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## **1 Legislative Request**

This report is in response to the legislative requirement in the Medicaid and Human Services Transparency and Fraud Prevention Act (House Bill 1090). Section 3 requires:

“The department shall have the eligibility verification service required by this section implemented and operational not later than July 1, 2019. The department shall submit a report every six (6) months on its progress on implementing the eligibility verification service to the Chairmen of the House and Senate Appropriations Committees, the House Public Health and Human Services Committee and the Senate Public Health and Welfare Committee, and the House and Senate Medicaid Committees. The report also shall be provided to the other members of the Legislature upon request.”

This report was prepared by the Mississippi Division of Medicaid (DOM) and Mississippi Department of Human Services (MDHS).

## 2 Executive Summary

DOM and MDHS are pleased to submit this Bi-Annual Status Report on the progress on the Medicaid and Human Services Transparency and Fraud Prevention Act (House Bill 1090).

DOM and MDHS jointly launched the Health and Human Services Transformation Project or “HHSTP” in July 2017 to accomplish the goals of House Bill 1090 by the deadlines specified in Section 25. DOM and MDHS submitted the first required report on July 11, 2017. That report focused on satisfying all provisions of Section 2 and securing federal approvals and funding. This Bi-Annual Status Report will provide a status on all sections of House Bill 1090.

DOM and MDHS have completed/implemented or cannot implement based on federal regulations approximately 76% of the applicable twenty-three provisions of House Bill 1090 and are currently working to implement the remainder of the provisions. Table 1 below provides an overview of the status of these provisions with further detail provided in the corresponding narrative in Section 4.

**TABLE 1: HOUSE BILL 1090 SUMMARY OF PROVISION STATUS**

SECTION #	SECTION TITLE	STATUS
1	Short Title	Acknowledged
2	Integration of eligibility systems	Complete
3	Real-time eligibility verification service	In-progress
4	Enhanced eligibility verification process	In-progress
5	Enhanced identity authentication process	In-progress/ Partially prohibited by Federal Regulations
6	Discrepancies and case review	In-progress
7	Referrals for fraud, misrepresentation, or inadequate documentation	Complete
8	Reporting	In-progress
9	Transparency in Medicaid	Complete
10	Work Requirements	Complete
11	Federal asset limits for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program	Complete
12	Broad-based categorical eligibility	Complete
13	Sharing enrollee information across agencies	In-progress
14	Maximum family grant	Complete
15	Verify identities and household composition, and all expenses of welfare applicants	Complete
16	Full cooperation with fraud investigations	Prohibited by Federal Regulations
17	Gaps in eligibility reporting	Complete

SECTION #	SECTION TITLE	STATUS
18	Noncompliance with Temporary Assistance for Needy Families program rules	Complete
19	Noncompliance with Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program rules	Complete
20	Out-of-state spending	SNAP Provided/TANF Prohibited by Federal Regulations
21	Public Reporting	Complete
22	Pilot program for photos on EBT cards	Determined not to be feasible/ Significant negative cost- benefit ratio
23	Limits on spending location	Complete
24	Excessive EBT card loss	Complete
25	Timeframes	Acknowledged

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### 3 Background

As required by House Bill 1090, DOM and MDHS delivered an initial report on July 11, 2017 on Section 2 and the progress toward submitting an Advanced Planning Document (APD). Building on work already in progress between the two agencies prior to the enactment of House Bill 1090 (Hope Act), DOM and MDHS signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to develop a vision of interoperability and shared services leveraging 90/10 Federal Financial Participation (FFP) and A-87 Cost Allocation Exception. DOM and MDHS finalized a joint vision in January 2017, drafted the APD in parallel to the 2017 Legislative Session, and submitted it shortly after the passage of the HOPE Act in April 2017. This approach enabled DOM and MDHS to act on the legislation quickly while giving the State the maximum time available to leverage the A-87 Exception, which expired at the end of 2018. DOM and MDHS reported in the July 11, 2017 initial report that our Federal partners, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) and the Food and Nutrition Services (FNS) have approved the APD. The approved APD allowed DOM and MDHS to receive FFP for approximately \$46M in IT investments with a State share of approximately \$8M or 17%.

DOM and MDHS jointly launched the HHSTP in July 2017 which is dedicated to accomplishing the goals of House Bill 1090 and the APD. As of this report, DOM and MDHS have launched the Common Web Portal (CWP) which has processed 575,000+ applications for enrollment while strengthening program integrity through meeting 76% of the provisions of House Bill 1090. We anticipate House Bill 1090's remaining elements will be satisfied through the Fraud and Abuse Module (FAM). The status of that module is detailed in this document in Section 4.3.

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## 4 Current House Bill 1090 Status

As of January 2022, the current status for each of the Sections of the Medicaid and Human Services Transparency and Fraud Prevention Act is provided below. The Subsections that follow within this report follow the Sections as written in the bill, and all references beyond this point shall constitute references to Sections within the Medicaid and Human Services Transparency and Fraud Prevention Act, unless otherwise noted.

### 4.1 Short title

*Status: Acknowledged*

DOM and MDHS acknowledge the act shall be known as the "Medicaid and Human Services Transparency and Fraud Prevention Act."

### 4.2 Integration of eligibility systems

*Status: Complete*

DOM and MDHS submitted an Initial Advanced Planning Document to CMS and FNS on April 3, 2017 and a final report was submitted to the legislature on July 11, 2017. **All requests made in the Medicaid and Human Services Transparency and Fraud Prevention Act, Section 2 were included as part of the final Advanced Planning Document. Section 2 of the Medicaid and Human Services Transparency and Fraud Prevention Act has been completed.**

### 4.3 Real-time eligibility verification service










*Status: In-progress*

DOM and MDHS have completed capturing detailed requirements for developing a computerized income, asset, residence and identity eligibility verification service to verify eligibility, eliminate the duplication of assistance, and deter waste, fraud, and abuse within each respective assistance program. DOM and MDHS have carefully defined the aspects of the service, analyzing existing processes, and conducting analysis to maximize value to the State and minimize costs. DOM and MDHS have worked to create an RFP for the acquisition of a vendor to assist with the creation of the real-time eligibility verification service and achieve approval from CMS and FNS using the Medicaid and Human Services Transparency and Fraud Prevention Act and CMS and FNS requirements as guiding documents. **Softheon Inc. was selected as the vendor to provide FAM services and started work in May 2020 to customize and implement this real-time eligibility verification service. The project schedule created for the implementation of the FAM currently targets initial availability for asset verification services for DOM starting in March 2022, with full functionality for both agencies planned for the fourth quarter of 2022. Antiquated MDHS data systems have hindered progress in this area. Section 3 of the Medicaid and Human Services Transparency and Fraud Prevention Act is in-progress.**

The agencies acknowledge that the real-time eligibility service is not currently implemented, yet believe it relevant to share what data is already being validated or verified. Figure 1 below illustrates which of the requested verifications are already occurring while the agencies work to prepare for the implementation of the FAM, and how often those verifications are reported.



**FIGURE 1: DATA CURRENTLY VERIFIED**

 <p><b>Earned Income</b> MS Dept. Employment Security <i>Quarterly wage information (monthly)</i></p>	 <p><b>Residency Status</b> Melissa (MDHS only), USPS <i>Address Verification (ad-hoc)</i></p>
 <p><b>Unearned Income</b> MS Dept. Employment Security Social Security Administration Dept. of Health &amp; Human Services <i>Unemployment, SSI, VA Income (quarterly)</i></p>	 <p><b>Immigration Status</b> Social Security Administration - SAVE <i>Immigration Status (daily)</i></p>
 <p><b>Employment Status</b> MS Dept. Employment Security Dept. of Health &amp; Human Services <i>Employment Start Dates (monthly)</i></p>	 <p><b>Incarceration Status</b> Social Security Administration <i>Incarceration Status (daily)</i></p>
 <p><b>Financial Resources</b> LexisNexis - Accuity <i>Bank Account Balance Verification (ad-hoc)</i></p>	 <p><b>Vital/Death Status</b> Social Security Administration <i>Death Alerts (daily)</i></p>
	 <p><b>Enrollment Out of State</b> LexisNexis (MDHS only) <i>National Accuracy Clearinghouse (daily)</i> Dept. of Health &amp; Human Services <i>PARIS (quarterly)</i></p>

All interfaces are offered at no cost, or are already part of other program budgets, with the exception of LexisNexis - Accuity products.

In January 2019, DOM began utilizing a manual process for asset verification for full coverage Aged, Blind, Disabled (ABD) cases during the yearly renewal process. Due to the Covid-19 pandemic and consequent CMS guidelines, no renewals were conducted from April 2020 to the present. Based on CMS requirements, the State cannot drop coverage on current members until the public health emergency is over. However, the asset verification is used for new applications and from July 1, 2021 until December 31, 2021, there were 5 ABD applications denied due to asset verification checks. According to the Kaiser Institute, the annual per person cost for Medicaid in Mississippi is approximately \$11,000 per year if the beneficiary is aged or disabled. Utilizing this estimate, DOM calculates a cost avoidance of \$55,000 during this time period.

MDHS implemented a manual process for asset verification for SNAP and TANF cases for applications beginning July 1, 2019. There were approximately 240,652 applications processed during the period of June 1, 2020 to November 30, 2021. Of these cases, 9,765 cases (approximately 2.5%) have been closed since gaining access to asset verification information, which resulted in a cost avoidance for the federal government. According to the last benefit amount issued, an estimated \$218,608.00 would have been issued in the first month. Using the most common six (6) month certification period, MDHS estimates a cost avoidance of \$1,311,648.00 in federal funds during this time period. Additional improvements in business efficiencies may result from the planned transition from a manual process to an automated one with the integration of the FAM with the eligibility system.

Costs along with the actual and estimated cost avoidance associated with the asset verification products currently in use are identified in Figure 2.

**FIGURE 2: DATA COSTS & COST AVOIDANCE FOR LEXISNEXIS PRODUCTS CURRENTLY IN USE**

AGENCY	DATE RANGE	COST	COST AVOIDANCE
<b>DOM</b>	1/1/19 – 6/30/19	\$486,511.35	\$715,000.00 (Act.)
	7/1/19 – 11/30/19	\$177,669.00	\$275,000.00 (Act.)
	12/1/19 – 3/31/20	No extra cost	\$209,000.00 (Act.)
	4/1/19 – 11/30/20	\$147,250.00	\$671,000.00 (Act.)
	12/1/20 - 6/30/21	No extra cost	\$44,000 (Due to the public health emergency, redeterminations were not completed, but there were new applications denied due to liquid resources identified)
	7/1/21 – 11/30/21	\$279,179.09	\$55,000 (Due to the public health emergency, redeterminations were not completed, but there were 5 new applications denied due to liquid resources identified)
<b>MDHS</b>	7/1/19 – 11/30/19	\$334,544.00	\$213,750.00 (Act.)
	12/1/19 – 5/31/20	No extra cost	\$1,698,702.00 (Act.)
	6/1/20 – 11/30/20	\$275,786.00	\$1,912,452.00 (Act.)
	12/1/20 – 5/31/21	No extra cost	\$610,896.00 (Act.)
	6/1/21 – 11/30/21	\$149,062.00	\$1,311,648.00 (Act.)
	<b>Grand Totals</b>	<b>\$1,850,001.44</b>	<b>\$8,272,344.00</b>

Full implementation of the FAM will require substantial, ongoing expenditures of both state and federal funds by both agencies. In addition, the Social Security Administration has rejected requests from MDHS and DOM to use SSA data to identify and deter fraud (though SSA data is already consistently used in

determining program eligibility), and our agencies are not allowed to share IRS data, preventing us from incorporating these tools into the FAM.

#### **4.4 Enhanced eligibility verification process**

*Status: In-progress*

DOM and MDHS acknowledge the request to verify eligibility for assistance by using the enhanced eligibility verification service established in Section 3(2) of the Medicaid and Human Services Transparency and Fraud Prevention Act as well as periodically reaffirming assets where applicable. DOM and MDHS already terminate recipients within active programs within a maximum of 10 days when the agency receives information about recipients moving out of state. The remaining items in this Section are dependent on the enhanced real-time eligibility verification service being completed. **Updates to this Section will resume when Section 3 of the Medicaid and Human Services Transparency and Fraud Prevention Act is completed. Current progress can be found within Section 4.3 of this document.**

#### **4.5 Enhanced identity authentication process**

*Status: In-progress/Partially prohibited by Federal Regulations*

DOM and MDHS acknowledge the request to verify identity of applicants before moving to the next stage in the eligibility process and before the possible awarding of assistance. Additionally, the departments acknowledge the request to review the recipient's identity ownership periodically to verify and protect the identity of the recipient. DOM and MDHS have implemented phase 1 of the Common Web Portal and are working to complete the second and final phase of base functionality, including the identity authentication component that will allow for users of the CWP to authenticate their identity and have the opportunity to view programs they are enrolled in, as well as submit changes and manage their user account. **The identity authentication functionality will be part of the final CWP implementation currently scheduled to be complete by December 2022.**

MDHS will continue to verify identity before awarding assistance. While MDHS will offer clients the opportunity to confirm their identity electronically, MDHS cannot require the client to do so. As, outlined in 7 CFR 273.3(f)(1)(vii)., "any documents which reasonably establish the applicant's identity must be accepted, and no requirement for a specific type of document, such as a birth certificate, may be imposed." In addition, the CFR states that MDHS must accept verification of an individual's identity through collateral contact if no documentary evidence is readily available.

#### **4.6 Discrepancies and case review**

*Status: In-progress*

DOM and MDHS are continuing to confirm that the requested processes and policies in this Section are implemented in their respective agencies. Both agencies use the best available information to process cases where discrepancies may exist. Once new information becomes known to the agencies, eligibility redeterminations are made. If discrepancies exist at that point, the agencies provide the client with written notification of the discrepancy and the recipient has 10 days to respond to resolve the discrepancy or change. The agencies view the enhanced verification service as an additional reliable data source and will use the data provided by it in future eligibility redeterminations. Until the combined DOM and MDHS enhanced verification service can be launched, DOM and MDHS have individually leveraged existing contracts to implement enhanced verifications that will be provided through the FAM

when Section 3 of the Medicaid and Human Services Transparency and Fraud Prevention Act has been implemented. Details on data verifications already being utilized can be found in Figure 1, within Section 4.3. The remaining items in this Section are dependent on the enhanced real-time eligibility verification service being completed. **Updates to this Section will resume when Section 3 of the Medicaid and Human Services Transparency and Fraud Prevention Act is completed. Current progress can be found within Section 4.3 of this document.**

#### **4.7 Referrals for fraud, misrepresentation, or inadequate documentation**

*Status: Complete*

DOM and MDHS are continuing to confirm that the requested processes and policies in this Section are implemented in their respective agencies. Both agencies have implemented policy changes that require staff to refer changes or discrepancies that may affect program eligibility to appropriate agencies and divisions within 10 days. This includes suspected cases of fraud, misrepresentation, or inadequate documentation and cases where an individual is determined to be no longer eligible for the original program. In cases where fraud affecting program eligibility is substantiated, the agencies garnish wages and/or state income tax refunds until the state recovers an amount equal to the amount of benefits that were fraudulently received. **Section 7 of the Medicaid and Human Services Transparency and Fraud Prevention Act has been implemented.**

#### **4.8 Reporting**

*Status: In-progress*

DOM and MDHS acknowledge the request for a pre-development report as well as a post-implementation report referred to in Section 8 of the Medicaid and Human Services Transparency and Fraud Prevention Act. The pre-development report was delivered in excess of thirty (30) days before entering into a competitively bid contract with Softheon, Inc. The post-implementation report will be completed 6 months after the implementation of the enhanced eligibility verification service. **The remaining post-implementation report will be delivered to the requested audiences when complete.**

#### **4.9 Transparency in Medicaid**

*Status: Complete*

DOM has completed the request for the data specified in Section 9 of the Medicaid and Human Services Transparency and Fraud Prevention Act and has posted the following reports publicly on an external website. **The reports can be found at the following address:**

**<https://medicaid.ms.gov/resources/legislative-resources/hope-act/>**

- Medicaid Physician and Other Supplier National Provider Identifier (NPI) Aggregate Report, Calendar Year 2020
- Medicaid National Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) Aggregate Report Calendar Year 2020
- Medicaid Physician and Other Supplier National Provider Identifier (NPI) Aggregate Report, Calendar Year 2019
- Medicaid National Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) Aggregate Report Calendar Year 2019

- Medicaid Physician and Other Supplier National Provider Identifier (NPI) Aggregate Report, Calendar Year 2018
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- Medicaid Physician and Other Supplier National Provider Identifier (NPI) Aggregate Report, Calendar Year 2017
- Medicaid National Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) Aggregate Report Calendar Year 2017
- Medicaid Physician and Other Supplier National Provider Identifier (NPI) Aggregate Report, Calendar Year 2016
- Medicaid National Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) Aggregate Report Calendar Year 2016

#### 4.10 Work requirements

*Status: Complete*

As of January 2016, MDHS has not sought out, applied for, or accepted/renewed any waiver of requirements established under 7 USC Section 2015(o), except during a formal state or federal declaration of a natural disaster. **Section 10 of the Medicaid and Human Services Transparency and Fraud Prevention Act has been implemented.**

#### 4.11 Federal asset limits for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program

*Status: Complete*

MDHS has discontinued Broad-Based Categorical Eligibility and is reinforcing the current resource limits. For SNAP, the current resource limit is \$2,250 for most households and \$3,750 for households with at least one elderly and/or disabled household member. **Section 11 of the Medicaid and Human Services Transparency and Fraud Prevention Act has been implemented.**

#### 4.12 Broad-based categorical eligibility

*Status: Complete*

Broad Based Categorical Eligibility has been discontinued; therefore, all households applying for SNAP and TANF will be subject to an evaluation of all household resources. Traditional Categorical Eligibility is not affected by the elimination of Broad-Based Categorical Eligibility. As outlined in CFR 273.8(e)(17), individuals receiving TANF or Supplemental Security Income (SSI) are considered categorically eligible for SNAP, meaning that resources attributed to such individuals are disregarded. **Section 12 of the Medicaid and Human Services Transparency and Fraud Prevention Act has been implemented.**

#### 4.13 Sharing enrollee information across agencies

*Status: In-progress*

DOM and MDHS acknowledge the request to share eligibility information with each other within 30 business days when an enrollee has been disenrolled for any financial or nonfinancial reason that may result in the enrollee's disqualification for benefits with the other department, including the rationale for the action. Additionally, DOM and MDHS will establish procedures to re-determine eligibility for any enrollee whose eligibility or benefit levels could change as a result of new information provided by

either agency. Additional details for Section 13 of the Medicaid and Human Services Transparency and Fraud Prevention Act will be addressed in a subsequent report as progress is made on the real-time eligibility verification service. The remaining items in this Section are dependent on the enhanced real-time eligibility verification service being completed. **Updates to this Section will resume when Section 3 of the Medicaid and Human Services Transparency and Fraud Prevention Act is completed. Current progress can be found within Section 4.3 of this document.** DOM and MDHS are actively sharing and collaborating to improve information sharing and program integrity in a variety of ways. The below list is the data/information already being utilized to the benefit of both agency's programs:

- Beneficiary Data Exchange System (BENDEX)
- SSI/State Data Exchange (SDX Data)
- Public Assistance Reporting Information System (PARIS) Files
- State Verification and Exchange System (SVES) Files
- Low Income Subsidy (LIS) File
- METSS Files (Child Support)
- METSS Files for Third Party Liability (TPL)
- SSA-8019 File for Third Party Liability (TPL)

#### **4.14 Maximum family grant**

*Status: Complete*

As a result of the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Act of 1996, MDHS implemented policies specific to TANF recipients, limiting them to children already born or conceived at the time of initial application. Further, only children born into the family during the first 10 months of assistance or a child whose date of birth is prior to the end of the 10-month cap period for the case will be added to the case and eligible to receive benefits. **Section 14 of the Medicaid and Human Services Transparency and Fraud Prevention Act has been implemented.**

#### **4.15 Verify identities and household composition, and all expenses of welfare applicants**

*Status: Complete*

As of January 2018, MDHS has implemented policies regarding the verification of all expenses for all programs. Regarding verification of household composition, the department verifies household composition when questionable, in accordance with Federal and State regulations and policy. Lastly, in accordance to 7 CFR 273.2 (a) (vii) Federal Regulations, MDHS currently verifies identity. **Section 15 of the Medicaid and Human Services Transparency and Fraud Prevention Act has been implemented.**

#### **4.16 Full cooperation with fraud investigations**

*Status: Prohibited by Federal Regulations*

MDHS requires TANF clients to fully cooperate with fraud investigations by providing information or permitting the caseworker to obtain essential information to establish continued eligibility. Caseworkers



proactively identify and review questionable cases. If conclusive information is not received, the case(s) are closed and reason for closure is fully documented.

Alternatively, SNAP case closure as the result of noncompliance with a fraud investigation is not permitted by the Code of Federal Regulations. The Code of Federal Regulations, 7 CFR § 273, provides instances in which a case may be closed, or a participant denied benefits due to noncooperation with SNAP. Noncooperation is detailed in §273.2(d), §273.12(d), §273.11(o)(1). Noncooperation occurs at application, recertification, during a Quality Control review, or when failing to cooperate with child support services. §273.16(e)(5) requires cases to remain open, if the household is eligible, while awaiting a disqualification hearing. **Section 16 of the Medicaid and Human Services Transparency and Fraud Prevention Act is unable to be implemented as requested.**

#### 4.17 Gaps in eligibility reporting

*Status: Complete*

As of January 2018, MDHS has implemented change reporting for all new applications. As ongoing cases came due for renewal of benefits, they were converted from simplified reporting to change reporting. In addition, MDHS acknowledges the requested report on the costs of simplified reporting, and that detail follows. The move to change reporting has the potential to cost the state upwards of \$1.96 million in federal fines in the first year that the fine is assessed.

MDHS reports a SNAP error rate to the federal government and is held accountable for keeping that error rate under an allowable threshold. The error rate reflects the number of cases in which an error occurs. The majority of the time, errors occur in cases where no fraud is occurring. Errors are not the same as fraud.

Since enacting change reporting in 2018, MDHS SNAP error rates have progressively increased:

- FY 2018: 2.9%,
- FY 2019: 6.57%,
- FY 2020: 9.56%
- FY 2021: 12.55%

The USDA FNS liability system establishes a state liability amount should the state payment error rate exceed 105% of the national average. The last available national average rate was 8%. Therefore, based on current trends, we project that the MS payment error rate is likely to exceed 105% of the national average and result in federal fines in coming years.

The predominant driver of the error rate increase is client-caused (average across the monitored areas in FY 2020 was 77% and YTD FY 2021 is 88% client caused). MDHS attributes this preponderance of client-caused errors to the burdensome change reporting requirements.

Under change reporting, eligible SNAP households must report the following changes within 10 days of the date the household becomes aware of the change:

- Changes of more than \$125 in the amount of gross earned income (such as wages, tips, bonuses, self-employment, etc.);

- Changes of more than \$125 in the amount of gross unearned income (such as social security/railroad retirement, other disability, VA income, pensions, unemployment, child support, alimony, money received from other people, worker's compensation, etc.);
- A change in the source of income;
- Changes in household composition, such as any person(s) moving in or out of the household;
- A change in residence and any resulting shelter cost changes (such as rent/mortgage and utilities);
- Changes in court ordered child support;
- A change in liquid resources, such as cash, stocks, bonds, and bank accounts.

Client mistakes in following these change reporting requirements are the driving force behind the high error rate. The cost of not using a simplified reporting system is potentially very high due to the increased error rates and resulting federal fines.

MDHS remains committed to moving Mississippians from vulnerability to self-sufficiency and using a change reporting system appears to be inhibiting our ability to do so. **Section 17 of the Medicaid and Human Services Transparency and Fraud Prevention Act has been implemented.**

#### **4.18 Noncompliance with Temporary Assistance for Needy Families program rules**

*Status: Complete*

MDHS has always granted benefits only once an approved applicant has agreed to and is meeting the conditions of the TANF Work Program. MDHS has modified our eligibility system to align with the new sanction periods of a three-month full household sanction for the first instance of noncompliance and a permanent sanction for the second instance of noncompliance. **Section 18 of the Medicaid and Human Services Transparency and Fraud Prevention Act has been implemented.**

#### **4.19 Noncompliance with Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program rules**

*Status: Complete*

MDHS has always granted benefits only once an approved applicant has agreed to and is meeting the conditions of the SNAP. MDHS has modified our eligibility system for noncompliant heads of household to align with the new sanction periods of a three-month full household disqualification for the first instance of noncompliance, a six-month full household disqualification for the second instance of noncompliance, and a permanent disqualification for the third instance of noncompliance. In accordance with CFR 273.7 (f) (2) and CFR 273.7 (f) (5), if an individual other than the head of household is noncompliant, only the individual will be sanctioned. **Section 19 of the Medicaid and Human Services Transparency and Fraud Prevention Act has been implemented.**

#### **4.20 Out-of-state spending**

*Status: SNAP Provided/TANF Prohibited by Federal Regulations*

MDHS acknowledges the request for the distribution of de-identified out-of-state spending data based on dollar amounts and separated by program. For the SNAP program, FNS has provided the dollar amount and number of transactions of SNAP benefits that are accessed or spent out-of-state, disaggregated by state. The data can be found in Appendix A. MDHS recognizes a portion of out-of-state



spending can be attributed to online purchases charged by companies that have headquarters in other states.

The same rules (12 USC 3401) which govern privacy surrounding checking accounts apply to the client's debit card accounts. MDHS is not able to provide the TANF transaction data that is being requested. The agency does not have access to transaction information as the debit card accounts are owned by the cardholders and not the state. **Section 20 of the Medicaid and Human Services Transparency and Fraud Prevention Act is partially able to be implemented as requested and limitations are reported in this section.**

#### 4.21 Public reporting

*Status: Complete*

DOM and MDHS acknowledge the request for the annual distribution of de-identified recipient data within Section 21 of the Medicaid and Human Services Transparency and Fraud Prevention Act. **The annual delivery of this data is updated annually in the mid-calendar year report and can be found in Appendix B.**

#### 4.22 Pilot program for photos on EBT cards

*Status: Determined not to be feasible/Significant negative cost-benefit ratio*

After evaluating the federal regulations and costs associated with implementing a one county pilot, MDHS has decided not to implement a photo EBT pilot. The pilot will require changes to multiple systems to account for the receipt of a photo, storage/removal of a photo, and transmission of photos between systems leading to an estimated cost of \$700,000 for a single county pilot.

In addition to the costs, adding a photo to an EBT card does not restrict usage to the person pictured; therefore, if the intent of adding photos on EBT cards is to restrict usage of the EBT card and associated benefits to the individual(s) pictured on an EBT card so that benefits may not be used by unauthorized individuals, requiring a photo on an EBT card will not accomplish this due to federal regulations. Section 274.8(f) of Title 7 of the Code of Federal Regulations (7 C.F.R. § 274.8(f)), outlines the State agency requirements for photo EBT card implementation. For example, the following or similar text must be printed on the EBT card: "Any user with valid personal identification number (PIN) can use SNAP benefits on card and need not be pictured."

In addition, per 7 C.F.R. § 274.7 and 7 C.F.R. § 278.2(b), the EBT system must be operated in a manner that maintains equal treatment for SNAP households. This means that retailers may not single out SNAP EBT cardholders from other customers in any way such as establishing special checkout lanes for SNAP households or checking for photo identification from EBT cardholders unless the retailer checks identification cards for all other customers using electronic debit or credit cards. 7 C.F.R. § 278.2(h) states that retailers must accept payment from EBT cardholders who have a valid personal identification number (PIN) regardless of which State the card is from or whether the individual is pictured on the card. **Section 22 of the Medicaid and Human Services Transparency and Fraud Prevention Act will not be implemented based upon a negative cost-benefit analysis.**

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## 4.23 Limits on spending location

*Status: Complete*

Section 4004 of the Middle Class Tax Relief and Job Creation Act of 2012 (P.L. 112-96) requires states receiving TANF grants to “maintain policies and practices as necessary to prevent assistance provided under the State program funded under this part from being used in any electronic benefit transfer transaction in any liquor store; any casino, gambling casino, or gaming establishment; or any retail establishment which provides adult-oriented entertainment in which performers disrobe or perform in an unclothed state for entertainment.” Furthermore, MDHS prohibits the use of TANF benefits in the locations and on the items outlined in the Medicaid and Human Services Transparency and Fraud Prevention Act. In addition, MDHS proactively works with each recipient to require that they accept a personal responsibility contract acknowledging limits on spending locations and consequences of violating this personal responsibility contract. The complete list of prohibited items is available on the MDHS website at the following location: <http://www.mdhs.ms.gov/economic-assistance/tanf/>. **Section 23 of the Medicaid and Human Services Transparency and Fraud Prevention Act has been implemented.**

## 4.24 Excessive EBT card loss

*Status: Complete*

MDHS has implemented policies pursuant to Section 24(1), (2), and (3) of the Medicaid and Human Services Transparency and Fraud Prevention Act. Regarding Section 24(4), terminating the SNAP recipient’s benefits due to failure to make contact with a fraud investigator regarding excessive EBT card ordering is not permitted by the Code of Federal Regulations. The Code of Federal Regulations, 7 CFR § 273, provides instances in which a case may be closed, or a participant denied benefits due to noncooperation with SNAP. Noncooperation is detailed in §273.2(d), §273.12(d), §273.11(o)(1). Noncooperation occurs at application, recertification, during a Quality Control review, or when failing to cooperate with child support services. §273.16(e)(5) requires cases to remain open, if the household is eligible, while awaiting a disqualification hearing. **Section 24 of the Medicaid and Human Services Transparency and Fraud Prevention Act has been implemented to the extent possible under Federal Regulations.**

## 4.25 Timeframes

*Status: Acknowledged*

The department acknowledges the timeframes requested in this Section of the Medicaid and Human Services Transparency and Fraud Prevention Act.

## 5 Appendix A: House Bill 1090 – Section 20: Out of State Spending

MDHS has prepared the following responses to the subsections of House Bill 1090:

- (a) The dollar amount and number of transactions of SNAP benefits that are accessed or spent out-of-state, disaggregated by state;  
**Agency Response: The dollar amount and number of transactions over a 12-month span starting in October 2019 and ending September 2020 can be found in Tables 1 and 2.**
- (b) The dollar amount and number of transactions of TANF benefits that are accessed or spent out-of-state, disaggregated by state;  
**Agency Response: MDHS is not able to provide the TANF transaction data that is requested. The agency does not have access to transaction information as the debit card accounts are owned by the cardholders and not the state.**
- (c) The dollar amount, number of transactions, and times of transactions of SNAP benefits that are accessed or spent in-state, disaggregated by retailer, institution, or location, unless expressly prohibited by federal law; and  
**Agency Response: The dollar amount and number of transactions over a 12-month span starting in October 2019 and ending September 2020 can be found in Tables 3A and 3B: Spending By Mississippi County (Purchase Amounts) and Tables 4A and 4B: Spending By Mississippi County (Total Transaction Counts) as well as Figure 1.**  
*NOTE: FNS will not release data by retailer or institution. In addition, when there are not enough transactions in a particular County, FNS will not release the data and reports it as redacted.*
- (d) The dollar amount, number of transactions, and time of transactions of TANF benefits that are accessed or spent in-state, disaggregated by retailer, institution, or location.  
**Agency Response: MDHS is not able to provide the TANF transaction data that is requested. The agency does not have access to transaction information as the debit card accounts are owned by the cardholders and not the state.**

**TABLE 1: MS RECIPIENT SNAP BENEFIT SPENDING BY US STATE (PURCHASE AMOUNTS)**

	Oct-2019	Nov-2019	Dec-2019	Jan-2020	Feb-2020	Mar-2020	Apr-2020	May-2020	Jun-2020	Jul-2020	Aug-2020	Sep-2020	
State	Total Purchase Amount	Total Purchase Amount	Total Purchase Amount	Total Purchase Amount	Total Purchase Amount	Total Purchase Amount	Total Purchase Amount	Total Purchase Amount	Total Purchase Amount	Total Purchase Amount	Total Purchase Amount	Total Purchase Amount	Annual Totals
Alabama	\$ 203,389.23	\$ 208,221.57	\$ 204,994.68	\$ 190,027.88	\$ 177,654.24	\$ 255,292.95	\$ 348,109.54	\$ 394,521.66	\$ 426,002.92	\$ 468,805.91	\$ 492,814.17	\$ 386,687.44	\$ 3,756,522
Alaska	\$ 567.83	\$ 1,140.27	\$ 716.90	\$ 500.48	\$ 600.43	\$ 687.52	\$ 1,244.36	\$ 839.42	\$ 1,151.77	\$ 1,864.28	\$ 2,170.00	\$ 1,681.44	\$ 13,165
Arizona	\$ 4,859.60	\$ 5,501.81	\$ 5,899.27	\$ 4,446.76	\$ 4,110.24	\$ 6,637.54	\$ 8,133.72	\$ 10,121.58	\$ 17,378.44	\$ 24,821.07	\$ 18,584.35	\$ 16,744.64	\$ 127,239
Arkansas	\$ 50,630.48	\$ 49,208.11	\$ 50,431.94	\$ 43,536.67	\$ 44,342.42	\$ 65,798.99	\$ 103,422.62	\$ 108,875.94	\$ 129,007.15	\$ 124,775.25	\$ 218,558.51	\$ 1,563,766.06	\$ 2,552,354
California	\$ 13,301.11	\$ 13,942.68	\$ 15,616.96	\$ 14,495.08	\$ 11,979.27	\$ 16,335.51	\$ 11,272.11	\$ 17,738.05	\$ 25,459.04	\$ 37,077.67	\$ 28,795.17	\$ 23,222.49	\$ 229,235
Colorado	\$ 11,691.97	\$ 8,375.74	\$ 7,330.61	\$ 4,989.64	\$ 4,448.56	\$ 7,312.89	\$ 8,652.37	\$ 9,385.77	\$ 13,236.06	\$ 19,572.01	\$ 17,316.97	\$ 13,940.05	\$ 126,253
Connecticut	\$ 483.74	\$ 1,075.85	\$ 1,156.45	\$ 944.38	\$ 982.99	\$ 1,108.28	\$ 3,006.56	\$ 963.15	\$ 2,562.08	\$ 2,210.96	\$ 1,634.87	\$ 2,631.76	\$ 18,761
Delaware	\$ 186.08	\$ 132.90	\$ 198.46	\$ 305.40	\$ 792.67	\$ 1,040.89	\$ 843.10	\$ 649.00	\$ 1,365.35	\$ 316.34	\$ 416.77	\$ 348.00	\$ 6,595
District of Columbia	\$ 354.86	\$ 190.30	\$ 148.97	\$ 202.14	\$ -	\$ 53.74	\$ 83.14	\$ 464.57	\$ 523.54	\$ 1,228.84	\$ 339.01	\$ 448.15	\$ 63,008
Florida	\$ 60,626.43	\$ 53,577.30	\$ 79,257.83	\$ 62,220.85	\$ 58,970.65	\$ 77,427.24	\$ 66,199.31	\$ 124,326.47	\$ 184,893.15	\$ 190,543.37	\$ 136,014.74	\$ 116,440.80	\$ 1,218,755
Georgia	\$ 82,160.36	\$ 81,288.35	\$ 84,167.85	\$ 75,038.07	\$ 67,227.83	\$ 94,874.47	\$ 118,328.46	\$ 135,529.70	\$ 174,697.51	\$ 185,172.94	\$ 153,354.09	\$ 148,529.01	\$ 1,333,485
Hawaii	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 158.80	\$ 407.49	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 10.48	\$ 646.00	\$ 495.92	\$ 758.15	\$ 780.79	\$ 1,077.00	\$ 29,420
Idaho	\$ 576.07	\$ 417.18	\$ 698.39	\$ 43.84	\$ 344.14	\$ 292.89	\$ 611.94	\$ 2,163.99	\$ 1,791.61	\$ 1,472.22	\$ 1,285.86	\$ 1,355.04	\$ 116,374
Illinois	\$ 31,396.64	\$ 30,091.09	\$ 32,173.12	\$ 24,987.82	\$ 23,799.29	\$ 35,617.17	\$ 36,537.94	\$ 45,564.65	\$ 65,782.12	\$ 80,817.74	\$ 64,722.31	\$ 59,159.45	\$ 456,330
Indiana	\$ 12,535.03	\$ 13,781.57	\$ 13,818.71	\$ 11,814.08	\$ 9,846.54	\$ 14,351.11	\$ 20,363.29	\$ 25,971.18	\$ 35,732.84	\$ 49,955.18	\$ 34,655.40	\$ 31,568.64	\$ 246,562
Iowa	\$ 6,585.34	\$ 4,702.69	\$ 5,277.58	\$ 5,497.33	\$ 5,917.45	\$ 6,488.16	\$ 10,965.10	\$ 9,802.15	\$ 11,926.57	\$ 13,872.06	\$ 11,971.94	\$ 9,386.64	\$ 108,738
Kansas	\$ 10,809.59	\$ 7,537.53	\$ 6,496.21	\$ 6,591.28	\$ 4,906.72	\$ 4,026.28	\$ 7,212.35	\$ 10,868.25	\$ 15,550.46	\$ 14,497.69	\$ 16,539.41	\$ 14,221.90	\$ 522,644
Kentucky	\$ 12,479.51	\$ 7,936.60	\$ 9,064.29	\$ 7,686.29	\$ 7,665.12	\$ 13,318.34	\$ 15,126.18	\$ 20,164.95	\$ 23,352.58	\$ 27,837.95	\$ 23,252.62	\$ 22,733.52	\$ 1,467,321
Louisiana	\$ 398,207.36	\$ 409,421.55	\$ 408,054.60	\$ 394,841.53	\$ 396,931.53	\$ 510,350.34	\$ 706,695.13	\$ 808,627.94	\$ 891,942.45	\$ 869,338.25	\$ 976,400.07	\$ 778,411.76	\$ 5,839,378
Maine	\$ 1,503.44	\$ 1,062.92	\$ 967.76	\$ 577.37	\$ 123.39	\$ 349.20	\$ 634.86	\$ 676.58	\$ 1,489.95	\$ 2,851.96	\$ 1,696.36	\$ 1,025.51	\$ 19,844
Maryland	\$ 2,449.14	\$ 3,775.06	\$ 3,779.72	\$ 3,595.37	\$ 2,150.33	\$ 3,111.92	\$ 4,571.33	\$ 5,493.61	\$ 8,320.62	\$ 10,559.97	\$ 9,878.49	\$ 9,151.88	\$ 69,356
Massachusetts	\$ 1,338.34	\$ 2,141.04	\$ 2,085.23	\$ 1,351.85	\$ 587.35	\$ 1,014.06	\$ 2,318.56	\$ 1,150.85	\$ 2,008.58	\$ 2,285.08	\$ 2,928.31	\$ 2,975.68	\$ 58,516
Michigan	\$ 12,328.07	\$ 14,132.63	\$ 13,224.86	\$ 10,427.46	\$ 9,511.94	\$ 12,404.86	\$ 16,904.03	\$ 20,637.64	\$ 29,395.21	\$ 31,059.52	\$ 30,776.58	\$ 22,259.86	\$ 201,086
Minnesota	\$ 4,018.45	\$ 3,796.95	\$ 3,531.42	\$ 3,778.54	\$ 2,546.75	\$ 4,580.34	\$ 3,377.64	\$ 8,425.03	\$ 7,916.39	\$ 8,661.83	\$ 11,807.08	\$ 12,622.73	\$ 109,457
Missouri	\$ 14,908.88	\$ 15,060.79	\$ 13,054.79	\$ 13,748.38	\$ 14,004.90	\$ 19,202.20	\$ 22,700.92	\$ 29,803.31	\$ 41,772.19	\$ 56,415.61	\$ 40,218.71	\$ 38,578.85	\$ 262,226
Montana	\$ 1,951.52	\$ 548.77	\$ 28.86	\$ 257.05	\$ 164.32	\$ 306.95	\$ 851.70	\$ 422.53	\$ 1,206.41	\$ 563.93	\$ 787.86	\$ 604.64	\$ 16,597
Nebraska	\$ 3,355.76	\$ 2,528.26	\$ 2,616.96	\$ 2,245.04	\$ 3,125.54	\$ 2,745.66	\$ 4,302.62	\$ 4,767.77	\$ 5,142.52	\$ 6,073.75	\$ 7,091.89	\$ 3,944.88	\$ 51,540
Nevada	\$ 3,874.73	\$ 4,348.81	\$ 5,533.81	\$ 5,492.02	\$ 3,244.39	\$ 6,759.53	\$ 5,428.99	\$ 7,830.20	\$ 8,937.83	\$ 16,009.15	\$ 11,965.23	\$ 9,709.61	\$ 72,417
New Hampshire	\$ 189.11	\$ 155.25	\$ 15.20	\$ 368.72	\$ 371.09	\$ 362.42	\$ 481.36	\$ 1,095.06	\$ 1,749.06	\$ 2,348.35	\$ 2,100.91	\$ 1,035.48	\$ 16,289
New Jersey	\$ 1,150.76	\$ 1,448.72	\$ 2,547.07	\$ 1,723.26	\$ 803.09	\$ 1,418.57	\$ 1,926.68	\$ 3,054.00	\$ 3,382.66	\$ 4,203.38	\$ 2,233.57	\$ 1,456.53	\$ 34,362
New Mexico	\$ 4,087.12	\$ 2,739.14	\$ 3,666.98	\$ 2,493.44	\$ 3,076.34	\$ 3,186.35	\$ 3,799.25	\$ 3,644.50	\$ 4,324.23	\$ 5,364.22	\$ 5,966.59	\$ 4,564.19	\$ 58,344
New York	\$ 6,500.46	\$ 5,414.46	\$ 4,156.14	\$ 4,464.96	\$ 3,822.58	\$ 3,853.23	\$ 3,782.72	\$ 3,755.83	\$ 7,967.29	\$ 7,973.01	\$ 6,737.08	\$ 6,821.45	\$ 88,477
North Carolina	\$ 13,563.93	\$ 15,772.70	\$ 13,419.48	\$ 11,245.52	\$ 8,752.45	\$ 12,643.07	\$ 16,047.96	\$ 22,956.68	\$ 30,688.44	\$ 37,993.56	\$ 27,012.53	\$ 20,502.81	\$ 196,316
North Dakota	\$ 2,600.18	\$ 2,895.93	\$ 2,247.96	\$ 2,107.95	\$ 839.20	\$ 759.58	\$ 623.28	\$ 2,379.17	\$ 3,260.50	\$ 3,879.72	\$ 2,996.25	\$ 1,848.01	\$ 75,080
Ohio	\$ 18,652.69	\$ 12,660.08	\$ 18,029.70	\$ 10,653.75	\$ 10,193.27	\$ 14,131.50	\$ 20,990.54	\$ 19,915.39	\$ 22,521.80	\$ 30,991.83	\$ 28,700.45	\$ 26,709.98	\$ 215,624
Oklahoma	\$ 14,102.42	\$ 12,526.89	\$ 11,740.14	\$ 9,654.40	\$ 10,292.88	\$ 9,415.61	\$ 14,984.55	\$ 16,336.19	\$ 22,502.27	\$ 25,665.00	\$ 20,301.75	\$ 17,144.20	\$ 146,641
Oregon	\$ 1,751.07	\$ 1,159.96	\$ 918.06	\$ 467.56	\$ 1,065.27	\$ 659.09	\$ 2,387.75	\$ 2,406.08	\$ 3,752.01	\$ 4,168.80	\$ 3,545.40	\$ 3,161.44	\$ 41,495
Pennsylvania	\$ 7,181.93	\$ 6,705.04	\$ 8,527.41	\$ 5,581.46	\$ 4,742.58	\$ 6,796.62	\$ 9,202.23	\$ 10,060.04	\$ 12,154.10	\$ 11,999.55	\$ 11,587.13	\$ 8,530.37	\$ 85,340
Rhode Island	\$ 145.24	\$ 20.94	\$ 86.80	\$ 292.78	\$ 3.99	\$ -	\$ 340.59	\$ 217.09	\$ 195.96	\$ 1,024.89	\$ 799.80	\$ 451.54	\$ 41,919
South Carolina	\$ 13,805.21	\$ 11,918.68	\$ 10,021.92	\$ 8,179.10	\$ 7,531.14	\$ 11,423.12	\$ 14,263.96	\$ 16,910.29	\$ 16,713.27	\$ 19,092.45	\$ 18,190.05	\$ 15,471.66	\$ 477,679
South Dakota	\$ 1,282.20	\$ 2,108.51	\$ 2,773.25	\$ 1,661.24	\$ 1,362.76	\$ 1,598.53	\$ 2,261.17	\$ 983.31	\$ 1,192.71	\$ 2,555.37	\$ 2,031.55	\$ 2,844.78	\$ 1,434,306
Tennessee	\$ 413,949.44	\$ 421,581.69	\$ 408,637.28	\$ 371,190.78	\$ 353,846.78	\$ 464,925.15	\$ 671,652.87	\$ 730,705.72	\$ 865,099.52	\$ 905,191.50	\$ 990,106.24	\$ 783,837.01	\$ 6,189,148
Texas	\$ 152,783.92	\$ 138,482.10	\$ 141,876.23	\$ 129,600.92	\$ 117,545.99	\$ 170,212.11	\$ 188,589.24	\$ 249,380.75	\$ 348,563.64	\$ 375,799.46	\$ 327,624.88	\$ 283,349.33	\$ 2,049,771
Utah	\$ 1,757.62	\$ 1,873.96	\$ 1,536.18	\$ 1,452.93	\$ 1,249.13	\$ 1,224.91	\$ 1,350.19	\$ 1,707.63	\$ 1,222.44	\$ 1,914.91	\$ 1,954.85	\$ 1,278.06	\$ 14,040
Vermont	\$ 197.84	\$ 219.57	\$ 142.84	\$ -	\$ 130.55	\$ 463.01	\$ 1,716.51	\$ 2,302.56	\$ 1,224.15	\$ 1,547.87	\$ 1,973.92	\$ 508.92	\$ 24,475
Virgin Islands	\$ 612.89	\$ 1,968.52	\$ 922.20	\$ 793.49	\$ 742.22	\$ 1,060.19	\$ 777.62	\$ 998.30	\$ 1,226.40	\$ 349.52	\$ -	\$ 260.1	\$ 73,735
Virginia	\$ 12,415.31	\$ 11,791.28	\$ 11,634.09	\$ 10,005.27	\$ 10,623.08	\$ 12,950.70	\$ 11,065.61	\$ 16,035.36	\$ 17,053.81	\$ 25,539.40	\$ 20,571.82	\$ 13,933.41	\$ 131,409
Washington	\$ 931.51	\$ 1,783.95	\$ 2,269.52	\$ 2,263.39	\$ 1,466.85	\$ 3,287.60	\$ 3,607.31	\$ 3,926.41	\$ 4,006.59	\$ 6,417.55	\$ 26,504.61	\$ 129,213.39	\$ 166,796
West Virginia	\$ 2,176.79	\$ 1,274.03	\$ 1,185.32	\$ 905.54	\$ 1,376.34	\$ 1,103.13	\$ 1,865.68	\$ 5,805.99	\$ 4,736.30	\$ 5,877.99	\$ 4,264.80	\$ 4,967.47	\$ 88,177
Wisconsin	\$ 9,549.31	\$ 13,270.85	\$ 14,275.17	\$ 9,597.85	\$ 7,630.58	\$ 9,067.34	\$ 13,136.12	\$ 14,301.81	\$ 20,535.43	\$ 24,232.31	\$ 22,047.65	\$ 19,531.65	\$ 109,631
Wyoming	\$ 414.55	\$ 51.88	\$ 32.10	\$ 247.03	\$ 205.12	\$ 438.84	\$ 22.68	\$ 327.57	\$ 503.54	\$ 1,900.76	\$ 2,466.01	\$ 1,641.58	\$ 1,408,081

**TABLE 2: MS RECIPIENT SNAP BENEFIT SPENDING BY US STATE (TOTAL TRANSACTION COUNTS)**

State	Oct-2019 Total Purchase TXN Count	Nov-2019 Total Purchase TXN Count	Dec-2019 Total Purchase TXN Count	Jan-2020 Total Purchase TXN Count	Feb-2020 Total Purchase TXN Count	Mar-2020 Total Purchase TXN Count	Apr-2020 Total Purchase TXN Count	May-2020 Total Purchase TXN Count	Jun-2020 Total Purchase TXN Count	Jul-2020 Total Purchase TXN Count	Aug-2020 Total Purchase TXN Count	Sep-2020 Total Purchase TXN Count	Annual Purchase TXN Count
Alabama	7,530	7,630	7,374	6,635	5,967	7,962	9,339	11,769	12,820	13,941	14,040	11,042	116,049
Alaska	11	21	16	17	11	12	21	23	19	46	58	40	295
Arizona	218	259	217	167	171	260	297	340	587	713	670	587	4,486
Arkansas	1,814	1,742	1,667	1,426	1,519	1,980	2,770	3,075	3,604	3,874	4,896	20,295	48,662
California	631	627	746	608	433	428	294	571	837	1,031	937	748	7,891
Colorado	566	315	283	206	144	191	228	254	453	574	584	505	4,303
Connecticut	17	30	47	29	52	54	107	33	70	58	47	63	607
Delaware	6	11	10	8	18	46	15	13	42	8	15	17	209
District of Columbia	16	7	4	5	0	2	9	8	9	39	17	15	131
Florida	2,215	2,021	2,406	1,945	1,859	2,592	1,994	3,903	5,357	5,158	3,996	3,646	37,092
Georgia	3,012	3,071	3,219	2,616	2,337	3,026	3,408	4,408	5,073	5,828	4,546	4,614	45,158
Hawaii	0	0	2	5	0	0	1	24	13	9	11	9	74
Idaho	15	17	24	4	6	26	25	47	66	52	78	45	405
Illinois	1,236	1,174	1,339	954	916	1,278	1,246	1,543	2,185	2,898	2,313	2,050	19,132
Indiana	506	493	504	452	373	494	685	821	1,275	1,533	1,216	991	9,343
Iowa	328	225	228	238	256	282	477	403	427	480	460	382	4,186
Kansas	373	280	271	245	217	197	256	345	480	553	562	418	4,197
Kentucky	470	315	343	309	309	375	508	696	784	891	701	658	6,359
Louisiana	13,077	13,050	13,552	12,635	12,540	13,891	18,137	21,247	23,502	23,553	24,804	22,073	212,061
Maine	44	31	32	26	6	7	17	31	65	92	69	48	468
Maryland	63	84	99	102	68	116	114	161	221	310	211	244	1,793
Massachusetts	50	49	56	49	16	15	38	26	51	77	98	81	606
Michigan	498	562	373	379	349	448	584	700	1,168	1,269	1,264	896	8,490
Minnesota	117	134	111	101	74	151	128	238	221	207	318	434	2,234
Missouri	542	633	580	538	519	697	756	1,040	1,547	1,986	1,353	1,400	11,591
Montana	77	22	4	18	13	12	46	12	33	33	42	17	329
Nebraska	99	101	80	73	112	96	141	119	213	197	213	132	1,576
Nevada	164	143	174	138	100	216	205	328	302	445	385	324	2,924
New Hampshire	6	4	1	8	7	3	17	54	46	102	56	55	359
New Jersey	47	48	79	62	29	65	70	92	108	183	50	56	889
New Mexico	126	99	114	69	94	88	99	123	138	167	169	141	1,427
New York	255	145	134	127	148	137	106	115	235	235	199	237	2,073
North Carolina	571	498	488	400	337	374	459	688	785	942	734	593	6,869
North Dakota	46	93	30	58	32	23	20	47	77	112	73	47	658
Ohio	1,286	955	1,094	865	693	952	1,194	694	767	1,029	1,009	956	11,494
Oklahoma	505	423	393	354	350	337	511	565	727	814	651	572	6,202
Oregon	109	49	36	17	54	35	81	85	147	194	136	113	1,056
Pennsylvania	287	209	298	202	160	218	291	388	422	364	364	273	3,476
Rhode Island	7	1	7	24	1	0	15	10	4	22	37	16	144
South Carolina	847	661	642	537	337	311	428	471	507	535	571	461	6,308
South Dakota	38	74	91	56	49	45	74	32	36	78	75	73	721
Tennessee	13,789	13,255	13,429	11,811	11,079	13,119	17,487	20,383	23,784	25,912	26,528	21,417	211,993
Texas	5,515	4,965	4,919	4,331	3,807	5,133	5,164	7,237	9,681	10,536	9,675	8,498	79,461
Utah	59	41	50	58	35	45	33	40	34	73	55	58	581
Vermont	4	4	4	0	3	20	48	50	46	53	36	5	273
Virgin Islands	33	52	12	17	7	18	21	39	33	5	0	2	239
Virginia	784	612	693	615	540	336	272	437	475	677	553	386	6,380
Washington	32	85	90	73	49	86	121	118	143	155	689	3,484	5,125
West Virginia	53	32	35	50	67	39	59	175	146	168	148	167	1,139
Wisconsin	377	456	464	373	275	260	400	453	746	859	873	668	6,204
Wyoming	24	7	3	8	3	10	3	8	31	52	83	41	273
<b>Totals</b>	<b>58,495</b>	<b>55,815</b>	<b>56,867</b>	<b>50,043</b>	<b>46,541</b>	<b>56,508</b>	<b>68,819</b>	<b>84,482</b>	<b>100,542</b>	<b>109,122</b>	<b>106,668</b>	<b>110,093</b>	<b>903,995</b>



**TABLE 3A: MS RECIPIENT SNAP BENEFIT SPENDING BY MISSISSIPPI COUNTY (PURCHASE AMOUNTS, COUNTIES STARTING WITH A-L)**

	Oct-2019	Nov-2019	Dec-2019	Jan-2020	Feb-2020	Mar-2020	Apr-2020	May-2020	Jun-2020	Jul-2020	Aug-2020	Sep-2020	
County	Total Purchase Amount	Total Purchase Amount	Total Purchase Amount	Total Purchase Amount	Total Purchase Amount	Total Purchase Amount	Total Purchase Amount	Total Purchase Amount	Total Purchase Amount	Total Purchase Amount	Total Purchase Amount	Total Purchase Amount	Annual Totals
Adams	\$ 862,175.15	\$ 875,944.27	\$ 867,756.24	\$ 839,094.76	\$ 789,451.89	\$ 1,013,716.74	\$ 1,396,357.57	\$ 1,327,997.71	\$ 1,569,457.77	\$ 1,475,391.90	\$ 1,487,012.40	\$ 1,314,907.42	\$ 13,819,263.82
Alcorn	\$ 607,402.24	\$ 650,408.55	\$ 617,442.78	\$ 580,401.43	\$ 574,603.35	\$ 730,937.22	\$ 1,123,102.72	\$ 1,129,284.74	\$ 1,206,226.04	\$ 1,248,017.69	\$ 1,480,983.29	\$ 1,152,155.82	\$ 11,100,965.87
Amite	\$ 100,807.93	\$ 94,522.97	\$ 94,433.36	\$ 96,045.33	\$ 90,157.28	\$ 129,787.89	\$ 193,548.33	\$ 176,150.72	\$ 191,555.84	\$ 204,097.02	\$ 217,301.70	\$ 186,841.24	\$ 1,775,249.61
Attala	\$ 333,365.93	\$ 328,768.20	\$ 316,635.70	\$ 299,504.24	\$ 290,127.05	\$ 413,078.07	\$ 610,216.33	\$ 585,450.47	\$ 634,964.22	\$ 636,204.83	\$ 751,555.32	\$ 625,950.18	\$ 5,825,820.54
Benton	\$ 52,173.12	\$ 50,890.45	\$ 50,425.69	\$ 48,810.26	\$ 45,976.46	\$ 61,875.99	\$ 109,098.11	\$ 105,318.79	\$ 110,830.51	\$ 118,182.41	\$ 135,588.45	\$ 113,153.65	\$ 1,002,323.89
Bolivar	\$ 984,119.28	\$ 953,146.68	\$ 944,297.43	\$ 1,028,518.93	\$ 878,661.94	\$ 1,197,811.09	\$ 1,664,356.39	\$ 1,637,719.22	\$ 1,846,499.77	\$ 1,757,921.67	\$ 1,879,998.52	\$ 1,639,616.74	\$ 16,412,667.66
Calhoun	\$ 157,829.74	\$ 163,502.44	\$ 161,612.23	\$ 147,409.69	\$ 147,604.33	\$ 199,261.97	\$ 298,694.61	\$ 284,906.69	\$ 318,303.36	\$ 320,147.78	\$ 355,824.96	\$ 282,102.48	\$ 2,837,200.28
Carroll	redacted	redacted	redacted	redacted	redacted	redacted	redacted	redacted	redacted	redacted	redacted	redacted	\$ -
Chickasaw	\$ 312,089.92	\$ 306,496.19	\$ 290,408.61	\$ 281,461.59	\$ 272,642.86	\$ 404,094.20	\$ 560,156.98	\$ 503,307.15	\$ 564,842.94	\$ 569,732.76	\$ 649,443.82	\$ 514,170.20	\$ 5,228,847.22
Choctaw	\$ 65,143.94	\$ 66,387.50	\$ 65,619.78	\$ 66,195.31	\$ 63,240.34	\$ 97,977.57	\$ 130,647.67	\$ 124,580.25	\$ 134,271.89	\$ 134,427.66	\$ 138,544.42	\$ 111,739.20	\$ 1,198,775.53
Claiborne	\$ 152,503.76	\$ 146,711.21	\$ 154,962.46	\$ 144,997.01	\$ 141,941.78	\$ 185,251.24	\$ 249,778.98	\$ 236,840.08	\$ 245,240.39	\$ 214,462.18	\$ 239,078.45	\$ 203,146.55	\$ 2,314,914.09
Clarke	\$ 154,514.59	\$ 156,998.98	\$ 150,845.50	\$ 147,392.39	\$ 143,355.42	\$ 189,036.20	\$ 303,473.33	\$ 301,288.19	\$ 330,744.69	\$ 313,775.53	\$ 335,250.32	\$ 301,161.07	\$ 2,827,836.21
Clay	\$ 420,353.19	\$ 414,794.20	\$ 403,232.04	\$ 387,475.52	\$ 379,944.64	\$ 493,458.44	\$ 697,668.57	\$ 674,697.17	\$ 732,768.45	\$ 700,703.76	\$ 740,206.51	\$ 664,263.64	\$ 6,709,566.13
Coahoma	\$ 795,032.52	\$ 780,575.90	\$ 794,504.82	\$ 802,255.08	\$ 766,838.96	\$ 956,631.69	\$ 1,310,714.27	\$ 1,269,434.11	\$ 1,358,385.41	\$ 1,291,944.94	\$ 1,469,559.42	\$ 1,290,453.35	\$ 12,886,330.47
Copiah	\$ 586,633.40	\$ 572,388.71	\$ 590,220.12	\$ 562,816.07	\$ 546,897.34	\$ 725,285.11	\$ 1,073,704.46	\$ 1,023,459.50	\$ 1,065,318.97	\$ 1,059,803.33	\$ 1,138,592.81	\$ 951,238.95	\$ 9,896,358.77
Covington	\$ 226,140.64	\$ 242,464.45	\$ 225,430.90	\$ 221,462.77	\$ 206,011.47	\$ 280,710.04	\$ 412,856.68	\$ 399,771.77	\$ 467,921.49	\$ 466,372.71	\$ 474,494.43	\$ 414,301.72	\$ 4,037,939.07
De Soto	\$ 3,829,803.03	\$ 3,815,529.61	\$ 3,835,211.67	\$ 3,647,488.25	\$ 3,502,026.76	\$ 4,081,325.25	\$ 5,326,201.78	\$ 5,990,704.92	\$ 7,002,749.91	\$ 7,251,411.26	\$ 8,046,020.68	\$ 6,300,320.98	\$ 62,628,794.10
Forrest	\$ 1,618,870.20	\$ 1,613,786.29	\$ 1,599,437.19	\$ 1,526,389.83	\$ 1,487,612.05	\$ 1,892,565.22	\$ 2,716,894.76	\$ 2,802,811.81	\$ 3,230,235.66	\$ 3,091,596.10	\$ 3,333,925.85	\$ 2,684,873.20	\$ 27,598,998.16
Franklin	\$ 61,836.21	\$ 55,469.78	\$ 57,594.40	\$ 53,185.00	\$ 55,702.38	\$ 74,595.83	\$ 119,840.48	\$ 112,407.51	\$ 120,512.49	\$ 133,399.96	\$ 150,413.49	\$ 117,449.40	\$ 1,112,406.93
George	\$ 341,593.70	\$ 341,710.64	\$ 366,232.89	\$ 351,196.54	\$ 339,323.37	\$ 410,264.63	\$ 604,632.69	\$ 615,750.43	\$ 653,790.11	\$ 673,737.03	\$ 800,796.54	\$ 594,503.21	\$ 6,093,531.78
Greene	\$ 83,568.21	\$ 78,156.83	\$ 80,939.71	\$ 77,996.94	\$ 67,120.30	\$ 98,070.76	\$ 144,463.30	\$ 144,266.40	\$ 181,961.77	\$ 177,629.07	\$ 181,391.34	\$ 150,279.81	\$ 1,465,844.44
Grenada	\$ 1,227,810.22	\$ 1,335,932.80	\$ 1,188,407.21	\$ 1,173,861.20	\$ 1,130,794.25	\$ 1,522,386.76	\$ 2,138,354.33	\$ 1,992,320.74	\$ 2,272,291.80	\$ 1,871,668.63	\$ 1,955,994.12	\$ 1,731,199.45	\$ 19,541,021.51
Hancock	\$ 534,999.95	\$ 522,798.29	\$ 565,618.23	\$ 515,634.76	\$ 523,900.64	\$ 666,015.77	\$ 977,544.92	\$ 956,494.78	\$ 971,570.15	\$ 981,552.73	\$ 1,159,026.62	\$ 881,149.12	\$ 9,256,305.96
Harrison	\$ 4,281,186.84	\$ 4,210,517.27	\$ 4,322,516.96	\$ 4,154,614.95	\$ 4,016,600.98	\$ 5,007,274.52	\$ 6,679,573.22	\$ 6,819,811.54	\$ 7,025,618.15	\$ 6,719,417.92	\$ 7,429,461.64	\$ 6,276,334.05	\$ 66,942,928.04
Hinds	\$ 4,743,172.48	\$ 4,696,881.34	\$ 4,649,393.38	\$ 4,435,888.34	\$ 4,317,561.96	\$ 5,290,635.64	\$ 6,826,464.32	\$ 7,102,886.23	\$ 7,745,540.19	\$ 7,476,921.66	\$ 7,581,694.44	\$ 6,556,808.40	\$ 71,423,848.38
Holmes	\$ 328,814.39	\$ 316,066.70	\$ 324,138.90	\$ 309,319.88	\$ 300,813.22	\$ 404,079.29	\$ 552,865.57	\$ 516,607.96	\$ 587,933.38	\$ 569,674.10	\$ 580,706.94	\$ 571,979.90	\$ 5,363,000.23
Humphreys	\$ 204,682.75	\$ 197,048.62	\$ 200,183.49	\$ 193,550.26	\$ 184,063.03	\$ 245,477.41	\$ 328,143.14	\$ 317,342.82	\$ 361,286.12	\$ 352,433.38	\$ 351,696.06	\$ 320,673.81	\$ 3,256,580.89
Issaquena	redacted	redacted	redacted	redacted	redacted	redacted	redacted	redacted	redacted	redacted	redacted	redacted	\$ -
Itawamba	\$ 171,143.97	\$ 161,999.78	\$ 165,583.70	\$ 151,220.30	\$ 144,630.62	\$ 182,140.19	\$ 320,935.63	\$ 314,653.49	\$ 322,489.71	\$ 374,495.98	\$ 456,258.69	\$ 349,513.00	\$ 3,115,065.06
Jackson	\$ 1,891,073.90	\$ 1,855,674.85	\$ 1,851,781.53	\$ 1,775,328.49	\$ 1,706,110.21	\$ 2,165,212.57	\$ 2,957,149.11	\$ 3,034,340.74	\$ 3,180,730.53	\$ 3,184,198.50	\$ 3,604,996.51	\$ 2,833,253.82	\$ 30,039,850.76
Jasper	\$ 111,686.50	\$ 115,809.56	\$ 115,686.11	\$ 108,410.70	\$ 103,360.83	\$ 143,441.54	\$ 230,997.55	\$ 213,250.67	\$ 242,480.75	\$ 262,784.54	\$ 272,825.68	\$ 228,922.48	\$ 2,149,656.91
Jefferson	\$ 85,048.22	\$ 84,080.57	\$ 84,951.48	\$ 81,101.85	\$ 79,578.75	\$ 109,490.95	\$ 156,956.90	\$ 146,715.01	\$ 155,334.52	\$ 151,871.70	\$ 157,409.28	\$ 138,620.70	\$ 1,431,159.93
Jefferson Davis	\$ 119,396.16	\$ 134,643.15	\$ 113,352.53	\$ 109,194.89	\$ 93,480.87	\$ 132,834.14	\$ 208,174.51	\$ 185,864.75	\$ 215,597.24	\$ 204,458.30	\$ 218,207.73	\$ 191,906.91	\$ 1,927,111.18
Jones	\$ 1,092,463.23	\$ 1,073,780.48	\$ 1,095,689.69	\$ 1,037,912.54	\$ 1,002,161.80	\$ 1,269,186.26	\$ 1,777,161.91	\$ 1,771,735.73	\$ 2,082,538.54	\$ 2,163,093.91	\$ 2,414,356.72	\$ 1,886,442.40	\$ 18,666,523.21
Kemper	\$ 57,912.12	\$ 51,936.81	\$ 52,590.06	\$ 52,404.65	\$ 52,224.23	\$ 70,763.74	\$ 110,790.30	\$ 99,047.89	\$ 105,705.57	\$ 108,313.85	\$ 117,462.98	\$ 104,738.05	\$ 983,890.25
Lafayette	\$ 335,302.35	\$ 316,421.57	\$ 326,541.72	\$ 298,915.06	\$ 288,254.17	\$ 358,728.74	\$ 572,640.66	\$ 581,573.03	\$ 649,408.60	\$ 710,177.16	\$ 862,895.51	\$ 661,285.21	\$ 5,962,143.78
Lamar	\$ 547,068.48	\$ 541,350.11	\$ 542,288.64	\$ 503,635.43	\$ 496,627.65	\$ 622,121.94	\$ 824,295.48	\$ 829,612.88	\$ 951,086.18	\$ 1,017,483.75	\$ 1,168,916.34	\$ 893,140.36	\$ 8,937,627.24
Lauderdale	\$ 1,875,436.52	\$ 1,876,508.43	\$ 1,885,534.16	\$ 1,807,085.85	\$ 1,766,775.99	\$ 2,266,046.01	\$ 3,056,422.92	\$ 3,221,352.56	\$ 3,571,692.17	\$ 3,420,153.05	\$ 3,711,025.60	\$ 3,172,109.41	\$ 31,630,142.67
Lawrence	\$ 173,218.25	\$ 171,576.48	\$ 163,284.65	\$ 151,861.02	\$ 143,356.93	\$ 204,383.09	\$ 300,631.45	\$ 283,256.65	\$ 311,643.03	\$ 321,982.64	\$ 326,339.52	\$ 285,977.83	\$ 2,837,511.54
Leake	\$ 335,447.11	\$ 344,155.56	\$ 331,552.31	\$ 311,618.98	\$ 303,529.00	\$ 404,319.93	\$ 581,807.34	\$ 573,969.72	\$ 637,475.84	\$ 650,103.17	\$ 856,824.61	\$ 661,078.76	\$ 5,991,882.33
Lee	\$ 1,458,155.43	\$ 1,447,258.13	\$ 1,431,465.01	\$ 1,380,297.81	\$ 1,312,246.50	\$ 1,624,483.79	\$ 2,420,614.71	\$ 2,535,001.06	\$ 2,671,173.45	\$ 2,575,503.65	\$ 3,342,730.19	\$ 2,447,344.63	\$ 24,646,274.36
Leflore	\$ 888,365.67	\$ 847,798.11	\$ 870,984.37	\$ 832,588.63	\$ 826,048.31	\$ 1,099,398.22	\$ 1,541,706.80	\$ 1,474,789.06	\$ 1,792,467.19	\$ 1,699,411.37	\$ 1,679,758.53	\$ 1,516,496.08	\$ 15,069,812.34
Lincoln	\$ 562,156.08	\$ 570,362.00	\$ 566,793.96	\$ 545,063.45	\$ 541,027.80	\$ 669,193.94	\$ 980,749.25	\$ 983,679.27	\$ 1,106,470.35	\$ 1,138,325.39	\$ 1,232,466.58	\$ 971,596.80	\$ 9,867,884.87
Lowndes	\$ 1,278,353.80	\$ 1,263,750.04	\$ 1,270,810.43	\$ 1,214,322.80	\$ 1,163,835.13	\$ 1,487,398.70	\$ 2,032,229.46	\$ 2,030,997.40	\$ 2,114,921.67	\$ 2,016,307.22	\$ 2,312,496.71	\$ 1,948,567.03	\$ 20,133,990.39

**TABLE 3B: MS RECIPIENT SNAP BENEFIT SPENDING BY MISSISSIPPI COUNTY (PURCHASE AMOUNTS, COUNTIES STARTING WITH M-Y)**

	Oct-2019	Nov-2019	Dec-2019	Jan-2020	Feb-2020	Mar-2020	Apr-2020	May-2020	Jun-2020	Jul-2020	Aug-2020	Sep-2020	
County	Total Purchase Amount	Total Purchase Amount	Total Purchase Amount	Total Purchase Amount	Total Purchase Amount	Total Purchase Amount	Total Purchase Amount	Total Purchase Amount	Total Purchase Amount	Total Purchase Amount	Total Purchase Amount	Total Purchase Amount	Annual Totals
Madison	\$ 1,563,506.71	\$ 1,542,959.84	\$ 1,579,973.81	\$ 1,495,914.02	\$ 1,460,626.08	\$ 1,921,103.67	\$ 2,786,656.73	\$ 3,041,869.48	\$ 3,276,732.35	\$ 3,289,792.43	\$ 3,635,363.77	\$ 2,841,926.66	\$ 28,436,425.55
Marion	\$ 507,379.56	\$ 524,157.43	\$ 519,542.73	\$ 482,178.27	\$ 468,707.75	\$ 604,772.18	\$ 908,630.22	\$ 917,413.15	\$ 979,720.40	\$ 986,869.73	\$ 1,121,496.41	\$ 824,172.99	\$ 8,845,040.82
Marshall	\$ 449,943.41	\$ 434,311.27	\$ 429,399.74	\$ 408,961.65	\$ 401,733.99	\$ 511,945.21	\$ 749,573.29	\$ 730,273.90	\$ 852,769.70	\$ 840,039.07	\$ 932,082.27	\$ 778,296.89	\$ 7,519,330.39
Monroe	\$ 390,506.07	\$ 380,563.70	\$ 390,383.42	\$ 374,868.78	\$ 360,838.41	\$ 482,432.20	\$ 669,508.25	\$ 653,584.76	\$ 685,737.66	\$ 693,783.18	\$ 845,658.43	\$ 687,776.94	\$ 6,615,641.80
Montgomery	\$ 99,014.50	\$ 91,186.50	\$ 102,505.67	\$ 96,704.45	\$ 89,150.02	\$ 135,218.84	\$ 238,387.70	\$ 220,595.24	\$ 240,081.66	\$ 245,216.84	\$ 244,839.90	\$ 223,897.55	\$ 2,026,798.87
Neshoba	\$ 658,248.54	\$ 675,952.35	\$ 677,388.48	\$ 647,987.33	\$ 635,044.12	\$ 792,171.58	\$ 1,141,384.41	\$ 1,019,130.55	\$ 1,090,100.85	\$ 1,032,633.84	\$ 1,322,749.30	\$ 1,133,643.27	\$ 10,826,434.62
Newton	\$ 253,771.19	\$ 250,291.93	\$ 257,467.73	\$ 253,122.22	\$ 243,614.23	\$ 314,209.05	\$ 465,261.30	\$ 453,318.68	\$ 532,761.76	\$ 529,118.70	\$ 606,764.94	\$ 497,583.76	\$ 4,657,285.49
Noxubee	\$ 367,632.52	\$ 362,976.33	\$ 358,138.32	\$ 351,153.40	\$ 342,754.67	\$ 481,165.92	\$ 709,637.80	\$ 665,795.82	\$ 676,770.29	\$ 617,758.89	\$ 653,391.62	\$ 586,124.89	\$ 6,173,300.47
Oktibbeha	\$ 668,403.66	\$ 667,104.15	\$ 650,937.33	\$ 631,446.38	\$ 615,657.90	\$ 793,766.75	\$ 1,146,041.05	\$ 1,104,135.20	\$ 1,168,089.68	\$ 1,113,203.21	\$ 1,332,137.99	\$ 1,092,061.46	\$ 10,982,984.76
Panola	\$ 1,009,262.26	\$ 990,187.96	\$ 963,755.60	\$ 963,441.76	\$ 910,706.37	\$ 1,287,426.55	\$ 1,701,070.16	\$ 1,653,094.12	\$ 1,808,768.80	\$ 1,733,357.76	\$ 1,759,003.45	\$ 1,514,473.75	\$ 16,294,548.54
Pearl River	\$ 953,146.94	\$ 942,925.07	\$ 954,449.95	\$ 906,535.46	\$ 863,639.78	\$ 1,069,444.49	\$ 1,576,416.73	\$ 1,545,517.88	\$ 1,575,168.60	\$ 1,630,450.03	\$ 2,129,319.60	\$ 1,511,332.45	\$ 15,658,346.98
Perry	\$ 107,494.61	\$ 105,508.23	\$ 105,649.00	\$ 101,171.67	\$ 92,526.45	\$ 131,333.80	\$ 204,210.46	\$ 199,522.89	\$ 223,197.27	\$ 245,045.70	\$ 260,683.30	\$ 212,039.38	\$ 1,988,382.76
Pike	\$ 1,154,141.80	\$ 1,123,671.60	\$ 1,145,332.59	\$ 1,072,670.35	\$ 1,035,152.68	\$ 1,330,316.75	\$ 1,863,233.77	\$ 1,810,610.42	\$ 2,118,396.81	\$ 2,071,531.61	\$ 2,098,377.32	\$ 1,782,108.16	\$ 18,605,543.86
Pontotoc	\$ 307,917.88	\$ 303,578.57	\$ 305,852.62	\$ 304,125.44	\$ 277,032.43	\$ 364,880.37	\$ 581,531.79	\$ 585,705.24	\$ 601,893.34	\$ 662,348.65	\$ 853,925.27	\$ 595,690.98	\$ 5,744,482.58
Prentiss	\$ 234,186.35	\$ 227,327.84	\$ 232,317.21	\$ 220,242.88	\$ 214,612.24	\$ 286,372.47	\$ 472,572.03	\$ 459,314.80	\$ 481,153.51	\$ 506,585.67	\$ 635,279.51	\$ 489,004.25	\$ 4,458,968.76
Quitman	\$ 27,222.79	\$ 25,805.01	\$ 24,419.22	\$ 29,560.63	\$ 25,712.24	\$ 32,431.41	\$ 52,600.26	\$ 51,185.42	\$ 57,916.24	\$ 61,003.32	\$ 69,163.98	\$ 51,654.97	\$ 508,675.49
Rankin	\$ 1,485,936.53	\$ 1,430,742.60	\$ 1,489,050.79	\$ 1,387,122.69	\$ 1,367,466.25	\$ 1,748,450.55	\$ 2,609,623.04	\$ 2,862,014.22	\$ 3,206,340.01	\$ 3,273,293.74	\$ 3,909,428.77	\$ 2,878,321.36	\$ 27,647,790.55
Scott	\$ 503,117.81	\$ 496,236.67	\$ 499,277.25	\$ 476,877.65	\$ 455,314.53	\$ 592,884.36	\$ 830,602.30	\$ 779,259.11	\$ 960,904.80	\$ 1,028,904.67	\$ 1,225,441.79	\$ 899,630.64	\$ 8,748,451.58
Sharkey	\$ 106,630.73	\$ 108,848.99	\$ 101,014.42	\$ 101,511.16	\$ 95,944.36	\$ 128,978.87	\$ 181,530.46	\$ 172,100.03	\$ 211,898.17	\$ 202,105.83	\$ 200,782.58	\$ 181,482.64	\$ 1,792,828.24
Simpson	\$ 400,536.08	\$ 399,160.04	\$ 388,333.08	\$ 356,831.57	\$ 359,436.68	\$ 467,093.96	\$ 713,107.44	\$ 695,074.43	\$ 769,207.77	\$ 793,269.50	\$ 878,630.44	\$ 712,018.61	\$ 6,932,699.60
Smith	\$ 80,636.78	\$ 79,975.96	\$ 78,371.73	\$ 74,392.25	\$ 69,118.23	\$ 92,885.09	\$ 136,491.20	\$ 132,520.58	\$ 169,662.21	\$ 185,629.10	\$ 200,642.02	\$ 157,372.49	\$ 1,457,697.64
Stone	\$ 310,912.22	\$ 310,429.95	\$ 314,288.93	\$ 311,841.44	\$ 308,993.16	\$ 399,490.69	\$ 606,462.56	\$ 578,519.46	\$ 610,277.57	\$ 604,632.38	\$ 666,322.87	\$ 535,663.95	\$ 5,557,835.18
Sunflower	\$ 696,324.92	\$ 682,166.59	\$ 685,982.86	\$ 679,092.76	\$ 672,419.92	\$ 896,839.53	\$ 1,306,200.64	\$ 1,221,662.46	\$ 1,374,487.40	\$ 1,255,676.73	\$ 1,260,870.22	\$ 1,142,489.78	\$ 11,874,213.81
Tallahatchie	\$ 71,016.95	\$ 68,538.39	\$ 69,711.60	\$ 70,563.03	\$ 70,088.84	\$ 100,691.63	\$ 171,091.37	\$ 170,650.23	\$ 187,350.44	\$ 188,024.49	\$ 192,452.79	\$ 156,818.55	\$ 1,516,998.31
Tate	\$ 341,845.61	\$ 330,270.83	\$ 338,181.67	\$ 306,719.35	\$ 303,876.02	\$ 387,754.49	\$ 662,096.26	\$ 614,558.13	\$ 663,939.73	\$ 677,554.28	\$ 756,724.16	\$ 624,332.21	\$ 6,007,852.74
Tippah	\$ 151,566.63	\$ 147,530.60	\$ 146,366.33	\$ 131,042.26	\$ 126,585.76	\$ 172,906.06	\$ 296,920.68	\$ 297,257.98	\$ 348,030.18	\$ 382,237.67	\$ 467,877.29	\$ 357,000.13	\$ 3,025,321.57
Tishomingo	\$ 122,608.56	\$ 115,693.26	\$ 112,307.95	\$ 109,665.43	\$ 102,607.01	\$ 141,550.44	\$ 253,324.01	\$ 261,846.79	\$ 263,934.32	\$ 286,940.55	\$ 344,373.85	\$ 263,667.31	\$ 2,378,519.48
Tunica	\$ 240,870.90	\$ 230,189.57	\$ 229,393.26	\$ 225,867.73	\$ 205,350.98	\$ 287,333.11	\$ 396,194.62	\$ 371,180.65	\$ 419,932.97	\$ 409,413.34	\$ 416,303.06	\$ 387,325.14	\$ 3,819,355.33
Union	\$ 302,592.85	\$ 302,074.63	\$ 305,251.61	\$ 271,869.21	\$ 273,085.69	\$ 355,509.37	\$ 563,907.87	\$ 553,239.72	\$ 595,891.84	\$ 650,002.91	\$ 818,743.85	\$ 609,743.35	\$ 5,601,912.90
Walthall	\$ 171,445.86	\$ 169,556.30	\$ 160,471.32	\$ 154,793.00	\$ 144,649.16	\$ 208,375.10	\$ 310,019.94	\$ 261,744.64	\$ 299,431.68	\$ 282,112.73	\$ 320,022.11	\$ 249,693.42	\$ 2,732,315.26
Warren	\$ 1,313,422.34	\$ 1,314,174.95	\$ 1,298,313.04	\$ 1,269,074.73	\$ 1,204,135.35	\$ 1,539,695.14	\$ 2,044,757.84	\$ 2,056,252.62	\$ 2,321,774.95	\$ 2,084,407.16	\$ 2,326,301.24	\$ 1,959,379.82	\$ 20,731,689.18
Washington	\$ 1,737,576.74	\$ 1,710,255.73	\$ 1,728,562.18	\$ 1,669,543.35	\$ 1,619,932.45	\$ 2,098,765.01	\$ 2,739,785.80	\$ 2,660,819.75	\$ 3,038,649.94	\$ 2,849,685.29	\$ 2,868,174.25	\$ 2,616,840.51	\$ 27,338,591.00
Wayne	\$ 601,797.09	\$ 612,857.08	\$ 625,764.16	\$ 605,251.69	\$ 578,707.80	\$ 755,457.63	\$ 1,061,572.20	\$ 1,064,883.34	\$ 1,061,066.34	\$ 1,067,427.76	\$ 1,184,927.79	\$ 995,997.30	\$ 10,215,710.18
Webster	\$ 127,158.33	\$ 121,839.01	\$ 123,167.30	\$ 125,979.95	\$ 119,644.35	\$ 171,377.79	\$ 266,883.87	\$ 240,044.10	\$ 257,894.91	\$ 251,056.00	\$ 267,080.39	\$ 232,536.77	\$ 2,304,662.77
Wilkinson	\$ 127,377.82	\$ 120,245.99	\$ 122,107.92	\$ 123,372.59	\$ 111,856.36	\$ 143,460.52	\$ 214,917.27	\$ 197,683.84	\$ 237,175.78	\$ 242,038.69	\$ 250,774.03	\$ 213,990.42	\$ 2,105,001.23
Winston	\$ 307,280.33	\$ 306,996.71	\$ 314,599.09	\$ 300,926.41	\$ 286,009.05	\$ 369,154.88	\$ 536,697.97	\$ 536,288.72	\$ 593,469.51	\$ 598,541.79	\$ 666,877.17	\$ 568,226.83	\$ 5,385,068.46
Yalobusha	\$ 115,729.59	\$ 107,032.22	\$ 115,816.61	\$ 104,971.41	\$ 95,629.28	\$ 134,517.49	\$ 232,177.34	\$ 218,134.41	\$ 241,886.62	\$ 245,796.07	\$ 266,756.64	\$ 229,194.27	\$ 2,107,641.95
Yazoo	\$ 703,435.35	\$ 671,685.18	\$ 684,903.83	\$ 664,023.56	\$ 635,806.59	\$ 857,531.74	\$ 1,131,227.12	\$ 1,086,335.74	\$ 1,160,540.05	\$ 1,093,741.16	\$ 1,169,956.78	\$ 1,052,398.94	\$ 10,911,586.04
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$52,820,449.93</b>	<b>\$52,330,013.53</b>	<b>\$52,415,142.39</b>	<b>\$50,315,346.69</b>	<b>\$48,530,390.02</b>	<b>\$62,170,442.98</b>	<b>\$87,154,925.24</b>	<b>\$87,574,590.11</b>	<b>\$96,405,042.92</b>	<b>\$94,720,522.66</b>	<b>\$104,959,234.87</b>	<b>\$86,087,679.80</b>	<b>\$875,483,781.14</b>



**TABLE 4A: MS RECIPIENT SNAP BENEFIT SPENDING BY MISSISSIPPI COUNTY (TOTAL TRANSACTION COUNTS, COUNTIES STARTING WITH A-L)**

	Oct-2019	Nov-2019	Dec-2019	Jan-2020	Feb-2020	Mar-2020	Apr-2020	May-2020	Jun-2020	Jul-2020	Aug-2020	Sep-2020	Annual Purchase
County	Total Purchase TXN Count	Total Purchase TXN Count	Total Purchase TXN Count	Total Purchase TXN Count	Total Purchase TXN Count	Total Purchase TXN Count	Total Purchase TXN Count	Total Purchase TXN Count	Total Purchase TXN Count	Total Purchase TXN Count	Total Purchase TXN Count	Total Purchase TXN Count	Total Purchase TXN Count
Adams	26,129	26,111	26,150	24,382	22,860	27,026	36,872	36,723	41,325	41,771	42,148	37,838	389,335
Alcorn	18,906	20,012	18,890	17,128	16,586	19,306	28,587	30,100	31,898	33,748	37,452	31,990	304,603
Amite	4,843	4,598	4,662	4,580	4,177	5,163	7,305	6,900	7,983	8,439	8,946	8,099	75,695
Attala	10,791	10,692	10,633	9,744	9,353	11,722	17,541	17,401	18,447	19,221	22,900	18,987	177,432
Benton	2,773	2,702	2,637	2,462	2,304	2,520	4,138	4,504	4,814	5,217	5,561	5,063	44,695
Bolivar	36,997	34,691	34,755	37,025	31,729	38,537	54,752	57,360	61,416	62,154	64,243	57,530	571,189
Calhoun	6,946	6,882	6,983	6,182	6,020	6,978	10,056	10,135	11,354	12,356	13,754	11,293	108,939
Carroll	redacted	redacted	redacted	redacted	redacted	redacted	redacted	redacted	redacted	redacted	redacted	redacted	-
Chickasaw	11,795	11,234	11,147	10,356	9,906	12,272	17,192	16,716	18,543	20,135	22,656	18,151	180,103
Choctaw	3,425	3,352	3,382	3,287	3,183	3,927	5,098	5,146	5,861	6,296	6,517	5,237	54,711
Claiborne	7,375	7,247	7,525	6,976	6,452	7,732	10,372	10,026	10,423	9,526	10,266	8,620	102,540
Clarke	6,997	7,127	6,894	6,502	6,248	7,072	10,750	11,185	11,820	12,229	12,825	11,676	111,325
Clay	16,987	16,502	16,297	14,905	13,965	16,824	23,790	24,091	25,446	25,948	26,930	23,846	245,531
Coahoma	29,988	28,055	28,662	28,878	26,327	31,747	43,106	45,304	45,523	44,744	50,207	43,494	446,035
Copiah	24,078	23,293	23,251	21,675	21,065	25,015	34,581	34,720	36,605	37,781	40,391	34,933	357,388
Covington	8,800	9,160	8,537	8,064	7,229	8,889	12,508	12,839	14,843	15,739	15,945	14,066	136,619
De Soto	94,493	93,259	95,182	85,435	81,720	89,330	111,114	130,848	144,468	157,007	171,801	140,919	1,395,576
Forrest	54,891	53,527	53,533	49,286	46,991	54,395	71,691	76,620	85,008	86,150	88,644	74,214	794,950
Franklin	3,077	2,781	2,917	2,777	2,731	3,099	4,538	4,773	5,003	5,809	6,489	5,279	49,273
George	11,140	10,977	11,746	10,916	10,590	11,408	15,906	16,949	17,555	18,516	20,850	16,818	173,371
Greene	4,832	4,431	4,557	4,332	3,901	4,660	6,559	6,834	7,819	8,195	8,211	7,202	71,533
Grenada	21,376	22,121	21,092	19,876	19,042	23,854	34,745	34,413	38,142	36,827	39,405	34,285	345,178
Hancock	20,445	19,721	20,750	19,034	18,802	20,984	29,076	29,707	31,146	31,657	34,867	28,937	305,126
Harrison	152,850	147,451	151,706	142,066	135,528	152,503	188,623	205,178	206,559	206,170	215,533	188,997	2,093,164
Hinds	173,461	166,820	166,926	152,962	146,242	167,784	214,600	230,891	243,985	251,414	248,271	213,485	2,376,841
Holmes	14,945	14,179	14,706	13,756	13,473	16,115	22,359	22,187	24,348	25,234	26,065	25,254	232,621
Humphreys	10,257	9,754	9,872	9,215	8,735	10,185	14,642	14,657	16,575	15,999	16,961	14,967	151,819
Issaquena	redacted	redacted	redacted	redacted	redacted	redacted	redacted	redacted	redacted	redacted	redacted	redacted	-
Itawamba	6,208	5,661	5,849	5,184	5,055	5,378	8,657	9,422	9,562	11,077	13,371	10,934	96,358
Jackson	73,669	70,544	70,411	65,766	62,341	70,486	90,591	98,119	101,179	103,792	112,728	92,995	1,012,621
Jasper	5,670	5,671	5,705	5,216	4,934	5,816	9,114	8,983	9,734	11,276	11,968	10,086	94,173
Jefferson	5,099	4,917	4,915	4,717	4,485	5,245	7,241	7,355	7,630	7,816	8,353	7,146	74,919
Jefferson Davis	6,344	6,910	6,067	5,633	4,468	5,734	8,369	7,695	8,437	8,570	9,089	7,655	84,971
Jones	38,970	37,473	38,446	34,958	33,721	39,301	53,329	56,771	63,360	69,225	74,512	61,035	601,101
Kemper	3,141	2,930	2,893	2,833	2,693	3,065	4,609	4,438	4,717	4,990	5,631	4,868	46,808
Lafayette	11,371	10,547	10,794	9,763	9,339	10,163	14,896	15,968	17,067	19,333	22,510	18,336	170,087
Lamar	17,324	16,891	16,969	15,284	14,634	16,829	21,476	22,396	25,073	27,596	30,473	24,507	249,452
Lauderdale	59,974	59,376	60,026	55,701	54,381	62,946	82,290	90,777	95,396	99,296	104,117	91,462	915,742
Lawrence	6,514	6,530	6,272	5,925	5,611	6,756	9,262	9,346	10,025	10,984	11,100	9,527	97,852
Leake	10,416	10,342	10,190	9,482	8,908	11,082	15,351	15,701	17,424	18,640	23,654	19,263	170,453
Lee	48,980	47,972	48,206	44,038	41,217	45,943	64,569	69,547	72,123	73,480	88,959	70,296	715,330
Leflore	33,980	32,761	33,014	30,656	29,373	35,806	49,173	50,169	58,669	60,990	60,090	52,128	526,809
Lincoln	18,393	18,034	17,997	16,643	16,134	18,950	27,061	27,954	31,029	33,324	34,142	28,601	288,262
Lowndes	46,773	45,730	46,800	43,100	40,841	47,405	64,172	65,963	67,362	67,284	75,080	65,467	675,977



**TABLE 4B: MS RECIPIENT SNAP BENEFIT SPENDING BY MISSISSIPPI COUNTY (TOTAL TRANSACTION COUNTS, COUNTIES STARTING WITH M-Y)**

	Oct-2019	Nov-2019	Dec-2019	Jan-2020	Feb-2020	Mar-2020	Apr-2020	May-2020	Jun-2020	Jul-2020	Aug-2020	Sep-2020	Annual Purchase
County	Total Purchase TXN Count	Total Purchase TXN Count	Total Purchase TXN Count	Total Purchase TXN Count	Total Purchase TXN Count	Total Purchase TXN Count	Total Purchase TXN Count	Total Purchase TXN Count	Total Purchase TXN Count	Total Purchase TXN Count	Total Purchase TXN Count	Total Purchase TXN Count	TXN Count
Madison	44,699	43,496	44,502	40,428	38,890	46,955	63,488	71,213	72,672	78,042	84,164	67,726	696,275
Marion	15,944	15,905	16,487	14,621	14,254	17,373	24,818	25,982	27,207	28,748	31,427	25,086	257,852
Marshall	16,299	15,245	15,482	14,507	13,739	15,506	22,330	23,285	25,780	27,209	30,031	25,661	245,074
Monroe	15,430	14,814	15,176	14,330	13,628	16,062	20,760	21,367	22,035	23,263	28,476	23,665	229,006
Montgomery	5,017	4,636	4,793	4,602	4,270	5,184	8,575	8,761	9,627	10,200	9,939	9,266	84,870
Neshoba	21,380	21,079	21,551	20,025	19,244	21,999	30,573	28,927	30,096	30,523	38,081	33,577	317,055
Newton	8,608	8,318	8,651	8,571	8,157	9,267	13,027	13,547	15,473	16,650	18,745	16,356	145,370
Noxubee	12,471	12,029	12,208	11,978	11,315	13,982	20,541	20,141	20,766	20,425	20,843	18,957	195,656
Oktibbeha	23,971	23,642	23,631	21,864	21,163	24,089	34,118	34,430	35,198	35,961	40,120	34,517	352,704
Panola	24,700	23,954	24,106	22,623	21,779	27,032	38,871	40,034	42,021	43,475	44,024	36,563	389,182
Pearl River	34,852	33,329	34,178	31,681	29,628	34,037	45,540	46,867	48,413	50,535	61,542	47,740	498,342
Perry	5,180	4,905	4,879	4,697	4,272	5,307	7,798	8,191	8,975	9,714	10,425	8,766	83,109
Pike	39,929	38,305	39,066	35,811	34,285	40,542	55,167	55,879	61,952	64,337	63,433	55,026	583,732
Pontotoc	10,082	9,695	9,615	9,332	8,429	9,650	15,082	15,817	16,540	18,880	22,873	17,719	163,714
Prentiss	8,651	7,998	8,296	7,785	7,165	8,337	13,358	14,019	14,652	15,587	18,355	15,245	139,448
Quitman	2,966	2,636	2,711	3,258	2,768	3,113	4,803	4,866	5,409	5,533	6,081	4,650	48,794
Rankin	41,638	39,904	41,224	36,969	35,610	41,286	56,612	65,101	69,618	75,932	87,040	68,126	659,060
Scott	16,846	16,460	16,670	15,692	14,559	17,153	23,698	23,216	27,636	30,957	35,804	28,353	267,044
Sharkey	5,326	5,302	5,201	5,044	4,652	5,831	7,890	8,013	9,383	9,479	9,392	8,353	83,866
Simpson	13,152	13,030	12,601	11,523	11,327	13,392	19,464	20,218	21,992	23,375	25,749	21,296	207,119
Smith	3,907	3,978	3,779	3,411	3,263	3,512	4,971	5,321	6,572	7,460	8,172	6,527	60,873
Stone	10,414	9,913	10,213	9,747	9,482	10,957	15,050	15,650	16,336	16,120	17,624	15,152	156,658
Sunflower	29,614	28,249	28,884	28,315	26,405	32,563	47,764	47,991	51,674	50,747	50,102	44,796	467,104
Tallahatchie	4,292	3,923	3,884	4,056	3,762	4,527	7,358	7,748	8,739	9,048	9,409	7,434	74,180
Tate	12,229	11,471	11,835	10,644	10,162	11,616	19,422	19,410	20,304	21,735	24,006	20,332	193,166
Tippah	6,824	6,310	6,314	5,485	5,177	5,721	9,564	10,490	11,982	13,742	16,633	13,262	111,504
Tishomingo	5,897	5,457	5,155	5,004	4,569	5,450	8,622	9,296	9,799	10,544	12,178	9,736	91,707
Tunica	11,798	10,888	11,022	10,177	9,238	12,225	15,961	15,807	18,032	18,571	18,264	16,819	168,802
Union	9,396	9,206	9,566	8,491	7,965	9,268	13,628	14,558	15,336	17,813	21,028	16,787	153,042
Walthall	6,133	6,023	5,921	5,482	5,092	6,450	9,575	8,463	9,113	9,155	10,377	8,493	90,277
Warren	41,761	41,079	41,710	38,303	36,436	43,294	57,697	61,906	67,197	64,342	67,825	59,718	621,268
Washington	65,250	62,871	63,401	60,021	56,966	69,833	92,988	96,349	101,697	101,215	99,932	90,604	961,127
Wayne	18,326	18,623	19,299	18,032	16,938	20,818	28,354	29,629	29,088	30,748	34,293	29,538	293,686
Webster	6,268	5,993	6,318	6,253	5,644	7,098	10,456	10,048	10,471	10,999	11,485	10,121	101,154
Wilkinson	6,630	6,556	6,565	6,608	5,988	6,818	9,155	8,965	10,576	11,535	11,912	10,389	101,697
Winston	11,349	11,166	11,298	10,794	10,309	12,147	17,043	17,941	19,135	20,448	22,681	19,565	183,876
Yalobusha	6,188	5,699	5,793	5,210	4,729	5,603	9,081	9,234	10,087	10,509	11,836	10,421	94,390
Yazoo	26,181	24,542	25,001	23,520	21,832	27,641	35,331	37,651	38,347	38,842	40,039	35,725	374,652
<b>Totals</b>	<b>1,821,021</b>	<b>1,765,597</b>	<b>1,784,932</b>	<b>1,661,594</b>	<b>1,576,385</b>	<b>1,841,590</b>	<b>2,499,194</b>	<b>2,633,142</b>	<b>2,805,626</b>	<b>2,908,353</b>	<b>3,117,955</b>	<b>2,647,553</b>	<b>27,062,942</b>

Annual SNAP Spending in Mississippi by County - Annual Totals in Thousands



## 6 Appendix B: House Bill 1090 – Section 21: Public Reporting

### 6.1 Report Design

This annual report regarding the characteristics of the recipients of Medicaid, SNAP, and TANF benefits is divided into the following subsections.

1. The length of enrollment, disaggregated by program and eligibility group
2. The share of recipients concurrently enrolled in one or more additional means-tested programs, disaggregated by program and eligibility group and the number of means-tested programs recipients are concurrently enrolled in, disaggregated by program and eligibility group
3. The demographics and characteristics of recipients, disaggregated by program and eligibility group
4. The dollar amount spent on advertising and marketing for TANF, SNAP, Medicaid, and other means-tested programs, including both state and federal funds, disaggregated by program.

Information gathered for this report includes historical information for Section 6.1.1, while the remaining subsections of the report, only active cases and persons were used to tabulate totals for presentation. **This report was created with data from both agencies that reflects a specific point in time: May 28, 2021.**

#### 6.1.1 Average Length of Enrollment

The average length of enrollment for each of the programs and eligibility groups listed below was calculated based on the average length of time, in months, using recipients in continuous active status coverage. The data used for this section was gathered from MDHS with a back date or starting date of January 1, 2010 while all available DOM data, gathered from the State Medicaid Management Information System (MMIS), was used.

**TABLE 1: AVERAGE LENGTH OF ENROLLMENT**

PROGRAM	RECENT LENGTH OF ENROLLMENT
<b>SNAP</b>	43.4 Months
<b>TANF</b>	13.9 Months
<b>Medicaid Eligibility Groups</b>	
Children	52 Months
Aged	72 Months
Disabled & Blind	138 Months
Adults	32 Months
CHIP	33 Months
Family Planning Waiver	16 Months

### 6.1.2 Recipients Enrolled in One or More Programs

Recipients that are concurrently enrolled in one or more means-tested programs and disaggregated by program as well as the share of recipients in each of the programs are listed in Tables 2A and 2B below.

*Note: (1) Population in Table 2B is non-duplicative. All recipients are counted once and placed in their appropriate categories based on the combination of programs in which they are currently active (May 28, 2021).*

*(2) In this case, breaking the data down by eligibility group within Medicaid/CHIP will have no bearing on the numbers presented. Recipients can only be in one eligibility group at a time in each of the programs.*

**TABLE 2A: RECIPIENTS ENROLLED IN EACH PROGRAM**

PROGRAM	# OF RECIPIENTS
SNAP	415,343
TANF	4,707
Medicaid/CHIP	814,744

**TABLE 2B: RECIPIENTS ENROLLED IN ONE OR MORE PROGRAMS**

PROGRAM	# OF RECIPIENTS RECEIVING BENEFITS	%/SHARE OF RECIPIENTS RECEIVING BENEFITS
<b>One Program</b>		
SNAP Only	118,948	12.73%
TANF Only	48	0.01%
Medicaid/CHIP Only	518,798	55.52%
Subtotal (One Program)	637,794	68.25%
<b>Two Programs</b>		
SNAP & TANF	705	0.08%
SNAP & Medicaid/CHIP	292,031	31.25%
TANF & Medicaid/CHIP	324	0.03%
Subtotal (Two Programs)	293,060	31.36%
<b>Three Programs</b>		
SNAP, TANF & Medicaid/CHIP	3,630	0.39%
Subtotal (Three Programs)	3,630	0.39%
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>934,484</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

### 6.1.3 Demographics and Characteristics of Recipients

The demographics and characteristics of recipients are broken down by Program and Eligibility Group in the following tables:

- Table 3: Recipient Gender
- Table 4: Recipient Age
- Table 5: MDHS Recipient Ethnicity
- Table 6: DOM Recipient Ethnicity

*Note: These counts include all household members receiving benefits and are independent by program and eligibility group and will result in recipients being counted more than once as they may show up in both MDHS and DOM data for each of the programs in which they are active.*

**TABLE 3: RECIPIENT GENDER**

PROGRAM	MALE		FEMALE	
	Count	Percentage	Count	Percentage
<b>SNAP</b>	189,328	40.86%	276,412	59.14%
<b>TANF</b>	2,612	36.71%	4,638	63.29%
<b>Medicaid Eligibility Groups</b>				
<b>Children</b>	200,445	49.81%	201,981	50.19%
<b>Aged</b>	25,989	34.47%	49,398	65.53%
<b>Disabled &amp; Blind</b>	82,538	48.37%	88,091	51.63%
<b>Adults</b>	6,283	6.84%	85,607	93.16%
<b>CHIP</b>	24,180	50.83%	23,388	49.17%
<b>Family Planning Waiver</b>	2,577	9.60%	24,267	90.40%
<b>Totals</b>	513,429	41.58%	721,365	58.42%

**TABLE 4: RECIPIENT AGE**

PROGRAM	0-18	19-34	35-54	55 +
<b>SNAP</b>	190,343	69,329	78,194	77,477
<b>TANF</b>	3,144	574	567	422
<b>Medicaid Eligibility Groups</b>				
<b>Children</b>	376,346	26,080	0	0
<b>Aged</b>	0	0	0	75,387
<b>Disabled &amp; Blind</b>	22,604	20,277	49,879	77,869
<b>Adults</b>	167	59,574	31,101	1,048
<b>CHIP</b>	46,077	1,491	0	0
<b>Family Planning Waiver</b>	114	21,666	5,064	0
<b>Totals</b>	638,795	198,991	164,805	232,203

*Note: MDHS and DOM use differing methods to classify the ethnicity of their clients, thus they are represented in two separate tables, Table 5 and Table 6.*

**TABLE 5: MDHS RECIPIENT ETHNICITY**

PROGRAM	AFRICAN AMERICAN	AMERICAN INDIAN	ASIAN	HAWAIIAN/PACIFIC ISLANDER	WHITE	OTHER
<b>SNAP</b>	284,267	2,123	1,007	126	115,383	12,437
<b>TANF</b>	3,512	15	1	5	1,018	156
<b>Totals</b>	287,779	2,138	1,008	131	116,401	12,593

**TABLE 6: DOM RECIPIENT ETHNICITY**

ETHNICITY	CHILDREN	AGED	DISABLED & BLIND	ADULTS	CHIP	FAMILY PLANNING WAIVER
Asian	1,584	391	387	161	389	74
Asian-Indian	276	36	11	40	73	6
Black/African American	211,592	36,672	92,178	54,422	21,078	17,251
Caucasian	121,970	30,474	55,248	34,152	19,862	8,596
Chinese	202	14	21	23	70	10
Filipino	129	26	8	48	14	11
Guamanian or Chamorro	147	1	5	17	1	3
Hispanic	9,846	296	693	503	1,088	245
Hispanic Refugee	0	0	0	0	0	0
Indo-Chinese Refugee	0	0	0	0	0	0
Japanese	11	1	1	8	0	3
Korean	38	8	4	11	6	1
Native American/Alaskan Native	3,016	143	559	691	298	108
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Island	116	5	13	13	13	6
Other	51,338	3,497	2,985	1,430	4,329	419
Samoan	14	0	0	2	0	2
Unspecified Race/Unknown	1,718	3,759	18,491	307	268	93
Vietnamese	429	64	25	62	79	16
Vietnamese Refugee	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>402,426</b>	<b>75,387</b>	<b>170,629</b>	<b>91,890</b>	<b>47,568</b>	<b>26,844</b>

#### 6.1.4 Amount Spent on Advertising Means-Tested Programs

The dollar amount spent in the last fiscal year on advertising and marketing Mississippi’s means-tested programs follow in Table 7. No state funds were spent on advertising or marketing means-tested programs. The MDHS Division of Community Services spent \$2,770.52 in federal funds for the purpose of advertising or marketing means-tested programs.

**TABLE 7: AMOUNT SPENT ON ADVERTISING MEANS-TESTED PROGRAMS**

PROGRAM	AMOUNT SPENT
<b>MDHS – Division of Community Services</b>	\$2,770.52
<b>DOM - Medicaid</b>	\$0