

The Role of Child Support in Texas Welfare Dynamics:

Statistical Supplement for Local Workforce Development Areas

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Executive Summary

In September 1998, the Center for the Study of Human Resources at the University of Texas at Austin published *The Role of Child Support in Texas Welfare Dynamics*. That four-year study measured the influence that increased child support enforcement strategies had on Texas welfare dynamics in the period following the implementation of the Family Support Act but prior to passage of the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996, the country's latest round of welfare reform.

This document provides descriptive statistics about Texas' adult welfare recipients and the noncustodial parents of their children for each of Texas' 28 local workforce development areas. It should be used as a companion piece to the statewide publication and provides statistics about both welfare caretakers and noncustodial parents that are often difficult to obtain, especially at the substate level. With the increased emphasis on improving the employability of noncustodial parents in welfare families, these statistics should provide background information to guide local planners in developing appropriate services for this group.

Introduction

The collection of private child support payments, as a means to increasing exits from welfare rolls, has become a popular policy initiative. However, few studies have explored which factors influence the award and collection of child support, or the effects of child support payments on welfare exits and recidivism. The Center for the Study of Human Resources at the University of Texas at Austin (CSHR) recently prepared a report entitled “The Role of Child Support in Texas Welfare Dynamics,”¹ which examines the influence of increased child support enforcement strategies on the AFDC caseloads at the state level. This guidebook serves as a companion piece to that report. Its purpose is to provide statistics for local workforce development areas (LWDAs) that are comparable to those in the state report. It also explains how to interpret the data for each region.

Given the size of Texas, the characteristics of each local area’s welfare caseload often differ from the statewide average. In turn, the strategies employed to increase welfare and poverty exits could differ by area. This guidebook provides descriptive data at the local level for examining the characteristics of the welfare caseloads within Texas’ LWDAs to determine the likely effects of increased child support efforts. For comparison purposes, the guidebook also includes state-level data. Using the local-level data, each local workforce development board (LWDB) can prepare an analysis of its region. As a result, each LWDB can better allocate resources to mechanisms best suited for increasing the likelihood of child support awards and collection, as well as AFDC exits in its region.

Interpreting the Data

The data from this study were derived using two main statistical approaches, descriptive statistics and statistical inference. While the descriptive statistics were calculated at both the state and local level, the statistical inferences were calculated at the state level only. Thus, unlike the state report, local areas should be cautious about making statistical inferences based on the characteristics of that area. To make such statistical inferences, individual regression analyses would need to be conducted for each area. Nevertheless, the descriptive statistics provided in this report offer valuable insight into the population of each LWDA.

¹ Schexnayder, Deanna T. et al. *The Role of Child Support in Texas Welfare Dynamics*. Austin: Center for the Study of Human Resources, The University of Texas at Austin, 1998.

The following table presents a crosswalk between the local area statistics provided in this guidebook and the tables/figures presented in “The Role of Child Support in Texas Welfare Dynamics” report. The tables/figures from that report provide a useful framework for analyzing the data in each area. By preparing similar tools, each local area can gain a better understanding of its AFDC caseload and the likely effects of child support payments on welfare and poverty exits. Local areas should use these crosswalks to help create tables or figures that can be compared to the state-level statistics. In general, local areas can simply copy the relevant numbers directly from the appropriate data tables as referenced below.

Crosswalk Between Descriptive Statistics and Report Tables

| Statewide Report Tables | Variables in Statewide Report Tables | LWDA Table Number(s) | LWDA Table Description |
|--|--------------------------------------|----------------------|---|
| Table 1. Selected Characteristics of AFDC Caretakers (Page 16) | Race/Ethnicity | 1, 2 | Caseload by Race and Ethnicity <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Percent Black • Percent White • Percent Hispanic • Percent Other |
| | Educational Attainment | 3, 4 | Caseload by Educational Attainment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unknown • Grades 0-6 • Grades 7-8 • Grades 9-11 • H.S. or greater |
| | Age | 5, 6 | Caseload by Age <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <18 • 18-24 • 25-34 • 35-44 • 45 or more |
| | Total Lifetime Months on AFDC | 7, 8 | Caseload by Lifetime Months of AFDC Dependence <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <6 months • 7-12 months • 13-24 months • 25-30 months • 31-60 months • More than 60 months |
| | Number of Children on AFDC Grant | 9, 10 | Caseload by Number of Children |

| Statewide Report Tables | Variables in Statewide Report Tables | LWDA Table Number(s) | LWDA Table Description |
|--|--|----------------------|--|
| Table 2. Child Support Statistics (Page 17) | AFDC Caretakers with OAG Case | 11 | Percent of AFDC Caretakers with OAG Case |
| | Number of Opened OAG Cases per Custodial Parent | 12 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Total Numbers of AFDC Caretakers with OAG Cases AG Cases per Custodial Parent |
| | Marital Status of AFDC Caretaker at Children's Births | 13 | <p>Marital Status of AFDC Caretakers at Children's Births</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Percent of Cases with All Children Born While Married Percent of Cases with Some Children Born Out of Wedlock Percent of Cases with All Children Born out of Wedlock |
| Table 3. Employment and Earnings Statistics (Page 18) | <p>Employment Rates (within Texas)</p> <p>Mean Quarterly Earnings (for persons employed)</p> <p>Median Quarterly Earnings (for persons employed)</p> <p>Earnings as a Share of Poverty (employed custodial parents only)</p> | 14 - 16 | <p>Employment and Earnings</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Employment Rates for Custodial Parents Employment Rates for Non-custodial parents (Includes only cases where NCP is located) Mean Quarterly Earnings for Custodial Parents Mean Quarterly Earnings for Non-custodial Parents Median Quarterly Earnings for Custodial Parents Mean Quarterly Earnings for Non-custodial Parents Earnings as a Share of Poverty |
| Table 5. OAG Cases by Highest Case Status (Page 20) | OAG Cases by Highest Case Status | 17 - 19 | <p>OAG Cases by Highest Case Status</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Payments received in full Partial collection of child support Wage withholding established Child support order in force NCP located OAG case opened OAG Case Not Opened |
| Table 6. Aggregate Obligations and Collections (Page 22) | <p>Collections</p> <p>Obligations</p> <p>Percent Paid</p> | 20 | <p>Total and Per Case Collections and Obligations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Collections—Total Amount Collected Obligations—Total Amount Owed Total Amount Collected as a Percentage of Total Amount Obligated |

| Statewide Report Tables | Variables in Statewide Report Tables | LWDA Table Number(s) | LWDA Table Description |
|---|---|----------------------|--|
| Figure 2. Distribution of Child Support Collections (monthly) (Page 30) | Collections Amount Retained by State Percent Retained by State | 21 | Distribution of Child Support Collections (annual) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Total Collections • Amount Retained by State • Amount Retained by State as Percent of Total |
| Figure 3. Quarterly Probability of Exit from AFDC (Page 31) | Probability of All Exits Probability of Grant Jeopardy Exits | 22 | Exits and Grant Jeopardy Exits <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Total AFDC Caseload • All Exits • Grant Jeopardy Exits • Probability of All Exits • Probability of Grant Jeopardy Exits |
| Figure 4. One-Year Recidivism Rate for Exits and Grant Jeopardy Exits | Probability of Recidivism for All Exits Probability of Recidivism for Grant Jeopardy Exits | 23 | AFDC Exits and Recidivism <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Total AFDC Caseload • All Exits • Probability of Recidivism within One Year |
| Figure 5. Exits from Poverty | Exits from AFDC Families Still in Poverty Families Not in Poverty | 24 | Exits from Poverty Due to Child Support Received <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Percent of Families in Poverty After AFDC Exit • Percent of Families Not in Poverty After AFDC Exit |

LWDA Table 1
Caseload by Race and Ethnicity
Entire Sample Oct-Dec 1992

| LWDA | Area Name | Total Caseload | Percent Black | Percent White | Percent Other | Percent Hispanic |
|-------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|-------------------------|
| 1 | Panhandle | 3,084 | 18.6% | 46.4% | 1.2% | 33.8% |
| 2 | South Plains | 4,308 | 23.1% | 20.3% | 0.4% | 56.2% |
| 3 | North Texas | 1,582 | 26.2% | 60.4% | 1.2% | 12.2% |
| 4 | North Central | 6,213 | 27.4% | 60.8% | 0.6% | 11.2% |
| 5 | Fort Worth/Tarrant Co. | 10,098 | 47.7% | 33.5% | 2.8% | 16.0% |
| 6 | Dallas/Dallas Co. | 22,386 | 63.9% | 19.5% | 1.8% | 14.8% |
| 7 | North East Texas | 2,606 | 57.5% | 41.0% | 0.3% | 1.1% |
| 8 | East Texas | 7,116 | 49.8% | 47.2% | 0.4% | 2.7% |
| 9 | West Central Texas | 2,363 | 16.4% | 51.6% | 0.3% | 31.8% |
| 10 | Upper Rio Grande | 8,622 | 3.8% | 7.1% | 0.3% | 88.7% |
| 11 | Permian Basin | 4,104 | 16.9% | 30.2% | 0.1% | 52.8% |
| 12 | Concho Valley | 1,079 | 9.0% | 44.9% | 0.6% | 45.4% |
| 13 | Heart of Texas | 3,494 | 51.3% | 32.0% | 0.2% | 16.4% |
| 14 | Austin/Travis Co. | 5,411 | 38.2% | 23.6% | 0.6% | 37.5% |
| 15 | Rural Capital | 1,879 | 22.8% | 40.7% | 0.3% | 36.2% |
| 16 | Brazos Valley | 1,965 | 62.3% | 25.6% | 0.2% | 11.9% |
| 17 | Deep East Texas | 3,624 | 52.9% | 44.4% | 0.4% | 2.4% |
| 18 | South East Texas | 4,187 | 63.2% | 32.0% | 2.8% | 1.9% |
| 19 | Golden Crescent | 1,712 | 22.1% | 22.4% | 0.2% | 55.4% |
| 20 | Alamo Area | 20,773 | 12.9% | 14.5% | 0.3% | 72.4% |
| 21 | South Texas | 3,132 | 0.1% | 0.6% | 0.1% | 99.3% |
| 22 | Corpus Christi/Rural Coastal Bend | 8,478 | 7.2% | 16.0% | 0.4% | 76.4% |
| 23 | Hidalgo/Willacy | 7,685 | 0.2% | 2.4% | 0.1% | 97.3% |
| 24 | Cameron Co. | 4,534 | 0.2% | 3.4% | 0.1% | 96.2% |
| 25 | Texoma | 1,272 | 23.6% | 72.6% | 0.9% | 2.9% |
| 26 | Central Texas | 2,795 | 40.2% | 42.2% | 1.1% | 16.5% |
| 27 | Middle Rio Grande | 2,361 | 0.6% | 5.9% | 1.6% | 91.9% |
| 28 | Gulf Coast | 49,076 | 54.6% | 21.8% | 2.2% | 21.4% |
| - | Texas | 195,938 | 36.4% | 24.2% | 1.2% | 38.2% |

LWDA Table 2
Caseload by Race and Ethnicity
Sample on AFDC July-Sept 1996

| LWDA | Area Name | Total Caseload | Percent Black | Percent White | Percent Other | Percent Hispanic |
|-------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|-------------------------|
| 1 | Panhandle | 948 | 23.4% | 38.7% | 1.0% | 37.0% |
| 2 | South Plains | 1,604 | 24.6% | 14.6% | 0.3% | 60.6% |
| 3 | North Texas | 444 | 32.7% | 51.4% | 0.2% | 15.8% |
| 4 | North Central | 1,794 | 32.9% | 53.9% | 0.5% | 12.8% |
| 5 | Fort Worth/Tarrant Co. | 3,473 | 53.7% | 25.5% | 2.8% | 18.1% |
| 6 | Dallas/Dallas Co. | 8,140 | 70.9% | 12.7% | 1.7% | 14.7% |
| 7 | North East Texas | 773 | 67.2% | 32.6% | 0.0% | 0.2% |
| 8 | East Texas | 2,172 | 54.7% | 41.8% | 0.1% | 3.4% |
| 9 | West Central Texas | 751 | 17.5% | 47.9% | 0.2% | 34.4% |
| 10 | Upper Rio Grande | 3,420 | 3.6% | 5.1% | 0.1% | 91.2% |
| 11 | Permian Basin | 1,369 | 19.7% | 23.6% | 0.3% | 56.4% |
| 12 | Concho Valley | 323 | 11.5% | 37.2% | 0.6% | 50.8% |
| 13 | Heart of Texas | 1,258 | 57.7% | 26.5% | 0.0% | 15.8% |
| 14 | Austin/Travis Co. | 1,661 | 40.1% | 16.2% | 0.4% | 43.3% |
| 15 | Rural Capital | 571 | 23.6% | 30.0% | 0.2% | 46.2% |
| 16 | Brazos Valley | 758 | 66.7% | 20.3% | 0.3% | 12.7% |
| 17 | Deep East Texas | 1,230 | 57.9% | 40.0% | 0.1% | 1.9% |
| 18 | South East Texas | 1,591 | 68.3% | 26.4% | 3.8% | 1.5% |
| 19 | Golden Crescent | 637 | 23.2% | 17.7% | 0.2% | 58.9% |
| 20 | Alamo Area | 8,356 | 13.2% | 11.5% | 0.3% | 75.0% |
| 21 | South Texas | 1,363 | 0.1% | 0.5% | 0.0% | 99.4% |
| 22 | Corpus Christi/Rural Coastal Bend | 3,461 | 7.5% | 11.4% | 0.2% | 80.9% |
| 23 | Hidalgo/Willacy | 3,380 | 0.1% | 1.9% | 0.2% | 97.8% |
| 24 | Cameron Co. | 1,989 | 0.0% | 2.2% | 0.1% | 97.7% |
| 25 | Texoma | 376 | 31.4% | 64.1% | 1.1% | 3.5% |
| 26 | Central Texas | 761 | 41.2% | 37.0% | 1.1% | 20.7% |
| 27 | Middle Rio Grande | 1,029 | 0.4% | 5.2% | 1.9% | 92.6% |
| 28 | Gulf Coast | 16,996 | 60.4% | 18.3% | 1.9% | 19.4% |
| - | Texas | 70,628 | 38.6% | 18.4% | 1.1% | 41.9% |

LWDA Table 3
Caseload by Educational Attainment
Entire Sample Oct-Dec 1992

| LWDA | Area Name | Unknown | Grades 0-6 | Grades 7-8 | Grades 9-11 | H.S. graduate or greater |
|-------------|-----------------------------------|----------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|---|
| y | Panhandle | 3.8% | 4.8% | 8.9% | 34.0% | 48.4% |
| 2 | South Plains | 3.6% | 9.3% | 12.2% | 36.8% | 38.0% |
| 3 | North Texas | 2.5% | 3.0% | 8.8% | 33.8% | 51.9% |
| 4 | North Central | 3.0% | 2.1% | 10.3% | 32.1% | 52.5% |
| 5 | Fort Worth/Tarrant Co. | 3.3% | 3.4% | 6.8% | 32.4% | 54.0% |
| 6 | Dallas/Dallas Co. | 2.5% | 3.1% | 6.1% | 31.7% | 56.6% |
| 7 | North East Texas | 3.9% | 1.1% | 5.1% | 28.1% | 61.8% |
| 8 | East Texas | 3.9% | 1.7% | 7.0% | 29.1% | 58.3% |
| 9 | West Central Texas | 3.4% | 4.7% | 12.5% | 34.7% | 44.8% |
| 10 | Upper Rio Grande | 4.1% | 16.9% | 10.5% | 24.1% | 44.4% |
| 11 | Permian Basin | 3.3% | 9.5% | 11.2% | 36.8% | 39.1% |
| 12 | Concho Valley | 2.4% | 5.3% | 13.8% | 34.3% | 44.2% |
| 13 | Heart of Texas | 5.4% | 2.2% | 6.5% | 34.1% | 51.8% |
| 14 | Austin/Travis Co. | 4.3% | 3.8% | 9.3% | 32.1% | 50.5% |
| 15 | Rural Capital | 2.9% | 5.0% | 10.3% | 32.5% | 49.3% |
| 16 | Brazos Valley | 3.5% | 2.4% | 9.0% | 36.5% | 48.5% |
| 17 | Deep East Texas | 3.2% | 1.7% | 8.7% | 34.9% | 51.5% |
| 18 | South East Texas | 2.7% | 2.8% | 4.9% | 28.1% | 61.4% |
| 19 | Golden Crescent | 3.2% | 9.5% | 16.9% | 32.1% | 38.3% |
| 20 | Alamo Area | 3.6% | 8.5% | 14.5% | 32.7% | 40.7% |
| 21 | South Texas | 2.0% | 30.4% | 17.0% | 24.9% | 25.8% |
| 22 | Corpus Christi/Rural Coastal Bend | 4.3% | 9.1% | 14.6% | 31.7% | 40.4% |
| 23 | Hidalgo/Willacy | 2.4% | 36.6% | 14.1% | 23.1% | 23.8% |
| 24 | Cameron Co. | 3.1% | 31.8% | 14.4% | 25.1% | 25.6% |
| 25 | Texoma | 3.8% | 1.6% | 7.9% | 30.7% | 56.1% |
| 26 | Central Texas | 3.4% | 2.6% | 8.1% | 28.7% | 57.1% |
| 27 | Middle Rio Grande | 2.2% | 28.8% | 15.0% | 23.8% | 30.2% |
| 28 | Gulf Coast | 3.0% | 4.3% | 7.0% | 29.7% | 56.0% |
| - | Texas | 3.3% | 7.8% | 9.5% | 30.6% | 48.9% |

LWDA Table 4
Caseload by Educational Attainment
Sample on AFDC July-Sept 1996

| LWDA | Area Name | Unknown | Grades 0-6 | Grades 7-8 | Grades 9-11 | H.S. graduate or greater |
|-------------|-----------------------------------|----------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|---|
| 1 | Panhandle | 1.3% | 6.6% | 10.7% | 34.2% | 47.2% |
| 2 | South Plains | 1.9% | 10.7% | 13.8% | 34.8% | 38.9% |
| 3 | North Texas | 1.1% | 4.1% | 9.7% | 36.0% | 49.1% |
| 4 | North Central | 1.5% | 2.4% | 9.9% | 36.0% | 50.2% |
| 5 | Fort Worth/Tarrant Co. | 1.2% | 3.6% | 8.5% | 36.4% | 50.3% |
| 6 | Dallas/Dallas Co. | 1.6% | 3.8% | 8.0% | 35.0% | 51.7% |
| 7 | North East Texas | 2.1% | 1.8% | 9.1% | 31.7% | 55.3% |
| 8 | East Texas | 1.2% | 1.5% | 10.0% | 34.7% | 52.6% |
| 9 | West Central Texas | 1.2% | 5.7% | 17.6% | 35.8% | 39.7% |
| 10 | Upper Rio Grande | 1.6% | 20.6% | 12.3% | 24.1% | 41.4% |
| 11 | Permian Basin | 1.7% | 10.7% | 13.3% | 38.6% | 35.7% |
| 12 | Concho Valley | 0.6% | 7.7% | 18.0% | 35.9% | 37.8% |
| 13 | Heart of Texas | 2.2% | 2.4% | 7.6% | 34.5% | 53.4% |
| 14 | Austin/Travis Co. | 3.1% | 4.3% | 14.2% | 32.5% | 45.8% |
| 15 | Rural Capital | 1.5% | 8.7% | 11.8% | 36.9% | 41.1% |
| 16 | Brazos Valley | 2.0% | 3.1% | 9.9% | 42.2% | 42.9% |
| 17 | Deep East Texas | 1.3% | 1.3% | 10.8% | 36.5% | 50.1% |
| 18 | South East Texas | 1.0% | 3.6% | 4.8% | 29.2% | 61.4% |
| 19 | Golden Crescent | 0.9% | 11.8% | 18.2% | 33.1% | 35.9% |
| 20 | Alamo Area | 1.7% | 9.2% | 17.8% | 34.1% | 37.1% |
| 21 | South Texas | 1.3% | 26.9% | 20.6% | 28.2% | 23.1% |
| 22 | Corpus Christi/Rural Coastal Bend | 2.8% | 9.6% | 17.1% | 34.4% | 36.1% |
| 23 | Hidalgo/Willacy | 1.0% | 37.6% | 15.1% | 23.5% | 22.8% |
| 24 | Cameron Co. | 1.9% | 32.6% | 16.5% | 22.5% | 26.5% |
| 25 | Texoma | 1.6% | 2.1% | 10.6% | 34.3% | 51.3% |
| 26 | Central Texas | 1.7% | 3.6% | 10.2% | 34.7% | 49.8% |
| 27 | Middle Rio Grande | 1.1% | 29.4% | 16.5% | 25.0% | 28.0% |
| 28 | Gulf Coast | 1.9% | 5.5% | 8.1% | 34.8% | 49.8% |
| - | Texas | 1.7% | 9.4% | 11.7% | 33.1% | 44.1% |

LWDA Table 5
Caseload by Age
Entire Sample Oct-Dec 1992

| LWDA | Area Name | <18 | 18-24 | 25-34 | 35-44 | 45 or older |
|-------------|-----------------------------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------------|
| 1 | Panhandle | 1.6% | 33.1% | 40.2% | 19.6% | 5.6% |
| 2 | South Plains | 1.7% | 33.1% | 38.4% | 19.0% | 7.8% |
| 3 | North Texas | 1.5% | 29.8% | 43.8% | 19.1% | 5.8% |
| 4 | North Central | 1.3% | 32.0% | 44.0% | 18.3% | 4.4% |
| 5 | Fort Worth/Tarrant Co. | 1.4% | 35.0% | 42.7% | 16.6% | 4.3% |
| 6 | Dallas/Dallas Co. | 1.1% | 35.0% | 43.1% | 16.6% | 4.3% |
| 7 | North East Texas | 1.4% | 32.5% | 42.0% | 18.8% | 5.2% |
| 8 | East Texas | 1.0% | 30.5% | 42.8% | 20.1% | 5.5% |
| 9 | West Central Texas | 1.3% | 29.5% | 42.2% | 20.5% | 6.5% |
| 10 | Upper Rio Grande | 0.8% | 29.3% | 39.2% | 22.9% | 7.8% |
| 11 | Permian Basin | 1.6% | 30.6% | 41.7% | 18.4% | 7.7% |
| 12 | Concho Valley | 1.7% | 31.0% | 40.7% | 19.5% | 7.1% |
| 13 | Heart of Texas | 1.8% | 34.1% | 39.5% | 18.6% | 5.9% |
| 14 | Austin/Travis Co. | 1.6% | 32.2% | 42.9% | 18.3% | 4.9% |
| 15 | Rural Capital | 0.9% | 29.2% | 41.9% | 19.9% | 8.1% |
| 16 | Brazos Valley | 1.4% | 33.1% | 40.6% | 19.1% | 5.8% |
| 17 | Deep East Texas | 1.2% | 29.3% | 41.7% | 21.0% | 6.9% |
| 18 | South East Texas | 1.1% | 29.6% | 43.7% | 19.7% | 5.9% |
| 19 | Golden Crescent | 1.4% | 28.4% | 39.8% | 20.8% | 9.6% |
| 20 | Alamo Area | 1.3% | 31.0% | 40.4% | 20.9% | 6.5% |
| 21 | South Texas | 1.3% | 24.5% | 36.3% | 23.0% | 14.9% |
| 22 | Corpus Christi/Rural Coastal Bend | 1.4% | 28.3% | 39.8% | 21.3% | 9.2% |
| 23 | Hidalgo/Willacy | 1.3% | 21.2% | 33.1% | 26.5% | 17.8% |
| 24 | Cameron Co. | 1.1% | 24.1% | 32.8% | 25.5% | 16.4% |
| 25 | Texoma | 1.3% | 31.4% | 44.6% | 18.0% | 4.7% |
| 26 | Central Texas | 1.4% | 31.8% | 43.2% | 18.6% | 5.0% |
| 27 | Middle Rio Grande | 1.4% | 22.1% | 35.2% | 26.6% | 14.7% |
| 28 | Gulf Coast | 1.1% | 32.3% | 42.1% | 18.8% | 5.7% |
| - | Texas | 1.2% | 31.1% | 41.1% | 19.7% | 6.9% |

LWDA Table 6
Caseload by Age
Sample on AFDC July-Sept 1996

| LWDA | Area Name | <18 | 18-24 | 25-34 | 35-44 | 45 or older |
|-------------|-----------------------------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------------|
| 1 | Panhandle | 0.0% | 14.6% | 49.0% | 26.0% | 10.4% |
| 2 | South Plains | 0.0% | 18.2% | 45.2% | 25.3% | 11.3% |
| 3 | North Texas | 0.0% | 16.2% | 48.6% | 25.7% | 9.5% |
| 4 | North Central | 0.0% | 16.5% | 53.2% | 24.6% | 5.7% |
| 5 | Fort Worth/Tarrant Co. | 0.0% | 18.7% | 53.3% | 22.6% | 5.5% |
| 6 | Dallas/Dallas Co. | 0.0% | 18.2% | 52.3% | 23.4% | 6.0% |
| 7 | North East Texas | 0.0% | 14.8% | 51.0% | 25.1% | 9.1% |
| 8 | East Texas | 0.0% | 15.2% | 48.6% | 25.6% | 10.5% |
| 9 | West Central Texas | 0.0% | 12.3% | 50.2% | 28.4% | 9.1% |
| 10 | Upper Rio Grande | 0.0% | 12.6% | 38.8% | 34.9% | 13.7% |
| 11 | Permian Basin | 0.0% | 14.4% | 49.4% | 25.4% | 10.9% |
| 12 | Concho Valley | 0.0% | 17.6% | 45.8% | 23.2% | 13.3% |
| 13 | Heart of Texas | 0.0% | 19.3% | 47.6% | 24.2% | 8.9% |
| 14 | Austin/Travis Co. | 0.0% | 18.9% | 49.4% | 23.3% | 8.4% |
| 15 | Rural Capital | 0.0% | 12.9% | 45.1% | 26.8% | 15.2% |
| 16 | Brazos Valley | 0.0% | 13.8% | 49.8% | 27.2% | 9.2% |
| 17 | Deep East Texas | 0.0% | 13.7% | 45.1% | 31.6% | 9.6% |
| 18 | South East Texas | 0.0% | 15.4% | 48.4% | 28.9% | 7.4% |
| 19 | Golden Crescent | 0.0% | 13.2% | 44.4% | 27.3% | 15.1% |
| 20 | Alamo Area | 0.0% | 15.2% | 48.5% | 26.0% | 10.3% |
| 21 | South Texas | 0.0% | 10.6% | 42.1% | 29.3% | 18.0% |
| 22 | Corpus Christi/Rural Coastal Bend | 0.0% | 14.3% | 46.6% | 25.0% | 14.1% |
| 23 | Hidalgo/Willacy | 0.0% | 9.9% | 37.1% | 28.7% | 24.3% |
| 24 | Cameron Co. | 0.0% | 12.0% | 36.4% | 30.5% | 21.0% |
| 25 | Texoma | 0.0% | 14.6% | 51.3% | 28.2% | 5.9% |
| 26 | Central Texas | 0.0% | 19.9% | 46.4% | 26.1% | 7.7% |
| 27 | Middle Rio Grande | 0.0% | 9.4% | 36.9% | 32.5% | 21.2% |
| 28 | Gulf Coast | 0.0% | 15.9% | 49.4% | 26.1% | 8.6% |
| - | Texas | 0.0% | 15.4% | 47.6% | 26.4% | 3.8% |

LWDA Table 7
Caseload by Lifetime Months of AFDC Dependence
Entire Sample Oct-Dec 1992

| LWDA | Area Name | <6 months | 7-12 months | 13-24 months | 25-30 months | 31-60 months | More than 60 |
|-------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1 | Panhandle | 18.0% | 11.9% | 18.7% | 6.7% | 23.6% | 21.0% |
| 2 | South Plains | 12.8% | 10.6% | 16.2% | 6.2% | 23.0% | 31.2% |
| 3 | North Texas | 17.1% | 13.2% | 19.8% | 7.0% | 22.6% | 20.4% |
| 4 | North Central | 18.4% | 14.1% | 20.2% | 7.0% | 21.4% | 18.9% |
| 5 | Fort Worth/Tarrant Co. | 19.0% | 12.9% | 17.7% | 7.3% | 21.2% | 21.9% |
| 6 | Dallas/Dallas Co. | 15.3% | 11.6% | 17.3% | 6.9% | 20.8% | 28.2% |
| 7 | North East Texas | 14.1% | 10.2% | 15.7% | 5.1% | 18.8% | 36.2% |
| 8 | East Texas | 15.8% | 10.9% | 16.8% | 6.3% | 20.2% | 30.0% |
| 9 | West Central Texas | 16.3% | 11.3% | 19.5% | 6.6% | 23.2% | 23.1% |
| 10 | Upper Rio Grande | 17.2% | 10.6% | 17.5% | 7.3% | 20.4% | 27.0% |
| 11 | Permian Basin | 16.7% | 11.4% | 16.5% | 8.2% | 24.0% | 23.2% |
| 12 | Concho Valley | 17.3% | 12.4% | 16.9% | 6.1% | 24.4% | 22.9% |
| 13 | Heart of Texas | 11.5% | 9.3% | 14.5% | 7.3% | 21.8% | 35.6% |
| 14 | Austin/Travis Co. | 12.7% | 10.8% | 16.1% | 6.2% | 22.3% | 31.8% |
| 15 | Rural Capital | 15.4% | 10.6% | 19.1% | 6.0% | 21.8% | 27.1% |
| 16 | Brazos Valley | 9.6% | 8.8% | 12.3% | 6.1% | 22.3% | 40.9% |
| 17 | Deep East Texas | 11.7% | 9.6% | 14.5% | 4.8% | 20.9% | 38.4% |
| 18 | South East Texas | 10.8% | 8.6% | 13.6% | 5.3% | 22.0% | 39.5% |
| 19 | Golden Crescent | 10.6% | 9.7% | 13.5% | 5.2% | 23.3% | 37.7% |
| 20 | Alamo Area | 11.8% | 8.8% | 14.2% | 6.3% | 20.9% | 38.0% |
| 21 | South Texas | 11.8% | 9.8% | 16.0% | 6.3% | 23.4% | 32.7% |
| 22 | Corpus Christi/Rural Coastal Bend | 11.1% | 8.9% | 14.4% | 4.8% | 21.9% | 38.9% |
| 23 | Hidalgo/Willacy | 13.3% | 10.1% | 15.4% | 6.0% | 20.4% | 34.8% |
| 24 | Cameron Co. | 12.4% | 9.8% | 15.0% | 5.7% | 19.8% | 37.3% |
| 25 | Texoma | 17.1% | 12.9% | 21.1% | 6.3% | 22.6% | 20.0% |
| 26 | Central Texas | 17.4% | 12.2% | 16.7% | 5.6% | 21.4% | 26.7% |
| 27 | Middle Rio Grande | 11.0% | 10.0% | 14.8% | 6.2% | 20.8% | 37.2% |
| 28 | Gulf Coast | 12.8% | 10.1% | 16.3% | 5.8% | 21.7% | 33.3% |
| - | Texas | 13.9% | 10.5% | 16.3% | 6.3% | 21.4% | 31.6% |

LWDA Table 8
Caseload by Lifetime Months of AFDC Dependence
Sample Remaining on AFDC July-Sept 1996

| LWDA | Area Name | <6 months | 7-12 months | 13-24 months | 25-30 months | 31-60 months | More than 60 |
|-------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1 | Panhandle | 10.2% | 10.2% | 14.3% | 7.6% | 28.6% | 29.1% |
| 2 | South Plains | 7.2% | 4.6% | 14.8% | 5.5% | 29.4% | 38.5% |
| 3 | North Texas | 10.6% | 11.3% | 14.0% | 7.2% | 27.5% | 29.5% |
| 4 | North Central | 11.0% | 8.6% | 18.6% | 6.6% | 28.1% | 27.2% |
| 5 | Fort Worth/Tarrant Co. | 10.2% | 9.6% | 17.3% | 7.9% | 25.3% | 29.6% |
| 6 | Dallas/Dallas Co. | 9.0% | 8.0% | 15.4% | 6.5% | 23.8% | 37.3% |
| 7 | North East Texas | 5.9% | 7.5% | 12.8% | 4.5% | 20.3% | 49.0% |
| 8 | East Texas | 9.0% | 7.7% | 13.6% | 5.1% | 23.2% | 41.3% |
| 9 | West Central Texas | 9.1% | 8.6% | 16.3% | 7.2% | 25.9% | 33.0% |
| 10 | Upper Rio Grande | 10.7% | 8.7% | 15.8% | 8.0% | 21.4% | 35.4% |
| 11 | Permian Basin | 10.9% | 10.7% | 12.7% | 7.2% | 27.5% | 31.0% |
| 12 | Concho Valley | 8.4% | 9.3% | 17.3% | 5.9% | 23.8% | 35.3% |
| 13 | Heart of Texas | 9.1% | 6.9% | 13.0% | 7.0% | 21.8% | 42.3% |
| 14 | Austin/Travis Co. | 7.3% | 8.5% | 12.2% | 5.0% | 25.0% | 42.0% |
| 15 | Rural Capital | 8.0% | 6.7% | 14.4% | 5.9% | 25.3% | 39.7% |
| 16 | Brazos Valley | 4.2% | 6.1% | 11.8% | 6.3% | 22.0% | 49.5% |
| 17 | Deep East Texas | 6.8% | 6.1% | 14.0% | 5.6% | 20.4% | 47.1% |
| 18 | South East Texas | 6.4% | 6.8% | 15.1% | 4.3% | 23.2% | 44.2% |
| 19 | Golden Crescent | 7.7% | 4.9% | 11.0% | 4.7% | 23.9% | 47.9% |
| 20 | Alamo Area | 6.8% | 6.3% | 10.8% | 5.9% | 22.4% | 47.8% |
| 21 | South Texas | 7.4% | 8.3% | 13.7% | 6.2% | 25.6% | 38.9% |
| 22 | Corpus Christi/Rural Coastal Bend | 5.7% | 6.7% | 13.5% | 4.3% | 23.1% | 46.6% |
| 23 | Hidalgo/Willacy | 10.0% | 7.1% | 14.2% | 4.5% | 23.0% | 41.2% |
| 24 | Cameron Co. | 7.3% | 7.4% | 13.1% | 6.1% | 21.3% | 44.8% |
| 25 | Texoma | 9.3% | 6.1% | 17.8% | 8.2% | 27.7% | 30.9% |
| 26 | Central Texas | 11.5% | 9.6% | 13.8% | 4.4% | 22.4% | 38.3% |
| 27 | Middle Rio Grande | 6.4% | 8.2% | 13.4% | 6.8% | 20.8% | 44.4% |
| 28 | Gulf Coast | 8.1% | 7.6% | 12.5% | 5.7% | 22.1% | 44.0% |
| - | Texas | 8.3% | 7.6% | 13.7% | 6.0% | 23.3% | 41.1% |

LWDA Table 9
Caseload by Number of Children
Entire Sample Oct-Dec 1992

| LWDA | Area Name | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 or more |
|-------------|-----------------------------------|----------|----------|----------|------------------|
| 1 | Panhandle | 41.8% | 30.4% | 17.5% | 10.4% |
| 2 | South Plains | 37.0% | 30.5% | 19.4% | 13.1% |
| 3 | North Texas | 42.6% | 33.0% | 16.6% | 7.8% |
| 4 | North Central | 42.7% | 31.9% | 17.1% | 8.3% |
| 5 | Fort Worth/Tarrant Co. | 39.3% | 33.5% | 17.0% | 10.3% |
| 6 | Dallas/Dallas Co. | 38.2% | 34.4% | 18.5% | 9.0% |
| 7 | North East Texas | 41.8% | 32.8% | 16.8% | 8.6% |
| 8 | East Texas | 40.3% | 33.0% | 17.1% | 9.6% |
| 9 | West Central Texas | 41.8% | 30.7% | 17.2% | 10.2% |
| 10 | Upper Rio Grande | 42.7% | 29.9% | 17.3% | 10.1% |
| 11 | Permian Basin | 38.7% | 30.8% | 18.6% | 12.0% |
| 12 | Concho Valley | 42.0% | 32.0% | 16.1% | 9.9% |
| 13 | Heart of Texas | 36.7% | 31.8% | 19.7% | 11.8% |
| 14 | Austin/Travis Co. | 40.6% | 30.6% | 17.8% | 11.0% |
| 15 | Rural Capital | 40.7% | 30.9% | 17.9% | 10.6% |
| 16 | Brazos Valley | 36.1% | 29.6% | 19.4% | 15.0% |
| 17 | Deep East Texas | 40.3% | 32.3% | 17.2% | 10.2% |
| 18 | South East Texas | 40.5% | 30.5% | 18.5% | 10.4% |
| 19 | Golden Crescent | 38.0% | 31.3% | 18.5% | 12.2% |
| 20 | Alamo Area | 37.6% | 29.2% | 18.9% | 14.3% |
| 21 | South Texas | 37.4% | 29.7% | 18.6% | 14.4% |
| 22 | Corpus Christi/Rural Coastal Bend | 38.9% | 27.9% | 20.8% | 12.5% |
| 23 | Hidalgo/Willacy | 38.1% | 28.6% | 18.4% | 14.9% |
| 24 | Cameron Co. | 38.7% | 29.4% | 18.1% | 13.8% |
| 25 | Texoma | 45.4% | 33.8% | 16.0% | 4.7% |
| 26 | Central Texas | 42.2% | 30.1% | 18.0% | 9.7% |
| 27 | Middle Rio Grande | 39.9% | 29.4% | 17.0% | 13.7% |
| 28 | Gulf Coast | 38.8% | 31.5% | 18.1% | 11.6% |
| - | Texas | 39.2% | 31.2% | 18.2% | 11.4% |

LWDA Table 10
Caseload by Number of Children
Sample Remaining on AFDC July-Sept 1996

| LWDA | Area Name | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 or more |
|-------------|-----------------------------------|----------|----------|----------|------------------|
| 1 | Panhandle | 29.9% | 32.6% | 22.4% | 15.1% |
| 2 | South Plains | 30.0% | 30.9% | 23.3% | 15.8% |
| 3 | North Texas | 35.1% | 33.1% | 20.3% | 11.5% |
| 4 | North Central | 34.4% | 34.1% | 20.4% | 11.1% |
| 5 | Fort Worth/Tarrant Co. | 28.2% | 31.5% | 24.5% | 15.9% |
| 6 | Dallas/Dallas Co. | 26.1% | 36.8% | 24.1% | 13.0% |
| 7 | North East Texas | 34.2% | 31.0% | 22.1% | 12.7% |
| 8 | East Texas | 34.1% | 34.1% | 18.8% | 13.0% |
| 9 | West Central Texas | 34.8% | 32.2% | 20.4% | 12.7% |
| 10 | Upper Rio Grande | 30.0% | 35.0% | 22.0% | 13.0% |
| 11 | Permian Basin | 32.7% | 31.3% | 23.1% | 12.8% |
| 12 | Concho Valley | 33.4% | 34.7% | 20.1% | 11.8% |
| 13 | Heart of Texas | 28.8% | 31.9% | 22.8% | 16.5% |
| 14 | Austin/Travis Co. | 28.9% | 34.2% | 20.5% | 16.3% |
| 15 | Rural Capital | 33.8% | 30.2% | 21.5% | 14.4% |
| 16 | Brazos Valley | 28.3% | 32.0% | 22.1% | 17.5% |
| 17 | Deep East Texas | 38.7% | 31.0% | 18.3% | 12.0% |
| 18 | South East Texas | 33.2% | 29.7% | 22.1% | 15.0% |
| 19 | Golden Crescent | 35.0% | 32.2% | 19.0% | 13.8% |
| 20 | Alamo Area | 28.9% | 29.9% | 23.9% | 17.3% |
| 21 | South Texas | 30.4% | 30.3% | 23.7% | 15.7% |
| 22 | Corpus Christi/Rural Coastal Bend | 33.4% | 28.8% | 22.1% | 15.8% |
| 23 | Hidalgo/Willacy | 32.1% | 28.7% | 21.4% | 17.8% |
| 24 | Cameron Co. | 34.8% | 31.3% | 20.1% | 13.8% |
| 25 | Texoma | 35.1% | 39.6% | 18.6% | 6.6% |
| 26 | Central Texas | 32.8% | 31.8% | 23.6% | 11.9% |
| 27 | Middle Rio Grande | 32.6% | 32.7% | 20.2% | 14.5% |
| 28 | Gulf Coast | 30.1% | 31.7% | 22.6% | 15.6% |
| - | Texas | 30.5% | 32.1% | 22.4% | 14.9% |

LWDA Table 11
Percent of AFDC Caretakers with OAG Case

| LWDA | Area Name | Entire Sample Oct-Dec 1992 | Entire Sample July-Sept 1996 | Sample Remaining on AFDC July-Sept 1996 |
|-------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---|--|
| 1 | Panhandle | 68.2% | 91.3% | 91.6% |
| 2 | South Plains | 66.5% | 91.9% | 92.6% |
| 3 | North Texas | 70.9% | 92.9% | 91.7% |
| 4 | North Central | 66.5% | 90.8% | 89.9% |
| 5 | Fort Worth/Tarrant Co. | 62.2% | 89.9% | 89.8% |
| 6 | Dallas/Dallas Co. | 57.8% | 90.1% | 91.6% |
| 7 | North East Texas | 71.3% | 91.4% | 89.8% |
| 8 | East Texas | 65.5% | 88.8% | 84.9% |
| 9 | West Central Texas | 68.4% | 90.8% | 91.3% |
| 10 | Upper Rio Grande | 68.6% | 89.7% | 89.9% |
| 11 | Permian Basin | 63.2% | 90.7% | 90.3% |
| 12 | Concho Valley | 67.6% | 90.4% | 89.2% |
| 13 | Heart of Texas | 66.0% | 91.8% | 89.7% |
| 14 | Austin/Travis Co. | 60.4% | 90.1% | 90.4% |
| 15 | Rural Capital | 65.0% | 89.6% | 90.9% |
| 16 | Brazos Valley | 62.2% | 92.3% | 90.6% |
| 17 | Deep East Texas | 67.4% | 89.3% | 89.5% |
| 18 | South East Texas | 66.8% | 91.9% | 90.8% |
| 19 | Golden Crescent | 65.0% | 90.4% | 89.5% |
| 20 | Alamo Area | 65.4% | 90.2% | 90.4% |
| 21 | South Texas | 64.0% | 83.4% | 85.0% |
| 22 | Corpus Christi/Rural Coastal Bend | 67.5% | 90.7% | 91.3% |
| 23 | Hidalgo/Willacy | 58.9% | 80.5% | 82.5% |
| 24 | Cameron Co. | 63.2% | 84.6% | 86.0% |
| 25 | Texoma | 67.3% | 91.3% | 92.3% |
| 26 | Central Texas | 67.1% | 92.5% | 88.9% |
| 27 | Middle Rio Grande | 63.3% | 84.7% | 85.3% |
| 28 | Gulf Coast | 57.8% | 90.8% | 90.6% |
| - | Texas | 62.5% | 89.8% | 89.8% |

LWDA Table 12
Number of Opened OAG Cases Per Custodial Parent

| LWDA | Area Name | Entire Sample Oct-Dec 1992 | | | Sample Remaining on AFDC July-Sept 1996 | | |
|------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------|---|--|--|---|--|
| | | Number of AFDC Caretakers | Number of Caretakers with OAG Case | AG cases per Custodial Parent | Number of AFDC Caretakers | Number of Caretakers with OAG Case | AG cases per Custodial Parent |
| 1 | Panhandle | 3,084 | 4,045 | 1.31 | 948 | 1,419 | 1.50 |
| 2 | South Plains | 4,308 | 6,060 | 1.41 | 1,604 | 2,501 | 1.56 |
| 3 | North Texas | 1,582 | 2,083 | 1.32 | 444 | 677 | 1.52 |
| 4 | North Central | 6,213 | 7,913 | 1.27 | 1,794 | 2,646 | 1.47 |
| 5 | Fort Worth/Tarrant Co. | 10,098 | 13,851 | 1.37 | 3,473 | 5,574 | 1.60 |
| 6 | Dallas/Dallas Co. | 22,386 | 30,725 | 1.37 | 8,140 | 13,064 | 1.60 |
| 7 | North East Texas | 2,606 | 3,596 | 1.38 | 773 | 1,274 | 1.65 |
| 8 | East Texas | 7,116 | 9,411 | 1.32 | 2,172 | 3,376 | 1.55 |
| 9 | West Central Texas | 2,363 | 3,369 | 1.43 | 751 | 1,232 | 1.64 |
| 10 | Upper Rio Grande | 8,622 | 10,739 | 1.25 | 3,420 | 4,639 | 1.36 |
| 11 | Permian Basin | 4,104 | 5,439 | 1.33 | 1,369 | 2,043 | 1.49 |
| 12 | Concho Valley | 1,079 | 1,410 | 1.31 | 323 | 497 | 1.54 |
| 13 | Heart of Texas | 3,494 | 5,118 | 1.46 | 1,258 | 2,085 | 1.66 |
| 14 | Austin/Travis Co. | 5,411 | 7,357 | 1.36 | 1,661 | 2,586 | 1.56 |
| 15 | Rural Capital | 1,879 | 2,445 | 1.30 | 571 | 819 | 1.43 |
| 16 | Brazos Valley | 1,965 | 2,916 | 1.48 | 758 | 1,296 | 1.71 |
| 17 | Deep East Texas | 3,624 | 4,666 | 1.29 | 1,230 | 1,732 | 1.41 |
| 18 | South East Texas | 4,187 | 6,012 | 1.44 | 1,591 | 2,609 | 1.64 |
| 19 | Golden Crescent | 1,712 | 2,392 | 1.40 | 637 | 1,005 | 1.58 |
| 20 | Alamo Area | 20,773 | 28,751 | 1.38 | 8,356 | 12,875 | 1.54 |
| 21 | South Texas | 3,132 | 3,720 | 1.19 | 1,363 | 1,745 | 1.28 |
| 22 | Corpus Christi/Rural Coastal Bend | 8,478 | 11,949 | 1.41 | 3,461 | 5,351 | 1.55 |
| 23 | Hidalgo/Willacy | 7,685 | 9,403 | 1.22 | 3,380 | 4,543 | 1.34 |
| 24 | Cameron Co. | 4,534 | 5,490 | 1.21 | 1,989 | 2,533 | 1.27 |
| 25 | Texoma | 1,272 | 1,636 | 1.29 | 376 | 543 | 1.44 |
| 26 | Central Texas | 2,795 | 3,910 | 1.40 | 761 | 1,295 | 1.70 |
| 27 | Middle Rio Grande | 2,361 | 3,139 | 1.33 | 1,029 | 1,453 | 1.41 |
| 28 | Gulf Coast | 49,076 | 67,317 | 1.37 | 16,996 | 27,140 | 1.60 |
| - | Texas | 195,938 | 264,862 | 1.35 | 70,628 | 108,551 | 1.54 |

LWDA Table 13
Marital Status of AFDC Caretakers at Children's Births

| LWDA | Area Name | Entire Sample Oct-Dec 1992 | | | | Entire Sample July-Sept 1996 | | | | Remaining Sample on AFDC July-Sept 1996 | | | |
|------|-----------------------------------|--|---|--|--|--|---|--|--|--|---|--|--|
| | | Percent of Cases with All Children While Married | Percent of Cases with Some Children Born Out of Wedlock | Percent of Cases with All Children Born Out of Wedlock | Percent of Cases with All Children Born Out of Wedlock | Percent of Cases with All Children While Married | Percent of Cases with Some Children Born Out of Wedlock | Percent of Cases with All Children Born Out of Wedlock | Percent of Cases with All Children Born Out of Wedlock | Percent of Cases with All Children While Married | Percent of Cases with Some Children Born Out of Wedlock | Percent of Cases with All Children Born Out of Wedlock | Percent of Cases with All Children Born Out of Wedlock |
| 1 | Panhandle | 38.7% | 30.0% | 31.3% | 38.4% | 35.1% | 26.6% | 33.2% | 40.3% | 26.5% | | | |
| 2 | South Plains | 36.5% | 32.4% | 31.1% | 36.4% | 35.4% | 28.2% | 31.2% | 39.8% | 29.0% | | | |
| 3 | North Texas | 42.7% | 27.6% | 29.7% | 43.5% | 31.1% | 25.4% | 35.6% | 40.8% | 23.6% | | | |
| 4 | North Central | 41.8% | 26.9% | 31.3% | 41.6% | 31.2% | 27.1% | 32.6% | 42.5% | 24.9% | | | |
| 5 | Fort Worth/Tarrant Co. | 31.2% | 34.5% | 34.3% | 31.5% | 39.2% | 29.3% | 24.1% | 47.3% | 28.6% | | | |
| 6 | Dallas/Dallas Co. | 24.6% | 39.8% | 35.5% | 24.3% | 44.9% | 30.9% | 18.7% | 53.5% | 27.8% | | | |
| 7 | North East Texas | 31.4% | 34.8% | 33.8% | 31.8% | 38.3% | 29.8% | 25.7% | 47.4% | 26.9% | | | |
| 8 | East Texas | 38.4% | 30.6% | 31.0% | 38.1% | 35.1% | 26.8% | 28.9% | 41.7% | 29.4% | | | |
| 9 | West Central Texas | 41.0% | 29.0% | 30.0% | 41.9% | 31.5% | 26.6% | 35.6% | 36.3% | 28.1% | | | |
| 10 | Upper Rio Grande | 41.0% | 28.3% | 30.7% | 41.0% | 32.8% | 26.2% | 35.7% | 40.2% | 24.1% | | | |
| 11 | Permian Basin | 40.0% | 31.6% | 28.4% | 39.7% | 34.7% | 25.6% | 31.9% | 40.8% | 27.4% | | | |
| 12 | Concho Valley | 41.7% | 26.7% | 31.6% | 41.0% | 30.3% | 28.7% | 34.4% | 35.0% | 30.7% | | | |
| 13 | Heart of Texas | 30.6% | 38.3% | 31.1% | 30.7% | 41.3% | 28.0% | 25.5% | 49.2% | 25.3% | | | |
| 14 | Austin/Travis Co. | 25.4% | 36.1% | 38.4% | 25.7% | 41.0% | 33.3% | 20.0% | 48.6% | 31.4% | | | |
| 15 | Rural Capital | 38.3% | 32.0% | 29.7% | 37.7% | 34.4% | 27.9% | 30.8% | 42.0% | 27.2% | | | |
| 16 | Brazos Valley | 28.2% | 39.4% | 32.4% | 29.0% | 41.4% | 29.7% | 22.8% | 48.4% | 28.8% | | | |
| 17 | Deep East Texas | 34.9% | 35.0% | 30.1% | 35.1% | 37.2% | 27.6% | 29.1% | 40.2% | 30.7% | | | |
| 18 | South East Texas | 30.3% | 36.4% | 33.4% | 30.2% | 41.3% | 28.4% | 23.6% | 48.9% | 27.5% | | | |
| 19 | Golden Crescent | 39.0% | 31.5% | 29.4% | 39.5% | 33.1% | 27.4% | 31.2% | 38.8% | 30.0% | | | |
| 20 | Alamo Area | 38.5% | 32.2% | 29.4% | 38.1% | 36.0% | 25.9% | 32.3% | 43.2% | 24.5% | | | |
| 21 | South Texas | 47.2% | 29.1% | 23.7% | 47.1% | 31.1% | 21.9% | 41.6% | 34.6% | 23.8% | | | |
| 22 | Corpus Christi/Rural Coastal Bend | 42.0% | 28.9% | 29.1% | 42.2% | 31.6% | 26.2% | 36.9% | 37.7% | 25.4% | | | |
| 23 | Hidalgo/Willacy | 42.1% | 32.6% | 25.3% | 42.2% | 34.6% | 23.2% | 38.7% | 38.5% | 22.8% | | | |
| 24 | Cameron Co. | 39.7% | 31.4% | 28.9% | 40.2% | 33.7% | 26.1% | 34.0% | 37.8% | 28.2% | | | |
| 25 | Texoma | 42.6% | 26.5% | 30.9% | 43.4% | 29.8% | 26.7% | 33.8% | 37.5% | 28.7% | | | |
| 26 | Central Texas | 39.2% | 30.4% | 30.5% | 39.2% | 34.0% | 26.8% | 32.8% | 44.4% | 22.8% | | | |
| 27 | Middle Rio Grande | 41.3% | 30.7% | 28.0% | 40.9% | 33.4% | 25.7% | 36.3% | 37.9% | 25.8% | | | |
| 28 | Gulf Coast | 26.6% | 37.5% | 35.9% | 26.3% | 41.2% | 32.5% | 19.8% | 49.1% | 31.1% | | | |
| - | Texas | 33.4% | 34.2% | 32.4% | 33.3% | 37.9% | 28.8% | 27.4% | 45.0% | 27.6% | | | |

LWDA Table 14
Employment and Earnings
Entire Sample, October to December, 1992

| LWDA | Area Name | Employment Rates [†] | | Mean Quarterly Earnings [‡] | | Median Quarterly Earnings | | Earnings as a Share of Poverty for Custodial Parents | | | |
|------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------|--|--------------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------|--|--------------------------|-----------------------|------------------|
| | | Custodial Parents | Non-custodial Parents (Includes only cases where ncp is found) | Custodial Parents | Non-custodial Parents | Custodial Parents | Non-custodial Parents | No Earnings | Less than 50% of Poverty | 51% - 155% of Poverty | >155% of Poverty |
| 1 | Panhandle | 28.4% | 43.4% | \$1,312 | \$2,930 | \$970 | \$2,610 | 71.6% | 18.0% | 9.5% | 0.9% |
| 2 | South Plains | 26.6% | 46.9% | \$1,176 | \$2,795 | \$864 | \$2,432 | 73.4% | 18.0% | 8.0% | 0.6% |
| 3 | North Texas | 26.4% | 38.3% | \$1,152 | \$2,903 | \$850 | \$2,454 | 73.6% | 17.4% | 8.3% | 0.7% |
| 4 | North Central | 31.9% | 44.7% | \$1,318 | \$3,457 | \$970 | \$2,977 | 68.1% | 19.4% | 11.2% | 1.3% |
| 5 | Fort Worth/Tarrant Co. | 35.5% | 45.7% | \$1,375 | \$2,965 | \$1,112 | \$2,596 | 64.5% | 20.8% | 13.5% | 1.1% |
| 6 | Dallas/Dallas Co. | 34.0% | 49.1% | \$1,347 | \$3,236 | \$1,062 | \$2,826 | 66.0% | 20.2% | 12.7% | 1.1% |
| 7 | North East Texas | 24.4% | 40.3% | \$1,210 | \$3,208 | \$915 | \$2,574 | 75.6% | 15.8% | 7.9% | 0.7% |
| 8 | East Texas | 25.9% | 49.5% | \$1,283 | \$3,287 | \$979 | \$2,962 | 74.1% | 16.1% | 8.9% | 0.9% |
| 9 | West Central Texas | 27.2% | 39.0% | \$1,102 | \$2,860 | \$803 | \$2,467 | 72.8% | 18.8% | 8.1% | 0.3% |
| 10 | Upper Rio Grande | 18.9% | 42.6% | \$1,309 | \$3,024 | \$1,047 | \$2,796 | 81.1% | 11.0% | 7.7% | 0.3% |
| 11 | Permian Basin | 25.6% | 47.9% | \$1,185 | \$3,363 | \$943 | \$2,936 | 74.4% | 16.3% | 8.9% | 0.4% |
| 12 | Concho Valley | 27.5% | 46.1% | \$1,162 | \$3,106 | \$950 | \$2,746 | 72.5% | 17.3% | 9.6% | 0.6% |
| 13 | Heart of Texas | 33.3% | 44.2% | \$1,260 | \$2,933 | \$949 | \$2,551 | 66.7% | 21.7% | 10.8% | 0.9% |
| 14 | Austin/Travis Co. | 36.4% | 42.8% | \$1,268 | \$3,006 | \$906 | \$2,579 | 63.6% | 23.1% | 12.0% | 1.2% |
| 15 | Rural Capital | 31.1% | 43.2% | \$1,396 | \$3,219 | \$1,154 | \$2,919 | 68.9% | 18.0% | 12.2% | 0.9% |
| 16 | Brazos Valley | 29.0% | 50.2% | \$1,104 | \$3,146 | \$844 | \$2,680 | 71.0% | 20.3% | 8.4% | 0.3% |
| 17 | Deep East Texas | 23.4% | 45.7% | \$1,230 | \$3,497 | \$960 | \$3,147 | 76.6% | 15.3% | 7.5% | 0.5% |
| 18 | South East Texas | 28.2% | 47.0% | \$1,186 | \$3,213 | \$947 | \$2,664 | 71.8% | 19.2% | 8.2% | 0.8% |
| 19 | Golden Crescent | 22.1% | 52.5% | \$1,193 | \$3,466 | \$840 | \$3,065 | 77.9% | 14.8% | 6.7% | 0.6% |
| 20 | Alamo Area | 23.0% | 46.6% | \$1,218 | \$2,897 | \$846 | \$2,617 | 77.0% | 15.3% | 7.0% | 0.7% |
| 21 | South Texas | 20.3% | 38.4% | \$1,347 | \$2,935 | \$1,044 | \$2,600 | 79.7% | 12.7% | 6.8% | 0.8% |
| 22 | Corpus Christi/Rural Coastal Bend | 18.7% | 45.5% | \$1,151 | \$3,257 | \$848 | \$2,839 | 81.3% | 12.8% | 5.5% | 0.4% |
| 23 | Hidalgo/Willacy | 16.0% | 36.0% | \$1,143 | \$2,789 | \$825 | \$2,547 | 84.0% | 11.1% | 4.6% | 0.3% |
| 24 | Cameron Co. | 18.1% | 38.5% | \$1,271 | \$3,038 | \$1,013 | \$2,652 | 81.9% | 11.5% | 6.2% | 0.4% |
| 25 | Texoma | 29.2% | 44.3% | \$1,182 | \$3,262 | \$1,003 | \$2,800 | 70.8% | 19.2% | 9.4% | 0.6% |
| 26 | Central Texas | 27.1% | 34.5% | \$1,191 | \$3,187 | \$972 | \$2,795 | 72.9% | 17.6% | 9.0% | 0.5% |
| 27 | Middle Rio Grande | 17.1% | 40.9% | \$1,028 | \$3,046 | \$699 | \$2,618 | 82.9% | 12.3% | 4.5% | 0.3% |
| 28 | Gulf Coast | 27.3% | 45.3% | \$1,394 | \$3,598 | \$1,043 | \$3,156 | 72.7% | 16.7% | 9.4% | 1.2% |
| - | Texas | 26.7% | 44.9% | \$1,298 | \$3,216 | \$959 | \$2,751 | 73.3% | 16.8% | 9.1% | 0.9% |

Notes: † Earnings are averaged for employed individuals only.

LWDA Table 15
Employment and Earnings
Entire Sample, July to September, 1996

| LWDA | Area Name | Employment Rates† | | Mean Quarterly Earnings‡ | | Median Quarterly Earnings | | Earnings as a Share of Poverty for Custodial Parents | | | |
|------|-----------------------------------|-------------------|--|--------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------|--|--------------------------|-----------------------|------------------|
| | | Custodial Parents | Non-custodial Parents (Includes only cases where ncp is found) | Custodial Parents | Non-custodial Parents | Custodial Parents | Non-custodial Parents | No Earnings | Less than 50% of Poverty | 51% - 155% of Poverty | >155% of Poverty |
| 1 | Panhandle | 43.7% | 42.1% | \$2,237 | \$3,940 | \$1,980 | \$3,741 | 56.3% | 19.0% | 20.8% | 3.9% |
| 2 | South Plains | 46.5% | 45.7% | \$1,890 | \$3,462 | \$1,640 | \$3,188 | 53.5% | 23.6% | 20.4% | 2.5% |
| 3 | North Texas | 47.3% | 39.0% | \$1,982 | \$3,511 | \$1,716 | \$3,300 | 52.7% | 22.4% | 21.0% | 3.9% |
| 4 | North Central | 48.4% | 46.2% | \$2,331 | \$4,295 | \$2,105 | \$3,945 | 51.6% | 19.1% | 24.5% | 4.8% |
| 5 | Fort Worth/Tarrant Co. | 51.2% | 44.7% | \$2,283 | \$3,949 | \$2,060 | \$3,507 | 48.8% | 22.0% | 25.0% | 4.3% |
| 6 | Dallas/Dallas Co. | 51.1% | 48.1% | \$2,410 | \$4,028 | \$2,151 | \$3,664 | 48.9% | 21.1% | 24.3% | 5.7% |
| 7 | North East Texas | 47.3% | 42.7% | \$1,993 | \$3,791 | \$1,775 | \$3,224 | 52.7% | 22.6% | 21.1% | 3.6% |
| 8 | East Texas | 48.0% | 49.0% | \$2,143 | \$4,144 | \$1,916 | \$3,780 | 52.0% | 21.2% | 23.2% | 3.6% |
| 9 | West Central Texas | 44.9% | 41.2% | \$1,971 | \$3,645 | \$1,704 | \$3,299 | 55.1% | 21.8% | 20.1% | 3.1% |
| 10 | Upper Rio Grande | 34.4% | 41.7% | \$2,177 | \$3,757 | \$2,005 | \$3,381 | 65.6% | 13.6% | 18.3% | 2.4% |
| 11 | Permian Basin | 40.3% | 48.2% | \$2,045 | \$4,124 | \$1,757 | \$3,760 | 59.7% | 19.0% | 18.5% | 2.8% |
| 12 | Concho Valley | 47.8% | 47.0% | \$2,057 | \$3,817 | \$1,713 | \$3,335 | 52.2% | 22.3% | 22.3% | 3.3% |
| 13 | Heart of Texas | 50.9% | 45.3% | \$1,955 | \$3,775 | \$1,731 | \$3,500 | 49.1% | 25.7% | 22.6% | 2.6% |
| 14 | Austin/Travis Co. | 53.6% | 45.1% | \$2,266 | \$3,942 | \$1,997 | \$3,609 | 46.4% | 22.8% | 25.4% | 5.3% |
| 15 | Rural Capital | 47.9% | 44.5% | \$2,374 | \$4,012 | \$2,219 | \$3,721 | 52.1% | 18.3% | 25.3% | 4.3% |
| 16 | Brazos Valley | 49.3% | 48.7% | \$1,998 | \$4,090 | \$1,766 | \$3,634 | 50.7% | 24.2% | 22.0% | 3.1% |
| 17 | Deep East Texas | 44.3% | 46.4% | \$2,095 | \$4,216 | \$1,817 | \$3,841 | 55.7% | 20.8% | 19.8% | 3.7% |
| 18 | South East Texas | 42.5% | 43.7% | \$1,823 | \$3,883 | \$1,521 | \$3,386 | 57.5% | 23.3% | 16.8% | 2.4% |
| 19 | Golden Crescent | 43.8% | 49.3% | \$2,188 | \$4,205 | \$1,851 | \$3,816 | 56.2% | 19.7% | 20.7% | 3.5% |
| 20 | Alamo Area | 41.4% | 47.3% | \$2,067 | \$3,533 | \$1,906 | \$3,279 | 58.6% | 18.9% | 19.7% | 2.8% |
| 21 | South Texas | 31.8% | 38.4% | \$2,114 | \$3,702 | \$1,732 | \$3,250 | 68.2% | 15.8% | 13.1% | 2.9% |
| 22 | Corpus Christi/Rural Coastal Bend | 38.2% | 45.8% | \$1,889 | \$3,837 | \$1,548 | \$3,469 | 61.8% | 20.3% | 15.6% | 2.3% |
| 23 | Hidalgo/Willacy | 27.0% | 34.2% | \$1,913 | \$3,475 | \$1,710 | \$3,091 | 73.0% | 13.1% | 12.8% | 1.1% |
| 24 | Cameron Co. | 30.5% | 35.7% | \$2,042 | \$3,676 | \$1,821 | \$3,308 | 69.5% | 13.5% | 15.3% | 1.7% |
| 25 | Texoma | 49.2% | 42.4% | \$2,235 | \$4,240 | \$2,049 | \$3,657 | 50.8% | 18.5% | 27.0% | 3.7% |
| 26 | Central Texas | 45.4% | 36.3% | \$2,142 | \$3,913 | \$1,897 | \$3,655 | 54.6% | 20.4% | 20.4% | 4.6% |
| 27 | Middle Rio Grande | 29.4% | 41.3% | \$1,745 | \$3,568 | \$1,417 | \$3,083 | 70.6% | 16.0% | 11.9% | 1.5% |
| 28 | Gulf Coast | 43.5% | 46.5% | \$2,283 | \$4,325 | \$1,985 | \$3,864 | 56.5% | 19.0% | 20.0% | 4.5% |
| - | Texas | 43.7% | 45.2% | \$2,185 | \$3,968 | \$1,866 | \$3,525 | 56.3% | 19.5% | 20.4% | 3.8% |

Notes: † Earnings are averaged for employed individuals only.

LWDA Table 16
Employment and Earnings
Sample Remaining on AFDC, July to September, 1996

| LWDA | Area Name | Employment Rates† | | Mean Quarterly Earnings‡ | | Median Quarterly Earnings | | Earnings as a Share of Poverty for Custodial Parents | | | |
|------|-----------------------------------|-------------------|--|--------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------|--|--------------------------|-----------------------|------------------|
| | | Custodial Parents | Non-custodial Parents (Includes only cases where ncp is found) | Custodial Parents | Non-custodial Parents | Custodial Parents | Non-custodial Parents | No Earnings | Less than 50% of Poverty | 51% - 155% of Poverty | >155% of Poverty |
| 1 | Panhandle | 30.3% | 36.7% | \$982 | \$3,330 | \$684 | \$3,302 | 69.7% | 25.2% | 4.9% | 0.2% |
| 2 | South Plains | 36.3% | 45.0% | \$1,119 | \$3,050 | \$825 | \$2,784 | 63.7% | 28.0% | 7.9% | 0.4% |
| 3 | North Texas | 32.9% | 36.2% | \$978 | \$2,788 | \$671 | \$2,190 | 67.1% | 26.4% | 6.3% | 0.2% |
| 4 | North Central | 35.1% | 45.5% | \$1,162 | \$3,753 | \$792 | \$3,194 | 64.9% | 25.7% | 9.0% | 0.5% |
| 5 | Fort Worth/Tarrant Co. | 41.6% | 40.3% | \$1,306 | \$3,377 | \$954 | \$3,009 | 58.4% | 28.8% | 12.3% | 0.5% |
| 6 | Dallas/Dallas Co. | 40.3% | 46.0% | \$1,321 | \$3,465 | \$968 | \$3,173 | 59.7% | 27.8% | 11.7% | 0.7% |
| 7 | North East Texas | 32.4% | 39.7% | \$1,017 | \$2,992 | \$706 | \$2,515 | 67.6% | 26.4% | 5.3% | 0.7% |
| 8 | East Texas | 32.8% | 46.4% | \$1,168 | \$3,584 | \$801 | \$3,220 | 67.2% | 24.6% | 7.6% | 0.7% |
| 9 | West Central Texas | 28.8% | 40.0% | \$1,119 | \$3,172 | \$840 | \$2,991 | 71.2% | 21.6% | 6.5% | 0.7% |
| 10 | Upper Rio Grande | 19.6% | 40.7% | \$1,150 | \$3,383 | \$992 | \$2,986 | 80.4% | 14.5% | 5.0% | 0.1% |
| 11 | Permian Basin | 27.6% | 42.0% | \$1,121 | \$3,415 | \$901 | \$3,088 | 72.4% | 20.6% | 7.1% | 0.0% |
| 12 | Concho Valley | 28.8% | 44.1% | \$1,088 | \$3,343 | \$879 | \$2,634 | 71.2% | 20.4% | 8.0% | 0.3% |
| 13 | Heart of Texas | 36.5% | 41.4% | \$1,071 | \$3,438 | \$854 | \$3,007 | 63.5% | 30.3% | 6.1% | 0.1% |
| 14 | Austin/Travis Co. | 39.4% | 42.5% | \$1,117 | \$3,342 | \$787 | \$3,017 | 60.6% | 29.6% | 9.4% | 0.4% |
| 15 | Rural Capital | 28.5% | 43.5% | \$1,324 | \$3,238 | \$962 | \$2,825 | 71.5% | 19.8% | 7.6% | 1.1% |
| 16 | Brazos Valley | 31.7% | 43.9% | \$920 | \$3,641 | \$543 | \$3,207 | 68.3% | 26.4% | 4.9% | 0.4% |
| 17 | Deep East Texas | 27.5% | 46.3% | \$939 | \$3,454 | \$639 | \$3,000 | 72.5% | 22.6% | 4.6% | 0.3% |
| 18 | South East Texas | 31.6% | 43.5% | \$954 | \$3,304 | \$697 | \$2,793 | 68.4% | 26.4% | 4.9% | 0.2% |
| 19 | Golden Crescent | 23.1% | 45.4% | \$1,079 | \$3,684 | \$892 | \$3,355 | 76.9% | 17.7% | 5.2% | 0.2% |
| 20 | Alamo Area | 25.3% | 42.4% | \$1,149 | \$3,030 | \$827 | \$2,804 | 74.7% | 19.1% | 5.9% | 0.3% |
| 21 | South Texas | 16.1% | 34.7% | \$1,067 | \$3,207 | \$753 | \$2,941 | 83.9% | 13.4% | 2.6% | 0.1% |
| 22 | Corpus Christi/Rural Coastal Bend | 22.0% | 44.5% | \$945 | \$3,484 | \$660 | \$3,206 | 78.0% | 18.6% | 3.1% | 0.3% |
| 23 | Hidalgo/Willacy | 15.3% | 32.5% | \$957 | \$3,119 | \$649 | \$2,921 | 84.7% | 12.4% | 2.7% | 0.2% |
| 24 | Cameron Co. | 15.1% | 31.2% | \$1,105 | \$3,131 | \$868 | \$3,018 | 84.9% | 11.5% | 3.5% | 0.1% |
| 25 | Texoma | 37.5% | 44.4% | \$1,325 | \$3,844 | \$989 | \$3,339 | 62.5% | 25.0% | 11.7% | 0.8% |
| 26 | Central Texas | 34.3% | 36.7% | \$1,032 | \$3,155 | \$740 | \$2,844 | 65.7% | 27.2% | 6.9% | 0.2% |
| 27 | Middle Rio Grande | 17.6% | 38.0% | \$922 | \$3,075 | \$676 | \$2,701 | 82.4% | 14.6% | 2.7% | 0.2% |
| 28 | Gulf Coast | 29.9% | 42.8% | \$1,224 | \$3,809 | \$915 | \$3,326 | 70.1% | 21.4% | 8.3% | 0.2% |
| - | Texas | 29.4% | 42.2% | \$1,171 | \$3,433 | \$814 | \$3,019 | 70.6% | 21.9% | 7.2% | 0.3% |

Notes: † Earnings are averaged for employed individuals only

LWDA Table 17
OAG Cases by Highest Case Status
Entire Sample, October to December, 1992

| LWDA | Area Name | Payments Received in Full | Partial Collection of Child Support | Wage Withholding Established | Child Support Order Established | NCP Located | OAG Case Opened | OAG Case Not Opened |
|------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------|-----------------|---------------------|
| 1 | Panhandle | 3.8% | 3.9% | 4.8% | 10.5% | 31.6% | 12.0% | 33.4% |
| 2 | South Plains | 3.5% | 5.6% | 6.1% | 7.3% | 34.6% | 8.4% | 34.5% |
| 3 | North Texas | 3.5% | 3.6% | 7.2% | 8.0% | 34.7% | 10.8% | 32.2% |
| 4 | North Central | 2.6% | 2.7% | 3.7% | 8.6% | 29.8% | 17.1% | 35.6% |
| 5 | Fort Worth/Tarrant Co. | 1.9% | 2.4% | 5.0% | 6.5% | 30.2% | 14.8% | 39.3% |
| 6 | Dallas/Dallas Co. | 1.9% | 1.4% | 3.0% | 5.0% | 25.0% | 19.6% | 44.1% |
| 7 | North East Texas | 6.0% | 5.6% | 7.9% | 10.8% | 30.9% | 9.7% | 29.1% |
| 8 | East Texas | 3.7% | 4.8% | 2.7% | 9.4% | 29.1% | 11.7% | 38.6% |
| 9 | West Central Texas | 3.1% | 4.3% | 6.5% | 10.2% | 36.4% | 7.0% | 32.6% |
| 10 | Upper Rio Grande | 2.7% | 3.2% | 5.0% | 5.0% | 27.8% | 23.4% | 33.0% |
| 11 | Permian Basin | 3.3% | 4.3% | 5.7% | 8.5% | 27.9% | 13.0% | 37.3% |
| 12 | Concho Valley | 4.0% | 4.3% | 4.8% | 8.7% | 32.7% | 10.4% | 35.2% |
| 13 | Heart of Texas | 5.0% | 4.2% | 6.5% | 12.1% | 28.2% | 10.5% | 33.6% |
| 14 | Austin/Travis Co. | 3.6% | 3.1% | 4.1% | 7.5% | 25.3% | 15.2% | 41.1% |
| 15 | Rural Capital | 3.4% | 4.9% | 3.0% | 8.5% | 29.6% | 13.7% | 36.9% |
| 16 | Brazos Valley | 2.6% | 4.6% | 3.7% | 6.9% | 29.4% | 13.7% | 39.1% |
| 17 | Deep East Texas | 3.9% | 4.9% | 3.9% | 10.1% | 33.9% | 10.5% | 32.9% |
| 18 | South East Texas | 4.8% | 4.2% | 6.2% | 10.9% | 29.6% | 9.9% | 34.5% |
| 19 | Golden Crescent | 4.4% | 4.3% | 3.1% | 10.6% | 29.4% | 10.7% | 37.6% |
| 20 | Alamo Area | 3.9% | 4.1% | 4.7% | 9.1% | 26.5% | 16.6% | 35.0% |
| 21 | South Texas | 4.5% | 4.4% | 4.9% | 8.8% | 24.3% | 16.8% | 36.4% |
| 22 | Corpus Christi/Rural Coastal Bend | 4.8% | 4.8% | 4.5% | 11.3% | 28.6% | 10.8% | 35.2% |
| 23 | Hidalgo/Willacy | 4.6% | 3.2% | 4.1% | 8.3% | 23.5% | 15.4% | 40.8% |
| 24 | Cameron Co. | 5.3% | 4.4% | 4.3% | 7.9% | 21.2% | 18.9% | 38.0% |
| 25 | Texoma | 4.1% | 3.3% | 3.9% | 10.6% | 29.2% | 14.8% | 34.2% |
| 26 | Central Texas | 3.2% | 3.9% | 5.1% | 9.4% | 30.0% | 13.8% | 34.6% |
| 27 | Middle Rio Grande | 5.4% | 4.0% | 5.0% | 9.7% | 24.6% | 14.5% | 36.8% |
| 28 | Gulf Coast | 1.3% | 1.4% | 2.0% | 5.4% | 26.4% | 20.0% | 43.5% |
| - | Texas | 2.9% | 3.0% | 3.8% | 7.5% | 27.5% | 16.3% | 38.9% |

LWDA Table 18
OAG Cases by Highest Case Status
Entire Sample, July to September 1996

| LWDA | Area Name | Payments Received in Full | Partial Collection of Child Support | Wage Withholding Established | Child Support Order Established | NCP Located | OAG Case Opened | OAG Case Not Opened |
|------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------|-----------------|---------------------|
| 1 | Panhandle | 17.5% | 4.3% | 19.5% | 6.7% | 24.0% | 19.0% | 8.9% |
| 2 | South Plains | 19.4% | 5.2% | 21.5% | 5.1% | 24.5% | 16.0% | 8.3% |
| 3 | North Texas | 14.9% | 4.4% | 21.3% | 5.8% | 27.2% | 18.6% | 7.8% |
| 4 | North Central | 9.1% | 2.8% | 11.3% | 6.6% | 33.3% | 27.7% | 9.2% |
| 5 | Fort Worth/Tarrant Co. | 10.0% | 3.3% | 14.5% | 5.1% | 33.4% | 24.6% | 9.1% |
| 6 | Dallas/Dallas Co. | 7.7% | 2.5% | 9.5% | 3.3% | 31.1% | 36.8% | 9.1% |
| 7 | North East Texas | 19.7% | 5.3% | 22.8% | 7.7% | 21.8% | 14.4% | 8.2% |
| 8 | East Texas | 17.4% | 5.1% | 14.5% | 7.6% | 25.9% | 17.6% | 12.0% |
| 9 | West Central Texas | 15.1% | 5.9% | 20.1% | 6.7% | 30.1% | 13.7% | 8.5% |
| 10 | Upper Rio Grande | 11.0% | 3.6% | 11.7% | 3.5% | 26.0% | 34.1% | 10.0% |
| 11 | Permian Basin | 14.6% | 5.7% | 18.6% | 6.3% | 24.8% | 21.5% | 8.5% |
| 12 | Concho Valley | 17.7% | 6.9% | 17.0% | 5.6% | 28.7% | 14.9% | 9.2% |
| 13 | Heart of Texas | 15.4% | 4.5% | 23.7% | 6.5% | 23.1% | 19.9% | 6.9% |
| 14 | Austin/Travis Co. | 12.6% | 3.3% | 16.1% | 5.1% | 26.2% | 27.0% | 9.6% |
| 15 | Rural Capital | 17.0% | 3.9% | 16.5% | 5.0% | 24.8% | 22.4% | 10.4% |
| 16 | Brazos Valley | 14.6% | 6.0% | 19.9% | 3.7% | 24.6% | 23.9% | 7.3% |
| 17 | Deep East Texas | 19.3% | 4.5% | 14.9% | 7.9% | 28.8% | 14.6% | 10.0% |
| 18 | South East Texas | 14.1% | 4.9% | 17.6% | 7.5% | 30.8% | 17.5% | 7.7% |
| 19 | Golden Crescent | 18.4% | 5.2% | 18.8% | 7.1% | 23.3% | 17.9% | 9.4% |
| 20 | Alamo Area | 15.2% | 4.7% | 18.0% | 5.0% | 22.4% | 25.9% | 8.8% |
| 21 | South Texas | 13.9% | 3.1% | 15.0% | 5.4% | 22.5% | 24.8% | 15.4% |
| 22 | Corpus Christi/Rural Coastal Bend | 15.1% | 5.0% | 17.6% | 6.0% | 28.6% | 19.0% | 8.8% |
| 23 | Hidalgo/Willacy | 13.7% | 4.1% | 14.2% | 4.4% | 21.7% | 24.0% | 17.9% |
| 24 | Cameron Co. | 15.4% | 4.1% | 14.6% | 4.4% | 18.3% | 28.1% | 15.2% |
| 25 | Texoma | 10.2% | 3.5% | 12.9% | 8.4% | 31.7% | 24.5% | 8.8% |
| 26 | Central Texas | 15.3% | 4.2% | 13.7% | 9.3% | 27.4% | 22.8% | 7.3% |
| 27 | Middle Rio Grande | 17.1% | 3.8% | 17.5% | 5.0% | 21.8% | 21.0% | 13.9% |
| 28 | Gulf Coast | 8.8% | 3.0% | 9.5% | 3.3% | 30.5% | 36.5% | 8.4% |
| - | Texas | 12.3% | 3.8% | 13.9% | 4.8% | 27.7% | 28.0% | 9.5% |

LWDA Table 19
OAG Cases by Highest Case Status
Sample Remaining on AFDC, July to September, 1996

| LWDA | Area Name | Payments Received in Full | Partial Collection of Child Support | Wage Withholding Established | Child Support Order Established | NCP Located | OAG Case Opened | OAG Case Not Opened |
|------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------|-----------------|---------------------|
| 1 | Panhandle | 11.8% | 5.3% | 23.1% | 8.3% | 25.2% | 17.5% | 8.8% |
| 2 | South Plains | 15.5% | 6.7% | 21.6% | 5.2% | 27.6% | 16.4% | 7.0% |
| 3 | North Texas | 9.9% | 5.2% | 23.7% | 4.7% | 28.8% | 19.6% | 8.0% |
| 4 | North Central | 8.2% | 4.0% | 11.9% | 6.4% | 33.6% | 26.3% | 9.6% |
| 5 | Fort Worth/Tarrant Co. | 6.3% | 4.0% | 18.1% | 5.2% | 36.3% | 21.9% | 8.2% |
| 6 | Dallas/Dallas Co. | 4.1% | 3.5% | 10.4% | 2.7% | 33.8% | 37.6% | 7.9% |
| 7 | North East Texas | 15.4% | 7.5% | 27.5% | 8.0% | 21.3% | 11.9% | 8.4% |
| 8 | East Texas | 13.6% | 6.0% | 16.2% | 7.3% | 26.2% | 16.3% | 14.5% |
| 9 | West Central Texas | 10.8% | 5.2% | 24.1% | 7.1% | 30.7% | 13.9% | 8.2% |
| 10 | Upper Rio Grande | 8.7% | 4.9% | 11.7% | 4.4% | 26.4% | 34.8% | 9.1% |
| 11 | Permian Basin | 11.4% | 6.1% | 20.7% | 6.4% | 27.0% | 20.7% | 7.7% |
| 12 | Concho Valley | 11.7% | 8.5% | 19.9% | 7.0% | 30.4% | 11.9% | 10.7% |
| 13 | Heart of Texas | 11.0% | 5.5% | 26.0% | 7.7% | 23.2% | 18.8% | 7.7% |
| 14 | Austin/Travis Co. | 8.3% | 4.8% | 18.4% | 5.6% | 27.5% | 26.7% | 8.7% |
| 15 | Rural Capital | 10.7% | 5.3% | 19.6% | 6.0% | 24.1% | 25.3% | 8.9% |
| 16 | Brazos Valley | 10.1% | 7.3% | 22.3% | 3.8% | 26.9% | 22.1% | 7.5% |
| 17 | Deep East Texas | 13.3% | 6.6% | 16.8% | 10.7% | 29.3% | 13.9% | 9.4% |
| 18 | South East Texas | 8.9% | 5.2% | 18.4% | 7.6% | 34.0% | 18.0% | 7.9% |
| 19 | Golden Crescent | 13.8% | 7.4% | 21.0% | 7.1% | 21.7% | 19.7% | 9.5% |
| 20 | Alamo Area | 10.6% | 5.9% | 19.6% | 5.0% | 24.1% | 27.0% | 7.9% |
| 21 | South Texas | 10.9% | 4.2% | 17.2% | 5.7% | 23.3% | 25.4% | 13.1% |
| 22 | Corpus Christi/Rural Coastal Bend | 12.7% | 6.4% | 18.4% | 6.3% | 29.3% | 19.4% | 7.4% |
| 23 | Hidalgo/Willacy | 12.4% | 5.5% | 15.4% | 4.3% | 23.0% | 24.2% | 15.2% |
| 24 | Cameron Co. | 13.3% | 5.7% | 14.8% | 4.9% | 17.7% | 29.9% | 13.6% |
| 25 | Texoma | 10.3% | 4.6% | 14.6% | 7.4% | 33.4% | 22.5% | 7.2% |
| 26 | Central Texas | 9.9% | 5.3% | 16.0% | 9.1% | 30.4% | 19.0% | 10.2% |
| 27 | Middle Rio Grande | 14.3% | 4.9% | 18.9% | 4.7% | 21.9% | 22.7% | 12.6% |
| 28 | Gulf Coast | 5.7% | 3.6% | 10.1% | 3.2% | 32.4% | 37.1% | 8.0% |
| - | Texas | 8.8% | 4.8% | 15.3% | 4.8% | 29.1% | 28.2% | 8.9% |

**LWDA Table 20
Total and Per Case Collections and Obligations†**

| LWDA | Area Name | Collections | | | | Obligations | | | | Total Amount Collected as a Percent of Total Amount Obligated | |
|------|-----------------------------------|------------------------|-----------------|--|-----------------|-------------------|-----------------|--|-----------------|---|-----------------|
| | | Total Amount Collected | | Average Annual Collections per AFDC Case with Collections‡ | | Total Amount Owed | | Average Annual Obligation per Obligated AFDC Case‡ | | Year 1 (FY1993) | Year 4 (FY1996) |
| | | Year 1 (FY1993) | Year 4 (FY1996) | Year 1 (FY1993) | Year 4 (FY1996) | Year 1 (FY1993) | Year 4 (FY1996) | Year 1 (FY1993) | Year 4 (FY1996) | (FY1993) | (FY1996) |
| 1 | Panhandle | 658,579 | 1,569,642 | 214 | 511 | 1,631,040 | 3,136,035 | 556 | 1,070 | 40.4% | 50.1% |
| 2 | South Plains | 1,086,024 | 2,372,527 | 253 | 561 | 1,849,108 | 4,034,410 | 449 | 995 | 58.7% | 58.8% |
| 3 | North Texas | 356,777 | 765,947 | 224 | 488 | 820,846 | 1,649,436 | 533 | 1,089 | 43.5% | 46.4% |
| 4 | North Central | 824,838 | 1,740,814 | 132 | 271 | 2,718,818 | 4,336,432 | 454 | 702 | 30.3% | 40.1% |
| 5 | Fort Worth/Tarrant Co. | 1,307,023 | 3,082,138 | 130 | 302 | 3,769,172 | 6,871,155 | 392 | 704 | 34.7% | 44.9% |
| 6 | Dallas/Dallas Co. | 2,230,571 | 5,494,802 | 101 | 243 | 6,079,741 | 11,072,264 | 287 | 512 | 36.7% | 49.6% |
| 7 | North East Texas | 673,717 | 1,291,258 | 257 | 493 | 1,394,807 | 2,426,305 | 549 | 956 | 48.3% | 53.2% |
| 8 | East Texas | 1,564,053 | 3,569,586 | 222 | 505 | 3,114,587 | 6,038,799 | 459 | 889 | 50.2% | 59.1% |
| 9 | West Central Texas | 514,285 | 1,086,603 | 215 | 459 | 1,232,999 | 2,043,138 | 544 | 910 | 41.7% | 53.2% |
| 10 | Upper Rio Grande | 1,282,931 | 2,500,977 | 150 | 294 | 2,506,957 | 4,291,307 | 310 | 535 | 51.2% | 58.3% |
| 11 | Permian Basin | 867,740 | 1,704,890 | 211 | 416 | 1,943,367 | 3,586,489 | 496 | 919 | 44.7% | 47.5% |
| 12 | Concho Valley | 248,094 | 548,930 | 228 | 513 | 502,203 | 896,483 | 483 | 876 | 49.4% | 61.2% |
| 13 | Heart of Texas | 889,909 | 1,516,673 | 253 | 433 | 1,853,470 | 3,067,320 | 541 | 899 | 48.0% | 49.4% |
| 14 | Austin/Travis Co. | 1,047,282 | 1,939,231 | 196 | 362 | 2,240,011 | 4,175,015 | 434 | 808 | 46.8% | 46.4% |
| 15 | Rural Capital | 431,074 | 940,832 | 225 | 495 | 766,507 | 1,592,074 | 422 | 886 | 56.2% | 59.1% |
| 16 | Brazos Valley | 379,227 | 967,357 | 191 | 493 | 715,515 | 1,480,109 | 368 | 771 | 53.0% | 65.4% |
| 17 | Deep East Texas | 854,980 | 1,930,847 | 234 | 533 | 1,718,305 | 3,101,987 | 500 | 913 | 49.8% | 62.2% |
| 18 | South East Texas | 1,022,068 | 1,802,422 | 243 | 435 | 2,532,734 | 3,941,383 | 625 | 984 | 40.4% | 45.7% |
| 19 | Golden Crescent | 487,108 | 1,070,000 | 281 | 621 | 965,664 | 1,850,476 | 580 | 1,119 | 50.4% | 57.8% |
| 20 | Alamo Area | 4,502,131 | 9,224,578 | 219 | 443 | 8,925,464 | 15,875,126 | 454 | 798 | 50.4% | 58.1% |
| 21 | South Texas | 610,806 | 1,131,408 | 195 | 367 | 1,230,454 | 2,091,929 | 442 | 768 | 49.6% | 54.1% |
| 22 | Corpus Christi/Rural Coastal Bend | 2,119,945 | 3,899,311 | 251 | 461 | 4,707,524 | 7,537,371 | 588 | 940 | 45.0% | 51.7% |
| 23 | Hidalgo/Willacy | 1,437,540 | 2,802,544 | 186 | 366 | 2,552,745 | 4,383,589 | 385 | 665 | 56.3% | 63.9% |
| 24 | Cameron Co. | 970,736 | 1,694,638 | 213 | 378 | 1,846,279 | 2,928,144 | 451 | 726 | 52.6% | 57.9% |
| 25 | Texoma | 237,732 | 393,362 | 185 | 305 | 642,285 | 987,592 | 523 | 802 | 37.0% | 39.8% |
| 26 | Central Texas | 589,931 | 1,277,402 | 209 | 461 | 1,396,615 | 2,459,596 | 509 | 912 | 42.2% | 51.9% |
| 27 | Middle Rio Grande | 491,251 | 1,010,179 | 207 | 432 | 1,011,985 | 1,665,510 | 477 | 799 | 48.5% | 60.7% |
| 28 | Gulf Coast | 4,349,399 | 13,545,392 | 90 | 274 | 12,874,874 | 25,334,105 | 276 | 533 | 33.8% | 53.5% |
| - | Texas | 32,035,750 | 70,874,290 | 164 | 361 | 73,544,077 | 132,853,580 | 397 | 712 | 43.6% | 53.3% |

Notes: †The data in this table is annual rather than quarterly to ameliorate seasonality in IRS Intercept Collections

‡ Collections are averaged only for cases with collections, and obligations are averaged only for obligated cases.

LWDA Table 21
Distribution of Child Support Collections†

| LWDA | Area Name | Total Collection | | Amount Retained by State | | Amount Retained by State as a Percent of Total | |
|------|-----------------------------------|------------------|------------|--------------------------|------------|--|--------|
| | | FY1993 | FY1996 | FY1993 | FY1996 | FY1993 | FY1996 |
| 1 | Panhandle | 658,579 | 1,569,642 | 426,525 | 620,735 | 39.3% | 28.3% |
| 2 | South Plains | 1,086,024 | 2,372,527 | 688,599 | 1,040,350 | 38.8% | 30.5% |
| 3 | North Texas | 356,777 | 765,947 | 208,719 | 282,728 | 36.9% | 27.0% |
| 4 | North Central | 824,838 | 1,740,814 | 492,792 | 643,031 | 37.4% | 27.0% |
| 5 | Fort Worth/Tarrant Co. | 1,307,023 | 3,082,138 | 765,692 | 1,086,013 | 36.9% | 26.1% |
| 6 | Dallas/Dallas Co. | 2,230,571 | 5,494,802 | 1,272,961 | 1,930,194 | 36.3% | 26.0% |
| 7 | North East Texas | 673,717 | 1,291,258 | 415,445 | 497,071 | 38.1% | 27.8% |
| 8 | East Texas | 1,564,053 | 3,569,586 | 942,098 | 1,309,092 | 37.6% | 26.8% |
| 9 | West Central Texas | 514,285 | 1,086,603 | 298,521 | 436,252 | 36.7% | 28.6% |
| 10 | Upper Rio Grande | 1,282,931 | 2,500,977 | 801,260 | 1,100,333 | 38.4% | 30.6% |
| 11 | Permian Basin | 867,740 | 1,704,890 | 548,916 | 712,952 | 38.7% | 29.5% |
| 12 | Concho Valley | 248,094 | 548,930 | 128,464 | 196,364 | 34.1% | 26.3% |
| 13 | Heart of Texas | 889,909 | 1,516,673 | 556,330 | 613,897 | 38.5% | 28.8% |
| 14 | Austin/Travis Co. | 1,047,282 | 1,939,231 | 608,523 | 662,702 | 36.8% | 25.5% |
| 15 | Rural Capital | 431,074 | 940,832 | 274,448 | 345,138 | 38.9% | 26.8% |
| 16 | Brazos Valley | 379,227 | 967,357 | 224,880 | 387,131 | 37.2% | 28.6% |
| 17 | Deep East Texas | 854,980 | 1,930,847 | 511,035 | 738,660 | 37.4% | 27.7% |
| 18 | South East Texas | 1,022,068 | 1,802,422 | 639,244 | 719,509 | 38.5% | 28.5% |
| 19 | Golden Crescent | 487,108 | 1,070,000 | 289,077 | 443,532 | 37.2% | 29.3% |
| 20 | Alamo Area | 4,502,131 | 9,224,578 | 2,903,585 | 4,093,943 | 39.2% | 30.7% |
| 21 | South Texas | 610,806 | 1,131,408 | 395,303 | 537,735 | 39.3% | 32.2% |
| 22 | Corpus Christi/Rural Coastal Bend | 2,119,945 | 3,899,311 | 1,318,067 | 1,675,695 | 38.3% | 30.1% |
| 23 | Hidalgo/Willacy | 1,437,540 | 2,802,544 | 1,021,937 | 1,507,942 | 41.6% | 35.0% |
| 24 | Cameron Co. | 970,736 | 1,694,638 | 650,084 | 789,981 | 40.1% | 31.8% |
| 25 | Texoma | 237,732 | 393,362 | 149,036 | 145,187 | 38.5% | 27.0% |
| 26 | Central Texas | 589,931 | 1,277,402 | 334,597 | 463,510 | 36.2% | 26.6% |
| 27 | Middle Rio Grande | 491,251 | 1,010,179 | 312,129 | 535,987 | 38.9% | 34.7% |
| 28 | Gulf Coast | 4,349,399 | 13,545,392 | 2,395,469 | 4,933,787 | 35.5% | 26.7% |
| - | Texas | 32,035,750 | 70,874,290 | 19,573,736 | 28,449,451 | 37.9% | 28.6% |

Notes: †The data in this table is annual rather than quarterly to ameliorate seasonality in IRS Intercept Collections

LWDA Table 22
Exits and Grant Jeopardy Exits

| LWDA | Area Name | AFDC Caseload | | All Exits† | | Grant Jeopardy Exits† | | Probability of All Exits | | Probability of Grant Jeopardy Exits | |
|------|-----------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------------|-----------------|--------------------------|-----------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------|
| | | Oct to Dec 1992 | Apr to Jun 1996 | Oct to Dec 1992 | Apr to Jun 1996 | Oct to Dec 1992 | Apr to Jun 1996 | Oct to Dec 1992 | Apr to Jun 1996 | Oct to Dec 1992 | Apr to Jun 1996 |
| 1 | Panhandle | 3,084 | 948 | 502 | 207 | 65 | 58 | 16.3% | 21.9% | 2.1% | 6.1% |
| 2 | South Plains | 4,308 | 1,604 | 654 | 207 | 99 | 72 | 15.2% | 12.9% | 2.3% | 4.5% |
| 3 | North Texas | 1,582 | 444 | 268 | 97 | 32 | 29 | 16.9% | 21.8% | 2.0% | 6.5% |
| 4 | North Central | 6,213 | 1,794 | 978 | 401 | 121 | 78 | 15.7% | 22.4% | 2.0% | 4.4% |
| 5 | Fort Worth/Tarrant Co. | 10,098 | 3,473 | 1,638 | 699 | 204 | 136 | 16.2% | 20.1% | 2.0% | 3.9% |
| 6 | Dallas/Dallas Co. | 22,386 | 8,140 | 2,780 | 1,470 | 221 | 249 | 12.4% | 18.1% | 1.0% | 3.1% |
| 7 | North East Texas | 2,606 | 773 | 431 | 163 | 61 | 47 | 16.6% | 21.0% | 2.3% | 6.1% |
| 8 | East Texas | 7,116 | 2,172 | 1,055 | 475 | 147 | 129 | 14.8% | 21.9% | 2.1% | 5.9% |
| 9 | West Central Texas | 2,363 | 751 | 373 | 129 | 49 | 42 | 15.8% | 17.1% | 2.1% | 5.7% |
| 10 | Upper Rio Grande | 8,622 | 3,420 | 1,092 | 446 | 124 | 94 | 12.7% | 13.0% | 1.4% | 2.7% |
| 11 | Permian Basin | 4,104 | 1,369 | 570 | 295 | 79 | 79 | 13.9% | 21.6% | 1.9% | 5.8% |
| 12 | Concho Valley | 1,079 | 323 | 185 | 61 | 36 | 21 | 17.1% | 18.9% | 3.3% | 6.5% |
| 13 | Heart of Texas | 3,494 | 1,258 | 447 | 221 | 87 | 60 | 12.8% | 17.6% | 2.5% | 4.7% |
| 14 | Austin/Travis Co. | 5,411 | 1,661 | 731 | 366 | 109 | 95 | 13.5% | 22.1% | 2.0% | 5.7% |
| 15 | Rural Capital | 1,879 | 571 | 312 | 96 | 61 | 34 | 16.6% | 16.7% | 3.2% | 5.9% |
| 16 | Brazos Valley | 1,965 | 758 | 269 | 107 | 42 | 33 | 13.7% | 14.1% | 2.1% | 4.4% |
| 17 | Deep East Texas | 3,624 | 1,230 | 516 | 184 | 84 | 45 | 14.2% | 14.9% | 2.3% | 3.7% |
| 18 | South East Texas | 4,187 | 1,591 | 577 | 219 | 72 | 70 | 13.8% | 13.8% | 1.7% | 4.4% |
| 19 | Golden Crescent | 1,712 | 637 | 232 | 86 | 37 | 27 | 13.6% | 13.5% | 2.2% | 4.2% |
| 20 | Alamo Area | 20,773 | 8,356 | 2,283 | 1,245 | 357 | 373 | 11.0% | 14.9% | 1.7% | 4.5% |
| 21 | South Texas | 3,132 | 1,363 | 360 | 147 | 43 | 35 | 11.5% | 10.7% | 1.4% | 2.6% |
| 22 | Corpus Christi/Rural Coastal Bend | 8,478 | 3,461 | 921 | 599 | 156 | 176 | 10.9% | 17.3% | 1.8% | 5.1% |
| 23 | Hidalgo/Willacy | 7,685 | 3,380 | 825 | 495 | 82 | 91 | 10.7% | 14.7% | 1.1% | 2.7% |
| 24 | Cameron Co. | 4,534 | 1,989 | 560 | 223 | 62 | 44 | 12.4% | 11.2% | 1.4% | 2.2% |
| 25 | Texoma | 1,272 | 376 | 173 | 67 | 20 | 14 | 13.6% | 17.8% | 1.6% | 3.7% |
| 26 | Central Texas | 2,795 | 761 | 464 | 163 | 67 | 54 | 16.6% | 21.5% | 2.4% | 7.1% |
| 27 | Middle Rio Grande | 2,361 | 1,029 | 219 | 125 | 40 | 37 | 9.3% | 12.1% | 1.7% | 3.6% |
| 28 | Gulf Coast | 49,076 | 16,996 | 5,913 | 3,229 | 558 | 551 | 12.0% | 19.0% | 1.1% | 3.2% |
| - | Texas | 195,938 | 70,628 | 25,327 | 12,221 | 3,114 | 2,773 | 12.9% | 17.3% | 1.6% | 3.9% |

Notes: †The next to the last quarter of the observation period is the last quarter for which an exit can be observed.

LWDA Table 23
AFDC Exits and Recidivism

| LWDA | Area Name | Total AFDC Caseload | | All Exits† | | Exits that were Followed by Return within One Year | | Probability of Recidivism within One Year | |
|------|-----------------------------------|---------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|--|-----------------|---|-----------------|
| | | Oct to Dec 1992 | Jul to Sep 1995 | Oct to Dec 1992 | Jul to Sep 1995 | Oct to Dec 1992 | Jul to Sep 1995 | Oct to Dec 1992 | Jul to Sep 1995 |
| 1 | Panhandle | 3,084 | 1,219 | 502 | 153 | 171 | 47 | 34.2% | 30.6% |
| 2 | South Plains | 4,308 | 1,911 | 654 | 272 | 219 | 97 | 33.5% | 35.6% |
| 3 | North Texas | 1,582 | 602 | 268 | 89 | 84 | 34 | 31.3% | 38.2% |
| 4 | North Central | 6,213 | 2,479 | 978 | 315 | 299 | 62 | 30.6% | 19.7% |
| 5 | Fort Worth/Tarrant Co. | 10,098 | 4,391 | 1,638 | 681 | 556 | 215 | 33.9% | 31.6% |
| 6 | Dallas/Dallas Co. | 22,386 | 10,632 | 2,780 | 1,271 | 978 | 343 | 35.2% | 27.0% |
| 7 | North East Texas | 2,606 | 1,045 | 431 | 141 | 131 | 52 | 30.4% | 37.3% |
| 8 | East Texas | 7,116 | 2,916 | 1,055 | 507 | 290 | 185 | 27.5% | 36.4% |
| 9 | West Central Texas | 2,363 | 999 | 373 | 129 | 116 | 35 | 31.0% | 27.0% |
| 10 | Upper Rio Grande | 8,622 | 4,190 | 1,092 | 425 | 308 | 100 | 28.2% | 23.6% |
| 11 | Permian Basin | 4,104 | 1,779 | 570 | 220 | 166 | 70 | 29.2% | 31.6% |
| 12 | Concho Valley | 1,079 | 447 | 185 | 66 | 56 | 19 | 30.3% | 28.8% |
| 13 | Heart of Texas | 3,494 | 1,644 | 447 | 187 | 155 | 51 | 34.6% | 27.3% |
| 14 | Austin/Travis Co. | 5,411 | 2,143 | 731 | 343 | 241 | 125 | 33.0% | 36.5% |
| 15 | Rural Capital | 1,879 | 712 | 312 | 99 | 77 | 31 | 24.7% | 31.9% |
| 16 | Brazos Valley | 1,965 | 893 | 269 | 92 | 93 | 31 | 34.5% | 33.7% |
| 17 | Deep East Texas | 3,624 | 1,514 | 516 | 165 | 189 | 36 | 36.6% | 22.0% |
| 18 | South East Texas | 4,187 | 2,064 | 577 | 250 | 197 | 100 | 34.2% | 39.8% |
| 19 | Golden Crescent | 1,712 | 815 | 232 | 92 | 91 | 29 | 39.2% | 31.5% |
| 20 | Alamo Area | 20,773 | 10,411 | 2,283 | 1,017 | 788 | 277 | 34.5% | 27.2% |
| 21 | South Texas | 3,132 | 1,667 | 360 | 134 | 134 | 25 | 37.2% | 19.0% |
| 22 | Corpus Christi/Rural Coastal Bend | 8,478 | 4,470 | 921 | 374 | 306 | 111 | 33.2% | 29.6% |
| 23 | Hidalgo/Willacy | 7,685 | 4,111 | 825 | 361 | 304 | 85 | 36.9% | 23.5% |
| 24 | Cameron Co. | 4,534 | 2,403 | 560 | 183 | 190 | 33 | 33.8% | 18.2% |
| 25 | Texoma | 1,272 | 506 | 173 | 74 | 48 | 23 | 27.7% | 31.1% |
| 26 | Central Texas | 2,795 | 1,002 | 464 | 178 | 117 | 63 | 25.2% | 35.2% |
| 27 | Middle Rio Grande | 2,361 | 1,298 | 219 | 136 | 82 | 50 | 37.2% | 36.4% |
| 28 | Gulf Coast | 49,076 | 23,833 | 5,913 | 2,856 | 1,883 | 644 | 31.8% | 22.6% |
| - | Texas | 195,938 | 92,096 | 25,327 | 10,810 | 8,268 | 2,972 | 32.6% | 27.5% |

Notes: †In order to have a one-year period to observe recidivism, exits that take place later than the third quarter of 1995 cannot be analyzed.

LWDA Table 24
Exits From Poverty Due to Child Support Received

| LWDA | Area Name | Percent of Families In Poverty After AFDC Exits | Percent Not in Poverty After AFDC Exits | | |
|------|-----------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| | | | Total Not in Poverty | Not in Poverty Based on Earnings Alone | Not in Poverty Based on Earnings Plus Child Support |
| 1 | Panhandle | 82.7% | 17.3% | 16.0% | 1.3% |
| 2 | South Plains | 84.9% | 15.1% | 13.7% | 1.4% |
| 3 | North Texas | 84.9% | 15.1% | 14.1% | 1.0% |
| 4 | North Central | 80.9% | 19.1% | 18.6% | 0.6% |
| 5 | Fort Worth/Tarrant Co. | 78.5% | 21.5% | 20.5% | 1.0% |
| 6 | Dallas/Dallas Co. | 76.2% | 23.8% | 23.1% | 0.7% |
| 7 | North East Texas | 87.3% | 12.7% | 11.5% | 1.3% |
| 8 | East Texas | 83.8% | 16.2% | 14.5% | 1.7% |
| 9 | West Central Texas | 86.0% | 14.0% | 12.9% | 1.1% |
| 10 | Upper Rio Grande | 86.6% | 13.4% | 12.5% | 0.9% |
| 11 | Permian Basin | 86.3% | 13.7% | 13.0% | 0.6% |
| 12 | Concho Valley | 86.1% | 13.9% | 12.8% | 1.2% |
| 13 | Heart of Texas | 83.9% | 16.1% | 14.6% | 1.5% |
| 14 | Austin/Travis Co. | 76.4% | 23.6% | 22.1% | 1.5% |
| 15 | Rural Capital | 79.6% | 20.4% | 18.5% | 1.9% |
| 16 | Brazos Valley | 83.0% | 17.0% | 15.3% | 1.7% |
| 17 | Deep East Texas | 83.8% | 16.2% | 15.1% | 1.1% |
| 18 | South East Texas | 87.3% | 12.7% | 11.5% | 1.2% |
| 19 | Golden Crescent | 83.5% | 16.5% | 15.0% | 1.5% |
| 20 | Alamo Area | 84.3% | 15.7% | 14.7% | 1.1% |
| 21 | South Texas | 85.6% | 14.4% | 13.7% | 0.7% |
| 22 | Corpus Christi/Rural Coastal Bend | 86.9% | 13.1% | 12.1% | 1.1% |
| 23 | Hidalgo/Willacy | 89.9% | 10.1% | 9.2% | 1.0% |
| 24 | Cameron Co. | 88.9% | 11.1% | 10.4% | 0.7% |
| 25 | Texoma | 81.8% | 18.2% | 17.2% | 1.0% |
| 26 | Central Texas | 85.4% | 14.6% | 13.8% | 0.7% |
| 27 | Middle Rio Grande | 90.1% | 9.9% | 9.3% | 0.6% |
| 28 | Gulf Coast | 81.2% | 18.8% | 17.5% | 1.2% |
| - | Texas | 82.5% | 17.5% | 16.4% | 1.1% |

Notes: An exit from poverty due to receipt of child support for a caretaker in poverty is defined to have taken place if the caretaker's wages alone are below the poverty level, but the caretaker's wages plus the amount received from child care are above the poverty level.