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AFDC/CalWORKS WtW/GAIN/WORKFARE CaIFRESH/FOOD STAMPS REFUGEES GA/GR MEDI-CAL

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## CalWORKs ( Also known as AFDC/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>	550	696	878	1060	1242	1424	1606	1788	1970	2152
<b>Exempt Max. Aid Payment (EMAP)</b>	606	778	983	1181	1385	1589	1792	1998	2199	
<b>Minimum Basic Standard of Care (MBSAC)</b>	714	1172	1453	1724	1967	2213	2432	2646	2871	3116

### Region 2 Family Size

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
<b>MAP</b>	520	661	834	1007	1180	1353	1526	1699	1872	2044
<b>EMAP</b>	576	739	934	1122	1316	1510	1702	1898	2089	2286
<b>Minimum Basic Standard of Care (MBSAC)</b>	678	1114	1379	1639	1874	2105	2307	2519	2722	2964

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**CalWORKs Income Reporting Threshold (IRT)** - 55% of the FPL plus the last income last used to determine CalWORKs Benefits Level.

<b>Region 1 IRT-nonexempt</b>	\$936	1380	1654	1930	2162	2400	2616	2828	3040	3248
<b>Region 2 IRT-nonexempt</b>	\$898	1324	1586	1846	2070	2296	2498	2704	2906	3102

## 2019-2020 CalWORKs Average Grant Payments & Various Poverty Levels

### 37% of the CalWORKs Total Caseload

CalWORKs Average Monthly Benefits Compared to the 100% Federal Poverty Level (FPL) & Supplemental Poverty Level (SPL) for CalWORKs Families.

### 63% 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.

## 2019 CalWORKs Average Grant Level Family of 3

Months	Average Grant	Percentage of the federal poverty level of 2019
1/1/19	\$568	32%
4/1/19	\$629	35%
10/1/19	\$682	38%

## CalWORKs Property Limits

**\$3,500** 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 of \$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 75% 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 75% of the SMI, and they need child care, and if child care money is available.
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### 70% - Initial Cert.

1	4,173
2	4,173
3	4,502
4	5,256
5	6,098
6	6,939
7	7,254
8	7,570
9	7,727
10	7,885

### 85% - Recertification

1	5,067
2	5,067
3	5,467
4	6,383
5	7,404
6	8,426
7	8,809
8	9,000
9	9,383
10	9,575

# Food Stamps ( Also known as SNAP and CalFresh)

STANDARD DEDUCTION	Household Size	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Additional Person
		Maximum Benefits Level	\$194	355	509	646	768	921	1,018	1,164
1-2 persons- \$167	Net Monthly Income Elig. Stan. (100% FPL)	\$1,041	1,410	1,778	2,146	2,515	2,883	3,251	3,620	\$369
3 persons- \$167	Gross Monthly Income Elig. Stan. IRT (130%)	\$1,354	1,832	2,311	2,790	3,269	3,748	4,227	4,705	\$479
4 persons- \$178	Gross Monthly Income Elig. Stan. (165% FPL)	\$1,718	2,326	2,933	3,541	4,149	4,757	5,364	5,972	\$608
5 persons- \$209	Gross Monthly Income Elig. Stan. (200% FPL)	\$2,082	2,820	3,556	4,292	5,028	5,765	6,502	7,238	\$737
6 persons+ \$240										

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CHILD CARE COSTS DE- 100% from the Gross Income	STANDARD UTILITY DEDUCTION \$432 (max)	SHELTER DEDUCTION \$569 (max)	HOMELESS HOUSING DEDUCTION \$152
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## SSI SNAP/Food Stamp Cash-Out State Benefits

Supplemental & Transitional Nutrition Benefits Household Size	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Supplemental Nutrition Benefits for previously excluded 1 SSI recipient	70	70	96	116	130	144	147	144
Supplemental Nutrition Benefits for previously excluded 2 SSI recipients		135	172	205	234	259	280	297
Supplemental Nutrition Benefits for previously excluded 3 SSI recipients			191	191	265	306	343	376
Transitional Nutrition Benefits for previously excluded 1 SSI recipient	115	115	123	136	146	162	179	179
Transitional Nutrition Benefits for previously excluded 2 SSI recipients		192	192	258	282	287	292	309
Transitional Nutrition Benefits for previously excluded 3 SSI recipients			192	192	352	395	438	43

SSI & CAPI		SSI - Single	CAPI-Single	SSI - Couple	CAPI-Couple	SSI/CAPI-Couple
	Aged & Dis.	\$931.72	\$921.72	\$1,564.14	\$1,544.14	\$1,554.14
	Blind	\$988.23	\$978.23	\$1,715.19	\$1,695.15	\$1,705.19
	Disabled Minor	\$836.15	\$826.15			

## M e d i - C a l

Family Size	1	2	2 adults	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Each Add'l Person
Maintenance of Need - Since 1989	\$600	\$750	\$934	\$934	\$1,100	\$1,259	\$1,417	\$1,550	\$1,692	\$1,825	\$1,959	+\$14
ACA Parents and Relative Caretakers-109%	1,135	1,536	1,536	1,938	2,339	2,741	3,142	3,544	3,945	4,347	4,748	+402
Medi-Cal MAGI - ACA New Adults ages 19-64-138%	1,437	1,945	1,945	2,453	2,962	3,470	3,978	4,487	4,995	5,503	6,012	+509
All children get free Medi-Cal -160%	1,666	2,255	2,225	2,844	3,434	4,023	4,612	5,202	5,791	6,380	6,970	+590
Pregnant Women & Infants Up to 1 yrs.-213%	2,217	3,002	3,002	3,787	4,471	5,356	6,140	6,925	7,709	8,494	9,278	+785
Working Disabled Program-250%	2,603	3,523	3,523	4,444	5,365	6,286	7,207	8,128	9,048	9,969	10,890	+921
All kids 0-18 premium of \$13 per child - max \$39 amonth-266%	2,796	3,749	3,749	4,729	5,708	6,688	7,668	8,648	9,627	10,607	11,587	+980

NOTE: Children 0-18 get Medi-Cal regardless of their immigration status

**• SUBSTANTIAL GAINFUL ACTIVITY = \$1,220 & \$2,040 for the blind • Trial Work \$880**

LONG TERM CARE	MEDICARE PREMIUMS	A&D INCOME LIMITS	Non-Magi Medi-Cal Asset test	2015 FEDERAL BENEFIT RATE	2011 CSRA LIMIT
MN/QMB \$35	PART "A" \$437	Individual \$1,271	Just Like SSI	Individual \$771	2011 CSTA Limit \$119,220 Community Spouse Maintenance Need: \$2,981
SSI/SSP \$50	PART "B" \$135.50 <small>for individual eligible for the hold harmless</small>	Couple \$1,720		Couple \$1,157	
APPR. \$6,840				SSI Standard Allocation \$361	
				"Any Income" Deduction \$20	

# CalWORKs Funding for FY 2018-2019

**Federal TANF Block Grant Allocation -**  
**\$3.9 billion**  
**Total Federal TANF Block Grant Used for the**  
**CalWORKs Program: \$1.9 Billion**  
**What about the \$2 Billion?**

<b>CalWORKs (AFDC) Grant Levels Effective July 1, 1988 - 30 years Ago</b>										
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 Family 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	\$1,661,424,000
FY 15-16	\$1,661,764,000
FY 16-17	\$2,076,557,000
FY 17-18	\$2,312,158,000
FY 18-19	\$2,404,295,000
FY 19-20	\$2,557,119,000

## The CalWORKs/AFDC 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	97-98	\$538-565	0.0%	\$717-754	Wilson
72-73	\$237	2.5%	\$255	Reagan	98-99	\$582-611	2.84%	\$737-775	Wilson
73-74	\$243	7.8%	\$262	Reagan	99-00	\$596-626	2.36%	\$754-793	Wilson
75	\$293	8.9%	\$282	Brown I	00-01	\$614-645	2.96%	\$776-816	Davis
76	\$319	6%	\$316	Brown I	01-02	\$647-679	5.31%	\$817-859	Davis
76-77	\$338	6.3	\$343	Brown I	02-03	\$671-704	3.74%	\$848-891	Davis
77-78	\$356	0.0%	\$343	Brown I	03-04	\$671-704	0.0%	\$871-916	Davis
78-79	\$356	15.2%	\$361	Brown I	04-05	\$689-723	2.75%	\$871-916	Davis
79-80	\$410	15.4%	\$416	Brown I	05-06	\$689-723	0.0%	\$906-953	A.S. **
80-81	\$473	-2.1%	\$480	Brown I	06-07	\$689-723	0.0%	\$940-989	A.S
81-82	\$463	9.3%	\$470	Brown I	07-08	\$689-723	0.0%	\$975-1,026	A.S
82-83	\$506	0.0%	\$506	Brown I	08-09	\$689-723	0.0%	\$1,026-1,080	A.S.
83-84	\$526	4%	\$526	Duke*	09-10	\$661-694	-4% & COLA Repealed	\$1,042-1,097	A.S.
84-85	\$555	5.5%	\$555	Duke	10-11	\$661-694	No COLA	\$1,058-1,114	Brown II
85-86	\$587	5.8%	\$587	Duke	11-12	\$608-638	- 8%	\$1,078-1,135	Brown II
86-87	\$617	5.1%	\$617	Duke	12-13	\$608-638	No COLA	\$1,110-1,169	Brown II
87-88	\$633	3.6	\$633	Duke	13-14	\$608-638	No COLA	\$1,139-1,200	Brown II
88-89	\$663	4.7%	\$663	Duke	14-15	\$670-704	No COLA +5%	\$1,164-1,226	Brown II
89-90	\$694	4.6%	\$694	Duke	15-16	\$680-714	No COLA- +1.43%	\$1,194-1,257	Brown II
90-91	\$694	0.0%	\$694	Duke	16-17	\$680-714	No COLA	\$1,292-1,227	Brown II
91-92	\$663	-5.8	\$703	Wilson	17-18	\$680-714	No COLA	\$1,342-1,274	Brown II
93-94	\$607	-2.7	\$715	Wilson	18-19	\$785-748	No COLA	\$1,395-1,324	Brown II
94-95	\$607	0.0%	\$723	Wilson	19-20	\$878-834	No COLA	\$1,453-1,379	Newsom
95-96	\$538	0.0%	\$723	Wilson					
96-97	\$538	-8.9%	\$734	Wilson					

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

No COLA
Grant Reduction

Source: Department of Social Services

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

# CalWORKs & CalFresh Facts

## Welfare-to-Work Facts

Welfare-to-Work or Welfare-to-Sanction?  
Annual WtW Program Costs = \$2.4 billion -  
Cost Per Job Obtained by a Participant = \$59,000

July

Year	Un.Part	Sanctions	Jobs	Second. Ed	Transporation
2002	170720	56339 25%	7144 4%	10321 6%	75074 44%
2003	130880	56793 30%	5533 0%	9001 7%	61479 47%
2004	118889	56236 32%	4626 4%	8542 7%	51682 43%
2005	106674	53035 33%	3774 3%	8016 8%	51429 48%
2006	106926	40775 28%	3152 3%	9581 9%	53418 50%
2007	121240	40559 25%	3459 3%	10045 8%	62641 52%
2008	127732	38845 23%	3653 3%	10476 8%	71302 56%
2009	147518	46487 24%	3220 2%	13428 9%	78464 53%
2010	133672	46029 26%	4149 3%	11577 9%	66973 50%
2011	127383	46447 27%	5770 4%	10962 9%	64828 51%
2012	116000	49108 30%	4116 3%	9712 8%	60943 53%
2013	112827	51876 31%	3901 3%	8327 7%	61716 55%
2014	126453	62459 33%	3321 3%	7589 6%	72949 58%
2015	118971	59122 33%	4219 3%	6001 5%	65882 55%
2016	93634	56100 37%	4967 5%	4170 4%	27502 59%
2017	87175	56970 40%	4459 5%	3706 4%	54343 62%
2018	80762	56820 41%	3841 5%	3444 4%	51566 64%

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

## CalWORKs Caseload Characteristics 2019-2020

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	39%
Children under age of 1	12.8%
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	16%
Asian	3.0%
White	20%

## Number of Jobs Welfare Recipients Create Annually in California 2018-2019

CalWORKs	\$ Payments to Beneficiaries	Economic Multiplier- 1.79%	Jobs Created
	<b>\$ 2.8 Billion</b>	<b>\$5.0 billion</b>	<b>50,300</b>
CalFresh	\$ Payments to Beneficiaries	Economic Multiplier- 1.79%	Jobs Created
	<b>\$6.1 Billion</b>	<b>\$11 billion</b>	<b>110,000</b>

**Total jobs created by CalWORKs and CalFresh during 2018-2019**

**160,573 jobs**

## County Welfare Department Single Allocation and Millions Not Spent (in millions)

Allocation for	2015-2016		2016-2017	
	Allocated Dollars	Unspent Dollars	Allocated Dollars	Unspent Dollars
WtW Empl. Services	\$1,097	\$234	\$972	\$154
CalWORKs Child Care	\$409	\$121	\$412	\$93
CalFresh Admin. Costs	\$632	\$38	\$632	\$47
WtW Substance Abuse	\$50	\$14	\$50	\$16
WtW Mental Health Care	\$76	\$7	\$76	\$10

Source: CDSS and County Welfare Department Reports