

Utah | TANF Caseload Factsheet

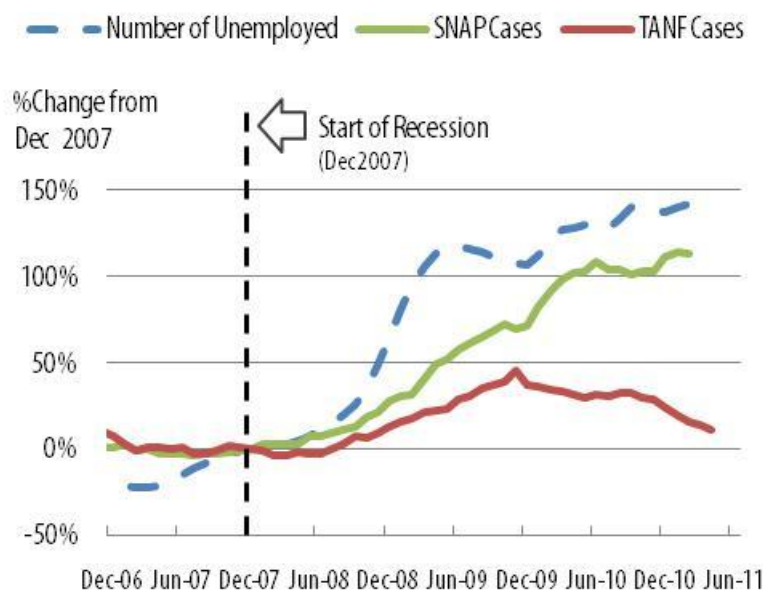
The TANF caseload in Utah increased by 37 percent from Dec 07 to Dec 09.

TANF, SNAP and Unemployment Trends

	Dec 07	Dec 09	Dec 10	% Change Dec 07-09	% Change Dec 09-10
Number of Unemployed	43,000	88,700	101,900	106%	15%
SNAP Cases	51,400	87,900	108,600	71%	24%
TANF Cases	5,400	7,400	6,700	37%	-10%

- Utah's TANF caseload was stable prior to the recession and continued to be stable during the first six months of the recession. The caseload increased sharply from July 2008 to November 2009 and has been declining since then.
- Among all states, Utah ranked 5th in the amount its caseload increased from December 2007 to December 2009.

Changes in TANF Cases, SNAP Cases, and the Number of Unemployed Persons



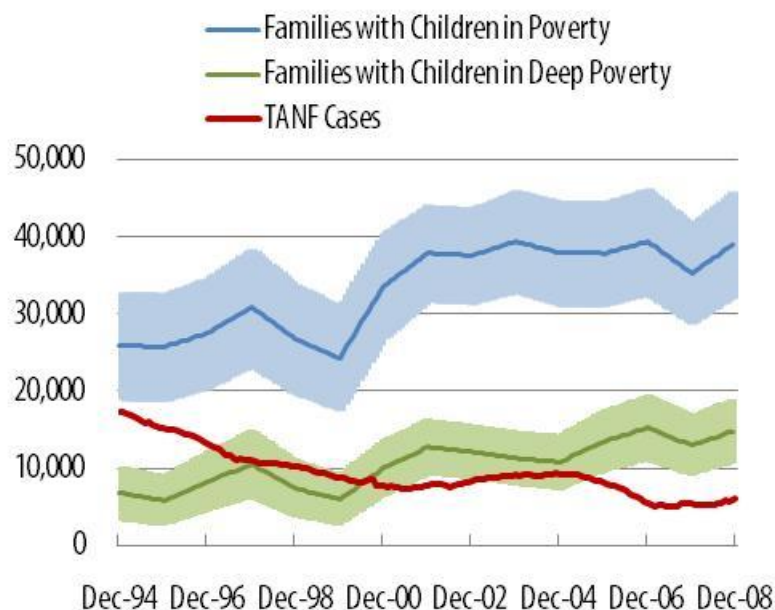
A smaller share of needy families receives TANF now compared to 15 years ago.

TANF and Poverty Trends in Utah

Families with children:	1994-95	2008-09
... on AFDC/TANF	16,900	6,200
... in Poverty	25,900	39,300
TANF to Poverty Ratio	65	16
<i>United States TANF to Poverty Ratio</i>	75	28

- In 1994-95, for every 100 Utah families in poverty, the AFDC program served 65 families. In 2008-09, only 16 families participated in TANF for every 100 in poverty.
- In 2009, Utah used 24% of its state and federal TANF funds on Basic Assistance.
- The monthly grant for a family of three in Utah was \$498 in 2010, 14% lower than in 1996 after adjusting for inflation.

Number of Families with Children in Poverty, Deep Poverty and TANF Cases



Beginning in 2006, this analysis uses TANF caseload data collected directly from state agencies rather than the official data reported by HHS in order to more consistently reflect the number of families receiving cash welfare in each state over time. Unlike the HHS data, these data include solely state-funded programs, and exclude worker supplement programs.

Deep Poverty refers to families below half the poverty line. Shading in graph shows the 90% confidence interval (lower and upper bound) of poverty estimates. Two years of Current Population Survey (CPS) data were merged to improve reliability. For example, Dec-08 represents merged CPS poverty data for calendar years 2008 and 2009.