

# Comparison of Time-Limited TANF Recipients with Other TANF Clients, SFY 2015

## All Assistance Unit Members

	TANF Clients Who Were Closed for Other Reasons				All TANF Clients	
	TANF Clients Who Were Closed Due to Time Limits or Denied an Extension					
	NUMBER	PERCENT	NUMBER	PERCENT	NUMBER	PERCENT
Population Size	4,383	—	89,950	—	144,263	—
<b>Demographics</b>						
Mean Age at Baseline	16.7		15.7		15.1	
17 or Under	2,763	63%	54,337	60%	93,072	65%
18 - 24 Years of Age	160	4%	11,470	13%	16,158	11%
25 - 34 Years of Age	842	19%	14,456	16%	20,341	14%
35 - 44 Years of Age	463	11%	6,954	8%	10,349	7%
45 - 54 Years of Age	140	3%	2,317	3%	3,569	2%
55 - 64 Years of Age	15	0%	404	0%	639	0%
65 or Older	*	*	*	*	25	0%
White, Non-Hispanic	1,771	40%	38,415	43%	61,433	43%
Minority	2,558	58%	48,830	54%	78,508	54%
African American	1,321	30%	16,057	18%	27,097	19%
Hispanic/Latino(a)	826	19%	22,986	26%	36,230	25%
Asian or Pacific Islander	411	9%	9,128	10%	13,915	10%
American Indian	490	11%	7,204	8%	12,681	9%
Unknown	14	0%	1,444	2%	2,199	2%
Female	2,742	63%	52,665	59%	84,246	58%
Male	1,641	37%	37,285	41%	60,017	42%
<b>Medical History- Physical Health, 12 Months Prior to Closure</b>						
Chronic Disease Burden at or Above Average for SSI Pop	706	16%	10,269	11%	17,069	12%
ED Outpatient Visit (1 or more)	1,988	45%	34,184	38%	55,093	38%
ED Inpatient Hospitalization (1 or more)	427	10%	8,928	10%	14,735	10%
<b>Medical History- Behavioral Health, 24 Months Prior to Closure</b>						
Mental Health Service Need Indicator	1,738	40%	24,516	27%	42,650	30%
Serious Mental Illness Indicator	1,113	25%	12,971	14%	23,768	16%
Psychotropic Medication (Any)	1,091	25%	14,220	16%	24,323	17%
Substance Use Disorder Treatment Need, of those 12 or older	632	29%	8,693	19%	13,680	19%
Alcohol Use Disorder Diagnosis, of those 12 or older	220	10%	2,882	6%	4,578	6%
Substance Use Disorder Diagnosis, of those 12 or older	552	25%	6,715	15%	10,935	15%
<b>Medicaid Coverage, 12 Months Prior to Receiving Services</b>						
Any Medical Assistance	4,302	98%	84,106	94%	136,434	95%
<b>DSHS Services, 12 Months Prior</b>						
Substance Use Disorder Treatment, of those 12 or older	220	10%	2,907	6%	4,704	7%
DBHR Mental Health Services	782	18%	8,365	9%	16,128	11%
Division of Vocational Rehabilitation	52	1%	364	0%	632	0%
Children's Administration	1,501	34%	18,381	20%	30,945	21%
Working Connections Child Care	1,265	29%	21,293	24%	30,832	21%
<b>ESA Services, 12 Months Following Closure</b>						
Temporary Assistance to Needy Families	515	12%	21,008	23%	70,484	49%
Basic Food	4,245	97%	81,290	90%	131,579	91%
<b>Other History</b>						
Unstably Housed in Prior Year	1,732	40%	29,004	32%	45,944	32%
Unstably Housed in Month Following TANF Loss or July 2015	1,137	26%	16,405	18%	28,376	20%
Employed in Prior Year	679	15%	20,023	22%	26,098	18%
Ever Arrested or Convicted of a Crime, of those 12 or older	1,117	51%	16,308	36%	23,616	33%
Arrested or Convicted of a Crime in Prior Year, of those 12 or older	311	14%	5,507	12%	7,689	11%

SOURCE: Integrated Client Databases | CONTACT: David Mancuso, Director, DSHS Research and Data Analysis Division, 360.902.7557.

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## Head of Household

	TANF Clients Who Were Closed for Other Reasons				All TANF Clients	
	TANF Clients Who Were Closed Due to Time Limits or Denied an Extension					
	NUMBER	PERCENT	NUMBER	PERCENT	NUMBER	PERCENT
Population Size	1,434	—	27,874	—	40,396	—
<b>Demographics</b>						
Mean Age at Baseline	33.4		30.2		30.5	
17 or Under	*	*	45	0%	80	0%
18 - 24 Years of Age	110	8%	8,579	31%	11,995	30%
25 - 34 Years of Age	761	53%	11,724	42%	16,801	42%
35 - 44 Years of Age	422	29%	5,443	20%	8,253	20%
45 - 54 Years of Age	128	9%	1,770	6%	2,763	7%
55 - 64 Years of Age	11	1%	305	1%	485	1%
65 or Older	*	*	*	*	18	0%
White, Non-Hispanic	716	50%	14,587	52%	21,355	53%
Minority	710	50%	12,934	46%	18,523	46%
African American	378	26%	4,652	17%	6,861	17%
Hispanic/Latino(a)	167	12%	4,848	17%	6,744	17%
Asian or Pacific Islander	103	7%	2,627	9%	3,731	9%
American Indian	168	12%	2,448	9%	3,671	9%
Unknown	*	*	145	1%	202	1%
Female	1,313	92%	24,009	86%	35,002	87%
Male	121	8%	3,865	14%	5,394	13%
<b>Medical History- Physical Health, 12 Months Prior to Closure</b>						
Chronic Disease Burden at or Above Average for SSI Pop	556	39%	6,831	25%	11,310	28%
ED Outpatient Visit (1 or more)	865	60%	13,132	47%	19,649	49%
ED Inpatient Hospitalization (1 or more)	298	21%	5,689	20%	8,829	22%
<b>Medical History- Behavioral Health, 24 Months Prior to Closure</b>						
Mental Health Service Need Indicator	992	69%	12,818	46%	20,093	50%
Serious Mental Illness Indicator	667	47%	6,634	24%	11,168	28%
Psychotropic Medication (Any)	798	56%	9,512	34%	15,238	38%
Substance Use Disorder Treatment Need, of those 12 or older	520	36%	6,553	24%	10,243	25%
Alcohol Use Disorder Diagnosis, of those 12 or older	183	13%	2,142	8%	3,371	8%
Substance Use Disorder Diagnosis, of those 12 or older	458	32%	5,172	19%	8,367	21%
<b>Medicaid Coverage, 12 Months Prior to Receiving Services</b>						
Any Medical Assistance	1,408	98%	25,722	92%	37,710	93%
<b>DSHS Services, 12 Months Prior</b>						
Substance Use Disorder Treatment, of those 12 or older	182	13%	2,170	8%	3,518	9%
DBHR Mental Health Services	445	31%	4,040	14%	7,212	18%
Division of Vocational Rehabilitation	46	3%	289	1%	526	1%
Children's Administration	506	35%	5,707	20%	8,323	21%
Working Connections Child Care	441	31%	7,683	28%	10,561	26%
<b>ESA Services, 12 Months Following Closure</b>						
Temporary Assistance to Needy Families	199	14%	6,268	22%	17,476	43%
Basic Food	1,401	98%	25,737	92%	38,085	94%
<b>Other History</b>						
Unstably Housed in Prior Year	730	51%	12,070	43%	17,845	44%
Unstably Housed in Month Following TANF Loss or July 2015	495	35%	7,112	26%	11,153	28%
Employed in Prior Year	565	39%	15,430	55%	19,944	49%
Ever Arrested or Convicted of a Crime, of those 12 or older	967	67%	12,514	45%	18,303	45%
Arrested or Convicted of a Crime in Prior Year, of those 12 or older	252	18%	3,965	14%	5,471	14%

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### Children and Dependent Youth

	TANF Clients Who Were Closed for Other Reasons				All TANF Clients	
	TANF Clients Who Were Closed Due to Time Limits or Denied an Extension					
	NUMBER	PERCENT	NUMBER	PERCENT	NUMBER	PERCENT
Population Size	2,803	—	55,755	—	95,563	—
<b>Demographics</b>						
Mean Age at Baseline	7.3		6.7		7.1	
Less than 1 Year of Age	157	6%	5,100	9%	9,202	10%
1 to 3 Years of Age	541	19%	14,626	26%	21,988	23%
4 to 5 Years of Age	455	16%	7,886	14%	12,469	13%
6 to 12 Years of Age	1,134	40%	18,326	33%	32,617	34%
13 to 15 Years of Age	303	11%	5,222	9%	10,347	11%
16 to 18 Years of Age	212	8%	4,350	8%	8,463	9%
19 or Older	*	*	245	0%	477	0%
White, Non-Hispanic	985	35%	20,637	37%	35,845	38%
Minority	1,775	63%	32,997	59%	56,259	59%
African American	912	33%	10,512	19%	19,046	20%
Hispanic/Latino(a)	638	23%	17,187	31%	28,319	30%
Asian or Pacific Islander	295	11%	5,622	10%	9,043	9%
American Indian	307	11%	4,286	8%	8,407	9%
Unknown	12	0%	1,199	2%	1,863	2%
Female	1,396	50%	27,212	49%	47,128	49%
Male	1,407	50%	28,543	51%	48,435	51%
<b>Medical History- Physical Health, 12 Months Prior to Closure</b>						
Chronic Disease Burden at or Above Average for SSI Pop	115	4%	2,626	5%	4,550	5%
ED Outpatient Visit (1 or more)	1,056	38%	19,025	34%	32,698	34%
ED Inpatient Hospitalization (1 or more)	118	4%	2,851	5%	5,333	6%
<b>Medical History- Behavioral Health, 24 Months Prior to Closure</b>						
Mental Health Service Need Indicator	672	24%	9,876	18%	19,967	21%
Serious Mental Illness Indicator	399	14%	5,437	10%	11,261	12%
Psychotropic Medication (Any)	234	8%	3,392	6%	7,176	8%
Substance Use Disorder Treatment, <i>of those 12 or older</i>	65	10%	935	8%	1,836	8%
<b>Medicaid Coverage, 12 Months Prior to Receiving Services</b>						
Any Medical Assistance	2,758	98%	53,270	96%	91,889	96%
<b>DSHS Services, 12 Months Prior</b>						
DBHR Mental Health Services	310	11%	3,728	7%	8,004	8%
Developmental Disabilities Administration	33	1%	761	1%	1,364	1%
Children's Administration	940	34%	11,694	21%	21,375	22%
Juvenile Rehabilitation	*	*	115	0%	211	0%
Any Foster Placement	136	5%	2,538	5%	5,041	5%
<b>ESA Services, 12 Months Following Closure</b>						
Temporary Assistance to Needy Families	297	11%	13,698	25%	50,304	53%
Basic Food	2,702	96%	49,791	89%	85,783	90%
<b>Other History</b>						
Unstably Housed in Prior Year	958	34%	14,833	27%	25,377	27%
Unstably Housed in Month Following TANF Loss or July 2015	623	22%	8,186	15%	15,730	16%

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# TANF Time Limit Analysis Supplemental Detail, SFY 2015

## TECHNICAL NOTES

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Eligible Population. Individuals who either received Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) at some point during SFY 2015 or whose Assistance Unit (AU) had an effective closure date in some month during SFY 2015 and:

1. Had their TANF assistance unit (AU) closed during SFY 2015 because their AU reached the benefit's 60-month time limit OR the AU was close for some other reason and, upon re-applying for the benefit, the AU was denied an TANF benefit extension; OR
2. Had their TANF assistance unit (AU) closed during SFY 2015 for any other reason; OR
3. Received the TANF benefit in any month during SFY 2015 and did not have their AU closed because they reached the benefit's 60-month time limit OR because the AU was close for some other reason and, upon re-applying for the benefit, the AU was denied an TANF benefit extension.

**All Assistance Unit Members.** All actives clients associated with a TANF AU and identified as recipients of the benefit.

**Head of Household.** Clients identified as the primary beneficiary/head of household of an assistance unit for the TANF benefit.

**Children and Dependent Youth.** All active clients associated with a TANF AU who were identified as recipients of the benefit and who were identified as the head of household's: 1) natural or adopted child; 2) co-parent's child; 3) stepchild; 4) former step- or natural child; 5) child who is also a minor parent; 6) grandchild; 7) dependent first cousin; or 8) great or dependent niece/nephew, or dependent sibling (child). Also included in this category are children who are under the legal guardianship of, or other children being cared for by, the head of household of an AU.

**NOTE:** An asterisk ("\*") indicates that the contents of a cell have been suppressed because the total client count in that cell was less than or equal to 10.

## MEASUREMENT INFORMATION

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1. Age was calculated as of the month after a client last received the TANF benefit.
2. Information on client demographics, emergency department usage, inpatient/outpatient services, hospitalization records, Medicaid eligibility, homelessness, prior employment, and conviction and arrest records come from the Integrated Client Database.
3. Medicaid assistance includes all clients receiving any form of Medicaid or other medical assistance.
4. Mental health service need is indicated for any individual who in the 24 months prior to case closure: 1) was diagnosed with a psychotic, mania/bipolar, depressive, anxiety, attention deficit and/or hyperactive, disruptive/impulse control/conduct, or adjustment disorder; 2) had an antipsychotic, antimania, antidepressant, antianxiety, or ADHD prescription filled; 3) received mental health services, or 4) received behavioral health rehabilitation services from the Children's Administration.
5. The population for the substance use disorder indicator, diagnosis, and treatment and arrest and convictions metrics was restricted to individuals age 12 or older.
6. Housing instability/homelessness status was identified using shelter information in the Department of Commerce's Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) or living arrangement status information recorded in the Economic Services Administration's (ESA) Automated Client Eligibility System (ACES). A client was identified as unstably housed in the measurement period if: 1) they ever appeared in the HMIS system; or 2) if there was an indication that they were homeless without housing, homeless with housing, currently residing in a battered spouse's shelter or emergency shelter, housed but paid less than \$25 in rent, or living in an inappropriate living situation as of the most recent system post date for that month. Homelessness following exit was calculated as of the first month that a client did not receive TANF or July of the next fiscal year.

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