

FORM ACF-202 – TANF CASELOAD REDUCTION REPORT

Date of Completion 11-19-2014

State: Arkansas **Fiscal Year to which credit applies:** 2015

Overall Report <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Two-parent Report <input type="checkbox"/>	(check one)	Apply the overall credit to the two-parent participation rate? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes	<input type="checkbox"/> no
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PART 1 –Eligibility Changes Made Since FY 2005
(Complete this section for EACH change)

1. Name of eligibility change: ARKANSAS WORK PAYS PROGRAM
2. Implementation date of eligibility change: JULY 2006
3. Description of policy, including the change from prior policy:

ARKANSAS ACT 1705 OF 2005 ESTABLISHED THE WORK PAYS PROGRAM. WORK PAYS IS A POST EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM DESIGNED TO ENCOURAGE WORKING TRANSITIONAL EMPLOYMENT ASSISTANCE (TEA) CLIENTS, WHO BECOME EMPLOYED AND ARE NO LONGER ELIGIBLE FOR TEA, TO REMAIN EMPLOYED AFTER CLOSURE OF THEIR TEA CASE WHILE INCREASING THEIR HOURS OF WORK AND/OR HOURLY WAGE.

4. Description of the methodology used to calculate the estimated impact of this eligibility change (attach supporting materials to this form):

USING AVAILABLE PROGRAM DATA, THE MONTHLY NUMBER OF WORK PAYS PARTICIPANTS IS ENTERED INTO THE NET IMPACT TABLE TO ARRIVE AT A MONTHLY AVERAGE OF 932.

5. Estimated average monthly impact of this eligibility change on caseload in comparison year: 932

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PART 2 – Estimate of Caseload Reduction Credit

(Complete Part 2 using Excel Workbook provided.)

METHODOLOGY

THE DOLLAR AMOUNT BY WHICH THE STATE EXCEEDED ITS REQUIRED MOE SPENDING LEVEL OF \$22,228,215, AS PUBLISHED BY ACF

IS DIVIDED BY THE NUMBER OF AVERAGE ANNUAL COST OF PROVIDING ASSISTANCE TO FAMILIES.

REDUCE THE MEASURED CASELOAD FOR THE PURPOSE OF THE CASELOAD REDUCTION CREDIT BY THIS NUMBER OF FAMILIES.

STATE EXPENDITURES	\$93,755,027	TOTAL TANF/MOE SPENDING	\$126,453,690
80% MOE REQUIREMENTS	-\$22,228,215	AVERAGE FFY2014 CASELOAD	6,103
EXCESS MOE	\$71,526,812	AVERAGE SPENDING PER CASE	\$20,720

THE CASES FUNDED WITH EXCESS MOE WAS CALCULATED AS:

EXCESS MOE (\$71,526,812) DIVIDED BY THE AVERAGE SPENDING PER CASE (\$20,720) = 3,452

THESE 3,452 CASES WERE SUBTRACTED FROM THE FFY2014 AVERAGE CASELOAD OF 6,103 = 2,651.

THE RESULTING OVERALL CASELOAD REDUCTION FOR ALL FAMILIES CASES IS 69.3%

THE RESULTING OVERALL CASELOAD REDUCTION FOR TWO-PARENT CASES IS 57.7%

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PART 3 -- Certification

I certify that we have provided the public an appropriate opportunity to comment on the estimates and methodology used to complete this report and considered those comments in completing it. Further, I certify that this report incorporates all reductions in the caseload resulting from State eligibility changes and changes in Federal requirements since Fiscal Year 2005.

(signature)

(name)

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