

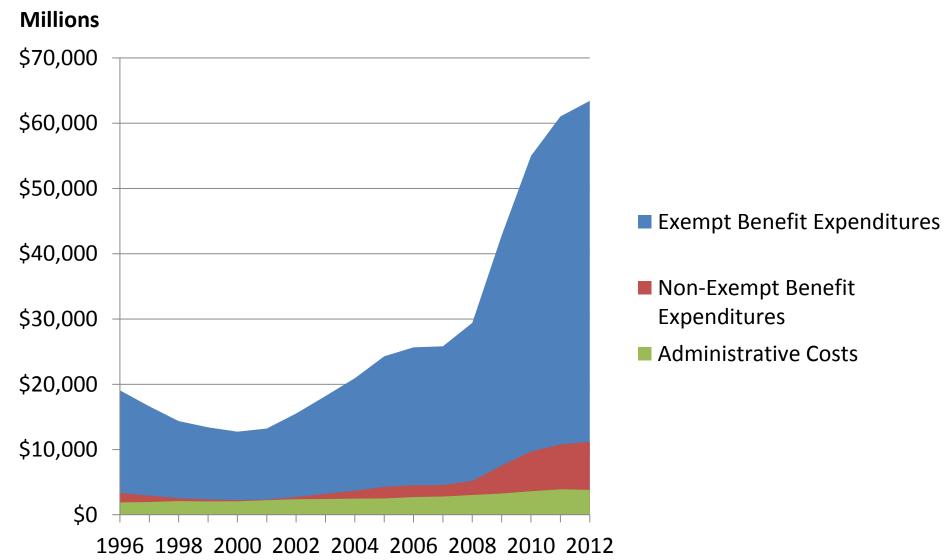
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Secretary's Innovation Group

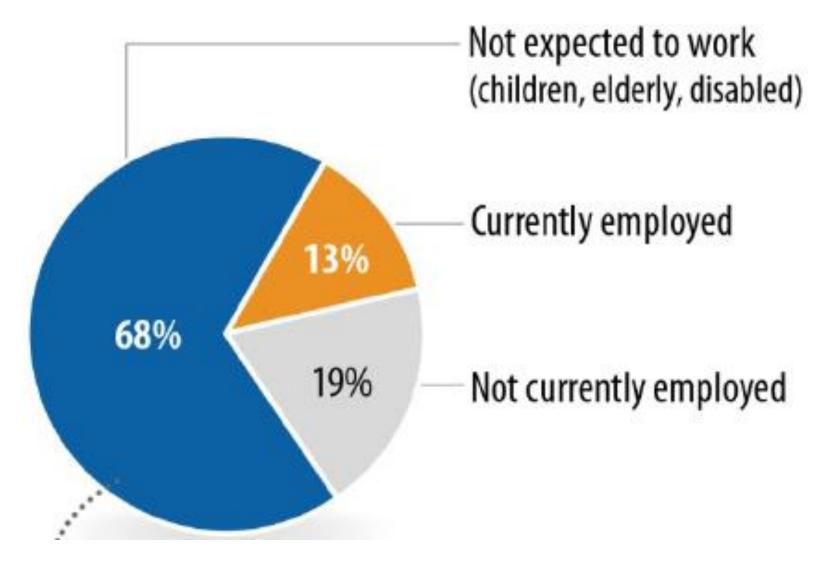


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SNAP Expenditures 1996-2012

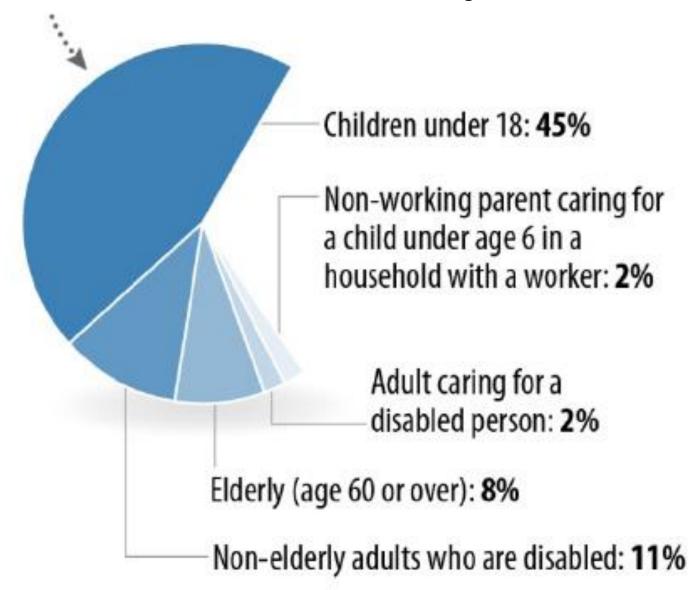


Exempt vs. Non-Exempt



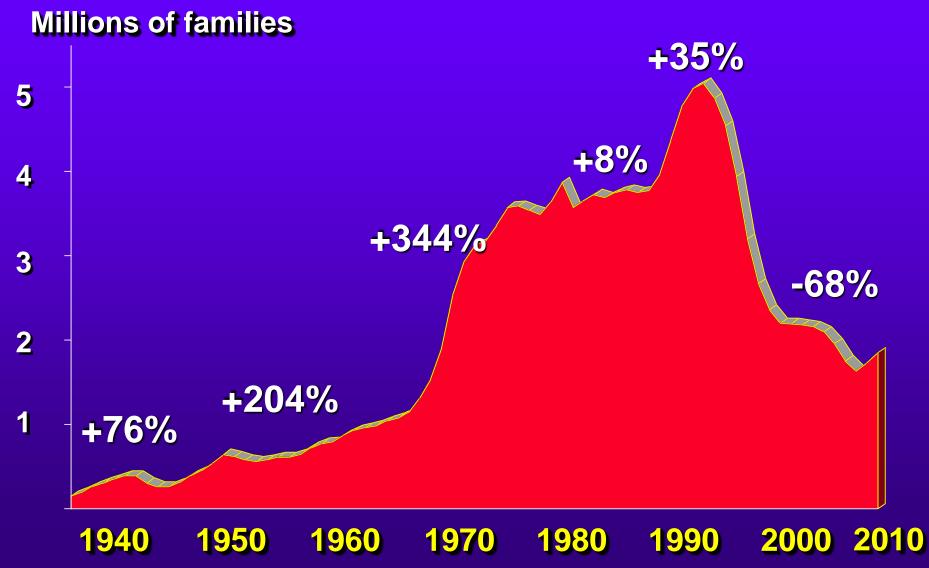
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Who is Exempt?

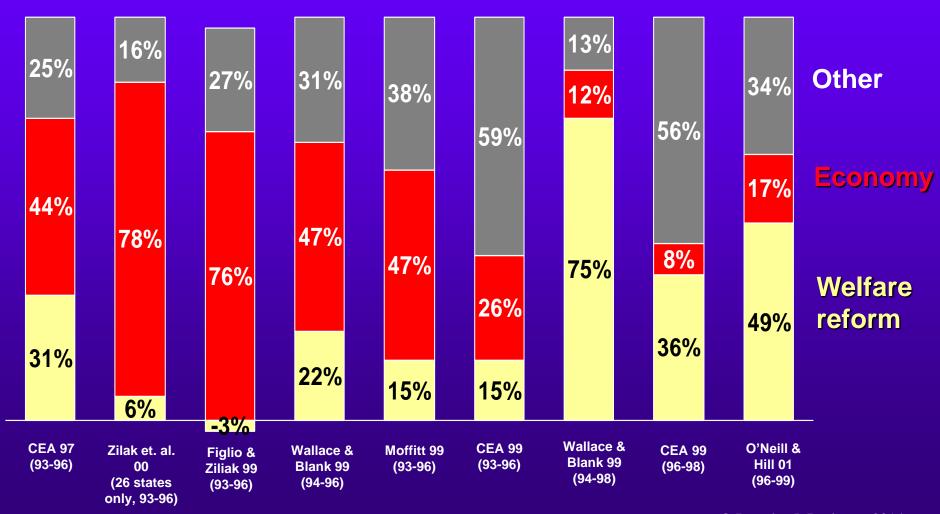


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Welfare's Growth and Decline



What Caused Welfare's Decline?



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Job Search vs. Workforce Development

	Short-term effects (1-2 years)	Longer-term effects (4-5 years)
Job Search	Ť	+
Workforce Development		- (but caught up in last years)

Note: Comparisons are between intervention groups

Conclusions

(James Riccio, MDRC)

- No miracles, but w-t-w programs can make important difference
- More evidence of success in increasing job entry than in promoting advancement; limited staff capacity on advancement
- Little added value of mandatory "education-first" approach
- Incentives can increase employment, though effects may not last;
 better when combined with services
- Re-think how to approach training: Generic guidance by itself shows little promise. Sector-strategies promising for skills-building
- Targeting matters: Important variation in effects by subgroup
- Consider connections across transfer programs: Work interventions for housing voucher recipients may be a way to help part of the SNAP caseload