

Temporary Assistance for Needy Families

Temporary Assistance for Needy Families is a federal block grant program that provides funding to states to create and administer assistance programs for needy families. States can use the grants to provide cash assistance, work support, and other services to low-income families with children, but they also must spend a certain amount of their own funds on related activities.



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	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2022- 2026	2022- 2031
BUDGET INFORMATION Millions of dollars, by fiscal year													
Budget Authority	17,736	16,698	16,698	16,739	16,739	16,739	16,739	16,739	16,739	16,739	16,740	83,613	167,309
Estimated Outlays	15,401	16,504	16,741	16,704	16,735	16,737	16,737	16,737	16,737	16,738	16,739	83,421	167,109
Estimated Budget Authority for TANF Components													
State Family Assistance Grants	16,487	16,449	16,449	16,490	16,490	16,490	16,490	16,490	16,490	16,490	16,490	82,368	164,818
Grants to Indian Tribes	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	40	80
Grants to Territories	93	93	93	93	93	93	93	93	93	93	93	465	930
Marriage/Fatherhood Grants	150	150	150	150	150	150	150	150	150	150	150	750	1,500
Work Penalties	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-5	-10
Pandemic Fund	1,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sequestration ^a	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	0	-5	-9

Components may not sum to totals because of rounding; TANF = Temporary Assistance for Needy Families.

Consistent with section 257 of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985, CBO's baseline for TANF reflects the assumption that outlays continue after the program's expiration on September 30, 2021.

a. The Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act extended sequestration for mandatory spending through fiscal year 2030.