

PROGRAM: PARTICIPATION, 1992-1993, WHO GETS ASSISTANCE?

Table A.

Average Monthly Participation Rates and Median Monthly Family Benefits, by Selected Characteristics: 1992 and 1993								
Characteristic	Participation rates (in percent)							
	Means-tested programs 1/		AFDC/General Assistance		SSI		Food stamps	
	1992	1993	1992	1993	1992	1993	1992	1993
Total number of recipients(thousands).	34,464	35,968	12,366	12,790	4,721	4,987	21,757	22,553
As percent of the population	13.5	14.0	4.8	5.0	1.9	1.9	8.5	8.7
RACE AND HISPANIC ORIGIN 2/								
White	10.3	10.6	3.1	3.1	1.4	1.5	6.2	6.2
Not of Hispanic origin	8.6	8.7	2.4	2.4	1.3	1.4	5.0	4.9
Black	34.2	35.5	16.3	16.4	4.4	4.7	24.3	25.4
Hispanic origin	27.0	28.9	10.4	10.9	2.6	2.9	17.7	18.9
Not of Hispanic origin	12.0	12.3	4.2	4.3	1.8	1.8	7.5	7.6
AGE								
Under 18 years	22.7	23.7	11.1	11.4	0.0	0.0	16.4	16.9
18 to 64 years	9.8	10.0	3.0	3.0	1.8	2.0	6.0	6.1
65 years and over	11.8	12.0	0.2	0.2	6.1	5.9	3.8	3.9
EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT (Persons 18 Years and over)								
Under 4 years of high school	22.8	23.6	5.3	5.3	7.6	7.8	13.0	13.5
High school graduate, no college	9.9	10.1	2.7	2.8	1.7	2.0	5.8	5.8
1 or more years of college	4.0	4.1	1.0	1.0	0.7	0.7	1.9	1.9
DISABILITY STATUS (Persons 15 to 69 Years)								
With work disability	24.6	25.2	5.4	5.0	10.3	11.0	13.4	13.2

With no work disability	7.5	7.8	2.7	2.8	0.3	0.4	4.9	5.1
RESIDENCE								
Metropolitan	12.8	13.3	5.0	5.1	1.7	1.8	7.9	8.1
Central city	19.9	19.8	8.6	8.5	2.5	2.6	13.0	12.8
Noncentral city	8.2	8.8	2.5	2.8	1.2	1.2	4.5	4.9
Nonmetropolitan	15.9	16.2	4.5	4.5	2.4	2.5	10.7	10.9
REGION								
Northeast	13.2	13.8	5.6	5.7	1.7	1.8	8.0	8.2
Midwest	11.6	11.9	4.7	4.7	1.2	1.2	7.5	7.7
South	15.0	15.5	4.2	4.4	2.2	2.3	10.3	10.7
West	13.7	14.2	5.5	5.5	2.1	2.3	7.3	7.3
FAMILY STATUS								
In families	13.6	14.2	5.5	5.7	1.3	1.4	9.1	9.4
In married-couple families	7.3	7.7	1.6	1.7	0.8	0.9	4.2	4.3
In families with a female house-holder, no spouse present.	41.6	42.9	23.6	23.9	3.3	3.6	31.7	32.6
Unrelated individuals	13.3	12.8	0.9	0.8	5.0	5.2	5.1	4.9
EMPLOYMENT AND LABOR FORCE STATUS (Persons 18 Years and over)								
Employed full-time	3.4	3.5	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	1.5	1.5
Employed part-time	8.4	8.6	1.6	1.8	1.0	1.0	4.8	4.8
Unemployed	24.5	24.3	9.5	9.3	1.4	1.3	18.1	18.6
Not in the labor force	19.6	20.2	5.5	5.6	6.9	7.2	10.9	11.2
FAMILY INCOME-TO-POVERTY RATIO								
Less than 1.00	56.2	57.3	26.8	26.8	6.0	6.6	45.0	45.7
1.00 and over	6.2	6.5	1.1	1.2	1.1	1.1	2.3	2.4

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4/ The symbol 'X' denotes 'not available'.

With work disability	18.6	19.5	6.2	6.2	417	6.5	412	10.0
With no work disability	4.4	4.7	2.6	2.6	434	7.5	438	3.0
RESIDENCE								
Metropolitan	9.4	10.0	4.2	4.3	498	9.0	493	5.5
Central city	14.7	14.9	7.3	7.3	551	7.0	551	6.5
Noncentral city	5.9	6.6	2.2	2.3	428	6.0	430	5.5
Nonmetropolitan	10.5	11.2	4.2	3.7	349	6.0	345	6.5
REGION								
Northeast	9.9	10.5	5.6	5.8	552	11.5	548	12.0
Midwest	8.4	8.9	4.0	3.8	486	9.0	481	6.0
South	9.4	10.3	4.1	4.0	362	7.0	362	8.0
West	11.3	11.7	3.4	3.4	625	7.5	600	2.5
FAMILY STATUS								
In families	9.9	10.6	3.9	3.9	489	3.0	482	4.5
In married-couple families	4.7	5.2	1.6	1.6	355	5.0	340	7.5
In families with a female householder, no spouse present.	33.4	34.8	14.5	14.4	571	5.5	564	4.5
Unrelated individuals	8.1	8.1	6.0	5.7	184	6.5	188	8.0
EMPLOYMENT AND LABOR FORCE STATUS (Persons 18 Years and Over)								
Employed full-time	1.2	1.2	1.5	1.5	233	6.5	231	6.5
Employed part-time	4.6	4.9	3.1	2.9	277	9.0	282	9.5
Unemployed	14.7	14.2	6.8	7.3	400	19.5	411	20.5
Not in the labor force	14.8	15.5	5.9	5.8	434	0.0	433	1.0
FAMILY INCOME-TO-POVERTY RATIO								
Less than 1.00	43.6	44.9	17.6	18.0	496	7.0	496	7.5
1.00 and over	3.9	4.3	1.9	1.8	334	6.5	349	4.5

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