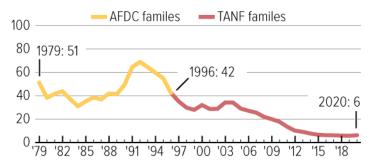
TANF Cash Assistance Should Reach Many More Families in Arizona to Lessen Hardship



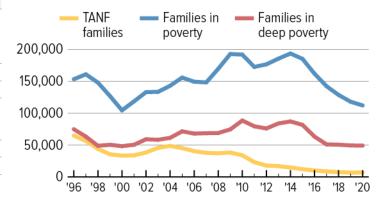
In 2019-20, for every 100 families living in poverty in Arizona, only 6 received TANF cash assistance. This "TANF-to-poverty ratio" has fallen 36 points since 1995-96. If TANF reached the same share of families in poverty that its predecessor AFDC did in 1996, 40,524 more families in Arizona would be helped by TANF now.

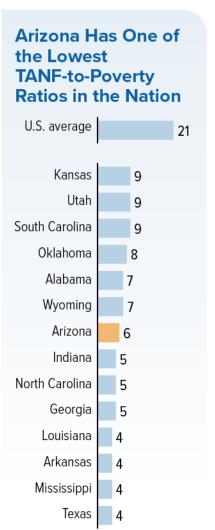
TANF-to-poverty ratio	1995/96	2019/20
Arizona	42	6
National	68	21
Families with children	1995/96	2019/20
Receiving AFDC/TANF	64,905	6,949
In poverty	153,388	112,191
In deep poverty	74,802	49,143
Disproportionate Shares	Black children	41%
of Black, Latino Children	Latino children	34%
Live in Lowest TPR States	White children	29%

Number of Families in Arizona Receiving AFDC/TANF Cash Assistance for Every 100 Families With Children in Poverty



Changes in AFDC/TANF Cases and the Number of Families With Children in Poverty and Deep Poverty in Arizona





Source note: TANF = Temporary Assistance for Needy Families; AFDC = Aid to Families with Dependent Children. CBPP analysis of poverty and deep poverty data from the Census' Current Population Survey. CBPP uses two-year averages of the poverty data and the TANF-to-Poverty ratios to improve the reliability of the data at the state level. Single year labels represent two-year averages for state data. For example, "2020" represents "2019-2020." AFDC/TANF caseload data from Department of Health and Human Services and (since September 2006) caseload data collected from state agencies. All ratios are rounded and point differences between ratios may appear inexact due to rounding