

Child Support

The Child Support program helps strengthen families by placing the responsibility for supporting children on parents with the financial resources to provide such support. The program helps people establish paternity, and obtain, modify and enforce financial and medical support obligations.

In New York State

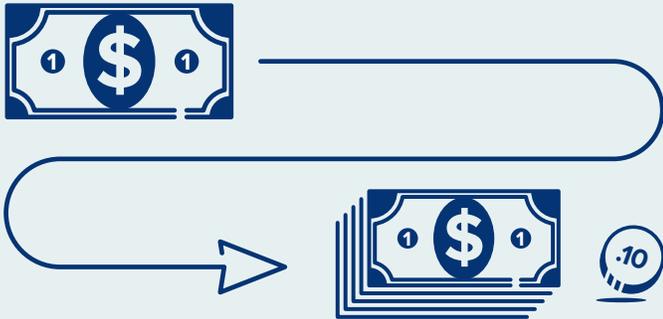


\$1.83 billion

was collected on behalf of custodial parents and their children in 2015.

Cost Effectiveness

Child support is one of the most cost-effective government programs. For every **dollar spent**, the child support program **collects \$5.10**.



Of that \$1.83 billion

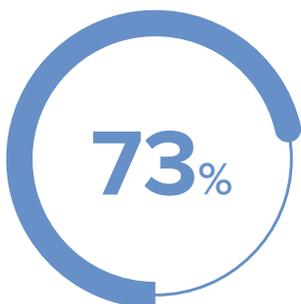
95% Went to families



5% Reimbursed public assistance dollars



Employers play an important role in collecting child support



of child support collections in New York State are withheld from an employee's paycheck.

Tax Credit for Noncustodial Parents

New York was the first state to enact a Noncustodial Parent Earned Income Tax Credit.

Last year

8,000 noncustodial parents



received a total of

\$4 million



from this tax credit.

What services are provided?

New York State can provide parents with a range of child support services, including:



Establishing paternity



Establishing or modifying a support order



Locating noncustodial parents



Enforcing a support order

Who receives child support services?

There were approximately **907,000 cases** in 2015.

144,000

Current Temporary Assistance Recipients

363,000

Former Temporary Assistance Recipients

400,000

Have Never Received Temporary Assistance

How is the amount of child support decided?

The court uses a standard guideline to determine what the noncustodial parent will pay. A fixed percentage of the parents' combined income is used, based on the number of children involved.

Number of Children:	Percentage of Income:
	17%
	25%
	29%
	31%
	35% +

Paternity

85%

of children participating in the child support program have had their paternity established.

Support Order

82%

of open cases have a child support order established.

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