Child Support Services County Quarterly Report Narrative State Fiscal Year 2019 4th Quarter Ending 06|30|2019

The purpose of this report is to provide a general overview of North Carolina's statewide performance in accordance to General Statutes 110-129.1(a). The performance report can assist in identifying opportunities of improvement for child support offices.

CHILD SUPPORT PROGRAM/ENHANCED STANDARDS SECTION 10.46. G.S. 110-129.1(a):

"(a) In addition to other powers and duties conferred upon the Department of Health and Human Services, Child Support Enforcement Program, by this Chapter or other State law, the Department shall have the following powers and duties:

...

- (9) Implement and maintain performance standards for each of the State and county child support enforcement offices across the State. The performance standards shall include the following:
- a. Cost per collections.
- b. Consumer satisfaction.
- c. Paternity establishments.
- d. Administrative costs.
- e. Orders established.
- f. Collections on arrearages.
- g. Location of absent parents.
- h. Other related performance measures.

The Department shall monitor the performance of each office and shall implement a system of reporting that allows each local office to review its performance as well as the performance of other local offices. The Department shall publish an annual performance report that includes the statewide and local office performance of each child support office."

It is important to note – while this report reviews and summarizes numerical data from the "County Quarterly Report", it does not consider various obstacles that the State or counties may face –employee longevity, judicial obstacles, or county budgets – to name a few. It also does not address cost per collections, consumer satisfaction, and administrative costs as this information is not available at this time.

SFY 2019 | JUN 2019 NC CSS STATEWIDE STATISTICS | GOALS | TRENDS



STATEWIDE INCENTIVE & CASELOAD STATS	Report Month	Collections	% Pat Est	% Cases Under Order	% Current Collections	% Cases paying towards arrears
STATEWIDE	201706	\$704,347,809.19	100.53%	86.26%	68.01%	67.01%
STATEWIDE	201806	\$700,435,452.00	101.36%	85.97%	67.98%	66.89%
STATEWIDE	201906	\$695,479,721.55	101.62%	85.67%	68.12%	66.93%
STATEWIDE	Change	-\$4,955,730	0.26%	-0.30%	0.14%	0.04%
STATEWIDE	SFY2019 GOALS	\$700,523,850	100.00%	86.03%	68.01%	67.01%

STATEWIDE INCENTIVE & CASELOAD STATS	Report Month	Caseload	erage CSUP bligation	Ave	erage Payment Per Order	Total Cases w/Arrears	Т	otal Arrears Due	Tot	al Arrears Distributed
STATEWIDE	201706	404876	\$ 284.60	\$	1,989.15	315,548	\$	1,858,751,718.48	\$	161,991,600.39
STATEWIDE	201806	401750	\$ 288.44	\$	2,000.68	311,364	\$	1,759,898,899.35	\$	162,595,695.22
STATEWIDE	201906	396775	\$ 294.12	\$	2,018.20	305,871	\$	1,740,542,472.23	\$	160,503,531.93
DIFFERENCE		-4975	\$ 5.68	\$	17.52	-5493	\$	(19,356,427.12)	\$	(2,092,163.29)

Report Month	Number of Cases Under Order	TOTAL \$ DIST	AVG PYMT PER ORDER	Number of Cases w/Pymt	Monthly CSUP Due	Average CSUP Obligation
201706	349,241	\$694,691,051.48	\$1,989.15	230,930	\$65,721,696.99	\$284.60
201806	345,391	\$691,016,512.31	\$2,000.68	226,177	\$65,238,994.95	\$288.44
201906	339,910	\$686,006,639.14	\$2,018.20	219,248	\$64,486,166.09	\$294.12

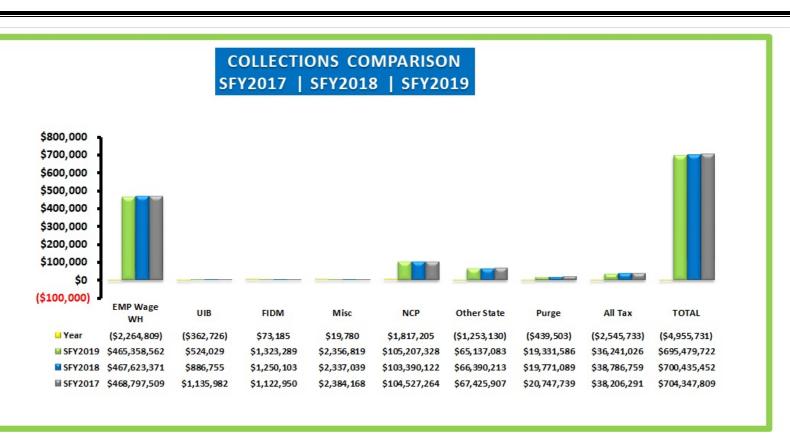
Report Month	Total Arrears Due	Total Cases w/Arrears	Total Cases w/Pymt to Arrears	Total Arrears Distributed
201706	\$1,858,751,718.48	315,548	211,463	\$161,991,600.39
201806	\$1,759,898,899.35	311,364	208,259	\$162,595,695.22
201906	\$1,740,542,472.23	305,871	204,715	\$160,503,531.93

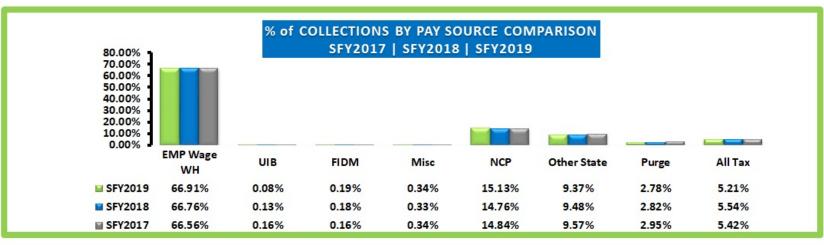
STATEWIDE CASE & ACTIVITY		
INFORMATION	Total	%
Total IVD Cases open	396775	
Non-Interstate Cases	337796	85.14%
Initiating Interstate	33760	8.51%
Responding Interstate	25219	6.36%
Staffing Report As of		
06/28/2019	144	3

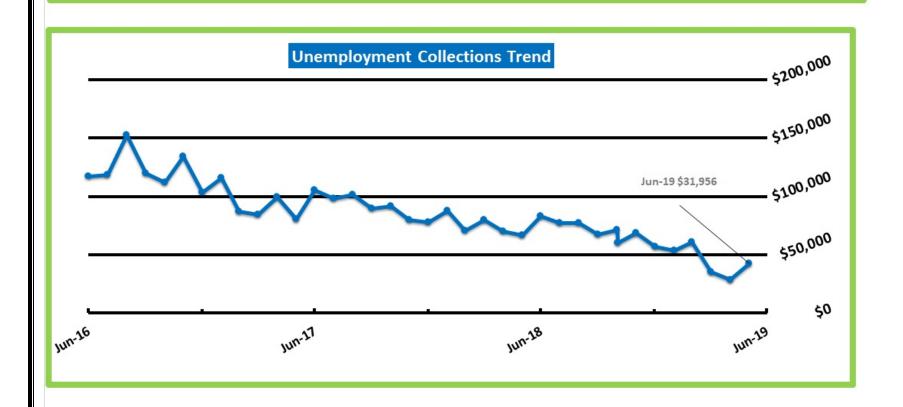
STATEWIDE CASELOAD	Total	% OF CASELOAD
AFDC	14,629	3.69%
ARRF	3,197	0.81%
ARRN	60,411	15.23%
ARRP	8,376	2.11%
ARRS	2,320	0.58%
IVE	6,213	1.57%
MAO	166,632	42.00%
NPA	130,878	32.99%
SFHF	4,119	1.04%

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STATEWIDE SELF ASSESSMENT	Report Month	Case Closure	Enforcement	Establishment	Month	Month
STATEWIDE	201706	98.98%	81.10%	71.32%	94.73%	88.89%
STATEWIDE	201806	98.96%	81.19%	72.06%	94.51%	88.67%
STATEWIDE	201906	99.10%	81.40%	71.18%	94.35%	88.15%
STATEWIDE	Change	0.14%	0.21%	-0.88%	-0.16%	-0.52%
	STANDARDS	90.00%	75.00%	75.00%	90.00%	75.00%

STATEWIDE SELF ASSESSMENT	Report Month	Interstate	Medical	Review and Adjustment Inclusive	Review and Adjustment Needed
STATEWIDE	201706	80.40%	84.35%	98.14%	88.57%
STATEWIDE	201806	79.99%	84.70%	98.07%	87.87%
STATEWIDE	201906	79.10%	84.49%	98.55%	88.96%
STATEWIDE	Change	-0.89%	-0.21%	0.48%	1.09%
	STANDARDS	75.00%	75.00%	75.00%	75.00%







SUMMARY

- Caseload size has decreased 4,975 cases from June 2018.
- 66.91% of total net collections is received via income withholding, while 15.13% of total net collections are attributed to direct payments by non-custodial parents.

Self-assessment and Incentives

- Statewide Self-Assessment show an increase in Enforcement (0.21% rise over last year bringing the score to 81.40%). All other categories show at least a 1% difference over last year.
- Statewide Incentives show an increase in percentage of Paternity Established (0.26% rise over last year bringing the score to 101.62%). All other categories show less than a 1% difference over last year.

STATEWIDE SUMMARY

Staffing

The following compares staffing numbers reported for the same quarter of the respective state fiscal years.

Staffing	Authorized Supervisors	Frozen Supervisors	Unfrozen Supervisors	Authorized Agents	Frozen Agents	Unfrozen Agents	Authorized Clerks	Frozen Clerks	Unfrozen Clerks	Total Authorized	Total Frozen	Total Unfrozen
06.30.2018	193.44	0.00	193.44	943.58	1.00	942.58	210.40	0.00	210.40	1346.82	2.00	1344.82
06.30.2019	190.44	0.00	190.44	941.58	1.00	940.58	205.90	1.00	204.90	1337.67	2.00	1335.67
Difference	-3.00	0.00	-3.00	-2.00	0.00	-2.00	-4.50	1.00	-5.50	-9.15	0.00	-9.15
% of Change	-1.55%	0.00%	-1.55%	-0.21%	0.00%	-0.21%	-2.14%	0.00%	-2.61%	-0.68%	0.00%	-0.68%

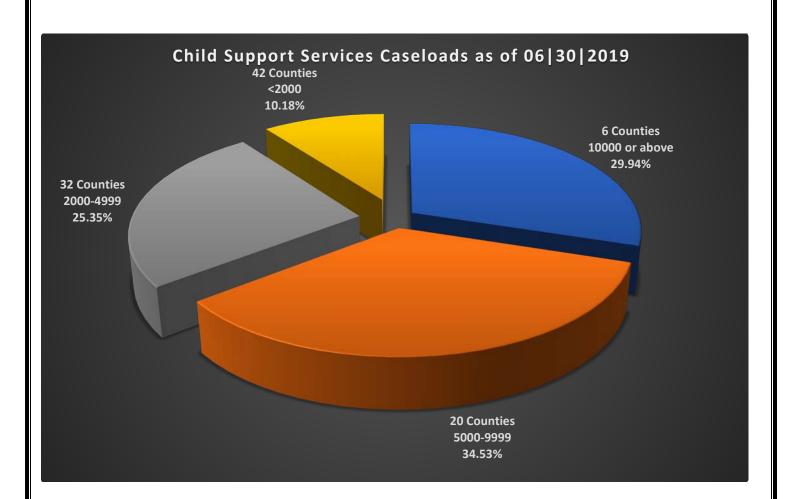
Summary of staffing changes this quarter vs. the same quarter previous year:

- Unfrozen Supervisors decrease of -1.55%.
- Unfrozen Agents decrease of -0.21%.
- Unfrozen Clerks decrease of -2.61%
- Total Unfrozen Staff decrease of -0.68%

COUNTY SUMMARY

One of the tools used in composing this narrative is the Excel file – CSS Master Report which contains Incentives, Agent Activity, Staffing, Self-Assessment scores, as well as a 5 Factor report which reports county performance in the areas of Total Collections per Unfrozen Staff, Percentage of Cases Under Order, Percentage of Paternity Establishment, Percentage of Current Collections, and Percentage of Cases paying towards Arrears. Comparison data in these areas is provided for counties as well as some additional reference information such as case load size, cases per agent, Self-Assessment scores and unemployment data as available from the North Carolina Department of Commerce - Division of Employment Security. Sources of information are the Office of Child Support Enforcement OCSE-157 report, XPTR IVD Collections Report, the Agent Statistical Report, and Self-Assessment scores for all categories by county via Client Services Data Warehouse, as well as staffing as provided by field staff/regional representatives.

Statewide Caseload – 396,775 cases



Unemployment data*

Unemployment rates for counties ranged from 3.10% in Buncombe County to 6.80 % in Hyde County.

The statewide unemployment rate was 4.00% as of May 2019.

*Source is the North Carolina Department of Commerce – Division of Employment Security – Unadjusted (not seasonally adjusted) rate. It is normal to report not-seasonally-adjusted data for current unemployment rate.

Unemployment Rates by County Caseload Size					
10000 and above	4.38%				
5000-9999	4.08%				
4999-2000	4.65%				
less than 2000	4.36%				
Statewide Average	4.00%				

Caseload / Agent

Caseloads per agent ranged from 246 in Orange County to 893 in Madison County. The statewide average caseload per agent was 422.

Average Cases per Agent by						
County Caseload Size						
10000 and above	438.86					
5000-9999	474.51					
4999-2000	397.32					
less than 2000	413.86					
Statewide	422.20					