

2016 CHILD SUPPORT: MORE MONEY FOR FAMILIES

COLLECTIONS

75% 

of child support is collected by income withholding from an employee's paycheck

25% other sources

\$33 Billion 

in child support collected by state and tribal child support programs in FY2016

95% 

went to families

5% reimbursed public assistance dollars

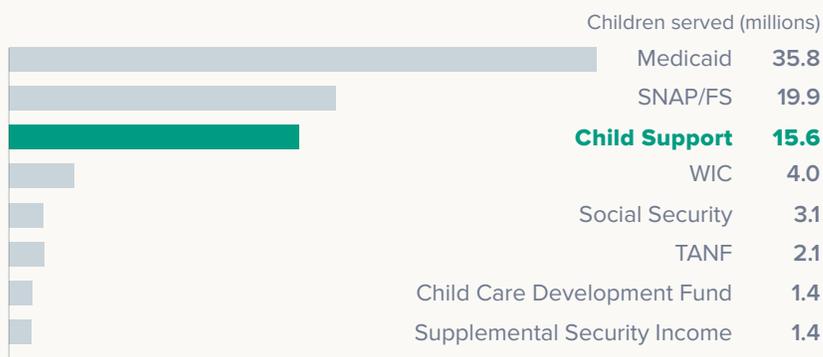
CASELOAD

15.6 Million children served by the child support program in 2016



1 in 5 children
in the U.S.

Child support in comparison to other programs*

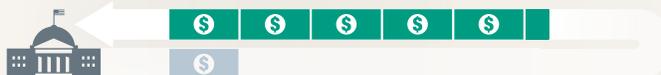


Child support accounts for about half the average income of low-income parents who receive it, lifting over 1 million people out of poverty in 2015.[†]

COST-EFFECTIVENESS

One of the most cost-effective government programs

\$5.33 collected by the child support program for every **\$1.00** spent



Source: Federal Office of Child Support Enforcement Preliminary Report (2016).

* Monthly Child Enrollment in Medicaid and CHIP (2017); Characteristics of SNAP Households (2015); WIC Program Monthly Data - State Level Participation (2017; preliminary); Annual Statistical Supplement to the Social Security Bulletin (2016); TANF: Total Number of Child Recipients (2016); CCDF FY 2015 Preliminary Data Table 1 (2016); SSI Annual Statistical Report (2015).

[†] Bureau of Census: Current Population Reports P-60-258 and P-60-262.



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