

Form ACF-202 TANF Caseload Reduction Report

State: Kansas		Fiscal Year to which credit applies:	2007
Overall Report	<u> √ </u>	Apply the overall credit to the two-parent participation rate?	<u> √ </u> yes
Two-parent Report	<u> </u>		<u> </u> no

Part 1 - Eligibility Changes Made Since FY 2005

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1. **Name of Eligibility Change:** Veteran Education Income Exemption
2. **Implementation Date:** October 2005
3. **Description of Policy:** Educational income from the Veterans Administration was exempted from countable income in the month of receipt, and treated as a resource in following months.
4. **Description of the Methodology Used to Calculate the Estimated Impact of this Eligibility Change:**
 The Kansas eligibility system records four categories of Veterans Administration aid. Three categories are associated with medical expenses (attendant care, disability, and unreimbursed medical expenses). The fourth category - Other Veterans Aid - houses other types of assistance from the Veterans Administration, including education aid. In August 2006, ten months following the policy, five cases were found to have unearned income within the Other Veteran's Aid category, and could possibly have received veteran's educational income. No impact was attributed to this policy in view of the insignificant caseload numbers.
5. **Estimated Average Monthly Impact of this Caseload Change in Comparison Year:** 0.0

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1. **Name of Eligibility Change:** Assistance for Persons with Drug-Related Felonies
2. **Implementation Date:** July 2006
3. **Description of Policy:** With the passage of 2006 Senate Bill No. 243, Kansas chose to opt out of the prohibition on providing cash and food stamp assistance to persons convicted of drug felonies. This option is authorized by subsection (d)(1)(A) of the Controlled Substances Act, Federal Title 21, §862a).
4. **Description of the Methodology Used to Calculate the Estimated Impact of this Eligibility Change:** Persons with a drug related felony are identified by a unique code in the Kansas automated eligibility system. The majority of persons approved for cash assistance under this policy change were added to existing cases and therefore did not affect the caseload level. New cases attributed to the policy change were defined as cases containing a member with a drug felony who did not receiving assistance for three prior months. The following table presents the new cases added under this policy in Federal Fiscal Year 2006:

Year	Month	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Total	
2005	Oct	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	
	Nov		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	
	Dec			-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	
2006	Jan				-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	
	Feb					-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	
	Mar						-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	
	Apr							-	-	-	-	-	-	0	
	May								-	-	-	-	-	0	
	Jun									-	-	-	-	0	
	Jul										-	30	26	23	79
	Aug												25	24	49
	Sep													22	22
Total		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	30	51	69	150	
Avg monthly cases														12.5	

5. **Estimated Average Monthly Impact of this Caseload Change in Comparison Year:** 12.5

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Excess State Maintenance of Effort Funds

The TANF regulations allow a proportional adjustment to the caseload reduction credit when State maintenance of effort expenditures exceed the required level. (§261.43(2)).

The excess maintenance of effort expenditures and the average monthly cash assistance cost per case (combining TANF and maintenance of effort funds) were determined. The excess maintenance of effort was then divided by the average monthly cost per case to obtain the average monthly cases associated with the excess maintenance of effort.

Item	Amount	Item	Amount
State MOE expenditures	\$79,432,457	Total cash assistance expenditures	\$62,761,619
- 80% MOE requirement	-65,866,201	÷ Average monthly cases	17,225.4
Excess MOE	\$13,566,256	Average monthly cash benefit per case	\$303.63

Average monthly cases associated with excess MOE 3,723.4 †

† excess MOE ÷ monthly benefit ÷ 12

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Part 2 - Estimate of Caseload Reduction Credit

Impact of All Changes

Veteran Education Income Exemption	0.0
Assistance for Persons with Drug-Related Felonies	12.5
<u>Net Impact</u>	<u>12.5</u>

Caseload Reduction Credit Calculation

FY 2005 TANF Caseload	17,616.0	
FY 2005 SSP Caseload	0.0	
<u>Total FY 2005 Caseload</u>	<u>17,616.0</u>	
FY 2006 TANF Caseload	17,225.4	
FY 2006 SSP Caseload	0.0	
<u>Total FY 2006 Caseload</u>	<u>17,225.4</u>	
Actual Decline	390.6	2.2%
Decline - Net Impact	12.5	0.1%
Excess MOE	3,723.4	21.1%
<u>Caseload Reduction Credit</u>	<u>4,126.5</u>	<u>23.4%</u>