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Supplementary State-level Data Tables for Brief “Student Parents Combine Studying, Working, and Public Programs to Support Their Families While in School”

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This document serves as a supplement to the brief “[Student Parents Combine Studying, Working, and Public Programs to Support Their Families While in School](#).” Below are data tables showing undergraduate and graduate student parents’ employment patterns, rates of living in poverty and families with low incomes, family work arrangements, and program participation rates for every state and the District of Columbia. Estimates are derived from the American Community Survey 2021-2023 as well as the American Community Survey Supplemental Poverty Research Files.

All estimates are weighted to be representative at the state level. For some states with smaller populations (e.g., Vermont, the District of Columbia), the unweighted number of undergraduate student parents across 2021-2023 was small (i.e., less than 70), and thus estimates based on these numbers should be interpreted with some caution.

Alabama

	Undergraduate student parents	Graduate student parents
Employment		
In the labor force	80.8%	87.7%
Employed (full- or part-time)	75.3%	85.4%
Employed full-time	24.7%	14.6%
Employed part-time	61.9%	74.1%
Not employed	13.4%	11.4%
Poverty status		
In poverty: below 100% FPL	20.7%	8.8%
Low income: 100-199% FPL	29.1%	16.5%
Not low-income: 200% FPL or above	50.2%	74.8%
Family work arrangements		
Single and not working	11.1%	3.5%
Single and working part-time	7.2%	4.6%
Single and working full-time	23.8%	17.8%
Married and working; spouse working	34.1%	53.3%
Married and working; spouse not working	10.2%	9.4%
Married and not working; spouse working	11.6%	8.6%
Married and not working; spouse not working	1.9%	2.8%
Program participation		
Welfare (cash assistance)	2.5%	1.7%
Energy subsidies	1.3%	3.1%
Housing subsidies	7.7%	1.8%
WIC	10.5%	4.5%
SNAP	29.7%	10.3%
EITC	49.3%	27.3%
Medicaid	54.0%	64.2%
School lunch	57.1%	45.9%
Participating in at least one program (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	60.9%	32.8%
Average number of programs (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	1.01	0.49

Sources: American Community Survey 2021-23, accessed through IPUMS USA, University of Minnesota, www.ipums.org and U.S. Census Bureau. American Community Survey Supplemental Poverty Measure Research Files, Filedate: April 16, 2025, Accessed May 9, 2025, <https://www.census.gov/data/datasets/time-series/demo/supplemental-poverty-measure/acs-research-files.html>

Notes: Undergraduate student parents are defined as parents who live with their own child(ren) under age 18 and are enrolled in undergraduate college programs. Graduate student parents are defined as parents living with their own child(ren) under age 18 and are enrolled in graduate/professional programs. Full-time work is defined as working for pay in the past week and usually working 30 or more hours per week over the past year. Part-time work is defined as working for pay in the past week and usually working less than 30 hours per week over the past year. The ACS only allows identification of cohabitating couples if one of the cohabitating people is the head of household. For consistency, all unmarried cohabitating couples are considered single in this analysis. FPL stands for federal poverty line. Data for welfare (defined as "any public assistance or welfare payments from the state or local welfare office") and Medicaid come from the ACS. The ACS SPM Research File contains data on additional public programs that have been imputed based on the Current Population Survey Annual Social and Economic Supplement (CPS ASEC), including the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), housing subsidies, National School Lunch Program (school lunch), energy subsidies, the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC), and the Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC). Data on financial aid and child care subsidies are not available in these data.

Alaska

Undergraduate student parents

Graduate student parents

Employment

In the labor force	74.5%	90.7%
Employed (full- or part-time)	73.2%	89.8%
Employed full-time	67.9%	78.8%
Employed part-time	5.2%	11.0%
Not employed	26.8%	10.2%

Poverty status

In poverty: below 100% FPL	6.1%	6.8%
Low income: 100-199% FPL	17.9%	5.1%
Not low-income: 200% FPL or above	76.0%	88.1%

Family work arrangements

Single and not working	8.2%	3.4%
Single and working part-time	3.6%	2.8%
Single and working full-time	22.6%	12.7%
Married and working; spouse working	32.7%	68.2%
Married and working; spouse not working	14.2%	6.1%
Married and not working; spouse working	16.3%	6.9%
Married and not working; spouse not working	2.5%	0.0%

Program participation

Welfare (cash assistance)	3.5%	0.0%
Energy subsidies	5.0%	2.1%
Housing subsidies	5.4%	0.0%
WIC	4.9%	7.3%
SNAP	3.7%	11.3%
EITC	27.6%	8.6%
Medicaid	41.6%	17.9%
School lunch	38.8%	25.7%
Participating in at least one program (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	36.3%	18.0%
Average number of programs (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	0.50	0.29

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Arizona

Undergraduate student parents

Graduate student parents

Employment

In the labor force	79.3%	87.7%
Employed (full- or part-time)	75.3%	84.2%
Employed full-time	63.9%	73.3%
Employed part-time	11.4%	10.9%
Not employed	24.7%	15.8%

Poverty status

In poverty: below 100% FPL	10.7%	7.1%
Low income: 100-199% FPL	23.7%	10.7%
Not low-income: 200% FPL or above	65.6%	82.1%

Family work arrangements

Single and not working	10.4%	4.0%
Single and working part-time	4.9%	2.2%
Single and working full-time	24.2%	18.6%
Married and working; spouse working	36.5%	52.0%
Married and working; spouse not working	9.7%	11.7%
Married and not working; spouse working	13.0%	9.8%
Married and not working; spouse not working	1.4%	1.7%

Program participation

Welfare (cash assistance)	2.8%	3.0%
Energy subsidies	3.6%	1.9%
Housing subsidies	4.0%	2.8%
WIC	7.9%	3.2%
SNAP	22.9%	13.4%
ETC	44.4%	24.2%
Medicaid	46.0%	27.7%
School lunch	51.2%	43.8%
Participating in at least one program (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	53.9%	30.9%
Average number of programs (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	0.85	0.48

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Arkansas

Undergraduate
student parentsGraduate
student parents**Employment**

In the labor force	71.3%	90.0%
Employed (full- or part-time)	67.2%	88.2%
Employed full-time	59.4%	82.3%
Employed part-time	7.7%	5.9%
Not employed	32.8%	11.8%

Poverty status

In poverty: below 100% FPL	18.4%	4.8%
Low income: 100-199% FPL	25.6%	11.6%
Not low-income: 200% FPL or above	56.0%	83.5%

Family work arrangements

Single and not working	12.7%	1.1%
Single and working part-time	4.1%	0.9%
Single and working full-time	22.4%	14.8%
Married and working; spouse working	32.6%	64.9%
Married and working; spouse not working	8.1%	7.5%
Married and not working; spouse working	17.3%	9.2%
Married and not working; spouse not working	2.9%	1.6%

Program participation

Welfare (cash assistance)	3.0%	1.8%
Energy subsidies	4.3%	1.0%
Housing subsidies	2.6%	0.7%
WIC	7.4%	2.5%
SNAP	21.4%	9.6%
ETC	49.0%	18.7%
Medicaid	59.6%	26.1%
School lunch	47.5%	43.6%
Participating in at least one program (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	54.9%	27.1%
Average number of programs (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	0.88	0.34

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California

Undergraduate student parents

Graduate student parents

Employment

In the labor force	75.6%	85.8%
Employed (full- or part-time)	70.2%	82.2%
Employed full-time	57.6%	71.1%
Employed part-time	12.6%	11.1%
Not employed	29.8%	17.8%

Poverty status

In poverty: below 100% FPL	12.6%	6.8%
Low income: 100-199% FPL	20.6%	9.3%
Not low-income: 200% FPL or above	66.8%	83.9%

Family work arrangements

Single and not working	11.5%	4.2%
Single and working part-time	6.0%	3.4%
Single and working full-time	22.5%	18.0%
Married and working; spouse working	32.2%	48.7%
Married and working; spouse not working	9.6%	12.2%
Married and not working; spouse working	15.5%	11.0%
Married and not working; spouse not working	2.7%	2.6%

Program participation

Welfare (cash assistance)	8.2%	5.2%
Energy subsidies	7.6%	4.5%
Housing subsidies	5.9%	3.1%
WIC	7.5%	2.6%
SNAP	25.4%	13.0%
ETC	40.5%	20.7%
Medicaid	53.8%	30.5%
School lunch	53.8%	45.6%
Participating in at least one program (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	53.9%	30.3%
Average number of programs (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	0.95	0.49

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Colorado

Undergraduate student parents

Graduate student parents

Employment

In the labor force	80.4%	87.8%
Employed (full- or part-time)	75.8%	84.2%
Employed full-time	64.2%	74.1%
Employed part-time	11.6%	10.1%
Not employed	24.3%	15.8%

Poverty status

In poverty: below 100% FPL	11.1%	6.9%
Low income: 100-199% FPL	18.7%	6.9%
Not low-income: 200% FPL or above	70.3%	86.1%

Family work arrangements

Single and not working	7.9%	3.4%
Single and working part-time	4.5%	2.8%
Single and working full-time	20.8%	14.1%
Married and working; spouse working	41.3%	56.5%
Married and working; spouse not working	9.4%	10.7%
Married and not working; spouse working	14.3%	9.9%
Married and not working; spouse not working	1.8%	2.7%

Program participation

Welfare (cash assistance)	2.7%	2.8%
Energy subsidies	5.9%	4.0%
Housing subsidies	5.7%	2.1%
WIC	5.7%	1.8%
SNAP	22.5%	8.3%
ETC	37.0%	16.3%
Medicaid	47.7%	24.3%
School lunch	56.9%	48.3%
Participating in at least one program (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	46.1%	22.9%
Average number of programs (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	0.80	0.35

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Connecticut

Undergraduate student parents

Graduate student parents

Employment

In the labor force	81.3%	89.5%
Employed (full- or part-time)	76.7%	86.9%
Employed full-time	63.8%	76.9%
Employed part-time	12.9%	10.0%
Not employed	23.3%	13.1%

Poverty status

In poverty: below 100% FPL	16.1%	7.3%
Low income: 100-199% FPL	17.0%	9.1%
Not low-income: 200% FPL or above	67.0%	83.6%

Family work arrangements

Single and not working	8.4%	5.1%
Single and working part-time	7.6%	4.4%
Single and working full-time	27.9%	17.2%
Married and working; spouse working	34.7%	53.7%
Married and working; spouse not working	6.2%	12.3%
Married and not working; spouse working	14.7%	5.8%
Married and not working; spouse not working	0.5%	1.4%

Program participation

Welfare (cash assistance)	4.6%	4.1%
Energy subsidies	6.3%	5.2%
Housing subsidies	8.4%	3.4%
WIC	7.6%	3.5%
SNAP	25.4%	12.2%
ETC	39.0%	20.2%
Medicaid	55.8%	32.7%
School lunch	64.4%	58.1%
Participating in at least one program (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	48.5%	27.4%
Average number of programs (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	0.91	0.49

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Delaware

Undergraduate student parents

Graduate student parents

Employment

In the labor force	81.9%	91.5%
Employed (full- or part-time)	78.9%	90.4%
Employed full-time	68.0%	84.7%
Employed part-time	11.0%	5.7%
Not employed	21.1%	9.6%

Poverty status

In poverty: below 100% FPL	20.2%	3.9%
Low income: 100-199% FPL	8.5%	9.2%
Not low-income: 200% FPL or above	71.3%	86.9%

Family work arrangements

Single and not working	8.9%	0.7%
Single and working part-time	6.6%	0.0%
Single and working full-time	23.0%	12.1%
Married and working; spouse working	42.6%	68.0%
Married and working; spouse not working	6.7%	10.1%
Married and not working; spouse working	9.8%	8.1%
Married and not working; spouse not working	2.4%	1.0%

Program participation

Welfare (cash assistance)	2.5%	0.8%
Energy subsidies	4.6%	2.3%
Housing subsidies	4.7%	0.4%
WIC	6.6%	1.2%
SNAP	21.2%	3.0%
ETC	39.3%	17.9%
Medicaid	51.7%	22.7%
School lunch	59.2%	57.6%
Participating in at least one program (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	48.8%	23.6%
Average number of programs (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	0.79	0.26

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District of Columbia

Undergraduate student parents

Graduate student parents

Employment

In the labor force	73.6%	85.7%
Employed (full- or part-time)	67.4%	83.1%
Employed full-time	63.5%	78.8%
Employed part-time	3.9%	4.4%
Not employed	32.6%	16.9%

Poverty status

In poverty: below 100% FPL	27.6%	1.2%
Low income: 100-199% FPL	16.3%	22.4%
Not low-income: 200% FPL or above	56.1%	76.4%

Family work arrangements

Single and not working	22.1%	7.3%
Single and working part-time	0.0%	0.0%
Single and working full-time	50.0%	39.4%
Married and working; spouse working	13.1%	37.3%
Married and working; spouse not working	3.9%	6.0%
Married and not working; spouse working	10.1%	10.0%
Married and not working; spouse not working	0.9%	0.0%

Program participation

Welfare (cash assistance)	12.1%	1.2%
Energy subsidies	16.4%	0.0%
Housing subsidies	23.7%	10.6%
WIC	13.8%	0.0%
SNAP	42.3%	5.9%
EITC	54.7%	23.5%
Medicaid	74.2%	29.1%
School lunch	71.7%	30.7%
Participating in at least one program (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	79.5%	37.0%
Average number of programs (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	1.63	0.41

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Florida

Undergraduate student parents

Graduate student parents

Employment

In the labor force	80.7%	86.9%
Employed (full- or part-time)	76.4%	84.6%
Employed full-time	66.8%	76.1%
Employed part-time	9.6%	8.4%
Not employed	23.6%	15.4%

Poverty status

In poverty: below 100% FPL	11.8%	8.0%
Low income: 100-199% FPL	22.9%	13.0%
Not low-income: 200% FPL or above	65.4%	79.1%

Family work arrangements

Single and not working	10.2%	3.7%
Single and working part-time	4.2%	3.0%
Single and working full-time	27.7%	21.7%
Married and working; spouse working	36.5%	48.8%
Married and working; spouse not working	8.0%	11.1%
Married and not working; spouse working	11.4%	9.2%
Married and not working; spouse not working	2.1%	2.4%

Program participation

Welfare (cash assistance)	3.9%	3.0%
Energy subsidies	1.2%	0.4%
Housing subsidies	2.5%	1.1%
WIC	8.7%	2.8%
SNAP	25.6%	14.7%
ETC	41.8%	25.5%
Medicaid	48.6%	30.0%
School lunch	49.6%	47.2%
Participating in at least one program (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	52.0%	32.9%
Average number of programs (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	0.84	0.47

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Georgia

Undergraduate student parents

Graduate student parents

Employment

In the labor force	78.4%	86.9%
Employed (full- or part-time)	73.5%	84.9%
Employed full-time	64.4%	77.2%
Employed part-time	9.1%	7.7%
Not employed	26.5%	15.1%

Poverty status

In poverty: below 100% FPL	15.6%	7.7%
Low income: 100-199% FPL	24.4%	14.9%
Not low-income: 200% FPL or above	60.0%	77.4%

Family work arrangements

Single and not working	11.7%	4.6%
Single and working part-time	4.8%	2.8%
Single and working full-time	28.2%	19.6%
Married and working; spouse working	32.3%	53.8%
Married and working; spouse not working	8.6%	9.1%
Married and not working; spouse working	11.7%	7.5%
Married and not working; spouse not working	2.8%	2.6%

Program participation

Welfare (cash assistance)	2.5%	3.4%
Energy subsidies	3.8%	2.2%
Housing subsidies	4.6%	2.0%
WIC	11.6%	2.6%
SNAP	29.1%	12.2%
ETC	46.7%	26.3%
Medicaid	51.3%	30.6%
School lunch	54.8%	50.7%
Participating in at least one program (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	55.8%	33.0%
Average number of programs (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	0.98	0.49

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Hawaii

Undergraduate student parents

Graduate student parents

Employment

In the labor force	84.0%	87.5%
Employed (full- or part-time)	80.9%	81.5%
Employed full-time	66.1%	73.3%
Employed part-time	14.9%	8.2%
Not employed	19.1%	18.5%

Poverty status

In poverty: below 100% FPL	10.3%	3.1%
Low income: 100-199% FPL	14.1%	11.4%
Not low-income: 200% FPL or above	75.7%	85.5%

Family work arrangements

Single and not working	5.2%	3.9%
Single and working part-time	8.6%	2.1%
Single and working full-time	17.6%	9.5%
Married and working; spouse working	35.5%	56.5%
Married and working; spouse not working	19.1%	13.0%
Married and not working; spouse working	12.3%	13.4%
Married and not working; spouse not working	1.7%	1.6%

Program participation

Welfare (cash assistance)	8.1%	3.0%
Energy subsidies	1.7%	2.1%
Housing subsidies	12.6%	4.0%
WIC	3.2%	1.3%
SNAP	19.2%	9.8%
ETC	37.5%	15.1%
Medicaid	39.3%	31.2%
School lunch	55.1%	66.1%
Participating in at least one program (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	47.4%	25.5%
Average number of programs (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	0.82	0.35

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Idaho

Undergraduate
student parentsGraduate
student parents**Employment**

In the labor force	73.2%	77.3%
Employed (full- or part-time)	70.9%	76.8%
Employed full-time	55.0%	64.2%
Employed part-time	15.9%	12.6%
Not employed	29.1%	23.2%

Poverty status

In poverty: below 100% FPL	12.9%	9.8%
Low income: 100-199% FPL	26.3%	14.8%
Not low-income: 200% FPL or above	60.9%	75.4%

Family work arrangements

Single and not working	6.5%	1.5%
Single and working part-time	3.0%	0.1%
Single and working full-time	13.8%	7.3%
Married and working; spouse working	43.2%	52.0%
Married and working; spouse not working	11.8%	17.3%
Married and not working; spouse working	18.1%	14.8%
Married and not working; spouse not working	3.6%	7.0%

Program participation

Welfare (cash assistance)	5.1%	0.5%
Energy subsidies	4.1%	1.1%
Housing subsidies	3.2%	2.7%
WIC	8.6%	5.8%
SNAP	17.7%	13.3%
ETC	43.6%	19.9%
Medicaid	44.1%	31.4%
School lunch	46.5%	47.1%
Participating in at least one program (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	50.6%	31.0%
Average number of programs (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	0.82	0.43

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Illinois

Undergraduate student parents

Graduate student parents

Employment

In the labor force	81.6%	90.3%
Employed (full- or part-time)	75.1%	87.6%
Employed full-time	62.3%	78.8%
Employed part-time	12.8%	8.8%
Not employed	24.9%	12.4%

Poverty status

In poverty: below 100% FPL	19.0%	6.5%
Low income: 100-199% FPL	20.9%	12.4%
Not low-income: 200% FPL or above	60.1%	81.1%

Family work arrangements

Single and not working	10.5%	2.2%
Single and working part-time	7.8%	1.9%
Single and working full-time	25.7%	16.6%
Married and working; spouse working	35.5%	59.2%
Married and working; spouse not working	6.3%	9.9%
Married and not working; spouse working	11.7%	8.6%
Married and not working; spouse not working	2.6%	1.5%

Program participation

Welfare (cash assistance)	5.7%	2.7%
Energy subsidies	7.6%	1.6%
Housing subsidies	4.4%	1.1%
WIC	9.6%	2.8%
SNAP	35.5%	14.2%
ETC	44.1%	22.0%
Medicaid	52.7%	24.3%
School lunch	56.0%	46.2%
Participating in at least one program (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	57.4%	28.1%
Average number of programs (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	1.07	0.44

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Indiana

Undergraduate student parents

Graduate student parents

Employment

In the labor force	82.5%	88.5%
Employed (full- or part-time)	78.5%	87.6%
Employed full-time	67.3%	77.7%
Employed part-time	11.2%	10.0%
Not employed	21.5%	12.4%

Poverty status

In poverty: below 100% FPL	14.6%	6.6%
Low income: 100-199% FPL	20.9%	11.7%
Not low-income: 200% FPL or above	64.5%	81.7%

Family work arrangements

Single and not working	8.8%	0.9%
Single and working part-time	6.0%	1.3%
Single and working full-time	21.7%	15.6%
Married and working; spouse working	41.9%	60.4%
Married and working; spouse not working	9.2%	10.2%
Married and not working; spouse working	10.8%	9.9%
Married and not working; spouse not working	1.7%	1.7%

Program participation

Welfare (cash assistance)	2.2%	1.4%
Energy subsidies	3.3%	1.1%
Housing subsidies	4.2%	2.0%
WIC	8.8%	3.3%
SNAP	20.7%	7.5%
ETC	41.8%	21.0%
Medicaid	46.9%	26.0%
School lunch	55.8%	55.5%
Participating in at least one program (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	50.0%	26.1%
Average number of programs (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	0.81	0.36

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Employment		
In the labor force	84.7%	86.9%
Employed (full- or part-time)	81.4%	86.4%
Employed full-time	64.2%	78.0%
Employed part-time	17.2%	8.5%
Not employed	18.6%	13.6%
Poverty status		
In poverty: below 100% FPL	15.5%	5.2%
Low income: 100-199% FPL	21.1%	9.5%
Not low-income: 200% FPL or above	63.5%	85.3%
Family work arrangements		
Single and not working	11.2%	3.1%
Single and working part-time	9.2%	3.3%
Single and working full-time	23.1%	14.4%
Married and working; spouse working	45.0%	63.3%
Married and working; spouse not working	4.6%	5.5%
Married and not working; spouse working	6.4%	8.2%
Married and not working; spouse not working	0.4%	2.1%
Program participation		
Welfare (cash assistance)	2.5%	2.0%
Energy subsidies	6.2%	3.7%
Housing subsidies	5.5%	1.8%
WIC	7.5%	0.9%
SNAP	18.0%	7.3%
ETC	43.2%	10.8%
Medicaid	53.7%	24.6%
School lunch	57.6%	63.9%
Participating in at least one program (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	49.1%	15.8%
Average number of programs (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	0.83	0.26

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Kansas

Undergraduate student parents

Graduate student parents

Employment

In the labor force	84.0%	89.2%
Employed (full- or part-time)	80.5%	87.0%
Employed full-time	69.6%	76.6%
Employed part-time	10.9%	10.4%
Not employed	19.5%	13.0%

Poverty status

In poverty: below 100% FPL	11.1%	8.7%
Low income: 100-199% FPL	27.1%	13.6%
Not low-income: 200% FPL or above	61.8%	77.7%

Family work arrangements

Single and not working	6.6%	1.3%
Single and working part-time	5.1%	4.0%
Single and working full-time	22.2%	16.5%
Married and working; spouse working	44.5%	57.0%
Married and working; spouse not working	9.2%	9.4%
Married and not working; spouse working	11.3%	11.2%
Married and not working; spouse not working	1.2%	0.6%

Program participation

Welfare (cash assistance)	3.8%	3.0%
Energy subsidies	3.3%	2.9%
Housing subsidies	2.1%	2.3%
WIC	5.4%	3.2%
SNAP	14.4%	5.4%
ETC	43.2%	26.9%
Medicaid	44.1%	23.9%
School lunch	57.3%	55.7%
Participating in at least one program (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	48.3%	29.2%
Average number of programs (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	0.72	0.44

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Kentucky

Undergraduate student parents

Graduate student parents

Employment

In the labor force	79.1%	91.8%
Employed (full- or part-time)	75.3%	90.2%
Employed full-time	66.1%	81.0%
Employed part-time	9.2%	9.2%
Not employed	24.7%	9.8%

Poverty status

In poverty: below 100% FPL	20.1%	7.2%
Low income: 100-199% FPL	26.0%	12.5%
Not low-income: 200% FPL or above	53.9%	80.3%

Family work arrangements

Single and not working	8.6%	2.2%
Single and working part-time	4.4%	3.1%
Single and working full-time	20.8%	15.9%
Married and working; spouse working	41.6%	59.9%
Married and working; spouse not working	9.1%	11.2%
Married and not working; spouse working	11.5%	7.0%
Married and not working; spouse not working	4.0%	0.7%

Program participation

Welfare (cash assistance)	1.8%	2.5%
Energy subsidies	4.2%	1.7%
Housing subsidies	3.5%	2.4%
WIC	13.1%	3.6%
SNAP	26.5%	11.0%
ETC	47.7%	23.9%
Medicaid	55.7%	32.1%
School lunch	60.9%	50.0%
Participating in at least one program (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	57.7%	30.6%
Average number of programs (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	0.97	0.45

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Louisiana

Undergraduate student parents

Graduate student parents

Employment

In the labor force	78.8%	87.2%
Employed (full- or part-time)	75.5%	85.5%
Employed full-time	65.5%	76.4%
Employed part-time	10.1%	9.1%
Not employed	24.5%	14.5%

Poverty status

In poverty: below 100% FPL	25.3%	9.7%
Low income: 100-199% FPL	26.6%	13.7%
Not low-income: 200% FPL or above	48.2%	76.6%

Family work arrangements

Single and not working	13.3%	5.5%
Single and working part-time	7.0%	2.6%
Single and working full-time	31.3%	25.2%
Married and working; spouse working	30.5%	50.0%
Married and working; spouse not working	6.5%	7.4%
Married and not working; spouse working	9.9%	7.5%
Married and not working; spouse not working	1.4%	1.7%

Program participation

Welfare (cash assistance)	1.6%	4.2%
Energy subsidies	3.2%	1.3%
Housing subsidies	8.6%	2.0%
WIC	16.8%	5.2%
SNAP	42.0%	16.9%
ETC	52.0%	26.0%
Medicaid	70.1%	40.9%
School lunch	59.9%	54.2%
Participating in at least one program (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	65.2%	35.1%
Average number of programs (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	1.24	0.56

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Maine

Undergraduate student parents

Graduate student parents

Employment

In the labor force	79.1%	93.7%
Employed (full- or part-time)	73.6%	89.3%
Employed full-time	62.1%	77.1%
Employed part-time	11.5%	12.3%
Not employed	26.4%	10.7%

Poverty status

In poverty: below 100% FPL	11.3%	4.9%
Low income: 100-199% FPL	24.0%	13.6%
Not low-income: 200% FPL or above	64.7%	81.5%

Family work arrangements

Single and not working	8.6%	1.8%
Single and working part-time	6.9%	6.5%
Single and working full-time	19.5%	8.3%
Married and working; spouse working	36.2%	64.8%
Married and working; spouse not working	10.9%	9.7%
Married and not working; spouse working	16.9%	5.3%
Married and not working; spouse not working	1.0%	3.6%

Program participation

Welfare (cash assistance)	9.0%	6.8%
Energy subsidies	14.9%	7.4%
Housing subsidies	8.2%	4.7%
WIC	7.0%	2.6%
SNAP	28.4%	10.7%
ETC	37.8%	23.1%
Medicaid	46.5%	24.8%
School lunch	55.0%	47.7%
Participating in at least one program (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	48.6%	30.3%
Average number of programs (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	1.05	0.55

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Maryland

Undergraduate student parents

Graduate student parents

Employment

In the labor force	86.7%	92.8%
Employed (full- or part-time)	83.4%	91.8%
Employed full-time	72.5%	83.7%
Employed part-time	10.9%	8.1%
Not employed	16.6%	8.2%

Poverty status

In poverty: below 100% FPL	10.2%	3.5%
Low income: 100-199% FPL	17.8%	6.6%
Not low-income: 200% FPL or above	72.0%	89.9%

Family work arrangements

Single and not working	6.6%	1.8%
Single and working part-time	4.4%	1.1%
Single and working full-time	30.3%	17.2%
Married and working; spouse working	41.6%	63.3%
Married and working; spouse not working	7.3%	10.2%
Married and not working; spouse working	8.5%	5.8%
Married and not working; spouse not working	1.2%	0.5%

Program participation

Welfare (cash assistance)	5.1%	2.2%
Energy subsidies	4.0%	1.8%
Housing subsidies	4.9%	2.0%
WIC	6.8%	1.6%
SNAP	26.7%	10.8%
ETC	35.8%	13.8%
Medicaid	48.7%	21.3%
School lunch	45.1%	40.8%
Participating in at least one program (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	46.4%	22.1%
Average number of programs (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	0.83	0.32

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Massachusetts

Undergraduate student parents

Graduate student parents

Employment

In the labor force	80.8%	88.3%
Employed (full- or part-time)	77.0%	86.1%
Employed full-time	63.3%	78.3%
Employed part-time	13.7%	7.8%
Not employed	23.0%	13.9%

Poverty status

In poverty: below 100% FPL	18.1%	4.4%
Low income: 100-199% FPL	15.9%	9.3%
Not low-income: 200% FPL or above	65.9%	86.3%

Family work arrangements

Single and not working	12.0%	2.3%
Single and working part-time	7.9%	1.9%
Single and working full-time	27.7%	17.9%
Married and working; spouse working	33.9%	55.6%
Married and working; spouse not working	7.4%	10.6%
Married and not working; spouse working	9.8%	10.0%
Married and not working; spouse not working	1.4%	1.6%

Program participation

Welfare (cash assistance)	7.3%	4.1%
Energy subsidies	11.5%	5.2%
Housing subsidies	13.0%	5.9%
WIC	8.6%	2.0%
SNAP	40.0%	15.0%
EITC	39.1%	17.0%
Medicaid	55.5%	28.3%
School lunch	54.8%	45.3%
Participating in at least one program (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	58.9%	27.9%
Average number of programs (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	1.20	0.49

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Michigan

Undergraduate
student parentsGraduate
student parents**Employment**

In the labor force	81.0%	88.3%
Employed (full- or part-time)	75.2%	86.1%
Employed full-time	63.1%	75.1%
Employed part-time	12.1%	11.0%
Not employed	24.8%	13.9%

Poverty status

In poverty: below 100% FPL	15.6%	7.5%
Low income: 100-199% FPL	23.5%	13.2%
Not low-income: 200% FPL or above	60.9%	79.3%

Family work arrangements

Single and not working	13.7%	2.9%
Single and working part-time	5.0%	2.0%
Single and working full-time	28.2%	14.6%
Married and working; spouse working	35.0%	56.7%
Married and working; spouse not working	7.1%	12.9%
Married and not working; spouse working	8.7%	9.4%
Married and not working; spouse not working	2.4%	1.6%

Program participation

Welfare (cash assistance)	4.1%	3.2%
Energy subsidies	5.1%	2.5%
Housing subsidies	5.2%	0.9%
WIC	11.3%	4.0%
SNAP	30.1%	12.7%
ETC	43.1%	24.2%
Medicaid	52.2%	28.5%
School lunch	54.6%	53.0%
Participating in at least one program (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	55.6%	30.0%
Average number of programs (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	0.99	0.48

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Minnesota

Undergraduate student parents

Graduate student parents

Employment

In the labor force	84.7%	87.7%
Employed (full- or part-time)	81.4%	86.5%
Employed full-time	67.2%	75.1%
Employed part-time	14.2%	11.4%
Not employed	18.6%	13.5%

Poverty status

In poverty: below 100% FPL	10.5%	2.8%
Low income: 100-199% FPL	18.5%	9.0%
Not low-income: 200% FPL or above	71.0%	88.2%

Family work arrangements

Single and not working	9.2%	2.5%
Single and working part-time	4.7%	1.5%
Single and working full-time	23.9%	9.4%
Married and working; spouse working	45.2%	67.5%
Married and working; spouse not working	7.4%	8.0%
Married and not working; spouse working	8.6%	10.6%
Married and not working; spouse not working	1.0%	0.5%

Program participation

Welfare (cash assistance)	2.8%	2.5%
Energy subsidies	8.6%	3.9%
Housing subsidies	7.8%	1.2%
WIC	7.1%	2.8%
SNAP	18.1%	7.3%
ETC	38.7%	16.6%
Medicaid	48.1%	21.3%
School lunch	54.6%	52.2%
Participating in at least one program (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	47.1%	21.9%
Average number of programs (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	0.83	0.34

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Mississippi

Undergraduate
student parentsGraduate
student parents**Employment**

In the labor force	79.8%	86.8%
Employed (full- or part-time)	76.1%	84.7%
Employed full-time	66.8%	77.1%
Employed part-time	9.3%	7.5%
Not employed	23.9%	15.3%

Poverty status

In poverty: below 100% FPL	16.4%	10.8%
Low income: 100-199% FPL	31.1%	13.2%
Not low-income: 200% FPL or above	52.5%	76.1%

Family work arrangements

Single and not working	13.6%	7.5%
Single and working part-time	5.7%	0.9%
Single and working full-time	24.2%	18.0%
Married and working; spouse working	36.3%	57.6%
Married and working; spouse not working	10.0%	8.0%
Married and not working; spouse working	9.6%	4.9%
Married and not working; spouse not working	0.5%	3.2%

Program participation

Welfare (cash assistance)	4.0%	1.0%
Energy subsidies	3.4%	2.2%
Housing subsidies	5.6%	1.6%
WIC	10.0%	3.2%
SNAP	25.5%	10.3%
ETC	52.0%	30.1%
Medicaid	60.6%	34.5%
School lunch	59.5%	57.6%
Participating in at least one program (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	61.5%	32.4%
Average number of programs (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	1.00	0.48

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Missouri

Undergraduate
student parentsGraduate
student parents**Employment**

In the labor force	81.8%	89.2%
Employed (full- or part-time)	78.5%	88.0%
Employed full-time	68.8%	82.3%
Employed part-time	9.7%	5.7%
Not employed	21.5%	12.0%

Poverty status

In poverty: below 100% FPL	11.2%	7.3%
Low income: 100-199% FPL	25.8%	11.7%
Not low-income: 200% FPL or above	63.0%	80.9%

Family work arrangements

Single and not working	6.8%	2.6%
Single and working part-time	4.4%	1.9%
Single and working full-time	24.9%	16.4%
Married and working; spouse working	40.8%	59.2%
Married and working; spouse not working	8.3%	10.5%
Married and not working; spouse working	14.3%	8.1%
Married and not working; spouse not working	0.6%	1.4%

Program participation

Welfare (cash assistance)	2.7%	1.8%
Energy subsidies	4.8%	1.2%
Housing subsidies	3.1%	2.7%
WIC	8.5%	3.3%
SNAP	20.9%	7.5%
ETC	44.1%	22.3%
Medicaid	44.1%	22.8%
School lunch	55.6%	50.8%
Participating in at least one program (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	51.7%	27.0%
Average number of programs (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	0.84	0.39

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Montana

Undergraduate student parents

Graduate student parents

Employment

In the labor force	86.2%	92.2%
Employed (full- or part-time)	84.2%	89.9%
Employed full-time	64.5%	72.7%
Employed part-time	19.8%	17.2%
Not employed	15.8%	10.1%

Poverty status

In poverty: below 100% FPL	17.3%	4.0%
Low income: 100-199% FPL	25.5%	12.0%
Not low-income: 200% FPL or above	57.2%	83.9%

Family work arrangements

Single and not working	4.9%	1.4%
Single and working part-time	6.8%	4.8%
Single and working full-time	21.0%	13.9%
Married and working; spouse working	43.5%	61.7%
Married and working; spouse not working	12.9%	9.4%
Married and not working; spouse working	7.5%	8.8%
Married and not working; spouse not working	3.4%	0.0%

Program participation

Welfare (cash assistance)	11.3%	4.8%
Energy subsidies	3.7%	1.9%
Housing subsidies	4.7%	0.0%
WIC	14.0%	2.9%
SNAP	25.3%	10.0%
ETC	43.8%	18.5%
Medicaid	55.8%	29.4%
School lunch	52.8%	42.0%
Participating in at least one program (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	50.2%	28.2%
Average number of programs (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	1.03	0.38

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Nebraska

Undergraduate
student parentsGraduate
student parents**Employment**

In the labor force	80.5%	92.1%
Employed (full- or part-time)	78.7%	91.7%
Employed full-time	66.9%	86.2%
Employed part-time	11.8%	5.5%
Not employed	21.3%	8.3%

Poverty status

In poverty: below 100% FPL	12.2%	5.0%
Low income: 100-199% FPL	28.3%	9.4%
Not low-income: 200% FPL or above	59.5%	85.7%

Family work arrangements

Single and not working	8.2%	0.8%
Single and working part-time	6.1%	0.6%
Single and working full-time	23.5%	14.6%
Married and working; spouse working	42.9%	70.3%
Married and working; spouse not working	6.2%	6.8%
Married and not working; spouse working	11.8%	6.9%
Married and not working; spouse not working	1.4%	0.0%

Program participation

Welfare (cash assistance)	2.7%	0.6%
Energy subsidies	4.7%	6.1%
Housing subsidies	3.7%	3.6%
WIC	12.4%	2.5%
SNAP	19.5%	7.4%
ETC	44.9%	19.3%
Medicaid	44.9%	17.2%
School lunch	64.2%	55.6%
Participating in at least one program (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	52.1%	24.5%
Average number of programs (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	0.88	0.39

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Nevada

Undergraduate student parents

Graduate student parents

Employment

In the labor force	78.2%	84.4%
Employed (full- or part-time)	70.4%	83.1%
Employed full-time	60.8%	77.8%
Employed part-time	9.7%	5.3%
Not employed	29.6%	16.9%

Poverty status

In poverty: below 100% FPL	11.4%	10.4%
Low income: 100-199% FPL	18.9%	12.1%
Not low-income: 200% FPL or above	69.7%	77.4%

Family work arrangements

Single and not working	10.3%	3.0%
Single and working part-time	4.6%	1.0%
Single and working full-time	21.1%	25.2%
Married and working; spouse working	35.0%	45.1%
Married and working; spouse not working	9.9%	11.8%
Married and not working; spouse working	16.3%	8.9%
Married and not working; spouse not working	2.8%	5.1%

Program participation

Welfare (cash assistance)	5.2%	3.7%
Energy subsidies	3.2%	0.4%
Housing subsidies	3.9%	2.2%
WIC	5.0%	4.0%
SNAP	22.5%	15.7%
ETC	33.9%	24.5%
Medicaid	37.7%	25.3%
School lunch	50.1%	48.2%
Participating in at least one program (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	44.1%	35.5%
Average number of programs (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	0.74	0.50

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New Hampshire

Undergraduate student parents

Graduate student parents

Employment

In the labor force	83.1%	94.5%
Employed (full- or part-time)	82.6%	94.5%
Employed full-time	69.4%	88.6%
Employed part-time	13.2%	5.9%
Not employed	17.4%	5.5%

Poverty status

In poverty: below 100% FPL	8.9%	0.1%
Low income: 100-199% FPL	12.0%	3.8%
Not low-income: 200% FPL or above	79.1%	96.1%

Family work arrangements

Single and not working	6.1%	0.1%
Single and working part-time	7.1%	3.1%
Single and working full-time	18.1%	18.8%
Married and working; spouse working	43.8%	64.8%
Married and working; spouse not working	13.0%	7.7%
Married and not working; spouse working	11.4%	5.4%
Married and not working; spouse not working	0.4%	0.0%

Program participation

Welfare (cash assistance)	3.0%	0.7%
Energy subsidies	4.7%	1.1%
Housing subsidies	7.0%	0.0%
WIC	5.7%	0.0%
SNAP	15.1%	2.7%
ETC	24.3%	13.2%
Medicaid	39.3%	14.3%
School lunch	40.2%	41.6%
Participating in at least one program (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	33.7%	15.3%
Average number of programs (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	0.60	0.18

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New Jersey

Undergraduate student parents

Graduate student parents

Employment		
In the labor force	76.6%	83.4%
Employed (full- or part-time)	70.5%	80.1%
Employed full-time	60.1%	71.1%
Employed part-time	10.4%	9.0%
Not employed	29.5%	19.9%
Poverty status		
In poverty: below 100% FPL	11.6%	8.9%
Low income: 100-199% FPL	21.9%	9.2%
Not low-income: 200% FPL or above	66.5%	81.9%
Family work arrangements		
Single and not working	9.6%	2.6%
Single and working part-time	3.6%	1.8%
Single and working full-time	18.9%	15.2%
Married and working; spouse working	39.1%	53.0%
Married and working; spouse not working	8.9%	9.9%
Married and not working; spouse working	18.3%	15.7%
Married and not working; spouse not working	1.7%	1.7%
Program participation		
Welfare (cash assistance)	4.9%	3.9%
Energy subsidies	6.7%	3.7%
Housing subsidies	4.5%	3.5%
WIC	9.8%	3.3%
SNAP	24.7%	8.7%
EITC	40.4%	20.9%
Medicaid	50.0%	29.4%
School lunch	39.9%	38.0%
Participating in at least one program (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	50.9%	27.3%
Average number of programs (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	0.91	0.44

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New Mexico

Undergraduate student parents

Graduate student parents

Employment

In the labor force	71.4%	92.6%
Employed (full- or part-time)	65.2%	89.3%
Employed full-time	55.3%	82.0%
Employed part-time	9.8%	7.3%
Not employed	34.8%	10.7%

Poverty status

In poverty: below 100% FPL	15.8%	9.6%
Low income: 100-199% FPL	26.2%	10.3%
Not low-income: 200% FPL or above	57.9%	80.0%

Family work arrangements

Single and not working	12.3%	2.5%
Single and working part-time	5.4%	2.3%
Single and working full-time	25.6%	26.0%
Married and working; spouse working	26.1%	49.6%
Married and working; spouse not working	8.0%	11.3%
Married and not working; spouse working	20.2%	7.2%
Married and not working; spouse not working	2.3%	1.1%

Program participation

Welfare (cash assistance)	7.6%	2.8%
Energy subsidies	2.6%	1.4%
Housing subsidies	4.0%	1.1%
WIC	14.6%	3.9%
SNAP	36.6%	15.5%
ETC	48.5%	29.0%
Medicaid	64.9%	40.1%
School lunch	66.2%	56.6%
Participating in at least one program (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	60.9%	35.7%
Average number of programs (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	1.14	0.54

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New York

Undergraduate student parents

Graduate student parents

Employment		
In the labor force	77.5%	86.4%
Employed (full- or part-time)	72.0%	83.9%
Employed full-time	60.2%	73.9%
Employed part-time	11.7%	10.0%
Not employed	28.0%	16.1%
Poverty status		
In poverty: below 100% FPL	18.0%	7.2%
Low income: 100-199% FPL	19.5%	8.2%
Not low-income: 200% FPL or above	62.5%	84.6%
Family work arrangements		
Single and not working	12.2%	5.7%
Single and working part-time	6.4%	2.4%
Single and working full-time	25.0%	16.8%
Married and working; spouse working	33.0%	54.4%
Married and working; spouse not working	7.7%	10.4%
Married and not working; spouse working	13.0%	8.7%
Married and not working; spouse not working	2.6%	1.6%
Program participation		
Welfare (cash assistance)	8.5%	3.7%
Energy subsidies	9.9%	6.0%
Housing subsidies	11.6%	4.9%
WIC	8.9%	3.1%
SNAP	31.6%	13.3%
ETC	42.7%	21.1%
Medicaid	57.0%	33.4%
School lunch	51.9%	48.1%
Participating in at least one program (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	57.3%	31.3%
Average number of programs (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	1.13	0.52

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North Carolina

Undergraduate student parents

Graduate student parents

Employment

In the labor force	77.8%	86.6%
Employed (full- or part-time)	73.3%	83.9%
Employed full-time	63.4%	74.5%
Employed part-time	9.9%	9.4%
Not employed	26.7%	16.1%

Poverty status

In poverty: below 100% FPL	15.7%	7.5%
Low income: 100-199% FPL	24.2%	11.6%
Not low-income: 200% FPL or above	60.2%	80.9%

Family work arrangements

Single and not working	11.6%	4.1%
Single and working part-time	4.3%	2.5%
Single and working full-time	23.6%	18.2%
Married and working; spouse working	36.5%	51.2%
Married and working; spouse not working	9.3%	12.1%
Married and not working; spouse working	12.6%	9.5%
Married and not working; spouse not working	2.0%	2.5%

Program participation

Welfare (cash assistance)	2.7%	2.8%
Energy subsidies	4.2%	2.5%
Housing subsidies	4.4%	1.6%
WIC	8.5%	4.3%
SNAP	30.5%	13.6%
ETC	43.7%	25.1%
Medicaid	47.0%	28.2%
School lunch	49.5%	44.0%
Participating in at least one program (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	54.5%	31.8%
Average number of programs (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	0.94	0.50

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North Dakota

Undergraduate student parents

Graduate student parents

Employment

In the labor force	78.0%	88.6%
Employed (full- or part-time)	76.6%	81.3%
Employed full-time	59.2%	76.3%
Employed part-time	17.4%	4.9%
Not employed	23.5%	18.7%

Poverty status

In poverty: below 100% FPL	14.2%	1.3%
Low income: 100-199% FPL	14.5%	15.8%
Not low-income: 200% FPL or above	71.4%	82.9%

Family work arrangements

Single and not working	9.1%	7.4%
Single and working part-time	6.7%	0.0%
Single and working full-time	8.2%	8.4%
Married and working; spouse working	50.1%	61.2%
Married and working; spouse not working	11.6%	11.6%
Married and not working; spouse working	12.5%	11.5%
Married and not working; spouse not working	1.8%	0.0%

Program participation

Welfare (cash assistance)	0.6%	3.1%
Energy subsidies	2.4%	3.4%
Housing subsidies	3.1%	4.3%
WIC	7.1%	1.3%
SNAP	16.8%	5.2%
ETC	22.1%	24.6%
Medicaid	23.8%	31.4%
School lunch	45.5%	48.5%
Participating in at least one program (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	34.4%	28.5%
Average number of programs (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	0.52	0.42

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Ohio

Undergraduate
student parentsGraduate
student parents**Employment**

In the labor force	82.6%	87.4%
Employed (full- or part-time)	77.5%	85.8%
Employed full-time	63.5%	76.5%
Employed part-time	13.9%	9.3%
Not employed	22.5%	14.2%

Poverty status

In poverty: below 100% FPL	17.8%	6.3%
Low income: 100-199% FPL	21.3%	10.1%
Not low-income: 200% FPL or above	61.0%	83.6%

Family work arrangements

Single and not working	11.8%	4.0%
Single and working part-time	7.7%	1.5%
Single and working full-time	28.3%	15.4%
Married and working; spouse working	34.6%	59.6%
Married and working; spouse not working	6.9%	9.3%
Married and not working; spouse working	9.3%	7.9%
Married and not working; spouse not working	1.4%	2.3%

Program participation

Welfare (cash assistance)	4.0%	2.1%
Energy subsidies	5.4%	4.2%
Housing subsidies	5.7%	1.8%
WIC	12.6%	2.9%
SNAP	28.0%	9.6%
ETC	44.9%	18.6%
Medicaid	50.1%	21.1%
School lunch	55.8%	45.8%
Participating in at least one program (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	53.2%	25.9%
Average number of programs (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	1.01	0.39

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Oklahoma

Undergraduate
student parentsGraduate
student parents**Employment**

In the labor force	78.6%	82.9%
Employed (full- or part-time)	75.7%	80.7%
Employed full-time	65.1%	73.5%
Employed part-time	10.6%	7.3%
Not employed	24.3%	19.3%

Poverty status

In poverty: below 100% FPL	13.7%	8.6%
Low income: 100-199% FPL	28.0%	18.3%
Not low-income: 200% FPL or above	58.4%	73.1%

Family work arrangements

Single and not working	7.1%	4.3%
Single and working part-time	5.9%	3.3%
Single and working full-time	21.4%	11.0%
Married and working; spouse working	39.7%	49.5%
Married and working; spouse not working	9.0%	16.9%
Married and not working; spouse working	15.2%	11.2%
Married and not working; spouse not working	1.7%	3.9%

Program participation

Welfare (cash assistance)	2.9%	1.9%
Energy subsidies	3.6%	4.3%
Housing subsidies	5.5%	4.5%
WIC	9.6%	2.7%
SNAP	30.1%	11.5%
ETC	45.3%	26.2%
Medicaid	53.1%	32.3%
School lunch	56.5%	50.2%
Participating in at least one program (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	53.9%	32.1%
Average number of programs (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	0.97	0.51

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Oregon

Undergraduate student parents

Graduate student parents

Employment

In the labor force	80.5%	84.8%
Employed (full- or part-time)	78.6%	80.9%
Employed full-time	64.5%	64.8%
Employed part-time	14.1%	16.1%
Not employed	21.4%	19.1%

Poverty status

In poverty: below 100% FPL	9.7%	12.2%
Low income: 100-199% FPL	22.7%	11.0%
Not low-income: 200% FPL or above	67.7%	76.8%

Family work arrangements

Single and not working	6.5%	3.4%
Single and working part-time	3.8%	6.1%
Single and working full-time	20.3%	14.8%
Married and working; spouse working	42.3%	48.6%
Married and working; spouse not working	12.1%	11.3%
Married and not working; spouse working	12.9%	13.2%
Married and not working; spouse not working	2.0%	2.7%

Program participation

Welfare (cash assistance)	5.7%	3.0%
Energy subsidies	5.0%	5.4%
Housing subsidies	4.8%	4.1%
WIC	7.4%	5.8%
SNAP	28.3%	19.3%
ETC	34.5%	26.6%
Medicaid	49.1%	39.4%
School lunch	43.1%	38.4%
Participating in at least one program (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	46.1%	34.2%
Average number of programs (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	0.86	0.64

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Pennsylvania

Undergraduate student parents

Graduate student parents

Employment

In the labor force	80.7%	90.4%
Employed (full- or part-time)	75.2%	88.2%
Employed full-time	64.6%	79.9%
Employed part-time	10.6%	8.3%
Not employed	24.8%	11.8%

Poverty status

In poverty: below 100% FPL	15.2%	6.8%
Low income: 100-199% FPL	19.7%	12.1%
Not low-income: 200% FPL or above	65.1%	81.2%

Family work arrangements

Single and not working	13.3%	2.7%
Single and working part-time	5.2%	2.2%
Single and working full-time	25.9%	15.5%
Married and working; spouse working	37.3%	60.2%
Married and working; spouse not working	6.7%	10.3%
Married and not working; spouse working	10.0%	7.8%
Married and not working; spouse not working	1.7%	1.4%

Program participation

Welfare (cash assistance)	5.1%	2.2%
Energy subsidies	11.9%	5.0%
Housing subsidies	5.2%	1.8%
WIC	9.4%	2.9%
SNAP	31.0%	10.7%
ETC	40.9%	21.4%
Medicaid	53.2%	26.9%
School lunch	53.1%	48.2%
Participating in at least one program (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	53.1%	27.8%
Average number of programs (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	1.04	0.44

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Rhode Island

Undergraduate
student parentsGraduate
student parents**Employment**

In the labor force	91.9%	89.2%
Employed (full- or part-time)	84.9%	86.9%
Employed full-time	66.7%	75.1%
Employed part-time	18.2%	11.9%
Not employed	15.2%	13.1%

Poverty status

In poverty: below 100% FPL	6.1%	3.5%
Low income: 100-199% FPL	18.1%	10.8%
Not low-income: 200% FPL or above	75.8%	85.7%

Family work arrangements

Single and not working	8.5%	8.8%
Single and working part-time	6.8%	7.0%
Single and working full-time	27.3%	19.7%
Married and working; spouse working	40.0%	51.6%
Married and working; spouse not working	11.1%	8.2%
Married and not working; spouse working	6.3%	3.6%
Married and not working; spouse not working	0.0%	1.1%

Program participation

Welfare (cash assistance)	3.8%	4.0%
Energy subsidies	6.6%	3.3%
Housing subsidies	7.9%	0.0%
WIC	3.3%	1.0%
SNAP	23.4%	10.5%
ETC	41.3%	17.5%
Medicaid	53.5%	29.9%
School lunch	51.9%	45.0%
Participating in at least one program (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	46.0%	26.4%
Average number of programs (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	0.86	0.36

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South Carolina

Undergraduate student parents

Graduate student parents

Employment

In the labor force	81.1%	88.9%
Employed (full- or part-time)	76.2%	86.5%
Employed full-time	65.3%	78.6%
Employed part-time	10.9%	7.9%
Not employed	23.8%	13.5%

Poverty status

In poverty: below 100% FPL	17.2%	6.7%
Low income: 100-199% FPL	23.5%	13.1%
Not low-income: 200% FPL or above	59.3%	80.1%

Family work arrangements

Single and not working	12.7%	1.5%
Single and working part-time	5.2%	2.9%
Single and working full-time	28.9%	21.0%
Married and working; spouse working	34.1%	53.6%
Married and working; spouse not working	7.9%	8.9%
Married and not working; spouse working	9.2%	10.7%
Married and not working; spouse not working	2.0%	1.4%

Program participation

Welfare (cash assistance)	1.5%	2.5%
Energy subsidies	2.4%	1.7%
Housing subsidies	7.2%	2.6%
WIC	8.0%	3.4%
SNAP	27.9%	7.9%
ETC	47.3%	24.2%
Medicaid	53.2%	28.2%
School lunch	52.5%	46.7%
Participating in at least one program (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	56.4%	29.6%
Average number of programs (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	0.94	0.42

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South Dakota

Undergraduate student parents

Graduate student parents

Employment

In the labor force	75.1%	86.5%
Employed (full- or part-time)	70.9%	86.2%
Employed full-time	63.4%	71.2%
Employed part-time	7.5%	15.0%
Not employed	29.1%	13.8%

Poverty status

In poverty: below 100% FPL	19.7%	3.4%
Low income: 100-199% FPL	11.3%	4.3%
Not low-income: 200% FPL or above	69.0%	92.3%

Family work arrangements

Single and not working	14.0%	1.9%
Single and working part-time	2.8%	1.7%
Single and working full-time	28.4%	2.9%
Married and working; spouse working	35.7%	75.2%
Married and working; spouse not working	4.1%	5.9%
Married and not working; spouse working	12.8%	12.4%
Married and not working; spouse not working	2.3%	0.0%

Program participation

Welfare (cash assistance)	7.9%	0.6%
Energy subsidies	6.7%	4.1%
Housing subsidies	6.3%	0.0%
WIC	5.7%	0.0%
SNAP	19.6%	3.4%
ETC	30.0%	10.1%
Medicaid	43.6%	10.8%
School lunch	57.9%	60.2%
Participating in at least one program (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	39.8%	12.1%
Average number of programs (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	0.76	0.18

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Tennessee

Undergraduate student parents

Graduate student parents

Employment

In the labor force	79.4%	89.3%
Employed (full- or part-time)	75.4%	87.3%
Employed full-time	67.4%	78.7%
Employed part-time	8.1%	8.6%
Not employed	24.6%	12.7%

Poverty status

In poverty: below 100% FPL	15.5%	6.8%
Low income: 100-199% FPL	23.6%	11.8%
Not low-income: 200% FPL or above	60.9%	81.4%

Family work arrangements

Single and not working	10.7%	2.0%
Single and working part-time	4.5%	2.0%
Single and working full-time	27.8%	15.6%
Married and working; spouse working	35.9%	57.8%
Married and working; spouse not working	7.4%	11.8%
Married and not working; spouse working	11.4%	10.2%
Married and not working; spouse not working	2.3%	0.6%

Program participation

Welfare (cash assistance)	2.9%	1.2%
Energy subsidies	4.0%	1.6%
Housing subsidies	3.7%	0.4%
WIC	6.5%	1.6%
SNAP	25.1%	5.8%
EITC	43.8%	21.7%
Medicaid	48.0%	21.9%
School lunch	53.9%	48.5%
Participating in at least one program (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	53.1%	24.8%
Average number of programs (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	0.86	0.32

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Texas

Undergraduate student parents

Graduate student parents

Employment

In the labor force	76.6%	87.8%
Employed (full- or part-time)	70.8%	85.3%
Employed full-time	61.8%	78.1%
Employed part-time	8.9%	7.2%
Not employed	29.2%	14.7%

Poverty status

In poverty: below 100% FPL	13.5%	7.7%
Low income: 100-199% FPL	23.9%	12.3%
Not low-income: 200% FPL or above	62.6%	80.0%

Family work arrangements

Single and not working	10.7%	3.2%
Single and working part-time	4.0%	1.8%
Single and working full-time	21.3%	15.7%
Married and working; spouse working	35.9%	56.0%
Married and working; spouse not working	9.6%	11.8%
Married and not working; spouse working	16.3%	9.4%
Married and not working; spouse not working	2.2%	2.1%

Program participation

Welfare (cash assistance)	3.6%	2.6%
Energy subsidies	2.1%	0.5%
Housing subsidies	3.6%	1.7%
WIC	8.6%	2.8%
SNAP	25.8%	11.3%
ETC	40.9%	21.6%
Medicaid	44.4%	25.6%
School lunch	58.2%	54.3%
Participating in at least one program (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	51.9%	28.1%
Average number of programs (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	0.85	0.40

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Utah

Undergraduate
student parentsGraduate
student parents**Employment**

In the labor force	78.3%	84.4%
Employed (full- or part-time)	74.7%	83.7%
Employed full-time	54.8%	71.0%
Employed part-time	19.9%	12.7%
Not employed	25.3%	16.3%

Poverty status

In poverty: below 100% FPL	9.6%	7.9%
Low income: 100-199% FPL	20.3%	11.3%
Not low-income: 200% FPL or above	70.1%	80.8%

Family work arrangements

Single and not working	4.2%	1.8%
Single and working part-time	3.8%	1.4%
Single and working full-time	9.8%	9.3%
Married and working; spouse working	47.7%	59.6%
Married and working; spouse not working	13.3%	13.4%
Married and not working; spouse working	19.6%	11.0%
Married and not working; spouse not working	1.6%	3.5%

Program participation

Welfare (cash assistance)	2.5%	0.9%
Energy subsidies	2.2%	2.7%
Housing subsidies	3.2%	2.6%
WIC	5.6%	3.7%
SNAP	11.0%	6.2%
ETC	38.0%	19.9%
Medicaid	28.1%	16.4%
School lunch	46.2%	44.4%
Participating in at least one program (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	43.8%	24.5%
Average number of programs (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	0.63	0.36

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Vermont

Undergraduate student parents

Graduate student parents

Employment

In the labor force	85.5%	95.6%
Employed (full- or part-time)	84.6%	95.6%
Employed full-time	70.5%	92.3%
Employed part-time	14.1%	3.3%
Not employed	15.4%	4.4%

Poverty status

In poverty: below 100% FPL	10.6%	3.6%
Low income: 100-199% FPL	23.3%	5.7%
Not low-income: 200% FPL or above	66.1%	90.7%

Family work arrangements

Single and not working	6.8%	1.0%
Single and working part-time	7.8%	0.6%
Single and working full-time	27.0%	15.0%
Married and working; spouse working	47.7%	73.2%
Married and working; spouse not working	2.3%	6.7%
Married and not working; spouse working	8.5%	3.4%
Married and not working; spouse not working	0.0%	0.0%

Program participation

Welfare (cash assistance)	9.7%	4.5%
Energy subsidies	4.9%	0.4%
Housing subsidies	11.4%	1.6%
WIC	15.1%	2.6%
SNAP	24.4%	6.8%
ETC	47.9%	11.6%
Medicaid	53.4%	41.9%
School lunch	44.9%	59.7%
Participating in at least one program (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	60.3%	19.2%
Average number of programs (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	1.13	0.27

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Virginia

Undergraduate student parents

Graduate student parents

Employment

In the labor force	80.9%	85.8%
Employed (full- or part-time)	78.4%	83.9%
Employed full-time	68.0%	76.2%
Employed part-time	10.5%	7.7%
Not employed	21.6%	16.1%

Poverty status

In poverty: below 100% FPL	10.2%	7.2%
Low income: 100-199% FPL	20.5%	10.3%
Not low-income: 200% FPL or above	69.3%	82.5%

Family work arrangements

Single and not working	6.0%	2.6%
Single and working part-time	5.0%	3.1%
Single and working full-time	23.5%	13.6%
Married and working; spouse working	39.4%	53.6%
Married and working; spouse not working	10.6%	14.1%
Married and not working; spouse working	13.6%	10.5%
Married and not working; spouse not working	1.8%	2.5%

Program participation

Welfare (cash assistance)	3.8%	2.0%
Energy subsidies	2.5%	1.0%
Housing subsidies	4.4%	2.9%
WIC	5.8%	1.6%
SNAP	18.8%	7.6%
ETC	37.2%	18.9%
Medicaid	37.7%	21.7%
School lunch	46.0%	43.7%
Participating in at least one program (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	45.3%	23.4%
Average number of programs (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	0.73	0.34

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Washington

	Undergraduate student parents	Graduate student parents
Employment		
In the labor force	75.3%	80.9%
Employed (full- or part-time)	71.0%	77.9%
Employed full-time	58.3%	68.6%
Employed part-time	12.7%	9.3%
Not employed	29.0%	22.1%
Poverty status		
In poverty: below 100% FPL	13.4%	4.6%
Low income: 100-199% FPL	15.6%	7.2%
Not low-income: 200% FPL or above	71.0%	88.1%
Family work arrangements		
Single and not working	11.3%	3.9%
Single and working part-time	6.1%	1.8%
Single and working full-time	15.4%	14.8%
Married and working; spouse working	38.1%	51.2%
Married and working; spouse not working	11.3%	10.6%
Married and not working; spouse working	14.9%	17.1%
Married and not working; spouse not working	3.0%	0.5%
Program participation		
Welfare (cash assistance)	6.3%	3.2%
Energy subsidies	7.2%	3.2%
Housing subsidies	8.1%	1.6%
WIC	8.9%	3.0%
SNAP	28.1%	8.6%
EITC	33.2%	14.5%
Medicaid	46.9%	25.1%
School lunch	47.5%	39.4%
Participating in at least one program (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	47.7%	20.5%
Average number of programs (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	0.92	0.34

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West Virginia

	Undergraduate student parents	Graduate student parents
Employment		
In the labor force	76.0%	78.9%
Employed (full- or part-time)	71.8%	78.3%
Employed full-time	59.5%	67.2%
Employed part-time	12.3%	11.1%
Not employed	28.2%	21.7%
Poverty status		
In poverty: below 100% FPL	14.4%	15.1%
Low income: 100-199% FPL	31.1%	15.8%
Not low-income: 200% FPL or above	54.5%	69.1%
Family work arrangements		
Single and not working	12.9%	6.4%
Single and working part-time	7.1%	1.1%
Single and working full-time	22.8%	11.8%
Married and working; spouse working	30.0%	49.2%
Married and working; spouse not working	11.8%	16.2%
Married and not working; spouse working	13.8%	10.7%
Married and not working; spouse not working	1.6%	4.6%
Program participation		
Welfare (cash assistance)	4.1%	1.5%
Energy subsidies	8.6%	2.6%
Housing subsidies	4.3%	2.2%
WIC	11.4%	3.1%
SNAP	32.2%	15.4%
ETC	48.3%	30.0%
Medicaid	54.4%	34.0%
School lunch	50.4%	52.1%
Participating in at least one program (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	54.4%	37.7%
Average number of programs (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	1.09	0.55

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Employment		
In the labor force	84.2%	88.3%
Employed (full- or part-time)	81.2%	87.2%
Employed full-time	67.4%	79.5%
Employed part-time	13.8%	7.7%
Not employed	18.8%	12.8%
Poverty status		
In poverty: below 100% FPL	11.2%	5.8%
Low income: 100-199% FPL	19.7%	10.8%
Not low-income: 200% FPL or above	69.1%	83.4%
Family work arrangements		
Single and not working	9.0%	3.3%
Single and working part-time	6.4%	0.5%
Single and working full-time	26.4%	16.9%
Married and working; spouse working	40.6%	62.1%
Married and working; spouse not working	7.8%	7.5%
Married and not working; spouse working	9.2%	8.8%
Married and not working; spouse not working	0.6%	0.9%
Program participation		
Welfare (cash assistance)	4.7%	1.9%
Energy subsidies	10.3%	2.7%
Housing subsidies	5.4%	0.9%
WIC	8.2%	2.0%
SNAP	27.5%	9.2%
EITC	39.6%	19.0%
Medicaid	47.7%	24.5%
School lunch	50.7%	46.1%
Participating in at least one program (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	50.8%	23.6%
Average number of programs (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	0.96	0.36

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Wyoming

	Undergraduate student parents	Graduate student parents
Employment		
In the labor force	70.8%	95.4%
Employed (full- or part-time)	68.4%	95.4%
Employed full-time	54.7%	89.7%
Employed part-time	13.7%	5.7%
Not employed	31.6%	4.6%
Poverty status		
In poverty: below 100% FPL	16.9%	2.6%
Low income: 100-199% FPL	26.0%	8.7%
Not low-income: 200% FPL or above	57.1%	88.7%
Family work arrangements		
Single and not working	11.7%	0.0%
Single and working part-time	7.2%	0.0%
Single and working full-time	10.3%	9.9%
Married and working; spouse working	37.9%	75.3%
Married and working; spouse not working	13.1%	10.3%
Married and not working; spouse working	18.3%	3.7%
Married and not working; spouse not working	1.5%	1.0%
Program participation		
Welfare (cash assistance)	2.5%	0.0%
Energy subsidies	1.7%	7.5%
Housing subsidies	10.4%	0.0%
WIC	6.3%	1.4%
SNAP	19.2%	6.8%
ETC	35.3%	11.2%
Medicaid	39.4%	12.6%
School lunch	46.9%	43.6%
Participating in at least one program (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	45.2%	24.9%
Average number of programs (excluding school lunch and Medicaid)	0.75	0.27

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