

# ONTARIO SOCIAL ASSISTANCE

## MONTHLY STATISTICAL REPORT

### Ontario Works

**Ontario Works** provides employment and financial assistance to people who are in temporary financial need. The employment assistance helps people become and stay employed and includes job search support services, basic education and job skills training, community and employment placement, supports to self-employment, Learning, Earning and Parenting program, addiction services and earning exemptions that allow participants to earn income as they move back into the workforce.

**Temporary Care Assistance** provides support for children in financial need while in the temporary care of an adult who does not have a legal obligation to support the child. In April 2012, there were 4,676 TCA cases<sup>1</sup> receiving social assistance on behalf of 6,448 children.

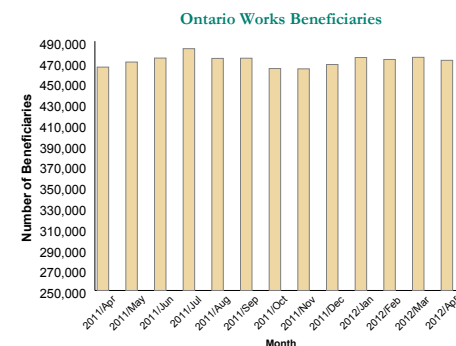
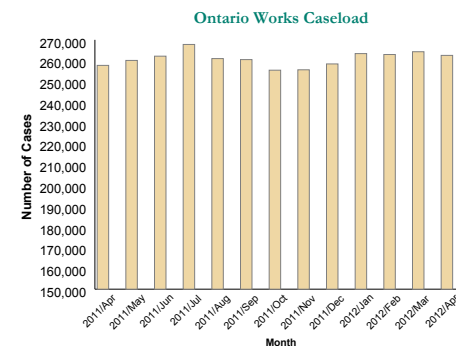
### Ontario Works Caseload and Beneficiaries

	Singles		Couples		Sole Support Parents		All Family Structures	
	Cases <sup>1</sup>	Beneficiaries <sup>2</sup>	Cases <sup>1</sup>	Beneficiaries <sup>2</sup>	Cases <sup>1</sup>	Beneficiaries <sup>2</sup>	Cases <sup>1</sup>	Beneficiaries <sup>2</sup>
<b>Apr 2012</b>	<b>157,479</b>	<b>157,479</b>	<b>27,806</b>	<b>101,623</b>	<b>77,227</b>	<b>212,445</b>	<b>262,513</b>	<b>471,548</b>
Mar 2012	158,714	158,714	28,127	102,663	77,435	213,030	264,276	474,407
Feb 2012	157,669	157,669	27,967	102,113	77,301	212,585	262,937	472,367
Jan 2012	157,353	157,353	28,038	102,389	77,986	214,512	263,377	474,254
Dec 2011	153,195	153,195	27,593	100,792	77,621	213,524	258,409	467,511
Nov 2011	151,028	151,028	27,168	99,266	77,392	213,056	255,588	463,351
Oct 2011	150,464	150,464	27,202	99,399	77,733	213,778	255,399	463,641
Sep 2011	152,987	152,987	27,737	101,465	79,774	219,107	260,498	473,560
Aug 2011	153,751	153,751	27,755	101,287	79,476	218,361	260,983	473,399
Jul 2011	159,188	159,188	28,448	103,560	80,142	219,999	267,778	482,748
Jun 2011	155,425	155,425	28,073	102,109	78,646	216,168	262,143	473,702
May 2011	154,372	154,372	27,946	101,525	77,771	214,006	260,088	469,902
Apr 2011	153,490	153,490	27,818	101,193	76,402	210,322	257,711	465,005
Mar 2011	154,185	154,185	27,902	101,530	76,339	210,156	258,425	465,871
Feb 2011	151,424	151,424	27,507	100,129	75,680	208,474	254,612	460,028
Jan 2011	150,955	150,955	27,566	100,400	76,545	210,791	255,066	462,146
Dec 2010	146,893	146,893	27,124	98,907	75,954	209,135	249,971	454,935
Nov 2010	144,224	144,224	26,804	97,758	75,968	209,327	246,995	451,308
Oct 2010	143,250	143,250	26,941	98,172	76,297	210,118	246,488	451,540
Sep 2010	145,052	145,052	27,378	99,766	77,920	214,220	250,350	459,039
Aug 2010	144,877	144,877	27,510	100,097	77,649	213,368	250,036	458,342
Jul 2010	145,062	145,062	27,654	100,359	77,089	211,813	249,805	457,235
Jun 2010	146,497	146,497	27,831	101,013	76,731	210,733	251,059	458,243
May 2010	147,144	147,144	28,047	101,656	76,237	209,440	251,429	458,240
Apr 2010	147,837	147,837	28,111	101,779	75,172	206,744	251,120	456,360
Change since								
Mar 2012	-1,235	-1,235	-321	-1,040	-208	-585	-1,763	-2,859
	-0.8%	-0.8%	-1.1%	-1.0%	-0.3%	-0.3%	-0.7%	-0.6%

<sup>1</sup>A case refers to a single individual or a family unit on social assistance.

<sup>2</sup>The number of beneficiaries refers to the total number of single individuals and heads of family units on social assistance plus all their dependents (i.e., spouses, dependent children and dependent adults).

Numbers may not add up due to rounding.



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