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Fraud Investigation Report Summary July – September 2000

In California, fraud prevention and detection is an integral part of the overall management of public assistance programs. The fraud prevention program is administered at the local level by 58 county welfare departments. The California Department of Social Services (CDSS) is responsible for developing regulations and disseminating policy information/interpretation to local entities. Within the county welfare departments, the income maintenance units have primary responsibility for determining eligibility and computing grant amounts. If fraud is suspected, the case is referred for investigation to the Special Investigative Unit (SIU). At the discretion of the county, the SIU may be placed in the county welfare department or within another county law enforcement agency such as the District Attorney's or Sheriff's Office. It is the responsibility of the SIU to conduct an investigation of such cases for the purpose of establishing whether or not evidence exists to support a charge of welfare fraud.

The Fraud Investigation Report provides statewide and county-specific fraud activity data on the California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids (CalWORKs) and Food Stamp programs. Investigation activity by the SIUs is reflected in this report. Data shown represents the most current statistics available at the time of publication.

The following four reports are the data sources for this publication, and are available on the CDSS Research and Development Division (RADD) external web site at <http://www.dss.cahwnet.gov/research>.

- DPA 266 - Fraud Investigation Activity Report
(July 2000, August 2000 and September 2000 dated August 8, 2001)
- CA 237 CalWORKs - CalWORKs Cash Grant Caseload Movement and Expenditures Report
(July 2000 dated December 8, 2000; August 2000 dated December 28, 2000; and September 2000 dated December 20, 2000)
- CA 237 FC - Aid to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC) Foster Care (FC) Caseload Movement and Expenditures Report
(July 2000 dated November 16, 2000; August 2000 dated December 8, 2000; and September 2000 dated January 10, 2001)
- DFA 256 - Food Stamp Program Participation and Coupon Issuance Report
(July 2000 dated December 13, 2000; August 2000 dated December 13, 2000; and September 2000 dated December 26, 2000)

Unless otherwise stated, each data item in the publication is a quarterly rollup of three months of data from the DPA 266 – Fraud Investigation Activity Report.

CalWORKs Statewide Highlights July – September 2000

Investigation Requests

- 59,507 requests for investigation were **received** by California Special Investigative Units (SIUs) during the quarter, with a monthly average during the quarter of 19,836 investigation requests. The monthly average of investigation requests represents 3% of the 656,031 CalWORKs statewide caseload (monthly average during July – September 2000).
- 58,190 investigation requests were **accepted** for investigation during the quarter. This is 98% of the 59,507 investigation requests received.
 - ▶ 34,813 (60%) were Early Fraud Prevention/Detection Program (EFP/D) requests.
 - ▶ 11,791 (20%) were Income and Eligibility Verification System (IEVS) requests.
 - ▶ 7,017 (12%) were investigation requests for other reasons including other unreported income, homeless assistance, unreported resources/assets, duplicate/replaced warrants, duplicate aid, forgery, residence, fictitious identity, internal affairs, child care, drug felon, fleeing felon, probation/parole violators, and other miscellaneous elements of fraud.
 - ▶ 4,569 (8%) were family (household) composition requests.
- 148,343 investigations were **available** during the quarter.
 - ▶ 90,153 (61%) of the available investigations were **pending** at the beginning of the quarter (carried over from June 2000).
 - ▶ 58,190 (39%) of the available investigations were **accepted** for investigation during the quarter.

Investigations Completed and the Results

- 52,143 investigations were **completed** during the quarter. This is 35% of the 148,343 total investigations available.
 - ▶ 19,295 (37%) of the completed cases had evidence sufficient to support an allegation of fraud.
 - ▶ 32,848 (63%) of the completed cases did not have evidence sufficient to support an allegation of fraud.
- Of the 52,143 completed investigations, the **results** included:
 - ▶ 9,153 (18%) of the cases were denied, reduced or discontinued due to the Early Fraud Prevention/Detection Program.
 - ▶ 5,248 (10%) of the cases had restitution action taken.
 - ▶ 2,901 (6%) of the cases had fraud found, but with no adverse financial impact.
 - ▶ 1,937 (4%) of the cases were reduced or discontinued in non-Early Fraud cases.
 - ▶ 1,385 (3%) of the cases were referred for prosecution.
 - ▶ 696 (1%) of the cases had expiration of statutes.
 - ▶ 608 (1%) of the cases were referred to an Administrative Disqualification Hearing.

Note: Completed investigations could have multiple results. Completed investigations with allegation unfounded, insufficient evidence, and other miscellaneous results included in the 52,143 are not shown in this report.

Prosecution Activity

- 6,119 referrals were **available** to the District Attorney for prosecution during the quarter.
 - ▶ 4,813 (79%) were referrals **pending** at the beginning of the quarter (carried over from June 2000).
 - ▶ 1,306 (21%) were referrals **received** during the quarter.
- Of the 6,119 referrals available to the District Attorney for prosecution consideration during the quarter,
 - ▶ 1,362 **prosecutions** were filed. This is 22% of the available prosecution referrals.
 - ▶ 1,188 **convictions** were obtained. This is 19% of the available prosecution referrals.

Overpayments and Collections

- \$8,688,201 **fraud overpayments** were identified during the quarter.
- \$8,282,930 **collections** were made during the quarter.

Food Stamp Statewide Highlights July – September 2000

Investigation Requests

- 76,703 requests for investigation were **received** by California Special Investigative Units (SIUs) during the quarter, with a monthly average during the quarter of 25,568 investigation requests. The monthly average of investigation requests represents 4% of the 674,742 Food Stamp statewide caseload (monthly average during July – September 2000).
- 75,201 investigation requests were **accepted** for investigation during the quarter. This is 98% of the 76,703 investigation requests received.
 - ▶ 46,042 (61%) were Early Fraud Prevention/Detection Program (EFP/D) requests.
 - ▶ 15,643 (21%) were Income and Eligibility Verification System (IEVS) requests.
 - ▶ 8,681 (12%) were investigation requests for other reasons including other unreported income, unreported resources/assets, duplicate/replaced Food Stamps, duplicate aid, forgery, residence, fictitious identity, Food Stamp trafficking, internal affairs, child care, drug felon, fleeing felon, probation/parole violators, and other miscellaneous elements of fraud.
 - ▶ 4,835 (6%) were family (household) composition requests.
- 177,922 investigations were **available** during the quarter.
 - ▶ 102,721 (58%) of the available investigations were **pending** at the beginning of the quarter (carried over from June 2000).
 - ▶ 75,201 (42%) of the available investigations were **accepted** for investigation during the quarter.

Investigations Completed and the Results

- 67,844 investigations were **completed** during the quarter. This is 38% of the 177,922 total investigations available.
 - ▶ 24,480 (36%) of the completed cases had evidence sufficient to support an allegation of fraud.
 - ▶ 43,364 (64%) of the completed cases did not have evidence sufficient to support an allegation of fraud.
- Of the 67,844 completed investigations, the **results** included:
 - ▶ 12,084 (18%) of the cases were denied, reduced or discontinued due to the Early Fraud Prevention/Detection Program.
 - ▶ 6,558 (10%) of the cases had restitution action taken.
 - ▶ 3,180 (5%) of the cases had fraud found, but with no adverse financial impact.
 - ▶ 2,545 (4%) of the cases were reduced or discontinued in non-Early Fraud cases.
 - ▶ 1,461 (2%) of the cases were referred for prosecution.
 - ▶ 658 (1%) of the cases had expiration of statutes.
 - ▶ 646 (1%) of the cases were referred to an Administrative Disqualification Hearing.

Note: Completed investigations could have multiple results. Completed investigations with allegation unfounded, insufficient evidence, and other miscellaneous results included in the 67,844 are not shown in this report.

Prosecution Activity

- 5,917 referrals were **available** to the District Attorney for prosecution during the quarter.
 - ▶ 4,522 (76%) were referrals **pending** at the beginning of the quarter (carried over from June 2000).
 - ▶ 1,395 (24%) were referrals **received** during the quarter.

Of the 5,917 referrals available to the District Attorney for prosecution consideration during the quarter,

- 1,418 **prosecutions** were filed. This is 24% of the available prosecution referrals.
- 1,239 **convictions** were obtained. This is 21% of the available prosecution referrals.

Overissuances and Collections

- \$7,646,338 **fraud overissuances** were identified during the quarter.
- \$2,274,886 **collections** were made during the quarter.

Welfare Fraud Special Investigative Units**July - September 2000**

Below is a listing of the locations of each county's Welfare Fraud Special Investigative Unit(s).

County	County Welfare Department	District Attorney's Office	County Welfare Department and District Attorney's Office	Sheriff's Office
Statewide	30	17	9	2
Alameda			✓	
Alpine	✓			
Amador	✓			
Butte		✓		
Calaveras			✓	
Colusa		✓		
Contra Costa			✓	
Del Norte	✓			
El Dorado	✓			
Fresno		✓		
Glenn	✓			
Humboldt	✓			
Imperial		✓		
Inyo		✓		
Kern	✓			
Kings	✓			
Lake				✓
Lassen				✓
Los Angeles			✓	
Madera	✓			
Marin	✓			
Mariposa	✓			
Mendocino	✓			
Merced			✓	
Modoc		✓		
Mono		✓		
Monterey			✓	
Napa	✓			
Nevada	✓			
Orange		✓		
Placer	✓			
Plumas	✓			
Riverside	✓			
Sacramento	✓			
San Benito	✓			
San Bernardino	✓			
San Diego		✓		
San Francisco		✓		
San Joaquin			✓	
San Luis Obispo	✓			
San Mateo	✓			
Santa Barbara		✓		
Santa Clara		✓		
Santa Cruz	✓			
Shasta		✓		
Sierra	✓			
Siskiyou		✓		
Solano	✓			
Sonoma	✓			
Stanislaus	✓			
Sutter			✓	
Tehama		✓		
Trinity	✓			
Tulare		✓		
Tuolumne	✓			
Ventura		✓		
Yolo			✓	
Yuba	✓			

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Tables

TABLE 1
California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids (CalWORKs) Program
FRAUD INVESTIGATIONS BY SPECIAL INVESTIGATIVE UNITS
July - September 2000

County	CalWORKs Caseload ^{a/}	Investigation Requests		Investigations Completed	Evidence to Support an Allegation of Fraud		Investigations Pending End of Quarter ^{b/}
		Received	Accepted		Sufficient	Not Sufficient	
Statewide	656,031	59,507	58,190	52,143	19,295	32,848	96,051
Alameda	24,806	1,411	1,407	1,058	734	324	5,721
Alpine	35	8	8	9	1	8	13
Amador	299	51	51	33	7	26	148
Butte	6,121	379	302	312	126	186	2,153
Calaveras	620	260	260	260	69	191	2
Colusa	231	12	12	42	2	40	100
Contra Costa	11,560	575	557	648	374	274	750
Del Norte	988	72	72	84	47	37	15
El Dorado	1,353	220	220	152	94	58	414
Fresno	26,924	1,089	959	1,727	942	785	5,577
Glenn	638	170	170	192	57	135	36
Humboldt	3,059	167	167	151	62	89	240
Imperial	4,670	216	206	193	155	38	310
Inyo	277	6	6	2	0	2	14
Kern	19,644	3,075	3,025	2,936	994	1,942	1,087
Kings	2,635	604	603	862	134	728	391
Lake	2,096	80	80	63	36	27	108
Lassen	629	29	29	23	3	20	73
Los Angeles	255,105	19,482	19,384	14,910	4,474	10,436	36,552
Madera	3,400	552	552	350	56	294	598
Marin	980	63	63	46	30	16	196
Mariposa	226	21	20	41	12	29	53
Mendocino	2,262	136	136	127	63	64	300
Merced	6,879	690	690	611	161	450	492
Modoc	255	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mono	70	1	1	2	1	1	0
Monterey	5,288	341	331	204	73	131	1,969
Napa	655	43	43	16	4	12	293
Nevada	681	50	44	37	17	20	42
Orange	23,487	2,979	2,749	2,827	1,731	1,096	3,142
Placer	1,812	78	78	70	26	44	242
Plumas	269	35	35	37	27	10	8
Riverside	25,309	6,406	6,400	6,303	2,017	4,286	955
Sacramento	38,839	2,289	2,138	1,765	741	1,024	5,005
San Benito	604	46	46	44	20	24	29
San Bernardino	43,698	3,953	3,925	3,358	1,041	2,317	9,197
San Diego	36,121	5,697	5,246	5,158	1,739	3,419	2,438
San Francisco	8,471	449	449	306	137	169	1,739
San Joaquin	15,727	234	234	222	135	87	330
San Luis Obispo	2,190	159	155	134	78	56	130
San Mateo	2,218	184	184	158	91	67	58
Santa Barbara	5,504	208	208	219	77	142	254
Santa Clara	14,204	573	573	318	288	30	6,248
Santa Cruz	2,223	400	398	397	110	287	74
Shasta	4,526	291	291	285	149	136	763
Sierra	42	10	10	8	0	8	2
Siskiyou	1,098	324	324	357	125	232	59
Solano	5,548	1,168	1,151	1,130	550	580	1,750
Sonoma	3,289	252	244	280	170	110	1,629
Stanislaus	10,148	857	843	704	430	274	1,081
Sutter	1,435	253	253	236	90	146	139
Tehama	1,564	30	30	35	3	32	599
Trinity	309	38	38	33	24	9	36
Tulare	12,272	1,675	1,674	1,565	343	1,222	1,868
Tuolumne	943	244	244	241	76	165	212
Ventura	6,576	139	139	151	49	102	108
Yolo	2,862	244	244	225	100	125	278
Yuba	2,359	489	489	486	200	286	31

a/ Effective with the October 1999 report month, the source form (CA 237 CalWORKs) was changed to collect families data from Two Parent Families, Zero Parent Families and All Other Families. Foster Care caseload data from the CA 237 FC is also included. The data is a monthly average for the quarter. NOTE: County numbers do not add to Statewide total due to rounding.

b/ Data is from DPA 266 September 2000 Item 7 Investigations pending at end of month. The investigations pending numbers include county case adjustments that occurred during the quarter. NOTE: The statewide total of Investigations pending at the *beginning* of the quarter, from DPA 266 July 2000 Item 4, was 90,153.

TABLE 2
California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids (CalWORKs) Program
REQUESTS ACCEPTED FOR INVESTIGATION BY PRIMARY ELEMENT OF FRAUD
July - September 2000

County	Early Fraud Prevention/ Detection	Income and Eligibility Verification System	Family (Household) Composition	Other Unreported Income	Residence	Unreported Resources/ Assets	Other ^{a/}
Statewide	34,813	11,791	4,569	2,173	995	535	3,314
Alameda	434	517	81	105	18	0	252
Alpine	8	0	0	0	0	0	0
Amador	0	14	5	7	4	3	18
Butte	68	24	71	31	7	4	97
Calaveras	205	6	23	9	7	4	6
Colusa	0	0	3	5	1	1	2
Contra Costa	283	98	12	49	0	4	111
Del Norte	13	3	23	2	20	2	9
El Dorado	43	24	63	55	11	4	20
Fresno	441	226	127	80	11	1	73
Glenn	37	7	37	36	26	9	18
Humboldt	49	2	56	21	3	5	31
Imperial	118	1	35	11	30	2	9
Inyo	1	5	0	0	0	0	0
Kern	1,690	11	357	82	35	18	832
Kings	500	2	61	17	17	2	4
Lake	1	0	62	4	10	1	2
Lassen	4	0	10	8	2	2	3
Los Angeles	10,190	8,034	273	189	0	118	580
Madera	441	13	51	14	7	4	22
Marin	9	27	9	7	3	2	6
Mariposa	13	1	4	1	0	1	0
Mendocino	14	65	23	31	2	1	0
Merced	440	51	95	47	8	19	30
Modoc	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mono	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Monterey	131	11	51	25	20	1	92
Napa	4	0	15	3	2	4	15
Nevada	13	1	15	6	8	0	1
Orange	1,903	448	112	204	1	13	68
Placer	8	2	29	19	8	5	7
Plumas	13	13	5	1	0	2	1
Riverside	5,764	147	210	85	28	36	130
Sacramento	1,687	180	71	35	19	6	140
San Benito	16	5	8	7	2	0	8
San Bernardino	1,515	87	1,320	331	393	114	165
San Diego	4,498	424	107	101	29	16	71
San Francisco	159	242	2	10	3	0	33
San Joaquin	154	26	7	18	1	6	22
San Luis Obispo	23	36	45	25	6	4	16
San Mateo	32	29	39	51	3	1	29
Santa Barbara	34	25	81	31	7	5	25
Santa Clara	199	163	69	59	12	8	63
Santa Cruz	268	91	15	7	2	13	2
Shasta	123	5	113	28	16	3	3
Sierra	0	0	6	2	1	0	1
Siskiyou	93	3	71	14	71	46	26
Solano	764	234	69	28	17	10	29
Sonoma	93	69	37	7	0	4	34
Stanislaus	98	280	259	120	57	4	25
Sutter	175	7	25	19	6	1	20
Tehama	11	0	7	7	2	0	3
Trinity	16	6	6	5	0	3	2
Tulare	1,276	77	189	56	16	16	44
Tuolumne	197	2	25	6	9	0	5
Ventura	126	0	4	4	0	0	5
Yolo	135	22	32	15	11	4	25
Yuba	283	24	44	33	23	3	79

a/ "Other" includes homeless assistance, duplicate warrants, duplicate (multiple) aid, forgery, fictitious identity, internal affairs, child care, drug felon, fleeing felon, probation/parole violators, and other miscellaneous elements of fraud.

TABLE 3
California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids (CalWORKs) Program
INVESTIGATION RESULTS^{a/}
July - September 2000

County	Early Fraud (Denials/Benefits Reduced/ Discontinuances)	Referred for		Restitution Action	Benefits Reduced or Discontinued (Non-Early Fraud)	Fraud Found, No Adverse Financial Impact	Expiration of Statutes
		Prosecution	Administrative Disqualification Hearing				
Statewide	9,153	1,385	608	5,248	1,937	2,901	696
Alameda	284	232	1	206	2	9	9
Alpine	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Amador	0	1	0	1	4	1	0
Butte	66	11	0	11	36	2	0
Calaveras	53	0	1	3	11	0	0
Colusa	0	1	0	0	0	1	0
Contra Costa	62	51	26	89	11	138	0
Del Norte	9	5	0	2	15	17	0
El Dorado	8	6	0	14	7	59	0
Fresno	152	112	376	165	117	20	308
Glenn	5	0	0	17	10	25	0
Humboldt	26	8	0	30	25	2	0
Imperial	6	7	0	7	17	7	0
Inyo	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kern	565	17	9	64	155	184	4
Kings	103	13	0	4	3	11	0
Lake	5	4	0	9	16	10	0
Lassen	0	0	0	0	3	0	0
Los Angeles	2,016	175	0	1,759	85	1,361	0
Madera	2	10	0	9	35	0	0
Marin	4	0	0	18	14	5	0
Mariposa	8	0	0	0	4	0	9
Mendocino	2	6	0	40	2	13	4
Merced	61	31	0	32	55	7	0
Modoc	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mono	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Monterey	31	6	0	1	30	3	1
Napa	3	2	0	0	0	0	0
Nevada	7	1	0	2	7	0	0
Orange	756	46	24	629	353	219	8
Placer	5	7	0	5	9	0	0
Plumas	2	2	0	11	4	7	0
Riverside	1,694	70	0	201	0	52	0
Sacramento	398	73	30	183	45	12	254
San Benito	5	1	1	3	7	3	2
San Bernardino	295	69	23	254	328	284	0
San Diego	1,094	74	79	553	37	92	0
San Francisco	82	8	0	9	13	0	2
San Joaquin	91	31	0	1	8	11	9
San Luis Obispo	20	8	0	7	36	7	0
San Mateo	29	8	0	27	16	11	0
Santa Barbara	16	12	0	32	26	7	0
Santa Clara	77	76	0	135	0	0	0
Santa Cruz	81	6	0	18	5	0	0
Shasta	45	14	0	4	39	47	1
Sierra	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Siskiyou	29	0	0	22	67	7	0
Solano	308	56	0	143	0	43	4
Sonoma	61	6	14	163	49	85	3
Stanislaus	44	22	24	252	185	32	0
Sutter	64	1	0	8	3	17	0
Tehama	3	0	0	0	0	0	0
Trinity	10	3	0	1	4	6	0
Tulare	237	49	0	53	0	4	43
Tuolumne	39	0	0	4	16	20	0
Ventura	48	1	0	0	0	0	35
Yolo	22	23	0	22	11	35	0
Yuba	120	19	0	25	12	24	0

a/ This table reflects the outcome of an investigation. In some instances an investigation may have more than one outcome reported. Therefore, the data displayed on this table may not correspond to the numbers on Table 1.

TABLE 4
California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids (CalWORKs) Program
DISTRICT ATTORNEY PROSECUTION ACTIVITY
July - September 2000

County	Referrals Received	Referrals Available ^{a/}	Prosecutions Filed	Decision Made Not to Prosecute
Statewide	1,306	6,119	1,362	109
Alameda	232	580	236	17
Alpine	0	0	0	0
Amador	1	25	1	0
Butte	10	167	14	0
Calaveras	0	0	0	0
Colusa	1	1	0	1
Contra Costa	21	63	16	0
Del Norte	5	45	0	0
El Dorado	6	6	6	0
Fresno	112	172	123	1
Glenn	1	4	1	0
Humboldt	11	11	10	0
Imperial	8	24	7	0
Inyo	0	0	0	0
Kern	17	75	21	7
Kings	13	48	15	12
Lake	0	116	11	2
Lassen	0	0	0	0
Los Angeles	175	489	191	30
Madera	10	10	10	0
Marin	0	1	1	0
Mariposa	0	3	0	0
Mendocino	6	33	23	0
Merced	31	446	19	0
Modoc	0	0	0	0
Mono	1	1	0	0
Monterey	6	38	4	1
Napa	2	43	3	0
Nevada	1	1	1	0
Orange	38	75	40	2
Placer	7	137	7	0
Plumas	2	15	1	0
Riverside	55	87	63	4
Sacramento	73	405	77	8
San Benito	1	2	1	0
San Bernardino	69	479	62	0
San Diego	63	612	114	0
San Francisco	8	103	7	2
San Joaquin	31	65	19	8
San Luis Obispo	8	8	8	0
San Mateo	8	49	11	0
Santa Barbara	15	15	15	0
Santa Clara	76	1,030	66	0
Santa Cruz	6	6	6	0
Shasta	14	18	10	0
Sierra	0	1	0	0
Siskiyou	0	2	0	0
Solano	56	401	44	6
Sonoma	6	16	1	0
Stanislaus	22	22	22	0
Sutter	1	1	0	1
Tehama	0	0	0	0
Trinity	3	3	0	0
Tulare	49	65	40	2
Tuolumne	0	8	0	0
Ventura	2	12	0	1
Yolo	23	23	23	0
Yuba	0	57	12	4

a/ Data is from DPA 266 July 2000 Item 23 Referrals pending beginning of month plus July, August, and September 2000's Item 24 Referrals received during the month.

TABLE 5
California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids (CalWORKs) Program
PROSECUTION OUTCOMES^{a/}
July - September 2000

County	Convictions	Administrative Action	Disqualification Consent Agreements	Charge Pleaded	Dismissals	Acquittals	Declinations	Expiration of Statutes
Statewide	1,188	13	221	110	181	1	42	7
Alameda	178	0	178	0	98	0	17	0
Alpine	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Amador	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Butte	0	0	0	14	0	0	0	0
Calaveras	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Colusa	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
Contra Costa	11	0	0	11	3	0	0	0
Del Norte	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
El Dorado	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fresno	119	1	0	0	5	0	0	0
Glenn	3	0	4	1	0	0	0	0
Humboldt	7	0	9	0	1	0	0	0
Imperial	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Inyo	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kern	25	0	0	0	3	0	0	2
Kings	10	0	4	0	2	0	10	0
Lake	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lassen	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Los Angeles	135	0	0	0	16	0	0	0
Madera	8	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
Marin	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mariposa	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mendocino	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Merced	6	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Modoc	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mono	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Monterey	0	0	0	3	3	0	0	0
Napa	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nevada	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Orange	43	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Placer	9	0	4	0	0	0	0	0
Plumas	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Riverside	71	0	0	73	1	0	0	0
Sacramento	63	0	0	0	7	0	0	0
San Benito	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
San Bernardino	129	0	0	0	13	0	0	0
San Diego	85	0	0	0	6	0	0	0
San Francisco	5	1	0	0	0	0	1	0
San Joaquin	21	1	0	0	6	0	3	5
San Luis Obispo	6	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
San Mateo	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Santa Barbara	10	0	1	0	1	0	0	0
Santa Clara	66	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Santa Cruz	6	0	0	0	1	0	2	0
Shasta	20	0	1	0	1	0	0	0
Sierra	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Siskiyou	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Solano	15	0	0	0	3	0	6	0
Sonoma	10	5	0	0	1	0	0	0
Stanislaus	33	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
Sutter	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Tehama	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Trinity	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tulare	40	0	0	0	3	0	0	0
Tuolumne	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ventura	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Yolo	23	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Yuba	4	0	18	7	4	1	0	0

a/ This table reflects the outcome of a prosecution. In some instances a prosecution may have more than one outcome reported.

TABLE 6
California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids (CalWORKs) Program
FRAUD OVERPAYMENTS AND COLLECTIONS
July - September 2000

County	Fraud Overpayments Identified	Total Collections
Statewide	\$8,688,201	\$8,282,930
Alameda	1,707,174	388,302
Alpine	0	0
Amador	242	200
Butte	17,593	47,876
Calaveras	4,727	1,535
Colusa	0	242
Contra Costa	210,767	77,381
Del Norte	170	5,672
El Dorado	12,580	22,230
Fresno	247,281	232,408
Glenn	11,570	11,273
Humboldt	72,987	10,171
Imperial	15,827	8,276
Inyo	0	423
Kern	363,274	158,978
Kings	52,437	62,880
Lake	1,511	7,299
Lassen	1,613	6,605
Los Angeles	822,961	3,124,387
Madera	39,507	26,193
Marin	6,223	24,535
Mariposa	0	0
Mendocino	86,216	17,661
Merced	73,753	8,530
Modoc	0	0
Mono	0	0
Monterey	60,012	69,528
Napa	3,588	8,853
Nevada	3,859	10,558
Orange	362,731	433,900
Placer	58,920	43,194
Plumas	4,097	3,995
Riverside	388,206	274,681
Sacramento	809,268	478,357
San Benito	3,665	29,364
San Bernardino	488,254	386,920
San Diego	612,271	635,175
San Francisco	196,762	284,972
San Joaquin	88,767	58,529
San Luis Obispo	64,051	8,634
San Mateo	72,556	9,475
Santa Barbara	66,827	137,486
Santa Clara	550,694	409,302
Santa Cruz	29,413	65,929
Shasta	26,402	17,984
Sierra	249	652
Siskiyou	28,800	31,800
Solano	353,301	98,933
Sonoma	117,656	152,581
Stanislaus	180,520	123,225
Sutter	9,231	8,028
Tehama	0	2,124
Trinity	11,767	1,752
Tulare	267,382	0
Tuolumne	288	6,461
Ventura	0	149,138
Yolo	59,364	60,300
Yuba	20,887	38,043

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TABLE 7
Food Stamp Program
FRAUD INVESTIGATIONS BY SPECIAL INVESTIGATIVE UNITS
July - September 2000

County	Participating Households ^{a/}	Investigation Requests		Investigations Completed	Evidence to Support an Allegation of Fraud		Investigations Pending End of Quarter ^{b/}
		Received	Accepted		Sufficient	Not Sufficient	
Statewide	674,742	76,703	75,201	67,844	24,480	43,364	109,958
Alameda	23,402	1,571	1,567	1,202	794	408	3,251
Alpine	28	11	11	13	2	11	24
Amador	355	62	62	42	8	34	158
Butte	6,294	363	283	258	105	153	2,242
Calaveras	707	349	349	349	100	249	4
Colusa	342	28	28	98	8	90	143
Contra Costa	9,477	631	610	741	426	315	763
Del Norte	1,190	111	111	128	74	54	24
El Dorado	1,466	285	285	202	124	78	498
Fresno	24,643	1,233	1,095	1,581	1,045	536	2,892
Glenn	737	288	288	289	92	197	104
Humboldt	3,871	260	257	239	87	152	270
Imperial	4,993	254	244	220	176	44	329
Inyo	423	95	95	6	1	5	151
Kern	18,156	3,407	3,358	3,275	1,159	2,116	1,125
Kings	3,588	826	825	1,239	179	1,060	460
Lake	2,343	92	92	77	47	30	134
Lassen	714	37	37	27	3	24	93
Los Angeles	276,404	28,883	28,714	23,239	5,739	17,500	47,964
Madera	4,161	802	802	551	70	481	680
Marin	1,521	90	90	64	45	19	250
Mariposa	304	32	32	53	16	37	87
Mendocino	2,607	176	176	160	73	87	346
Merced	7,288	978	978	920	246	674	359
Modoc	319	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mono	85	1	1	1	0	1	0
Monterey	5,419	381	371	218	81	137	1,682
Napa	810	69	69	26	6	20	390
Nevada	777	59	50	49	20	29	67
Orange	23,918	3,275	3,009	3,191	2,207	984	3,046
Placer	1,653	117	117	120	61	59	268
Plumas	254	48	48	48	31	17	13
Riverside	21,560	8,427	8,421	8,283	3,112	5,171	1,093
Sacramento	35,426	1,993	1,958	1,576	656	920	5,454
San Benito	624	41	41	42	26	16	38
San Bernardino	43,920	4,604	4,575	3,998	1,322	2,676	11,041
San Diego	31,855	5,517	4,893	4,800	1,896	2,904	2,998
San Francisco	12,954	1,136	1,136	775	416	359	3,456
San Joaquin	15,178	212	212	214	141	73	328
San Luis Obispo	2,649	212	206	202	105	97	177
San Mateo	2,002	206	206	203	102	101	140
Santa Barbara	5,080	268	268	284	90	194	229
Santa Clara	14,056	557	557	330	301	29	6,815
Santa Cruz	2,650	762	760	752	182	570	104
Shasta	5,450	419	419	392	199	193	910
Sierra	47	11	11	7	0	7	4
Siskiyou	1,348	567	567	635	225	410	71
Solano	5,151	1,420	1,404	1,349	587	762	2,236
Sonoma	3,538	322	318	413	228	185	2,090
Stanislaus	10,573	1,104	1,085	984	613	371	1,311
Sutter	1,575	356	356	347	139	208	137
Tehama	1,764	30	30	35	3	32	497
Trinity	338	60	60	71	52	19	49
Tulare	14,451	1,889	1,888	1,749	382	1,367	1,900
Tuolumne	948	361	361	346	123	223	285
Ventura	8,143	330	330	409	147	262	344
Yolo	2,691	443	443	378	135	243	402
Yuba	2,521	642	642	644	273	371	32

a/ Data is the monthly average of the July-September 2000 quarter of Federal and State Public Assistance and Nonassistance Food Stamp participating households from the DFA 256 report. NOTE: County numbers do not add to Statewide total due to rounding.

b/ Data is from DPA 266 September 2000 Item 7 Investigations pending at the end of the month. The investigations pending numbers include county case adjustments that occurred during the quarter. NOTE: The statewide total of Investigations pending at the beginning of the quarter from DPA 266 July 2000 Item 4 was 102,721.

TABLE 8
Food Stamp Program
REQUESTS ACCEPTED FOR INVESTIGATION BY PRIMARY ELEMENT OF FRAUD
July - September 2000

County	Early Fraud Prevention/Detection	Income and Eligibility Verification System	Family (Household) Composition	Other Unreported Income	Residence	Unreported Resources/Assets	Other ^{a/}
Statewide	46,042	15,643	4,835	2,620	1,171	679	4,211
Alameda	555	586	76	134	16	0	200
Alpine	11	0	0	0	0	0	0
Amador	0	22	5	8	2	4	21
Butte	72	26	73	37	16	4	55
Calaveras	287	7	26	10	8	5	6
Colusa	0	0	4	10	4	1	9
Contra Costa	249	131	13	52	0	5	160
Del Norte	24	6	28	2	32	2	17
El Dorado	63	32	69	65	21	8	27
Fresno	504	264	142	92	11	1	81
Glenn	106	8	48	45	32	18	31
Humboldt	49	2	72	24	5	5	100
Imperial	140	1	40	14	34	3	12
Inyo	3	84	3	3	0	2	0
Kern	1,704	14	375	86	37	19	1,123
Kings	670	3	63	27	26	3	33
Lake	1	0	68	7	12	2	2
Lassen	5	0	12	10	4	3	3
Los Angeles	16,597	10,629	309	344	0	164	671
Madera	677	22	52	17	7	6	21
Marin	12	37	9	7	4	4	17
Mariposa	24	1	3	2	1	1	0
Mendocino	16	92	19	43	3	2	1
Merced	688	85	97	53	9	20	26
Modoc	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mono	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Monterey	158	13	48	28	18	0	106
Napa	7	0	17	5	3	4	33
Nevada	19	1	16	6	8	0	0
Orange	2,127	526	106	220	1	15	14
Placer	27	4	32	20	12	7	15
Plumas	21	14	9	1	0	2	1
Riverside	7,707	208	219	97	29	41	120
Sacramento	1,538	168	71	37	33	6	105
San Benito	20	4	7	7	1	1	1
San Bernardino	1,891	98	1,421	350	449	138	228
San Diego	4,006	603	95	119	29	14	27
San Francisco	279	485	2	12	4	0	354
San Joaquin	147	29	7	17	2	5	5
San Luis Obispo	30	55	51	30	10	7	23
San Mateo	34	34	28	49	3	0	58
Santa Barbara	46	30	80	34	9	7	62
Santa Clara	151	197	69	65	11	7	57
Santa Cruz	568	139	15	5	2	23	8
Shasta	228	6	120	32	23	5	5
Sierra	0	0	6	2	1	1	1
Siskiyou	294	3	72	13	91	63	31
Solano	999	272	67	37	11	11	7
Sonoma	93	87	35	7	0	4	92
Stanislaus	148	425	255	162	58	7	30
Sutter	264	11	25	22	6	1	27
Tehama	11	0	7	7	2	0	3
Trinity	27	6	8	6	0	4	9
Tulare	1,396	115	214	69	18	17	59
Tuolumne	312	2	31	5	7	0	4
Ventura	300	0	15	12	0	0	3
Yolo	313	30	34	18	13	4	31
Yuba	424	26	47	34	33	3	75

a/ "Other" includes replaced lost Food Stamps, duplicate (multiple) aid, forgery, fictitious identity, Food Stamp trafficking, internal affairs, child care, drug felon, fleeing felon, probation/parole violators, and other miscellaneous elements of fraud.

TABLE 9
Food Stamp Program
INVESTIGATION RESULTS^{a/}
July - September 2000

County	Early Fraud (Denials/Benefits Reduced/ Discontinuances)	Referred for		Restitution Action	Benefits Reduced or Discontinued (Non-Early Fraud)	Fraud Found, No Adverse Financial Impact	Expiration of Statutes
		Prosecution	Administrative Disqualification Hearing				
Statewide	12,084	1,461	646	6,558	2,545	3,180	658
Alameda	329	253	1	188	15	8	6
Alpine	1	0	0	0	0	1	0
Amador	0	1	0	0	6	1	0
Butte	47	11	0	11	36	0	0
Calaveras	83	0	2	3	11	0	0
Colusa	0	5	0	0	0	3	0
Contra Costa	78	46	29	117	11	146	1
Del Norte	19	6	0	2	24	23	0
El Dorado	13	6	0	22	9	74	0
Fresno	199	104	370	216	132	24	199
Glenn	18	0	0	25	18	31	0
Humboldt	38	8	0	37	31	6	0
Imperial	7	8	0	9	19	7	0
Inyo	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Kern	689	18	9	73	183	187	5
Kings	144	15	0	3	6	11	0
Lake	5	4	0	16	21	14	0
Lassen	0	0	0	0	3	0	0
Los Angeles	2,477	153	0	2,400	115	1,638	0
Madera	3	17	0	11	39	0	0
Marin	7	0	0	27	17	8	0
Mariposa	12	0	0	0	4	0	9
Mendocino	2	6	0	53	1	11	15
Merced	99	51	0	60	66	8	0
Modoc	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mono	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Monterey	36	4	0	1	36	2	0
Napa	7	0	0	0	0	1	0
Nevada	10	1	0	1	8	0	0
Orange	1,045	42	22	661	495	50	10
Placer	19	11	0	10	21	0	0
Plumas	6	2	0	12	7	5	0
Riverside	2,750	88	0	273	0	1	0
Sacramento	392	69	29	126	29	11	233
San Benito	6	1	1	4	10	4	1
San Bernardino	404	73	29	321	389	372	0
San Diego	1,071	64	104	738	41	87	0
San Francisco	155	20	0	42	160	0	2
San Joaquin	98	32	0	2	9	10	9
San Luis Obispo	27	9	0	14	48	7	0
San Mateo	33	7	0	34	17	11	0
Santa Barbara	19	18	0	37	32	7	0
Santa Clara	60	80	0	161	0	0	0
Santa Cruz	146	6	0	22	8	0	0
Shasta	64	14	0	5	46	70	0
Sierra	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Siskiyou	114	0	0	14	82	15	0
Solano	402	52	0	102	0	31	28
Sonoma	65	7	15	171	58	129	6
Stanislaus	57	27	34	398	195	36	11
Sutter	103	5	1	12	6	18	0
Tehama	3	0	0	0	0	0	0
Trinity	16	4	0	5	16	11	0
Tulare	260	51	0	64	0	7	69
Tuolumne	78	0	0	5	15	32	2
Ventura	132	15	0	0	0	0	52
Yolo	75	24	0	24	12	36	0
Yuba	161	22	0	26	38	26	0

a/ This table reflects the outcome of an investigation. In some instances an investigation may have more than one outcome reported. Therefore, the data displayed on this table may not correspond to the numbers on Table 7.

TABLE 10
Food Stamp Program
DISTRICT ATTORNEY PROSECUTION ACTIVITY
July - September 2000

County	Referrals Received	Referrals Available ^{a/}	Prosecutions Filed	Decision Made Not to Prosecute
Statewide	1,395	5,917	1,418	152
Alameda	253	570	263	19
Alpine	0	0	0	0
Amador	1	5	1	0
Butte	10	184	14	0
Calaveras	0	0	0	0
Colusa	5	5	1	4
Contra Costa	19	61	16	0
Del Norte	6	46	0	0
El Dorado	6	6	6	0
Fresno	104	172	114	1
Glenn	2	3	2	0
Humboldt	11	11	10	0
Imperial	9	25	7	0
Inyo	1	1	1	0
Kern	18	77	20	5
Kings	15	52	16	13
Lake	0	159	11	2
Lassen	0	0	0	0
Los Angeles	153	692	180	33
Madera	17	17	11	6
Marin	0	2	1	1
Mariposa	0	3	0	0
Mendocino	6	43	24	0
Merced	51	529	23	0
Modoc	0	0	0	0
Mono	0	0	0	0
Monterey	4	33	2	1
Napa	0	43	3	0
Nevada	1	1	1	0
Orange	39	82	37	4
Placer	11	170	13	0
Plumas	2	13	1	0
Riverside	80	112	80	11
Sacramento	69	338	77	9
San Benito	1	3	1	0
San Bernardino	73	523	65	0
San Diego	54	509	109	0
San Francisco	20	151	10	11
San Joaquin	32	57	19	10
San Luis Obispo	9	9	9	0
San Mateo	7	44	10	0
Santa Barbara	21	21	19	2
Santa Clara	80	491	70	0
Santa Cruz	6	6	6	0
Shasta	14	18	9	0
Sierra	0	1	0	0
Siskiyou	0	2	0	0
Solano	52	381	43	7
Sonoma	7	17	1	0
Stanislaus	27	27	27	0
Sutter	5	5	0	5
Tehama	0	0	0	0
Trinity	4	4	1	0
Tulare	51	70	43	2
Tuolumne	0	9	0	0
Ventura	15	27	4	2
Yolo	24	24	24	0
Yuba	0	63	13	4

a/ Data is from DPA 266 July 2000 Item 23 Referrals pending beginning of month plus July, August and September 2000's Item 24 Referrals received during the month.

TABLE 11
Food Stamp Program
PROSECUTION OUTCOMES^{a/}
July - September 2000

County	Convictions	Administrative Action	Disqualification Consent Agreements	Charge Pleaded	Dismissals	Acquittals	Declinations	Expiration of Statutes
Statewide	1,239	22	264	132	187	0	49	6
Alameda	201	0	201	0	102	0	19	0
Alpine	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Amador	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Butte	0	0	0	14	0	0	0	0
Calaveras	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Colusa	0	1	4	0	0	0	0	0
Contra Costa	11	0	0	11	3	0	0	0
Del Norte	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
El Dorado	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fresno	114	0	0	0	5	0	0	0
Glenn	4	0	3	1	0	0	0	0
Humboldt	8	0	12	0	1	0	0	0
Imperial	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Inyo	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Kern	22	0	0	0	3	0	0	1
Kings	8	0	5	0	1	0	9	0
Lake	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lassen	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Los Angeles	136	0	0	0	15	0	0	0
Madera	8	1	4	0	0	0	0	0
Marin	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Mariposa	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mendocino	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Merced	8	0	0	0	0	0	2	0
Modoc	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mono	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Monterey	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
Napa	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nevada	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Orange	42	3	0	0	0	0	0	0
Placer	0	0	7	8	0	0	0	0
Plumas	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Riverside	86	0	0	88	1	0	0	0
Sacramento	60	0	0	0	8	0	0	0
San Benito	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
San Bernardino	135	0	0	0	16	0	0	0
San Diego	81	0	0	0	8	0	0	0
San Francisco	7	9	0	0	1	0	2	0
San Joaquin	15	2	0	0	6	0	5	5
San Luis Obispo	9	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
San Mateo	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Santa Barbara	7	0	2	0	1	0	0	0
Santa Clara	70	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Santa Cruz	8	0	0	0	1	0	1	0
Shasta	21	0	1	0	1	0	0	0
Sierra	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Siskiyou	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Solano	15	0	0	0	3	0	7	0
Sonoma	9	4	0	0	1	0	0	0
Stanislaus	33	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
Sutter	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0
Tehama	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Trinity	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Tulare	47	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
Tuolumne	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ventura	18	0	0	0	0	0	2	0
Yolo	26	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Yuba	4	0	19	8	4	0	0	0

a/ This table reflects the outcome of a prosecution. In some instances a prosecution may have more than one outcome reported.

TABLE 12
Food Stamp Program
FRAUD OVERISSUANCES AND COLLECTIONS
July - September 2000

County	Fraud Overissuances Identified	Total Collections
Statewide	\$7,646,338	\$2,274,886
Alameda	852,159	358,781
Alpine	0	0
Amador	0	90
Butte	9,929	16,613
Calaveras	10,111	630
Colusa	629	724
Contra Costa	107,570	52,008
Del Norte	7,312	3,878
El Dorado	11,310	23,326
Fresno	151,884	51,891
Glenn	9,986	13,764
Humboldt	18,319	7,925
Imperial	13,692	0
Inyo	0	1,414
Kern	170,299	92,134
Kings	29,855	52,789
Lake	0	1,596
Lassen	1,457	621
Los Angeles	3,378,969	65,607
Madera	33,630	21,379
Marin	5,930	18,599
Mariposa	0	0
Mendocino	36,101	13,058
Merced	63,798	8,388
Modoc	0	0
Mono	0	0
Monterey	15,542	27,981
Napa	361	457
Nevada	1,294	3,849
Orange	165,001	116,077
Placer	17,184	18,098
Plumas	2,501	3,171
Riverside	328,768	88,761
Sacramento	309,998	181,043
San Benito	2,340	7,575
San Bernardino	238,726	175,817
San Diego	460,287	55,357
San Francisco	180,962	276,221
San Joaquin	40,765	30,436
San Luis Obispo	29,248	10,116
San Mateo	46,153	9,091
Santa Barbara	26,395	43,489
Santa Clara	187,172	39,616
Santa Cruz	11,605	13,036
Shasta	17,892	6,973
Sierra	154	384
Siskiyou	7,400	11,800
Solano	153,240	68,544
Sonoma	30,330	38,172
Stanislaus	204,967	107,478
Sutter	3,457	4,579
Tehama	0	1,922
Trinity	4,926	1,831
Tulare	206,471	0
Tuolumne	752	2,392
Ventura	0	58,244
Yolo	28,900	51,929
Yuba	10,607	15,232