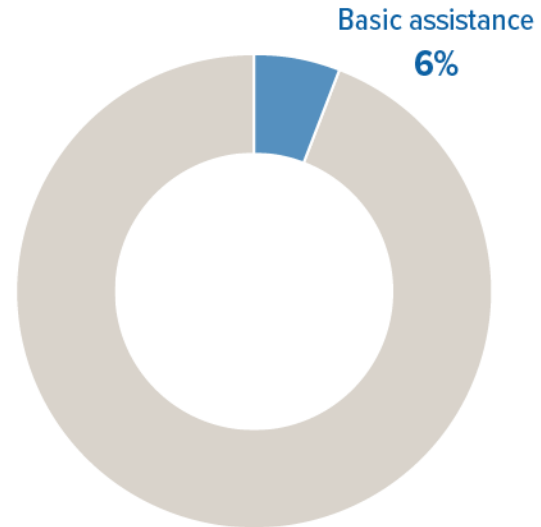


# Michigan TANF Spending

In 2019, Michigan spent about \$1.2 billion in federal and state funds under the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) program. **It spent 6 percent of these funds on basic assistance,** generally as cash assistance to TANF families. In 2019, Michigan ranked 45th among the states and the District of Columbia for percent of TANF funds spent on basic assistance.



## Federal and State TANF Spending by Category, 2019

	Michigan		National Share of U.S. spending
	Millions of dollars	Share of spending	
<b>Basic Assistance</b>	\$74	6%	21%
<b>Work Activities</b>	\$4	0.3%	10%
<b>Work Supports and Supportive Services</b>	\$52	4%	3%
<b>Child Care</b>	\$28	2%	16%
<b>Administration and Systems</b>	\$341	28%	10%
<b>Tax Credits</b>	\$40	3%	9%
<b>Pre-K/Head Start</b>	\$189	15%	8%
<b>Child Welfare</b>	\$75	6%	8%
<b>Other Services</b>	\$432	35%	14%
<b>Total</b>	\$1200	100%	100%

## Federal and State TANF Spending on Select Activities (millions of dollars)

	2001	2006	2011	2016	2019
Basic Assistance	\$329	\$422	\$186	\$131	\$74
Work Activities	\$141	\$98	\$84	\$4	\$4
Child Care	\$343	\$316	\$32	\$20	\$28

## Federal TANF Allocation and State Maintenance-of-Effort (MOE) Amounts

- In 2019, Michigan was awarded its TANF block grant of \$773 million.
- Since unspent block grant funds can be carried over to future years, a state may spend more or less than its annual block grant allocation in any given year. As of 2019, Michigan has accumulated \$99 million in unspent TANF block grant funds, equal to 13 percent of its block grant.
- Every year each state must also spend, from its own funds, at least 80 percent of its historical spending on poor families with children. (A state may spend more than its minimum.) This “MOE” requirement can be reduced to 75 percent if a state meets specific work participation rate requirements. In 2019, Michigan met these requirements and was subject to the 75 percent MOE obligation.

### 2019 TANF Allocation and MOE Obligation for Michigan

<b>Federal Funds Awarded</b>	\$773 million
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<b>75% MOE Obligation</b>	\$469 million
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### 2019 Federal and MOE TANF Expenditures for Michigan

<b>Federal Spending</b>	\$730 million
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<b>MOE Spending</b>	\$505 million
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The annual federal TANF block grant has been frozen since its creation and lost about 40 percent of its value between 1997 and 2019 due to inflation.

