



REQUIRED REPORTS – DEPARTMENT OF WORKFORCE SERVICES

SOCIAL SERVICES APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE
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ISSUE BRIEF

SUMMARY

This Issue Brief provides information regarding the three reports currently required to be given to the Social Services Appropriations Subcommittee by the Department of Workforce Services. This brief is for informational purposes only and requires no Legislative action.

DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

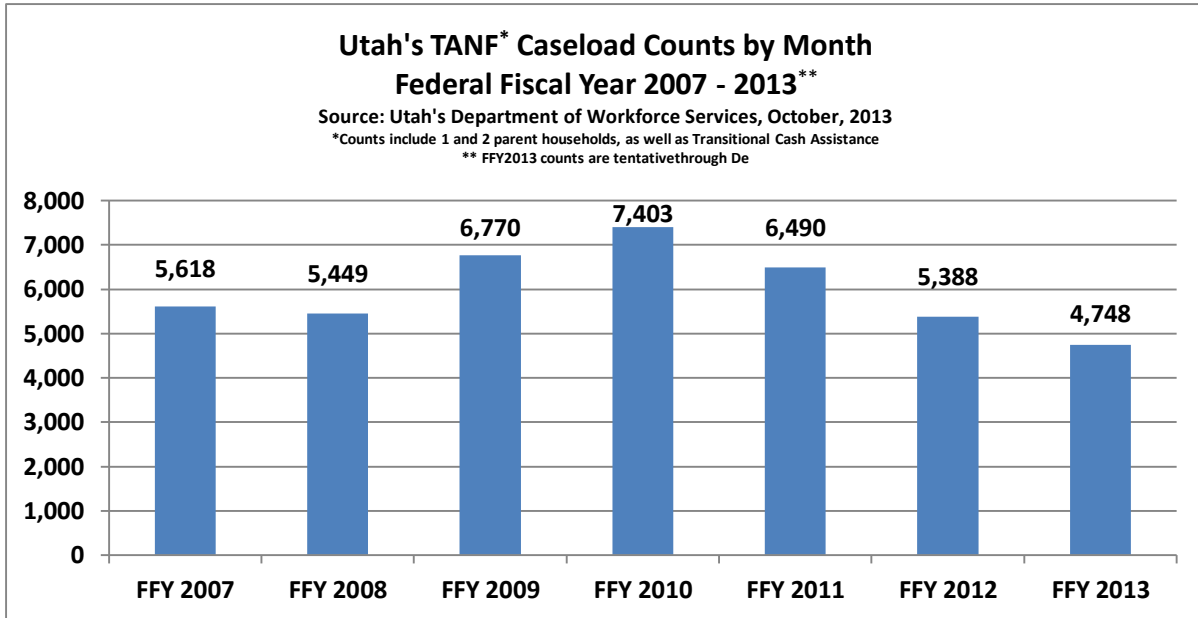
Department of Workforce Services' Reports that are Required by Statute

- 1) **Rule Changes Affecting Cash Assistance Amounts Providers** - UCA 35A-3-302(8) requires the Department of Workforce Services to report the Executive Appropriations Committee or the Social Services Appropriations Subcommittee on any proposed rule change that would modify the eligibility requirements or the amount of cash assistance a family would be eligible to receive. The Department has the option to use the Notice of Proposed Rule Amendment form filed with the Division of Administrative Rules as its report so long as the notice contains all the information required.
 - a. The Department indicates that: "There have been no cash assistance rule changes, so there is nothing to report on this."
- 2) **Performance Monitoring System for Cash Assistance** – UCA 35A-3-313 requires an annual report by November 1 on the performance monitoring system used for cash assistance. This report is Appendix A. Below is some information from the report:
 - a. 61.1% sum of work participation and caseload reduction for FFY 2013 (standard is 50%)
 - b. TANF monthly caseload count was 4,748 in FFY 2013
- 3) **Community Services Block Grant** – UCA 35A-8-1006 requires an annual report after each federal fiscal year the outcomes of programs supported by Community Services Block Grant funds. In FFY 2012 Utah received \$3,480,300. This report is Appendix B. Below is some information from the report:
 - a. Amount leveraged by Community Action from other sources, for every \$1 of CSBG
 - i. \$6.73 State, Local, and Private Resources
 - ii. \$19.50 Total Resources (including federal funds)
 - b. "Agencies provided services to 295, 392 low-income individuals in 95,012 families.

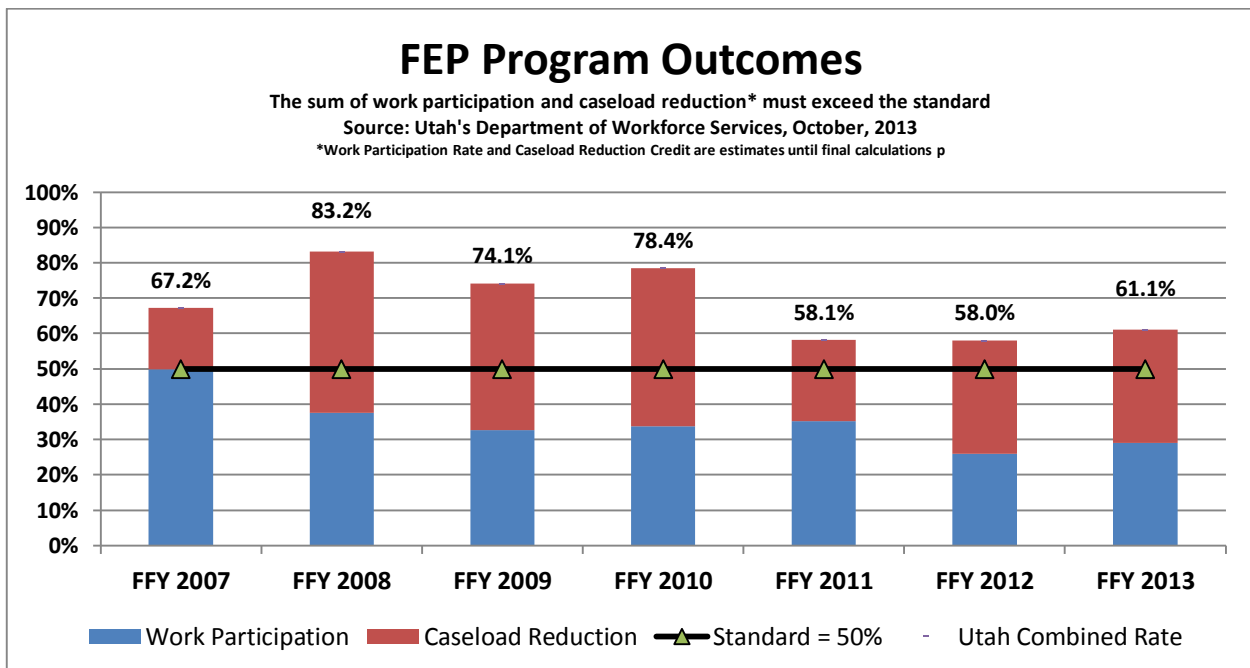
APPENDIX A – UTAH TANF STATE ANNUAL REPORT 2013

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Utah's TANF program consists of 1-Parent and 2-Parent programs, as well as a Transitional Cash Assistance program. The purpose of these programs is to provide temporary assistance to families with low incomes, while engaging them in activities to help them increase their income and transition to self-sufficiency through employment and education. The chart below shows the average monthly caseload of Utah's TANF programs for federal fiscal years 2007 through 2013. Financial data for FFY 2013 is tentative until December 31, 2013.



The Family Employment Program (FEP) is a TANF program that focuses on families with only one parent who is able to work. Services provided through this program are centered on work participation which includes a set of prescribed activities that are countable towards Utah's Work Participation rate; an expected rate of 50% yearly. States offset this rate with a caseload reduction credit. The chart below shows the combination of these two measures from FFY 2007 through 2013. This caseload reduction credit estimate is calculated at the end of the calendar year to be applied to the next fiscal year. FFY 2012 and 2013 data is preliminary until the federal office provides finalized calculations for both measures.



APPENDIX B – COMMUNITY SERVICES BLOCK GRANT

