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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

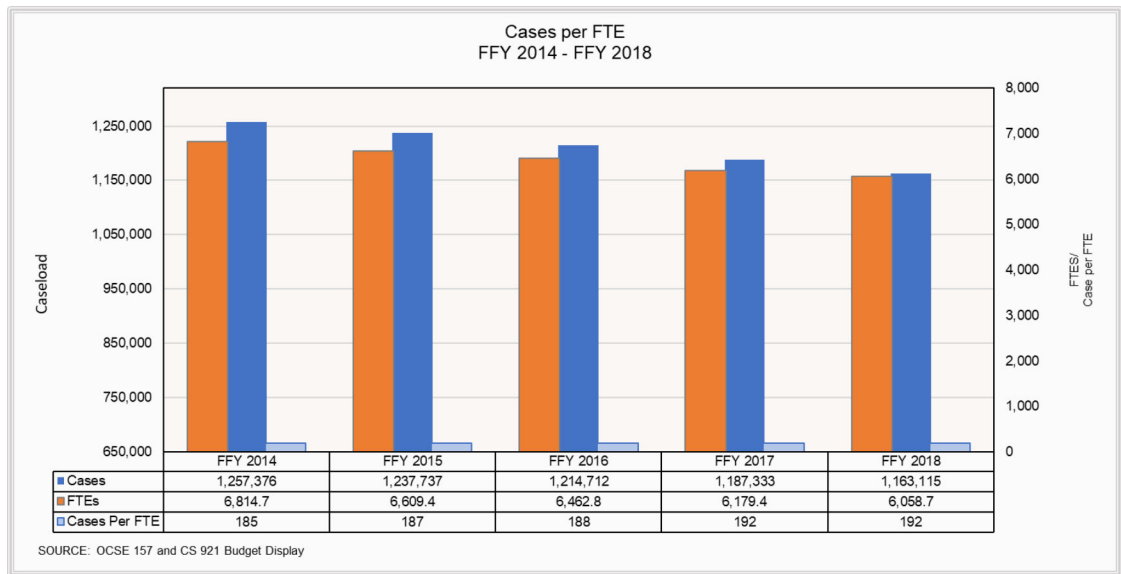
This report is submitted to meet the provisions within Assembly Bill (AB) 1811, Chapter 35, Statutes of 2018 and pursuant to Family Code (FC) section 17556, requiring the Department of Child Support Services (DCSS) to provide a report to the Legislature on specific topics related to child support collections. These topics include: case-to-staff ratios for each local child support agency; collections to families and recoupment collections to county, state, and federal government agencies; cost avoidance benefits; and the number of families served by the Child Support Program.

Statutory Requirements

This report satisfies the requirement of FC section 17556 requiring a report of data compiled on California's Child Support Program to be submitted on or before March 1, 2020.

CASES TO FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE) RATIO

Cases are the number of IV-D cases open (OCSE 157, Line 1) on the last day of the Federal Fiscal Year (FFY). In FFY 2018, the number of opened cases were 1,163,115. A full-time position reflects 1.0 FTE. Fractional time base (part-time) positions may be entered by tenths of a position. There were 6,058.7 FTE staff in FFY 2018. From FFY 2014 to FFY 2018, both the number of cases and FTEs declined. Cases decreased 7.5 percent, or 94,261 cases, while FTEs decreased 11.1 percent, or 756 FTEs. Cases per FTE in FFY 2017 and FFY 2018 remained the same at 192. On average statewide, an FTE employee provided services to 192 cases. Please see Table A on page 4.



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DEPARTMENT OF CHILD SUPPORT SERVICES
FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR 2018

TABLE A
CASES TO FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT
FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR 2018

	Full-Time Equivalents (FTE)	Cases	Cases per FTE
STATEWIDE	6,058.7	1,163,115	192
Alameda	166.1	31,781	191
Alpine	NA	34	*
Amador	NA	1,169	*
Butte	104.0	10,685	103
Calaveras	NA	1,529	*
Colusa	6.5	669	103
Contra Costa	129.4	25,798	199
Del Norte	19.5	2,506	129
El Dorado	39.0	5,524	142
Fresno	199.7	60,034	301
Glenn	8.0	1,641	205
Humboldt	NA	5,211	*
Imperial	62.0	10,206	165
Inyo	NA	939	*
Kern	181.8	51,057	281
Kings	47.0	8,969	191
Lake	24.0	2,700	113
Lassen	9.5	1,508	159
Los Angeles	1,409.0	245,094	174
Madera	29.0	6,543	226
Marin	22.6	4,789	212
Mariposa	NA	654	*
Mendocino	28.5	3,838	135
Merced	NA	14,921	*
Modoc	NA	348	*
Mono	NA	235	*
Monterey	87.0	14,767	170
Napa	29.0	3,395	117
Nevada	NA	2,664	*
Orange	464.6	65,462	141
Placer	44.5	7,246	163
Plumas	6.0	833	139
Riverside	269.7	82,996	308
Sacramento	272.5	74,984	275
San Benito	NA	1,921	*
San Bernardino	376.0	106,392	283
San Diego	364.9	62,301	171
San Francisco	69.5	10,935	157
San Joaquin	126.6	34,445	272
San Luis Obispo	30.0	3,796	127
San Mateo	72.1	9,106	126
Santa Barbara	67.8	11,964	176
Santa Clara	212.0	32,184	152
Santa Cruz	NA	5,342	*
Shasta	71.0	10,482	148
Sierra	NA	91	*
Siskiyou	NA	2,580	*
Solano	91.0	15,954	175
Sonoma	83.5	12,631	151
Stanislaus	132.3	26,916	203
Sutter	23.0	4,430	193
Tehama	19.0	3,554	187
Trinity	NA	966	*
Tulare	158.0	22,445	142
Tuolumne	NA	2,413	*
Ventura	180.0	20,259	113
Yolo	40.0	7,420	186
Yuba	28.0	3,859	138
Regionalized Local Child Support Agencies			
Ama/Alp/Cala/Tuol	39.8	5,145	129
Humboldt/Trinity	44.0	6,177	140
Inyo/Mono	8.0	1,174	147
Merced/Mariposa	78.0	15,575	200
Santa Cruz/San Benito	55.8	7,263	130
Sierra/Nevada	14.0	2,755	197
Siskiyou/Modoc	15.5	2,928	189

SOURCE: CS 921 Budget Display; OCSE 157 Line 1 (Cases Open at the End of the Fiscal Year)

* No FTE data available for the individual county; therefore Cases per FTE cannot be calculated.

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FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR 2014 - 2018

**TABLE A.1
CASES TO FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT
FEDERAL FISCAL YEARS 2014 - 2018**

	FFY 2014	FFY 2015	FFY 2016	FFY 2017	FFY 2018	2014 - 2018 % Change
STATEWIDE	185	187	188	192	192	3.8%
Alameda	149	153	155	171	191	28.0
Alpine	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	*
Amador	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	*
Butte	120	109	109	112	103	-14.1
Calaveras	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	*
Colusa	117	114	103	116	103	-12.1
Contra Costa	195	188	192	201	199	2.4
Del Norte	131	139	122	105	129	-1.7
El Dorado	128	125	142	131	142	10.3
Fresno	251	260	260	294	301	19.5
Glenn	190	204	207	204	205	7.7
Humboldt	146	133	127	NA	NA	*
Imperial	166	168	161	175	165	-0.7
Inyo	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	*
Kern	302	288	296	278	281	-6.9
Kings	174	185	187	198	191	9.9
Lake	114	96	113	112	113	-1.1
Lassen	158	141	152	148	159	0.3
Los Angeles	189	186	183	178	174	-7.8
Madera	163	190	191	207	226	38.0
Marin	107	101	219	250	212	97.4
Mariposa	91	97	100	NA	NA	*
Mendocino	119	114	108	149	135	12.7
Merced	206	220	197	NA	NA	*
Modoc	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	*
Mono	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	*
Monterey	150	171	167	168	170	13.3
Napa	123	126	118	115	117	-5.1
Nevada	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	*
Orange	131	131	137	142	141	7.3
Placer	209	186	172	175	163	-22.2
Plumas	126	127	138	144	139	9.8
Riverside	260	273	304	308	308	18.2
Sacramento	279	279	285	284	275	-1.3
San Benito	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	*
San Bernardino	281	285	279	290	283	0.6
San Diego	151	166	146	163	171	12.7
San Francisco	162	164	154	162	157	-2.6
San Joaquin	242	240	250	263	272	12.6
San Luis Obispo	96	110	119	121	127	32.0
San Mateo	139	140	133	127	126	-9.3
Santa Barbara	160	162	166	166	176	9.9
Santa Clara	137	147	147	146	152	10.5
Santa Cruz	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	*
Shasta	154	156	154	152	148	-4.3
Sierra	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	*
Siskiyou	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	*
Solano	170	166	173	168	175	2.9
Sonoma	141	142	157	156	151	7.1
Stanislaus	197	189	195	212	203	3.4
Sutter	164	169	172	183	193	17.7
Tehama	184	184	176	185	187	1.9
Trinity	117	135	165	NA	NA	*
Tulare	159	157	160	154	142	-10.9
Tuolumne	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	*
Ventura	101	119	115	112	113	11.9
Yolo	149	153	175	168	186	24.3
Yuba	136	143	134	136	138	1.5
Regionalized Local Child Support Agencies						
Ama/Alp/Cala/Tuol	118	123	131	131	129	9.8
Humboldt/Trinity	n/a	n/a	n/a	149	140	*
Inyo/Mono	136	135	146	154	147	8.0
Merced/Mariposa	n/a	n/a	n/a	205	200	*
Santa Cruz/San Benito	118	109	113	121	130	10.6
Sierra/Nevada	186	208	186	179	197	5.6
Siskiyou/Modoc	147	172	164	178	189	28.6

SOURCE: CS 921 Budget Display; OCSE 157 Line 1 (Cases Open at the End of the Fiscal Year)

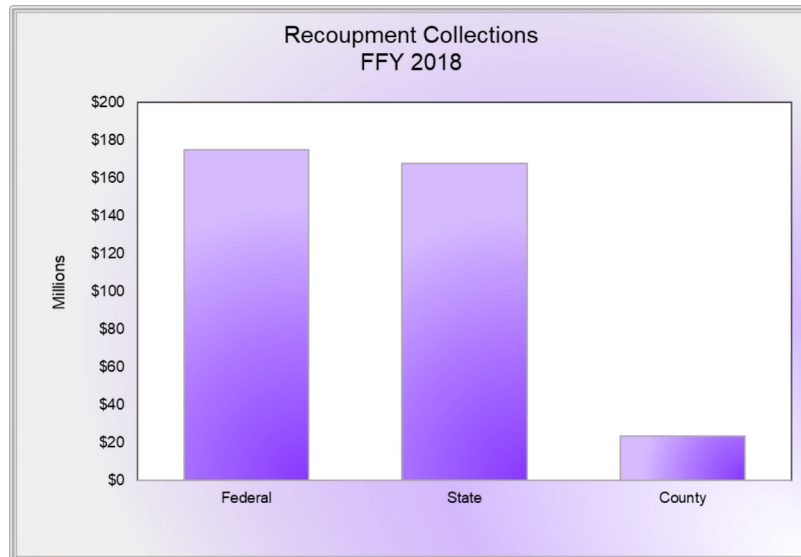
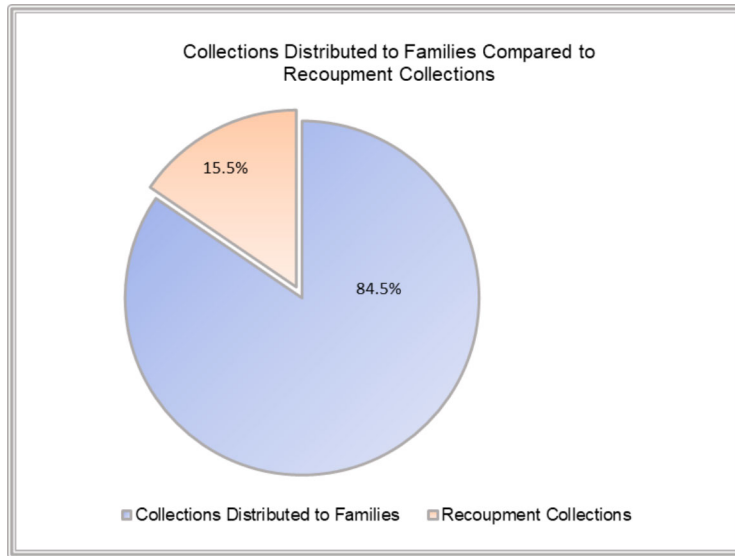
Note: Reporting the regionalization of Merced/Mariposa and Humboldt/Trinity did not begin until October 2016, therefore prior data is not applicable (n/a).

* No FTE data available for the individual county; therefore Cases per FTE cannot be calculated.

COLLECTIONS DISTRIBUTED TO FAMILIES AND RECOUPMENT COLLECTIONS

In Federal Fiscal Year 2018, the California Department of Child Support Services distributed a total of \$2.1 billion in child support payments to families. When a current child support payment is collected for a party receiving public assistance benefits, the custodial party will receive the first \$50 of the child support payment, which is referred to as a “disregard”. The balance of the payment is used to reimburse federal, state and county governments for the cost of the public assistance benefits. Of the total collections received in FFY 2018, \$366 million was recouped by government agencies (\$175.2 million federal share, \$167.9 million state share, \$23.2 million county share).

Please see Tables B and B.1 on pages 7 and 8.



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TABLE B
DISTRIBUTED COLLECTIONS
FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR 2018

	Sent to Other States	Sent to Other Countries	Disregard	Distributed as Medical Support	Distributed to Family or Foster Care	Total
STATEWIDE	\$94,897,573	\$2,390,712	\$22,728,883	\$2,799,912	\$2,000,979,118	\$2,123,796,199
Alameda	3,596,484	156,132	468,919	100,840	68,167,859	72,490,235
Alpine	13,105	0	64	374	30,432	43,975
Amador	99,582	1,565	21,432	5,224	2,482,707	2,610,510
Butte	892,591	3,125	235,743	39,303	12,494,964	13,665,725
Calaveras	99,720	0	38,375	14,070	2,697,623	2,849,788
Colusa	45,682	0	5,649	3,509	1,501,116	1,555,956
Contra Costa	48,100	0	500,330	239,056	62,539,879	63,327,366
Del Norte	186,081	3,624	52,776	6,723	2,130,855	2,380,059
El Dorado	421,810	5,530	99,193	41,058	11,750,228	12,317,820
Fresno	2,676,665	59,332	1,418,063	64,597	64,881,817	69,100,473
Glenn	98,378	6,857	38,507	2,430	2,540,752	2,686,925
Humboldt	423,110	1,500	101,879	13,580	6,270,034	6,810,102
Imperial	519,855	12,436	270,302	6,951	19,966,726	20,776,271
Inyo	80,547	0	7,488	4,228	1,568,707	1,660,970
Kern	2,381,310	1,706	990,282	51,477	65,992,971	69,417,746
Kings	492,630	-2,734	200,729	7,319	12,108,211	12,806,156
Lake	226,465	0	67,269	3,344	3,462,962	3,760,041
Lassen	155,882	0	29,373	3,822	2,026,228	2,215,304
Los Angeles	22,445,946	778,662	4,710,239	446,636	393,842,413	422,223,896
Madera	297,701	0	242,525	678	7,769,034	8,309,937
Marin	462,084	38,348	43,635	50,692	10,824,604	11,419,362
Mariposa	85,982	0	15,223	1,480	940,302	1,042,986
Mendocino	275,232	0	73,041	11,887	4,292,841	4,653,001
Merced	758,608	22,071	495,574	25,232	19,435,983	20,737,468
Modoc	45,000	0	8,260	189	399,642	453,091
Mono	42,942	0	750	336	723,678	767,705
Monterey	1,338,902	1,124	297,995	24,701	35,773,511	37,436,233
Napa	394,626	9,974	51,766	64,943	8,607,301	9,128,611
Nevada	294,181	15,464	43,115	5,236	5,491,291	5,849,287
Orange	5,306,875	129,589	1,236,512	276,586	162,062,070	169,011,632
Placer	731,996	11,231	114,144	50,649	23,562,051	24,470,072
Plumas	97,891	0	17,493	2,590	1,430,463	1,548,438
Riverside	5,768,653	142,150	1,613,407	22,944	135,568,259	143,115,413
Sacramento	5,562,360	55,580	1,214,538	120,499	94,732,534	101,685,510
San Benito	116,223	9,504	48,251	13,006	4,175,106	4,362,090
San Bernardino	5,600,266	110,030	2,423,003	135,038	150,475,556	158,743,893
San Diego	11,246,065	226,493	968,859	305,882	142,037,755	154,785,054
San Francisco	984,681	55,111	176,527	24,436	21,308,744	22,549,498
San Joaquin	2,256,546	31,495	570,064	71,103	50,207,941	53,137,149
San Luis Obispo	554,581	11,078	107,330	16,167	12,772,312	13,461,467
San Mateo	1,511,797	79,287	82,367	72,071	27,883,747	29,629,270
Santa Barbara	927,827	9,076	267,686	28,848	24,137,118	25,370,556
Santa Clara	3,052,802	113,039	445,132	107,267	77,314,279	81,032,520
Santa Cruz	530,581	3,366	124,693	19,399	11,429,514	12,107,553
Shasta	859,388	2,404	222,327	35,001	13,835,968	14,955,088
Sierra	14,969	0	350	0	165,740	181,059
Siskiyou	186,791	2,170	48,890	3,560	2,587,057	2,828,468
Solano	1,628,159	20,841	290,843	34,080	31,550,933	33,524,856
Sonoma	3,552,276	93,554	223,886	79,839	27,850,293	31,799,848
Stanislaus	1,315,781	23,807	605,076	46,580	42,418,206	44,409,449
Sutter	309,136	3,622	86,304	8,627	6,623,583	7,031,272
Tehama	179,125	590	89,531	1,794	4,629,443	4,900,483
Trinity	32,335	0	8,717	4,150	956,414	1,001,616
Tulare	890,354	17,579	508,045	28,618	31,465,257	32,909,852
Tuolumne	207,472	0	52,564	6,453	4,272,155	4,538,645
Ventura	1,981,779	101,653	459,039	15,814	47,918,312	50,476,597
Yolo	322,699	5,105	106,451	17,119	12,053,864	12,505,237
Yuba	268,961	17,644	88,359	11,881	4,839,774	5,226,619
Regionalized Local Child Support Agencies						
Ama/Alp/Cal/Tuol	419,879	1,565	112,436	26,121	9,482,917	10,042,918
Humboldt/Trinity	455,445	1,500	110,596	17,730	7,226,448	7,811,718
Inyo/Mono	123,489	0	8,238	4,563	2,292,385	2,428,675
Merced/Mariposa	844,590	22,071	510,796	26,712	20,376,284	21,780,453
Santa Cruz/San Benito	646,803	12,870	172,945	32,405	15,604,619	16,469,643
Sierra/Nevada	309,150	15,464	43,465	5,236	5,657,031	6,030,346
Siskiyou/Modoc	231,792	2,170	57,149	3,749	2,986,699	3,281,559

SOURCE: OCSE 34 Lines 4b, 4c, 7a, 7c, and 7d

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**TABLE B.1
RECOUPMENT COLLECTIONS
FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR 2018**

	Federal	State	County	Total
STATEWIDE	\$175,169,756	\$167,911,471	\$23,172,771	\$366,253,998
Alameda	5,029,949	4,913,023	907,298	10,850,270
Alpine	4,614	4,105	508	9,227
Amador	119,540	115,306	16,060	250,906
Butte	1,679,091	1,589,486	264,893	3,533,470
Calaveras	226,215	217,021	25,430	468,665
Colusa	58,186	61,802	11,197	131,184
Contra Costa	3,341,368	3,199,268	655,199	7,195,835
Del Norte	294,880	298,639	48,988	642,507
El Dorado	828,241	718,018	294,238	1,840,498
Fresno	10,950,262	10,578,031	1,327,943	22,856,236
Glenn	251,236	229,011	50,151	530,398
Humboldt	727,792	668,731	128,433	1,524,956
Imperial	1,523,396	1,448,064	172,110	3,143,570
Inyo	78,954	77,838	9,095	165,886
Kern	6,337,268	5,965,209	871,193	13,173,671
Kings	1,092,327	1,067,337	109,133	2,268,797
Lake	464,551	442,806	65,935	973,292
Lassen	233,485	212,643	29,726	475,855
Los Angeles	39,430,653	38,125,326	3,447,086	81,003,065
Madera	1,062,253	996,631	176,686	2,235,570
Marin	408,456	393,713	67,824	869,993
Mariposa	77,618	74,925	7,146	159,689
Mendocino	502,724	455,859	72,064	1,030,646
Merced	2,524,380	2,475,557	265,794	5,265,731
Modoc	45,491	43,445	3,377	92,314
Mono	10,957	8,833	2,124	21,915
Monterey	3,074,851	2,813,742	525,780	6,414,374
Napa	540,516	464,741	172,619	1,177,875
Nevada	291,703	273,498	58,089	623,290
Orange	7,904,104	7,437,650	1,083,558	16,425,312
Placer	862,532	825,193	254,403	1,942,128
Plumas	119,769	110,138	15,322	245,229
Riverside	12,247,465	11,703,630	1,852,450	25,803,545
Sacramento	9,208,443	9,415,225	1,614,963	20,238,631
San Benito	345,564	330,612	48,833	725,009
San Bernardino	15,549,730	14,321,390	1,889,676	31,760,796
San Diego	11,076,926	10,636,406	1,474,191	23,187,523
San Francisco	1,641,156	1,524,854	381,122	3,547,132
San Joaquin	4,054,910	3,889,861	542,579	8,487,350
San Luis Obispo	511,398	485,712	38,584	1,035,695
San Mateo	1,134,130	1,007,336	256,306	2,397,772
Santa Barbara	1,779,940	1,668,476	277,385	3,725,800
Santa Clara	5,992,815	5,763,813	845,873	12,602,500
Santa Cruz	960,098	883,349	134,705	1,978,152
Shasta	1,702,983	1,580,759	284,532	3,568,273
Sierra	9,549	7,995	1,555	19,099
Siskiyou	310,543	300,264	60,373	671,180
Solano	2,254,437	2,330,835	362,444	4,947,716
Sonoma	1,500,217	1,405,348	255,565	3,161,131
Stanislaus	4,726,575	4,610,011	490,291	9,826,877
Sutter	626,128	561,065	107,423	1,294,616
Tehama	566,551	532,548	103,785	1,202,883
Trinity	72,533	65,781	11,299	149,614
Tulare	3,656,882	3,640,446	403,222	7,700,550
Tuolumne	317,039	296,619	39,025	652,683
Ventura	3,158,044	3,063,071	284,910	6,506,025
Yolo	1,047,650	959,407	190,397	2,197,453
Yuba	620,690	621,068	81,879	1,323,637
Regionalized Local Child Support Agencies				
Ama/Alp/Cala/Tuol	667,408	633,051	81,023	1,381,482
Humboldt/Trinity	800,325	734,512	139,733	1,674,570
Inyo/Mono	89,911	86,671	11,219	187,800
Merced/Mariposa	2,601,998	2,550,482	272,940	5,425,420
Santa Cruz/San Benito	1,305,662	1,213,961	183,538	2,703,160
Sierra/Nevada	301,253	281,493	59,643	642,389
Siskiyou/Modoc	356,034	343,710	63,750	763,494

SOURCE: CS 35 Supplement to the CS 34 Monthly Report of Collections and Distributions

COST AVOIDANCE

Every year, the amount of child support collected and disbursed directly to families or recouped as cost recovery for public assistance programs (CalWORKs, KinGAP, and Foster Care) is measured in both actuals for completed years and estimates for future years. These estimates do not include an estimate of costs avoided as a result of the Child Support Program due to decreased expenditures for governmental assistance programs for families that otherwise would have been on public assistance. In accordance with Family Code section 17556, this report provides information on cost avoidance benefits for other governmental programs as a result of California's Child Support Program.

While not frequently discussed, cost avoidance for other governmental programs has long been recognized at both the national and state level as a benefit of the Child Support Program. A study and subsequent report for the nation, titled "Child Support Cost Avoidance in 1999, Final Report", was completed and published by Laura Wheaton of The Urban Institute on June 6, 2003 for the federal Office of Child Support Enforcement. It researched the following hypothesis about cost avoidance related to child support:

"[T]he goal of promoting self-sufficiency suggests some financial benefits for the government, since increased levels of financial stability and independence mean that families require less assistance from the government in other areas, such as food, housing, and medical assistance. These financial benefits – referred to here as "cost avoidance" – accrue not just from former welfare recipients, but also from families whose child support (when combined with other income) has enabled them to avoid welfare entirely and to reduce or eliminate their need for assistance from other government programs."

This nationwide report asserts that cost avoidance cannot be calculated, it can only be estimated or inferred because it cannot be directly measured. Furthermore, the nationwide report asserts that the \$2.6 billion in fiscal year 1999 savings is a lower bound estimate.

Subsequent to the nationwide report, a follow-up report was prepared and published on February 27, 2004 for the Child Support Directors Association of California that focused on California only. This follow-up report was titled "Cost Avoidance and Cost Recovery in California's Child Support Program: SFY 2000-01."

This report discussed that while there are many government programs that likely have cost avoidance due to the California Child Support Program, the primary governmental programs with cost avoidance in California are:

- CalWORKs
- Food Stamps/CalFresh
- Medi-Cal
- Supplemental Security Income (SSI)
- Public/Subsidized Housing

The report calculated the cost avoidance for State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2000-01 for these programs as displayed in Table 1 below.

Table 1: California Cost Avoidance: Federal and California Share, SFY 2000-01

(millions of dollars)

	Federal Share	California Share	Total
Entitlement Programs			
Food Stamps	66.7	0	66.7
Medi-Cal ¹	14.6	13.9	28.6
SSI ²	16.4	0	16.4
Total	97.7	13.9	111.6
Block Grant/Discretionary Programs			
CalWORKs	0	113.1	113.1
Housing ³	4.1	4.1	8.2
Total	4.1	117.2	121.3
All Programs	101.8	131.1	233.0

SOURCE: Urban Institute's TRIM3 microsimulation model, using data from the March 2001 and March 2002 Current Population Survey. Results are adjusted to reflect levels of child support distributions report in California's CS 800 & 820 reports for SFY 2000-01.

¹ Medi-Cal cost avoidance is split into federal and California shares in accordance with the FY2001 FMAP (federal medical assistance percentage).

² The estimates do not include the state supplemental portion of SSI.

³ Cost avoidance for the public and subsidized housing programs initially benefits local housing authorities, but may eventually result in lower federal spending. Therefore, a 50/50 split between the federal government and California is assumed.

In the absence of updated microsimulation models and either nationwide or California cost avoidance studies, a methodology for cost avoidance for SFY 2018-19 has been designed that relies on SFY 2000-01 non-assistance collections and SFY 2000-01 estimated cost avoidance by the microsimulation model.

The first step of the methodology was to divide the total cost avoidance (Federal and California share) for each of the programs in SFY 2000-01 (displayed in Table 1 above) by the total SFY 2000-01 non-assistance collections. This resulted in the ratios displayed in Table 2.

Table 2: SFY 2000-01 Estimated Cost Avoidance Per Dollar of \$1.3 Billion in Non-Assistance Collections

	Federal Share	California Share	Total
Entitlement Programs			
Food Stamps	0.05131	0.00000	0.05131
Medi-Cal	0.01123	0.01069	0.02192
SSI	0.01262		0.01262
Total	0.07515	0.01069	0.08585
Block Grant / Discretionary Programs			
CalWORKs	0.00000	0.08700	0.08700
Housing	0.00315	0.00315	0.00631
Total	0.00315	0.09015	0.09331
All Programs	0.07831	0.10085	0.17915

These ratios were then multiplied by the SFY 2018-19 non-assistance collections to estimate total cost avoidance by program (Federal and California share) for SFY 2018-19. The results are displayed in Table 3 below.

Table 3: SFY 2018-19 Estimated Cost Avoidance Per Dollar of \$1.979 Billion in Non-Assistance Collections
(millions of dollars)

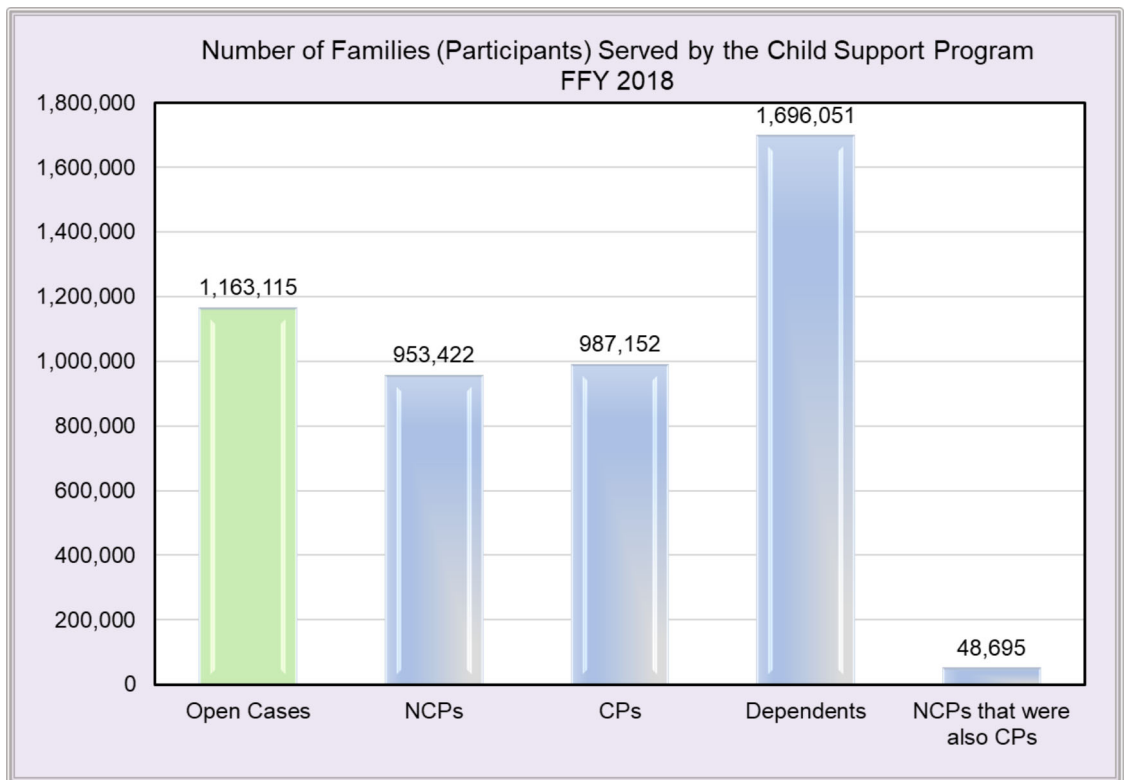
	Federal Share	California Share	Total
Entitlement Programs			
Food Stamps	101.5	0.0	101.5
Medi-Cal	22.2	21.2	43.4
SSI	25.0	0.0	25.0
Total	148.7	21.2	169.9
Block Grant / Discretionary Programs			
CalWORKs	0.0	172.2	172.2
Housing	6.2	6.2	12.5
Total	6.2	178.4	184.7
All Programs	155.0	199.6	354.5

NUMBER OF FAMILIES (PARTICIPANTS) SERVED BY THE CHILD SUPPORT PROGRAM

As the definition of what constitutes a family continues to evolve and change with time, DCSS in-turn opted to concentrate on the number of participants served by the Child Support Program.

Of all the open cases reported in FFY 2018, there were 953,422 non-custodial parents (NCPs), 987,152 custodial parties (CPs), 1,696,051 dependents, and 48,695 of the NCPs were also CPs on a separate case.

Please see Table C on page 13.



SOURCE: OCSE 157

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CHILD SUPPORT PROGRAM STATISTICS

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FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR 2018

TABLE C
NUMBER OF FAMILIES (PARTICIPANTS) SERVED
FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR 2018

	Non Custodial Parent (NCP)	Custodial Party (CP)	Dependent
STATEWIDE	953,422	987,152	1,696,051
Alameda	28,304	27,334	43,256
Alpine	27	32	50
Amador	1,088	1,012	1,583
Butte	8,981	8,638	14,139
Calaveras	1,409	1,298	2,162
Colusa	618	571	979
Contra Costa	23,139	22,277	36,002
Del Norte	2,021	1,934	3,167
El Dorado	4,822	4,332	7,239
Fresno	48,034	47,997	89,901
Glenn	1,396	1,252	2,212
Humboldt	4,333	4,260	6,915
Imperial	8,763	8,401	15,479
Inyo	792	787	1,299
Kern	41,649	40,854	75,451
Kings	7,583	7,244	12,927
Lake	2,469	2,289	3,759
Lassen	1,276	1,177	1,937
Los Angeles	219,637	222,734	378,891
Madera	5,695	5,202	9,670
Marin	4,350	4,313	7,163
Mariposa	595	565	900
Mendocino	3,331	3,209	5,372
Merced	12,640	12,426	22,191
Modoc	316	302	465
Mono	226	224	344
Monterey	12,629	12,396	21,630
Napa	2,996	2,849	4,735
Nevada	2,441	2,332	3,620
Orange	60,388	58,602	99,425
Placer	6,737	6,392	10,381
Plumas	735	704	1,100
Riverside	73,631	70,255	123,683
Sacramento	61,819	60,879	103,416
San Benito	1,685	1,626	2,787
San Bernardino	93,220	87,889	156,621
San Diego	56,268	55,573	91,281
San Francisco	9,551	9,400	14,469
San Joaquin	29,663	28,627	50,476
San Luis Obispo	3,591	3,517	5,525
San Mateo	8,437	8,054	12,857
Santa Barbara	10,424	10,151	17,335
Santa Clara	27,484	28,072	46,261
Santa Cruz	4,828	4,687	7,731
Shasta	8,555	8,359	13,755
Sierra	81	83	121
Siskiyou	2,210	2,142	3,615
Solano	13,968	13,741	21,606
Sonoma	11,070	11,237	17,313
Stanislaus	23,341	22,565	38,644
Sutter	3,862	3,567	6,248
Tehama	3,002	2,777	4,767
Trinity	862	882	1,286
Tulare	18,891	19,269	34,892
Tuolumne	2,093	2,026	3,088
Ventura	17,841	18,031	30,018
Yolo	6,418	6,104	10,448
Yuba	3,399	3,198	5,407
Regionalized Local Child Support Agencies			
Ama/Alp/Cala/Tuol	4,617	4,368	6,883
Humboldt/Trinity	5,195	5,142	8,201
Inyo/Mono	1,018	1,011	1,643
Merced/Mariposa	13,235	12,991	23,091
Santa Cruz/San Benito	6,513	6,313	10,518
Sierra/Nevada	2,522	2,415	3,741
Siskiyou/Modoc	2,526	2,444	4,080

SOURCE: OCSE 157 Line 1 (Cases Open at the End of the Fiscal Year)
Note: Statewide total does not match the total of the individual counties.

DEFINITIONS

IV-D Case – A parent (mother, father, or putative father) who is now, or eventually may be, obligated for the support of a child or children receiving services under the Title IV-D Program. A parent is reported as a separate IV-D case for each family with a dependent child or children that the parent may be obligated to support. If both parents are absent and liable or potentially liable for support of a child or children receiving services under the Title IV-D Program, each parent is considered a separate IV-D case.

California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids (CalWORKs) - The public assistance program that implements the requirements set forth in the federal Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act (PRWORA). Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF), which replaced Aid to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC). Federally mandated changes in the new welfare program set time limits on cash assistance and include a requirement that recipients participate in a "Welfare to Work" plan. CalWORKs replaces all AFDC programs in California and is administered by the California Health and Human Services Agency (CHHS).

Custodial Party (CP) - The person having primary care, custody and control over the child(ren) and who is/are receiving or has applied to receive services under Title IV-D of the Social Security Act (commencing with Section 651 of Title 42 of the United States Code).

Dependent - A child who is under the care of someone else. Most children who are eligible to receive child support must be a dependent. The child ceases to be a dependent when they reach the "age of emancipation" as determined by state law, but depending on the state's provisions, may remain eligible for child support for a period after they are emancipated.

Disregard - Up to the first \$50 of a current support collection that is sent to an obligee on behalf of a current assistance case receiving TANF/CalWORKS/KinGAP benefits.

Distributed - The allocation of child support collected to the various types of debt (e.g., monthly support obligations, arrears, ordered arrears) within a child support case as specified in 45 CFR 302.51 (45 CFR 309.115 for procedures governing tribal child support programs); the process of how the total child support payment amount is divided between all those owed under the support order, including reimbursement for public assistance.

Food Stamps/CalFresh (federally known as the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program or SNAP) – A federally mandated, state-supervised, and county-operated government entitlement program that provides monthly food benefits to assist low-income households in purchasing the food they need to maintain adequate nutritional levels.

Kinship Guardian Assistance Program (KinGAP) - The Kinship Guardianship Assistance Payment Program under which public assistance is provided on behalf of children in long-term placements with relatives, as specified in Chapter 2 of Part 3 of Division 9 of the Welfare and Institutions Code commencing with Section 11360.

Medi-Cal Program - California's medical assistance program provided under the State Plan approved under Title XIX of the Social Security Act.

Noncustodial Parent (NCP) - The parent of the child(ren) that may be or is obligated to pay child support.

Public Assistance - Any amount paid under the TANF, CalWORKS program, as specified in 22 CCR Section 110112, or foster care, or any Medi-Cal benefit, for the benefit of any dependent child or the caretaker or child.

Public Housing - Provides decent and safe rental housing for eligible low-income families, the elderly, and persons with disabilities.

Recoupment - The amount of support that was collected that has been applied to reimburse in whole or in part the unreimbursed assistance pool (UAP) which is used to reimburse the federal, state, and county governments for aid paid to the family.

Supplemental Security Income (SSI) - A federal income supplement program funded by general tax revenues designed to help aged, blind, and disabled people, who have little or no income.