

Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program

The Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) program is intended to move low-income families from public assistance to self-sufficiency by providing cash assistance along with work readiness, training and job placement services.



Who does TANF serve?

The TANF program helps families with children under age 18 or who will graduate or receive their GED by age 19 and are deprived of parental support or care. A child is considered deprived of parental support when a parent is absent due to divorce, separation, death or one or both parents are aged or disabled. This includes a deprived child or children who are living with:

- One parent
- A two-parent family (in which one or both parents are aged or disabled)
- A family member
- A woman in her third trimester of pregnancy

Asset Limits

Assets limits are \$3,000 for one individual, \$6,000 for a household of two individuals, and an additional \$25 per person for households of three and more.

Program Requirements

Cooperation with Child Support

- Individuals are required to cooperate with child support while receiving TANF unless they have good cause.

Work requirement

- TANF has a work requirement which combines components of education, training and employment to enable participants to become self-sufficient. This is offered through the JOBS Program, Jobs Opportunity and Basic Skills.

Program Limits:

Individuals may receive TANF up to 60 months within your lifetime. **Note:** There are some exceptions to this limit.

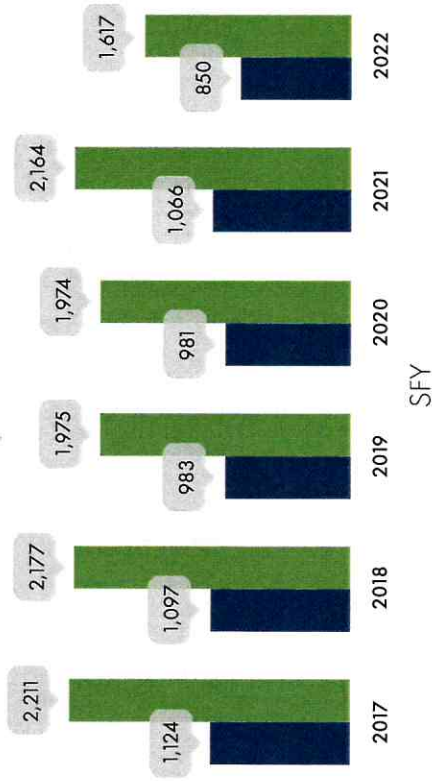
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Average Number of TANF Families and Children Served by State Fiscal Year

Average Number of Families and Children Served Monthly by State Fiscal Year



Number of Families and Children Served by County in State Fiscal Year 2022



* Averages less than one have been rounded up