

Section 9

SOCIAL INSURANCE AND WELFARE SERVICES

This section presents data related to governmental programs for old-age, survivors, disability and health insurance; public employee retirement; unemployment and temporary disability insurance; aid to the needy; and maternal, child, and other welfare services. Also included here are selected statistics on private charity and welfare programs.

Total public welfare costs reached \$168.4 million in fiscal 1976, compared with \$46.6 million in 1970 and \$9.3 million in 1960. About 60 percent of the 1976 total came from State funds and the remainder from the Federal government. The monthly average number of persons served by major welfare programs in 1976 was 67,594, or 7.8 percent of the population of the State at the beginning of the year. Almost two-thirds of all public assistance payments and one-half of all recipient cases were accounted for by aid to families with dependent children. Seven percent of all welfare cases early in 1977 were recent migrants to Hawaii. The average monthly payment per case for public assistance was \$295, or twice as much as in 1969. Participation in the food stamp program included 34,500 households and 97,300 persons. Among workers receiving unemployment compensation in 1975, weekly benefits averaged \$76.34. More than 91,700 Hawaii residents were receiving Social Security benefits as of the end of 1975, and about 57,500 were enrolled for Medicare. There were also 9,300 State and County government pensioners in 1976, with annual benefits in excess of \$53 million. The Aloha United Way spent \$6.2 million on Oahu during 1976.

Major data sources include reports and records of the U.S. Department of Health, Education, and Welfare, the Hawaii State Department of Social Services and Housing, the Hawaii State Department of Labor and Industrial Relations, the Hawaii State Employees' Retirement System, and the Aloha United Way. Section 10 of the *Statistical Abstract of the United States: 1976* presents comparable Mainland data.

Table 148. — SOCIAL WELFARE COSTS: 1966 TO 1976
(In thousands of dollars. For years ended June 30.)

Year ended June 30	Total cost	By source of funds		By expenditure category			
		Federal	State	Administration	Medical payments	Money payments	Social service cost
1966	19,955	8,034	11,921	2,580	6,390	10,985	—
1967	23,704	10,869	12,835	2,642	7,396	13,666	—
1968	29,565	12,941	16,624	2,951	10,297	16,318	—
1969	35,706	15,167	20,539	3,272	12,948	19,486	—
1970	46,566	20,396	26,170	3,730	16,421	26,415	—
1971	67,645	27,769	39,876	5,483	23,926	38,236	—
1972	94,212	38,143	56,069	6,324	34,278	53,610	—
1973	107,237	43,107	64,130	6,757	35,542	64,180	758
1974	111,627	45,782	65,845	7,933	39,096	63,131	1,467
1975	121,643	47,163	74,479	8,262	41,158	70,622	1,601
1976	168,440	67,629	100,811	10,701	60,685	87,956	9,098

Source: Hawaii State Department of Social Services and Housing, records.

TABLE 149. — PERSONS SERVED AND AVERAGE PAYMENTS, FOR PROGRAMS ADMINISTERED BY THE HAWAII STATE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES AND HOUSING: 1966 TO 1976, MONTHLY AVERAGES

Year ended June 30	Major programs ¹		Service cases	Medical payments		Average payments ² (dollars)	
	Recipients	Individuals		Cases	Individuals	Per case	Per individual
1966	7,383	19,136	1,457	...	...	123.99	47.84
1967	8,581	22,350	1,311	...	...	132.71	50.96
1968	10,043	26,337	961	...	...	137.39	52.39
1969	11,013	28,845	926	2,492	2,700	147.86	56.45
1970	12,940	34,320	900	2,942	3,370	170.17	64.14
1971	16,467	44,897	743	4,073	4,496	198.20	72.69
1972	20,627	57,462	1,767	4,068	5,672	220.79	79.26
1973	24,400	66,535	7,833	3,040	4,612	227.11	82.30
1974	21,713	63,807	7,242	5,653	6,912	237.54	85.10
1975	20,850	59,911	7,777	8,212	8,963	275.20	95.77
1976	24,438	67,594	9,067	6,599	7,352	295.17	106.72

¹Old age assistance, aid to disabled, aid to families with dependent children, AFDC unemployed parents, AFDC foster care, child welfare foster care, and general assistance. Old age assistance, aid to the blind and aid to disabled assisted through the Federal Social Security Administration with State supplements excluded beginning January 1, 1974.

²Gross obligation basis.

Source: Hawaii State Department of Social Services and Housing, records.

Table 150. — PUBLIC ASSISTANCE PAYMENTS AND RECIPIENTS: 1975 AND 1976
(Years ended June 30.)

Program	Total payments (\$1,000)		Recipient cases (monthly average)		Average monthly payment (dollars)	
	1975	1976	1975	1976	1975	1976
All programs	83,036	102,185	29,236	32,944	237	258
Old age assistance ¹	7,042	7,498	4,972	5,489	118	114
Aid to the blind ¹	229	253	115	122	166	172
Aid to disabled ¹	6,989	7,873	3,369	3,840	173	171
Aid to families with dependent children ²	53,251	66,341	14,339	16,289	309	339
Child welfare foster care	915	1,141	581	583	131	163
General assistance	14,619	18,217	5,860	6,621	208	229

¹Assisted through the Federal Social Security Administration, with State supplements (Supplementary Security Payments) included.

²Includes AFDC unemployed parent and AFDC foster care.

Source: Hawaii State Department of Social Services and Housing, records.

Table 151. — FOOD STAMPS: 1967 TO 1976
(Years ended June 30)

Year ended June 30	Participation in food stamp program (monthly averages)						Food stamp purchase amount and bonus (dollars)		
	All participants		Public assistance recipients		Other participants ¹		Total ²	Purchase ³	Bonus ⁴
	Households	Persons	Households	Persons	Households	Persons			
1967	1,459	5,717	1,217	4,667	242	1,050	1,388,760	998,113	390,647
1968	2,408	9,780	1,764	6,885	644	2,895	2,311,750	1,612,471	699,279
1969	2,758	11,487	2,023	8,222	735	3,265	2,768,120	1,994,976	773,144
1970	3,576	14,068	2,873	11,328	703	2,740	3,846,511	2,626,787	1,219,724
1971	8,204	26,400	5,612	19,942	2,592	6,458	8,070,415	4,714,195	3,356,220
1972	12,338	35,774	9,087	29,745	3,254	6,029	14,266,005	7,497,839	6,768,166
1973	16,938	50,688	11,786	38,735	5,152	11,953	21,511,316	10,665,200	10,846,116
1974	20,975	60,064	14,046	43,500	6,929	16,564	28,470,635	13,665,000	14,805,635
1975	27,389	76,398	17,017	50,197	10,372	26,201	42,132,261	18,549,128	23,583,133
1976	34,529	97,277	20,633	59,523	13,896	37,755	59,786,078	26,914,769	32,871,309

¹Not receiving public assistance recipients (food stamp only).

²Total value of food stamps to recipients available for purchase of food.

³Amount paid for by recipients.

⁴Bonus or free coupons given to recipients.

Source: Hawaii State Department of Social Services and Housing, records.

Table 152. — MIGRATION STATUS OF PUBLIC WELFARE RECIPIENTS: FEBRUARY 1977

Place of birth or last previous residence	Number of welfare cases ¹			Amount of monthly financial assistance (\$1,000)	
	Receiving financial assistance		Food stamps only	All recipients	In Hawaii under 1 year
	Total	In Hawaii under 1 year			
Total	22,443	1,575	12,228	7,080	470
Born in Hawaii	12,766	...	5,392	4,056	...
Born elsewhere	7,520	1,575	6,362	2,272	470
Mainland	4,682	1,088	4,016	1,369	307
Samoa	1,081	195	221	411	68
Philippines	572	32	1,194	132	7
Orient ²	336	40	608	95	9
Southeast Asia ³	499	141	35	158	54
Other ⁴	350	79	288	106	25
Unknown	2,157	...	474	752	...
PERCENT					
Total	100.0	7.0	100.0	100.0	6.6
Born in Hawaii	56.9	...	44.1	57.3	...
Born elsewhere	33.5	7.0	52.0	32.1	6.6
Mainland	20.9	4.8	32.8	19.3	4.3
Samoa	4.8	0.9	1.8	5.8	1.0
Philippines	2.5	0.1	9.8	1.9	0.1
Orient ²	1.5	0.2	5.0	1.3	0.1
Southeast Asia ³	2.2	0.6	0.3	2.2	0.8
Other ⁴	1.6	0.4	2.4	1.5	0.4
Unknown	9.6	...	3.9	10.6	...

¹The number of individuals (rather than cases) was 66,036 receiving financial assistance and 35,320 enrolled in the food stamp only program. Data include Aid to Families with Dependent Children, Unemployed Parent, and General Assistance, but exclude Foster Care, non-needy caretaker cases, SSI and AABD supplements.

²China (122 cases receiving financial assistance), Japan (86), and Korea (128).

³Vietnam (397 cases receiving financial assistance), Cambodia (6), and Laos (96).

⁴Micronesia, Tonga, and other areas.

Source: Hawaii State Department of Social Services and Housing, *In-Migrants on Public Welfare, February 1977* (March 1977), tables 1, 14 and 16.

Table 153. — SOCIAL SECURITY RECIPIENTS AND BENEFITS: 1965 TO 1975

Year	Number of recipients at end of year	Monthly amount payable at end of year (\$1,000)	Total amount paid during year ¹ (\$1,000)
1965.....	46,861	3,254	38,751
1966.....	53,392	3,647	43,906
1967.....	57,254	4,584	48,368
1968.....	59,815	4,826	57,879
1969.....	62,824	5,182	63,893
1970.....	66,488	6,437	77,593
1971.....	70,912	7,666	92,440
1972.....	76,413	10,141	107,125
1973.....	82,224	11,202	134,198
1974.....	87,141	13,433	155,178
1975.....	91,731	15,629	181,775

¹Includes also retroactive benefits and lump-sum death payments.

Source: U.S. Department of Health, Education, and Welfare, Social Security Administration, Office of Research and Statistics, Division of OASDI Statistics, records.

Table 154. — MEDICARE ENROLLMENT AND REIMBURSEMENT: 1975

Coverage	Enrollment, July 1, 1975		Reimbursement, 1975 (\$1,000)	
	Age 65 and over	Disabled and renal disease	Age 65 and over	Disabled and renal disease
Hospital and/or medical.....	57,529	5,294	31,310	4,868
Hospital only.....	56,022	5,294	21,211	2,587
Medical only.....	55,770	4,824	10,099	2,281

Source: U.S. Department of Health, Education, and Welfare, Social Security Administration, Division of OASDI Statistics, Office of Research and Statistics, records.

Table 155. — UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE: 1970 TO 1977

Calendar year	Covered employment		Insured unemployment		Average weekly total wages (dollars)	Gross benefits ¹ (\$1,000)	Weekly benefits		Average benefit duration ² (weeks)	Exhaustion rate ³ (percent)
	Total	Percent of total employment	Total	Percent of total unemployment			Maximum (dollars)	Average (dollars)		
1970.....	302,388	91	7,369	52	131.87	20,655	79	58.15	15.0	21.3
1971.....	309,901	91	12,315	60	135.38	35,390	86	63.38	18.3	33.8
1972.....	321,751	92	14,485	59	141.92	37,865	90	65.57	19.9	41.7
1973.....	335,615	92	12,107	50	151.17	37,014	93	67.57	16.0	30.2
1974.....	342,615	92	13,900	51	162.25	45,208	98	71.86	16.2	35.3
1975.....	350,481	93	18,779	73	174.42	58,942	104	76.34	16.4	34.1
1976.....	(NA)	(NA)	21,480	(NA)	(NA)	71,574	112	83.84	18.9	48.4
1977.....	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	120	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)

NA Not available.

¹Regular benefits only. Extended benefits amounted to \$773,000 in 1971, \$7,387,000 in 1972, \$21,000 in 1973, \$170 in 1974, \$11,831,000 in 1975, and \$19,596,000 in 1976.

²Regular benefits only. Extended benefits averaged 5.7 weeks in 1971, 11.0 weeks in 1972, 4.0 weeks in 1973, 10.4 weeks in 1975, and 11.0 weeks in 1976.

³Regular benefits only.

Source: Hawaii State Department of Labor and Industrial Relations, *Unemployment Insurance Fact Book* (July 1977), and records.

Table 156. — HAWAII STATE EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM: 1970 TO 1976

Year	Membership, March 31	Pensioners, March 31	Assets, June 30 (\$1,000)	Total benefits paid ¹ (\$1000)	Administration expenses ¹ (\$1000)
1970	38,912	5,641	388,561	22,822	337
1971	42,262	6,069	435,464	25,665	419
1972	43,736	6,667	489,437	31,359	479
1973	44,471	7,343	545,465	37,602	426
1974	43,371	7,971	611,676	41,130	488
1975	44,363	8,600	683,305	46,782	564
1976	45,256	9,263	773,878	53,626	632

¹Years ended June 30. Benefits data exclude Pensioners' Bonus and Social Security.

Source: Hawaii State Employees' Retirement System, *51st Annual Report, June 30, 1976* (Publication No. 48), p. 19.

Table 157. — ALOHA UNITED WAY REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES, FOR OAHU: 1967 TO 1976
(In dollars)

Year	Support and revenue		Expenditures	
	Total	Campaign contributions ¹	Total	Allocations to agencies
1967 ²	3,450,332	3,553,920	3,101,230	2,880,984
1968	4,013,848	3,835,104	3,499,445	3,266,414
1969	3,975,406	4,036,075	3,892,922	3,605,892
1970	4,377,883	4,507,229	4,277,561	3,963,195
1971	4,714,072	4,862,764	4,615,511	4,265,374
1972	4,749,399	5,007,611	4,682,606	4,308,488
1973	4,829,529	5,076,425	4,805,589	4,412,466
1974	5,257,649	5,528,287	5,187,501	4,774,390
1975	5,666,282	5,518,832	5,827,974	5,138,244
1976	6,204,303	6,052,054	6,184,064	5,576,158

¹Before adjustment for uncollectible allowance.

²Earliest full year available. The Aloha United Fund was granted status as a non-profit corporation on March 10, 1966, as the successor to the Honolulu Community Chest.

Source: Aloha United Way, *Annual Report, 1967-1976*.