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LEGAL ASSISTANCE, ANALYSIS OR INFORMATION, TRAINING & LITIGATION SUPPORT CONCERNING  
AFDC/CalWORKS WtW/GAIN/WORKFARE CalFRESH/FOOD STAMPS REFUGEES GA/GR MEDI-CAL

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## AFDC ( Also known as CalWORKs/TANF)

**Region 1**  
Alameda  
Contra Costa  
Los Angeles  
Marin  
Monterey  
Napa  
Orange  
San Diego  
San Francisco  
San Luis Obispo  
San Mateo  
Santa Barbara  
Santa Clara  
Santa Cruz  
Solano  
Sonoma  
Ventura  
**Region 2**  
All other counties

Region 1	Family Size	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
<b>Nonexempt Max. Aid Payment (MAP)</b>		\$350	569	704	840	954	1072	1178	1283	1387	1490
<b>Exempt Max. Aid Payment (EMAP)</b>		\$387	636	788	936	1065	1197	1315	1434	1549	1665
<b>Minimum Basic Standard of Care (MBSAC)</b>		\$619	1014	1257	1492	1703	1915	2105	2291	2485	2698

*More than 10 Add \$24*

Region 2	Family Size	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
<b>MAP</b>		\$331	541	670	799	909	1021	1120	1222	1321	1418
<b>EMAP</b>		\$369	607	751	891	1017	1141	1254	1366	1477	1587
<b>Minimum Basic Standard of Care (MBSAC)</b>		\$587	964	1194	1419	1621	1882	1997	2181	2356	2566

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## 2015-2016 CALWorks Average Grant Payments & Various Poverty Levels

**This represents 30% of the CalWORKs total caseload**

CalWORKs Average Monthly Benefits Compared to the 100% FPL & SPL for CalWORKs Families.

Assistance Unit (AU) Size	2014-2015 Average Cal-WORKs Grant	2015 Federal Poverty Level	2015 Supplemental Poverty Level	% of Federal Poverty Level	Percentage of Supplemental Poverty Level
1	\$276	\$981	\$1235	28%	22%
2	\$452	\$1328	\$1725	34%	26%
3	\$600	\$1675	\$2455	36%	24%
4	\$668	\$2022	\$2860	33%	23%
5	\$760	\$2369	\$3225	32%	24%
6	\$853	\$2716	\$3622	31%	24%

**This represents 70% of the CalWORKs total caseload**

CalWORKs Average Monthly Benefits Compared to the 100% FPL & SPL for CalWORKs Families with one (1) Excluded Person Due to a Variety of CalWORKs Penalties and Sanctions.

Assistance Unit Size	2014-2015 Average Cal-WORKs Grant	2014 Federal Poverty Level	2014 Supplemental Poverty Level	% of Federal Poverty Level	Percentage of Supplemental Poverty Level	
						Actual AU Size
1	0	\$00	\$981	\$1235	0%	0%
2	1	\$276	\$1328	\$1725	21%	16%
3	2	\$452	\$1675	\$2455	27%	19%
4	3	\$600	\$2022	\$2860	30%	21%
5	4	\$668	\$2369	\$3225	28%	21%
6	5	\$760	\$2716	\$3622	28%	21%

### CalWORKs Property Limits

**\$3,250** liquid resources for households with member(s) over 60 and **\$2,250** for all other households

**\$9,500** for a motor vehicle **TOTALLY EXEMPT** if used for work, as a home, for fishing or was a gift.

### How to Count CalWORKs Earned Income

1. Subtract the Standard Deduction **\$225** from the Gross Income;
2. Divide the remainder by one half;
3. Subtract that number from the MAP or EMAP of the family size;
4. The difference will be the CalWORKs benefit amount.

**Who Is Eligible for CalWORKs CHILD CARE?**

1. Persons who are getting CalWORKs money and working or participating in any WtW activity and need child care for children 12 years of age unless the child is disabled.
2. Persons who used to get CalWORKs money in the past 2 years if their gross income is below 70% of the State median income (SMI) and need child care.
3. Persons who used to get CalWORKs money longer than 2 years ago if their gross income is below the 70% of the SMI, and they need child care, and if child care money is available.

# Food Stamps ( Also known as SNAP and CalFresh)

	Household Size	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Each Add'l Person
<b>STANDARD DEDUCTION</b>	<b>Maximum Benefits Level</b>	\$194	357	511	649	771	925	1,022	1,169	\$146
1-3 persons-\$155	Net Monthly Income Elig. Stan. (100% FPL)	\$981	1,328	1,675	2,021	2,368	2,715	3,061	3,408	\$347
4 persons-\$168	Gross Monthly Income Elig. Stan. IRT (130%)	\$1,276	1,726	2,177	2,628	3,078	3,529	4,430	4,881	\$41
5 persons-\$197	Gross Monthly Income Elig. Stan. (165% FPL)	\$1,619	2,191	2,763	3,335	3,907	4,479	5,051	5,623	\$572
6 persons-\$226	Gross Monthly Income Elig. Stan. (200% FPL)	\$1,962	2,655	3,349	4,042	4,735	5,429	6,122	6,815	\$6950

<b>CHILD CARE COSTS DEDUCTED</b>	<b>SHELTER DEDUCTION</b>	Elderly (over 60) and Disabled get 100% of Shelter Deduction plus SUA & Medical Costs Deductions over \$35. There is no gross income test for elderly or disabled households.	<b>STANDARD UTILITY DEDUCTION</b>	<b>HOMELESS HOUSING DEDUCTION</b>	<b>LIMITED UTILITY ALLOWANCE</b>
100% from the Gross Income	\$504 (maximum)		\$385 (maximum)	\$143	\$118

<b>SSI/CAPI</b>	<b>SINGLES</b>		<b>COUPLES</b>		
	<b>SSI</b>	<b>CAPI</b>	<b>SSI</b>	<b>CAPI</b>	<b>SSI/CAPI</b>
BLIND	\$944	\$934	\$1,643	\$1,623	\$1,633
DISABLED	\$889	\$879	\$1,496	\$1,476	\$1,486
DIS. MINOR	\$796	\$786			

## M e d i - C a l

	1	2	2 adults	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Each Add'l Person
<b>Family Size</b>												
<b>Maintenance of Need - Since 1989</b>	\$600	\$750	\$934	\$934	\$1,100	\$1,259	\$1,417	\$1,550	\$1,692	\$1,825	\$1,959	+\$14
1931(b) for families with children from 6-18 yrs/ A&D- <b>100%</b>	981	1,328	1,328	1,675	2,022	2,369	2,716	3,063	3,410	3,755	4,101	+347
1931(b) for families with children from 1-5 yrs- <b>133%</b>	981	1,328	1,328	1,675	2,021	2,368	2,715	3,061	3,408	3,755	4,101	+339
Medi-Cal MAGI- <b>138%</b>	1,366	1,842	1,842	2,318	2,795	3,271	3,747	4,224	4,702	5,181	5,660	+479
Transitional Medi-Cal- <b>185%</b>	1,815	2,456	2,456	3,098	3,739	4,380	5,022	5,663	6,304	6,946	7,587	+642
Pregnant Women & Infants Up to 1 yrs.- <b>213%</b>	2,090	2,828	2,828	3,566	4,305	5,043	5,782	6,520	7,258	7,997	8,735	+739
Healthy Families & Working Disabled Program- <b>250%</b>	2,453	3,319	3,319	4,186	5,053	5,919	6,786	7,653	8,519	9,386	10,253	+867

**SUBSTANTIAL GAINFUL ACTIVITY = \$1,070**

### MEDI-CAL PROPERTY LIMITS FOR 1931(B)

	1	2	2 adults	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
<b>Family Size</b>											
<b>Property Limits</b>	\$3,000	3,000	3,000	3,150	3,300	3,450	3,600	3,750	3,900	4,050	4,100

<b>LONG TERM CARE</b>	<b>MEDICARE PREMIUMS</b>	<b>A&amp;D INCOME LIMITS</b>	<b>A&amp;D INCOME DISREGARDS</b>	<b>2015 FEDERAL BENEFIT RATE</b>	<b>2011 CSRA LIMIT</b>
MN/QMB \$35	PART "A" \$407	Individual \$1,211	Individual \$230	Individual \$733	2011 CSTA Limit \$119,220 Community Spouse Maintenance Need: \$2,981
SSI/SSP \$50	PART "B" \$104.90 <small>for individual eligible for the hold harmless</small>	Couple \$1,638	Couple \$310	Couple \$1,100	
APPR. \$6,840				SSI Standard Allocation \$361	
				"Any Income" Deduction \$20	

# CalWORKs Funding for FY 2015-2016

**TANF Block Grant Allocation - \$3.7 billion**  
**State Maintenance of Need - \$3 billion**  
**TOTAL FUNDING AVAILABLE FOR CalWORKs - \$6.7 Billion**

**Total Funding Actually Used for the CalWORKs Program:**  
**\$5.1 Billion**

## CalWORKs (AFDC) Grant Levels Effective July 1, 1988 - 26 years Ago

Family Size	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	\$326	\$535	\$663	\$788	\$899	\$1,010	\$1,109	\$1,209	\$1,306	\$1,403

CalWORKs ANNUAL  
 Involuntary  
 Contributions to the  
 California  
 State General Fund

State Fiscal Year	CalWORKs Recipient Involuntary Contribution to the General Fund
FY 98-99	\$708,502,000
FY 99-00	\$745,249,000
FY 00-01	\$1,021,913,000
FY 01-02	\$1,126,647,000
FY 02-03	\$1,088,940,000
FY 03-04	\$1,163,238,000
FY 04-05	\$1,087,321,000
FY 05-06	\$1,299,448,000
FY 06-07	\$1,184,134,000
FY 07-08	\$1,745,291,000
FY 08-09	\$1,268,997,000
FY 09-10	\$1,262,291,000
FY 10-11	\$1,262,046,000
FY 11-12	\$1,234,159,000
FY 12-13	\$1,896,060,000
FY 13-14	\$1,586,755,000
FY 14-15	\$1,528,424,000
FY 15-16	\$1,489,480,000
<b>TOTAL TO DATE</b>	<b>\$21.2 billion</b>
Source	DSS

**2016-2017  
 Proposed Budget  
 \$2,093,622,000**

## The AFDC/CalWORKs COLA History

Year	MAP 3 person	MAP* COLA	MBSAC**	Governor	Year	MAP 3 person	MAP COLA	MBSAC	Governor
71-72	\$235	0.9%	\$255	Reagan	91-92	\$663	-5.8	\$703	Wilson
72-73	\$237	2.5%	\$255	Reagan	93-94	\$607	-2.7	\$715	Wilson
73-74	\$243	7.8%	\$262	Reagan	94-95	\$607	0.0%	\$723	Wilson
75	\$293	8.9%	\$282	Brown I	96-97	\$538	-8.9%	\$734	Wilson
76	\$319	6%	\$316	Brown I	97-98	\$538-565	0.0%	\$717-754	Wilson
76-77	\$338	6.3	\$343	Brown I	98-99	\$582-611	2.84%	\$737-775	Wilson
77-78	\$356	0.0%	\$343	Brown I	99-00	\$596-626	2.36%	\$754-793	Wilson
78-79	\$356	15.2%	\$361	Brown I	00-01	\$614-645	2.96%	\$776-816	Davis
79-80	\$410	15.4%	\$416	Brown I	01-02	\$647-679	5.31%	\$817-859	Davis
80-81	\$473	-2.1%	\$480	Brown I	02-03	\$671-704	3.74%	\$848-891	Davis
81-82	\$463	9.3%	\$470	Brown I	03-04	\$671-704	0.0%	\$871-916	Davis
82-83	\$506	0.0%	\$506	Brown I	04-05	\$689-723	2.75%	\$871-916	Davis
83-84	\$526	4%	\$526	Duke*	05-06	\$689-723	0.0%	\$906-953	A.S. **
84-85	\$555	5.5%	\$555	Duke	06-07	\$689-723	0.0%	\$940--989	A.S.
85-86	\$587	5.8%	\$587	Duke	07-08	\$689-723	0.0%	\$975-1,026	A.S.
86-87	\$617	5.1%	\$617	Duke	08-09	\$689-723	0.0%	\$1,026-1,080	A.S.
87-88	\$633	3.6	\$633	Duke	09-10	\$661-694	-4% & COLA Repealed	\$1,042-1,097	A.S.
88-89	\$663	4.7%	\$663	Duke	10-11	\$661-694	No COLA	\$1,058-1,114	Brown II
89-90	\$694	4.6%	\$694	Duke	11-12	\$608-638	- 8%	\$1,078-1,135	Brown II
90-91	\$694	0.0%	\$694	Duke	12-13	\$608-638	No COLA	\$1,110-1,169	Brown II
					13-14	\$608-638	No COLA	\$1,139-1,200	Brown II
					14-15	\$608-638	No COLA	\$1,164-1,226	Brown II
					15-16	\$608-638	No COLA	\$1,194-1,257	Brown II
					16-17	\$608-638	No COLA	\$1,229-1,294	Brown II

\* Duke . George Deukmejian  
 \*\* Arnold Schwarzenegger

\* MAP- Maximum Aid Payment  
 \*\* MBSAC - Minimum Basic Standard of Adequate Care

 No COLA  
 Grant Reduction

# CalWORKs & CalFresh Facts

## Welfare-to-Work Facts

**Welfare-to-Work or Welfare-to-Sanction?  
Annual WtW Program Costs = \$2.3 billion -  
Cost Per Job Obtained by a Participant = \$47,000**

January	Unduplicated Participants (UP)	UP Sanctioned	% of UP Sanctioned	UP Aid Stopped Due to a Job	% of UP Aid Stopped Due to a Job	UP Needing & NOT Getting Transportation	% of UP Needing & NOT Getting Transportation
2000	190,502	33,571	18%	7,077	4%	144,747	76%
2001	181,473	28,410	16%	7,296	4%	110,137	61%
2002	184,134	35,891	19%	5,891	3%	109,605	60%
2003	149,723	44,847	30%	6,388	4%	75,033	50%
2004	121,807	46,030	38%	4,983	4%	69,238	57%
2005	110,504	42,046	37%	3,613	3%	58,381	53%
2006	104,170	38,504	32%	2,884	3%	54,600	52%
2007	111,022	35,107	27%	3,022	3%	55,918	50%
2008	120,685	32,461	25%	2,758	2%	56,353	47%
2009	138,240	34,315	25%	2,928	2%	64,966	47%
2010	141,806	35,273	25%	3,345	2%	77,900	55%
2011	138,960	33,834	24%	3,413	2%	69,598	50%
2012	119,810	33,148	28%	3,145	3%	59,013	49%
2013	116,010	36,124	31%	3,280	3%	55,421	48%
2014	117,845	41,225	38%	2,492	2%	53,088	45%
2015	119,396	43,609	33%	3,722	3%	53,349	45%
2016	111,930	40,537	36%	4,221	4%	56,555	49%
2017	Coming Soon						

Source: State Department of Social Services WtW 25 reports & State Budget

## Number of Jobs Welfare Recipients Create Annually and Monthly in California 2015-2016

	Actual Dollars Redistributed	1.79% Economic Multiplier
Food Stamps, SNAP/CalFresh Annual Benefits	\$8.1 billion	\$14 billion
Dollar Cost for Creating Per Job		\$100,000.00
2013-2014 Jobs Created by CalFresh (CF) Recipients		140,289 Jobs
CalWORKs/TANF	\$3.1 billion	\$5.7 billion
2013-2014 Jobs Created by CalWORKs (CW) Recipients		56,589 Jobs
TOTAL CW & CF dollars Issued	\$11.13 billion	\$19.7 billion
2013-2014 Jobs Created by CW & FS Recipients		196,877 Jobs
Monthly Jobs Created by CW & CF Recipients		16,406 Jobs

SOURCE OF COST PER JOB - The \$100,000 per job is based upon an estimate received from Chad Stone, Chief Economist working for Center on Budget Policy and Priorities in Washington D.C. There are other estimates that assert that a cost of an entry level job is about \$60,000 per job. See: <http://economistsview.typepad.com/economistsview/2008/11/how-much-does-i.html>. Also see USDA, Economic Research Service, Economic Research Report Number 103, October 2010, The Food Assistance National Input-Output Multiplier (FANIOM) Model and Stimulus Effects of SNAP - Kenneth Hanson & CDSS Budget Documents of 2014-2015.

## CalWORKs Caseload Characteristics 2016-2017

Source: CDSS

Characteristic	FACT
Family Size	2.5
Children in the Family	2.0
Average Child Age	5.7
Average Age of Parent	34.1
Parents Completed Highschool or GED	35%
Children under age of 1	12.3%
Families with Childern under age of 6	58%
Average Stay on CalWORKs Families with Single parents	29 months
Average stay on CalWORKs Families with Two-Parents	25 months
Families with a Car	25%
Hispanic-All Cases	58%
African-American	17.4%
Asian	3.1%
White	19.2%

## 2014-2015 County Welfare Department Single Allocation and Millions Not Spent

Allocation	\$ Allocation	\$ Not Spent By Counties
WtW-Employment Services	819 million	\$197 million
CalWORKs Child Care	\$311 million	\$84 million
CalFresh Administration Costs	\$864 million	\$129 million
Substance Abuse	\$50 million	\$17 million
Mental Health Care	76 million	13 million

Source: CDSS and County Welfare Department Reports