Table 1. **Number of Persons 15 Years Old and Over by Need for Assistance Status, by Detailed Characteristics: 1986**

(Numbers in thousands)

Characteristic	Total	Needed assistance with—						Did not need assistance
		One or more activities	Personal care	Getting around outside	Preparing meals	Doing housework	Keeping track of bills and/or money	
PERSONS 15 YEARS AND OVER								
Total	186,022	8,206	3,211	5,213	4,830	5,927	3,039	177,816
Age								
Under 65 years	158,359	3,794	1,383	2,077	2,315	2,821	1,050	154,564
65 years and over	27,663	4,412	1,827	3,136	2,515	3,106	1,990	23,252
65 to 69 years	9,615	890	285	546	484	635	274	8,724
70 to 74 years	7,391	806	336	525	472	566	299	6,586
75 to 79 years	5,434	1,026	408	678	554	710	408	4,408
80 to 84 years	3,126	738	311	595	365	473	334	2,388
85 years and over	2,097	952	487	791	639	722	674	1,145
Race and Hispanic Origin[1]								
White	160,194	6,880	2,608	4,448	3,913	4,936	2,454	153,316
Black	20,845	1,187	555	690	852	921	548	19,658
Hispanic origin[1]	12,823	439	183	243	301	298	136	12,384
Marital Status								
Married, spouse present	104,636	3,439	1,389	2,085	2,115	2,474	916	101,198
Married, spouse absent, widowed, divorced, separated	32,320	3,672	1,337	2,497	2,060	2,752	1,538	28,648
Never married	49,066	1,095	485	631	655	700	586	47,970
Living Arrangement								
Family member	154,866	5,601	2,426	3,553	3,610	4,034	2,026	149,264
Not a family member	31,156	2,605	785	1,660	1,220	1,893	1,013	28,552
Lives alone	21,907	2,269	631	1,426	1,000	1,632	834	19,638
Monthly Household Income								
Under $600	16,227	1,916	669	1,219	1,030	1,379	712	14,310
$600 to $1,199	25,066	2,056	772	1,323	1,091	1,465	882	23,010
$1,200 to $1,999	37,483	1,731	713	1,102	1,073	1,196	574	35,752
$2,000 to $2,999	39,737	1,205	492	729	777	896	458	38,532
$3,000 and over	67,509	1,297	565	841	859	991	412	66,212
Program Participation								
Received:								
Means-tested cash assistance[2]	9,331	1,619	631	998	939	1,158	686	7,713
SSI	3,625	1,258	525	791	749	871	604	2,368
Food stamps	9,577	936	321	526	538	673	339	8,640
Public or subsidized housing	5,995	680	215	451	322	507	230	5,316
Medicaid coverage	10,399	1,810	741	1,097	1,100	1,300	815	8,590
Social Security	33,713	5,424	2,229	3,711	3,169	3,850	2,374	28,289
Veteran's payments	3,236	427	171	279	212	285	152	2,810
Number of Doctor Visits Last 12 Months								
None	56,346	608	220	371	370	414	295	55,738
1 to 3	77,329	1,617	699	1,012	903	1,069	776	75,712
4 to 7	28,435	1,893	733	1,168	1,073	1,336	735	26,542
8 or more	23,911	4,088	1,556	2,661	2,483	3,107	1,234	19,823

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Perception of Health Status								
Excellent	54,845	238	109	158	163	161	95	54,607
Good	102,471	1,712	549	1,049	863	1,095	652	100,759
Fair	20,066	2,616	897	1,606	1,452	1,825	818	17,450
Poor	8,641	3,641	1,655	2,399	2,352	2,845	1,474	5,001
Number of Hospital Visits Last 12 Months								
None	166,854	4,722	1,614	2,788	2,599	3,286	1,765	162,132
1	14,645	1,897	765	1,315	1,151	1,394	637	12,748
2 or more	4,523	1,587	832	1,110	1,080	1,247	637	2,936
Number of Days in Hospital Last 12 Months								
None	166,854	4,722	1,614	2,788	2,599	3,286	1,765	162,132
1 to 3	7,134	448	149	285	251	344	131	6,686
4 to 7	5,907	826	332	543	542	617	273	5,081
8 or more	6,126	2,209	1,116	1,597	1,438	1,679	870	3,917
Received Paid Assistance								
Family paid for assistance	(X)	1,525	580	927	803	1,344	529	(X)
Family did not pay for assistance	(X)	6,681	2,631	4,286	4,027	4,583	2,510	(X)
PERSONS 15 TO 64 YEARS								
Total	158,359	3,794	1,383	2,077	2,315	2,821	1,050	154,564
Race and Hispanic Origin[1]								
White	135,172	3,032	1,058	1,691	1,806	2,301	778	132,141
Black	18,572	670	281	335	475	479	251	17,902
Hispanic origin[1]	12,020	285	131	150	207	203	84	11,735
Marital Status								
Married, spouse present	89,505	1,904	653	1,022	1,210	1,492	333	87,601
Married, spouse absent, widowed, divorced, separated	21,240	1,037	354	588	611	827	277	20,203
Never married	47,614	854	377	467	494	502	440	46,760
Living Arrangement								
Family member	136,340	3,044	1,147	1,667	1,940	2,257	808	133,295
Not a family member	22,019	750	236	410	375	564	242	21,269
Lives alone	13,267	515	135	258	235	390	143	12,753
Monthly Household Income								
Under $600	11,708	689	232	352	393	522	157	11,019
$600 to $1,199	17,240	769	280	401	453	548	304	16,471
$1,200 to $1,999	30,164	733	258	431	450	527	185	29,431
$2,000 to $2,999	35,911	776	283	411	479	567	228	35,135
$3,000 and over	63,337	828	331	482	541	658	176	62,509

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Program Participation								
Received:								
Means-tested cash assistance[2]	7,259	904	348	483	526	632	364	6,354
SSI	1,954	642	279	347	384	414	321	1,312
Food stamps	8,548	600	200	292	341	417	185	7,948
Public or subsidized housing	4,578	265	85	162	149	216	79	4,313
Medicaid coverage	8,296	1,031	425	547	627	716	441	7,265
Social Security	7,692	1,245	508	748	800	930	503	6,447
Veteran's payments	1,975	202	86	132	97	147	63	1,773
Number of Doctor Visits Last 12 Months								
None	51,869	309	103	161	177	200	123	51,561
1 to 3	67,851	716	310	328	435	487	282	67,135
4 to 7	21,068	764	295	426	466	564	271	20,305
8 or more	17,570	2,006	675	1,162	1,237	1,570	375	15,564
Perception of Health Status								
Excellent	52,543	181	84	106	124	118	71	52,362
Good	88,982	1,000	342	552	536	661	299	87,982
Fair	12,297	1,149	366	577	659	846	232	11,147
Poor	4,537	1,464	592	842	997	1,196	449	3,073
Number of Hospital Visits Last 12 Months								
None	144,440	2,303	793	1,163	1,373	1,655	723	142,138
1	11,020	795	280	510	493	615	153	10,224
2 or more	2,899	696	310	404	449	550	174	2,202
Number of Days in Hospital Last 12 Months								
None	144,440	2,303	793	1,163	1,373	1,655	723	142,138
1 to 3	6,038	260	65	132	161	227	26	5,778
4 to 7	4,337	375	155	211	252	277	80	3,962
8 or more	3,544	857	370	571	529	661	221	2,686
Received Paid Assistance								
Family paid for assistance	(X)	489	167	223	257	452	104	(X)
Family did not pay for assistance	(X)	3,306	1,216	1,853	2,058	2,369	946	(X)
PERSONS 65 YEARS AND OVER								
Total	27,663	4,412	1,827	3,136	2,515	3,106	1,990	23,252
Race and Hispanic Origin[1]								
White	25,022	3,848	1,550	2,757	2,107	2,635	1,676	21,175
Black	2,273	517	274	355	377	442	297	1,756
Hispanic origin[1]	803	154	52	93	94	95	52	649
Marital Status								
Married, spouse present	15,132	1,535	736	1,063	905	982	583	13,596
Married, spouse absent, widowed, divorced, separated	11,080	2,635	983	1,908	1449	1,926	1,261	8,446
Never married	1,452	242	108	164	161	198	146	1,210

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Living Arrangement								
Family member	18,526	2,557	1,277	1,887	1,670	1,777	1,219	15,969
Not a family member	9,137	1,855	550	1,249	845	1,329	771	7,283
Lives alone	8,639	1,754	496	1,168	765	1,242	692	6,885
Monthly Household Income								
Under $600	4,519	1,227	436	867	637	857	555	3,292
$600 to $1,199	7,827	1,288	492	922	638	917	578	6,539
$1,200 to $1,999	7,320	999	455	670	623	670	389	6,321
$2,000 to $2,999	3,826	429	210	318	298	329	230	3,397
$3,000 and over	4,172	469	234	359	318	333	238	3,703
Program Participation								
Received:								
Means-tested cash assistance [2]	2,073	714	283	515	413	526	322	1,358
SSI	1,672	616	246	444	365	457	283	1,056
Food stamps	1,029	336	121	234	197	256	154	692
Public or subsidized housing	1,417	415	130	289	173	291	151	1,003
Medicaid coverage	2,103	778	316	549	473	584	374	1,325
Social Security	26,022	4,179	1,722	2,962	2,369	2,921	1,872	21,843
Veteran's payments	1,261	224	85	147	115	138	89	1,037
Number of Doctor Visits Last 12 Months								
None	4,477	299	117	210	193	214	172	4,178
1 to 3	9,478	901	390	684	468	582	494	8,577
4 to 7	7,367	1,129	439	742	607	773	464	6,238
8 or more	6,341	2,082	882	1,500	1,246	1,537	859	4,259
Perception of Health Status								
Excellent	2,301	57	26	52	39	43	25	2,245
Good	13,489	712	207	497	327	434	353	12,777
Fair	7,769	1,467	531	1,029	794	980	586	6,302
Poor	4,104	2,177	1,064	1,557	1,355	1,649	1,026	1,927
Number of Hospital Visits Last 12 Months								
None	22,414	2,419	820	1,625	1,226	1,630	1,043	19,994
1	3,626	1,102	485	805	658	779	484	2,524
2 or more	1,624	890	522	706	630	696	463	734
Number of Days in Hospital Last 12 Months								
None	22,414	2,419	820	1,625	1,226	1,630	1,043	19,994
1 to 3	1,096	189	84	153	91	118	105	908
4 to 7	1,571	451	177	332	290	340	193	1,119
8 or more	2,583	1,353	746	1,026	908	1,017	649	1,231
Received Paid Assistance								
Family paid for assistance	(X)	1,036	413	703	546	892	425	(X)
Family did not pay for assistance	(X)	3,376	1,414	2,433	1,969	2,214	1,564	(X)

X Not applicable.

[1]Persons of Hispanic origin may be of any race.

[2]Means-tested cash assistance programs include: Federal or State Supplemental Security Income (SSI), Veteran's pensions, Aid to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC), General Assistance, Indian, Cuban, or Refugee Assistance, and other welfare.