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**Chapter 7.5 – Clients: General Assistance, Welfare, and
TANF in the Previous Two Years**

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7.5 GENERAL ASSISTANCE, WELFARE, AND TANF IN THE PREVIOUS TWO YEARS

Clients were asked whether they had received GA, welfare, or TANF in the previous two years. Table 7.5.1 presents the results.

TABLE 7.5.1

GENERAL ASSISTANCE, WELFARE, AND TANF IN THE PREVIOUS TWO YEARS

	Pantry Client Households	Kitchen Client Households	Shelter Client Households	All Client Households
Clients who received General Assistance, welfare, or TANF during the past two years				
Yes	14.8%	17.0%	20.4%	15.4%
No	85.2%	83.0%	79.6%	84.6%
TOTAL	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
SAMPLE SIZE (N)	42,441	13,552	5,092	61,085

SOURCE: This table was constructed based on usable responses to Question 26 of the client survey.

NOTES: The percentages presented in this table are based only on usable responses, excluding missing, don't know, and refusal responses. All usable responses were weighted as described in Chapter 3 and in the Technical Appendix volume to represent all emergency food clients of the FA National Network. The sample sizes (N) also include missing data.

Missing, don't know, and refusal responses combined are 4.0% for pantry clients, 3.5% for kitchen clients, 2.4% for shelter clients, and 3.8% for all clients.

During the previous two years, 15.4% of the clients received GA, welfare, or TANF benefits.