits but that have income <= 200% of poverty. It serves a very small group.	None	<=200%	6/1/2001
Ohio	Prevention Retention and Contingency (PRC) Program	Provides benefits and services to support working families and to help those leaving the cash public assistance program retain their job. The benefits are only for 1 month, so the program is not used very often or widely.	None	Varies by county	8/1/2000

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State	Program Conferring Categorical Eligibility	Description of Program and Population Covered	Criteria for Qualifying For TANF/MOE-Funded Service		Effective Date
			Asset Test	Gross Income as % of Poverty Guideline	
Oklahoma	Supportive Services	Assessment services, substance abuse services, literacy and GED, transportation, job placement, abstinence, life skills, vocational training, client reimbursement for work-related expenses (households must have received TANF cash assistance before they are eligible for any of the above services).	Based on Need	Based on Need	1/1/2001
Pennsylvania	ELECT Initiative	The Education Leading to Employment and Career Training program assists eligible expectant and parenting youth to break the cycle of welfare dependence by remaining in school, maintaining regular attendance, obtaining a high school diploma or General Equivalency Diploma (GED) certificate and securing post-graduation employment, education or training that will help them become successful parents and self-sufficient adults. In addition to general self-sufficiency building, programs provide participants with pregnancy prevention information, guidance and services to reduce the incidence of youth pregnancies.	None	Not Available	Prior to 1/1/2001
	Fatherhood Initiative	Pennsylvania's ELECT Fatherhood Initiative is designed to motivate and challenge fathers to become involved in their children's lives through outreach services, individual and group support, and education and skills training activities.	None	Not Available	Prior to 1/1/2001

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State	Program Conferring Categorical Eligibility	Description of Program and Population Covered	Criteria for Qualifying For TANF/MOE-Funded Service		Effective Date
			Asset Test	Gross Income as % of Poverty Guideline	
South Carolina	S.C. Alliance of Boys and Girls Club- After School Enhancement Program	After school program. Meets purpose 3 of TANF.	None	<=200%	6/1/2000
	PACE	Enhancement programs to ensure better progress in school. Meets purpose 3 of TANF.	None	<=185%	6/1/2000
	Horry- The Family Learning Center	Education and parenting services. Meets purpose 2 of TANF.	None	<=200%	7/1/2000
	Columbia Urban League	Leadership Training Institute for youth. Meets purpose 3 of TANF.	None	<=200%	5/1/2000
	Wesley United Methodist Church	After school program at Roosevelt Village. Meets purpose 3 of TANF.	None	<=200%	6/1/2000
	F1 Family Cap Voucher	Voucher/services for family cap babies. Meets purpose 1 of TANF.	None	<=185%	10/1/1996
	F1 Work Experience Training Allowance	Services to aid in training for job applicants. Meets purpose 2 of TANF.	None	<=185%	1/1/1998
	F1 Applicant Support Services	Assistance with job applicants. Meets purpose 2 of TANF.	None	<=185%	10/1/1999



Table B2, Continued

State	Program Conferring Categorical Eligibility	Description of Program and Population Covered	Criteria for Qualifying For TANF/MOE-Funded Service		Effective Date
			Asset Test	Gross Income as % of Poverty Guideline	
South Dakota	Child Care	Households receiving child care assistance	None	<=200%	5/1/2006
Tennessee	Family Services Counseling	It is not necessary for the AG to actually receive FSC services (such as post employment services). The qualifying factor is that the AG is eligible to receive FSC after the AG is closed for cash assistance. Family Services Counseling is limited to 12 months.	None	None	6/1/2001
	Child Care Assistance	TANF funded child care assistance	None	None	6/1/2001
	First Wheels loan	First Wheels – An AG member must actually be eligible for and approved for a First Wheels loan. First Wheels is a very small program and is being phased out.	None	None	6/1/2001
Utah	FEP Emergency Assistance Homeless Prevention Program	Cash assistance or recipients of FEP Emergency Assistance - 24 month transition program to provide services like case management and job search for families after leaving TANF.	None	<=185%	Prior to 1/1/2001

Table B2, Continued

State	Program Conferring Categorical Eligibility	Description of Program and Population Covered	Criteria for Qualifying For TANF/MOE-Funded Service		Effective Date
			Asset Test	Gross Income as % of Poverty Guideline	
Vermont	Vermont EITC	VT State EITC (not federal EITC) is funded with TANF-MOE funds and confers cat el for SNAP for one year only. Very small program (maybe 20,000).	None	Same as Federal EITC	7/1/2001
	Post secondary Education Program (PSE)	Pays for parents to attend school, and since it is funded with TANF-MOE funds, they are cat el for SNAP while in school (very small program).	None	<=150%	7/1/2001
Virginia	Programs through TANF/MOE funds (ie Transitional Transportation Program- following closure of TANF cash case)	Any household in which at least one person receives or is authorized to receive services funded through the TANF block grant also will be categorically eligible. We would consider as PA any household where at least one person gets a service paid out of the block grant or the MOE funding. There is no list of the programs that confer cat-el. Workers are not aware if individuals are coming in due to block grant programs or not. Does not seem to affect a large number of individuals.	None	<=200%	6/1/2001
West Virginia	Supportive Service payments	Enable those leaving cash assistance for employment to continue that employment	None	<=185%	5/1/2000
	School Clothing Allowance	Stipend for buying school clothes.	None	<=100%	5/1/2000

Table B2, Continued

State	Program Conferring Categorical Eligibility	Description of Program and Population Covered	Criteria for Qualifying For TANF/MOE-Funded Service		Effective Date
			Asset Test	Gross Income as % of Poverty Guideline	
Wisconsin	W-2 TANF Cash Payment Programs	Various programs provide cash payment and employment services intended to help participants overcome barriers to employment, obtain employment, and become self-sufficient. Purposes 1, 2, 4 of TANF.	None	<=115% <=165% for Employment Skills Advancement Program	Prior to 1/1/2001
	Caretaker Supplement Program	Provides a cash payment to custodial parents who are SSI recipients. Purposes 1 of TANF.	None	TANF eligibility	Prior to 1/1/2001
	Child Care Assistance Program	Provides payments to child care providers on behalf of eligible participants to offset daycare costs incurred by the participants in order for them to obtain and maintain employment. Purpose 2 of TANF.	None	<=185%, once eligible family can remain in program up to 200%	Prior to 1/1/2001
	Welfare to Work Program	Provides employment services including job placement, job retention, and job advancement to TANF recipients, former TANF recipients who have exhausted 60 month clock but still meet TANF eligibility requirements, and noncustodial parents of children receiving TANF benefits. Purpose 1, 2, 4 of TANF.	None	<=200%	Prior to 1/1/2001

Table B2, Continued

State	Program Conferring Categorical Eligibility	Description of Program and Population Covered	Criteria for Qualifying For TANF/MOE-Funded Service		Effective Date
			Asset Test	Gross Income as % of Poverty Guideline	
Wisconsin (continued)	Children First	A work experience program for non-custodial parents who fail to pay child support due to unemployment or underemployment. Purposes 1, 2 of TANF.	None	Avg weekly gross income less than 40 times minimum wage or court determines the non-custodial parent is earning less than their capacity.	Prior to 1/1/2001
	Milwaukee Jobs Initiative	Provides assessment, referral and placement services for TANF eligible participants. Milwaukee Jobs Initiative matches individuals to family supporting jobs and secures any prerequisite training and supportive services required for placement in these jobs.	None	<=200%	Prior to 1/1/2001
	Tribal TANF Program	Assistance programs administered by five Indian nation communities in Wisconsin. The programs provide economic development, job creation activities and supportive services to assist needy families to prepare for, obtain and retain employment. All 4 purposes of TANF.	None	<=115%	Prior to 1/1/2001
	Kinship Care Program	The program provides a cash payment to eligible caretaker relatives for minor children in their care. There are "child only grants" for care and maintenance of a child placed with relatives. Purpose 1 of TANF.	None	No financial eligibility requirement	Prior to 1/1/2001

\* Sources used for Narrow ECE States include: 2002 State Option Survey Document, 2009 State Option Survey Responses, and 2007 GAO Report

TABLE B3

STATE ASSET RULES FOR VALUING VEHICLES FOR SNAP ELIGIBILITY FOR NON-CATEGORICALLY ELIGIBLE HOUSEHOLDS  
July 1, 2010

State	Exclude All vehicles	Exclude One Vehicle	Treatment of Remaining Vehicles	Other Vehicle Rules	Effective Date
Alabama	yes				Oct-01
Alaska		Per driver	Subject to federal SNAP rules		Oct-01
Arizona	yes				Aug-03
Arkansas		Per unit	Subject to federal SNAP rules		Oct-01
California	yes				Jan-04
Colorado	yes				Aug-03
Connecticut	yes				Jul-07
Delaware			Subject to federal SNAP rules		Aug-01
District of Columbia	yes				Oct-01
Florida				Exclude \$8,500 equity from combined value of as many vehicles as there are people subject to work requirements; if no one subject to work, then exclude \$8,500 equity from one vehicle. <sup>a</sup>	Oct-01
Georgia	yes				Jan-05
Hawaii	yes				Nov-02
Idaho		Per adult	Subject to federal SNAP rules		Jul-07
Illinois		Per unit	Apply the equity value of the remaining vehicles to the asset limit		Oct-01
Indiana	yes				Nov-02
Iowa		Per unit	Subject to federal SNAP rules		Sep-04
Kansas	yes				Oct-01
Kentucky	yes				Oct-01
Louisiana	yes				Oct-01
Maine		Per unit	Subject to federal SNAP rules		Oct-01
Maryland	yes				Oct-01
Massachusetts	yes				Oct-01
Michigan			Subject to federal SNAP rules		Oct-01
Minnesota				Use SNAP rules and count Fair Market Value over \$7,500 of all non-excluded vehicles	Aug-03
Mississippi	yes				Sep-04
Missouri	yes				Oct-01
Montana	yes				Sep-05
Nebraska			Subject to federal SNAP rules	Exclude 12,000 Fair Market Value for one vehicle per unit	Nov-02
Nevada		Per unit	Subject to federal SNAP rules		Oct-01
New Hampshire		Per adult	Subject to federal SNAP rules		Oct-01

See notes at end of table.

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State	Exclude All	Exclude One	Treatment of Remaining Vehicles	Other Vehicle Rules	Effective Date
New Jersey	yes				Jan-08
New Mexico	yes				Nov-02
New York		Per driver	Subject to federal SNAP rules		Nov-02
North Carolina		Per adult	Subject to federal SNAP rules		Oct-01
North Dakota			Subject to federal SNAP rules		Oct-01
Ohio	yes				Oct-01
Oklahoma		Per driver	Exclude \$5,000 equity from remaining vehicles		Aug-03
Oregon				If not cat el, exclude 10,000 equity from combined value of all vehicles	Oct-01
Pennsylvania		Per unit	Subject to federal SNAP rules		Oct-01
Rhode Island			Subject to federal SNAP rules	Exclude one vehicle per adult up to a maximum of two vehicles.	Aug-03
South Carolina		Per driver	Subject to federal SNAP rules		Oct-01
South Dakota		Per unit	Subject to federal SNAP rules		Oct-01
Tennessee	yes				Sep-04
Texas			Subject to federal SNAP rules		Oct-01
Utah	yes				Jan-07
Vermont			Subject to federal SNAP rules	Exclude one vehicle per adult up to a maximum of two vehicles.	Oct-01
Virginia	yes				Sep-04
Washington			Subject to federal SNAP rules		May-04
West Virginia	yes				Oct-01
Wisconsin	yes				Jun-04
Wyoming				Exclude \$12,000 combined Fair Market Value from two vehicles if married, or one if not.	Oct-01

Note: The federal SNAP vehicle rules exclude vehicles with equity under \$1,500 and a limited number of other vehicles based on their use. Of the remaining vehicles, one vehicle for each adult and one vehicle for each teenager who is either in school or working is assessed at the vehicle's fair market value (FMV) minus \$4,650. If there are no adults or qualifying teenagers in the SNAP household, one vehicle is assessed in this manner. Any additional vehicles are assessed at the higher of the vehicle's FMV minus \$4,650 or the vehicle's equity (FMV minus liens).

Note: "Drivers" include adults and teenagers who are either in school or working.

<sup>a</sup>Florida distinguishes between households without workers or individuals subject to work requirements and households with workers or individuals subject to work requirements. For households without workers or individuals subject to work requirements, \$8,500 in equity is excluded from vehicle with highest equity. For households with workers or individuals subject to work requirements, \$8,500 in equity is excluded from the combined equity of one vehicle per nondisabled nonelderly adult. In both cases, remaining vehicles are subject to the federal SNAP rules.

**APPENDIX C**

**NUMBER AND CHARACTERISTICS OF CATEGORICALLY ELIGIBLE SNAP  
HOUSEHOLDS BASED ON FY 2008 SNAP QC DATA**

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TABLE C1

DISTRIBUTION OF CATEGORICALLY ELIGIBLE SNAP HOUSEHOLDS BY PUBLIC ASSISTANCE (PA) STATUS AND BY STATE  
FISCAL YEAR 2008

State	Categorically Eligible SNAP Households <sup>a</sup>									
	All SNAP Households		All Categorically Eligible Households		Pure Cash PA Households <sup>b</sup>				Non-Cash Categorically Eligible Households <sup>c</sup>	
					With Cash TANF		With Cash SSI/GA Only			
	Number (000s)	Column Percent	Number (000s)	Row Percent	Number (000s)	Row Percent	Number (000s)	Row Percent	Number (000s)	Row Percent
Total	12,465	100.0	7,148	57.3	1,161	9.3	2,641	21.2	3,347	26.8
Alabama	229	1.8	55	24.2	16	7.1	33	14.6	6	2.5
Alaska	21	0.2	6	29.8	2	11.6	3	15.4	1	2.9
Arizona	255	2.0	255	99.9	29	11.5	22	8.6	203	79.8
Arkansas	154	1.2	33	21.2	5	3.4	23	15.1	4	2.7
California	902	7.2	506	56.1	341	37.8	64	7.1	101	11.2
Colorado	108	0.9	33	30.0	1	0.9	25	23.2	6	6.0
Connecticut	117	0.9	49	41.5	13	11.0	33	27.9	3	2.6
Delaware	32	0.3	32	100.0	3	9.2	5	16.7	24	74.1
District of Columbia	46	0.4	20	42.8	11	23.3	7	15.8	2	3.6
Florida	743	6.0	211	28.5	26	3.5	178	24.0	7	0.9
Georgia	413	3.3	281	68.1	16	3.8	59	14.2	207	50.1
Guam	8	0.1	1	18.9	1	11.1	0	4.8	0	3.0
Hawaii	48	0.4	25	51.2	6	12.4	17	34.6	2	4.2
Idaho	40	0.3	9	22.4	1	1.8	8	20.5	0	0.1
Illinois	588	4.7	125	21.2	16	2.7	97	16.5	12	2.0
Indiana	260	2.1	84	32.2	37	14.3	39	15.1	7	2.8
Iowa	112	0.9	32	28.2	11	9.7	18	16.2	3	2.4
Kansas	84	0.7	33	38.9	10	11.4	21	24.7	2	2.8
Kentucky	278	2.2	94	33.7	18	6.4	64	23.1	12	4.2
Louisiana	268	2.2	62	23.1	5	2.0	52	19.4	4	1.7
Maine	84	0.7	54	64.7	12	13.9	18	22.1	24	28.7
Maryland	164	1.3	120	72.9	13	7.9	36	21.8	71	43.3
Massachusetts	265	2.1	236	89.1	37	13.9	100	38.0	98	37.2
Michigan	581	4.7	581	100.0	62	10.7	79	13.7	440	75.7
Minnesota	137	1.1	137	100.0	0	0.0	75	54.6	62	45.4
Mississippi	186	1.5	48	25.9	8	4.1	38	20.7	2	1.1
Missouri	309	2.5	100	32.3	25	8.1	43	13.9	32	10.2

See notes at end of table.

Table C1, Continued

State	Categorically Eligible SNAP Households <sup>a</sup>									
	All SNAP Households		All Categorically Eligible Households		Pure Cash PA Households <sup>b</sup>				Non-Cash Categorically Eligible Households <sup>c</sup>	
					With Cash SSI/GA		With Cash TANF			
	Number	Column	Number	Row	Number	Row	Number	Row	Number	Row
(000s)	Percent	(000s)	Percent	(000s)	Percent	(000s)	Percent	(000s)	Percent	
Montana	35	0.3	10	28.9	2	6.1	7	19.4	1	3.4
Nebraska	52	0.4	18	34.1	6	10.9	9	17.7	3	5.5
Nevada	66	0.5	21	31.9	4	6.3	14	21.7	3	3.9
New Hampshire	31	0.2	12	38.4	3	10.0	8	24.7	1	3.7
New Jersey	207	1.7	111	53.8	31	15.1	72	34.9	8	3.8
New Mexico	93	0.7	31	33.5	13	14.3	16	16.8	2	2.4
New York	1,017	8.2	903	88.8	55	5.4	389	38.3	459	45.1
North Carolina	416	3.3	95	22.8	13	3.0	72	17.3	10	2.5
North Dakota	21	0.2	21	100.0	1	6.6	3	15.4	17	78.0
Ohio	517	4.1	179	34.7	50	9.6	122	23.6	8	1.5
Oklahoma	171	1.4	43	24.9	3	1.9	38	22.5	1	0.5
Oregon	241	1.9	241	100.0	15	6.1	37	15.2	189	78.7
Pennsylvania	554	4.4	263	47.6	65	11.7	185	33.5	13	2.4
Rhode Island	41	0.3	22	52.6	9	22.8	12	28.2	1	1.6
South Carolina	250	2.0	249	99.9	13	5.3	33	13.3	203	81.3
South Dakota	26	0.2	8	30.3	1	3.9	4	15.1	3	11.3
Tennessee	401	3.2	108	26.9	38	9.6	51	12.8	18	4.4
Texas	977	7.8	977	100.0	42	4.3	203	20.7	733	75.0
Utah	53	0.4	18	34.3	3	5.2	9	17.5	6	11.7
Vermont	27	0.2	16	57.6	4	15.3	6	22.3	5	20.0
Virgin Islands	5	0.0	1	20.2	0	6.2	1	12.9	0	1.0
Virginia	240	1.9	79	32.9	22	9.0	54	22.4	4	1.6
Washington	286	2.3	285	99.5	29	10.2	88	30.8	167	58.5
West Virginia	122	1.0	39	32.0	7	5.9	28	23.0	4	3.1
Wisconsin	177	1.4	177	100.0	9	4.9	17	9.5	152	85.6
Wyoming	9	0.1	2	21.9	0	1.5	2	18.8	0	1.7

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<sup>a</sup>Categorically eligible SNAP households are those that are: 1) reported to be categorically eligible by the QC reviewer; or 2) recoded to be categorically eligible after being identified as pure cash PA households, or as meeting state specified criteria for broad-based categorical eligibility.

<sup>b</sup>Pure Cash PA households are those that are categorically eligible because all members receive TANF, SSI, or GA cash benefits.

<sup>c</sup>Non-cash categorically eligible households are those that are categorically eligible but not pure cash PA.

TABLE C2

DISTRIBUTION OF CATEGORICALLY ELIGIBLE SNAP HOUSEHOLDS BY PUBLIC ASSISTANCE (PA) STATUS AND BY  
STATE CATEGORICAL ELIGIBILITY POLICY, FISCAL YEAR 2008

State by Type of Categorical Eligibility	Categorically Eligible SNAP Households <sup>a</sup>										
	All SNAP Households		All Categorically Eligible Households		Pure Cash PA Households <sup>b</sup>				Non-Cash Categorically Eligible Households <sup>c</sup>		
					With Cash SSI/GA		With Cash TANF <sup>c</sup>				
	Number	Column	Number	Row	Number	Row	Number	Row	Number	Row	Column
(000s)	Percent	(000s)	Percent	(000s)	Percent	(000s)	Percent	(000s)	Percent	Percent	
Total	12,465	100.0	7,148	57.3	1,161	9.3	2,641	21.2	3,347	26.8	100.0
Households in States With											
<b>Broad-based Policies</b>	<b>4,900</b>	<b>39.3</b>	<b>4,549</b>	<b>92.8</b>	<b>335</b>	<b>6.8</b>	<b>1,165</b>	<b>23.8</b>	<b>3,050</b>	<b>62.2</b>	<b>91.1</b>
Arizona	255	2.0	255	99.9	29	11.5	22	8.6	203	79.8	6.1
Delaware	32	0.3	32	100.0	3	9.2	5	16.7	24	74.1	0.7
Georgia	413	3.3	281	68.1	16	3.8	59	14.2	207	50.1	6.2
Maine	84	0.7	54	64.7	12	13.9	18	22.1	24	28.7	0.7
Maryland	164	1.3	120	72.9	13	7.9	36	21.8	71	43.3	2.1
Massachusetts	265	2.1	236	89.1	37	13.9	100	38.0	98	37.2	2.9
Michigan	581	4.7	581	100.0	62	10.7	79	13.7	440	75.7	13.1
Minnesota	137	1.1	137	100.0	0	0.0	75	54.6	62	45.4	1.9
New York	1,017	8.2	903	88.8	55	5.4	389	38.3	459	45.1	13.7
North Dakota	21	0.2	21	100.0	1	6.6	3	15.4	17	78.0	0.5
Oregon	241	1.9	241	100.0	15	6.1	37	15.2	189	78.7	5.7
South Carolina	250	2.0	249	99.9	13	5.3	33	13.3	203	81.3	6.1
Texas	977	7.8	977	100.0	42	4.3	203	20.7	733	75.0	21.9
Washington	286	2.3	285	99.5	29	10.2	88	30.8	167	58.5	5.0
Wisconsin	177	1.4	177	100.0	9	4.9	17	9.5	152	85.6	4.5
<b>Narrow Policies</b>	<b>6,266</b>	<b>50.3</b>	<b>2,274</b>	<b>36.3</b>	<b>751</b>	<b>12.0</b>	<b>1,252</b>	<b>20.0</b>	<b>271</b>	<b>4.3</b>	<b>8.1</b>
Alaska	21	0.2	6	29.8	2	11.6	3	15.4	1	2.9	0.0
Arkansas	154	1.2	33	21.2	5	3.4	23	15.1	4	2.7	0.1
California	902	7.2	506	56.1	341	37.8	64	7.1	101	11.2	3.0
Colorado	108	0.9	33	30.0	1	0.9	25	23.2	6	6.0	0.2
Connecticut	117	0.9	49	41.5	13	11.0	33	27.9	3	2.6	0.1
Florida	743	6.0	211	28.5	26	3.5	178	24.0	7	0.9	0.2
Hawaii	48	0.4	25	51.2	6	12.4	17	34.6	2	4.2	0.1
Indiana	260	2.1	84	32.2	37	14.3	39	15.1	7	2.8	0.2
Kansas	84	0.7	33	38.9	10	11.4	21	24.7	2	2.8	0.1
Kentucky	278	2.2	94	33.7	18	6.4	64	23.1	12	4.2	0.4
Louisiana	268	2.2	62	23.1	5	2.0	52	19.4	4	1.7	0.1
Missouri	309	2.5	100	32.3	25	8.1	43	13.9	32	10.2	0.9
Nebraska	52	0.4	18	34.1	6	10.9	9	17.7	3	5.5	0.1
Nevada	66	0.5	21	31.9	4	6.3	14	21.7	3	3.9	0.1

*Narrow Policies continued on next page*

See notes at end of table.

Table C2, Continued

State by Type of Categorical Eligibility	Categorically Eligible SNAP Households <sup>a</sup>										
	All SNAP Households		All Categorically Eligible Households		Pure Cash PA Households <sup>b</sup>				Non-Cash Categorically Eligible Households <sup>c</sup>		
					With Cash TANF <sup>c</sup>		With Cash SSI/GA Only <sup>d</sup>				
	Number (000s)	Column Percent	Number (000s)	Row Percent	Number (000s)	Row Percent	Number (000s)	Row Percent	Number (000s)	Row Percent	Column Percent
<i>Narrow Policies continued</i>											
New Hampshire	31	0.2	12	38.4	3	10.0	8	24.7	1	3.7	0.0
New Jersey	207	1.7	111	53.8	31	15.1	72	34.9	8	3.8	0.2
New Mexico	93	0.7	31	33.5	13	14.3	16	16.8	2	2.4	0.1
North Carolina	416	3.3	95	22.8	13	3.0	72	17.3	10	2.5	0.3
Ohio	517	4.1	179	34.7	50	9.6	122	23.6	8	1.5	0.2
Oklahoma	171	1.4	43	24.9	3	1.9	38	22.5	1	0.5	0.0
Pennsylvania	554	4.4	263	47.6	65	11.7	185	33.5	13	2.4	0.4
South Dakota	26	0.2	8	30.3	1	3.9	4	15.1	3	11.3	0.1
Tennessee	401	3.2	108	26.9	38	9.6	51	12.8	18	4.4	0.5
Utah	53	0.4	18	34.3	3	5.2	9	17.5	6	11.7	0.2
Vermont	27	0.2	16	57.6	4	15.3	6	22.3	5	20.0	0.2
Virginia	240	1.9	79	32.9	22	9.0	54	22.4	4	1.6	0.1
West Virginia	122	1.0	39	32.0	7	5.9	28	23.0	4	3.1	0.1
<b>Other States<sup>d</sup></b>	<b>1,298</b>	<b>10.4</b>	<b>325</b>	<b>25.0</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>5.8</b>	<b>223</b>	<b>17.2</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>2.0</b>	<b>0.8</b>
Alabama	229	1.8	55	24.2	16	7.1	33	14.6	6	2.5	0.2
District of Columbia	46	0.4	20	42.8	11	23.3	7	15.8	2	3.6	0.0
Guam	8	0.1	1	18.9	1	11.1	0	4.8	0	3.0	0.0
Idaho	40	0.3	9	22.4	1	1.8	8	20.5	0	0.1	0.0
Illinois	588	4.7	125	21.2	16	2.7	97	16.5	12	2.0	0.4
Iowa	112	0.9	32	28.2	11	9.7	18	16.2	3	2.4	0.1
Mississippi	186	1.5	48	25.9	8	4.1	38	20.7	2	1.1	0.1
Montana	35	0.3	10	28.9	2	6.1	7	19.4	1	3.4	0.0
Rhode Island	41	0.3	22	52.6	9	22.8	12	28.2	1	1.6	0.0
Virgin Islands	5	0.0	1	20.2	0	6.2	1	12.9	0	1.0	0.0
Wyoming	9	0.1	2	21.9	0	1.5	2	18.8	0	1.7	0.0

Source: FY 2008 SNAP QC datafile

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<sup>b</sup>Pure Cash PA households are those that are categorically eligible because all members receive TANF, SSI, or GA cash benefits.

<sup>c</sup>Non-cash categorically eligible households are those that are categorically eligible but not pure cash PA.

<sup>d</sup>The group of "Other States" are those that did not report having non-cash TANF-funded programs that conferred categorical eligibility in FY 2008.

However, the SNAP QC data include a small number of non-cash categorically eligible units in these states which may indicate that they have very small TANF-funded non-cash programs serving a small population, or it may reflect QC reporting or recode errors.

TABLE C3

DISTRIBUTION OF CATEGORICALLY ELIGIBLE SNAP HOUSEHOLDS IN BROAD-BASED STATES BY PUBLIC ASSISTANCE (PA)  
STATUS AND BY CRITERIA FOR RECEIVING NON-CASH TANF/MOE-FUNDED SERVICE, FISCAL YEAR 2008

Broad-Based States by Criteria for Receiving Non-Cash TANF/MOE-Funded Service	Categorically Eligible SNAP Households <sup>a</sup>									
	All SNAP Households		All Categorically Eligible Households		Pure Cash PA Households <sup>b</sup>				Non-Cash Categorically Eligible Households <sup>c</sup>	
					With Cash SSI/GA		Only			
	Number	Column	Number	Row	With Cash TANF	Row	Number	Row	Number	Row
(000s)	Percent	(000s)	Percent	(000s)	Percent	(000s)	Percent	(000s)	Percent	
Total in Broad-based States	4,900	100.0	4,549	92.8	335	6.8	1,165	23.8	3,050	62.2
Broad-based States With:										
Gross Screen > 130% of										
Poverty	2,534	52	2,533	100.0	174	6.9	399	15.8	1,960	77.4
Arizona	255	5.2	255	99.9	29	11.5	22	8.6	203	79.8
Delaware	32	0.7	32	100.0	3	9.2	5	16.7	24	74.1
Michigan	581	11.9	581	100.0	62	10.7	79	13.7	440	75.7
North Dakota	21	0.4	21	100.0	1	6.6	3	15.4	17	78.0
Oregon	241	4.9	241	100.0	15	6.1	37	15.2	189	78.7
South Carolina	250	5.1	249	99.9	13	5.3	33	13.3	203	81.3
Texas <sup>d</sup>	977	19.9	977	100.0	42	4.3	203	20.7	733	75.0
Wisconsin	177	3.6	177	100.0	9	4.9	17	9.5	152	85.6
Gross Screen > 130% of										
Poverty For Units with										
Children	512	10.5	410	80.0	61	12.0	155	30.2	194	37.8
Maine	84	1.7	54	64.7	12	13.9	18	22.1	24	28.7
Maryland	164	3.3	120	72.9	13	7.9	36	21.8	71	43.3
Massachusetts	265	5.4	236	89.1	37	13.9	100	38.0	98	37.2
Gross Screen <= 130% of										
Poverty	1,854	38	1,606	86.6	99	5.4	611	33.0	896	48.3
Georgia <sup>e</sup>	413	8.4	281	68.1	16	3.8	59	14.2	207	50.1
Minnesota <sup>d</sup>	137	2.8	137	100.0	0	0.0	75	54.6	62	45.4
New York <sup>e</sup>	1,017	20.8	903	88.8	55	5.4	389	38.3	459	45.1
Washington	286	5.8	285	99.5	29	10.2	88	30.8	167	58.5

Source: FY 2008 SNAP QC datafile

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<sup>b</sup>Pure Cash PA households are those that are categorically eligible because all members receive TANF, SSI, or GA cash benefits.

<sup>c</sup>Non-cash categorically eligible households are those that are categorically eligible but not pure cash PA.

<sup>d</sup>Texas and Minnesota also have an asset test to qualify for the non-cash TANF-funded service.

<sup>e</sup>Georgia and New York implemented broad-based categorical eligibility part way through FY 2008, so they only reflect about six months of the policy.

TABLE C4.1

CATEGORICALLY ELIGIBLE SNAP HOUSEHOLDS BY WHETHER THEY WOULD FAIL SNAP INCOME TESTS IF SUBJECT TO THEM, AND BY TYPE OF CATEGORICAL ELIGIBILITY POLICY, FISCAL YEAR 2008

	Categorically Eligible SNAP Households <sup>a</sup>									
	All SNAP Households		Pure Cash PA Households <sup>b</sup>				Non-Cash Categorically Eligible Households <sup>c</sup>			
			All Categorically Eligible Households		With Cash SSI/GA					
	Number (000s)	Column Percent	Number (000s)	Column Percent	With Cash TANF (000s)	Column Percent	Only (000s)	Column Percent	Number (000s)	Column Percent
Total Households	12,465	100.0	7,148	100.0	1,161	100.0	2,641	100.0	3,347	100.0
Would Fail SNAP Income Tests	196	1.6	196	2.7	11	1.0	31	1.2	154	4.6
Households in States With:										
Broad-Based Policies	4,900	100.0	4,549	100.0	335	100.0	1,165	100.0	3,050	100.0
Would Fail SNAP Income Tests	175	3.6	175	3.9	3	0.8	23	1.9	150	4.9
Narrow Policies	6,266	100.0	2,274	100.0	751	100.0	1,252	100.0	271	100.0
Would Fail SNAP Income Tests	19	0.3	19	0.8	8	1.1	7	0.6	4	1.4
Other States <sup>d</sup>	1,298	100.0	325	100.0	75	100.0	223	100.0	26	100.0
Would Fail SNAP Income Tests	2	0.2	2	0.7	0	0.4	2	0.8	0	0.4

Source: FY 2008 SNAP QC datafile

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<sup>a</sup>Categorically eligible SNAP households are those that are: 1) reported to be categorically eligible by the QC reviewer; or 2) recoded to be categorically eligible after being identified as pure cash PA households, or as meeting state specified criteria for broad-based categorical eligibility.

<sup>b</sup>Pure Cash PA households are those that are categorically eligible because all members receive TANF, SSI, or GA cash benefits.

<sup>c</sup>Non-cash categorically eligible households are those that are categorically eligible but not pure cash PA.

<sup>d</sup>The group of "Other States" are those that did not report having non-cash TANF-funded programs that conferred categorical eligibility in FY 2008.

However, the SNAP QC data include a small number of non-cash categorically eligible units in these states which may indicate that they have very small TANF-funded non-cash programs serving a small population, or it may reflect QC reporting or recode errors.

TABLE C4.2

## INDIVIDUALS IN CATEGORICALLY ELIGIBLE SNAP HOUSEHOLDS BY WHETHER THEY WOULD FAIL SNAP INCOME TESTS IF SUBJECT TO THEM, AND BY TYPE OF CATEGORICAL ELIGIBILITY POLICY, FISCAL YEAR 2008

	Individuals in Categorically Eligible SNAP Households <sup>a</sup>									
	All SNAP Individuals		All Categorically Eligible Households		Pure Cash PA Households <sup>b</sup>				Non-Cash Categorically Eligible Households <sup>c</sup>	
					With Cash TANF		With Cash SSI/GA Only			
	Number (000s)	Column Percent	Number (000s)	Column Percent	Number (000s)	Column Percent	Number (000s)	Column Percent	Number (000s)	Column Percent
Total Individuals	27,791	100.0	14,821	100.0	3,423	100.0	2,868	100.0	8,530	100.0
Would Fail SNAP Income Tests	402	1.4	402	2.7	22	0.6	41	1.4	340	4.0
Individuals in States With:										
Broad-Based Policies	10,704	100.0	9,966	100.0	977	100.0	1,292	100.0	7,697	100.0
Would Fail SNAP Income Tests	363	3.4	363	3.6	5	0.5	28	2.2	330	4.3
Narrow Policies	14,142	100.0	4,329	100.0	2,215	100.0	1,339	100.0	775	100.0
Would Fail SNAP Income Tests	36	0.3	36	0.8	16	0.7	10	0.7	10	1.3
Other States <sup>d</sup>	2,945	100.0	527	100.0	231	100.0	237	100.0	58	100.0
Would Fail SNAP Income Tests	4	0.1	4	0.7	1	0.4	3	1.1	0	0.2

Source: FY 2008 SNAP QC datafile

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<sup>b</sup>Pure Cash PA households are those that are categorically eligible because all members receive TANF, SSI, or GA cash benefits.

<sup>c</sup>Non-cash categorically eligible households are those that are categorically eligible but not pure cash PA.

<sup>d</sup>The group of "Other States" are those that did not report having non-cash TANF-funded programs that conferred categorical eligibility in FY 2008.

However, the SNAP QC data include a small number of non-cash categorically eligible units in these states which may indicate that they have very small TANF-funded non-cash programs serving a small population, or it may reflect QC reporting or recode errors.

TABLE C4.3

BENEFITS TO CATEGORICALLY ELIGIBLE HOUSEHOLDS BY WHETHER THEY WOULD FAIL SNAP INCOME TESTS IF SUBJECT TO THEM, AND BY TYPE OF CATEGORICAL ELIGIBILITY POLICY, FISCAL YEAR 2008

	Benefits to Categorically Eligible SNAP Households <sup>a</sup>									
	Total SNAP Benefits		All Categorically Eligible Households		Pure Cash PA Households <sup>b</sup>				Non-Cash Categorically Eligible Households <sup>c</sup>	
					With Cash TANF <sup>c</sup>		With Cash SSI/GA Only <sup>d</sup>			
	Amount	Column	Amount	Column	Amount	Column	Amount	Column	Amount	Column
(000s)	Percent	(000s)	Percent	(000s)	Percent	(000s)	Percent	(000s)	Percent	
Total Benefits	\$2,772,510	100.0	\$1,459,934	100.0	\$361,984	100.0	\$250,753	100.0	\$847,197	100.0
To Households That Would Fail Income Tests	6,520	0.2	6,520	0.4	157	0.0	315	0.1	6,049	0.7
Benefits to Households in States With:										
Broad-Based Policies	1,061,535	100.0	981,563	100.0	104,612	100.0	117,864	100.0	759,088	100.0
Would Fail Income Tests	6,080	0.6	6,080	0.6	50	0.0	228	0.2	5,802	0.8
Narrow Policies	1,408,412	100.0	430,305	100.0	232,740	100.0	115,186	100.0	82,379	100.0
Would Fail Income Tests	418	0.0	418	0.1	103	0.0	69	0.1	246	0.3
Other States <sup>d</sup>	302,563	100.0	48,065	100.0	24,632	100.0	17,703	100.0	5,730	100.0
Would Fail Income Tests	22	0.0	22	0.0	3	0.0	18	0.1	1	0.0

Source: FY 2008 SNAP QC datafile

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<sup>c</sup>Non-cash categorically eligible households are those that are categorically eligible but not pure cash PA.

<sup>d</sup>The group of "Other States" are those that did not report having non-cash TANF-funded programs that conferred categorical eligibility in FY 2008. However, the SNAP QC data include a small number of non-cash categorically eligible units in these states which may indicate that they have very small TANF-funded non-cash programs serving a small population, or it may reflect QC reporting or recode errors.



TABLE C5

DISTRIBUTION OF NON-CASH CATEGORICALLY ELIGIBLE SNAP HOUSEHOLDS IN BROAD-BASED STATES BY WHETHER THEY WOULD FAIL SNAP INCOME TESTS IF SUBJECT TO THEM, AND BY STATE, FISCAL YEAR 2008

	Non-Cash Categorically Eligible Households <sup>a</sup>		
	Total	Would Fail SNAP Income Tests If Subject To Them	
		Number (000s)	Number (000s)
Total Households	3,347	154	4.6
Households in States With:			
Broad-based Policies	3,050	150	4.9
Gross Screen > 130% of Poverty	1,960	119	6.1
Arizona	203	11	5.4
Delaware	24	2	10.6
Michigan	440	39	8.8
North Dakota	17	1	5.6
Oregon	189	18	9.7
South Carolina	203	0	0.1
Texas <sup>b</sup>	733	31	4.2
Wisconsin	152	16	10.3
Gross Screen > 130% of Poverty For Units with Children	194	17	8.7
Maine	24	3	11.1
Maryland	71	5	6.9
Massachusetts	98	9	9.4
Gross Screen <= 130% of Poverty	896	14	1.6
Georgia <sup>c</sup>	207	0	0.1
Minnesota <sup>b</sup>	62	1	1.5
New York <sup>c</sup>	459	11	2.4
Washington	167	2	1.3

Source: FY 2008 SNAP QC datafile

<sup>a</sup> Non-cash categorically eligible households are those that are categorically eligible but not pure cash PA.

<sup>b</sup> Texas and Minnesota also have an asset test to qualify for the non-cash TANF-funded service.

<sup>c</sup> Georgia and New York implemented broad-based categorical eligibility part way through FY 2008, so they only reflect about six months of the policy.

TABLE C6.1

## CHARACTERISTICS OF CATEGORICALLY ELIGIBLE SNAP HOUSEHOLDS THAT WOULD FAIL SNAP INCOME TESTS IF SUBJECT TO THEM, BY PUBLIC ASSISTANCE (PA) STATUS, FISCAL YEAR 2008

Characteristics	Categorically Eligible SNAP Households That Would Fail SNAP Income Tests <sup>a</sup>									
	All SNAP Households		All Categorically Eligible Households		Pure Cash PA Households <sup>b</sup>				Non-Cash Categorically Eligible Individuals <sup>c</sup>	
					With Cash TANF		With Cash SSI/GA Only			
	Number	Column	Number	Column	Number	Column	Number	Column	Number	Column
(000s)	Percent	(000s)	Percent	(000s)	Percent	(000s)	Percent	(000s)	Percent	
<b>Total Households</b>	12,465	100.0	196	100.0	11	100.0	31	100.0	154	100.0
<b>Household Composition</b>										
Households With:										
Children	6,341	50.9	101	51.6	11	97.4	2	6.7	88	57.4
Under Age 5	3,403	27.3	52	26.7	3	25.5	0	0.9	49	32.0
Age 5-17	4,776	38.3	69	35.0	9	81.4	2	5.8	58	37.6
Elderly Individuals	2,312	18.5	40	20.3	1	11.5	12	37.2	27	17.5
Disabled Nonelderly Individuals <sup>d</sup>	2,821	22.6	47	23.7	1	5.0	24	77.4	22	14.1
Single Adults with Children	3,995	32.0	69	35.4	7	60.1	2	5.7	61	39.6
Noncitizens <sup>e</sup>	693	5.6	14	7.3	2	18.8	3	8.1	10	6.3
Citizen Children Living with Adult Noncitizens <sup>f</sup>	932	7.5	16	8.1	4	32.3	0	0.0	12	8.0
<b>Countable Income Source and Assets</b>										
Households With:										
Earned Income	3,640	29.2	124	63.4	10	86.5	7	21.5	108	70.3
Unearned Income	8,171	65.5	132	67.4	11	100.0	31	100.0	90	58.4
TANF Income	1,321	10.6	12	6.2	11	100.0	0	0.0	1	0.7
GA Income	639	5.1	7	3.5	0	0.0	5	14.8	2	1.5
SSI	3,278	26.3	40	20.2	1	5.0	30	94.9	9	6.1
Social Security Income	3,064	24.6	65	33.3	1	7.1	16	49.5	49	31.9
Countable Assets	3,421	27.4	62	31.8	5	45.6	7	21.1	51	33.0
<b>Gross Income as Percent of Poverty Level</b>										
At or Below 100% of Poverty	10,819	86.8	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
No income	1,986	15.9	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
1-50 percent	3,093	24.8	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
51-100 percent	5,741	46.1	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Above 100% of Poverty Level	1,646	13.2	196	100.0	11	100.0	31	100.0	154	100.0
101-130 percent	1,360	10.9	34	17.5	0	2.2	19	61.1	15	9.7
131-185 percent	260	2.1	141	72.1	8	68.9	8	26.6	125	81.6
186-200 percent	12	0.1	8	4.2	1	10.3	1	1.9	7	4.2
201+ percent	13	0.1	12	6.2	2	18.5	3	10.3	7	4.5

See notes at end of table.

Table C6.1, Continued

Characteristics	Categorically Eligible SNAP Households That Would Fail SNAP Income Tests <sup>a</sup>									
	All SNAP Households		All Categorically Eligible Households		Pure Cash PA Households <sup>b</sup>				Non-Cash	
					With Cash TANF <sup>c</sup>		With Cash SSI/GA Only <sup>d</sup>		Categorically Eligible Individuals <sup>e</sup>	
	Number (000s)	Column Percent	Number (000s)	Column Percent	Number (000s)	Column Percent	Number (000s)	Column Percent	Number (000s)	Column Percent
<b>Household Size</b>										
1	5,671	45.5	73	37.4	1	13.5	22	69.9	50	32.5
2	2,465	19.8	81	41.2	9	81.9	9	29.7	62	40.6
3+	4,329	34.7	42	21.4	1	4.7	0	0.3	41	26.9
<b>Metropolitan Status</b>										
Urban	11,325	90.9	181	92.5	11	98.5	28	88.4	143	92.9
Rural	1,098	8.8	15	7.5	0	1.5	4	11.6	11	7.1
<b>Monthly Benefit as a Percent of Maximum</b>										
Minimum	836	6.7	138	70.4	10	90.4	31	99.7	97	62.9
0-24 percent <sup>g</sup>	970	7.8	36	18.6	1	7.2	0	0.3	36	23.1
25-50 percent	2,012	16.1	20	10.0	0	2.3	0	0.0	19	12.6
51-75 percent	2,242	18.0	2	1.1	0	0.0	0	0.0	2	1.4
76-99 percent	2,258	18.1	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Maximum	4,146	33.3	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0

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<sup>b</sup>Pure Cash PA households are those in which all members receive TANF, SSI, or GA cash benefits.

<sup>c</sup>Non-cash categorically eligible households are those that are categorically eligible but not pure cash PA.

<sup>d</sup>Units with disabled nonelderly individuals are those with either (1) nonelderly SSI-recipients, (2) medical expense deduction and no elderly individuals, or (3) nonelderly individuals who do not appear to be working and who are receiving Social Security, veteran's benefits, or worker's compensation. We recommend caution when using this row with the understanding that it probably undercounts the number of units with disabled individuals.

<sup>e</sup>Noncitizens who are eligible and participating. They do not include those who are outside the SNAP unit but reside in the same household.

<sup>f</sup>Citizen children living in a household with a noncitizen adult, regardless of SNAP participation or eligibility status of the adult.

<sup>g</sup>Units receiving the minimum benefit are excluded from this row.

TABLE C6.2

CHARACTERISTICS OF INDIVIDUALS IN CATEGORICALLY ELIGIBLE SNAP HOUSEHOLDS THAT WOULD FAIL SNAP INCOME TESTS IF SUBJECT TO THEM, BY PUBLIC ASSISTANCE (PA) STATUS, FISCAL YEAR 2008

Characteristics	Individuals in Categorically Eligible SNAP Households That Would Fail SNAP Income Tests <sup>a</sup>									
	All SNAP Individuals		All Categorically Eligible Households		Pure Cash PA Households <sup>b</sup>				Non-Cash Categorically Eligible Households <sup>c</sup>	
					With Cash TANF		With Cash SSI/GA Only			
	Number (000s)	Column Percent	Number (000s)	Column Percent	Number (000s)	Column Percent	Number (000s)	Column Percent	Number (000s)	Column Percent
<b>Total Individuals</b>	27,791	100.0	402	100	22	100.0	41	100.0	340	100.0
<b>Household Composition</b>										
Individuals in Households With:										
Children	20,890	75.2	280	69.7	21	98.7	4	10.6	255	75.0
Under Age 5	11,750	42.3	156	38.9	6	27.6	1	1.9	150	44.1
Age 5-17	16,932	60.9	202	50.2	18	82.4	4	8.7	181	53.2
Elderly Individuals	2,939	10.6	56	13.9	2	10.4	17	42.0	36	10.7
Disabled Nonelderly Individuals <sup>d</sup>	5,706	20.5	77	19.2	2	8.0	33	81.2	42	12.4
Single Adults with Children	12,247	44.1	170	42.2	14	65.1	4	8.8	152	44.7
Noncitizens <sup>e</sup>	1,822	6.6	38	9.4	3	14.9	4	8.8	31	9.1
Citizen Children Living with Adult Noncitizens <sup>f</sup>	2,663	9.6	42	10.5	7	31.7	0	0.0	35	10.4
<b>Countable Income Source and Assets</b>										
Individuals in Households With:										
Earned Income	11,100	39.9	295	73.3	18	83.2	7	18.0	269	79.3
Unearned Income	17,467	62.8	237	59.0	22	100.0	41	100.0	175	51.4
TANF Income	4,106	14.8	25	6.2	22	100.0	0	0.0	3	1.0
GA Income	988	3.6	12	3.1	0	0.0	7	16.4	6	1.6
SSI	5,890	21.2	66	16.4	2	8.0	39	96.1	25	7.3
Social Security Income	4,886	17.6	105	26.0	1	5.9	22	54.2	81	23.9
Countable Assets	8,003	28.8	139	34.6	10	45.6	9	21.5	120	35.4
<b>Gross Income as Percent of Poverty Level</b>										
At or Below 100% of Poverty	23,972	86.3	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
No income	3,574	12.9	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
1-50 percent	8,490	30.5	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
51-100 percent	11,908	42.8	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Above 100% of Poverty Level	3,819	13.7	402	100.0	22	100.0	41	100.0	340	100.0
101-130 percent	3,305	11.9	62	15.4	1	4.5	28	67.9	33	9.8
131-185 percent	475	1.7	308	76.7	15	67.5	9	22.8	284	83.8
186-200 percent	19	0.1	15	3.6	2	10.5	1	1.5	12	3.4
201+ percent	19	0.1	17	4.3	4	17.6	3	7.9	10	3.0

See notes at end of table.

Table C6.2, Continued

Characteristics	Individuals in Categorically Eligible SNAP Households That Would Fail Income Tests <sup>a</sup>									
	All SNAP Individuals		All Categorically Eligible Households		Pure Cash PA Households <sup>b</sup>				Non-Cash Categorically Eligible Households <sup>c</sup>	
					With Cash TANF		With Cash SSI/GA Only			
	Number (000s)	Column Percent	Number (000s)	Column Percent	Number (000s)	Column Percent	Number (000s)	Column Percent	Number (000s)	Column Percent
<b>Household Size</b>										
1	5,671	20.4	73	18.3	1	6.9	22	53.5	50	14.7
2	4,930	17.7	162	40.2	18	83.5	19	45.5	125	36.7
3+	17,190	61.9	167	41.6	2	9.6	0	1.0	165	48.5
<b>Metropolitan Status</b>										
Urban	25,238	90.8	373	92.7	21	98.5	36	86.9	316	93.0
Rural	2,511	9.0	29	7.3	0	1.5	5	13.1	24	7.0
<b>Monthly Benefit as a Percent of Maximum</b>										
Minimum	978	3.5	206	51.2	19	86.6	41	99.0	147	43.2
0-24 percent <sup>g</sup>	2,002	7.2	134	33.4	3	12.2	0	1.0	131	38.7
25-50 percent	4,638	16.7	55	13.8	0	1.2	0	0.0	55	16.3
51-75 percent	5,882	21.2	6	1.6	0	0.0	0	0.0	6	1.9
76-99 percent	6,348	22.8	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Maximum	7,944	28.6	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0

Source: FY 2008 SNAP QC datafile

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<sup>c</sup> Non-cash categorically eligible households are those that are categorically eligible but not pure cash PA.

<sup>d</sup> Units with disabled nonelderly individuals are those with either (1) nonelderly SSI-recipients, (2) medical expense deduction and no elderly individuals, or (3) nonelderly individuals who do not appear to be working and who are receiving Social Security, veteran's benefits, or worker's compensation. We recommend caution when using this row with the understanding that it probably undercounts the number of units with disabled individuals.

<sup>e</sup>Noncitizens who are eligible and participating. They do not include those who are outside the SNAP unit but reside in the same household.

<sup>f</sup>Citizen children living in a household with a noncitizen adult, regardless of SNAP participation or eligibility status of the adult.

<sup>g</sup> Units receiving the minimum benefit are excluded from this row.

TABLE C6.3

BENEFITS TO CATEGORICALLY ELIGIBLE SNAP HOUSEHOLDS THAT WOULD FAIL SNAP INCOME TESTS IF SUBJECT TO THEM, BY PUBLIC ASSISTANCE (PA) STATUS, FISCAL YEAR 2008

Characteristics	Benefits to Categorically Eligible SNAP Households That Would Fail SNAP Income Tests <sup>a</sup>									
	Total SNAP Households		All Categorically Eligible Households		Pure Cash PA Households <sup>b</sup>				Non-Cash Categorically Eligible Households <sup>c</sup>	
	Amount (000s)	Column Percent	Amount (000s)	Column Percent	With Cash TANF		With Cash SSI/GA Only		Amount (000s)	Column Percent
					Amount (000s)	Column Percent	Amount (000s)	Column Percent		
<b>Total Households</b>	\$2,772,510	100.0	\$6,520	100	\$157	100.0	\$315	100.0	\$6,049	100.0
<b>Household Composition</b>										
Households With:										
Children	2,085,762	75.2	5,401	82.8	154	98.1	22	7.0	5,226	86.4
Under Age 5	1,202,851	43.4	3,487	53.5	55	35.1	4	1.2	3,428	56.7
Age 5-17	1,646,423	59.4	3,650	56.0	109	69.8	18	5.8	3,522	58.2
Elderly Individuals	218,455	7.9	399	6.1	13	8.1	117	37.1	270	4.5
Disabled Nonelderly Individuals <sup>d</sup>	449,212	16.2	520	8.0	6	3.8	244	77.5	270	4.5
Single Adults with Children	1,277,898	46.1	3,224	49.4	80	51.0	18	5.7	3,126	51.7
Noncitizens <sup>e</sup>	178,304	6.4	549	8.4	21	13.3	26	8.1	502	8.3
Citizen Children Living with Adult Noncitizens <sup>f</sup>	281,128	10.1	600	9.2	58	36.8	0	0.0	542	9.0
<b>Countable Income Source and Assets</b>										
Households With:										
Earned Income	960,419	34.6	5,697	87.4	141	90.2	68	21.5	5,488	90.7
Unearned Income	1,616,921	58.3	2,616	40.1	157	100.0	315	100.0	2,145	35.5
TANF Income	425,301	15.3	269	4.1	157	100.0	0	0.0	112	1.9
GA Income	110,043	4.0	92	1.4	0	0.0	47	15.1	45	0.7
SSI	471,252	17.0	450	6.9	6	3.8	299	94.9	146	2.4
Social Security Income	348,769	12.6	820	12.6	8	5.0	156	49.6	656	10.8
Countable Assets	698,450	25.2	2,214	34.0	65	41.8	66	21.0	2,082	34.4
<b>Gross Income as Percent of Poverty Level</b>										
At or Below 100% of Poverty	2,618,783	94.5	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
No income	527,031	19.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
1-50 percent	1,089,236	39.3	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
51-100 percent	1,002,517	36.2	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Above 100% of Poverty Level	153,726	5.5	6,520	100.0	157	100.0	315	100.0	6,049	100.0
101-130 percent	140,696	5.1	499	7.7	4	2.3	193	61.2	303	5.0
131-185 percent	12,383	0.4	5,812	89.1	121	77.4	84	26.6	5,607	92.7
186-200 percent	413	0.0	86	1.3	11	7.3	6	1.9	68	1.1
201+ percent	235	0.0	123	1.9	20	13.1	32	10.3	70	1.2

See notes at end of table.

Table C6.3, Continued

Characteristics	Categorically Eligible SNAP Households That Would Fail SNAP Income Tests <sup>a</sup>										
	All SNAP Households		All Categorically Eligible Households		Pure Cash PA Households <sup>b</sup>				Non-Cash Categorically Eligible Households <sup>c</sup>		
					With Cash TANF <sup>c</sup>		With Cash SSI/GA Only <sup>d</sup>				
	Amount (000s)	Column Percent	Amount (000s)	Column Percent	Amount (000s)	Column Percent	Amount (000s)	Column Percent	Amount (000s)	Column Percent	
<b>Household Size</b>											
1	597,521	21.6	834	12.8	30	19.0	219	69.8	585	9.7	
2	517,732	18.7	1,607	24.6	99	63.0	93	29.7	1,415	23.4	
3+	1,657,257	59.8	4,080	62.6	28	17.9	2	0.6	4,050	66.9	
<b>Metropolitan Status</b>											
Urban	2,537,574	91.5	6,138	94.1	155	99.0	277	88.2	5,706	94.3	
Rural	231,438	8.3	383	5.9	2	1.0	37	11.8	344	5.7	
<b>Monthly Benefit as a Percent of Maximum</b>											
Minimum	8,360	0.3	1,380	21.2	100	63.8	313	99.4	968	16.0	
0-24 percent <sup>e</sup>	45,904	1.7	2,002	30.7	39	25.0	2	0.6	1,961	32.4	
25-50 percent	253,959	9.2	2,636	40.4	18	11.2	0	0.0	2,618	43.3	
51-75 percent	524,679	18.9	503	7.7	0	0.0	0	0.0	503	8.3	
76-99 percent	775,731	28.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	
Maximum	1,163,876	42.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	

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<sup>d</sup>Units with disabled nonelderly individuals are those with either (1) nonelderly SSI-recipients, (2) medical expense deduction and no elderly individuals, or (3) nonelderly individuals who do not appear to be working and who are receiving Social Security, veteran's benefits, or worker's compensation. We recommend caution when using this row with the understanding that it probably undercounts the number of units with disabled individuals.

<sup>e</sup>Noncitizens who are eligible and participating. They do not include those who are outside the SNAP unit but reside in the same household.

<sup>f</sup>Citizen children living in a household with a noncitizen adult, regardless of SNAP participation or eligibility status of the adult.

<sup>g</sup>Units receiving the minimum benefit are excluded from this row.

TABLE C7

AVERAGE SNAP BENEFITS, INCOME AND DEDUCTION AMOUNTS, HOUSEHOLD SIZE, AND CERTIFICATION PERIOD OF  
CATEGORICALLY ELIGIBLE SNAP HOUSEHOLDS THAT WOULD FAIL SNAP INCOME TESTS IF SUBJECT TO THEM, BY PUBLIC  
ASSISTANCE (PA) STATUS, FISCAL YEAR 2008

	Categorically Eligible SNAP Households That Would Fail SNAP Income Tests <sup>a</sup>				
	All SNAP Households	All Categorically Eligible Households	Pure Cash PA Households <sup>b</sup>		Non-Cash Categorically Eligible Households <sup>c</sup>
			With Cash TANF	With Cash SSI/GA Only	
Average Values	Average Value (\$)	Average Value (\$)	Average Value (\$)	Average Value (\$)	Average Value (\$)
SNAP Benefit	222	33	14	10	39
SNAP Benefit (Excluding Minimum)	238	88	54	18	89
Gross Income	701	1,768	1,980	1,423	1,824
Gross Income (When Positive)	834	1,768	1,980	1,423	1,824
Net Income	335	1,223	1,372	1,211	1,215
Net Income (When Positive)	506	1,223	1,372	1,211	1,215
Income By Type (When Positive)					
Earned Income	950	1,702	1,539	1,003	1,760
Unearned Income	646	1,023	648	1,207	1,005
TANF Income	391	441	445	0	408
GA Income	216	313	0	366	205
SSI	497	707	1,305	755	519
SSI or GA Income	475	701	1,305	771	475
Social Security Income	672	944	527	580	1,066
Child Support Income	309	332	211	429	331
Deductions	442	545	608	212	609
Deductions (When Positive)	443	545	608	212	609
SNAP Household Size	2.2	2.1	2.0	1.3	2.2
SNAP Certification Period	12	12	11	21	10

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TABLE C.8

## DEDUCTIONS OF CATEGORICALLY ELIGIBLE SNAP HOUSEHOLDS THAT WOULD FAIL SNAP INCOME TESTS IF SUBJECT TO THEM, BY PUBLIC ASSISTANCE (PA) STATUS, FISCAL YEAR 2008

	Categorically Eligible SNAP Households That Would Fail SNAP Income Tests <sup>a</sup>									
	All SNAP Households		Pure Cash PA Households <sup>b</sup>						Non-Cash Categorically Eligible Households <sup>c</sup>	
			All Categorically Eligible Households		With Cash TANF		With Cash SSI/GA Only			
	Percent With Deduction	Average Amount of Deduction <sup>d</sup>	Percent With Deduction	Average Amount of Deduction <sup>d</sup>	Percent With Deduction	Average Amount of Deduction <sup>d</sup>	Percent With Deduction	Average Amount of Deduction <sup>d</sup>	Percent With Deduction	Average Amount of Deduction <sup>d</sup>
<b>Total Deductions</b>	98.3	\$443	100.0	\$545	100.0	\$608	100.0	\$212	100.0	\$609
Earned Income Deduction	29.1	190	63.4	340	86.5	307	21.5	200	70.3	352
Excess Shelter Deduction	71.1	319	54.2	248	58.7	303	22.3	149	60.4	252
Shelter Expense	83.2	610	90.9	774	94.6	969	74.0	490	94.1	805
Dependent Care Deduction	4.2	157	12.5	210	2.9	180	0.0	0	15.7	211
Medical Deduction	4.2	131	10.6	121	11.5	196	5.2	30	11.6	124
Child Support Expense Deduction	1.7	215	5.8	318	0.0	0	0.0	0	7.4	318

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<sup>d</sup>Average deduction amounts are over households with the deduction.

TABLE C9

## CATEGORICALLY ELIGIBLE SNAP HOUSEHOLDS BY PUBLIC ASSISTANCE (PA) STATUS AND FISCAL YEAR

Fiscal Year	All SNAP Households		Categorically Eligible SNAP Households <sup>a</sup>							
			All Categorically Eligible Households		Pure Cash PA Households <sup>b</sup>				Non-Cash Categorically Eligible Households <sup>c</sup>	
	With Cash				With Cash SSI/GA Only					
	Number (000s)	Column Percent	Number (000s)	Row Percent	Number (000s)	Row Percent	Number (000s)	Row Percent	Number (000s)	Row Percent
FY 2003	8,971	100.0	4,948	55.1	1,385	15.4	2,030	22.6	1,532	17.1
FY 2004	10,070	100.0	5,521	54.8	1,475	14.7	2,173	21.6	1,873	18.6
FY 2005	10,854	100.0	5,768	53.1	1,437	13.2	2,325	21.4	2,005	18.5
FY 2006	11,315	100.0	5,915	52.3	1,325	11.7	2,501	22.1	2,089	18.5
FY 2007	11,563	100.0	6,017	52.0	1,259	10.9	2,610	22.6	2,148	18.6
FY 2008	12,465	100.0	7,148	57.3	1,161	9.3	2,641	21.2	3,347	26.8

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