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Working Connections Child Care (WCCC) Subsidy Program

Working Connections Child Care (WCCC) is a subsidy program that helps eligible low-income families pay for child care while parents are working or participating in DSHS-approved work, training or education activities. The Department of Early Learning (DEL) sets policies for child care subsidy programs and DSHS determines family eligibility and pays providers for authorized services.

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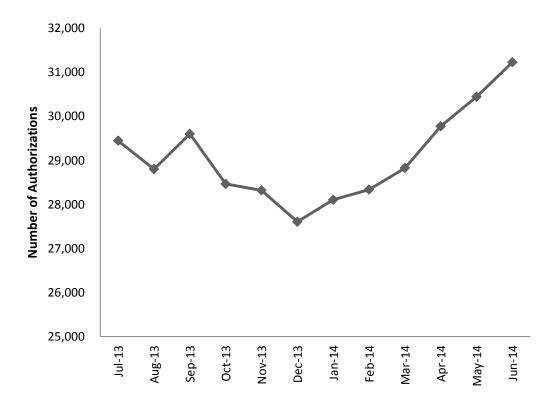
- In SFY 2014, ESA authorized WCCC for a monthly average of 29,081¹ families, an increase of 10% from SFY 2013 (26,409).
- The program served a monthly average of 27,592 families in SFY 2014. TANF families averaged 5,639 or 20.4% of the WCCC caseload per month, a decrease of 4.2% from SFY 2013.
- The monthly number of children served by the program was 47,243 in SFY 2014, a 9.1% increase from 43,285 in SFY 2013. Of these, 9,119 or 19.3% were TANF children.

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¹ These are end-of-the-month authorizations as of October 1, 2014.

Working Connections Child Care (WCCC) Authorizations by Month SFY 2014²

Source: ESA Barcode

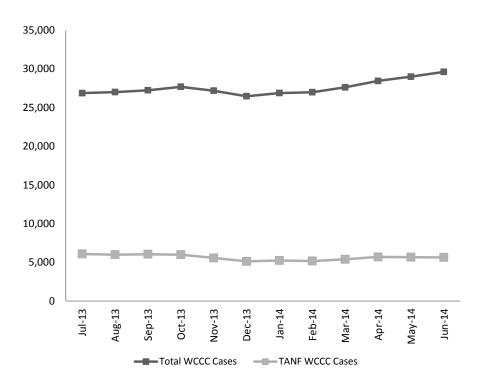


SFY 2014	Authorizations
July	29,448
August	28,803
September	29,602
October	28,467
November	28,319
December	27,606
January	28,107
February	28,338
March	28,828
April	29,776
May	30,447
June	31,232
Mo. Avg.	29.081

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Working Connections Child Care (WCCC) Caseload³ by Month SFY 2014

Source: Department of Early Learning



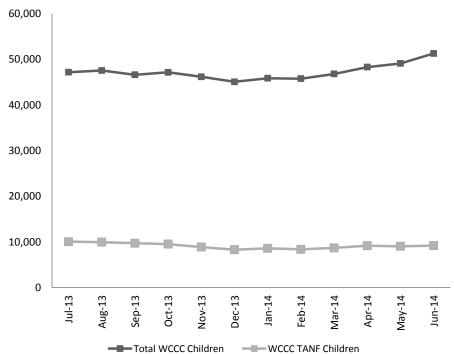
			% of WCCC
	Total WCCC	TANF WCCC	Households using
SFY 2014	Cases	Cases	TANF
July	26,876	6,087	22.6%
August	27,015	5,997	22.2%
September	27,243	6,048	22.2%
October	27,696	5,999	21.7%
November	27,195	5,576	20.5%
December	26,479	5,125	19.4%
January	26,887	5,246	19.5%
February	26,994	5,173	19.2%
March	27,627	5,399	19.5%
April	28,457	5,703	20.0%
May	29,005	5,669	19.5%
June	29,625	5,642	19.0%
Mo. Avg.	27,592	5,639	20.4%

³ The number of cases is tabulated from the WCCC Household Data (October 2014) supplied by OFM Forecasting Division which is based on the DSHS Social Service Payment System (SSPS) files supplied by the Department of Early Learning (DEL). TANF cases are identified by matching the DEL WCCC household payment data with ACES. The TANF caseload includes households with children in Child-Only cases. Caseload figures for more recent months may change as more child care payments are made following the publication of the Briefing Book.

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Children⁴ Receiving Working Connections Child Care (WCCC) by Month SFY 2014

Source: Department of Early Learning



			% of WCCC
	Total WCCC	WCCC TANF	Children Using
SFY 2014	Children	Children	TANF
July	47,180	10,057	21.3%
August	47,561	9,948	20.9%
September	46,625	9,716	20.8%
October	47,158	9,512	20.2%
November	46,186	8,873	19.2%
December	45,076	8,292	18.4%
January	45,857	8,582	18.7%
February	45,766	8,377	18.3%
March	46,801	8,680	18.5%
April	48,309	9,160	19.0%
May	49,099	9,034	18.4%
June	51,292	9,191	17.9%
Mon. Avg.	47,243	9,119	19.3%

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Working Connections Child Care (WCCC) Payments by Month⁵ SFY 2014

Source: Department of Early Learning

		Total WCCC TANF	% of WCCC
SFY 2014	Total WCCC Payments	Payments	TANF Payment
July	\$21,247,914.41	\$4,697,344.57	22.1%
August	\$21,025,458.96	\$4,552,009.47	21.6%
September	\$17,563,410.59	\$3,843,314.28	21.9%
October	\$19,329,695.25	\$4,236,449.84	21.9%
November	\$18,054,268.46	\$3,737,193.02	20.7%
December	\$17,851,547.29	\$3,493,974.05	19.6%
January	\$18,819,179.75	\$3,735,281.24	19.8%
February	\$17,371,457.29	\$3,436,494.57	19.8%
March	\$18,414,916.35	\$3,618,551.69	19.7%
April	\$19,626,111.97	\$3,971,027.18	20.2%
May	\$20,072,104.30	\$3,993,619.97	19.9%
June	\$21,073,756.88	\$4,051,369.58	19.2%
Mo. Avg.	\$19,204,151.79	\$3,947,219.12	20.6%

⁵The data on this chart comes from the WCCC Household Data (October 2014) report. Expenditures are tabulated by OFM Forecasting Division from DSHS Social Service Payment System (SSPS) files supplied by the Department of Early Learning (DEL). Expenditures for more recent months may change as more child care payments are made following the publication of the Briefing Book.