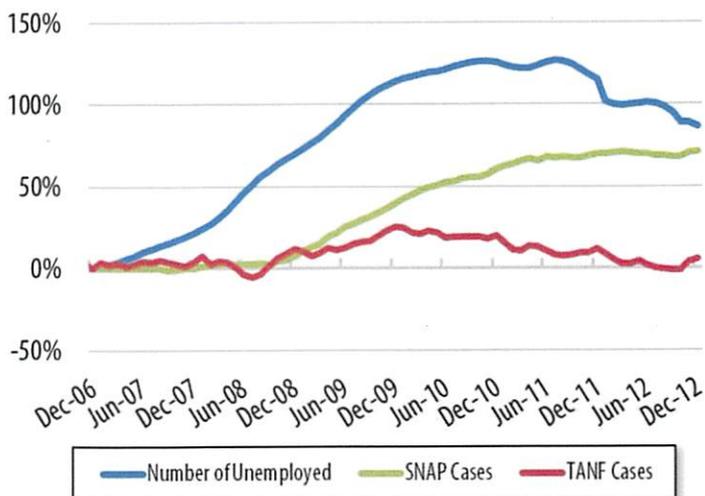


# Montana | TANF Caseload Fact Sheet

## TANF, SNAP and Unemployment Trends

	Dec 06	Dec 12	% Change Dec 06-12
Number of Unemployed	15,500	28,800	86%
SNAP Cases	34,800	59,600	71%
TANF Cases	3,100	3,300	6%

## Changes in TANF Cases, SNAP Cases and the Number of Unemployed Persons



■ National caseloads were declining before the recession. After a modest increase in response to the economic downturn, by the end of 2012, national TANF caseloads had returned to where they were in December, 2006.

## Since welfare reform, TANF has weakened as a safety net.

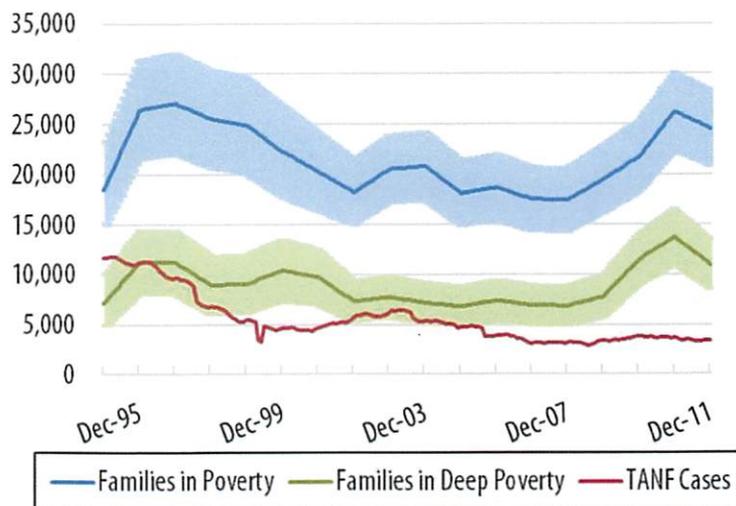
### TANF and Poverty Trends in Montana

Families with children:	1994/95	2011/12
... on AFDC/TANF	11,600	3,300
... in Poverty	18,500	24,500
State TANF to Poverty Ratio	63	13
National TANF to Poverty Ratio	68	26

TANF Benefit level:	Share of FPL	Value change since '96	
State benefit	\$510	31%	-22%
National Median benefit	\$428	26%	-24%

### Number of Families with Children in Poverty, Deep Poverty and TANF Cases



Beginning in 2006, this analysis uses TANF caseload data collected directly from state agencies rather than the official data reported by HHS in order to more consistently reflect the number of families receiving cash welfare in each state over time. Unlike the HHS data, these data include solely state-funded programs, and exclude worker supplement programs.

Deep Poverty refers to families below half the poverty line. Shading in graph shows the 90% confidence interval (lower and upper bound) of poverty estimates. Two years of Current Population Survey (CPS) data were merged to improve reliability. For example, Dec-10 represents merged CPS poverty data for calendar years 2010 and 2011.