

# 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 August 2014, there were 5,062 TCA cases<sup>1</sup> receiving social assistance on behalf of 7,043 children.

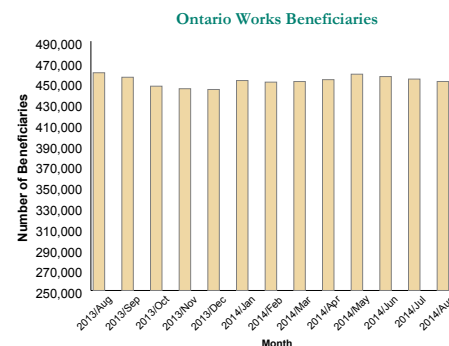
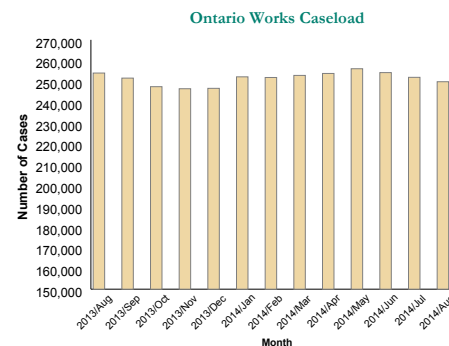
### Ontario Works Caseload and Beneficiaries

|                       | 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>Aug 2014</b>       | <b>149,408</b>     | <b>149,408</b>             | <b>25,100</b>      | <b>93,480</b>              | <b>75,339</b>        | <b>208,287</b>             | <b>249,847</b>        | <b>451,175</b>             |
| Jul 2014              | 151,366            | 151,366                    | 25,326             | 94,094                     | 75,265               | 208,036                    | 251,956               | 453,495                    |
| Jun 2014              | 153,503            | 153,503                    | 25,620             | 94,983                     | 75,113               | 207,422                    | 254,236               | 455,908                    |
| May 2014              | 155,124            | 155,124                    | 25,959             | 95,989                     | 75,009               | 207,073                    | 256,092               | 458,186                    |
| Apr 2014              | 154,409            | 154,409                    | 25,693             | 94,833                     | 73,712               | 203,702                    | 253,813               | 452,943                    |
| Mar 2014              | 153,896            | 153,896                    | 25,559             | 94,360                     | 73,430               | 202,901                    | 252,886               | 451,157                    |
| Feb 2014              | 152,726            | 152,726                    | 25,588             | 94,624                     | 73,564               | 203,201                    | 251,878               | 450,552                    |
| Jan 2014              | 152,431            | 152,431                    | 25,570             | 94,563                     | 74,199               | 205,106                    | 252,200               | 452,101                    |
| Dec 2013              | 148,263            | 148,263                    | 24,902             | 91,985                     | 73,493               | 203,218                    | 246,658               | 443,465                    |
| Nov 2013              | 147,543            | 147,543                    | 24,953             | 92,274                     | 73,973               | 204,400                    | 246,468               | 444,217                    |
| Oct 2013              | 147,821            | 147,821                    | 25,136             | 92,924                     | 74,508               | 205,889                    | 247,465               | 446,634                    |
| Sep 2013              | 149,461            | 149,461                    | 25,491             | 94,404                     | 76,634               | 211,381                    | 251,586               | 455,247                    |
| Aug 2013              | 150,965            | 150,965                    | 25,775             | 95,492                     | 77,282               | 213,136                    | 254,022               | 459,592                    |
| Jul 2013              | 151,855            | 151,855                    | 25,882             | 95,624                     | 77,067               | 212,464                    | 254,804               | 459,942                    |
| Jun 2013              | 154,015            | 154,015                    | 26,320             | 96,997                     | 77,055               | 212,146                    | 257,390               | 463,159                    |
| May 2013              | 156,307            | 156,307                    | 26,705             | 98,426                     | 77,111               | 212,154                    | 260,123               | 466,887                    |
| Apr 2013              | 155,627            | 155,627                    | 26,535             | 97,519                     | 75,560               | 208,139                    | 257,722               | 461,285                    |
| Mar 2013              | 155,343            | 155,343                    | 26,494             | 97,389                     | 75,194               | 207,341                    | 257,031               | 460,074                    |
| Feb 2013              | 155,339            | 155,339                    | 26,727             | 98,336                     | 75,546               | 208,409                    | 257,613               | 462,084                    |
| Jan 2013              | 155,952            | 155,952                    | 26,817             | 98,676                     | 76,444               | 210,846                    | 259,213               | 465,474                    |
| Dec 2012              | 151,762            | 151,762                    | 26,318             | 96,912                     | 76,103               | 209,795                    | 254,183               | 458,468                    |
| Nov 2012              | 151,182            | 151,182                    | 26,318             | 96,738                     | 76,640               | 211,222                    | 254,141               | 459,143                    |
| Oct 2012              | 151,163            | 151,163                    | 26,387             | 96,968                     | 76,993               | 212,051                    | 254,543               | 460,182                    |
| Sep 2012              | 154,218            | 154,218                    | 27,085             | 99,635                     | 79,399               | 218,307                    | 260,703               | 472,160                    |
| Aug 2012              | 156,500            | 156,500                    | 27,503             | 100,928                    | 79,848               | 219,458                    | 263,852               | 476,886                    |
| Jul 2012              | 156,569            | 156,569                    | 27,524             | 100,942                    | 79,318               | 217,852                    | 263,411               | 475,363                    |
| Jun 2012              | 157,675            | 157,675                    | 27,886             | 102,025                    | 79,273               | 217,640                    | 264,834               | 477,339                    |
| May 2012              | 158,855            | 158,855                    | 28,034             | 102,590                    | 78,901               | 216,725                    | 265,790               | 478,170                    |
| Apr 2012              | 157,479            | 157,479                    | 27,806             | 101,623                    | 77,227               | 212,445                    | 262,513               | 471,548                    |
| Change since Jul 2014 | -1,958<br>-1.3%    | -1,958<br>-1.3%            | -226<br>-0.9%      | -614<br>-0.7%              | 74<br>0.1%           | 251<br>0.1%                | -2,109<br>-0.8%       | -2,320<br>-0.5%            |

<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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