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Key components of the project include a household survey, studies of policies in 13 states, and a database with information on all states and the District of Columbia, available at the Urban Institute’s Web site. This paper is one in a series of occasional papers analyzing information from these and other sources.
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Introduction

This volume serves as a supplement to *Patchwork Policies: State Assistance for Immigrants under Welfare Reform*. That report analyzes federal welfare reform’s devolution of immigrant policymaking from the federal government to the states and examines the choices states made regarding immigrants’ eligibility for federal and state programs. This companion report provides a one-page summary of each state’s immigrant eligibility rules for cash, food, and health assistance programs. We also note state naturalization initiatives begun or expanded in the wake of welfare reform and include some background information on each state’s immigrant population and economy. These state-by-state summaries are best used in conjunction with the main report, which provides more detailed information on the availability of public benefits in each state, including the level and type of assistance available and the conditions imposed on eligibility. The main report also examines patterns of choices across states and draws some broad implications of these choices for immigrant families and for policy.

A Guide to the Report

The following serves as a guide for reading the state summaries. We describe each data item; explain the groupings, rankings, and scores used; and provide information on data sources. Unless otherwise noted, all data on immigrant eligibility and program rules were current as of summer/fall 1998 and were collected from state officials as part of an Urban Institute survey on state immigrant policies following federal welfare reform (the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act, PRWORA). For the purposes of this report, the District of Columbia is treated as a state.

Population and Economic Information

1996 Noncitizen population and state rank: Noncitizens are foreign-born persons who have not been naturalized. The state with the largest noncitizen population
1996 Noncitizens as a percentage of state’s population and state rank: The state with the largest percentage of noncitizens out of its total population received a ranking of 1 and the state with the smallest percentage of noncitizens received a ranking of 51.

Source for population data: Urban Institute tabulations of the U.S. Bureau of the Census Current Population Survey (CPS) data. Three-year CPS averages (1995, 1996, and 1997) were adjusted by Jeffrey Passel of the Urban Institute to correct for overstatement of citizenship status and to conform to Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) data. Noncitizen estimates include undocumented immigrants to the extent they are included in the CPS.

1997 State budget surplus, state rank: The state budget surplus is a measure of the size of each state’s 1997 year-end balances as a percent of its 1997 expenditures. Total balances include state year-end balances and balances in budget stabilization or rainy day funds. Data for Alaska and the District of Columbia are not available. The remaining states are ranked from those with the largest budget surpluses to those with the smallest. The state with the largest budget surplus received a ranking of 1 and the state with the smallest budget surplus received a ranking of 49.


1997 Per capita personal income and state rank: This data item provides the average personal income for each state in 1997. The state with the highest per capita income received a ranking of 1 and the state with the lowest per capita income received a ranking of 51.

Summary Measure of Immigrant Eligibility

Availability of the state safety net to immigrants: Using the data on program eligibility provided for each state, we created a summary measure of the extent to which states made their safety nets available to immigrants. States are grouped into four categories, with those that made their safety nets the most available to immigrants in category 1 and those that placed the most restrictions on immigrants in category 4. For a more detailed explanation of this measure, see Appendix B in the main report.

Cash Assistance

TANF to pre-enactment immigrants: PRWORA gave states the option of providing Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) to qualified immigrants who were admitted to the United States on or before August 22, 1996, the day federal welfare reform was signed into law. (See definitions of qualified and pre-enactment immigrants in Key Terms above.) TANF is the federal block grant that replaced the Aid to Families with Dependent Children program. Under TANF, states provide cash assistance to low-income families with children.

State-funded TANF during the five-year bar: The federal welfare reform law barred most qualified immigrants who were admitted to the United States after the passage of the law from TANF for their first five years in the country. Some states have opted to use their own funds to provide TANF to this group during the federal five-year bar.

Sponsor-deeming: States that created state-funded TANF programs during the five-year bar have the option of imposing sponsor-deeming on eligible immigrants. (See definition of sponsor-deeming in Key Terms above.)

Provision of TANF following the five-year bar: Following the federal five-year bar on post-enactment immigrants, states have the option to provide TANF to qualified immigrants. States that have not yet decided whether these immigrants will be eligible for TANF are listed as “Undecided.”

1998 TANF benefit level for a family of three and state rank: This item provides the 1998 state maximum monthly TANF benefit levels for a family of three with no income. When states provide different benefit levels for exempt families (those families in which the parent or caretaker relative is not subject to work requirements), benefit levels for nonexempt families are provided. When benefit levels vary across counties, the benefit level is provided for the county that has the largest share of the state’s TANF caseload.

Supplemental Security Income (SSI) substitute program for immigrants: The federal welfare reform law barred many immigrants from the SSI program, which provides cash assistance to low-income elderly and disabled persons. Since then, Congress has restored eligibility for most immigrants in the United States before the law’s passage. A few states have created substitute programs for those immigrants who remain ineligible for SSI.

**Eligible groups:** This data item lists the groups of immigrants eligible for the SSI substitute program, i.e., qualified versus unqualified and pre- versus post-enactment immigrants. (See Key Terms above for definitions of these terms.)

**Sponsor-deeming:** States that created substitute SSI programs have the option of imposing sponsor-deeming on eligible immigrants. (See definition of sponsor-deeming in Key Terms above.)

General Assistance (GA) or similar cash program: Some states have state or locally funded GA programs, which provide cash or in-kind benefits to low-income individuals or families. These programs may be standard statewide, states may mandate counties to run GA programs, or there may be locally run GA programs. This report includes information only on statewide or state-mandated and county-run programs.

**Eligible groups:** GA programs generally serve one or more of three types of groups: elderly or disabled individuals; families or children; and childless adults.

**Immigrant eligibility:** This data item lists the groups of immigrants—qualified versus unqualified and pre- versus post-enactment immigrants—who are eligible for the state GA program. (See Key Terms above for definitions of these terms.) When a state has more than one GA-like program, immigrant eligibility for the program that covers the most groups is listed.

1998 General Assistance (GA) benefit level: This item provides the 1998 maximum monthly benefit for elderly or disabled individuals with no income. (This information is not provided for the District of Columbia because it does not have a GA program for the elderly or disabled.) See Appendix A in the main report for complete information on GA benefit levels.

## Food Assistance

State-funded food program for immigrants: The federal welfare reform law barred most immigrants from the federal Food Stamp program. Since then, Congress has restored eligibility to some immigrants who were living in the United States when the law passed. Before these restorations, many states had created food programs to cover immigrants no longer eligible for federal food stamps.

**Eligible groups:** This data item lists the groups of immigrants eligible for the substitute food program, i.e., qualified versus unqualified and pre- versus...
post-enactment immigrants. (See Key Terms above for definitions of these terms.) In addition, if states limited access to discrete populations, such as elderly or disabled individuals and children, the specific groups are noted.

Sponsor-deeming: States that created substitute food programs have the option of imposing sponsor-deeming on eligible immigrants. (See definition of sponsor-deeming in Key Terms above.)

**Health Care**

Medicaid to pre-enactment immigrants: As it did for TANF, PRWORA gave states the option of providing non-emergency Medicaid to qualified immigrants who were admitted to the United States on or before August 22, 1996. (See definition of qualified immigrants in Key Terms above.)

State-funded Medicaid during the five-year bar: The federal welfare reform law barred most qualified immigrants who were admitted to the United States after the passage of the law from non-emergency Medicaid for their first five years in the country. During this five-year bar, some states have opted to cover these immigrants with their own funds.

Sponsor-deeming: States that created state-funded Medicaid programs during the five-year bar have the option of imposing sponsor-deeming on eligible immigrants. (See definition of sponsor-deeming in Key Terms above.)

Provision of Medicaid following the five-year bar: Following the federal five-year bar on post-enactment immigrants, states have the option to provide non-emergency Medicaid benefits to qualified immigrants. States that have not yet decided whether these immigrants will be eligible for Medicaid are listed as “Undecided.”

Provision of Medicaid to certain unqualified immigrants: The federal welfare reform law barred unqualified immigrants from non-emergency Medicaid regardless of their date of entry to the United States. Some states have opted to cover some of these unqualified immigrants using state funds. Generally, states have covered immigrants previously considered “permanently residing under color of law” (PRUCOL) who were made eligible for benefits by the courts.

Medicaid generosity level: This measure was developed by Shruti Rajan of the Urban Institute to assess the generosity of states’ Medicaid eligibility rules. Among other factors, the scale accounts for state eligibility expansions beyond mandatory populations and the percentage of the population below 200 percent of poverty eligible for Medicaid. States with the most generous Medicaid eligibility rules are in category 1, while states with the most restrictive eligibility rules are in category 8.

Source: The information needed to create this scale was drawn from published documents, tabulations of the CPS, and Urban Institute case studies in 13 states. Data for the District of Columbia are not available. For an explanation of this measure, see Shruti Rajan, 1998, “Publicly Subsidized Health Insurance: A Typology of State Approaches,” *Health Affairs* 17 (3): 101-117.
State health insurance program: Some states have state or locally funded health insurance programs for low-income individuals or families who are ineligible for Medicaid. These programs may be standard statewide, states may mandate counties to run health insurance programs, or there may be locally run health programs. This report includes information only on statewide or state-mandated and county-run programs.

Eligible groups: State health insurance programs generally serve one or more of three types of groups: elderly or disabled individuals; families or children; and childless adults. When a state has more than one health insurance program, eligibility for the program that covers the most groups is listed.

Immigrant eligibility: This data item lists the groups of immigrants eligible for the state health insurance program, i.e., qualified versus unqualified and pre- versus post-enactment immigrants. (See Key Terms above for definitions of these terms.) When a state has more than one health insurance program, immigrant eligibility for the most inclusive program is listed.

Naturalization Initiatives

State naturalization initiative: In response to the immigrant restrictions in the federal welfare reform law, some states reported creating or expanding naturalization initiatives in order to help noncitizens naturalize and retain public benefit eligibility.

Funding amount: This data item includes the amount of funds dedicated to the state naturalization initiative and the most recent fiscal year for which information was reported.
# Alabama

## Population by Nativity and Citizenship, 1996*

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## Noncitizen Population by Poverty Level, 1996

Sample sizes for this state are too small to provide data on the noncitizen population in poverty.

*Population estimates for this state should be used with caution because of small sample sizes.

**Source:** Urban Institute tabulations of U.S. Bureau of the Census Current Population Survey (CPS) data. Three-year CPS averages (1995, 1996, 1997) were adjusted to correct for overstatement of citizenship status to conform to Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) data. Noncitizen estimates include undocumented immigrants.

### Key Statistics
- **1996 Noncitizen population (state rank):** 40,000 (31)
- **1996 Noncitizens as a percentage of state’s population (state rank):** 1% (42)
- **Availability of the state safety net to immigrants, state grouping (scale 1-4):** 4

## Cash Assistance

- **TANF to pre-enactment immigrants:** NO
- **State-funded TANF during the five-year bar:** NO
- **Sponsor-deeming:** N/A
- **Provision of TANF following the five-year bar:** NO
- **1998 TANF benefit level for a family of three (state rank):** $164 (50)

## Food Assistance

- **State-funded food program for immigrants:** NO
- **Eligible group(s):** N/A
- **Sponsor-deeming:** N/A

## Health Care

- **Medicaid to pre-enactment immigrants:** YES
- **State-funded Medicaid during the five-year bar:** NO
- **Sponsor-deeming:** N/A
- **Provision of Medicaid following the five-year bar:** Undecided
- **Provision of Medicaid to certain unqualified immigrants:** NO
- **Medicaid generosity level (scale 1-8):** 7
- **State health insurance program:** NO
- **Eligible group(s):** N/A
- **Immigrant eligibility:** N/A

## Naturalization Initiative

- **State naturalization initiative:** NO
- **Funding amount:** N/A

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**Note:** Summary information only. See Patchwork Policies: State Assistance for Immigrants under Welfare Reform for details. N/A = Not applicable.

**Source:** The Urban Institute, data collected from state administrators and secondary documents. Data are current as of summer/fall 1998, unless otherwise noted.
Alaska

Population by Nativity and Citizenship, 1996

- Native U.S.-born Population: 96%
- Foreign-born Naturalized Citizens: 2%
- Noncitizens: 2%

Noncitizen Population by Poverty Level, 1996

Sample sizes for this state are too small to provide data on the noncitizen population in poverty.


| 1996 Noncitizen population (state rank): | 12,000 (44) |
| 1996 Noncitizens as a percentage of state’s population (state rank): | 2% (42) |
| Availability of the state safety net to immigrants, state grouping (scale 1-4): | 3 |

Cash Assistance

- TANF to pre-enactment immigrants: YES
- State-funded TANF during the five-year bar: NO
- Provision of TANF following the five-year bar: YES
- 1998 TANF benefit level for a family of three (state rank): $923 (1)
- SSI substitute program for immigrants: NO
- Eligible group(s): N/A
- Sponsor-deeming: N/A
- GA or similar cash program: YES—Statewide
- Eligible group(s): Elderly and disabled; families with children; childless adults
- Immigrant eligibility: All qualified and certain unqualified immigrants
- 1998 GA benefit level for an individual (state rank): $2411 (13)

Food Assistance

- State-funded food program for immigrants: NO
- Eligible group(s): N/A
- Sponsor-deeming: N/A

Health Care

- Medicaid to pre-enactment immigrants: YES
- State-funded Medicaid during the five-year bar: NO
- Provision of Medicaid following the five-year bar: YES
- Provision of Medicaid to certain unqualified immigrants: YES
- Medicaid generosity level (scale 1-8): 7
- State health insurance program: YES
- Eligible group(s): Elderly and disabled; families with children; childless adults
- Immigrant eligibility: All qualified and certain unqualified immigrants

Naturalization Initiative

- State naturalization initiative: NO
- Funding amount: N/A

Note: Summary information only. See Patchwork Policies: State Assistance for Immigrants under Welfare Reform for details. N/A = Not applicable.

Source: The Urban Institute, data collected from state administrators and secondary documents. Data are current as of summer/fall 1998, unless otherwise noted.
Arizona

Population by Nativity and Citizenship, 1996

- 9% Native U.S.-born Population
- 3% Foreign-born Naturalized Citizens
- 88% Noncitizens

Noncitizen Population by Poverty Level, 1996

- 42% Below Poverty Level
- 29% Between 100% and 200% of Poverty Level
- 29% Over 200% of Poverty Level


- 1996 Noncitizen population (state rank): 412,000 (7)
- 1996 Noncitizens as a percentage of state’s population (state rank): 9% (5)
- Availability of the state safety net to immigrants, state grouping (scale 1-4): 3

Cash Assistance

TANF to pre-enactment immigrants: YES
State-funded TANF during the five-year bar: NO
Sponsor-deeming: N/A
Provision of TANF following the five-year bar: YES
1998 TANF benefit level for a family of three (state rank): $347 (33)
SSI substitute program for immigrants: NO
Eligible group(s): N/A
Sponsor-deeming: N/A
GA or similar cash program: YES—Statewide
Eligible group(s): Disabled
Immigrant eligibility: All qualified immigrants
1998 GA benefit level for an individual (state rank): $173 (22)

Food Assistance

State-funded food program for immigrants: NO
Eligible group(s): N/A
Sponsor-deeming: N/A

Health Care

Medicaid to pre-enactment immigrants: YES
State-funded Medicaid during the five-year bar: NO
Sponsor-deeming: N/A
Provision of Medicaid following the five-year bar: Information not available
Provision of Medicaid to certain unqualified immigrants: NO
Medicaid generosity level (scale 1-8): 7
State health insurance program: NO
Eligible group(s): N/A
Immigrant eligibility: N/A

Naturalization Initiative

State naturalization initiative: NO
Funding amount: N/A

Note: Summary information only. See Patchwork Policies: State Assistance for Immigrants under Welfare Reform for details. N/A = Not applicable.
Source: The Urban Institute, data collected from state administrators and secondary documents. Data are current as of summer/fall 1998, unless otherwise noted.
Arkansas

Population by Nativity and Citizenship, 1996*

- Native U.S.-born Population
- Foreign-born Naturalized Citizens
- Noncitizens

Noncitizen Population by Poverty Level, 1996

Sample sizes for this state are too small to provide data on the noncitizen population in poverty.


*Population estimates for this state should be used with caution because of small sample sizes.

- 1996 Noncitizen population (state rank): 28,000 (37)
- 1996 Noncitizens as a percentage of state’s population (state rank): 1% (38)
- Availability of the state safety net to immigrants, state grouping (scale 1-4): 4

Cash Assistance

TANF to pre-enactment immigrants: YES
State-funded TANF during the five-year bar:
  Sponsor-deeming:
Provision of TANF following the five-year bar:
1998 TANF benefit level for a family of three (state rank): $204 (45)
SSI substitute program for immigrants:
  Eligible group(s):
  Sponsor-deeming:
GA or similar cash program:
  Eligible group(s):
  Immigrant eligibility:
  1998 GA benefit level for an individual (state rank):

Food Assistance

State-funded food program for immigrants:
  NO
Eligible group(s):
  N/A
Sponsor-deeming:
  N/A

Health Care

Medicaid to pre-enactment immigrants: YES
State-funded Medicaid during the five-year bar:
  Sponsor-deeming:
Provision of Medicaid following the five-year bar:
  YES
Provision of Medicaid to certain unqualified immigrants:
  NO
Medicaid generosity level (scale 1-8):
  8
State health insurance program:
  NO
Eligible group(s):
  N/A
Immigrant eligibility:
  N/A

Naturalization Initiative

State naturalization initiative:
  NO
Funding amount:
  N/A

Note: Summary information only. See Patchwork Policies: State Assistance for Immigrants under Welfare Reform for details. N/A = Not applicable. Source: The Urban Institute, data collected from state administrators and secondary documents. Data are current as of summer/fall 1998, unless otherwise noted.
California

Population by Nativity and Citizenship, 1996

- Native U.S.-born Population
- Foreign-born Naturalized Citizens
- Noncitizens


1. 1996 Noncitizen population (state rank): 6,048,000 (1)
2. 1996 Noncitizens as a percentage of state’s population (state rank): 19% (1)
3. Availability of the state safety net to immigrants, state grouping (scale 1-4): 1

Cash Assistance

- TANF to pre-enactment immigrants: YES
- State-funded TANF during the five-year bar: YES
- Sponsor-deeming: NO
- Provision of TANF following the five-year bar: YES
- 1998 TANF benefit level for a family of three (state rank): $565 (7)
- SSI substitute program for immigrants: YES
- Eligible group(s): Pre- and certain post-enactment immigrants
- Sponsor-deeming: NO
- GA or similar cash program: YES—State mandate to counties
- Eligible group(s): Elderly and disabled; families with children; childless adults
- Immigrant eligibility: All qualified immigrants
- 1998 GA benefit level for an individual (state rank): $221 (15)

Food Assistance

- State-funded food program for immigrants: YES
- Eligible group(s): Pre- and certain post-enactment immigrants
- Sponsor-deeming: YES

Health Care

- Medicaid to pre-enactment immigrants: YES
- State-funded Medicaid during the five-year bar: YES
- Sponsor-deeming: NO
- Provision of Medicaid following the five-year bar: YES
- Provision of Medicaid to certain unqualified immigrants: YES
- Medicaid generosity level (scale 1-8): 4
- State health insurance program: YES
- Eligible group(s): Elderly and disabled; families with children; childless adults
- Immigrant eligibility: All qualified immigrants

Naturalization Initiative

- State naturalization initiative: YES
- Funding amount: $2,000,000 (FY 98)

Note: Summary information only. See Patchwork Policies: State Assistance for Immigrants under Welfare Reform for details. N/A = Not applicable.
Source: The Urban Institute, data collected from state administrators and secondary documents. Data are current as of summer/fall 1998, unless otherwise noted.
Colorado

Population by Nativity and Citizenship, 1996

- Native U.S.-born Population: 93%
- Foreign-born Naturalized Citizens: 5%
- Noncitizens: 2%

Noncitizen Population by Poverty Level, 1996

- Below Poverty Level: 26%
- Between 100% and 200% of Poverty Level: 40%
- Over 200% of Poverty Level: 34%


- 1996 Noncitizen population (state rank): 195,000 (14)
- 1996 Noncitizens as a percentage of state's population (state rank): 5% (15)
- Availability of the state safety net to immigrants, state grouping (scale 1-4): 3

Cash Assistance

- TANF to pre-enactment immigrants: YES
- State-funded TANF during the five-year bar: NO
- Sponsor-deeming: N/A
- Provision of TANF following the five-year bar: YES
- 1998 TANF benefit level for a family of three (state rank): $356 (30)

- SSI substitute program for immigrants: NO
- Eligible group(s): N/A
- Sponsor-deeming: N/A

- GA or similar cash program: YES—Statewide
- Eligible group(s): Elderly and disabled
- Immigrant eligibility: All qualified and certain unqualified immigrants
- 1998 GA benefit level for an individual (state rank): $378¹ (5)

Food Assistance

- State-funded food program for immigrants: NO
- Eligible group(s): N/A
- Sponsor-deeming: N/A

Health Care

- Medicaid to pre-enactment immigrants: YES
- State-funded Medicaid during the five-year bar: NO
- Sponsor-deeming: N/A
- Provision of Medicaid following the five-year bar: YES
- Provision of Medicaid to certain unqualified immigrants: YES
- Medicaid generosity level (scale 1-8): 8
- State health insurance program: YES
- Eligible group(s): Elderly and disabled; families with children
- Immigrant eligibility: All qualified and certain unqualified immigrants

Naturalization Initiative

- State naturalization initiative: NO
- Funding amount: N/A

¹. This benefit level is an average for Colorado’s two GA-like programs serving elderly and disabled individuals.
². This information is for Colorado’s Indigent Care Program. See tables and text in Patchwork Policies: State Assistance for Immigrants under Welfare Reform for information on Colorado’s other state health insurance programs.

Note: Summary information only. See Patchwork Policies: State Assistance for Immigrants under Welfare Reform for details. N/A = Not applicable.
Source: The Urban Institute, data collected from state administrators and secondary documents. Data are current as of summer/fall 1998, unless otherwise noted.
## Connecticut

### Population by Nativity and Citizenship, 1996
- Native U.S.-born Population: 91%
- Foreign-born Naturalized Citizens: 5%
- Noncitizens: 4%

### Noncitizen Population by Poverty Level, 1996
- Below Poverty Level: 14%
- Between 100% and 200% of Poverty Level: 20%
- Over 200% of Poverty Level: 66%

### Source:

### Key Statistics
- **1996 Noncitizen population** (state rank): 157,000 (16)
- **1996 Noncitizens as a percentage of state’s population** (state rank): 5% (17)
- **Availability of the state safety net to immigrants, state grouping (scale 1-4):** 2

### Cash Assistance
- **TANF to pre-enactment immigrants:** YES
- **State-funded TANF during the five-year bar:** YES
- **Sponsor-deeming:** YES
- **Provision of TANF following the five-year bar:** YES
- **1998 TANF benefit level for a family of three** (state rank): $636 (3)
- **SSI substitute program for immigrants:** NO
- **Sponsor-deeming:** N/A
- **GA or similar cash program:** YES—Statewide
- **Eligible group(s):** Elderly and disabled; families with children
- **Immigrant eligibility:** All qualified and certain unqualified immigrants
- **1998 GA benefit level for an individual** (state rank): $350 (7)

### Food Assistance
- **State-funded food program for immigrants:** YES
- **Eligible group(s):** All qualified immigrants
- **Sponsor-deeming:** YES

### Health Care
- **Medicaid to pre-enactment immigrants:** YES
- **State-funded Medicaid during the five-year bar:** YES
- **Sponsor-deeming:** YES
- **Provision of Medicaid following the five-year bar:** YES
- **Provision of Medicaid to certain unqualified immigrants:** YES
- **Medicaid generosity level (scale 1-8):** 2
- **State health insurance program:** YES
- **Eligible group(s):** Elderly and disabled; families with children
- **Immigrant eligibility:** All qualified and certain unqualified immigrants

### Naturalization Initiative
- **State naturalization initiative:** NO
- **Funding amount:** N/A

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**Note:** Summary information only. See [Patchwork Policies: State Assistance for Immigrants under Welfare Reform](http://www.urban.org) for details. N/A = Not applicable.

**Source:** The Urban Institute, data collected from state administrators and secondary documents. Data are current as of summer/fall 1998, unless otherwise noted.
Delaware

Population by Nativity and Citizenship, 1996

Noncitizen Population by Poverty Level, 1996

Sample sizes for this state are too small to provide data on the noncitizen population in poverty.


- 1996 Noncitizen population (state rank): 20,000 (41)
- 1996 Noncitizens as a percentage of state’s population (state rank): 3% (23)
- Availability of the state safety net to immigrants, state grouping (scale 1-4): 3

Cash Assistance

TANF to pre-enactment immigrants: YES
State-funded TANF during the five-year bar: NO
Sponsor-deeming: N/A
Provision of TANF following the five-year bar: YES
1998 TANF benefit level for a family of three (state rank): $338 (35)
SSI substitute program for immigrants: NO
Eligible group(s): N/A
Sponsor-deeming: N/A
GA or similar cash program: YES—Statewide
Eligible group(s): Elderly and disabled; children
Immigrant eligibility: Pre-enactment immigrants and post-enactment immigrants after a five-year bar
1998 GA benefit level for an individual (state rank): $123 (35)

Food Assistance

State-funded food program for immigrants: NO
Eligible group(s): N/A
Sponsor-deeming: N/A

Health Care

Medicaid to pre-enactment immigrants: YES
State-funded Medicaid during the five-year bar: YES
Sponsor-deeming: YES
Provision of Medicaid following the five-year bar: YES
Provision of Medicaid to certain unqualified immigrants: YES
Medicaid generosity level (scale 1-8): 7
State health insurance program: NO
Eligible group(s): N/A
Immigrant eligibility: N/A

Naturalization Initiative

State naturalization initiative: NO
Funding amount: N/A

Note: Summary information only. See Patchwork Policies: State Assistance for Immigrants under Welfare Reform for details. N/A = Not applicable. Source: The Urban Institute, data collected from state administrators and secondary documents. Data are current as of summer/fall 1998, unless otherwise noted.
District of Columbia

Population by Nativity and Citizenship, 1996

- Native U.S.-born Population: 92%
- Foreign-born Naturalized Citizens: 6%
- Noncitizens: 2%

Noncitizen Population by Poverty Level, 1996

- Below Poverty Level: 22%
- Between 100% and 200% of Poverty Level: 55%
- Over 200% of Poverty Level: 23%


- 1996 Noncitizen population (state rank): 36,000 (33)
- 1996 Noncitizens as a percentage of state’s population (state rank): 6% (10)
- Availability of the state safety net to immigrants, state grouping (scale 1-4): 3
- 1997 State budget surplus, state rank: Information not available
- 1997 Per capita personal income (state rank): $35,852 (2)

Cash Assistance

- TANF to pre-enactment immigrants: YES
- State-funded TANF during the five-year bar: NO
- Sponsor-deeming: N/A
- Provision of TANF following the five-year bar: YES
- 1998 TANF benefit level for a family of three (state rank): $379 (26)
- SSI substitute program for immigrants: NO
- Eligible group(s): N/A
- Sponsor-deeming: N/A
- GA or similar cash program: YES
- Eligible group(s): Children
- Immigrant eligibility: All qualified immigrants
- 1998 GA benefit level for an individual (state rank): N/A

Food Assistance

- State-funded food program for immigrants: NO
- Eligible group(s): N/A
- Sponsor-deeming: N/A
- Medicaid to pre-enactment immigrants: YES
- State-funded Medicaid during the five-year bar: NO
- Sponsor-deeming: N/A
- Provision of Medicaid following the five-year bar: Undecided
- Provision of Medicaid to certain unqualified immigrants: NO
- Medicaid generosity level (scale 1-8): Information not available
- State health insurance program: NO
- Eligible group(s): N/A
- Immigrant eligibility: N/A

Health Care

- State naturalization initiative: NO
- Funding amount: N/A

Note: Summary information only. See Patchwork Policies: State Assistance for Immigrants under Welfare Reform for details. N/A = Not applicable. Source: The Urban Institute, data collected from state administrators and secondary documents. Data are current as of summer/fall 1998, unless otherwise noted.
**Florida**

**Population by Nativity and Citizenship, 1996**

- Native U.S.-born Population: 85%
- Foreign-born Naturalized Citizens: 10%
- Noncitizens: 5%

**Noncitizen Population by Poverty Level, 1996**

- Below Poverty Level: 26%
- Between 100% and 200% of Poverty Level: 44%
- Over 200% of Poverty Level: 30%

**Cash Assistance**

TANF to pre-enactment immigrants:
- YES

State-funded TANF during the five-year bar:
- NO
- Sponsor-deeming:
- N/A

Provision of TANF following the five-year bar:
- YES

1998 TANF benefit level for a family of three (state rank):
- $303 (36)

SSI substitute program for immigrants:
- Eligible group(s):
- Pre-enactment children, elderly, and disabled immigrants
- Sponsor-deeming:
- N/A

GA or similar cash program:
- Eligible group(s):
- N/A
- Immigrant eligibility:
- N/A

1998 GA benefit level for an individual (state rank):
- N/A

**Food Assistance**

State-funded food program for immigrants:
- YES

Eligible group(s):
- Pre-enactment children, elderly, and disabled immigrants
- Sponsor-deeming:
- N/A

**Health Care**

Medicaid to pre-enactment immigrants:
- YES

State-funded Medicaid during the five-year bar:
- NO
- Sponsor-deeming:
- N/A

Provision of Medicaid following the five-year bar:
- YES

Provision of Medicaid to certain unqualified immigrants:
- NO

Medicaid generosity level (scale 1-8):
- 6

State health insurance program:
- YES

Eligible group(s):
- Children

Immigrant eligibility:
- All immigrant groups

**Naturalization Initiative**

State naturalization initiative:
- YES

Funding amount:
- $2,000,000 (FY 98)

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**Source:** Urban Institute tabulations of U.S. Bureau of the Census Current Population Survey (CPS) data. Three-year CPS averages (1995, 1996, 1997) were adjusted to correct for overstatement of citizenship status to conform to Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) data. Noncitizen estimates include undocumented immigrants.

- 1996 Noncitizen population (state rank): 1,431,000 (4)
- 1996 Noncitizens as a percentage of state’s population (state rank): 10% (4)
- 1997 State budget surplus, state rank: 21
- 1997 Per capita personal income (state rank): $25,255 (21)
- Availability of the state safety net to immigrants, state grouping (scale 1-4): 2

1. Florida’s food program ended on 10/31/98.
Georgia

Population by Nativity and Citizenship, 1996

- Native U.S.-born Population: 97%
- Foreign-born Naturalized Citizens: 1%
- Noncitizens: 2%

Noncitizen Population by Poverty Level, 1996

- Below Poverty Level: 20%
- Between 100% and 200% of Poverty Level: 52%
- Over 200% of Poverty Level: 28%


- 1996 Noncitizen population (state rank): 155,000 (17)
- 1996 Noncitizens as a percentage of state’s population (state rank): 2% (26)
- Availability of the state safety net to immigrants, state grouping (scale 1-4): 3

Cash Assistance

TANF to pre-enactment immigrants:
YES

State-funded TANF during the five-year bar:
YES

Sponsor-deeming:
N/A

Provision of TANF following the five-year bar:
NO

1998 TANF benefit level for a family of three (state rank):
$280 (40)

SSI substitute program for immigrants:
NO

Eligible group(s):
N/A

Sponsor-deeming:
N/A

GA or similar cash program:
NO

Eligible group(s):
N/A

Immigrant eligibility:
N/A

1998 GA benefit level for an individual (state rank):
N/A

Food Assistance

State-funded food program for immigrants:
NO

Eligible group(s):
N/A

Sponsor-deeming:
N/A

Health Care

Medicaid to pre-enactment immigrants:
YES

State-funded Medicaid during the five-year bar:
NO

Sponsor-deeming:
N/A

Provision of Medicaid following the five-year bar:
YES

Provision of Medicaid to certain unqualified immigrants:
NO

Medicaid generosity level (scale 1-8):
5

State health insurance program:
NO

Eligible group(s):
N/A

Immigrant eligibility:
N/A

Naturalization Initiative

State naturalization initiative:
NO

Funding amount:
N/A
Hawaii

Population by Nativity and Citizenship, 1996

- Native U.S.-born Population: 83%
- Foreign-born Naturalized Citizens: 7%
- Noncitizens: 10%

Noncitizen Population by Poverty Level, 1996

- Below Poverty Level: 13%
- Between 100% and 200% of Poverty Level: 25%
- Over 200% of Poverty Level: 62%


- 1996 Noncitizen population (state rank): 121,000 (21)
- 1996 Noncitizens as a percentage of state’s population (state rank): 10% (3)
- Availability of the state safety net to immigrants, state grouping (scale 1-4): 2

Cash Assistance

TANF to pre-enactment immigrants: YES
State-funded TANF during the five-year bar: YES
Sponsor-deeming: YES
Provision of TANF following the five-year bar: YES
1998 TANF benefit level for a family of three (state rank): $570 (6)
SSI substitute program for immigrants: NO
Eligible group(s): N/A
Sponsor-deeming: N/A
GA or similar cash program: YES—Statewide
Eligible group(s): Elderly and disabled; families with children
Immigrant eligibility: All qualified and certain unqualified immigrants
1998 GA benefit level for an individual (state rank): $379^2 (4)

Food Assistance

State-funded food program for immigrants: NO
Eligible group(s): N/A
Sponsor-deeming: N/A

Health Care

Medicaid to pre-enactment immigrants: YES
State-funded Medicaid during the five-year bar: YES
Sponsor-deeming: YES
Provision of Medicaid following the five-year bar: YES
Provision of Medicaid to certain unqualified immigrants: NO
Medicaid generosity level (scale 1-8): 1
State health insurance program: NO
Eligible group(s): N/A
Immigrant eligibility: N/A

Naturalization Initiative

State naturalization initiative: NO
Funding amount: N/A

1. Families with children are served through the state Temporary Assistance to Other Needy Families program.
2. This benefit level is an average for Hawaii’s two GA-like programs serving elderly and disabled individuals.
Idaho

**Population by Nativity and Citizenship, 1996**

- Native U.S.-born Population: 96%
- Foreign-born Naturalized Citizens: 3%
- Noncitizens: 1%

**Noncitizen Population by Poverty Level, 1996**

- Below Poverty Level: 31%
- Between 100% and 200% of Poverty Level: 34%
- Over 200% of Poverty Level: 35%

**Source:** Urban Institute tabulations of U.S. Bureau of the Census Current Population Survey (CPS) data. Three-year CPS averages (1995, 1996, 1997) were adjusted to correct for overstatement of citizenship status to conform to Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) data. Noncitizen estimates include undocumented immigrants.

- 1996 Noncitizen population (state rank): 39,000 (32)
- 1996 Noncitizens as a percentage of state’s population (state rank): 3% (20)
- Availability of the state safety net to immigrants, state grouping (scale 1-4): 4

**Cash Assistance**

- TANF to pre-enactment immigrants: YES
- State-funded TANF during the five-year bar: NO
- Sponsor-deeming: N/A
- Provision of TANF following the five-year bar: YES
- 1998 TANF benefit level for a family of three (state rank): $276 (41)
- SSI substitute program for immigrants:
  - Eligible group(s): NO
  - Sponsor-deeming: N/A
- GA or similar cash program:
  - Eligible group(s): YES—State mandate to counties
  - Immigrant eligibility: Varies by county
  - 1998 GA benefit level for an individual (state rank): Varies by county

**Food Assistance**

- State-funded food program for immigrants: NO
- Eligible group(s): N/A
- Sponsor-deeming: N/A

**Health Care**

- Medicaid to pre-enactment immigrants: YES
- State-funded Medicaid during the five-year bar: NO
- Sponsor-deeming: N/A
- Provision of Medicaid following the five-year bar: NO
- Provision of Medicaid to certain unqualified immigrants: NO
- Medicaid generosity level (scale 1-8): 8
- State health insurance program: NO
- Eligible group(s): N/A
- Immigrant eligibility: N/A

**Naturalization Initiative**

- State naturalization initiative: NO
- Funding amount: N/A

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**Source:** The Urban Institute, data collected from state administrators and secondary documents. Data are current as of summer/fall 1998, unless otherwise noted.
Illinois

Population by Nativity and Citizenship, 1996

- Native U.S.-born Population 91%
- Foreign-born Naturalized Citizens 3%
- Noncitizens 6%

Noncitizen Population by Poverty Level, 1996

- Below Poverty Level 55%
- Between 100% and 200% of Poverty Level 17%
- Over 200% of Poverty Level 28%


- 1996 Noncitizen population (state rank): 695,000 (6)
- 1996 Noncitizens as a percentage of state’s population (state rank): 6% (12)
- Availability of the state safety net to immigrants, state grouping (scale 1-4): 1

Cash Assistance

TANF to pre-enactment immigrants: YES
State-funded TANF during the five-year bar: NO
Sponsor-deeming: N/A
Provision of TANF following the five-year bar: YES
1998 TANF benefit level for a family of three (state rank): $377 (27)
SSI substitute program for immigrants: YES
Eligible group(s): Pre-enactment immigrants
Sponsor-deeming:
GA or similar cash program: YES—State mandate to localities
Eligible group(s): Disabled; children
Immigrant eligibility: Pre-enactment and post-enactment immigrants after a bar
1998 GA benefit level for an individual (state rank): $1001 (25)

Food Assistance

State-funded food program for immigrants: YES
Eligible group(s): Most pre-enactment and limited post-enactment immigrants
Sponsor-deeming: NO

Health Care

Medicaid to pre-enactment immigrants: YES
State-funded Medicaid during the five-year bar: YES
Sponsor-deeming: Undecided
Provision of Medicaid following the five-year bar: YES
Provision of Medicaid to certain unqualified immigrants: NO
Medicaid generosity level (scale 1-8): 7
State health insurance program: YES—State mandate to localities
Eligible group(s): Disabled; children
Immigrant eligibility: Pre-enactment and post-enactment immigrants after a bar

Naturalization Initiative

State naturalization initiative: YES
Funding amount: $1,500,000 (FY 97)

1. This information is for the city of Chicago and the 60 other localities that receive state funds and follow state guidelines for their GA and GA–Medical programs.

Assessing the New Federalism

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Indiana

### Population by Nativity and Citizenship, 1996

- **Native U.S.-born Population**: 98%
- **Foreign-born Naturalized Citizens**: 1%
- **Noncitizens**: 1%

### Noncitizen Population by Poverty Level, 1996

Sample sizes for this state are too small to provide data on the noncitizen population in poverty.


- **1996 Noncitizen population (state rank):** 36,000 (33)
- **1996 Noncitizens as a percentage of state’s population (state rank):** 1% (47)
- **Availability of the state safety net to immigrants, state grouping (scale 1-4):** 4

### Cash Assistance

- **TANF to pre-enactment immigrants:** YES
- **State-funded TANF during the five-year bar:** NO
- **Sponsor-deeming:** N/A
- **Provision of TANF following the five-year bar:** Undecided
- **1998 TANF benefit level for a family of three (state rank):** $288 (39)

### Food Assistance

- **State-funded food program for immigrants:** NO
- **Eligible group(s):** N/A
- **Sponsor-deeming:** N/A

### Health Care

- **Medicaid to pre-enactment immigrants:** YES
- **State-funded Medicaid during the five-year bar:** NO
- **Sponsor-deeming:** N/A
- **Provision of Medicaid following the five-year bar:** Undecided
- **Provision of Medicaid to certain unqualified immigrants:** NO
- **Medicaid generosity level (scale 1-8):** 7
- **State health insurance program:** NO
- **Eligible group(s):** N/A
- **Immigrant eligibility:** N/A

### Naturalization Initiative

- **State naturalization initiative:** NO
- **Funding amount:** N/A

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**Source:** The Urban Institute, data collected from state administrators and secondary documents. Data are current as of summer/fall 1998, unless otherwise noted.
Iowa

**Population by Nativity and Citizenship, 1996**

- Native U.S.-born Population
- Foreign-born Naturalized Citizens
- Noncitizens

**Noncitizen Population by Poverty Level, 1996**

Sample sizes for this state are too small to provide data on the noncitizen population in poverty.

- 1996 Noncitizen population (state rank): 30,000 (36)
- 1996 Noncitizens as a percentage of state’s population (state rank): 1% (40)
- Availability of the state safety net to immigrants, state grouping (scale 1-4): 3

**Cash Assistance**

- TANF to pre-enactment immigrants: YES
- State-funded TANF during the five-year bar: NO
- Sponsor-deeming: N/A
- Provision of TANF following the five-year bar: YES
- 1998 TANF benefit level for a family of three (state rank): $426 (19)
- SSI substitute program for immigrants: NO
- Eligible group(s): N/A
- Sponsor-deeming: N/A
- GA or similar cash program: YES—State mandate to counties
- Eligible group(s): Varies by county
- Immigrant eligibility: Varies by county
- 1998 GA benefit level for an individual (state rank): Varies by county

**Food Assistance**

- State-funded food program for immigrants: NO
- Eligible group(s): N/A
- Sponsor-deeming: N/A

**Health Care**

- Medicaid to pre-enactment immigrants: YES
- State-funded Medicaid during the five-year bar: NO
- Sponsor-deeming: N/A
- Provision of Medicaid following the five-year bar: YES
- Provision of Medicaid to certain unqualified immigrants: NO
- Medicaid generosity level (scale 1-8): 6
- State health insurance program: YES
- Eligible group(s): Children
- Immigrant eligibility: All immigrant groups

**Naturalization Initiative**

- State naturalization initiative: NO
- Funding amount: N/A

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*Population estimates for this state should be used with caution because of small sample sizes.

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Source: The Urban Institute, data collected from state administrators and secondary documents. Data are current as of summer/fall 1998, unless otherwise noted.
Kansas

Population by Nativity and Citizenship, 1996

- Native U.S.-born Population: 97%
- Foreign-born Naturalized Citizens: 2%
- Noncitizens: 1%

Noncitizen Population by Poverty Level, 1996

Sample sizes for this state are too small to provide data on the noncitizen population in poverty.


- 1996 Noncitizen population (state rank): 59,000 (29)
- 1996 Noncitizens as a percentage of state’s population (state rank): 2% (24)
- Availability of the state safety net to immigrants, state grouping (scale 1-4): 3

Cash Assistance

TANF to pre-enactment immigrants: YES
State-funded TANF during the five-year bar: NO
Sponsor-deeming: N/A
Provision of TANF following the five-year bar: YES
1998 TANF benefit level for a family of three (state rank): $429 (18)

SSI substitute program for immigrants:
Eligible group(s): NO
Sponsor-deeming: N/A

GA or similar cash program:
Eligible group(s): Statewide—Disabled—Pre-enactment qualified immigrants
Immigrant eligibility:
1998 GA benefit level for an individual (state rank): $196 (21)

Food Assistance

State-funded food program for immigrants: NO
Eligible group(s): N/A
Sponsor-deeming: N/A

Health Care

Medicaid to pre-enactment immigrants: YES
State-funded Medicaid during the five-year bar: NO
Sponsor-deeming: N/A
Provision of Medicaid following the five-year bar: YES
Provision of Medicaid to certain unqualified immigrants: NO
Medicaid generosity level (scale 1-8): 7

State health insurance program: YES
Eligible group(s): Disabled
Immigrant eligibility: Pre-enactment qualified immigrants

Naturalization Initiative

State naturalization initiative: NO
Funding amount: N/A

Note: Summary information only. See Patchwork Policies: State Assistance for Immigrants under Welfare Reform for details. N/A = Not applicable.
Source: The Urban Institute, data collected from state administrators and secondary documents. Data are current as of summer/fall 1998, unless otherwise noted.
Kentucky

Population by Nativity and Citizenship, 1996*

- Native U.S.-born Population: 99%
- Foreign-born Naturalized Citizens: 1%
- Noncitizens: 0%

Noncitizen Population by Poverty Level, 1996

Sample sizes for this state are too small to provide data on the noncitizen population in poverty.


*Population estimates for this state should be used with caution because of small sample sizes.

- 1996 Noncitizen population (state rank): 24,000 (39)
- 1996 Noncitizens as a percentage of state's population (state rank): 1% (47)
- Availability of the state safety net to immigrants, state grouping (scale 1-4): 3

Cash Assistance

TANF to pre-enactment immigrants:
- YES

State-funded TANF during the five-year bar:
- NO
- Sponsor-deeming:
- N/A

Provision of TANF following the five-year bar:
- YES

1998 TANF benefit level for a family of three (state rank):
- $262 (43)

SSI substitute program for immigrants:
- NO
- Eligible group(s):
- N/A
- Sponsor-deeming:
- N/A

GA or similar cash program:
- NO
- Eligible group(s):
- N/A
- Immigrant eligibility:
- N/A

1998 GA benefit level for an individual (state rank):
- N/A

Food Assistance

State-funded food program for immigrants:
- NO
- Eligible group(s):
- N/A
- Sponsor-deeming:
- N/A

Health Care

Medicaid to pre-enactment immigrants:
- YES

State-funded Medicaid during the five-year bar:
- NO
- Sponsor-deeming:
- N/A

Provision of Medicaid following the five-year bar:
- YES

Provision of Medicaid to certain unqualified immigrants:
- NO

Medicaid generosity level (scale 1-8):
- 5

State health insurance program:
- NO
- Eligible group(s):
- N/A
- Immigrant eligibility:
- N/A

Naturalization Initiative

State naturalization initiative:
- NO
- Funding amount:
- N/A

Note: Summary information only. See Patchwork Policies: State Assistance for Immigrants under Welfare Reform for details. N/A = Not applicable.
Source: The Urban Institute, data collected from state administrators and secondary documents. Data are current as of summer/fall 1998, unless otherwise noted.
Louisiana

Population by Nativity and Citizenship, 1996*

- Native U.S.-born Population
- Foreign-born Naturalized Citizens
- Noncitizens

Noncitizen Population by Poverty Level, 1996

Sample sizes for this state are too small to provide data on the noncitizen population in poverty.

- 1996 Noncitizen population (state rank): 66,000 (27)
- 1996 Noncitizens as a percentage of state’s population (state rank): 1% (33)
- Availability of the state safety net to immigrants, state grouping (scale 1-4): 4

Cash Assistance

TANF to pre-enactment immigrants:
- YES

State-funded TANF during the five-year bar:
- NO

Sponsor-deeming:
- N/A

Provision of TANF following the five-year bar:
- NO

1998 TANF benefit level for a family of three (state rank):
- $190 (47)

SSI substitute program for immigrants:
- NO

Eligible group(s):
- N/A

Sponsor-deeming:
- N/A

GA or similar cash program:
- NO

Eligible group(s):
- N/A

Immigrant eligibility:
- N/A

1998 GA benefit level for an individual (state rank):
- N/A

Food Assistance

State-funded food program for immigrants:
- NO

Eligible group(s):
- N/A

Sponsor-deeming:
- N/A

Health Care

Medicaid to pre-enactment immigrants:
- YES

State-funded Medicaid during the five-year bar:
- NO

Sponsor-deeming:
- N/A

Provision of Medicaid following the five-year bar:
- N/A

Provision of Medicaid to certain unqualified immigrants:
- NO

Medicaid generosity level (scale 1-8):
- 7

State health insurance program:
- NO

Eligible group(s):
- N/A

Immigrant eligibility:
- N/A

Naturalization Initiative

State naturalization initiative:
- NO

Funding amount:
- N/A

Note: Summary information only. See Patchwork Policies: State Assistance for Immigrants under Welfare Reform for details. N/A = Not applicable.
Source: The Urban Institute, data collected from state administrators and secondary documents. Data are current as of summer/fall 1998, unless otherwise noted.


*Population estimates for this state should be used with caution because of small sample sizes.
Maine

Population by Nativity and Citizenship, 1996*

- Native U.S.-born Population: 98%
- Foreign-born Naturalized Citizens: 1%
- Noncitizens: 1%

Noncitizen Population by Poverty Level, 1996

Sample sizes for this state are too small to provide data on the noncitizen population in poverty.

- 1996 Noncitizen population (state rank): 13,000 (43)
- 1996 Noncitizens as a percentage of state’s population (state rank): 1% (40)
- Availability of the state safety net to immigrants, state grouping (scale 1-4): 1

Cash Assistance

- TANF to pre-enactment immigrants: YES
- State-funded TANF during the five-year bar: YES
- Sponsor-deeming: YES
- Provision of TANF following the five-year bar: YES
- 1998 TANF benefit level for a family of three (state rank): $418 (23)

SSI substitute program for immigrants:
- Eligible group(s): Qualified immigrants
- Sponsor-deeming: YES

GA or similar cash program:
- Eligible group(s): Elderly and disabled; families with children; childless adults
- Immigrant eligibility: All qualified and certain unqualified immigrants
- 1998 GA benefit level for an individual (state rank): $387 (3)

Food Assistance

- State-funded food program for immigrants: YES
- Eligible group(s): All qualified immigrants
- Sponsor-deeming: YES

Health Care

- Medicaid to pre-enactment immigrants: YES
- State-funded Medicaid during the five-year bar: YES
- Sponsor-deeming: YES
- Provision of Medicaid following the five-year bar: YES
- Provision of Medicaid to certain unqualified immigrants: YES
- Medicaid generosity level (scale 1-8): 3

State health insurance program:
- Eligible group(s): Elderly and disabled; families with children; childless adults
- Immigrant eligibility: All qualified immigrants

Naturalization Initiative

- State naturalization initiative: NO
- Funding amount: N/A

Note: Summary information only. See Patchwork Policies: State Assistance for Immigrants under Welfare Reform for details. N/A = Not applicable. Source: The Urban Institute, data collected from state administrators and secondary documents. Data are current as of summer/fall 1998, unless otherwise noted.
Maryland

Population by Nativity and Citizenship, 1996

- Native U.S.-born Population: 92%
- Foreign-born Naturalized Citizens: 5%
- Noncitizens: 3%


Noncitizen Population by Poverty Level, 1996

- Below Poverty Level: 15%
- Between 100% and 200% of Poverty Level: 67%
- Over 200% of Poverty Level: 18%

Source: The Urban Institute, data collected from state administrators and secondary documents. Data are current as of summer/fall 1998, unless otherwise noted.

- 1996 Noncitizen population (state rank): 261,000 (9)
- 1996 Noncitizens as a percentage of state’s population (state rank): 5% (15)
- Availability of the state safety net to immigrants, state grouping (scale 1-4): 1

Cash Assistance

TANF to pre-enactment immigrants: YES
State-funded TANF during the five-year bar: YES
Sponsor-deeming: YES
Provision of TANF following the five-year bar: YES
1998 TANF benefit level for a family of three (state rank): $388 (25)
SSI substitute program for immigrants: NO
Eligible group(s): N/A
Sponsor-deeming: N/A
GA or similar cash program: YES—Statewide
Eligible group(s): Disabled
Immigrant eligibility: All qualified and certain unqualified immigrants
1998 GA benefit level for an individual (state rank): $113 (24)

Food Assistance

State-funded food program for immigrants: YES
Eligible group(s): Qualified immigrant children
Sponsor-deeming: YES

Health Care

Medicaid to pre-enactment immigrants: YES
State-funded Medicaid during the five-year bar: YES
Sponsor-deeming: NO
Provision of Medicaid following the five-year bar: YES
Provision of Medicaid to certain unqualified immigrants: NO
Medicaid generosity level (scale 1-8): 4
State health insurance program: YES
Eligible group(s): 1
Immigrant eligibility: 1 All qualified immigrants

Naturalization Initiative

State naturalization initiative: YES
Funding amount: $75,000 (FY 98)

Note: Summary information only. See Patchwork Policies: State Assistance for Immigrants under Welfare Reform for details. N/A = Not applicable.
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Massachusetts

Population by Nativity and Citizenship, 1996

- Native U.S.-born Population: 91%
- Foreign-born Naturalized Citizens: 5%
- Noncitizens: 4%

Noncitizen Population by Poverty Level, 1996

- Below Poverty Level: 18%
- Between 100% and 200% of Poverty Level: 55%
- Over 200% of Poverty Level: 27%


- 1996 Noncitizen population (state rank): 327,000 (8)
- 1996 Noncitizens as a percentage of state’s population (state rank): 5% (14)
- Availability of the state safety net to immigrants, state grouping (scale 1-4): 1

Cash Assistance

TANF to pre-enactment immigrants:
- YES
State-funded TANF during the five-year bar:
- YES
Sponsor-deeming:
- Undecided
Provision of TANF following the five-year bar:
- Undecided
1998 TANF benefit level for a family of three (state rank):
- $565 (7)

SSI substitute program for immigrants:
- NO
Eligible group(s):
- N/A
Sponsor-deeming:
- N/A

GA or similar cash program:
- YES—Statewide
Eligible group(s):
- Elderly and disabled; families with children
Immigrant eligibility:
- All qualified and certain unqualified immigrants
1998 GA benefit level for an individual (state rank):
- $339 (8)

1. This information is for Massachusetts’s Children’s Medical Security Plan.

Food Assistance

State-funded food program for immigrants:
- YES
Eligible group(s):
- All qualified immigrants
Sponsor-deeming:
- NO

Health Care

Medicaid to pre-enactment immigrants:
- YES
State-funded Medicaid during the five-year bar:
- YES
Sponsor-deeming:
- NO
Provision of Medicaid following the five-year bar:
- YES
Provision of Medicaid to certain unqualified immigrants:
- YES
Medicaid generosity level (scale 1-8):
- 3

State health insurance program:
- YES
Eligible group(s): Children
Immigrant eligibility: All immigrant groups

Naturalization Initiative

State naturalization initiative:
- YES
Funding amount:
- $2,000,000 (FY 98)

Note: Summary information only. See Patchwork Policies: State Assistance for Immigrants under Welfare Reform for details. N/A = Not applicable. Source: The Urban Institute, data collected from state administrators and secondary documents. Data are current as of summer/fall 1998, unless otherwise noted.
Michigan

Population by Nativity and Citizenship, 1996

- Native U.S.-born Population
- Foreign-born Naturalized Citizens
- Noncitizens


- 1996 Noncitizen population (state rank): 224,000 (12)
- 1996 Noncitizens as a percentage of state’s population (state rank): 2% (24)
- Availability of the state safety net to immigrants, state grouping (scale 1-4): 3

Noncitizen Population by Poverty Level, 1996

- Below Poverty Level
- Between 100% and 200% of Poverty Level
- Over 200% of Poverty Level

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1. This benefit level is for Wayne County. Benefits vary across the state to account for shelter costs.
Minnesota

Population by Nativity and Citizenship, 1996

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Noncitizen Population by Poverty Level, 1996

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- 1996 Noncitizen population (state rank): 138,000 (19)
- 1996 Noncitizens as a percentage of state's population (state rank): 3% (22)
- Availability of the state safety net to immigrants, state grouping (scale 1-4): 2

Cash Assistance

- TANF to pre-enactment immigrants: YES
- State-funded TANF during the five-year bar: YES
- Sponsor-deeming: YES
- Provision of TANF following the five-year bar: YES
- 1998 TANF benefit level for a family of three (state rank): $532 (12)

Food Assistance

- State-funded food program for immigrants: YES
- Eligible group(s): All qualified immigrants
- Sponsor-deeming: YES

Health Care

- Medicaid to pre-enactment immigrants: YES
- State-funded Medicaid during the five-year bar: YES
- Sponsor-deeming: YES
- Provision of Medicaid following the five-year bar: YES
- Provision of Medicaid to certain unqualified immigrants: YES
- Medicaid generosity level (scale 1-8): 4

Naturalization Initiative

- State naturalization initiative: YES
- Funding amount: $1,000,000 (FY 98)

1. This information is for Minnesota's Minnesota Care Program.

Note: Summary information only. See Patchwork Policies: State Assistance for Immigrants under Welfare Reform for details. N/A = Not applicable. Source: The Urban Institute, data collected from state administrators and secondary documents. Data are current as of summer/fall 1998, unless otherwise noted.
**Mississippi**

### Population by Nativity and Citizenship, 1996*

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*Population estimates for this state should be used with caution because of small sample sizes.

### Noncitizen Population by Poverty Level, 1996

Sample sizes for this state are too small to provide data on the noncitizen population in poverty.

### Cash Assistance

**TANF to pre-enactment immigrants:**
- YES

**State-funded TANF during the five-year bar:**
- NO

**Sponsor-deeming:**
- N/A

**Provision of TANF following the five-year bar:**
- NO

**1998 TANF benefit level for a family of three (state rank):**
- $120  (51)

**SSI substitute program for immigrants:**
- NO

**Eligible group(s):**
- N/A

**Sponsor-deeming:**
- N/A

**GA or similar cash program:**
- NO

**Eligible group(s):**
- N/A

**Immigrant eligibility:**
- N/A

**1998 GA benefit level for an individual (state rank):**
- N/A

### Food Assistance

**State-funded food program for immigrants:**
- NO

**Eligible group(s):**
- N/A

**Sponsor-deeming:**
- N/A

### Health Care

**Medicaid to pre-enactment immigrants:**
- YES

**State-funded Medicaid during the five-year bar:**
- NO

**Sponsor-deeming:**
- N/A

**Provision of Medicaid following the five-year bar:**
- NO

**Provision of Medicaid to certain unqualified immigrants:**
- YES

**Medicaid generosity level (scale 1-8):**
- 6

**State health insurance program:**
- NO

**Eligible group(s):**
- N/A

**Immigrant eligibility:**
- N/A

### Naturalization Initiative

**State naturalization initiative:**
- NO

**Funding amount:**
- N/A

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**Source:** The Urban Institute, data collected from state administrators and secondary documents. Data are current as of summer/fall 1998, unless otherwise noted.
Missouri

Population by Nativity and Citizenship, 1996*

- Native U.S.-born Population
- Foreign-born Naturalized Citizens
- Noncitizens

1% 1%
98%

Noncitizen Population by Poverty Level, 1996

Sample sizes for this state are too small to provide data on the noncitizen population in poverty.

1996 Noncitizen population (state rank): 70,000 (25)
1996 Noncitizens as a percentage of state’s population (state rank): 1% (37)
Availability of the state safety net to immigrants, state grouping (scale 1-4): 1

Cash Assistance

TANF to pre-enactment immigrants: YES
State-funded TANF during the five-year bar: YES
Sponsor-deeming: YES
Provision of TANF following the five-year bar: YES
1998 TANF benefit level for a family of three (state rank): $292 (37)
SSI substitute program for immigrants: NO
Eligible group(s): N/A
Sponsor-deeming: N/A
GA or similar cash program: YES—Statewide
Eligible group(s): Disabled; children Qualified and certain unqualified immigrants
Immigrant eligibility:
1998 GA benefit level for an individual (state rank): $80 (41)

Food Assistance

State-funded food program for immigrants: YES
Eligible group(s): Former food stamp recipients
Sponsor-deeming: NO

Health Care

Medicaid to pre-enactment immigrants: YES
State-funded Medicaid during the five-year bar: NO
Sponsor-deeming: N/A
Provision of Medicaid following the five-year bar: YES
Provision of Medicaid to certain unqualified immigrants: YES
Medicaid generosity level (scale 1-8): 7
State health insurance program: YES
Eligible group(s): Disabled; children Qualified and certain unqualified immigrants
Immigrant eligibility:

Naturalization Initiative

State naturalization initiative: NO
Funding amount: N/A

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Montana

Population by Nativity and Citizenship, 1996*

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Noncitizen Population by Poverty Level, 1996

Sample sizes for this state are too small to provide data on the noncitizen population in poverty.


*Population estimates for this state should be used with caution because of small sample sizes.

- 1996 Noncitizen population (state rank): 7,000 (48)
- 1996 Noncitizens as a percentage of state’s population (state rank): 1% (44)
- Availability of the state safety net to immigrants, state grouping (scale 1-4): 3
- 1997 State budget surplus, state rank: 41
- 1997 Per capita personal income (state rank): $20,046 (47)

Cash Assistance

TANF to pre-enactment immigrants: YES
State-funded TANF during the five-year bar: NO
Sponsor-deeming: N/A
Provision of TANF following the five-year bar: YES
1998 TANF benefit level for a family of three (state rank): $450 (16)
SSI substitute program for immigrants: NO
Eligible group(s): N/A
Sponsor-deeming: N/A
GA or similar cash program: NO
Eligible group(s): N/A
Immigrant eligibility: N/A
1998 GA benefit level for an individual (state rank): N/A

Food Assistance

State-funded food program for immigrants: NO
Eligible group(s): N/A
Sponsor-deeming: N/A

Health Care

Medicaid to pre-enactment immigrants: YES
State-funded Medicaid during the five-year bar: NO
Sponsor-deeming: N/A
Provision of Medicaid following the five-year bar: YES
Provision of Medicaid to certain unqualified immigrants: NO
Medicaid generosity level (scale 1-8): 7
State health insurance program: NO
Eligible group(s): N/A
Immigrant eligibility: N/A

Naturalization Initiative

State naturalization initiative: NO
Funding amount: N/A
Nebraska

Population by Nativity and Citizenship, 1996*

- Native U.S.-born Population: 97%
- Foreign-born: 2%
- Naturalized Citizens: 1%
- Noncitizens: 2%

Noncitizen Population by Poverty Level, 1996

Sample sizes for this state are too small to provide data on the noncitizen population in poverty.


*Population estimates for this state should be used with caution because of small sample sizes.

- 1996 Noncitizen population (state rank): 28,000 (37)
- 1996 Noncitizens as a percentage of state’s population (state rank): 2% (31)
- Availability of the state safety net to immigrants, state grouping (scale 1-4): 1

Cash Assistance

TANF to pre-enactment immigrants: YES
State-funded TANF during the five-year bar: YES
Sponsor-deeming: YES

Provision of TANF following the five-year bar:
1998 TANF benefit level for a family of three (state rank): $364 (28)

SSI substitute program for immigrants: NO
Eligible group(s): N/A
Sponsor-deeming: N/A

GA or similar cash program: YES—Statewide
Eligible group(s): Disabled
Immigrant eligibility: All qualified immigrants
1998 GA benefit level for an individual (state rank): $645 (1)

Food Assistance

State-funded food program for immigrants: YES
Eligible group(s): All qualified immigrants
Sponsor-deeming: NO

Health Care

Medicaid to pre-enactment immigrants: YES
State-funded Medicaid during the five-year bar: YES
Sponsor-deeming: YES

Provision of Medicaid following the five-year bar:
Provision of Medicaid to certain unqualified immigrants: NO
Medicaid generosity level (scale 1-8): 6
State health insurance program: NO
Eligible group(s): N/A
Immigrant eligibility: N/A

Naturalization Initiative

State naturalization initiative: NO
Funding amount: N/A

Note: Summary information only. See Patchwork Policies: State Assistance for Immigrants under Welfare Reform for details. N/A=Not applicable.
Source: The Urban Institute, data collected from state administrators and secondary documents. Data are current as of summer/fall 1998, unless otherwise noted.
Nevada

Population by Nativity and Citizenship, 1996

Noncitizen Population by Poverty Level, 1996

- 1996 Noncitizen population (state rank): 130,000 (20)
- 1996 Noncitizens as a percentage of state’s population (state rank): 8% (8)
- Availability of the state safety net to immigrants, state grouping (scale 1-4): 3

Cash Assistance

- TANF to pre-enactment immigrants: YES
- State-funded TANF during the five-year bar: NO
- Sponsor-deeming: N/A
- Provision of TANF following the five-year bar: YES
- 1998 TANF benefit level for a family of three (state rank): $348 (32)
- SSI substitute program for immigrants: NO
- Sponsor-deeming: N/A
- GA or similar cash program: YES—State mandate to counties
  - Eligible group(s): Varies by county
  - Immigrant eligibility:
  - 1998 GA benefit level for an individual (state rank): Varies by county

Food Assistance

- State-funded food program for immigrants: NO
- Eligible group(s): N/A
- Sponsor-deeming: N/A

Health Care

- Medicaid to pre-enactment immigrants: YES
- State-funded Medicaid during the five-year bar: NO
- Sponsor-deeming: N/A
- Provision of Medicaid following the five-year bar: YES
- Provision of Medicaid to certain unqualified immigrants: NO
- Medicaid generosity level (scale 1-8): 8
- State health insurance program: YES—State mandate to counties
  - Eligible group(s): Varies by county
  - Immigrant eligibility: Varies by county

Naturalization Initiative

- State naturalization initiative: NO
- Funding amount: N/A

Note: Summary information only. See Patchwork Policies: State Assistance for Immigrants under Welfare Reform for details. N/A = Not applicable.

Source: The Urban Institute, data collected from state administrators and secondary documents. Data are current as of summer/fall 1998, unless otherwise noted.
New Hampshire

Population by Nativity and Citizenship, 1996*

- Native U.S.-born Population
- Foreign-born Naturalized Citizens
- Noncitizens

2% 2%
96%

Noncitizen Population by Poverty Level, 1996

Sample sizes for this state are too small to provide data on the noncitizen population in poverty.

- 1996 Noncitizen population (state rank): 17,000 (42)
- 1996 Noncitizens as a percentage of state’s population (state rank): 2% (33)
- Availability of the state safety net to immigrants, state grouping (scale 1-4): 3

Cash Assistance

TANF to pre-enactment immigrants: YES
State-funded TANF during the five-year bar: NO
Sponsor-deeming: N/A
Provision of TANF following the five-year bar: YES
1998 TANF benefit level for a family of three (state rank): $550 (10)
SSI substitute program for immigrants: YES
Pre-enactment immigrants and post-enactment immigrants after a five-year bar
Eligible group(s): YES
Sponsor-deeming: NO
GA or similar cash program: YES—State mandate to towns/cities
Eligible group(s): Varies by town/city
Immigrant eligibility:
1998 GA benefit level for an individual (state rank): Varies by town/city

Food Assistance

State-funded food program for immigrants: NO
Eligible group(s): N/A
Sponsor-deeming: N/A

Health Care

Medicaid to pre-enactment immigrants: YES
State-funded Medicaid during the five-year bar: NO
Sponsor-deeming: N/A
Provision of Medicaid following the five-year bar: YES
Provision of Medicaid to certain unqualified immigrants: NO
Medicaid generosity level (scale 1-8): 1
State health insurance program: YES
Eligible group(s): Children
Immigrant eligibility: Information not available

Naturalization Initiative

State naturalization initiative: NO
Funding amount: N/A


*Population estimates for this state should be used with caution because of small sample sizes.

Note: Summary information only. See Patchwork Policies: State Assistance for Immigrants under Welfare Reform for details. N/A = Not applicable.
Source: The Urban Institute, data collected from state administrators and secondary documents. Data are current as of summer/fall 1998, unless otherwise noted.
New Jersey

Population by Nativity and Citizenship, 1996

- Native U.S.-born Population: 85%
- Foreign-born Naturalized Citizens: 6%
- Noncitizens: 9%

Noncitizen Population by Poverty Level, 1996

- Below Poverty Level: 15%
- Between 100% and 200% of Poverty Level: 58%
- Over 200% of Poverty Level: 27%


- 1996 Noncitizen population (state rank): 696,000 (5)
- 1996 Noncitizens as a percentage of state’s population (state rank): 9% (6)
- Availability of the state safety net to immigrants, state grouping (scale 1-4): 2

Cash Assistance

TANF to pre-enactment immigrants: YES
State-funded TANF during the five-year bar: NO
Sponsor-deeming: N/A
Provision of TANF following the five-year bar: YES
1998 TANF benefit level for a family of three (state rank): $424 (21)
SSI substitute program for immigrants: NO
Eligible group(s): N/A
Sponsor-deeming: N/A
GA or similar cash program: YES-Statewide
Eligible group(s): Disabled; children; childless adults
Immigrant eligibility: Pre-enactment qualified and certain unqualified immigrants
1998 GA benefit level for an individual (state rank): $210 (30)

Food Assistance

State-funded food program for immigrants: YES
Eligible group(s): Most pre-enactment immigrants
Sponsor-deeming: YES

Health Care

Medicaid to pre-enactment immigrants: YES
State-funded Medicaid during the five-year bar: NO
Sponsor-deeming: N/A
Provision of Medicaid following the five-year bar: YES
Provision of Medicaid to certain unqualified immigrants: YES
Medicaid generosity level (scale 1-8): 4
State health insurance program: YES
Eligible group(s): Elderly and disabled; families with children; childless adults
Immigrant eligibility: All immigrant groups

Naturalization Initiative

State naturalization initiative: YES
Funding amount: $4,000,000 (FY 97)

1. This information is for New Jersey’s Charity Care program. See tables and text in Patchwork Policies: State Assistance for Immigrants under Welfare Reform for information on New Jersey’s other state health insurance program.

Note: Summary information only. See Patchwork Policies: State Assistance for Immigrants under Welfare Reform for details. N/A = Not applicable.
Source: The Urban Institute, data collected from state administrators and secondary documents. Data are current as of summer/fall 1998, unless otherwise noted.
New Mexico

Population by Nativity and Citizenship, 1996

- Native U.S.-born Population
- Foreign-born Naturalized Citizens
- Noncitizens


- 1996 Noncitizen population (state rank): 104,000 (24)
- 1996 Noncitizens as a percentage of state’s population (state rank): 6% (13)
- Availability of the state safety net to immigrants, state grouping (scale 1-4): 3

Cash Assistance

- TANF to pre-enactment immigrants: YES
  - State-funded TANF during the five-year bar:
    - Sponsor-deeming: NO
  - Provision of TANF following the five-year bar:
    - 1998 TANF benefit level for a family of three (state rank): $389 (24)
  - SSI substitute program for immigrants:
    - Eligible group(s): NO
    - Sponsor-deeming: N/A
  - GA or similar cash program:
    - Eligible group(s):
      - Disabled; immigrant families with children
      - Qualified immigrants
    - Immigrant eligibility:
      - 1998 GA benefit level for an individual (state rank): $231 (14)

Food Assistance

- State-funded food program for immigrants: NO
  - Eligible group(s): N/A
  - Sponsor-deeming: N/A

Health Care

- Medicaid to pre-enactment immigrants: YES
  - State-funded Medicaid during the five-year bar:
    - Sponsor-deeming: N/A
  - Provision of Medicaid following the five-year bar:
    - Information not available
  - Provision of Medicaid to certain unqualified immigrants: NO
  - Medicaid generosity level (scale 1-8): 5
  - State health insurance program: NO
  - Eligible group(s): N/A
  - Immigrant eligibility: N/A

Naturalization Initiative

- State naturalization initiative: NO
  - Funding amount: N/A

Noncitizen Population by Poverty Level, 1996

- Below Poverty Level: 50%
- Between 100% and 200% of Poverty Level: 33%
- Over 200% of Poverty Level: 17%

Note: Summary information only. See Patchwork Policies: State Assistance for Immigrants under Welfare Reform for details. N/A = Not applicable.
Source: The Urban Institute, data collected from state administrators and secondary documents. Data are current as of summer/fall 1998, unless otherwise noted.
New York

Population by Nativity and Citizenship, 1996

Noncitizen Population by Poverty Level, 1996


- 1996 Noncitizen population (state rank): 2,187,000 (2)
- 1996 Noncitizens as a percentage of state’s population (state rank): 12% (2)
- Availability of the state safety net to immigrants, state grouping (scale 1-4): 2

Cash Assistance

TANF to pre-enactment immigrants:
YES

State-funded TANF during the five-year bar:
NO
N/A

Sponsor-deeming:
N/A

Provision of TANF following the five-year bar:
YES

1998 TANF benefit level for a family of three (state rank):
$577 (5)

SSI substitute program for immigrants:
NO
N/A

Eligible group(s):
N/A

Sponsor-deeming:
N/A

GA or similar cash program:
YES—Statewide

Eligible group(s):
Elderly and disabled; families with children; childless adults

Immigrant eligibility:
Qualified and certain unqualified immigrants

1998 GA benefit level for an individual (state rank):
$352 (6)

Food Assistance

State-funded food program for immigrants:
YES

Eligible group(s):
Pre-enactment children, elderly, and disabled immigrants

Sponsor-deeming:
NO

Health Care

Medicaid to pre-enactment immigrants:
YES

State-funded Medicaid during the five-year bar:
NO
N/A

Sponsor-deeming:
N/A

Provision of Medicaid following the five-year bar:
YES

Provision of Medicaid to certain unqualified immigrants:
YES

Medicaid generosity level (scale 1-8):
4

State health insurance program:
YES

Eligible group(s):
Children

Immigrant eligibility:
All immigrant groups

Naturalization Initiative

State naturalization initiative:
YES

Funding amount:
$2,500,000 (FY 98)

1. This benefit level is for New York City.

Note: Summary information only. See Patchwork Policies: State Assistance for Immigrants under Welfare Reform for details. N/A = Not applicable. Source: The Urban Institute, data collected from state administrators and secondary documents. Data are current as of summer/fall 1998, unless otherwise noted.
North Carolina

Population by Nativity and Citizenship, 1996

- Native U.S.-born Population: 97%
- Foreign-born Naturalized Citizens: 2%
- Noncitizens: 1%

Noncitizen Population by Poverty Level, 1996

- Below Poverty Level: 36%
- Between 100% and 200% of Poverty Level: 22%
- Over 200% of Poverty Level: 42%


- 1996 Noncitizen population (state rank): 149,000 (18)
- 1996 Noncitizens as a percentage of state’s population (state rank): 2% (26)
- Availability of the state safety net to immigrants, state grouping (scale 1-4): 3

Cash Assistance

TANF to pre-enactment immigrants: YES
State-funded TANF during the five-year bar: NO
Sponsor-deeming: N/A
Provision of TANF following the five-year bar: YES
1998 TANF benefit level for a family of three (state rank): $272 (42)
SSI substitute program for immigrants: NO
Eligible group(s): N/A
Sponsor-deeming: N/A
GA or similar cash program: NO
Eligible group(s): N/A
Immigrant eligibility: N/A
1998 GA benefit level for an individual (state rank): N/A

Food Assistance

State-funded food program for immigrants: NO
Eligible group(s): N/A
Sponsor-deeming: N/A

Health Care

Medicaid to pre-enactment immigrants: YES
State-funded Medicaid during the five-year bar: NO
Sponsor-deeming: N/A
Provision of Medicaid following the five-year bar: YES
Provision of Medicaid to certain unqualified immigrants: NO
Medicaid generosity level (scale 1-8): 6
State health insurance program: NO
Eligible group(s): N/A
Immigrant eligibility: N/A

Naturalization Initiative

State naturalization initiative: NO
Funding amount: N/A

Note: Summary information only. See Patchwork Policies: State Assistance for Immigrants under Welfare Reform for details. N/A = Not applicable.
Source: The Urban Institute, data collected from state administrators and secondary documents. Data are current as of summer/fall 1998, unless otherwise noted.
North Dakota

Population by Nativity and Citizenship, 1996*

- Native U.S.-born Population: 99%
- Foreign-born Naturalized Citizens: 1%
- Noncitizens: 1%

Noncitizen Population by Poverty Level, 1996

Sample sizes for this state are too small to provide data on the noncitizen population in poverty.


- 1996 Noncitizen population (state rank): 3,000 (51)
- 1996 Noncitizens as a percentage of state’s population (state rank): 1% (50)
- Availability of the state safety net to immigrants, state grouping (scale 1-4): 3

Cash Assistance

- TANF to pre-enactment immigrants: YES
- State-funded TANF during the five-year bar: NO
- Sponsor-deeming: N/A
- Provision of TANF following the five-year bar: YES
- 1998 TANF benefit level for a family of three (state rank): $490 (13)
- SSI substitute program for immigrants: NO
- Eligible group(s): N/A
- Sponsor-deeming: N/A
- GA or similar cash program: NO
- Eligible group(s): N/A
- Immigrant eligibility: N/A
- 1998 GA benefit level for an individual (state rank): N/A

Food Assistance

- State-funded food program for immigrants: NO
- Eligible group(s): N/A
- Sponsor-deeming: N/A

Health Care

- Medicaid to pre-enactment immigrants: YES
- State-funded Medicaid during the five-year bar: NO
- Sponsor-deeming: N/A
- Provision of Medicaid following the five-year bar: YES
- Provision of Medicaid to certain unqualified immigrants: YES
- Medicaid generosity level (scale 1-8): 8
- State health insurance program: NO
- Eligible group(s): N/A
- Immigrant eligibility: N/A

Naturalization Initiative

- State naturalization initiative: NO
- Funding amount: N/A

*Population estimates for this state should be used with caution because of small sample sizes.

Note: Summary information only. See Patchwork Policies: State Assistance for Immigrants under Welfare Reform for details. N/A = Not applicable.
Source: The Urban Institute, data collected from state administrators and secondary documents. Data are current as of summer/fall 1998, unless otherwise noted.
Ohio

Population by Nativity and Citizenship, 1996

- Native U.S.-born Population: 98%
- Foreign-born Naturalized Citizens: 1%
- Noncitizens: 1%

Noncitizen Population by Poverty Level, 1996

- Below Poverty Level: 65%
- Between 100% and 200% of Poverty Level: 21%
- Over 200% of Poverty Level: 14%


- 1996 Noncitizen population (state rank): 120,000 (22)
- 1997 State budget surplus, state rank: 25
- 1997 Per capita personal income (state rank): $24,661 (22)
- 1996 Noncitizens as a percentage of state’s population (state rank): 1% (38)
- Availability of the state safety net to immigrants, state grouping (scale 1-4): 4

Cash Assistance

- TANF to pre-enactment immigrants: YES
- State-funded TANF during the five-year bar: NO
- Sponsor-deeming: N/A
- Provision of TANF following the five-year bar: NO
- 1998 TANF benefit level for a family of three (state rank): $362 (29)
- SSI substitute program for immigrants: NO
- Eligible group(s): N/A
- Sponsor-deeming: N/A
- GA or similar cash program: N/A
- Eligible group(s): Elderly and disabled; children and pregnant women
- Immigrant eligibility: Pre-enactment qualified immigrants
- 1998 GA benefit level for an individual (state rank): $200 (19)

Food Assistance

- State-funded food program for immigrants: YES
- Eligible group(s): Elderly and disabled pre-enactment immigrants
- Sponsor-deeming: YES

Health Care

- Medicaid to pre-enactment immigrants: YES
- State-funded Medicaid during the five-year bar: NO
- Sponsor-deeming: N/A
- Provision of Medicaid following the five-year bar: NO
- Provision of Medicaid to certain unqualified immigrants: YES
- Medicaid generosity level (scale 1-8): 8
- State health insurance program: NO
- Eligible group(s): N/A
- Immigrant eligibility: N/A

Naturalization Initiative

- State naturalization initiative: NO
- Funding amount: N/A

Note: Summary information only. See Patchwork Policies: State Assistance for Immigrants under Welfare Reform for details. N/A = Not applicable.
Source: The Urban Institute, data collected from state administrators and secondary documents. Data are current as of summer/fall 1998, unless otherwise noted.

1. The maximum monthly benefit is $200 for pre-enactment immigrants who are ineligible for SSI; the maximum benefit for all other recipients is $115.
Oklahoma

Population by Nativity and Citizenship, 1996

- Native U.S.-born Population
- Foreign-born Naturalized Citizens
- Noncitizens

1996 Noncitizen population (state rank): 48,000 (30)
1996 Noncitizens as a percentage of state’s population (state rank): 1% (33)
Availability of the state safety net to immigrants, state grouping (scale 1-4): 4

Noncitizen Population by Poverty Level, 1996

Sample sizes for this state are too small to provide data on the noncitizen population in poverty.


- 1996 Noncitizen population (state rank):
- 1997 State budget surplus, state rank:
- 1997 Per capita personal income (state rank):

Cash Assistance

TANF to pre-enactment immigrants:
YES

State-funded TANF during the five-year bar:
NO
Sponsor-deeming:
N/A

Provision of TANF following the five-year bar:
YES

1998 TANF benefit level for a family of three (state rank):
$292 (37)

SSI substitute program for immigrants:
Eligible group(s):
N/A
Sponsor-deeming:
N/A

GA or similar cash program:
Eligible group(s):
N/A
Immigrant eligibility:
N/A
1998 GA benefit level for an individual (state rank):
N/A

Food Assistance

State-funded food program for immigrants:
NO

Eligible group(s):
N/A
Sponsor-deeming:
N/A

Health Care

Medicaid to pre-enactment immigrants:
YES

State-funded Medicaid during the five-year bar:
NO
Sponsor-deeming:
N/A

Provision of Medicaid following the five-year bar:
Undecided

Provision of Medicaid to certain unqualified immigrants:
NO

Medicaid generosity level (scale 1-8):
6

State health insurance program:
NO

Eligible group(s):
N/A
Immigrant eligibility:
N/A

Naturalization Initiative

State naturalization initiative:
NO
Funding amount:
N/A

Note: Summary information only. See Patchwork Policies: State Assistance for Immigrants under Welfare Reform for details. N/A=Not applicable. Source: The Urban Institute, data collected from state administrators and secondary documents. Data are current as of summer/fall 1998, unless otherwise noted.
Oregon

Population by Nativity and Citizenship, 1996

- Native U.S.-born Population: 93%
- Foreign-born Naturalized Citizens: 6%
- Noncitizens: 1%

Noncitizen Population by Poverty Level, 1996

- Below Poverty Level: 29%
- Between 100% and 200% of Poverty Level: 41%
- Over 200% of Poverty Level: 29%


- 1996 Noncitizen population (state rank): 192,000 (15)
- 1996 Noncitizens as a percentage of state’s population (state rank): 6% (11)
- Availability of the state safety net to immigrants, state grouping (scale 1-4): 2

Cash Assistance

TANF to pre-enactment immigrants: YES
State-funded TANF during the five-year bar: YES
Sponsor-deeming: YES
Provision of TANF following the five-year bar:
1998 TANF benefit level for a family of three (state rank): $460 (14)
SSI substitute program for immigrants: YES
Eligible group(s): Qualified immigrants
Sponsor-deeming: Information not available
GA or similar cash program:
Eligible group(s): Qualified immigrants
Immigrant eligibility:
1998 GA benefit level for an individual (state rank): $298 (10)

Food Assistance

State-funded food program for immigrants: NO
Eligible group(s): N/A
Sponsor-deeming: N/A

Health Care

Medicaid to pre-enactment immigrants: YES
State-funded Medicaid during the five-year bar: NO
Sponsor-deeming: N/A
Provision of Medicaid following the five-year bar:
Provision of Medicaid to certain unqualified immigrants: NO
Medicaid generosity level (scale 1-8): 5
State health insurance program: NO
Eligible group(s): N/A
Immigrant eligibility: N/A

Naturalization Initiative

State naturalization initiative: NO
Funding amount: N/A

Note: Summary information only. See Patchwork Policies: State Assistance for Immigrants under Welfare Reform for details. N/A = Not applicable.
Source: The Urban Institute, data collected from state administrators and secondary documents. Data are current as of summer/fall 1998, unless otherwise noted.
Pennsylvania

*Population by Nativity and Citizenship, 1996*

- Native U.S.-born Population: 97%
- Foreign-born Naturalized Citizens: 2%
- Noncitizens: 1%

*Noncitizen Population by Poverty Level, 1996*

- Below Poverty Level: 25%
- Between 100% and 200% of Poverty Level: 53%
- Over 200% of Poverty Level: 22%


- 1996 Noncitizen population (state rank): 215,000 (13)
- 1996 Noncitizens as a percentage of state’s population (state rank): 2% (30)
- Availability of the state safety net to immigrants, state grouping (scale 1-4): 2

**Cash Assistance**

- TANF to pre-enactment immigrants: YES
- State-funded TANF during the five-year bar: YES
- Sponsor-deeming: YES
- Provision of TANF following the five-year bar: YES
- 1998 TANF benefit level for a family of three (state rank): $421 (22)
- SSI substitute program for immigrants:
  - Eligible group(s): NO
  - Sponsor-deeming: N/A
- GA or similar cash program:
  - Eligible group(s): Disabled; families with children
  - Immigrant eligibility: All qualified and certain unqualified immigrants
  - 1998 GA benefit level for an individual (state rank): $215 (16)

**Food Assistance**

- State-funded food program for immigrants: NO
- Eligible group(s): N/A
- Sponsor-deeming: N/A

**Health Care**

- Medicaid to pre-enactment immigrants: YES
- State-funded Medicaid during the five-year bar: YES
- Sponsor-deeming: YES
- Provision of Medicaid following the five-year bar: YES
- Provision of Medicaid to certain unqualified immigrants: YES
- Medicaid generosity level (scale 1-8): 5
- State health insurance program:
  - Eligible group(s): Disabled; families with children
  - Immigrant eligibility: All qualified and certain unqualified immigrants

**Naturalization Initiative**

- State naturalization initiative: NO
- Funding amount: N/A

*Note:* Summary information only. See *Patchwork Policies: State Assistance for Immigrants under Welfare Reform* for details. N/A = Not applicable.

*Source:* The Urban Institute, data collected from state administrators and secondary documents. Data are current as of summer/fall 1998, unless otherwise noted.
Rhode Island

Population by Nativity and Citizenship, 1996

- Native U.S.-born Population: 89%
- Foreign-born Naturalized Citizens: 4%
- Noncitizens: 7%

Noncitizen Population by Poverty Level, 1996

- Below Poverty Level: 19%
- Between 100% and 200% of Poverty Level: 49%
- Over 200% of Poverty Level: 32%


- 1996 Noncitizen population (state rank): 66,000 (27)
- 1996 Noncitizens as a percentage of state’s population (state rank): 7% (9)
- Availability of the state safety net to immigrants, state grouping (scale 1-4): 1

Cash Assistance

TANF to pre-enactment immigrants: YES
State-funded TANF during the five-year bar: YES
Sponsor-deeming: NO
Provision of TANF following the five-year bar: YES
1998 TANF benefit level for a family of three (state rank): $554 (9)
SSI substitute program for immigrants: NO
Eligible group(s): N/A
Sponsor-deeming: N/A
GA or similar cash program: YES—Statewide
Eligible group(s): Disabled
Immigrant eligibility: Pre-enactment and certain post-enactment immigrants
1998 GA benefit level for an individual (state rank): $200 (19)

Food Assistance

State-funded food program for immigrants: YES
Eligible group(s): Pre-enactment immigrants
Sponsor-deeming: NO

Health Care

Medicaid to pre-enactment immigrants: YES
State-funded Medicaid during the five-year bar: YES
Sponsor-deeming: NO
Provision of Medicaid following the five-year bar: YES
Provision of Medicaid to certain unqualified immigrants: YES
Medicaid generosity level (scale 1-8): 3
State health insurance program: YES
Eligible group(s): Disabled
Immigrant eligibility: Pre-enactment and certain post-enactment immigrants

Naturalization Initiative

State naturalization initiative: YES
Funding amount: $389,000 (FY 98)
South Carolina

Population by Nativity and Citizenship, 1996

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Noncitizen Population by Poverty Level, 1996

Sample sizes for this state are too small to provide data on the noncitizen population in poverty.


*Population estimates for this state should be used with caution because of small sample sizes.

- 1996 Noncitizen population (state rank): 12,000 (44)
- 1996 Noncitizens as a percentage of state’s population (state rank): 0% (51)
- Availability of the state safety net to immigrants, state grouping (scale 1-4): 4

Cash Assistance

TANF to pre-enactment immigrants: YES
State-funded TANF during the five-year bar: NO
Sponsor-deeming: N/A
Provision of TANF following the five-year bar: Undecided
1998 TANF benefit level for a family of three (state rank): $201 (46)
SSI substitute program for immigrants: NO
Eligible group(s): N/A
Sponsor-deeming: N/A
GA or similar cash program: NO
Eligible group(s): N/A
Immigrant eligibility: N/A
1998 GA benefit level for an individual (state rank): N/A

Food Assistance

State-funded food program for immigrants: NO
Eligible group(s): N/A
Sponsor-deeming: N/A

Health Care

Medicaid to pre-enactment immigrants: YES
State-funded Medicaid during the five-year bar: NO
Sponsor-deeming: N/A
Provision of Medicaid following the five-year bar: Information not available
Provision of Medicaid to certain unqualified immigrants: NO
Medicaid generosity level (scale 1-8): 5
State health insurance program: Information not available
Eligible group(s): Information not available
Immigrant eligibility: Information not available

Naturalization Initiative

State naturalization initiative: NO
Funding amount: N/A

Note: Summary information only. See Patchwork Policies: State Assistance for Immigrants under Welfare Reform for details. N/A = Not applicable.

Source: The Urban Institute, data collected from state administrators and secondary documents. Data are current as of summer/fall 1998, unless otherwise noted.
South Dakota


*Population estimates for this state should be used with caution because of small sample sizes.

- 1996 Noncitizen population (state rank): 6,000 (50)
- 1996 Noncitizens as a percentage of state’s population (state rank): 1% (44)
- Availability of the state safety net to immigrants, state grouping (scale 1-4): 4

### Cash Assistance

**TANF to pre-enactment immigrants:**
- NO

**State-funded TANF during the five-year bar:**
- NO
- Sponsor-deeming: N/A

**Provision of TANF following the five-year bar:**
- Undecided

**1998 TANF benefit level for a family of three (state rank):**
- $430 (17)

**SSI substitute program for immigrants:**
- NO
- Eligible group(s): N/A
- Sponsor-deeming: N/A

**GA or similar cash program:**
- YES—State mandate to counties
- Eligible group(s): Varies by county
- Immigrant eligibility: Varies by county
- 1998 GA benefit level for an individual (state rank): Varies by county

### Food Assistance

**State-funded food program for immigrants:**
- NO

**Eligible group(s):**
- N/A

**Sponsor-deeming:**
- N/A

### Health Care

**Medicaid to pre-enactment immigrants:**
- NO

**State-funded Medicaid during the five-year bar:**
- NO
- Sponsor-deeming: N/A

**Provision of Medicaid following the five-year bar:**
- Undecided

**Provision of Medicaid to certain unqualified immigrants:**
- NO

**Medicaid generosity level (scale 1-8):**
- 7

**State health insurance program:**
- NO
- Eligible group(s): N/A
- Immigrant eligibility: N/A

### Naturalization Initiative

**State naturalization initiative:**
- NO

**Funding amount:**
- N/A
## Tennessee

### Population by Nativity and Citizenship, 1996*

- **Native U.S.-born Population**: 99%
- **Foreign-born Naturalized Citizens**: 1%
- **Noncitizens**: 0%

### Noncitizen Population by Poverty Level, 1996

*Sample sizes for this state are too small to provide data on the noncitizen population in poverty.*

### Source


*Population estimates for this state should be used with caution because of small sample sizes.

### Cash Assistance

- **1996 Noncitizen population (state rank):** 36,000 (33)
- **1996 Noncitizens as a percentage of state’s population (state rank):** 1% (46)
- **Availability of the state safety net to immigrants, state grouping (scale 1-4):** 3

### Food Assistance

- **State-funded food program for immigrants:** NO
- **Eligible group(s):** N/A
- **Sponsor-deeming:** N/A

### Health Care

- **Medicaid to pre-enactment immigrants:** YES
- **State-funded Medicaid during the five-year bar:** NO
- **Sponsor-deeming:** N/A
- **Provision of Medicaid following the five-year bar:** YES
- **Provision of Medicaid to certain unqualified immigrants:** NO
- **Medicaid generosity level (scale 1-8):** 4
- **State health insurance program:** NO
- **Eligible group(s):** N/A
- **Immigrant eligibility:** N/A

### Naturalization Initiative

- **State naturalization initiative:** NO
- **Funding amount:** N/A

### Note

Summary information only. See Patchwork Policies: State Assistance for Immigrants under Welfare Reform for details. N/A = Not applicable.

### Source

The Urban Institute, data collected from state administrators and secondary documents. Data are current as of summer/fall 1998, unless otherwise noted.
Texas

Population by Nativity and Citizenship, 1996

- 1996 Noncitizen population (state rank): 1,637,000 (3)
- 1996 Noncitizens as a percentage of state’s population (state rank): 9% (7)
- Availability of the state safety net to immigrants, state grouping (scale 1-4): 4

Noncitizen Population by Poverty Level, 1996

- 1997 State budget surplus, state rank: 17
- 1997 Per capita personal income (state rank): $23,656 (29)

Cash Assistance

- TANF to pre-enactment immigrants: YES
- State-funded TANF during the five-year bar: NO
- Sponsor-deeming: N/A
- Provision of TANF following the five-year bar: NO
- 1998 TANF benefit level for a family of three (state rank): $188 (48)
- SSI substitute program for immigrants: NO
- Eligible group(s): Pre-enactment elderly and disabled immigrants
- Sponsor-deeming: NO
- GA or similar cash program: NO
- Eligible group(s): N/A
- Immigrant eligibility: N/A
- 1998 GA benefit level for an individual (state rank): N/A

Food Assistance

- State-funded food program for immigrants: YES
- Eligible group(s): Pre-enactment elderly and disabled immigrants
- Sponsor-deeming: NO
- GA or similar cash program: NO
- Eligible group(s): N/A
- Immigrant eligibility: N/A
- 1998 GA benefit level for an individual (state rank): N/A

Health Care

- Medicaid to pre-enactment immigrants: YES
- State-funded Medicaid during the five-year bar: NO
- Sponsor-deeming: N/A
- Provision of Medicaid following the five-year bar: Undecided
- Provision of Medicaid to certain unqualified immigrants: NO
- Medicaid generosity level (scale 1-8): 7
- State health insurance program: NO
- Eligible group(s): N/A
- Immigrant eligibility: N/A

Naturalization Initiative

- State naturalization initiative: NO
- Funding amount: N/A


Note: Summary information only. See Patchwork Policies: State Assistance for Immigrants under Welfare Reform for details. N/A = Not applicable. Source: The Urban Institute, data collected from state administrators and secondary documents. Data are current as of summer/fall 1998, unless otherwise noted.
Utah

**Population by Nativity and Citizenship, 1996**

- Native U.S.-born Population: 95%
- Foreign-born Naturalized Citizens: 3%
- Noncitizens: 2%

**Noncitizen Population by Poverty Level, 1996**

- Below Poverty Level: 34%
- Between 100% and 200% of Poverty Level: 32%
- Over 200% of Poverty Level: 34%

**Source:** Urban Institute tabulations of U.S. Bureau of the Census Current Population Survey (CPS) data. Three-year CPS averages (1995, 1996, 1997) were adjusted to correct for overstatement of citizenship status to conform to Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) data. Noncitizen estimates include undocumented immigrants.

- 1996 Noncitizen population (state rank): 67,000 (26)
- 1997 State budget surplus, state rank: 34
- 1997 Per capita personal income (state rank): $20,432 (45)
- 1996 Noncitizens as a percentage of state’s population (state rank): 3% (20)
- Availability of the state safety net to immigrants, state grouping (scale 1-4): 3

**Cash Assistance**

- TANF to pre-enactment immigrants: YES
- State-funded TANF during the five-year bar: YES
- Sponsor-deeming: NO
- Provision of TANF following the five-year bar: NO
- 1998 TANF benefit level for a family of three (state rank): $426 (19)
- SSI substitute program for immigrants: NO
- Eligible group(s): N/A
- Sponsor-deeming: N/A
- GA or similar cash program: YES—Statewide
- Eligible group(s): Disabled; childless adults; pre-enactment immigrants
- Immigrant eligibility: Qualified pre-enactment and post-enactment immigrants after a five-year bar
- 1998 GA benefit level for an individual (state rank): $261 (11)

**Food Assistance**

- State-funded food program for immigrants: NO
- Eligible group(s): N/A
- Sponsor-deeming: N/A

**Health Care**

- Medicaid to pre-enactment immigrants: YES
- State-funded Medicaid during the five-year bar: NO
- Sponsor-deeming: N/A
- Provision of Medicaid following the five-year bar: YES
- Provision of Medicaid to certain unqualified immigrants: NO
- Medicaid generosity level (scale 1-8): 6
- State health insurance program: YES
- Eligible group(s): Elderly and disabled; families with children; childless adults
- Immigrant eligibility: Qualified pre-enactment and post-enactment immigrants after a five-year bar

**Naturalization Initiative**

- State naturalization initiative: NO
- Funding amount: N/A

**Note:** Summary information only. See Patchwork Policies: State Assistance for Immigrants under Welfare Reform for details. N/A = Not applicable.

**Source:** The Urban Institute, data collected from state administrators and secondary documents. Data are current as of summer/fall 1998, unless otherwise noted.
Vermont

Population by Nativity and Citizenship, 1996 *

- 1% Native U.S.-born Population
- 2% Foreign-born Naturalized Citizens
- 97% Noncitizens

Noncitizen Population by Poverty Level, 1996

Sample sizes for this state are too small to provide data on the noncitizen population in poverty.


*Population estimates for this state should be used with caution because of small sample sizes.

- 1996 Noncitizen population (state rank): 10,000 (46)
- 1996 Noncitizens as a percentage of state’s population (state rank): 2% (31)
- Availability of the state safety net to immigrants, state grouping (scale 1-4): 2

Cash Assistance

TANF to pre-enactment immigrants: YES
State-funded TANF during the five-year bar: YES
Sponsor-deeming: Information not available
Provision of TANF following the five-year bar: YES
1998 TANF benefit level for a family of three (state rank): $656 (2)
SSI substitute program for immigrants: NO
Eligible group(s): N/A
Sponsor-deeming: N/A
GA or similar cash program: YES—Statewide
Eligible group(s): Elderly and disabled; families with children; childless adults
Immigrant eligibility: All qualified and certain unqualified immigrants
1998 GA benefit level for an individual (state rank): $404 (2)

Food Assistance

State-funded food program for immigrants: NO
Eligible group(s): N/A
Sponsor-deeming: N/A

Health Care

Medicaid to pre-enactment immigrants: YES
State-funded Medicaid during the five-year bar: NO
Sponsor-deeming: N/A
Provision of Medicaid following the five-year bar: YES
Provision of Medicaid to certain unqualified immigrants: NO
Medicaid generosity level (scale 1-8): 2
State health insurance program: YES
Eligible group(s): Elderly and disabled; families with children; childless adults
Immigrant eligibility: All qualified and certain unqualified immigrants

Naturalization Initiative

State naturalization initiative: NO
Funding amount: N/A

1. The maximum monthly benefit in Chittenden County is $449.00.
2. This information is for Vermont’s General Assistance Medical program. See tables and text in Patchwork Policies: State Assistance for Immigrants under Welfare Reform for information on Vermont’s other state health insurance program.

Note: Summary information only. See Patchwork Policies: State Assistance for Immigrants under Welfare Reform for details. N/A = Not applicable.
Source: The Urban Institute, data collected from state administrators and secondary documents. Data are current as of summer/fall 1998, unless otherwise noted.
Virginia

### Population by Nativity and Citizenship, 1996

- Native U.S.-born Population: 94%
- Foreign-born Naturalized Citizens: 2%
- Noncitizens: 4%

### Noncitizen Population by Poverty Level, 1996

- Below Poverty Level: 17%
- Between 100% and 200% of Poverty Level: 59%
- Over 200% of Poverty Level: 24%


- **1996 Noncitizen population (state rank):** 236,000 (10)
- **1996 Noncitizens as a percentage of state’s population (state rank):** 4% (19)
- Availability of the state safety net to immigrants, state grouping (scale 1-4): 3

### Cash Assistance

- TANF to pre-enactment immigrants: YES
- State-funded TANF during the five-year bar: NO
- Sponsor-deeming: N/A
  - Provision of TANF following the five-year bar: Undecided
  - 1998 TANF benefit level for a family of three (state rank): $354 (31)
- SSI substitute program for immigrants:
  - Eligible group(s): N/A
  - Sponsor-deeming: N/A
- GA or similar cash program:
  - Eligible group(s): N/A
  - Immigrant eligibility:
  - 1998 GA benefit level for an individual (state rank): N/A

### Food Assistance

- State-funded food program for immigrants: NO
- Eligible group(s): N/A
- Sponsor-deeming: N/A

### Health Care

- Medicaid to pre-enactment immigrants: YES
- State-funded Medicaid during the five-year bar: YES
- Sponsor-deeming: Information not available
  - Provision of Medicaid following the five-year bar: NO
  - Provision of Medicaid to certain unqualified immigrants: YES
  - Medicaid generosity level (scale 1-8): 8
- State health insurance program: NO
  - Eligible group(s): N/A
  - Immigrant eligibility: N/A

### Naturalization Initiative

- State naturalization initiative: NO
- Funding amount: N/A

### Note:
Summary information only. See Patchwork Policies: State Assistance for Immigrants under Welfare Reform for details. N/A = Not applicable.

Source: The Urban Institute, data collected from state administrators and secondary documents. Data are current as of summer/fall 1999, unless otherwise noted.
Washington

Population by Nativity and Citizenship, 1996

- 1996 Noncitizen population (state rank): 234,000 (11)
- 1996 Noncitizens as a percentage of state’s population (state rank): 4% (18)
- Availability of the state safety net to immigrants, state grouping (scale 1-4): 1

Noncitizen Population by Poverty Level, 1996

- 1997 State budget surplus, state rank: 27
- 1997 Per capita personal income (state rank): $26,718 (13)

Cash Assistance

TANF to pre-enactment immigrants: YES
State-funded TANF during the five-year bar: YES
Sponsor-deeming: YES
Provision of TANF following the five-year bar: YES
1998 TANF benefit level for a family of three (state rank): $546 (11)
SSI substitute program for immigrants: NO
Eligible group(s): N/A
Sponsor-deeming: N/A
GA or similar cash program: YES—Statewide
Disabled; children and pregnant women
Eligible group(s): All qualified and certain unqualified immigrants
Immigrant eligibility: 1
1998 GA benefit level for an individual (state rank): $339 (8)

Food Assistance

State-funded food program for immigrants: YES
Eligible group(s): All qualified immigrants
Sponsor-deeming: YES

Health Care

Medicaid to pre-enactment immigrants: YES
State-funded Medicaid during the five-year bar: YES
Sponsor-deeming: YES
Provision of Medicaid following the five-year bar: Undecided
Provision of Medicaid to certain unqualified immigrants: YES
Medicaid generosity level (scale 1-8): 2
State health insurance program: YES
Eligible group(s): Elderly and disabled; families with children; childless adults
Immigrant eligibility: All immigrant groups

Naturalization Initiative

State naturalization initiative: YES
Funding amount: $1,500,000 (FY 98)

1. This information is for Washington’s Basic Health Plan. See tables and text in *Patchwork Policies: State Assistance for Immigrants under Welfare Reform* for information on Washington’s other state health insurance programs.
West Virginia

Population by Nativity and Citizenship, 1996*

- Native U.S.-born Population
- Foreign-born Naturalized Citizens
- Noncitizens

Noncitizen Population by Poverty Level, 1996

Sample sizes for this state are too small to provide data on the noncitizen population in poverty.


*Population estimates for this state should be used with caution because of small sample sizes.

- 1996 Noncitizen population (state rank): 10,000 (46)
- 1996 Noncitizens as a percentage of state’s population (state rank): 1% (47)
- Availability of the state safety net to immigrants, state grouping (scale 1-4): 4

### Cash Assistance

**TANF to pre-enactment immigrants:**

- YES

**State-funded TANF during the five-year bar:**

- NO

**Sponsor-deeming:**

- N/A

**Provision of TANF following the five-year bar:**

- YES

**1998 TANF benefit level for a family of three (state rank):**

- $253 (44)

**SSI substitute program for immigrants:**

- NO

**Eligible group(s):**

- N/A

**Sponsor-deeming:**

- N/A

**GA or similar cash program:**

- NO

**Eligible group(s):**

- N/A

**Imigrant eligibility:**

- N/A

**1998 GA benefit level for an individual (state rank):**

- N/A

### Food Assistance

**State-funded food program for immigrants:**

- NO

**Eligible group(s):**

- N/A

**Sponsor-deeming:**

- N/A

### Health Care

**Medicaid to pre-enactment immigrants:**

- YES

**State-funded Medicaid during the five-year bar:**

- NO

**Sponsor-deeming:**

- N/A

**Provision of Medicaid following the five-year bar:**

- Information not available

**Provision of Medicaid to certain unqualified immigrants:**

- NO

**Medicaid generosity level (scale 1-8):**

- 6

**State health insurance program:**

- NO

**Eligible group(s):**

- N/A

**Imigrant eligibility:**

- N/A

### Naturalization Initiative

**State naturalization initiative:**

- NO

**Funding amount:**

- N/A

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Wisconsin

Population by Nativity and Citizenship, 1996

- Native U.S.-born Population
- Foreign-born Naturalized Citizens
- Noncitizens

1% 2%
97%

Noncitizen Population by Poverty Level, 1996

- Sample sizes for this state are too small to provide data on the noncitizen population in poverty.


- 1996 Noncitizen population (state rank): 109,000 (23)
- 1996 Noncitizens as a percentage of state’s population (state rank): 2% (26)
- Availability of the state safety net to immigrants, state grouping (scale 1-4): 2

Cash Assistance

- TANF to pre-enactment immigrants: YES
- State-funded TANF during the five-year bar: YES
- Sponsor-deeming: YES
- Provision of TANF following the five-year bar:
- 1998 TANF benefit level for a family of three (state rank): $628 (4)
- SSI substitute program for immigrants:
  - Eligible group(s): NO
  - Sponsor-deeming: N/A
- GA or similar cash program:
  - Eligible group(s): NO
  - Immigrant eligibility: N/A
  - 1998 GA benefit level for an individual (state rank): N/A

Food Assistance

- State-funded food program for immigrants: YES
- Eligible group(s): All qualified immigrants
- Sponsor-deeming: YES

Health Care

- Medicaid to pre-enactment immigrants: YES
- State-funded Medicaid during the five-year bar: NO
- Sponsor-deeming: N/A
- Provision of Medicaid following the five-year bar:
- Provision of Medicaid to certain unqualified immigrants: NO
- Medicaid generosity level (scale 1-8): 3
- State health insurance program: NO
  - Eligible group(s): N/A
  - Immigrant eligibility: N/A

Naturalization Initiative

- State naturalization initiative: NO
- Funding amount: N/A

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Wyoming

Population by Nativity and Citizenship, 1996

- 1% Native U.S.-born Population
- 99% Foreign-born Naturalized Citizens
- 1% Noncitizens

Noncitizen Population by Poverty Level, 1996

Sample sizes for this state are too small to provide data on the noncitizen population in poverty.


- Population estimates for this state should be used with caution because of small sample sizes.

1996 Noncitizen population (state rank): 7,000 (48)
1996 Noncitizens as a percentage of state’s population (state rank): 1% (33)
Availability of the state safety net to immigrants, state grouping (scale 1-4): 3

Cash Assistance

TANF to pre-enactment immigrants: YES
State-funded TANF during the five-year bar: YES
Provision of TANF following the five-year bar: YES
1998 TANF benefit level for a family of three (state rank): $340 (34)

Food Assistance

State-funded food program for immigrants: NO
Eligible group(s): N/A
Sponsor-deeming: N/A

Health Care

Medicaid to pre-enactment immigrants: NO
State-funded Medicaid during the five-year bar: NO
Provision of Medicaid following the five-year bar: NO
Provision of Medicaid to certain unqualified immigrants: NO
Medicaid generosity level (scale 1-8): 8
State health insurance program: YES
Eligible group(s): Elderly and disabled; families with children; childless adults
Immigrant eligibility: All immigrant groups

Naturalization Initiative

State naturalization initiative: NO
Funding amount: N/A

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