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Sec. 64. [REPORT ON ASSESSMENT OF COUNTY PERFORMANCE.] By January 15, 2003, the commissioner, in consultation with counties, must report to the chairs of the house and senate committees having jurisdiction over human services, on a proposal for assessing county performance using a methodology that controls for demographic, economic, and other variables that may impact county achievement of MFIP performance outcomes. The proposal must recommend how state and federal funds may be allocated to counties to encourage and reward high performance.

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Executive Summary

The 2001 Legislature added new requirements to the existing Minnesota Family Investment Program (MFIP) county performance measurement system. To address the Legislature's goals for MFIP performance measurement, DHS convened a state-county-Employment Services provider workgroup in November of 2001. The workgroup consisted largely of the same individuals who had created the original set of MFIP performance measures in 1998. In a January 2002 Report to the Legislature, DHS reported progress on the creation of performance measures for MFIP, most notably the Self-support Index.

In this report, DHS outlines a plan for a county performance measurement system that allocates bonus funds to counties that achieve high levels of success on two performance measures:

- The Three-year Self-support Index, a measure of whether participants are working at least 30 hours per week or have left cash assistance three years after a baseline quarter; and
- The MFIP Participation Rate, the percentage of participants in a specific month that are fully engaged in the work or work-related activity requirements of the program.

Results among the counties vary, and this variation is the result of differences in the characteristics of county caseloads, regional economic differences, as well as other influences. The report details use of a "logistic regression" methodology to statistically control for demographic and economic differences, and therefore determine which counties are the most effective. This methodology will be used to report, on a semi-annual basis beginning in April of 2003, each county's range of expected performance on the Three-year Self-support Index.

For the future, DHS recommends a system to set aside TANF dollars for bonus payments to high performing counties, beginning in state fiscal year 2006. Counties that exceed their range of expected performance for the Three-year Self-support Index would be eligible for bonus payments. Bonus payments also would be issued for counties that exceed a 50% MFIP Participation Rate. Bonus funding would be capped at 5% of a county's TANF allocation.

Local agencies (counties and Employment Services providers) involved in this planning process strongly objected to the setting aside of bonus funds during this time of fiscal austerity and likely cuts to program funding. Local agency representatives were supportive, however, of a system that funds and provides technical assistance to low performing counties to identify and correct implementation problems.

Introduction

The 2001 Legislature added new requirements to the existing Minnesota Family Investment Program (MFIP) county performance measurement system. Guidance was provided in Minn. Stat. Section 256J.751 on the types of outcome measures the state and counties should consider, but the Legislature also left open the possibility of completely new measures. The intent of the Legislature was that ultimately, these new measures would be used as part of a county performance measurement system that could provide a tool to allocate county funding based on performance (Laws of 2001, First Special Session, Chapter 9, Article 10).

To address the Legislature's goals for MFIP performance measurement, DHS convened a state and county workgroup in November of 2001. The workgroup consisted largely of the same individuals who had created the original set of MFIP performance measures in 1998. The following organizations were invited to be part of this workgroup:

Minnesota Department of Human Services (Families with Children Division and Program Assessment and Integrity Division) Minnesota Department of Economic Security (Workforce Services Branch) Anoka County Human Services Beltrami County Human Services Dakota County Employment and Economic Assistance Hennepin County (Economic Assistance Division, Training and Employment Assistance Division and Office of Planning and Development) **Olmsted County Community Services** Ramsey County Human Services **Rice County Social Services** St. Louis County Social Services Washington County Community Services Southeastern Minnesota Workforce Development, Inc. (Employment Services provider) Rural Minnesota Concentrated Employment Program (CEP), (Employment Services provider) Central Minnesota Jobs and Training Services, (Employment Services provider)

Why did we need new performance measures?

MFIP has had a county performance reporting system in place since January of 1999. The MFIP county performance system that existed prior to January of 2002 contained six measures that were reported for program management purposes but have never been linked to county funding. These measures for cases with eligible adults were:

- 1. Percent of the MFIP caseload with budgeted earnings;
- 2. Percent of the MFIP caseload that are employed and receiving only the food portion of MFIP;
- 3. Percent of the caseload that leave MFIP during the quarter (termination rate);
- 4. Median placement wage rate;
- 5. Federal work participation rate; and

6. Countable TANF months, including the percent of cases with twelve or fewer TANF months remaining.

These measures have been useful for counties and employment providers as "benchmarks" for their work. However, DHS had already begun to recognize that the measures were not optimal for a performance measurement system that could identify and reward high performance.

For example, the first measure reports an employment rate among participants who are active on MFIP. It is essentially a measure of the percentage of the caseload that is working but not earning enough to become ineligible for the program. Participants with part-time employment qualify as "working" in this measure and participants who have worked their way off MFIP are excluded from this measure. Rewarding counties for high performance on this measure would result in rewarding them for helping participants achieve less-than-adequate employment.

Similarly, the second measure identifies that percentage of the caseload that is receiving only the food portion of MFIP because the participant is working but is not earning enough to become ineligible for the program. Again, participants who have worked their way completely off MFIP are excluded from this measure.

The third measure is oriented toward the goal of leaving MFIP. This measure is simultaneously too broad and too narrow. It is too broad because it includes all types of case closures, whether related to employment or not. It is too narrow because it excludes cases that have become child only assistance cases. Counties have been spending considerable energy working to help move long-term MFIP participants with disabilities into SSI, while keeping their children eligible for assistance.

The remaining three measures have been useful for operational purposes, but also are not useful for rewarding performance. The median placement wage (measure #4) is something over which counties or employment service providers have only limited control. The federal work participation rate includes a wide range of activities other than employment and excludes adults whose grants are paid by state dollars. Finally, the TANF month count is purely a process measure to alert counties about the use of TANF months among their caseloads.

Performance Measures Selected through the State-County Planning Process

Members of the State-county MFIP Performance Measurement Workgroup (referred to simply as the "Workgroup" in the remainder of this report) agreed that new performance measures would be an improvement over the present system. However, Workgroup members were concerned that a performance measurement system for the program should reflect the fact that since its original implementation, MFIP has offered three distinct types of services based on three general categories of program participants. As a result, Workgroup members felt that distinct measures were needed to assess county performance on each of these aspects of the program:

First and foremost, MFIP is a program that provides financial incentives and work requirements to assist the most work-ready participants into employment and off cash assistance. To measure county performance on this aspect of the program, Workgroup members recommended an outcome measure known as the Three-year Self-support Index. This measure is described in more detail below.

Second, MFIP is a program that provides intensive case management to participants with multiple employment barriers so that they are able to make progress toward self-sufficiency. While achievement of employment or a welfare exit is the ultimate goal for these participants, an intermediate goal based on participant engagement in work-related activity would best address county performance with this group of participants. The Workgroup agreed that the use of the MFIP Participation Rate (also discussed further below) would add an important dimension to a performance measurement system. Furthermore, the MFIP Participation Rate is closely related to the federal participation rate, a measure on which performance is crucial if Minnesota is to avoid federal financial penalties through the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) Program.

Third, MFIP is a program that provides basic life support to participants who have reached the 60-month time limit and have been extended for reasons other than work. Here any participation in barrier-reducing activities would be a step forward. Members of the Workgroup struggled with how to measure barrier reduction for this group of participants. The challenge of measuring progress with hard-to-serve welfare participants also emerged strongly from county experience with LIGSS, the Local Intervention Grants for Self-Sufficiency. Given the current limitations of data on participant barriers, the Workgroup felt that inclusion of this type of measure in the overall performance measurement system for the program is premature. However, the Workgroup felt strongly that future efforts to measure barrier reduction will be important if the state is to gain a stronger understanding of what types of interventions with the hardest-to-serve clients are most effective.

The Self-support Index

The Self-support Index was designed to address the weaknesses of the existing performance measures. To produce the Index, DHS tracks adults who eligible for MFIP in a past quarter¹ and examines if they are working 30 or more hours per week or if they are no longer receiving a cash payment at a follow-up point one, two or three years later. We can look at this measure for new or ongoing participants and we can look at various follow-up periods.

The workgroup felt this is the strongest outcome measure for the following reasons:

- The measure is longitudinal in nature. It measures participant attainment of key outcomes over time, rather than rates of an outcome among all participants in the caseload at a single point in time. Progress of individual participants over time best captures what the program is trying to accomplish.
- The measure incorporates a bottom limit on hours of employment. Substantial work effort is necessary for an adult to be considered as a success and counted in the numerator.
- The measure uses "off MFIP cash" rather than off MFIP. Participants who become eligible for the food portion only or who become eligible for SSI (and their children continue on MFIP as a child-only case) would be defined as "off cash assistance" and would be counted in the numerator. The 60-month time clock has stopped for these participants as well.
- The measure is person-based rather than case-based, thus easier to understand and calculate.

Statewide data

As mentioned above, the Self-support Index can be reported for different follow-up periods, such as one year, two years, or three years. The measure also can be reported for different types of MFIP participant "cohorts." One type of cohort, known as a "Recipient" cohort, includes all eligible participants in the caseload during a specific baseline quarter. A Recipient cohort, which is most representative of the caseload as a whole, includes participants with as little as one month of history on the program as well as participants with several years of program history. Figure 1 below shows the One-, Two- and Three-year Self-support Index for three Recipient cohorts (Jan-Mar 1999, Jan-Mar 2000 and Jan-Mar 2001) statewide.

¹ When the Self-support Index was conceived, the measure excluded participants who were exempt from participation in employment-related activity during the baseline quarter. The Workgroup amended the measure in January 2003 out of recognition that exempt participants do not remain exempt for long periods of time and should be included.



Figure 1. The MFIP Self-support Index for three years of Recipient cohorts

There are two distinct ways to think about these data. The first approach involves looking at the progress of a given cohort over time. The figure shows clearly that the most progress among participants is made within one year of the baseline measurement. Approximately half of the participants move into either substantial employment or off cash assistance within one year of the baseline measurement. The percentages of participants achieving success on this measure rise steadily during the second and third years after the baseline measurement.

A second way of looking at the data is to compare the various cohorts. The one-year measure rose from the 1999 cohort to the 2000 cohort, but fell for the 2001 cohort. This difference is likely due to economic conditions, which began to decline in the Spring of 2001. Furthermore, changes in policy, practice, and caseload characteristics can lead to differences among annual cohorts on this measure. Multivariate regression techniques, described in more detail below, can help disentangle the varying influences of these factors.

Another type of cohort, known as an "Applicant" cohort, includes all new Applicants to the program during a specific baseline quarter. Applicant cohorts are interesting because they provide information on outcomes for those new to the program. Statewide data on the One-year Self-support Index for Applicant cohorts is currently reported on the Governor's "Results" website located at http://www.bigplanresults.state.mn.us/selfsuff/index.html#1.

County data

DHS began reporting county data on the Self-support Index in July of 2002. The data reported is for Recipient cohorts with follow-up periods of one, two and three years. This information is being reported on a quarterly basis as part of the MFIP Management Indicators reports. A copy of the October 2002 issue of this report is included as Appendix A.

While reporting county Self-support Index data is instructive, the actual results in each county are subject to many influences beyond the control of county program administrators. The

remaining step is to produce a range of expected performance for each county that controls for differences in the composition of county caseloads as well as differences in county economic conditions. This effort, which employs a statistical technique know as logistic regression analysis, is described in more detail below (pages 7 through 10).

The MFIP Participation Rate

The other new county performance measure recommended by the Workgroup is the MFIP Participation Rate. This rate is similar to what is known as the Federal Work Participation Rate for TANF, except it includes participants whose grants are paid out of state dollars in addition to those who are paid by federal TANF funds. The Federal Work Participation Rate measures the participation of "non-disregarded" participants (a federal term used to specify participants that are required to participate in work and work activities). Due to State Statute some participants are exempt from active involvement in employment or employment activities but are still included in the federal calculation. The hours required to meet the federal rate depend on a number of factors; if the case has two eligible parents, receives child care assistance, has a child under one year of age, and others. Minnesota's work participation rate in the future will depend upon TANF reauthorization and the reinstatement of the TANF waiver.

DHS has reported the Federal Work Participation Rate for each county since 1999. While this information has been useful, participants in the Workgroup pointed out that the federal data excludes a large number of MFIP participants who do not receive federal TANF dollars. These include participants in two-parent families, participants receiving only the food portion of MFIP, and participants who are legal non-citizens. Employment Services providers who contract with county welfare agencies do not treat these participants any differently than federally-funded participants. In fact, most providers would not even know if a specific participant is funded by TANF dollars or not. As a result, the Federal Work Participation Rate information provided to the counties has been incomplete and not as useful as a county performance measure as it could be. To remedy this situation, DHS will begin reporting the "MFIP Participation Rate," which will include both federally- and state-funded participants. This rate will first be reported in January of 2003, and quarterly thereafter. DHS also will continue to report the Federal Work Participation Rate so that counties can track performance trends going back to 1999 when county reporting of this rate was begun.

Estimating County Performance using Logistic Regression

The state, as supervisor of the MFIP program, is faced with the challenge of assessing the relative performance of the 87 counties that administer MFIP. In addition to the variations in types of services offered by the counties, the counties have diverse demographic and economic characteristics. Many counties have almost no racial diversity, whereas the non-white MFIP population is a majority in the largest counties. Cook County has a total of 14 MFIP adults and one caseworker, whereas Hennepin County has over 14,000 adults and hundreds of caseworkers. The variety of economic conditions around the state also is diverse. In general, jobs are more readily available in the urban and suburban regions of the state than in rural areas, but some rural areas of the state fare better than others. For example, the November 2002 unemployment rate varied from a low of 2.4% in the Southwest economic development region to 5.4% in both the North Central and East Central regions. The seven county metro area had an unemployment rate of 3.4% during the month.

At least implicitly, the underlying assumption regarding MFIP performance measurement has always been that the environment in which the 87 programs operate is constant across the state. Comparisons of performance across counties have been based on actual performance with no regard for the specific advantages or disadvantages that any county may have when trying to promote self-sufficiency.

Recognizing this need, Minnesota's Legislature instructed the Department of Human Services to develop a "proposal for assessing county performance using a methodology that controls for demographic, economic, and other variables that may impact county achievement of MFIP performance outcomes."

Defining performance

The first hurdle for the Workgroup was to agree upon a best single outcome measure that would form the basis for the performance measurement system. After much deliberation, the workgroup agreed that performance for purposes of this project would be defined as successful achievement of the Three-year Self-support Index. This means that a county would be credited with a "success" for every participant in the county that was working at least 30 hours per week or had left cash assistance three years after a baseline quarter. Since the period of observation for performance is a quarter, the operational definition of the performance measure counted someone as a success if they were working 30 hours per week or off MFIP cash for all three months of the quarter.

The performance measurement is made three years after baseline. The Workgroup felt that the three year follow-up period was best for performance measurement because it allowed time for participants to receive the maximum allowable education and training under the MFIP program. In addition, we learned when testing the logistic regression model (discussed in more detail below) that the demographic and economic variables in the model were more powerful when used to predict performance based on a longer follow-up period (three years as compared with one or two years).

The logistic regression model

Regression analysis is a statistical technique used to predict an outcome (also known as a *dependent variable*) based on its relationship to a set of factors (known as *independent variables*). In the case of MFIP county performance measurement, the Workgroup chose the Three-year Self-support Index as the outcome measure for analysis. Because this outcome variable is a "yes/no" type of measure (as opposed to a continuous variable, such as age), a specific type of regression analysis known as "logistic regression" was required.

Logistic regression provides a rigorous methodology to control (or account) for demographic and economic differences among counties, including those beyond a county agency's direct control. It "levels the playing field" across counties. The factors accounted for by such a model can include characteristics of a county's caseload, such as a high percentage of limited English proficient clients or a high percentage of clients with large families. The factors also can include measures of local economic conditions, such as the county's child poverty rate or unemployment rate.

In a series of meetings with county administrators, Employment Services providers, and state staff, an attempt was made to identify all conceivable demographic and economic variables that might affect county MFIP performance on the Three-year Self-support Index. At this stage of the model development, no attention was given to concerns such as data availability, data privacy, statistical concerns, or other practical issues. The intent was simply to identify the factors that are related to success in the MFIP program.

The brainstorming process yielded more than 100 potential variables. Lack of data availability further limited the list of potential independent variables. For example, mental retardation was hypothesized to be an important variable but client data on mental retardation are not available. Furthermore, many of the variables were too similar to each other (highly correlated) to add power to the regression analysis (for example, a point-in-time and an annualized measure of a county's unemployment rate). Further discussions identified the most useful single variable from groups of similar variables.

At present, a model containing 21 variables is being tested (see Appendix B). The model based on these variables explains 66% of the variation among the counties on the Three-year Self-support Index. This means that a maximum of 34% of the variation in county outcomes on Three-year Self-support Index is due to a combination of program effects and unexplained causes (like client or economic characteristics that cannot be adequately measured). More detailed information on the regression model is included in Appendix B.

The regression analysis was conducted at the person level. In other words, the model predicted the likelihood that individual participants with specific characteristics, living in specific counties, would achieve success on the Three-year Self-support Index. However, the ultimate purpose of this analysis was to develop a method of comparison across counties. In order to obtain a measure of performance by county, the person level expected values were averaged across persons within each county, creating an average expected performance level for each county. Figure 2 displays the actual Three-year Self-support Index (represented by dots) and the

statistically expected Three-year Self-support Index (represented by the line) for nearly half of Minnesota's counties (those with at least 150 MFIP recipients). The figure is presented for descriptive purposes only. The actual publication of regression estimates for each county will begin in April 2003 once the model is fully refined.

Figure 2 displays clearly how counties have very different outcomes on the Three-year Selfsupport Index (counties had actual performance ranging from 60 to 84%). Comparing counties to each other is far less useful than comparing each county's actual performance to its expected performance as predicted by the model. For example, the county identified as county "BN" (marked by an arrow on the left side of the figure) had actual performance of about 67% while its expected performance was closer to 63%. The county identified as county "BL" (marked by an arrow on the right side of the figure) had actual performance of about 72% while its expected performance was 75%. Note that the while county BL achieved higher actual performance than county BN, county BL's performance was below expectation, while county BN exceeded expectation.





Generating ranges of expected county performance

Aggregating the person-level results to the county level raised questions about the appropriate method for computing the statistically-derived ranges of expected performance (known as confidence intervals) around the expected values for the counties. It is crucial to know if a county's expected performance lies within or outside of this statistical range, otherwise there is a strong possibility that the difference between a county's actual and expected performance is due to chance. Consultation with several statistical experts determined that there is no standard formula for computing confidence intervals in this situation. A straightforward, if tedious,

bootstrap method was chosen to determine the range of expected values by county (see Appendix B for more detail).

Figure 3 displays the relationship between a county's actual performance and its range of expected performance. The dots again represent each county's actual performance, but here the actual performance is expressed as a percent of expected performance (the expected performance is shown as the horizontal line at 100%). Counties with dots above the center line exceeded their expected performance, while counties with dots below the center line did not achieve their expected performance.

The thick black and gray lines represent each county's range of expected performance (the confidence interval for each county's estimate). The range is important to show for example, that while many counties achieved outcomes above or below their expected performance, these outcomes were not above the range of expected performance. For example, counties "AE" and "AF" achieved outcomes slightly below their expected performance. Both these counties, however, were within their ranges of expected performance. In contrast, county "AC" was below its range of expected performance, while counties such as "AG" and "AL" exceeded their ranges of expected performance.



Figure 3. Actual performance and range of expected performance (confidence intervals) as a percent of expected performance

Rewarding and Encouraging High Performance: A Framework for a County Performance Measurement System

The purpose of measuring and reporting performance for each county is to provide an incentive to counties to improve performance and to achieve the best performance possible. This will, in aggregate, increase overall state performance and improve outcomes for low-income families. Counties are very aware of their comparative performance in MFIP. Most study and use the MFIP Management Indicators report that DHS has produced for the last five years (Appendix A), comparing their performance to other counties. By attaching funding to high performance, the state hopes to establish a clear connection between expectations for county performance and the level of state funding.

As part of the Workgroup process, state staff developed the following proposal to create a high performance bonus system that would reward counties that achieve high performance on the Three-year Self-support Index, the MFIP Participation Rate, or on both measures. This proposal is described in more detail below.

County and Employment Service agency members of the Workgroup expressed serious concerns about the state's proposal. These objections are noted in italics throughout the discussion.

Bonus funds for high performing counties

Counties would be eligible for bonuses as follows:

• Counties that performed above the top of their range of expected performance on the Three-year Self-support Index would be eligible for bonus funds.

Local agency (county and Employment Service provider) representatives of the workgroup support reporting of the Three-year Self-support Index, but felt that any bonus monies that might be available should be used for technical assistance to help low performing counties make needed improvement to their programs.

As noted by local agency representatives in the Workgroup:

Shifting our focus to those from whom we will most likely get the desired outcomes (labor force attachment and reduction of public assistance) will in all probability come at the expense of services to those harder to serve.

Unless and until we are fully cognizant of the consequences of our actions, and all the criteria for effective performance recognition through monetary awards prevail (and we are sure that we can accurately measure such performance for all involved), it may be wiser to shift our focus from monetary awards to public recognition among peers and grantees. • High performance bonuses on the MFIP Participation Rate would first be limited to those counties who achieved at least a 50% rate as averaged across four quarterly reports. The top ten counties – or all counties above 50%, if there are fewer than ten – would be eligible for bonuses.

Amount of bonus funds

It is important that bonus funds be large enough to provide real reward for high-performing counties, but not so large that significant funding is diverted from lower performing counties who need adequate funding to provide services. Funds would be split: half to pay high performance bonuses for the Three-year Self-support Index, and half to pay high performance bonuses for the MFIP Participation Rate.

Local agency members of the Workgroup objected strongly to the setting aside of funds for a system of bonuses. They felt that during this time of extremely limited resources, removal of any funds from base operating budgets would hurt performance more than help. As local agency members noted:

The employability development system we have built over time will take a major hit when LIGSS (Local Intervention Grants for Self-Sufficiency) funds sunset. The effects of the absence of these resources and the staff who provide the services will be reflected for some time to come, particularly by those providers who supported the primary intent of LIGSS (reduction of worker caseloads) by hiring new staff. Given that and the state of the economy, our short-term focus will be on maintaining services, not awards.

To the best of my knowledge, we have not experienced a change in the amount of service funds allocated per case since the inception of MFIP. But our costs have increased at the rate of inflation. We also foresee major funding reductions in other programs that support MFIP clients (e.g. Welfare-to-Work, Supported Work, Workforce Investment Act, Dislocated Worker, etc.) This all translates to significantly less client funding available to serve existing needs. We cannot, therefore, support any shifting of resources from base allocations.

Timing of measurement and bonus payments

Bonus payments would begin in SFY 2006 and would be made annually thereafter. Bonuses would be paid as part of the county allocation process for the TANF Consolidated Fund. Payments would be based on performance during the preceding calendar year (calendar year 2004 for the first report).

• For the Three-year Self-support Index, bonuses would be based on performance reported in October of the previous year and April of the current year. For the first year of bonuses, this means the October 2004 report (based on the cohort of adults on MFIP

during April through June of 2001) and the April 2005 report (based on the cohort of adults on MFIP during October through December of 2001). Counties that exceed the top of the expected range in both measurements for the year would be eligible to receive double bonuses. This schedule is graphically represented as follows:

Proposed reporting and bonus schedule for the Three-year Self-support Index

Baseline Quarter	Measurement Quarter	Reporting Date	What is reported
Jan-Mar 1999	Jan-Mar 2002	Jul-02	Actual Self-support Index
Apr-Jun 1999	Apr-Jun 2002	Oct-02	Actual Self-support Index
July-Sep 1999	July-Sep 2002	Jan-03	Actual Self-support Index
			Actual Self-support Index
			AND Range of Expected
Oct-Dec 1999	Oct-Dec 2002	Apr-03	Performance

Jan-Mar 2000	Jan-Mar 2003	Jul-03	Actual Self-support Index
			Actual Self-support Index
			AND Range of Expected
Apr-Jun 2000	Apr-Jun 2003	Oct-03	Performance
July-Sep 2000	July-Sep 2003	Jan-04	Actual Self-support Index
			Actual Self-support Index
			AND Range of Expected
Oct-Dec 2000	Oct-Dec 2003	Apr-04	Performance

Jan-Mar 2001	Jan-Mar 2004	Jul-04	Actual Self-support Index	
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			AND Range of Expected	
Apr-Jun 2001	Apr-Jun 2004	Oct-04	Performance	
July-Sep 2001	July-Sep 2004	Jan-05	Actual Self-support Index	
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			AND Range of Expected	
Oct-Dec 2001	Oct-Dec 2004	Apr-05	Performance	
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Proposed beginning of high performance bonus based on data from shaded quarters -awards to be issued in July of 2005 and annually thereafter.

Local agency staff felt that the measures should be reported for several years before implementing a bonus system. They were concerned that weakness with the measures may emerge and require correction.

Local agency representatives noted:

Long term performance recognition presumes that the conditions affecting

performance remain static. Not only has the economy been in turmoil, but there have been numerous changes to the program itself that have affected performance. What started as a work-first-at-all-costs program reverted to a training and case management program, which turned into a post-60-month extension effort . . . with an added emphasis on serving those most in need.

It would seem that we not only need to decide which program we want to run but do so consistently and without change, for at least three years from the change in emphasis, in order to evaluate it and reward performance equitably.

• For the MFIP Participation rate, bonuses would be based on the average of the four quarters in the previous calendar year. The first bonus would be issued in SFY 2006 based on average county performance during the four quarters of calendar year 2004.

Distribution of funds among high-performing counties.

Funds would be allocated among high-performing counties based on county caseload. There would be a limit on how much any one county could receive, perhaps five percent of the county's allocation from the TANF Consolidated Fund. If funds were left after bonuses were awarded for one of the two measures, the funds could be used for bonuses for the other measure. If funds were left after bonuses for both measures had been provided, the remaining funds would be allocated among all counties as part of the overall allocation process for the TANF Consolidated Fund.

Use of bonus funds by counties.

Counties must use bonus funds for the purposes of the TANF Consolidated Fund.

Targeted assistance to low-performing counties.

Low-performing counties would be required to engage in corrective action planning and would be provided technical assistance by DHS, DES, other counties or other state agencies, as appropriate.

- For the Three-year Self-support Index, "low-performing" means below the bottom of the expected range in both measurements for the year.
- For the MFIP Participation Rate, "low performance" means an average rate lower than 40%, or the ten counties with the lowest rates if more than ten are below 40%.

Local agency staff agreed strongly with this idea of targeted assistance to low performing counties.

Unresolved issues facing the Workgroup

There are two unresolved issues facing the MFIP Performance Measurement Workgroup. The first issue has to do with how to measure performance in the smallest counties of the state. The use of logistic regression technique has limited utility in counties with extremely small caseloads. A proposed solution to this concern is discussed below, but further buy-in from counties and Employment Services providers across the state will be needed.

A second issue has to do with use inclusion of participants who reach the 60-month time limit in the various performance measures.

Meaningful performance units.

Caseloads in Minnesota's counties range in size from 14 adults to 14,000. As the state moves to a performance measurement system for MFIP, all counties of the state must be included. While use of performance measurement tools makes sense in the larger counties, the question remains as to whether any system of performance measurement makes sense in small counties in which one participant moving off cash or into employment could change the Self-support Index by several percentage points. Furthermore, many small counties in the state contract with Employment Services providers who provide services for entire regions. In fact, there are four distinct patterns in Minnesota of county-employment service provider arrangements.

- 1. First there are large counties that contract with more than one Employment Services provider. In these counties, the county is the appropriate unit of analysis for performance measurement. The following counties have this type of arrangement:
 - Beltrami, Dakota, Hennepin, Olmsted, Ramsey, and St. Louis
- 2. Second there are counties that contract with a single Employment Services provider. In these counties, the county again is the appropriate unit for performance measurement. These counties are:
 - Anoka, Blue Earth, Carver, Faribault, Kandiyohi, Martin, Scott, Washington, Watonwan, and Winona
- 3. Third there are counties that are served by a single regional Employment Services provider. In these counties, it may make more sense to base performance measurement on a single provider region, allocating bonus funds proportionally to the counties served by that provider. The counties and Employment Services providers included in this category are:
 - Cook and Lake counties -- served by the Arrowhead Equal Opportunity Agency
 - Becker, Cass, Clay, Clearwater, Crow Wing, Douglas, Grant, Hubbard, Lake of the Woods, Mahnomen, Morrison, Ottertail, Pope, Stevens, Todd, Traverse, Wadena, and Wilkin counties served by Rural Minnesota Concentrated Employment Program (CEP)

- Big Stone, Chippewa, Cottonwood, Jackson, LacQui Parle, Lincoln, Lyon, Murray, Nobles, Pipestone, Redwood, Rock, Swift and Yellow Medicine counties – served by Southwest Minnesota Private Industry Council
- Chisago, Isanti, Kanabec, Mille Lacs and Pine counties served by Pine Technical College
- Kittson, Marshall, Norman, Pennington, Polk, Red Lake, and Roseau counties served by the Northwest Workforce Development Center
- McLeod, Meeker, Renville, Sherburne, and Wright counties served by Central Minnesota Jobs and Training
- Benton and Stearns counties served by Stearns/Benton Employment and Training
- Brown, LeSueur, Nicollet, Sibley, and Waseca counties served by Minnesota Valley Action Council
- Dodge, Fillmore, Freeborn, Goodhue, Houston, Mower, Rice, Steele, and Wabasha counties served by Workforce Development Inc.
- 4. Finally, a fourth category of counties share two Employment Services providers. In this case, it may make the most sense to report performance at the county level. These counties and providers are:
 - Aitkin, Carlton, Itasca, and Koochiching counties Arrowhead Equal Opportunity Agency and Northeast Minnesota Office of Job Training.

Based on these categories, a total of 29 performance units can be identified. Twenty of these performance units are actual counties, while nine of them are regions served by single providers.

In the coming months, the Workgroup will grapple with the decision of whether to base performance on these 29 performance units. This would alleviate concerns about reporting performance for counties with extremely small caseloads.

Further complicating the selection of units of analysis for performance measurement is that fact that the state directly contracts with five Tribal Providers to provide Employment Services. These providers serve American Indian participants who live in the 19 counties that comprise Indian country, and with the largest numbers in Beltrami county. Because county welfare agencies do not contract with these Tribal providers, it is not fair to hold the counties accountable for the performance of these providers. Some method to identify participants served by tribal providers and remove them from county performance analyses is required. In addition, the state will need to report performance for the tribal providers separately.

The current plan, subject to amendments by the Workgroup, is to report the actual Self-support Index for all 87 counties. For the 19 counties that comprise Indian country, DHS will provide two sets of Indices: one with participants served by tribal providers removed and one with these participants included. Report the actual Self-support Index for the five Tribal providers.

Beginning in April 2003, ranges of expected performance (regression confidence intervals) will be reported only for the 29 performance units as described above. Indian country counties will be treated the same as other counties because the regression model takes into account the demographic and economic conditions in each of these counties.

How to count participants who have reached the 60-month time limit

At present, the Self-support Index counts as "self-supporting" participants who are either working 30 hours per week or off cash assistance during the follow-up measurement quarter. There has never been a clear decision by the Workgroup for how to categorize participants who have reached their 60th month and were either extended or "timed out" of the program. Under the original Self-support Index, cases that were "timed out" (not extended) would be counted as self-supporting because they were off cash assistance. Cases that were extended would count as self-supporting only if the participant were working at least 30 hours per week. All other extended cases would be counted as not self-supporting. Until July of 2002, addressing the time limit as part of the Self-support Index was not an issue because very few participants statewide had reached 60 months on the program.

At its January 2003 meeting, the Workgroup discussed several alternatives to address this issue:

- 1. The first alternative was to leave the measure as it is. This would result in "timed out" cases being counted as self-supporting. Most members of the Workgroup felt this set a bad precedent because counties should not be rewarded for these cases.
- 2. The second alternative was to exclude those who are timed out of the program from the Selfsupport Index equation. This would neutralize the issue of counting these cases as selfsupporting. Extended cases would still count as self-supporting if they were working 30 hours or as not self-supporting if they were extended for other reasons. Most members of the Workgroup did not like this approach because as time passes, more and more participants will reach the time limit and get timed out of the program. By excluding timed out cases, we may create a disincentive for counties to work with these cases intensively before they reach the time limit.
- 3. The third alternative was to exclude all participants who have reached their 60th month (extended or not) from the Self-support Index equation. This would neutralize the issue of counting all time limit cases, focusing the measure exclusively on cases that have fewer than 60 months. There was some support in the Workgroup for this approach, but not as much support as options 4 and 5 below.
- 4. The fourth alternative was to re-code those who are timed out of the program as not selfsupporting. This would create an expectation that letting people remain on the program until month 60 is a problem. Under this approach, extended cases would be counted as self-

supporting if they were working 30 hours and not self-supporting if they were extended for other reasons.

5. Finally, the fifth and most popular alternative was a combination of options 3 and 4 above. Using this approach, cases that were timed out of the program would be counted as not self-supporting. Cases that reached 60 months and were extended would be dropped from the measure completely. Many Workgroup members felt that new measures will be required for measuring outcomes for extended cases (barrier reduction measures, for example), so removing these participants from the measure is appropriate. However, Workgroup members felt that "timed out" participants should be counted as not achieving self-supporting status.

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Appendix A



Minnesota Family Investment Program MFIP Management Indicators Report (County Performance Measures) April through June 2002

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To: County Human Service Directors, ES Providers, and Other Interested Parties

SUBJECT: MFIP Management Indicators Report (County Performance Measures)

Attached is a copy of the MFIP Management Indicators Report (County Performance Measures) covering the April through June 2002 quarter. The name of this report was changed to the MFIP Management Indicators Report to more accurately reflect its purpose as a management tool, although one of the new indicators (Indicator 8) will likely be used in the future as a county performance measure. This is the sixteenth MFIP Management Indicators Report. This report complies with new statutory requirements for a "quarterly comparison report" (Minn. Stat. Sec. 256J.751 Subd. 2).

Although addressed previously in earlier reports, the following changes should be noted:

- Indicator 5 The Federal Work Participation Rate has been modified by the deletion of the Two-Parent rate. The remaining rate, the Overall, does not include Two-Parent cases.
- Indicator 6 Counted Months. This indicator was previously displayed as an addendum.
- Indicator 7 The Percent of MFIP Employment Services Participants who leave the Employment Services System (MIS) Due to Employment. This measure was added at legislative request.
- Indicator 8 The Self-Support Index. This indicator was developed by DHS in consultation with the counties and Employment Service providers.
- Indicator 9 Returning to MFIP. This indicator was requested by several counties.

Please carefully read the technical notes at the beginning of each measure before reviewing the data.

Questions regarding this report may be directed to Jim Allard at 651/296-0788. We are always willing to improve this report and we welcome your comments or suggestions.

Sincerely,

Scott Chazdon, Research, Planning, and Evaluation Director

Indicator 1: Adult MFIP Caseload with Budgeted Earnings

- The information for this indicator is based on earned income in April 2002 budgeted for June 2002.
- This indicator includes cases that were suspended for the month of June 2002 because earnings were too high for that month (non-paid cases).
- This indicator was determined by dividing the county's MFIP cases with budgeted earnings for June 2002 by the county's total MFIP caseload for June 2002 for each of the categories of adult cases: one adult, two adults, and total cases.
- The MFIP caseload includes cases with one parent, two parents, and caregivers who are not parents, but are included in the grant. Child-only cases are not included in this caseload. The caseload count includes cases receiving employment services through a tribal provider. The information reports all "paid" and "non-paid" cases for June 2002.
- This indicator uses the servicing county caseload.
- The figures for earnings are slightly undercounted because certain forms of income (work study, gross self-employment income minus expenses, VISTA, etc.) are not included in the budget.

Indicator 1	Cases	with One	Adult	Cases	with Two	Adults	All	Cases	with	Adults	
June 2002 MFIP Caseload		Cases	Percent		Cases	Percent		Cases	Percent	% Points	% Points
with Budgeted Earnings	Total	with	with	Total	with	with	Total	with	with	from the	from the
County	Cases	Earnings	Earnings	Cases	Earnings	Earnings	Cases	Earnings	Earnings	Area Mean	MN Mean
Dodge	53	15	28.3%	10	4	40.0%	63	19	30.2%	-8.1	-1.6
Fillmore	46	22	47.8%	17	12	70.6%	63	34	54.0%	15.7	22.2
Freeborn	176	60	34.1%	66	35	53.0%	242	95	39.3%	1.0	7.5
Goodhue	156	38	24.4%	22	12	54.5%	178	50	28.1%	-10.2	-3.7
Houston	64	19	29.7%	21	15	71.4%	85	34	40.0%	1.7	8.2
Mower	226	93	41.2%	56	35	62.5%	282	128	45.4%	7.1	13.6
Olmsted	601	206	34.3%	169	87	51.5%	770	293	38.1%	-0.2	6.3
Rice	220	75	34.1%	57	34	59.6%	277	109	39.4%	1.1	7.6
Steele	199	72	36.2%	45	21	46.7%	244	93	38.1%	-0.2	6.3
Wabasha	51	18	35.3%	20	7	35.0%	71	25	35.2%	-3.1	3.4
Winona	191	51	26.7%	40	30	75.0%	231	81	35.1%	-3.2	3.3
Southeast	1,983	669	33.7%	523	292	55.8%	2,506	961	38.3%		6.5

Indicator 1	Cases	with One	Adult	Cases	with Two	Adults	All	Cases	with	Adults	
June 2002 MFIP Caseload		Cases	Percent		Cases	Percent		Cases	Percent	% Points	% Points
with Budgeted Earnings	Total	with	with	Total	with	with	Total	with	with	from the	from the
County	Cases	Earnings	Earnings	Cases	Earnings	Earnings	Cases	Earnings	Earnings	Area Mean	MN Mean
Aitkin	95	29	30.5%	29	20	69.0%	, 124	49	39.5%	3.9	7.7
Carlton	189	49	25.9%	47	24	51.1%	236	73	30.9%	-4.7	-0.9
Cook	10	6	60.0%	2	. 2	100.0%	, 12	8	66.7%	31.1	34.9
Itasca	231	73	31.6%	60	31	51.7%	291	104	35.7%	0.1	3.9
Koochiching	93	32	34.4%	31	18	58.1%	, 124	50	40.3%	4.7	8.5
Lake	40	17	42.5%	14	7	50.0%	54	24	44.4%	8.8	12.6
St Louis	1,655	496	30.0%	417	232	55.6%	2,072	728	35.1%	-0.5	3.3
Northeast	2,313	702	30.4%	600	334	55.7%	2,913	1,036	35.6%		3.8
Big Stone	31	19	61.3%	5	3	60.0%	, 36	22	61.1%	17.3	29.3
Chippewa	50	21	42.0%	17	11	64.7%	67	32	47.8%	4.0	16.0
Cottonwood	50	15	30.0%	17	10	58.8%	, 67	25	37.3%	-6.5	5.5
Jackson	29	19	65.5%	7	5	71.4%	36	24	66.7%	22.9	34.9
Lac qui Parle	18	6	33.3%	4	2	50.0%	, 22		36.4%	-7.4	4.6
Lincoln	15	8	53.3%	9	7	77.8%	24	15	62.5%	18.7	30.7
Lyon	98	36	36.7%	35	24	68.6%	133	60	45.1%	1.3	13.3
Murray	18	9	50.0%	11	5	45.5%	29	14	48.3%	4.5	16.5
Nobles	103	34	33.0%	22	. 15	68.2%	125	49	39.2%	-4.6	7.4
Pipestone	52	16	30.8%	17	6	35.3%	69	22	31.9%	-11.9	0.1
Redwood	69	22	31.9%	25	, 19	76.0%	94	41	43.6%	-0.2	11.8
Rock	27	13	48.1%	7	4	57.1%	34	17	50.0%	6.2	18.2
Swift	32	13	40.6%	12	. 3	25.0%	44	16	36.4%	-7.4	4.6
Yellow Medicine	31	7	22.6%	7	6	85.7%	38	13	34.2%	-9.6	2.4
Southwest	623	238	38.2%	195	120	61.5%	, 818	358	43.8%		12.0
Blue Earth	253	94	37.2%	91	54	59.3%	344	148	43.0%	0.8	11.2
Brown	97	46	47.4%	40	19	47.5%	137	65	47.4%	5.2	15.6
Faribault	66	31	47.0%	20	10	50.0%	86	41	47.7%	5.5	15.9
Le Sueur	95	30	31.6%	40	17	42.5%	135	47	34.8%	-7.4	3.0
Martin	106	37	34.9%	53	34	64.2%	159	71	44.7%	2.5	12.9
Nicollet	136	43	31.6%	34	18	52.9%	170	61	35.9%	-6.3	4.1
Sibley	50	15	30.0%	25	17	68.0%	75	32	42.7%	0.5	10.9
Waseca	111	40	36.0%	43	25	58.1%	154	65	42.2%	0.0	10.4
Watonwan	66	28	42.4%	7	5	71.4%	, 73	33	45.2%	3.0	13.4
South Central	980	364	37.1%	353	199	56.4%	1,333	563	42.2%		10.4
Anoka	1,373	342	24.9%	277	128	46.2%	1,650	470	28.5%	-0.2	-3.3
Carver	98	28	28.6%	22	. 12	54.5%	, 120	40	33.3%	4.6	1.5
Dakota	1,026	249	24.3%	152	. 72	47.4%	1,178	321	27.2%	-1.5	-4.6
Scott	180	47	26.1%	38	25	65.8%	218	72	33.0%	4.3	1.2
Washington	600	155	25.8%	114	56	49.1%	714	211	29.6%	0.9	-2.2
Suburban Metro	3,277	821	25.1%	603	293	48.6%	3,880	1,114	28.7%		-3.1
Hennepin	9,550	2,093	21.9%	1,277	576	45.1%	10,827	2,669	24.7%	-1.3	-7.1
Ramsey	5,755	1,420	24.7%	926	463	50.0%	6,681	1,883	28.2%	2.2	-3.6
Core Metro	15,305	3,513	23.0%	2,203	1,039	47.2%	17,508	4,552	26.0%		-5.8

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Marshall	34	14	41.2%	15	6	40.0%	49	20	40.8%	-3.9	9.0
Norman	27	12	44.4%	19	9	47.4%	46	21	45.7%	1.0	13.9
Pennington	65	29	44.6%	14	8	57.1%	79	37	46.8%	2.1	15.0
Polk	225	88	39.1%	84	50	59.5%	309	138	44.7%	0.0	12.9
Red Lake	16	6	37.5%	4	2	50.0%	20	8	40.0%	-4.7	8.2
Roseau	26	10	38.5%	6	3	50.0%	32	13	40.6%	-4.1	8.8
Northwest	405	166	41.0%	147	81	55.1%	552	247	44.7%		12.9
Becker	256	80	31.3%	72	41	56.9%	328	121	36.9%	-3.2	5.1
Beltrami	825	283	34.3%	254	133	52.4%	1,079	416	38.6%	-1.5	6.8
Cass	283	67	23.7%	84	37	44.0%	367	104	28.3%	-11.8	-3.5
Clay	383	141	36.8%	168	84	50.0%	551	225	40.8%	0.7	9.0
Clearwater	65	22	33.8%	35	15	42.9%	100	37	37.0%	-3.1	5.2
Crow Wing	320	136	42.5%	84	49	58.3%	404	185	45.8%	5.7	14.0
Douglas	113	48	42.5%	24	13	54.2%	137	61	44.5%	4.4	12.7
Grant	21	10	47.6%	18	9	50.0%	39	19	48.7%	8.6	16.9
Hubbard	112	54	48.2%	33	21	63.6%	145	75	51.7%	11.6	19.9
Lake of the Woods	15	5	33.3%	1	1	100.0%	16	6	37.5%	-2.6	5.7
Mahnomen	101	28	27.7%	18	5	27.8%	119	33	27.7%	-12.4	-4.1
Morrison	119	49	41.2%	17	10	58.8%	136	59	43.4%	3.3	11.6
Otter Tail	225	77	34.2%	65	49	75.4%	290	126	43.4%	3.3	11.6
Роре	30	10	33.3%	10	6	60.0%	40	16	40.0%	-0.1	8.2
Stevens	21	11	52.4%	4	3	75.0%	25	14	56.0%	15.9	24.2
Todd	118	53	44.9%	52	34	65.4%	170	87	51.2%	11.1	19.4
Traverse	18	11	61.1%	7	4	57.1%	25	15	60.0%	19.9	28.2
Wadena	96	33	34.4%	51	32	62.7%	147	65	44.2%	4.1	12.4
Wilkin	47	14	29.8%	38	9	23.7%	85	23	27.1%	-13.0	-4.7
West Central	3,168	1,132	35.7%	1,035	555	53.6%	4,203	1,687	40.1%		8.3
Benton	171	57	33.3%	44	29	65.9%	215	86	40.0%	1.9	8.2
Chisago	161	58	36.0%	35	22	62.9%	196	80	40.8%	2.7	9.0
Isanti	138	38	27.5%	38	21	55.3%	176	59	33.5%	-4.6	1.7
Kanabec	92	31	33.7%	34	19	55.9%	126	50	39.7%	1.6	7.9
Kandiyohi	307	121	39.4%	102	71	69.6%	409	192	46.9%	8.8	15.1
McLeod	123	45	36.6%	59	33	55.9%	182	78	42.9%	4.8	11.1
Meeker	94	30	31.9%	26	16	61.5%	120	46	38.3%	0.2	6.5
Mille Lacs	137	48	35.0%	31	16	51.6%	168	64	38.1%	0.0	6.3
Pine	160	52	32.5%	77	37	48.1%	237	89	37.6%	-0.5	5.8
Renville	93	33	35.5%	58	20	34.5%	151	53	35.1%	-3.0	3.3
Sherburne	191	63	33.0%	47	26	55.3%	238	89	37.4%	-0.7	5.6
Stearns	591	187	31.6%	151	68	45.0%	742	255	34.4%	-3.7	2.6
Wright	291	90	30.9%	51	27	52.9%	342	117	34.2%	-3.9	2.4
Central	2,549	853	33.5%	753	405	53.8%	3,302	1,258	38.1%		6.3
Minnesota	30,603	8,458	27.6%	6,412	3,318	51.7%	37,015	11,776	31.8%		

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Indicator 2: June 2002 Adult MFIP Caseload Employed and Receiving	J
Food Portion Only	

- The information for this indicator is based on earned income in April 2002 budgeted for June 2002.
- This indicator lists for each county the percent of the total caseload who qualified for the food portion under MFIP, but whose income was too high to receive the cash portion of the grant for June 2002.
- This indicator was determined by dividing the number of MFIP cases in each county who had budgeted earnings and who received the food portion only benefits in June 2002, by the total county MFIP caseload for June 2002 for each of the categories of adult cases: one adult, two adults, and total cases.
- The MFIP caseload includes cases with one parent, two parents, and caregivers who are not parents, but are included in the grant. Child-only cases are not included in this caseload. The caseload count includes cases receiving employment services through a tribal provider. The information reports all "paid" and "non-paid" cases for June 2002.
- This indicator uses the servicing county caseload and "paid" cases.

Indicator 2	Cases	with One	Adult	Cases	with Two	Adults	All	Cases	with	Adults	
June 2002 MFIP Caseload		Cases	Percent		Cases	Percent		Cases	Percent	% Points	% Points
Employed w/ Food Port. Only	Total	w/ Food	w/ Food	Total	w/ Food	w/ Food	Total	w/ Food	w/ Food	from the	from the
County	Cases	Port. Only	Port. Only	Cases	Port. Only	Port. Only	Cases	Port. Only	Port. Only	Area Mean	MN Mean
Dodge	53	7	13.2%	10	0	0.0%	63	7	11.1%	-0.4	2.4
Fillmore	46	2	4.3%	17	4	23.5%	63	6	9.5%	-2.0	0.8
Freeborn	176	14	8.0%	66	8	12.1%	242	22	9.1%	-2.4	0.4
Goodhue	156	11	7.1%	22	. 5	22.7%	178	16	9.0%	-2.5	0.3
Houston	64	7	10.9%	21	4	19.0%	85	11	12.9%	1.4	4.2
Mower	226	25	11.1%	56	8	14.3%	282	33	11.7%	0.2	3.0
Olmsted	601	82	13.6%	169	24	14.2%	770	106	13.8%	2.3	5.1
Rice	220	21	9.5%	57	9	15.8%	277	30	10.8%	-0.7	2.1
Steele	199	21	10.6%	45	, 7	15.6%	244	28	11.5%	0.0	2.8
Wabasha	51	6	11.8%	20	1	5.0%	71	7	9.9%	-1.6	1.2
Winona	191	16	8.4%	40	6	15.0%	231	22	9.5%	-2.0	0.8
Southeast	1,983	212	10.7%	523	76	14.5%	2,506	288	11.5%		2.8

Indicator 2	Cases	with One	Adult	Cases	with Two	Adults	All	Cases	with	Adults	
June 2002 MFIP Caseload		Cases	Percent		Cases	Percent		Cases	Percent	% Points	% Points
Employed w/ Food Port. Only	Total	w/ Food	w/ Food	Total	w/ Food	w/ Food	Total	w/ Food	w/ Food	from the	from the
County	Cases	Port. Only	Port. Only	Cases	Port. Only	Port. Only	Cases	Port. Only	Port. Only	Area Mean	MN Mean
Aitkin	95	2	2.1%	29	5	17.2%	124	7	5.6%	-2.4	-3.1
Carlton	189	15	7.9%	47	4	8.5%	236	19	8.1%	0.1	-0.6
Cook	10	2	20.0%	2	1	50.0%	12	3	25.0%	17.0	16.3
Itasca	231	16	6.9%	60	8	13.3%	291	24	8.2%	0.2	-0.5
Koochiching	93	9	9.7%	31	3	9.7%	124	12	9.7%	1.7	1.0
Lake	40	5	12.5%	14	2	14.3%	54	7	13.0%	5.0	4.3
St Louis	1,655	122	7.4%	417	39	9.4%	2,072	161	7.8%	-0.2	-0.9
Northeast	2,313	171	7.4%	600	62	10.3%	2,913	233	8.0%		-0.7
Big Stone	31	2	6.5%	5	0	0.0%	36	2	5.6%	-5.0	-3.1
Chippewa	50	2	4.0%	17	1	5.9%	67	3	4.5%	-6.1	-4.2
Cottonwood	50	3	6.0%	17	5	29.4%	67	8	11.9%	1.3	3.2
Jackson	29	3	10.3%	7	0	0.0%	36	3	8.3%	-2.3	-0.4
Lac qui Parle	18	1	5.6%	4	0	0.0%	22	1	4.5%	-6.1	-4.2
Lincoln	15	1	6.7%	9	3	33.3%	24	4	16.7%	6.1	8.0
Lyon	98	5	5.1%	35	6	17.1%	133	11	8.3%	-2.3	-0.4
Murray	18	1	5.6%	11	3	27.3%	29	4	13.8%	3.2	5.1
Nobles	103	10	9.7%	22	7	31.8%	125	17	13.6%	3.0	4.9
Pipestone	52	6	11.5%	17	2	11.8%	69	8	11.6%	1.0	2.9
Redwood	69	8	11.6%	25	7	28.0%	94	15	16.0%	5.4	7.3
Rock	27	6	22.2%	7	0	0.0%	34	6	17.6%	7.0	8.9
Swift	32	3	9.4%	12	0	0.0%	44	3	6.8%	-3.8	-1.9
Yellow Medicine	31	1	3.2%	1	1	14.3%	38	2	5.3%	-5.3	-3.4
Southwest	623	52	8.3%	195	35	17.9%	818	87	10.6%		1.9
Blue Earth	253	25	9.9%	91	14	15.4%	344	39	11.3%	1.5	2.6
Brown	97	11	11.3%	40	5	12.5%	137	16	11.7%	1.9	3.0
Faribault	66	2	3.0%	20	3	15.0%	86	5	5.8%	-4.0	-2.9
Le Sueur	95	9	9.5%	40	3	7.5%	135	12	8.9%	-0.9	0.2
Martin	106	5	4.7%	53	3	5.7%	159	8	5.0%	-4.8	-3.7
Nicollet	136	12	8.8%	34	6	17.6%	170	18	10.6%	0.8	1.9
Sibley	50	2	4.0%	25	4	16.0%	75	6	8.0%	-1.8	-0.7
Waseca	111	10	9.0%	43	7	16.3%	154	17	11.0%	1.2	2.3
Watonwan	00	ŏ	12.1%	1	۷	28.6%	13	10	13.7%	3.9	5.0
South Central	980	84	8.6%	353	47	13.3%	1,333	131	9.8%		1.1
Anoka	1,373	74	5.4%	277	35	12.6%	1,650	109	6.6%	-0.2	-2.1
Carver	98	6	6.1%	22	3	13.6%	120	9	7.5%	0.7	-1.2
Dakota	1,026	65	6.3%	152	20	13.2%	1,178	85	7.2%	0.4	-1.5
Scott	180	9	5.0%	38	7	18.4%	218	16	7.3%	0.5	-1.4
Washington	600	34	5.1%	114	11	9.6%	/14	45	6.3%	-0.5	-2.4
Suburban Metro	3,277	188	5.7%	603	76	12.6%	3,880	264	6.8%		-1.9
Hennepin	9,550	597	6.3%	1,277	192	15.0%	10,827	789	7.3%	-0.6	-1.4
Ramsey	5,755	459	8.0%	926	141	15.2%	6,681	600	9.0%	1.1	0.3
Core Metro	15,305	1,056	6.9%	2,203	333	15.1%	17,508	1,389	7.9%		-0.8

Indicator 2	Cases	with One	Adult	Cases	with Two	Adults	All	Cases	with	Adults	
June 2002 MFIP Caseload		Cases	Percent		Cases	Percent		Cases	Percent	% Points	% Points
Employed w/ Food Port. Only	Total	w/ Food	w/ Food	Total	w/ Food	w/ Food	Total	w/ Food	w/ Food	from the	from the
County	Cases	Port. Only	Port. Only	Cases	Port. Only	Port. Only	Cases	Port. Only	Port. Only	Area Mean	MN Mean
Kittson	12	3	25.0%	5	2	40.0%	17	5	29.4%	18.2	20.7
Marshall	34	3	8.8%	15	1	6.7%	49	4	8.2%	-3.0	-0.5
Norman	27	4	14.8%	19	4	21.1%	46	8	17.4%	6.2	8.7
Pennington	65	1	1.5%	14	2	14.3%	79	3	3.8%	-7.4	-4.9
Polk	225	23	10.2%	84	11	13.1%	309	34	11.0%	-0.2	2.3
Red Lake	16	3	18.8%	4	1	25.0%	20	4	20.0%	8.8	11.3
Roseau	26	2	7.7%	6	2	33.3%	32	4	12.5%	1.3	3.8
Northwest	405	39	9.6%	147	23	15.6%	552	62	11.2%		2.5
Becker	256	26	10.2%	72	6	8.3%	328	32	9.8%	-0.7	1.1
Beltrami	825	80	9.7%	254	41	16.1%	1,079	121	11.2%	0.7	2.5
Cass	283	19	6.7%	84	14	16.7%	367	33	9.0%	-1.5	0.3
Clay	383	39	10.2%	168	22	13.1%	551	61	11.1%	0.6	2.4
Clearwater	65	6	9.2%	35	5	14.3%	100	11	11.0%	0.5	2.3
Crow Wing	320	24	7.5%	84	16	19.0%	404	40	9.9%	-0.6	1.2
Douglas	113	14	12.4%	24	2	8.3%	137	16	11.7%	1.2	3.0
Grant	21	3	14.3%	18	1	5.6%	39	4	10.3%	-0.2	1.6
Hubbard	112	9	8.0%	33	4	12.1%	145	13	9.0%	-1.5	0.3
Lake of the Woods	15	0	0.0%	1	0	0.0%	16	0	0.0%	-10.5	-8.7
Mahnomen	101	11	10.9%	18	0	0.0%	119	11	9.2%	-1.3	0.5
Morrison	119	8	6.7%	17	2	11.8%	136	10	7.4%	-3.1	-1.3
Otter Tail	225	17	7.6%	65	15	23.1%	290	32	11.0%	0.5	2.3
Pope	30	2	6.7%	10	1	10.0%	40	3	7.5%	-3.0	-1.2
Stevens	21	4	19.0%	4	2	50.0%	25	6	24.0%	13.5	15.3
Todd	118	14	11.9%	52	7	13.5%	170	21	12.4%	1.9	3.7
Traverse	18	3	16.7%	7	0	0.0%	25	3	12.0%	1.5	3.3
Wadena	96	12	12.5%	51	8	15.7%	147	20	13.6%	3.1	4.9
Wilkin	47	4	8.5%	38	2	5.3%	85	6	7.1%	-3.4	-1.6
West Central	3,168	295	9.3%	1,035	148	14.3%	4,203	443	10.5%		1.8
Benton	171	10	5.8%	44	6	13.6%	```	16	7.4%	-2.0	-1.3
Chisago	161	15	9.3%	35	8	22.9%	196	23	11.7%	2.3	3.0
Isanti	138	7	5.1%	38	5	13.2%	176	12	6.8%	-2.6	-1.9
Kanabec	92	8	8.7%	34	3	8.8%	126	11	8.7%	-0.7	0.0
Kandiyohi	307	32	10.4%	102	16	15.7%	409	48	11.7%	2.3	3.0
McLeod	123	8	6.5%	59	13	22.0%	182	21	11.5%	2.1	2.8
Meeker	94	11	11.7%	26	5	19.2%	120	16	13.3%	3.9	4.6
Mille Lacs	137	12	8.8%	31	4	12.9%	168	16	9.5%	0.1	0.8
Pine	160	15	9.4%	77	6	7.8%	237	21	8.9%	-0.5	0.2
Renville	93	9	9.7%	58	6	10.3%	151	15	9.9%	0.5	1.2
Sherburne	191	19	9.9%	47	6	12.8%	238	25	10.5%	1.1	1.8
Stearns	591	45	7.6%	151	16	10.6%	742	61	8.2%	-1.2	-0.5
Wright	291	23	7.9%	51	4	7.8%	342	27	7.9%	-1.5	-0.8
Central	2,549	214	8.4%	753	98	13.0%	3,302	312	9.4%		0.7
Minnesota	30,603	2,311	7.6%	6,412	898	14.0%	37,015	3,209	8.7%		

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Indicator 3: Number and Percent of Monthly MFIP Terminations This indicator compiles each county's unduplicated caseload for the months of January, February, and March 2002. This indicator compiles the number of cases per county whose last month of MFIP eligibility was in January (1/1/02), February (2/1/02), or March (3/1/02) and were still off assistance in June 2002. • The termination rate is obtained by dividing the sum of the terminations for January. February, and March 2002 by the sum of the unduplicated caseload for January, February, and March 2002. Information for this indicator uses the servicing county and "eligible" cases. Indicator 4: Median Placement (Starting) Wage This indicator lists each county's median placement (starting) wage for all newly enrolled Employment Services (ES) participants' first jobs [MIS codes 91 (Employment Part-Time) and 92 (Employment Full-Tme] through ES for the April through June 2002 guarter. This indicator is the median beginning wage for all clients newly enrolled in ES in April, May, and June 2002 who were placed into their first jobs by ES in the months of April, May, and June 2002.

 Data for clients served by tribal employment service providers are not included in the wage rate.

Indicator 3						Indicator 4
Terminations from MFIP	Unduplicated			% Points	% Points	Median
01, 02, 03/02	MFIP Caseload	Terminations	Termination	from the	from the	Placement
County	01, 02, 03/02	01, 02, 03/02	Rate	Area Mean	MN Mean	Wage
Dodge	94	16	17.0%	3.6%	5.5%	\$9.00
Fillmore	75	11	14.7%	1.3%	3.2%	\$7.00
Freeborn	338	47	13.9%	0.5%	2.4%	\$8.00
Goodhue	233	33	14.2%	0.8%	2.7%	\$8.00
Houston	108	12	11.1%	-2.3%	-0.4%	\$7.92
Mower	383	45	11.7%	-1.7%	0.2%	\$8.00
Olmsted	995	130	13.1%	-0.3%	1.6%	\$8.45
Rice	365	64	17.5%	4.1%	6.0%	\$7.85
Steele	296	34	11.5%	-1.9%	0.0%	\$7.90
Wabasha	87	13	14.9%	1.5%	3.4%	\$8.00
Winona	312	35	11.2%	-2.2%	-0.3%	\$8.06
Southeast	3,286	440	13.4%		1.9%	

Indicator 3						Indicator 4
Terminations from MFIP	Unduplicated			% Points	% Points	Median
01, 02, 03/02	MFIP Caseload	Terminations	Termination	from the	from the	Placement
County	01, 02, 03/02	01, 02, 03/02	Rate	Area Mean	MN Mean	Wage
Aitkin	179	30	16.8%	5.6%	5.3%	\$7.25
Carlton	361	49	13.6%	2.4%	2.1%	\$9.63
Cook	17	2	11.8%	0.6%	0.3%	\$9.00
Itasca	444	58	13.1%	1.9%	1.6%	\$6.50
Koochiching	148	16	10.8%	-0.4%	-0.7%	\$7.00
Lake	68	7	10.3%	-0.9%	-1.2%	\$6.25
St Louis	2,654	273	10.3%	-0.9%	-1.2%	\$7.50
Northeast	3,871	435	11.2%		-0.3%	
Big Stone	40	6	15.0%	-0.8%	3.5%	\$8.18
Chippewa	96	17	17.7%	1.9%	6.2%	\$7.50
Cottonwood	88	16	18.2%	2.4%	6.7%	\$6.00
Jackson	55	10	18.2%	2.4%	6.7%	\$7.84
Lac qui Parle	29	2	6.9%	-8.9%	-4.6%	\$8.18
Lincoln	29	5	17.2%	1.4%	5.7%	\$0.00
Lyon	217	34	15.7%	-0.1%	4.2%	\$9.00
Murray	42	4	9.5%	-6.3%	-2.0%	\$7.00
Nobles	195	37	19.0%	3.2%	7.5%	\$8.00
Pipestone	74	5	6.8%	-9.0%	-4.7%	\$6.50
Redwood	104	11	10.6%	-5.2%	-0.9%	\$7.87
Rock	51	8	15.7%	-0.1%	4.2%	\$7.45
Swift	68	13	19.1%	3.3%	7.6%	\$8.00
Yellow Medicine	52	12	23.1%	7.3%	11.6%	\$9.62
Southwest	1,140	180	15.8%		4.3%	
Blue Earth	453	54	11.9%	-2.9%	0.4%	\$8.50
Brown	156	27	17.3%	2.5%	5.8%	\$7.00
Faribault	107	21	19.6%	4.8%	8.1%	\$7.45
Le Sueur	170	26	15.3%	0.5%	3.8%	\$8.00
Martin	198	31	15.7%	0.9%	4.2%	\$7.60
Nicollet	218	25	11.5%	-3.3%	0.0%	\$8.00
Sibley	103	20	19.4%	4.6%	7.9%	\$8.85
Waseca	180	25	13.9%	-0.9%	2.4%	\$6.50
Watonwan	110	22	20.0%	5.2%	8.5%	\$6.75
South Central	1,695	251	14.8%		3.3%	
Anoka	2,201	301	13.7%	-0.3%	2.2%	\$9.00
Carver	219	44	20.1%	6.1%	8.6%	\$8.00
Dakota	1,634	223	13.6%	-0.4%	2.1%	\$9.30
Scott	333	58	17.4%	3.4%	5.9%	\$8.00
Washington	929	118	12.7%	-1.3%	1.2%	\$8.05
Suburban Metro	5,316	744	14.0%		2.5%	
Hennepin	15,100	1,528	10.1%	0.8%	-1.4%	\$9.00
Ramsey	9,145	718	7.9%	-1.4%	-3.6%	\$9.50
Core Metro	24,245	2,246	9.3%		-2.2%	

Indicator 3							Indicator 4
Terminations from MFIP	Unduplicated			% Points	% Points		Median
01, 02, 03/02	MFIP Caseload	Terminations	Termination	from the	from the		Placement
County	01, 02, 03/02	01, 02, 03/02	Rate	Area Mean	MN Mean		Wage
Kittson	29	2	6.9%	-11.1%	-4.6%		\$9.25
Marshall	52	4	7.7%	-10.3%	-3.8%		\$10.00
Norman	61	13	21.3%	3.3%	9.8%		\$6.50
Pennington	109	18	16.5%	-1.5%	5.0%		\$7.00
Polk	412	81	19.7%	1.7%	8.2%		\$6.90
Red Lake	22	1	4.5%	-13.5%	-7.0%		\$0.00
Roseau	49	13	26.5%	8.5%	15.0%		\$6.85
Northwest	734	132	18.0%		6.5%		
Becker	454	67	14.8%	1.3%	3.3%		\$7.25
Beltrami	1,494	163	10.9%	-2.6%	-0.6%		\$7.50
Cass	511	54	10.6%	-2.9%	-0.9%		\$7.50
Clay	689	116	16.8%	3.3%	5.3%		\$7.57
Clearwater	141	14	9.9%	-3.6%	-1.6%		\$6.75
Crow Wing	548	71	13.0%	-0.5%	1.5%		\$7.63
Douglas	188	30	16.0%	2.5%	4.5%		\$9.00
Grant	50	11	22.0%	8.5%	10.5%		\$5.15
Hubbard	220	32	14.5%	1.0%	3.0%		\$6.25
Lake of the Woods	25	4	16.0%	2.5%	4.5%		\$5.15
Mahnomen	174	19	10.9%	-2.6%	-0.6%		\$6.00
Morrison	231	49	21.2%	7.7%	9.7%		\$7.32
Otter Tail	376	58	15.4%	1.9%	3.9%		\$7.57
Pope	44	2	4.5%	-9.0%	-7.0%		\$7.75
Stevens	35	7	20.0%	6.5%	8.5%		\$10.25
Todd	232	32	13.8%	0.3%	2.3%		\$7.97
Traverse	28	8	28.6%	15.1%	17.1%		\$8.00
Wadena	190	20	10.5%	-3.0%	-1.0%		\$7.55
Wilkin	63	12	19.0%	5.5%	7.5%		\$5.15
West Central	5,693	769	13.5%		2.0%		
Benton	271	40	14.8%	0.6%	3.3%		\$9.00
Chisago	251	30	12.0%	-2.2%	0.5%		\$8.00
Isanti	231	34	14.7%	0.5%	3.2%		\$8.75
Kanabec	167	19	11.4%	-2.8%	-0.1%		\$7.00
Kandiyohi	513	84	16.4%	2.2%	4.9%		\$7.00
McLeod	201	29	14.4%	0.2%	2.9%		\$7.50
Meeker	175	38	21.7%	7.5%	10.2%		\$7.22
Mille Lacs	260	26	10.0%	-4.2%	-1.5%		\$7.00
Pine	313	37	11.8%	-2.4%	0.3%		\$8.00
Renville	144	33	22.9%	8.7%	11.4%		\$7.00
Sherburne	316	44	13.9%	-0.3%	2.4%		\$7.76
Stearns	891	99	11.1%	-3.1%	-0.4%		\$8.15
Wright	475	84	17.7%	3.5%	6.2%		\$8.75
Central	4,208	597	14.2%		2.7%		
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Minnesota	50,188	5,794	11.5%				\$7.72

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Indicator 5: Federal Work Participation Rate

- This indicator lists the Federal Work Participation Rates for the third quarter of FFY 2002 (April 2002 through June 2002) based on the TANF Federal Report.
- These counts incorporate our state waivers. Cases disregarded under our state waiver are disregarded from the participation rate unless they meet participation hours. Those disregarded (numerator and denominator) under Minnesota's waiver includes a: parent is age 60 or older; parent is pregnant and disabled; parent is providing full-time child care for a child under age one; personal or family crisis; parent is seriously ill, injured/disabled; parent is needed in the home because of illness or disability of another member of the household.
- Under federal rule, American Indian families may be disregarded from the federal work participation rate if they do not meet the minimum work participation hours and they reside in one of the following tribal work program counties: Aitkin, Becker, Benton, Carlton, Cass, Clearwater, Cook, Crow Wing, Hubbard, Itasca, Koochiching, Mahnomen, Mille Lacs, Morrison, Norman, Pine, Polk, or St. Louis.
- The numerator and denominator include all federally reported TANF cases for the quarterSince we are cumulating cases over three months, a case could be represented three times. The numerator represents a count of cases that includes an eligible adult or a minor head-of-household who is engaged in work for the month and receives TANF assistance during the month. For FFY 2002, an individual counts as engaged in work for the overall rate if he or she participates in work activities for at least an average of 30 hours per week (based on 4.33 weeks per month). The denominator represents a case count of those families receiving TANF assistance during the month that include an eligible adult or a minor head-of-household, minus the number of families who may be disregarded under our waiver or under federal rule.
- All cases counted in the numerator are also included in the denominator.
- These counts exclude suspended cases, cases receiving the MFIP federal food portion only, Mille Lacs tribal cases, and cases that receive a zero grant (sanctioned, prorated to zero, or opt-out). The Federal work participation rate includes only cases eligible for a TANF payment for the report month.

Indicator 5 Federal Work Participation Rate	Overall April-June 2002								
County	Denominator	Numerator	Rate						
Dodge	98	37	37.8%						
Fillmore	93	59	63.4%						
Freeborn	351	178	50.7%						
Goodhue	313	101	32.3%						
Houston	152	95	62.5%						
Mower	458	219	47.8%						
Olmsted	1301	673	51.7%						
Rice	464	198	42.7%						
Steele	415	207	49.9%						
Wabasha	109	37	33.9%						
Winona	424	196	46.2%						
Southeast	4,178	2,000	47.9%						

Indicator 5 Federal Work Participation Rate		Overall April-June 2002								
County	Denominator	Numerator	Rate							
Aitkin	197	64	32.5%							
Carlton	270	126	46.7%							
Cook	11	5	45.5%							
Itasca	393	155	39.4%							
Koochiching	176	52	29.5%							
Lake	74	31	41.9%							
St Louis	3099	966	31.2%							
Northeast	4,220	1,399	33.2%							
Big Stone	65	15	23.1%							
Chippewa	107	35	32.7%							
Cottonwood	116	27	23.3%							
Jackson	57	26	45.6%							
Lac qui Parle	35	6	17.1%							
Lincoln	25	6	24.0%							
Lyon	200	92	46.0%							
Murray	35	11	31.4%							
Nobles	202	81	40.1%							
Pipestone	107	31	29.0%							
Redwood	104	39	37.5%							
Rock	51	25	49.0%							
Swift	60	20	33.3%							
Yellow Medicine	64	21	32.8%							
Southwest	1,228	435	35.4%							
Blue Earth	556	264	47.5%							
Brown	192	97	50.5%							
Faribault	144	48	33.3%							
Le Sueur	212	106	50.0%							
Martin	196	75	38.3%							
Nicollet	344	200	58.1%							
Sibley	111	81	73.0%							
Waseca	219	98	44.7%							
Watonwan	125	54	43.2%							
South Central	2,099	1,023	48.7%							
Anoka	3,147	1,571	49.9%							
Carver	191	114	59.7%							
Dakota	2,136	720	33.7%							
Scott	344	101	29.4%							
Washington	1,316	462	35.1%							
Suburban Metro	7,134	2,968	41.6%							
Hennepin	22,251	11,212	50.4%							
Ramsey	13,494	5,023	37.2%							
Core Metro	35,745	16,235	45.4%							

Indicator 5 Federal Work Participation Rate		Overall April-June 2002	
County	Denominator	Numerator	Rate
Kittson	17	5	29.4%
Marshall	63	21	33.3%
Norman	41	18	43.9%
Pennington	121	39	32.2%
Polk	432	200	46.3%
Red Lake	29	9	31.0%
Roseau	30	9	30.0%
Northwest	733	301	41.1%
Becker	306	144	47.1%
Beltrami	787	529	67.2%
Cass	308	164	53.2%
Clay	758	280	36.9%
Clearwater	99	33	33.3%
Crow Wing	640	228	35.6%
Douglas	228	76	33.3%
Grant	33	9	27.3%
Hubbard	180	69	38.3%
Lake of the Woods	27	4	14.8%
Mahnomen	55	43	78.2%
Morrison	265	99	37.4%
	448	148	33.0%
Pope	62	19	30.6%
Stevens	34	12	35.3%
Touu	220	91	40.3%
Wadana	152	55	25.0%
Wauena	76	24	31.6%
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Renton	4,/12	2,044	43.4%
Chisago	338	133	51.8%
Isanti	285	120	42.1%
Kanabec	169	59	34.9%
Kandivohi	609	203	33.3%
McLeod	243	90	37.0%
Meeker	150	56	37.3%
Mille Lacs	261	135	51.7%
Pine	303	117	38.6%
Renville	163	54	33.1%
Sherburne	373	93	24.9%
Stearns	1,224	411	33.6%
Wright	570	174	30.5%
Central	5,030	1,822	36.2%
Minnesota	65,079	28,227	43.4%

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Indicator 6: Countable Months

- This indicator lists for each county the percentage of June 2002 cases (with one or more eligible adults) that have accumulated time on family assistance that counts toward the 60-month limit.
- Minnesota family assistance includes AFDC, MFIP, and FGA benefits.
- Minnesota started TANF on July 1, 1997. This indicator counts actual family
 assistance months for Minnesota cases from July 1997 through June 2002. The adult
 in the case may or may not have been on assistance continuously for the total period of
 time. Counted time for a case with two eligible adults is determined by using the
 counted months for the adult with the largest number of accumulated months.
- Countable family assistance months may have been accumulated in another state. Since some states started TANF earlier than Minnesota, some cases will have more than 60 months.
- The percentage was determined by dividing the number of cases in each block of time by the number of cases in the county, area, or state.
- Cases in the "zero months" category are cases that have accumulated less than one countable month.

Indicator 6	# of			%	of Cou	inty MF	IP Cas	os hv				
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Months	Cases				Cou	ntable	Months	6				
County	Jun-02	0 Mos	Mos 1-6 7-12 13-18 19-24 25-30 31-36 37-42 43-48 49-54 55-6									55-60
Dodge	63	14.3%	30.2%	27.0%	7.9%	1.6%	3.2%	3.2%	3.2%	1.6%	4.8%	3.2%
Fillmore	63	12.7%	30.2%	19.0%	15.9%	3.2%	6.3%	4.8%	3.2%	3.2%	1.6%	
Freeborn	242	10.7%	22.3%	14.5%	11.2%	10.3%	7.4%	7.4%	5.0%	4.1%	4.5%	2.5%
Goodhue	178	9.0%	21.9%	13.5%	12.9%	9.6%	9.6%	7.3%	4.5%	3.9%	5.6%	2.2%
Houston	85	15.3%	18.8%	25.9%	9.4%	10.6%	4.7%	5.9%	2.4%	4.7%	1.2%	1.2%
Mower	282	11.0%	20.6%	17.0%	12.1%	13.8%	7.1%	3.9%	4.3%	4.6%	4.3%	1.4%
Olmsted	771	11.7%	20.4%	15.7%	11.3%	7.8%	6.6%	8.4%	5.7%	6.5%	4.4%	1.6%
Rice	279	11.8%	20.8%	24.7%	11.5%	8.2%	7.2%	5.0%	5.7%	1.4%	2.2%	1.4%
Steele	244	15.2%	20.1%	18.4%	7.8%	10.7%	9.8%	4.9%	2.9%	4.1%	3.7%	2.5%
Wabasha	71	12.7%	31.0%	15.5%	16.9%	8.5%	4.2%	5.6%	2.8%	1.4%		1.4%
Winona	231	13.0%	20.8%	15.2%	13.0%	7.8%	8.2%	7.4%	3.9%	3.9%	1.7%	5.2%
Southeast	2,509	12.0%	21.5%	17.5%	11.4%	9.0%	7.3%	6.5%	4.6%	4.4%	3.6%	2.1%

Indicator 6												
Countable	# of			%	of Cou	nty MF	IP Cas	es by				
Months	Cases				Cou	ntable	Months	i				
County	Jun-02	0 Mos	1-6	7-12	13-18	19-24	25-30	31-36	37-42	43-48	49-54	55-60
Aitkin	124	9.7%	25.0%	15.3%	12.1%	9.7%	7.3%	6.5%	5.6%	3.2%	4.0%	1.6%
Carlton	237	8.9%	16.5%	18.1%	14.3%	9.3%	10.1%	8.0%	3.8%	4.2%	3.8%	3.0%
Cook	12	8.3%	25.0%	33.3%		25.0%				8.3%		
Itasca	291	10.0%	19.2%	11.7%	13.1%	8.2%	10.3%	7.2%	6.5%	5.2%	3.1%	5.5%
Koochiching	124	6.5%	20.2%	15.3%	8.9%	9.7%	9.7%	4.8%	9.7%	6.5%	7.3%	1.6%
Lake	54	16.7%	18.5%	22.2%	7.4%	13.0%	7.4%	3.7%	5.6%	3.7%	1.9%	
St Louis	2,074	9.4%	16.1%	13.5%	11.4%	9.5%	7.6%	7.1%	6.7%	6.6%	6.7%	5.5%
Northeast	2,916	9.4%	17.1%	14.1%	11.6%	9.5%	8.1%	7.0%	6.4%	6.1%	5.9%	4.9%
Big Stone	36	5.6%	22.2%	8.3%	16.7%	13.9%	8.3%	2.8%	2.8%	2.8%	8.3%	8.3%
Chippewa	68	11.8%	29.4%	14.7%	7.4%	7.4%	4.4%	2.9%	7.4%	8.8%	4.4%	1.5%
Cottonwood	67	10.4%	25.4%	16.4%	16.4%	16.4%	7.5%	1.5%	3.0%	1.5%		1.5%
Jackson	36	5.6%	27.8%	16.7%	11.1%	8.3%	2.8%	13.9%	2.8%	2.8%	2.8%	5.6%
Lac qui Parle	22	9.1%	13.6%	27.3%	22.7%	4.5%	4.5%	4.5%	9.1%			4.5%
Lincoln	24	16.7%	33.3%	20.8%	4.2%	8.3%	4.2%		8.3%		4.2%	
Lyon	133	20.3%	22.6%	16.5%	10.5%	9.0%	6.0%	4.5%	4.5%	2.3%	2.3%	1.5%
Murray	29	17.2%	27.6%	17.2%	3.4%	3.4%	6.0%	13.8%	3.4%	6.9%	3.4%	
Nobles	125	14.4%	28.8%	12.8%	9.6%	7.2%	6.0%	4.8%	4.8%	4.8%	1.6%	3.2%
Pipestone	70	11.4%	38.6%	17.1%	8.6%	7.1%	6.0%	5.7%	4.3%			
Redwood	94	14.9%	20.2%	14.9%	13.8%	9.6%	6.0%	5.3%	3.2%	1.1%	3.2%	4.3%
Rock	34	11.8%	23.5%	23.5%	8.8%	14.7%	6.0%	5.9%	2.9%			
Swift	44	11.4%	15.9%	22.7%	9.1%	9.1%	6.0%	9.1%	6.8%	2.3%	6.8%	
Yellow Medicine	38	10.5%	21.1%	18.4%	21.1%	15.8%	6.0%	2.6%	5.3%			5.3%
Southwest	820	13.4%	25.5%	16.5%	11.3%	9.5%	6.5%	5.1%	4.6%	2.7%	2.4%	2.4%
Blue Earth	344	10.8%	20.6%	13.7%	12.8%	9.3%	8.7%	6.7%	6.4%	4.9%	3.2%	2.9%
Brown	137	17.5%	35.8%	17.5%	13.1%	5.8%	3.6%	3.6%	1.5%	0.7%		0.7%
Faribault	86	8.1%	17.4%	12.8%	18.6%	10.5%	5.8%	5.8%	5.8%	3.5%	7.0%	4.7%
Le Sueur	137	19.7%	25.5%	22.6%	14.6%	6.6%	2.2%	2.2%	4.4%	1.5%		0.7%
Martin	160	15.6%	19.4%	16.9%	10.0%	11.3%	8.8%	5.6%	4.4%	1.9%	3.1%	3.1%
Nicollet	171	12.9%	17.5%	18.1%	11.7%	12.9%	9.4%	5.8%	3.5%	3.5%	2.9%	1.8%
Sibley	75	17.3%	24.0%	17.3%	12.0%	4.0%	5.3%	5.3%	6.7%	4.0%	2.7%	1.3%
Waseca	154	9.7%	31.2%	14.9%	15.6%	7.1%	5.2%	5.2%	1.3%	5.8%	2.6%	1.3%
Watonwan	73	9.6%	23.3%	16.4%	11.0%	11.0%	5.5%	5.5%	6.8%		2.7%	8.2%
South Central	1,337	13.2%	23.5%	16.4%	13.1%	9.0%	6.7%	5.3%	4.5%	3.3%	2.6%	2.5%
Anoka	1,652	10.0%	19.6%	14.6%	11.0%	9.4%	8.7%	6.7%	6.2%	5.9%	3.7%	4.1%
Carver	122	10.7%	22.1%	9.0%	9.8%	7.4%	10.7%	9.8%	10.7%	3.3%	0.8%	5.7%
Dakota	1,185	9.1%	14.4%	15.9%	12.7%	10.7%	8.9%	7.4%	6.4%	6.7%	4.4%	3.5%
Scott	219	10.5%	21.9%	16.9%	8.2%	8.2%	9.6%	3.2%	5.0%	8.2%	5.0%	3.2%
vvasnington	/14	11.3%	18.8%	13.0%	10.8%	9.7%	7.1%	9.0%	4.3%	5.9%	4.8%	5.3%
Suburban Metro	3,892	10.0%	18.1%	14.7%	11.3%	9.7%	8.6%	7.2%	6.0%	6.2%	4.1%	4.1%
Hennepin	10,864	8.3%	14.8%	11.8%	9.3%	8.2%	7.5%	8.4%	7.7%	8.6%	7.0%	8.3%
Ramsey	6,697	10.1%	12.5%	10.2%	9.3%	8.0%	7.9%	8.1%	7.7%	8.6%	7.6%	9.9%
Core Metro	17,561	9.0%	13.9%	11.2%	9.3%	8.1%	7.6%	8.3%	7.7%	8.6%	7.3%	8.9%

Indicator 6												
Countable	# of			%	of Cou	nty MF	IP Cas	es by				
Months	Cases				Cou	ntable	Months	S				
County	Jun-02	0 Mos	1-6	7-12	13-18	19-24	25-30	31-36	37-42	43-48	49-54	55-60
Kittson	17	17.6%	35.3%	5.9%	11.8%	5.9%		5.9%	11.8%	5.9%		
Marshall	49	10.2%	30.6%	16.3%	10.2%	8.2%	6.1%	6.1%	8.2%	4.1%		
Norman	46	21.7%	13.0%	10.9%	17.4%	10.9%	6.5%	4.3%	6.5%	2.2%	4.3%	2.2%
Pennington	79	2.5%	34.2%	17.7%	10.1%	8.9%	3.8%	10.1%	5.1%	7.6%		
Polk	309	14.2%	17.8%	17.8%	11.7%	9.7%	5.5%	6.8%	5.8%	3.2%	3.9%	3.6%
Red Lake	20	20.0%	20.0%	20.0%	10.0%		15.0%		10.0%			5.0%
Roseau	32	9.4%	31.3%	25.0%	9.4%	12.5%	9.4%				3.1%	
Northwest	552	12.9%	22.3%	17.2%	11.6%	9.2%	5.8%	6.3%	6.0%	3.6%	2.7%	2.4%
Becker	328	9.1%	20.1%	8.8%	11.0%	12.2%	8.5%	10.4%	8.5%	8.2%	1.8%	1.2%
Beltrami	1,081	19.2%	15.4%	24.1%	10.6%	7.6%	6.1%	3.7%	4.4%	3.2%	2.7%	3.0%
Cass	367	7.6%	17.7%	11.2%	8.7%	10.1%	10.9%	7.9%	7.4%	5.4%	6.8%	6.3%
Clay	552	12.5%	18.7%	16.1%	12.1%	10.1%	8.3%	6.3%	5.3%	3.3%	4.2%	3.1%
Clearwater	101	11.9%	14.9%	12.9%	15.8%	10.9%	7.9%	4.0%	7.9%	7.9%	3.0%	3.0%
Crow Wing	404	7.9%	20.3%	13.9%	15.6%	9.9%	7.2%	7.9%	6.4%	4.5%	3.2%	3.2%
Douglas	137	8.0%	23.4%	15.3%	8.8%	16.8%	11.7%	5.1%	3.6%	4.4%	2.2%	0.7%
Grant	39	15.4%	33.3%	15.4%		12.8%	7.7%	2.6%	5.1%	5.1%		2.6%
Hubbard	145	9.0%	19.3%	19.3%	13.1%	12.4%	8.3%	4.1%	4.1%	3.4%	2.8%	4.1%
Lake of the Woods	16	12.5%	37.5%	12.5%		12.5%	18.8%				6.3%	
Mahnomen	119	5.0%	10.9%	14.3%	10.9%	9.2%	17.6%	6.7%	9.2%	10.9%	4.2%	0.8%
Morrison	136	8.8%	22.8%	19.9%	11.0%	13.2%	5.9%	8.8%	4.4%	1.5%	1.5%	2.2%
Otter Tail	290	7.9%	24.5%	15.9%	9.7%	10.7%	9.3%	6.9%	6.6%	4.1%	2.8%	1.7%
Pope	40	12.5%	27.5%	7.5%	17.5%	10.0%	5.0%	7.5%	7.5%	2.5%	2.5%	
Stevens	25	4.0%	16.0%	40.0%	12.0%	8.0%	4.0%		4.0%	4.0%	8.0%	
Todd	170	14.1%	24.7%	18.8%	14.1%	9.4%	6.5%	2.9%	2.9%	5.3%	0.6%	0.6%
Traverse	25	4.0%	8.0%	8.0%	36.0%	4.0%		28.0%	8.0%	4.0%		
Wadena	147	15.0%	24.5%	15.0%	9.5%	10.2%	5.4%	6.8%	4.8%	5.4%	1.4%	2.0%
Wilkin	85	17.6%	14.1%	16.5%	24.7%	8.2%	7.1%	4.7%	2.4%	1.2%	1.2%	2.4%
West Central	4,207	12.4%	19.0%	17.1%	11.7%	10.0%	8.0%	6.1%	5.6%	4.4%	3.1%	2.7%
Benton	215	13.0%	20.5%	16.7%	14.4%	7.9%	8.8%	7.0%	4.2%	3.3%	2.3%	1.9%
Chisago	196	14.8%	16.3%	17.9%	11.7%	7.1%	10.7%	7.7%	4.1%	3.6%	4.6%	1.5%
Isanti	176	9.7%	26.1%	14.8%	12.5%	11.9%	5.1%	8.0%	6.3%	2.8%	2.3%	0.6%
Kanabec	127	11.0%	21.3%	11.0%	15.0%	10.2%	11.8%	8.7%	4.7%	1.6%	1.6%	3.1%
Kandiyohi	409	14.2%	23.0%	15.2%	14.7%	9.0%	6.6%	6.8%	4.4%	4.6%	0.7%	0.7%
McLeod	182	17.6%	30.2%	19.2%	9.3%	5.5%	5.5%	4.9%	4.4%	1.6%		1.6%
Meeker	120	12.5%	25.8%	11.7%	10.0%	14.2%	9.2%	5.0%	2.5%	5.8%	2.5%	0.8%
Mille Lacs	168	10.1%	23.2%	18.5%	11.9%	10.1%	8.3%	4.8%	6.5%	3.0%	2.4%	1.2%
Pine	237	12.2%	20.7%	14.8%	11.4%	9.7%	8.4%	8.4%	6.3%	4.2%	1.7%	2.1%
Renville	152	15.8%	28.3%	17.1%	11.8%	10.5%	6.6%	5.9%	2.0%		0.7%	1.3%
Sherburne	238	14.7%	21.4%	16.8%	14.3%	9.2%	5.5%	3.8%	5.0%	5.0%	2.5%	1.7%
Stearns	743	12.0%	20.2%	16.6%	13.9%	9.0%	7.8%	5.1%	4.7%	3.8%	3.2%	3.8%
vvright	345	14.8%	26.4%	17.4%	9.3%	1.5%	7.0%	6.7%	4.9%	3.8%	1.2%	1.2%
Central	3,308	13.2%	22.7%	16.2%	12.6%	9.1%	7.6%	6.2%	4.7%	3.6%	2.1%	1.9%
Minneeste	07.465	40.40/	47.00/	40 =0/	40.00/	0.00/	7 70/	7 00/	0 =0/	0.00/	E 00/	E 00/
winnesota	37,102	10.4%	17.2%	13.7%	10.6%	8.8%	1.7%	7.3%	6.5%	6.6%	5.3%	5.8%

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Indicator 7: Percent of MFIP Employment Services Participants Who Leave the Employment Services System (MIS) Due to Employment

- This indicator lists the number of persons enrolled as MFIP Employment Service participants on the Department of Economic Security's Management Information System (MIS) during the report quarter and the percent of those closed participants who are terminated due to employment on MIS during the quarter. The measure also lists other reasons and percents for termination such as: going off welfare, voluntarily separated, administratively separated, found exempt, completed High School/GED, or other, for the April through June 2002 quarter.
- Following are the MFIP termination codes and definitions on the Department of Economic Security's Management Information System (MIS):
 - UE Unsubsidized employment
 - OW -Off welfare
 - OV Voluntarily separated
 - OA Administratively separated
 - FE Found exempt
 - CE Completed High School/GED (applies to 18 & 19 year olds)
 - OT Other
- Persons terminated from the Department of Economic Security's Management Information System (MIS) with the code of OM (moved from area, either county or state) are not included in the total persons closed column.

Indicator 7	Total	Total	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	
Termination from Management Information System (MIS)	Persons Enrolled	Persons Closed	Unsubsidized Employment	Off Welfare	Voluntarily Separated	Admin Separated	Found Exempt	Completed HS/GED	Percent Other
County	Apr-Jun 02	Apr-Jun 02	UE	ow	ov	0A	FE	CE	от
Dodge	5	2	0.0%	100.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Fillmore	49	3	33.3%	33.3%	0.0%	33.3%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Freeborn	217	30	36.7%	43.3%	0.0%	3.3%	16.7%	0.0%	0.0%
Goodhue	136	31	48.4%	35.5%	0.0%	6.5%	9.7%	0.0%	0.0%
Houston	90	5	40.0%	0.0%	0.0%	60.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Mower	200	37	35.1%	13.5%	2.7%	18.9%	29.7%	0.0%	0.0%
Olmsted	568	56	19.6%	37.5%	1.8%	37.5%	3.6%	0.0%	0.0%
Rice	155	18	33.3%	44.4%	0.0%	11.1%	11.1%	0.0%	0.0%
Steele	179	17	29.4%	5.9%	5.9%	23.5%	35.3%	0.0%	0.0%
Wabasha	65	10	50.0%	10.0%	0.0%	20.0%	20.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Winona	161	17	29.4%	29.4%	5.9%	5.9%	29.4%	0.0%	0.0%
Southeast	1,825	226	32.7%	30.1%	1.8%	19.5%	15.9%	0.0%	0.0%

Indicator 7	Total	Total	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	
Termination from Management	Persons	Persons	Unsubsidized	Off	Voluntarily	Admin	Found	Completed	Percent
Information System (MIS)	Enrolled	Closed	Employment	Welfare	Separated	Separated	Exempt	HS/GED	Other
County	Apr-Jun 02	Apr-Jun 02	UE	ow	ov	OA	FE	CE	ОТ
Aitkin	94	17	47.1%	17.6%	23.5%	11.8%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Carlton	150	28	67.9%	14.3%	0.0%	3.6%	14.3%	0.0%	0.0%
Cook	7	1	100.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Itasca	240	60	45.0%	30.0%	6.7%	10.0%	8.3%	0.0%	0.0%
Koochiching	87	15	73.3%	20.0%	0.0%	6.7%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Lake	41	10	60.0%	10.0%	0.0%	0.0%	30.0%	0.0%	0.0%
St Louis	1,252	183	52.5%	24.0%	2.7%	8.7%	12.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Northeast	1,871	314	53.5%	23.2%	4.1%	8.3%	10.8%	0.0%	0.0%
Big Stone	33	10	50.0%	40.0%	10.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Chippewa	62	13	46.2%	30.8%	15.4%	7.7%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Cottonwood	52	10	60.0%	10.0%	10.0%	0.0%	20.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Jackson	37	11	63.6%	9.1%	0.0%	0.0%	27.3%	0.0%	0.0%
Lac qui Parle	24	5	40.0%	20.0%	0.0%	40.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Lincoln	19	3	66.7%	33.3%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Lyon	130	38	39.5%	21.1%	5.3%	23.7%	10.5%	0.0%	0.0%
Murray	24	11	36.4%	18.2%	0.0%	27.3%	18.2%	0.0%	0.0%
Nobles	109	32	71.9%	21.9%	3.1%	0.0%	3.1%	0.0%	0.0%
Pipestone	61	7	42.9%	42.9%	0.0%	0.0%	14.3%	0.0%	0.0%
Redwood	65	14	42.9%	28.6%	0.0%	0.0%	28.6%	0.0%	0.0%
Rock	34	5	40.0%	20.0%	0.0%	0.0%	40.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Swift	26	7	57.1%	28.6%	0.0%	0.0%	14.3%	0.0%	0.0%
Yellow Medicine	31	5	20.0%	20.0%	40.0%	20.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Southwest	707	171	50.3%	23.4%	5.3%	9.4%	11.7%	0.0%	0.0%
Blue Earth	337	44	50.0%	27.3%	4.5%	6.8%	11.4%	0.0%	0.0%
Brown	133	16	31.3%	43.8%	0.0%	12.5%	12.5%	0.0%	0.0%
Faribault	90	11	63.6%	0.0%	9.1%	27.3%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Le Sueur	102	24	29.2%	37.5%	0.0%	8.3%	25.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Martin	149	43	39.5%	39.5%	0.0%	2.3%	18.6%	0.0%	0.0%
Nicollet	117	16	68.8%	25.0%	0.0%	0.0%	6.3%	0.0%	0.0%
Sibley	85	12	33.3%	8.3%	16.7%	33.3%	8.3%	0.0%	0.0%
Waseca	139	15	20.0%	26.7%	26.7%	0.0%	26.7%	0.0%	0.0%
Watonwan	60	12	75.0%	8.3%	0.0%	0.0%	16.7%	0.0%	0.0%
South Central	1,212	193	44.0%	28.5%	4.7%	7.8%	15.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Anoka	1,695	226	40.7%	38.1%	0.9%	0.4%	19.5%	0.0%	0.0%
Carver	154	49	73.5%	20.4%	2.0%	0.0%	4.1%	0.0%	0.0%
Dakota	833	159	39.0%	29.6%	4.4%	8.8%	16.4%	0.0%	0.0%
Scott	148	36	52.8%	30.6%	2.8%	0.0%	13.9%	0.0%	0.0%
Washington	518	75	54.7%	17.3%	0.0%	9.3%	18.7%	0.0%	0.0%
Suburban Metro	3,348	545	45.9%	30.6%	2.0%	4.0%	16.7%	0.0%	0.0%
Hennepin	7,916	767	26.2%	40.5%	1.4%	9.6%	18.9%	0.8%	2.5%
Ramsey	3,665	392	28.6%	41.1%	1.5%	3.1%	17.1%	0.0%	8.7%
Core Metro	11,581	1,159	27.0%	40.7%	1.5%	7.4%	18.3%	0.5%	4.6%

Indicator 7	Total	Total	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	
Termination from Management	Persons	Persons	Unsubsidized	Off	Voluntarily	Admin	Found	Completed	Percent
Information System (MIS)	Enrolled	Closed	Employment	Welfare	Separated	Separated	Exempt	HS/GED	Other
County	Apr-Jun 02	Apr-Jun 02	UE	ow	ov	OA	FE	CE	от
Kittson	13	1	100.0%	100.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Marshall	38	7	42.9%	6.1%	0.0%	14.3%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Norman	32	6	66.7%	11.1%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Pennington	67	18	38.9%	2.2%	5.6%	11.1%	16.7%	0.0%	0.0%
Polk	239	62	35.5%	0.6%	0.0%	8.1%	16.1%	0.0%	0.0%
Red Lake	17	6	50.0%	8.3%	0.0%	0.0%	16.7%	0.0%	0.0%
Roseau	28	12	66.7%	5.6%	16.7%	8.3%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Northwest	434	112	42.9%	0.4%	2.7%	8.0%	12.5%	0.0%	0.0%
Becker	342	57	59.6%	15.8%	10.5%	7.0%	7.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Beltrami	825	155	45.2%	21.3%	4.5%	21.9%	7.1%	0.0%	0.0%
Cass	324	67	52.2%	32.8%	7.5%	7.5%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Clay	521	89	55.1%	13.5%	13.5%	18.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Clearwater	111	25	44.0%	48.0%	8.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Crow Wing	386	72	41.7%	26.4%	18.1%	13.9%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Douglas	139	36	50.0%	11.1%	11.1%	27.8%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Grant	54	19	78.9%	15.8%	5.3%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Hubbard	144	30	50.0%	23.3%	3.3%	23.3%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Lake of the Woods	19	9	33.3%	33.3%	11.1%	22.2%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Mahnomen	98	9	33.3%	11.1%	11.1%	11.1%	33.3%	0.0%	0.0%
Morrison	112	32	34.4%	28.1%	15.6%	21.9%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Otter Tail	257	59	61.0%	22.0%	3.4%	13.6%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Роре	40	7	85.7%	0.0%	14.3%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Stevens	23	9	66.7%	11.1%	11.1%	11.1%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Todd	161	34	61.8%	17.6%	8.8%	11.8%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Traverse	29	5	60.0%	20.0%	20.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Wadena	174	32	43.8%	21.9%	12.5%	21.9%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Wilkin	92	4	50.0%	50.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
West Central	3,851	750	50.9%	21.9%	9.3%	15.5%	2.4%	0.0%	0.0%
Benton	193	31	41.9%	9.7%	45.2%	3.2%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Chisago	134	29	44.8%	31.0%	0.0%	0.0%	24.1%	0.0%	0.0%
Isanti	176	37	43.2%	51.4%	0.0%	0.0%	5.4%	0.0%	0.0%
Kanabec	98	16	25.0%	75.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Kandiyohi	377	114	56.1%	4.4%	10.5%	17.5%	11.4%	0.0%	0.0%
McLeod	144	39	61.5%	12.8%	2.6%	5.1%	17.9%	0.0%	0.0%
Meeker	101	27	48.1%	25.9%	14.8%	0.0%	11.1%	0.0%	0.0%
Mille Lacs	139	31	38.7%	35.5%	0.0%	3.2%	22.6%	0.0%	0.0%
Pine	226	57	49.1%	24.6%	0.0%	8.8%	17.5%	0.0%	0.0%
Renville	155	36	52.8%	33.3%	5.6%	2.8%	5.6%	0.0%	0.0%
Sherburne	192	28	53.6%	32.1%	0.0%	0.0%	14.3%	0.0%	0.0%
Stearns	566	52	38.5%	25.0%	26.9%	9.6%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Wright	266	61	59.0%	23.0%	0.0%	4.9%	13.1%	0.0%	0.0%
Central	2,767	558	49.6%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
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winnesota	27,596	4,028	41.8%	30.0%	4.5%	9.2%	12.8%	0.1%	1.4%

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Indicator 8a: Self-Support Index (Apr - Jun 99 Cohort)

- This indicator follows adults who were not exempt from work requirements in April through June of 1999. Adults are counted if they are working 30 hours or more per week or if they are no longer receiving a cash payment at a follow-up point in time (one year, two years, three years).
- This indicator lists for each county the Self-Support Index for follow-up periods of one year (April-June 2000), two years (April-June 2001), and three years (April-June 2002) for eligible adults from the April through June 1999 cohort.
- This indicator was determined by dividing the number of adults who are working 30 hours or more per week and the number of adults who are no longer receiving a cash payment for April through June, 2000, 2001, and 2002 by the number of eligible adults who were not exempt from work requirements in April through June of 1999.
- This indicator uses the servicing county caseload and "eligible" cases.
- The Self-Support Index was created by a state-county-ES provider workgroup in the fall of 2001.

Indicator 8a		One Year	Two Year	Three Year
Self-Support Index	Eligible	Self-Support	Self-Support	Self-Support
Apr - Jun 99 cohort	Adults	Index	Index	Index
County	Apr - Jun 99	Apr - Jun 00	Apr - Jun 01	Apr - Jun 02
Dodge	48	62.5%	81.3%	81.3%
Fillmore	69	58.0%	81.2%	76.8%
Freeborn	300	60.3%	66.7%	74.3%
Goodhue	162	64.2%	71.0%	72.2%
Houston	68	61.8%	69.1%	85.3%
Mower	328	60.4%	68.9%	78.0%
Olmsted	890	60.0%	71.5%	77.1%
Rice	280	62.1%	75.4%	76.1%
Steele	198	57.1%	64.6%	66.7%
Wabasha	96	66.7%	84.4%	87.5%
Winona	277	66.8%	75.8%	82.3%
Southeast	2,716	61.3%	71.8%	76.9%

Measure 8a Self-Support Index Apr - Jun 99 cohort	Eligible Adults	One Year Self-Support Index	Two Year Self-Support Index	Three Year Self-Support Index
County	Apr - Jun 99	Apr - Jun 00	Apr - Jun 01	Apr - Jun 02
Aitkin	139	59.0%	70.5%	74.1%
Carlton	333	60.1%	73.3%	80.5%
Cook	17	70.6%	88.2%	94.1%
Itasca	382	54.5%	64.9%	70.2%
Koochiching	140	54.3%	65.0%	71.4%
Lake	45	42.2%	62.2%	66.7%
St Louis	2,573	50.1%	64.7%	69.2%
Northeast	3,629	52.0%	65.8%	70.7%
Big Stone	34	44.1%	58.8%	61.8%
Chippewa	78	52.6%	57.7%	62.8%
Cottonwood	71	69.0%	77.5%	81.7%
Jackson	71	62.0%	81.7%	78.9%
Lac qui Parle	47	72.3%	78.7%	85.1%
Lincoln	13	76.9%	76.9%	92.3%
Lyon	144	76.4%	79.9%	81.9%
Murray	25	64.0%	72.0%	80.0%
Nobles	185	68.1%	73.0%	82.2%
Pipestone	54	72.2%	77.8%	81.5%
Redwood	89	53.9%	73.0%	75.3%
Rock	36	63.9%	88.9%	86.1%
Swift	74	67.6%	75.7%	77.0%
Yellow Medicine	46	67.4%	73.9%	84.8%
Southwest	967	65.8%	74.7%	79.0%
Blue Earth	373	58.4%	70.0%	74.8%
Brown	143	60.8%	74.1%	84.6%
Faribault	100	62.0%	74.0%	77.0%
Le Sueur	109	67.9%	79.8%	74.3%
Martin	186	66.1%	77.4%	71.5%
Nicollet	181	62.4%	69.6%	81.2%
Sibley	115	69.6%	78.3%	77.4%
Waseca	156	69.9%	71.2%	77.6%
Watonwan	80	63.8%	68.8%	70.0%
South Central	1,443	63.5%	73.0%	76.5%
Anoka	1,950	56.8%	66.8%	72.4%
Carver	177	60.5%	75.1%	72.3%
Dakota	1,560	56.3%	70.1%	73.5%
Scott	309	57.0%	72.8%	78.0%
Washington	727	49.0%	64.6%	68.0%
Suburban Metro	4,723	55.6%	68.3%	72.4%
Hennepin	13,080	46.6%	60.1%	65.7%
Ramsey	8,477	46.8%	59.6%	65.4%
Core Metro	21,557	46.7%	59.9%	65.6%

Indicator 8a Self-Support Index Apr - Jun 99 cohort	Eligible Adults	One Year Self-Support Index	^{Two Year} Self-Support Index	Three Year Self-Support Index
County	Apr - Jun 99	Apr - Jun 00	Apr - Jun 01	Apr - Jun 02
Kittson	25	52.0%	84.0%	92.0%
Marshall	71	53.5%	71.8%	73.2%
Norman	72	51.4%	65.3%	81.9%
Pennington	120	64.2%	80.8%	82.5%
Polk	452	56.0%	73.5%	81.4%
Red Lake	23	60.9%	73.9%	56.5%
Roseau	43	72.1%	88.4%	90.7%
Northwest	806	57.4%	74.8%	81.0%
Becker	426	52.8%	67.8%	67.8%
Beltrami	1,379	46.6%	56.7%	60.6%
Cass	464	51.3%	60.3%	65.1%
Clay	666	56.3%	71.2%	76.3%
Clearwater	140	55.0%	63.6%	72.1%
Crow Wing	451	58.5%	65.6%	71.4%
Douglas	167	56.9%	74.9%	83.8%
Grant	57	61.4%	70.2%	71.9%
Hubbard	210	62.4%	71.4%	77.1%
Lake of the Woods	13	53.8%	69.2%	61.5%
Mahnomen	146	41.8%	56.2%	59.6%
Morrison	240	65.0%	72.1%	77.9%
Otter Tail	377	63.7%	76.4%	78.8%
Pope	43	69.8%	76.7%	76.7%
Stevens	45	55.6%	86.7%	84.4%
Todd	225	67.6%	78.7%	82.2%
Traverse	56	67.9%	78.6%	83.9%
Wadena	154	63.6%	74.7%	74.0%
Wilkin	148	57.4%	70.3%	67.6%
West Central	5,407	55.0%	66.4%	70.2%
Benton	222	66.2%	70.3%	76.6%
Chisago	227	57.7%	68.7%	77.1%
Isanti	220	64.5%	75.9%	80.0%
Kanabec	120	70.8%	71.7%	67.5%
Kandiyohi	450	64.0%	71.8%	76.0%
McLeod	210	62.9%	70.0%	75.7%
Meeker	92	68.5%	69.6%	67.4%
	209	63.6%	73.2%	78.9%
Pine	254	61.8%	66.1%	73.6%
Renville	220	67.3%	72.3%	/3.2%
Snerburne	313	67.7%	/2.8%	(5.1%
Stearns	/55	53.6%	64.9%	70.5%
winght	370	07.0%	13.8%	78.9%
Central	3,662	62.6%	70.2%	74.7%
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winnesota	44,910	52.4%	64.6%	69.6%

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Indicator 8b: Self-Support Index (Apr - Jun 2000 Cohort)

- This indicator follows adults who were not exempt from work requirements in April through June of 2000. Adults are counted if they are working 30 hours or more per week or if they are no longer receiving a cash payment at a follow-up point in time (one year, two years).
- This indicator lists for each county the Self-Support Index for follow-up periods of one year (April-June 2001), and two years (April-June 2002), for eligible adults from the April through June 2000 cohort.
- This indicator was determined by dividing the number of adults who are working 30 hours or more per week and the number of adults who are no longer receiving a cash payment for April through June, 2001, and 2002, by the number of eligible adults who were not exempt from work requirements in April through June of 2000.
- This indicator uses the servicing county caseload and "eligible" cases.
- The Self-Support Index was created by a state-county-ES provider workgroup in the fall of 2001.

Indicator 8b Self-Support Index Apr - Jun 00 cohort	Eligible Adults	^{One Year} Self-Support Index	^{Two Year} Self-Support Index
County	Apr - Jun 00	Apr - Jun 01	Apr - Jun 02
Dodge	52	75.0%	80.8%
Fillmore	84	71.4%	77.4%
Freeborn	274	55.8%	68.2%
Goodhue	133	48.9%	62.4%
Houston	64	53.1%	67.2%
Mower	316	60.4%	68.0%
Olmsted	875	59.9%	69.1%
Rice	260	64.6%	71.5%
Steele	256	57.4%	64.8%
Wabasha	79	70.9%	82.3%
Winona	179	62.0%	70.9%
Southeast	2,572	60.2%	69.4%

Indicator 8b Self-Support Index	Eligible	One Year Self-Support	Two Year Self-Support
Apr - Jun 00 conort	Adults	Index	Index
County	Apr - Jun 00	Apr - Jun 01	Apr - Jun 02
Aitkin	122	57.4%	70.5%
Carlton	270	55.2%	/1.9%
COOK	6	83.3%	83.3%
Itasca	355	52.1%	66.8%
Koochiching	110	38.2%	56.4%
	46	60.9%	67.4%
St Louis	2,213	51.0%	59.0%
Northeast	3,182	51.5%	61.9%
Big Stone	48	52.1%	60.4%
Chippewa	69	44.9%	63.8%
Cottonwood	53	66.0%	75.5%
Jackson	60	66.7%	76.7%
Lac qui Parle	34	76.5%	82.4%
Lincoln	28	64.3%	92.9%
Lyon	123	63.4%	69.9%
Murray	34	70.6%	79.4%
Nobles	147	66.0%	75.5%
Pipestone	42	64.3%	78.6%
Redwood	81	60.5%	60.5%
Rock	31	83.9%	74.2%
Swift	49	51.0%	61.2%
Yellow Medicine	32	59.4%	71.9%
Southwest	831	62.6%	71.6%
Blue Earth	354	51.4%	66.4%
Brown	148	61.5%	74.3%
Faribault	74	56.8%	56.8%
Le Sueur	116	69.0%	74.1%
Martin	161	65.8%	65.8%
Nicollet	167	58.7%	65.3%
Sibley	89	65.2%	70.8%
Waseca	131	55.7%	70.2%
Watonwan	79	73.4%	78.5%
South Central	1,319	59.7%	68.6%
Anoka	1,700	52.7%	63.0%
Carver	156	63.5%	66.0%
Dakota	1,332	54.4%	63.2%
Scott	286	58.0%	66.8%
Washington	734	54.1%	61.3%
Suburban Metro	4,208	54.3%	63.1%
Hennepin	12 166	46.9%	57 2%
Ramsey	7,601	45.5%	55.9%
Core Metro	19,767	46.3%	56.7%

Indicator 8b		One Year	Two Year
Self-Support Index	Eligible	Self-Support	Self-Support
Apr - Jun 00 cohort	Adults	Index	Index
County	Apr - Jun 00	Apr - Jun 01	Apr - Jun 02
Kittson	31	71.0%	80.6%
Marshall	75	60.0%	70.7%
Norman	74	67.6%	79.7%
Pennington	102	66.7%	74.5%
Polk	433	62.6%	75.3%
Red Lake	23	82.6%	69.6%
Roseau	54	72.2%	74.1%
Northwest	792	64.9%	75.1%
Becker	437	57.9%	62.5%
Beltrami	1,307	45.2%	53.8%
Cass	471	51.6%	62.2%
Clay	674	58.8%	67.4%
Clearwater	143	51.7%	58.7%
Crow Wing	451	54.1%	67.6%
Douglas	167	60.5%	77.8%
Grant	43	34.9%	51.2%
Hubbard	162	54.3%	72.8%
Lake of the Woods	16	75.0%	68.8%
Mahnomen	142	50.7%	57.0%
Morrison	173	58.4%	74.6%
Otter Tail	322	62.7%	64.9%
Pope	27	51.9%	59.3%
Stevens	45	75.6%	86.7%
Todd	173	65.3%	76.3%
Traverse	33	66.7%	72.7%
Wadena	152	61.2%	67.1%
Wilkin	119	56.3%	62.2%
West Central	5,057	54.1%	63.3%
Benton	162	53.7%	61.7%
Chisago	209	47.8%	63.6%
Isanti	180	58.9%	69.4%
Kanabec	105	60.0%	58.1%
Kandiyohi	416	63.5%	70.2%
McLeod	182	61.5%	72.0%
Meeker	105	50.5%	60.0%
Mille Lacs	149	55.7%	68.5%
Pine	255	57.6%	65.1%
Renville	217	59.0%	64.5%
Sherburne	228	58.8%	72.4%
Stearns	658	52.9%	61.9%
Wright	334	57.2%	74.0%
Central	3,200	56.8%	66.6%
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Minnesota	40,928	51.3%	61.2%

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Indicator 8c: Self-Support Index (Apr - Jun 2001 Cohort)

- This indicator follows adults who were not exempt from work requirements in April through June of 2001. Adults are counted if they are working 30 hours or more per week or if they are no longer receiving a cash payment at a follow-up point in time (one year).
- This indicator lists for each county the Self-Support Index for a follow-up period of one year (April-June 2002) for eligible adults from the April through June 2001 cohort.
- This indicator was determined by dividing the number of adults who are working 30 hours or more per week and the number of adults who are no longer receiving a cash payment for April through June 2002, by the number of eligible adults who were not exempt from work requirements in April through June of 2001.
- This indicator uses the servicing county caseload and "eligible" cases.
- The Self-Support Index was created by a state-county-ES provider workgroup in the fall of 2001.

Indicator 8c Self-Support Index	Eligible	One Year Self-Support
Apr - Jun 01 cohort	Adults	Index
County	Apr - Jun 01	Apr - Jun 02
Dodge	51	72.5%
Fillmore	70	60.0%
Freeborn	310	56.1%
Goodhue	188	48.9%
Houston	79	59.5%
Mower	305	57.7%
Olmsted	898	56.1%
Rice	267	55.8%
Steele	259	51.7%
Wabasha	90	63.3%
Winona	223	55.2%
Southeast	2,740	56.0%

Indicator 8c		One Year
Self-Support index	Eligible	Self-Support
Apr - Jun o'r conon	Adults	index
County	Apr - Jun 01	Apr - Jun 02
Aitkin	131	51.1%
Carlton	274	55.8%
Cook	11	54.5%
Itasca	371	59.8%
Koochiching	141	49.6%
Lake	50	56.0%
St Louis	2,301	46.3%
Northeast	3,279	49.2%
Big Stone	47	48.9%
Chippewa	70	48.6%
Cottonwood	76	50.0%
Jackson	37	51.4%
Lac qui Parle	34	70.6%
	29	69.0%
Lyon	143	59.4%
Murray	27	66.7%
Nobles	178	71.3%
Pinestone	34	52.9%
Redwood	88	50.1%
Redwood	34	59.170 64.7%
Swift	55	04.7 /0
Yellow Medicine	51	56.9%
Southwest	903	60.070
	903	60.1 /6
	396	50.8%
Brown	154	63.6%
Faribault	106	57.5%
Le Sueur	177	66.1%
Martin	161	52.8%
Nicollet	187	57.2%
Sibley	90	66.7%
Waseca	170	57.1%
Watonwan	87	71.3%
South Central	1,528	58.1%
Anoka	1,743	51.6%
Carver	153	60.8%
Dakota	1,313	49.4%
Scott	252	59.1%
Washington	694	47.1%
Suburban Metro	4,155	51.0%
Hennepin	11,789	44.0%
Ramsey	7,411	43.0%
Core Metro	19.200	43.6%

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Self-Support Index	Eligible	Self-Support
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County	Apr - Jun 01	Apr - Jun 02
Kittson	22	72.7%
Marshall	56	58.9%
Norman	74	66.2%
Pennington	94	56.4%
Polk	412	59.0%
Red Lake	11	27.3%
Roseau	41	65.9%
Northwest	710	59.7%
Becker	405	51.4%
Beltrami	1,330	45.8%
Cass	474	52.1%
Clay	676	53.1%
Clearwater	145	46.9%
Crow Wing	458	52.8%
Douglas	170	57.6%
Grant	53	54.7%
Hubbard	203	62.1%
Lake of the Woods	16	50.0%
Mahnomen	157	47.8%
Morrison	191	61.3%
Otter Tail	329	55.6%
Pope	42	47.6%
Stevens	29	65.5%
Todd	167	55.7%
Traverse	36	66.7%
Wadena	148	53.4%
Wilkin	103	45.6%
West Central	5 132	51 7%
Benton	210	52.4%
Chisago	210	57.0%
Isanti	205	56.1%
Kanaher	130	18.9%
Kandivohi	159	40.9%
		62.0%
Moekor	102	50 A0/
	123	53.4%
	201	50.1% 50.6%
Ponvillo	29	02.0% 62.7%
Sherburno	201	E7 /0/
Steams	249	۵۲.4% ۸۹ EV
Wright	368	40.0% 50.8%
Cantral	000	55.576
Central	3,643	55.4%
Minnesota	41,290	48.8%

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Indicator 9: Returning to MFIP

- This indicator lists each county's number of exits from MFIP • as of April 1, May 1 and June 1, 2001 and the percent of cases that remained off MFIP for 12 or more months, the percent of cases that returned to MFIP within the next 12 months after exit from MFIP, and the percent of cases that returned within 12 months and were eligible for at least six of the twelve months.
- Only cases with an eligible adult in the last month of assistance are considered in this indicator.
- An exiting case is one which no longer has an adult eligible for • MFIP for at least one month after the exit.
- Measurements are taken over the twelve months following the exit month.

Indicator 9		Percent	Percent	Percent Returned
Return to	Exiting	Off 12 or	Returned	For at Least
MFIP	Cases	More	Within 12	6 of 12
County	Jun-01	Months	Months	Months
Dodge	8	75.0%	25.0%	0.0%
Fillmore	19	57.9%	42.1%	10.5%
Freeborn	47	66.0%	34.0%	12.8%
Goodhue	20	65.0%	35.0%	30.0%
Houston	11	63.6%	36.4%	27.3%
Mower	47	74.5%	25.5%	10.6%
Olmsted	102	75.5%	24.5%	16.7%
Rice	48	68.8%	31.3%	16.7%
Steele	46	65.2%	34.8%	10.9%
Wabasha	16	93.8%	6.3%	0.0%
Winona	39	59.0%	41.0%	15.4%
Southeast	403	69.7%	30.3%	14.4%

The indicator uses the servicing county caseload.

Indicator 9		Percent	Percent	Percent Returned
Return to	Exiting	Off 12 or	Returned	For at Least
MFIP	Cases	More	Within 12	6 of 12
County	Jun-01	Months	Months	Months
Aitkin	18	66.7%	33.3%	22.2%
Carlton	47	63.8%	36.2%	19.1%
Cook	0	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Itasca	63	63.5%	36.5%	17.5%
Koochiching	16	68.8%	31.3%	31.3%
Lake	3	33.3%	66.7%	33.3%
St Louis	281	61.2%	38.8%	24.2%
Northeast	428	62.1%	37.9%	22.9%
Big Stone	10	80.0%	20.0%	0.0%
Chippewa	10	70.0%	30.0%	20.0%
Cottonwood	7	42.9%	57.1%	14.3%
Jackson	6	83.3%	16.7%	0.0%
Lac Qui Parle	5	60.0%	40.0%	0.0%
Lincoln	6	66.7%	33.3%	16.7%
Lyon	23	78.3%	21.7%	13.0%
Murray	10	80.0%	20.0%	10.0%
Nobles	48	77.1%	22.9%	8.3%
Pipestone	5	80.0%	20.0%	0.0%
Redwood	18	61.1%	38.9%	22.2%
Rock	11	45.5%	54.5%	27.3%
Swift	11	81.8%	18.2%	0.0%
Yellow Medicine	2	100.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Southwest	172	72.1%	27.9%	11.0%
Blue Earth	45	66.7%	33.3%	24.4%
Brown	26	69.2%	30.8%	15.4%
Faribault	10	50.0%	50.0%	30.0%
Le Sueur	27	74.1%	25.9%	18.5%
Martin	27	59.3%	40.7%	25.9%
Nicollet	29	79.3%	20.7%	13.8%
Sibley	11	63.6%	36.4%	27.3%
Waseca	29	69.0%	31.0%	6.9%
Watonwan	19	57.9%	42.1%	26.3%
South Central	223	67.3%	32.7%	19.7%
Anoka	280	67.9%	32.1%	18.6%
Carver	33	60.6%	39.4%	27.3%
Dakota	198	64.6%	35.4%	15.7%
Scott	52	71.2%	28.8%	13.5%
Washington	98	70.4%	29.6%	10.2%
Suburban Metro	661	67.2%	32.8%	16.5%
Hennepin	1,271	70.7%	29.3%	16.8%
Ramsey	767	66.6%	33.4%	20.7%
Core Metro	2,038	69.1%	30.9%	18.3%

Indicator 9		Percent	Percent	Percent Returned
Return to	Exiting	Off 12 or	Returned	For at Least
MFIP	Cases	More	Within 12	6 of 12
County	Jun-01	Months	Months	Months
Kitteon	2	50.0%	50.0%	0.0%
Marehall	7	85.7%	14.3%	14.3%
Norman	7	28.6%	71.4%	28.6%
Pennington	15	66.7%	33.3%	13.3%
Polk	62	72.6%	27.4%	9.7%
Red Lake	3	100.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Roseau	11	63.6%	36.4%	18.2%
Northwest	107	69.2%	30.8%	12.1%
Rocker	67	76 1%	23.0%	12.170
Beltrami	126	56.3%	23.9%	25.4%
	66	65.2%	34.8%	10.7%
Clay	77	68.8%	31.0%	13.7%
Cleanwater	22	54.5%	45.5%	18.2%
Crow Wing	63	65.1%	34.9%	15.9%
Douglas	25	76.0%	24.0%	12.0%
Grant	3	66.7%	33.3%	0.0%
Hubbard	31	71.0%	29.0%	12.9%
Lake of the Woods	7	85.7%	14.3%	14.3%
Mahnomen	20	65.0%	35.0%	20.0%
Morrison	34	61.8%	38.2%	23.5%
Otter Tail	55	60.0%	40.0%	20.0%
Pope	8	62.5%	37.5%	12.5%
Stevens	4	100.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Todd	26	65.4%	34.6%	19.2%
Traverse	5	40.0%	60.0%	20.0%
Wadena	27	77.8%	22.2%	7.4%
Wilkin	11	90.9%	9.1%	0.0%
West Central	677	65.9%	34.1%	17.3%
Benton	41	68.3%	31.7%	22.0%
Chisago	37	73.0%	27.0%	16.2%
Isanti	44	59.1%	40.9%	11.4%
Kanabec	18	61.1%	38.9%	33.3%
Kandiyohi	71	69.0%	31.0%	11.3%
McLeod	27	66.7%	33.3%	14.8%
Meeker	16	75.0%	25.0%	6.3%
Mille Lacs	37	64.9%	35.1%	18.9%
Pine	46	63.0%	37.0%	10.9%
Renville	33	63.6%	36.4%	9.1%
Sherburne	55	74.5%	25.5%	10.9%
Stearns	108	66.7%	33.3%	19.4%
Wright	73	61.6%	38.4%	15.1%
Central	606	66.5 %	33.5%	15.2%
Minnesota	5,315	67.7%	32.3%	17.3%

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Appendix B

Notes on Logistic Regression Method

Variables

The search for relevant variables yielded the following conceptually unique and available variables. Each variable is presented with its SPSS variable name, a brief definition, and the anticipated theoretical effect of the variable.

AGEADULT The age of the adult in the earliest month during baseline for which the adult was eligible for MFIP.

Increasing age is likely to be associated with greater job experience, education, maturity, appeal to potential employers, etc. and therefore, a greater probability of success.

AGEYNGST The age of the youngest child in the earliest month during baseline for which the adult in the case was eligible for MFIP.

As children age the demands on the parents decrease. Day care becomes more acceptable to parents. Parents of school-age children have many hours available for activities other than child supervision. Thus, the older the youngest child, the greater the probability of success in the MFIP program.

KIDPVRTY The county child poverty rate for 1998 (the most recent year for which these data are available).

The county child poverty rate is an indicator of the economic conditions faced by families with children. Higher county child poverty is expected to be associated with lower county performance rates.

LCTYPOP The log of the county population according to the 2000 US Census.

The larger the county, the more likely that the MFIP adult faces "inner city" type problems and is therefore, the less likely to be successful

ANLUNEMP - The average annual county unemployment rate for 2001.

The higher the county unemployment rate, the less likely that MFIP adults will find employment.

- LDENSITY The log of the persons per square mile in the county The more densely populated the county, the more likely that the MFIP adult faces "inner city" type problems and is therefore, the less likely to be successful
- LOWWAGE MFIP adults as a percent of the number of low wage jobs in the county.

As MFIP adults become a larger proportion of the low wage jobs in the county, competition for those jobs increases and MFIP performance outcomes are likely to be poorer

CTYWAGE Average weekly county wage, 199?

The higher the average county wage, the greater the probability that an MFIP adult will find employment that will lead to an exit from the program.

OWBRATE County rate of births to unwed mothers, 1999

A high rate of births outside of marriage may be an indicator of a more immature caseload and, thus, a caseload less likely to succeed.

NUMKIDS The number of children in the case at baseline.

The more children in an MFIP case the harder it is to attain a wage that will reach the MFIP exit threshold. The greater the number of children in the case, the greater the probability of having a very young child in the home. Thus, cases with more children will be less likely to succeed.

IMMIGRNT Adult's immigrant status

Many immigrants have cultural and language barriers which would be expected to be associated with reduced potential for success. Countering these hypothesized handicaps is a possible incentive to start a new life in a new country. The expected effect on performance is ambiguous.

CITIZEN Indicator that the adult is an American Citizen

The effect of citizenship is expected to be similar to the effect of immigrant status, that is ambiguous. (See above)

MIGRANT The Adult's migrant status

Migrants, by definition, are unlikely to have stable housing and income and therefore, less likely to succeed.

NEWMFIP Indicator that the adult was new to MFIP during the baseline period.

Adults that are new to MFIP during the baseline period are disproportionately representative of shorter term cases and therefore more likely to be successful.

STUDENT Indicator that the adult is a student at any level (high school, post secondary training, college, etc).

Pursuit of education or training is an indicator of personal motivation and the education obtained is likely to make these adults more marketable. Thus, these adults are more likely to succeed.

HSMORE Indicator that the adult has at least a high school education

Adults with greater levels of education are generally more capable and thus more likely to find better jobs with a greater likelihood of exiting MFIP.

OTHSTATE Indicator that the adult came from another state

Moving a family from another state with minimal resources requires a certain level of energy, determination, and organization, that should be associated with success in MFIP.

TWOADULT Indicator that the adult is a member of a two adult case

Two adult cases have twice the opportunity to earn. Therefore, all other things being equal, an adult in a two adult case is expected to be more successful than an adult in a single adult case. However, MFIP program information indicates that two adult cases are often particularly problematic. The net effect is ambiguous.

EVERMARR Indicator that the adult is or was married

Adults who have ever been married have a demonstrated acceptance of at least one aspect of mainstream culture. We hypothesize that these individuals will be also more accepting of the requirements of the MFIP program and thus more likely to succeed.

NOWRKDES Indicator that the adult did not work or participate in work activities during baseline

Adults with less of a work history are less likely to succeed in finding and retaining employment, thus less likely to be MFIP successes.

MHSERMED Indicator that the adult received mental health services or was prescribed mental health medication at some point between baseline and the three year follow-up

Adults with mental health problems are expected to be less able to obtain and retain employment and therefore, less likely to become MFIP successes.

AFROAMER Indicator that the adult is African American

Racism/Structural disadvantage is expected to result in poorer outcomes for the non-white MFIP population.

AMERIND Indicator that the adult is American Indian

Racism/Structural disadvantage is expected to result in poorer outcomes for the non-white MFIP population.

SOMALI Indicator that the adult is Somali

Racism/Structural disadvantage is expected to result in poorer outcomes for the non-white MFIP population.

HMONG Indicator that the adult is Hmong

Racism/Structural disadvantage is expected to result in poorer outcomes for the non-white MFIP population.

ASIAN Indicator that the adult is non-Hmong Asian

Racism/Structural disadvantage is expected to result in poorer outcomes for the non-white MFIP population.

BLKIMMGT Indicator that the adult is a non-Somali, black immigrant

Racism/Structural disadvantage is expected to result in poorer outcomes for the non-white MFIP population.

HISPANIC Indicator that the adult is Hispanic

Racism/Structural disadvantage is expected to result in poorer outcomes for the non-white MFIP population.

HENNRAMS Indicator that the adult lives in Hennepin or Ramsey county

Hennepin and Ramsey Counties have characteristics unique to large urban areas. It is likely that their uniqueness will not be fully represented by the other independent variables. Due to a cluster of unspecified "inner city" issues, we expect that being a resident of Hennepin or Ramsey County will be associated will a lower probability of success.

Correlations of the above list of potential variables revealed very high correlations within certain clusters of variables. A correlation between county population and county unemployment rate of .70. and a correlation of .77 between the county child poverty rate and the county out-of-wedlock birth rate are two examples. In these, and other similar instances, further discussions led to the selection of the variables that had the greatest theoretical importance.

Multilevel issues

Some of the variables of interest are characteristics of the county (KIDPVRTY, ANLUNEMP, LCTYPOP, LDENSITY, CTYWAGE, OWBRATE, HENNRAMS) while the remainder are person characteristics. Using county values in a person-level model artificially limits the variation across people. Each MFIP adult, for example, is either employed or not. However, the ANLUNEMP variable attributes the county unemployment rate to all adults in the county, regardless of their employment status. Similar arguments can be made for the other county-level variables.

Using a single county value for every individual in a county eliminates within county variation and restricts the across county variation, resulting in biased regression results. This bias can be avoided by using multi-level regression techniques.

Initial analyses utilized multi-level regression techniques. However, the preliminary multilevel modeling indicated that the interclass correlation was extremely low, meaning that the marginal benefit of conducting a multi-level analysis would be minimal. Furthermore, the complexity of multilevel regression output makes it difficult to explain to the statistically unsophisticated. We, therefore, proceeded with a person-level logistic multiple regression model.

Logistic Regression Model

The preliminary person-level logistic regression runs indicated that the impact of a number of variables (MIGRANT, HISPANIC, ASIAN) was not statistically significantly different from zero. These variables were deleted from the equation since they added nothing to the analysis.

The final regression equation was as follows.

$$\begin{split} \text{INDX0302} &= \text{CONSTANT} + B_1 * \text{AGEADULT} + B_2 * \text{AGEYNGST} + B_3 * \text{KIDPVRTY} + \\ B_4 * \text{NUMKIDS} + B_5 * \text{LOWWAGE} + B_6 * \text{EVERMARR} + B_7 * \text{HMONG} + \\ B_8 * \text{AFROAMER} + B_9 * \text{SOMALI} + B_{10} * \text{BLKIMGNT} + B_{11} * \text{AMERIND} + \\ B_{12} * \text{HISPANIC} + B_{13} * \text{IMMIGRNT} + B_{14} * \text{STUDENT} + B_{15} * \text{HSMORE} + \\ B_{16} * \text{TWOADULT} + B_{17} * \text{INTRPTR} + B_{18} * \text{OTHSTATE} + \\ B_{19} * \text{NOWRKDES} + B_{20} * \text{ANLUNEP} + B_{21} * \text{MHSERMED}. \end{split}$$

Results

The equation yielded the following results.

	В	S.E.	Wald	df	Significance	Exp(B)
SOMALI	-0.8814	0.0831	112.56	1	0.0000	0.4142
INTRPRTR	-0.8491	0.0562	228.42	1	0.0000	0.4278
TWOADULT	0.4330	0.0311	193.97	1	0.0000	1.5418
AFROAMER	-0.6888	0.0318	468.63	1	0.0000	0.5022
AMERIND	-0.6824	0.0423	260.26	1	0.0000	0.5054
IMMIGNT	0.3845	0.0621	38.40	1	0.0000	1.4689
MHSERMED	-0.5754	0.0231	619.27	1	0.0000	0.5625
HSMORE	0.3065	0.0247	154.10	1	0.0000	1.3587
BLKIMGNT	-0.4297	0.1141	14.19	1	0.0002	0.6507
EVERMARR	0.2801	0.0279	100.86	1	0.0000	1.3233
OTHSTATE	0.2054	0.0314	42.65	1	0.0000	1.2280
HMONG	0.2017	0.0773	6.80	1	0.0091	1.2235
NOWRKDES	-0.2068	0.0235	77.59	1	0.0000	0.8132
HISPANIC	-0.1723	0.0563	9.35	1	0.0022	0.8418
HENNRAMS	-0.1584	0.0292	29.36	1	0.0000	0.8535
STUDENT	0.0955	0.0362	6.95	1	0.0084	1.1002
NUMKIDS	-0.0736	0.0088	70.67	1	0.0000	0.9291
ANLUNEMP	-0.0402	0.0136	8.73	1	0.0031	0.9606
AGEYNGST	0.0332	0.0035	88.08	1	0.0000	1.0338
AGEADULT	0.0227	0.0020	127.33	1	0.0000	1.0230
LOWWAGE	-0.0170	0.0041	17.41	1	0.0000	0.9831
Constant	0.7104	0.0757	88.02	1	0.0000	2.0349

The coefficients (the Bs) are interpreted as the change in the log odds associated with a one unit change in the independent variable. For example, all other variables held constant, an increase of one year in an adult's age is associated with a .0227 increase in the log odds of being an MFIP success. Note that the sign on each of the coefficients agrees with the direction of the theoretically expected impact.

A more accessible interpretation is provided by the odds ratio, Exp(B). In this case, all other variables held constant, when an adult's age increases by one year, the odds that the adult will be an MFIP success changes by a factor of 1.023. Similarly, when the number of MFIP adults as a

percent of the number of low wage jobs in the county increases by one percentage point, the odds that the adult will be an MFIP success changes by a factor of .9831. The variables are listed in order of the size of their impact on the change in the odds of success.

The Wald statistic indicates whether a coefficient is significantly different from 0. All variables in the model are statistically significant at the .01 level.

At the county level, the squared correlation between the actual (the self-support index) and expected performance is .66. This means the 66% of the variation in the self-support index across counties is explained by the 21 variables in the model.

Confidence Intervals

To produce confidence intervals for each county, a random sample of half of the observations in the data set of approximately 42,000 MFIP adults was taken. The logistic regression was run on this sample, producing estimates which were then applied to each adult in the other half of the data set. The individual estimates were then averaged within each county to get the expected county performance. This procedure was repeated 4,000 times in order to obtain a normal distribution of predicted performance for each county.

The predicted values that lay 2.5% from either extreme of the observed distribution became the upper and lower bounds of the .95 confidence intervals.