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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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## 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

<b>Region 1 Family Size</b>	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	2406
<b>Minimum Basic Standard of Care (MBSAC)</b>	741	1216	1507	1788	2040	2295	2522	2744	2978	3232

<b>Region 2 Family Size</b>	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>	703	1155	1430	1700	1944	2183	2393	2613	2823	3074

**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

**36% of the CalWORKs Total Caseload**  
 CalWORKs Average Monthly Benefits Compared to the 100% Federal Poverty Level (FPL) & Supplemental Poverty Level (SPL) for CalWORKs Families.

Source:  
 DSS 3-20  
 CW 237CW  
 Report

**64% 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.

## 2020 CalWORKs Average Grant Level Family of 3

Months	Average Grant	Percentage of the federal poverty level of 2019
1/1/20	\$568	32%
4/1/20	\$629	35%
10/1/20	\$682	38%

### CalWORKs Property Limits

**\$15,000** liquid resources for households with member(s) over 60 and **\$10,000** for all other households.

**\$25,000** for a motor vehicle **TOTALLY EXEMPT** if used for work, as a home, for fishing or was a gift.

### How to Does Earned Income Impact the CalWORKs Case

- 1 Subtract the Standard Deduction of \$500 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 monthly benefit amount.

### Who Is Eligible for CalWORKs CHILD CARE?

Any parent who is getting CalWORKs and needs child care - for nonstop 12 months.

### SSI & CAPI

	SSI - Single	CAPI-Single	SSI - Couple	CAPI-Couple	SSI/CAPI-Couple
<b>Aged &amp; Dis.</b>	\$988.23	\$978.23	\$1,715.19	\$1,695.19	\$1,705.19
<b>Blind</b>	\$931.72	\$921.72	\$1,564.14	\$1,544.14	\$1,554.14
<b>Disabled Minor</b>	\$836.15	\$826.15			

# Food Stamps ( Also known as SNAP and CalFresh)

STANDARD DEDUCTION	Household Size	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Add. 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	5,030	5,766	6,502	7,240	\$737
6 persons+ \$240										

<b>CHILD CARE COSTS DEDUCTION</b>
100% from the Gross Income

<b>STANDARD UTILITY DEDUCTION</b>
\$432 (max)

<b>SHELTER DEDUCTION</b>
\$569 Max.

<b>HOMELESS HOUSING DEDUCTION</b>
\$152

## SSI CalFresh/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

## M e d i - C a l

Family Size	1	2	2 Adult	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Each Add'l Person
Maintenance of Need -Since 1989	\$600	750	750	943	1100	1259	1417	1550	1692	1825	1959	+ \$14
100% of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL)	1064	1437	1437	1810	2184	2557	2930	2304	3677	4050	4424	374
133% FPL- ACA Children & Title XXI Expansion Children ages 6-10	1415	1911	1911	2408	2904	3401	3897	4394	4890	5387	5884	497
138% FPL - AACA New adults Ages 19-64 & Full Scope for ACA Pregnant Persons	1468	1983	1983	2498	3013	3529	4044	4559	5074	5589	6105	516
185% FPL - Transitional Medi-Cal	1968	2658	2658	3349	4040	4730	5421	6112	6802	7493	8184	691
213 FPL - ACA Pregnant Persons, pregnancy related to Medi-Cal	2265	3061	3061	3856	4651	5446	6241	7037	7832	8627	9422	796
250% FPL - Working Disabled Program	2659	3592	3592	4525	5459	6392	7325	8259	9192	10125	11059	934

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

MN/QMB \$35
SSI/SSP \$50
APPR. \$6,840

### MEDICARE PREMIUMS

PART "A" \$437
PART "B" \$135.50 <small>for individual eligible for the hold harmless</small>

### A&D INCOME LIMITS

Individual \$1,211 <b>Eff. 8-2020</b> \$1,488
Couple \$1,638 <b>Eff. 8-2020</b> \$2,003

### Non-Magi Medi-Cal Asset test

Just Like SSI
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### 2015 FEDERAL BENEFIT RATE

Individual \$771	Couple \$1,157
SSI Standard Allocation \$361	
"Any Income" Deduction \$20	

### 2011 CSRA LIMIT

2011 CSTA Limit \$119,220
Community Spouse Maintenance Need: \$2,981

# CalWORKs Funding for FY 2019-2020

**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?**

**CalWORKs Family ANNUAL "Involuntary" Contributions to the California State**

## The CalWORKs/AFDC COLA History

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	\$1,522,729,000
FY 15-16	\$1,661,764,000
FY 16-17	\$2,076,557,000
FY 17-18	\$2,308,527,000
FY 18-19	\$2,444,758,000
FY 19-20	\$2,661,055,000
FY 20-21	\$2,592,550,000
FY 21-22	
FY 22-23	
FY 23-24	
FY 24-25	

Year	MAP 3 person	MAP* COLA	MB-SAC**	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	\$680-714	No COLA	\$1,395-1,324	Brown II
94-95	\$607	0.0%	\$723	Wilson	19-20	\$834-878	No COLA +10%	\$1,453-1,379	Newsom
95-96	\$538	0.0%	\$723	Wilson	20-21	\$860-905	No COLA +3.1%	\$1,507-1,586	Newsom
96-97	\$538	-8.9%	\$734	Wilson	21-22				Newsom
					22-23				Newsom

	No COLA
	No COLA* - Budget Grant Increase
	Grant Reduction

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

\* MAP- Maximum Aid Payment

\*\* MBSAC - Minimum Basic Standard of of Adequate Care

# CalWORKs & CalFresh Facts

## Welfare-to-Work Facts

Welfare-to-Work or Welfare-to-Sanction?

Annual WtW Program Costs = \$1.7 billion -

Cost Per Job Obtained by a Participant = \$68,500

Year/ July	Un.Part	Sanctions		Jobs		Secondary Education		Transportation	
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%
2019	67,305	50,651	43%	2,460	3.7%	2,161	3.2%	42,917	64%
2020									
2021									
2022									
2023									

Source: State Department of Social Services WtW 25 & 25A reports for the month of July of each year

## CalWORKs Caseload Characteristics 2020-2021

Source: CDSS

Characteristic	FACT
Family Size	2.5
Children in the Family	1.9
Average Child Age	5.7
Average Age of Parent	35.9
Parents Completed Highschool or GED	41.1%
Average Stay on CalWORKs Families with Single parents	29.9 months
Average stay on CalWORKs Families with Two-Parents	25 months
Families with a Car	25%
Hispanic-All Cases	61.5%
African-American	15.2%
Asian	3%
White	18.3%
Asian	3%
Children under age of 1	10.7%
Child 2-5 Years	%
Families with Children under age of 6	52.2%

## Number of Jobs Welfare Recipients Created in California During 2019-2020

CalWORKs	\$ Payments to Beneficiaries	Economic Multiplier- 1.79%	Jobs Created
CalWORKs	\$ 3.03 Billion	\$5.4 billion	50,400
CalFresh	\$ Payments to Beneficiaries	Economic Multiplier- 1.79%	Jobs Created
CalFresh	\$6 Billion	\$11 billion	110,000

**Total jobs created by CalWORKs and CalFresh during 2019-2020**

**160,400 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.