

TABLE 22

CURRENT DURATION OF ACTIVE SPELLS COMPARED TO COMPLETED DURATION OF NEW SPELLS  
BY SELECTED CHARACTERISTICS: SPELLS ACTIVE IN SEPTEMBER 1993 AND NEW SPELLS BEGINNING IN FY93

| Characteristic      | Current Duration of Active Spells in Months |        |         |      |       | Completed Duration of New Spells in Months |        |         |      |       |
|---------------------|---|--------|---------|------|-------|--|--------|---------|------|-------|
|                     | 1 to 4                                      | 5 to 8 | 9 to 12 | 13+  | Total | 1 to 4                                     | 5 to 8 | 9 to 12 | 13+  | Total |
| All Children        | 34.6  | 12.1   | 7.5     | 45.8 | 100   | 54   | 16.9   | 9       | 20.1 | 100   |
| Age of Child        |   |        |         |      |       |  |        |         |      |       |
| Infant (0)          | 81.3  | 12.5   | 6.2     | 0    | 100   | 58.9                                       | 15.5   | 8.2     | 17.4 | 100   |
| 1 to 5              | 37.8  | 13.9   | 12.1    | 36.3 | 100   | 56.7                                       | 14.2   | 9.3     | 19.8 | 100   |
| 6 to 10             | 36.4  | 12     | 6.2     | 45.4 | 100   | 51.4                                       | 18.8   | 8       | 21.7 | 100   |
| 11 to 15            | 28.4  | 10.3   | 5.3     | 56   | 100   | 55.1                                       | 16.3   | 10.4    | 18.2 | 100   |
| 16 to 18            | 30.8  | 12.6   | 7.5     | 49.2 | 100   | 49.8                                       | 20.2   | 8.1     | 21.8 | 100   |
| Poverty Level       |   |        |         |      |       |  |        |         |      |       |
| Less than 50% FPL   | 37.3  | 10.2   | 7.6     | 44.8 | 100   | 62.8                                       | 15.5   | 8.1     | 13.7 | 100   |
| 50% to < 100% FPL   | 39  | 11     | 6.3     | 43.7 | 100   | 55.3                                       | 17     | 8.6     | 19.1 | 100   |
| 100% to < 200% FPL  | 31.2  | 11.3   | 7.6     | 49.8 | 100   | 50.8                                       | 17.8   | 8.6     | 22.8 | 100   |
| 200% to < 300% FPL  | 31.8  | 14.5   | 8.7     | 45   | 100   | 51.2                                       | 13.6   | 11.4    | 23.8 | 100   |
| 300% FPL or Greater | 40.7  | 16.4   | 7.8     | 35.1 | 100   | 53   | 19.7   | 9.5     | 17.8 | 100   |
| Parents' Employment |   |        |         |      |       |  |        |         |      |       |
| 1 or More Full Time | 33.6  | 11.9   | 7.6     | 46.9 | 100   | 53.5                                       | 17.2   | 8.5     | 20.8 | 100   |
| Part Time Only      | 35.7  | 13     | 6       | 45.3 | 100   | 49.8                                       | 20.2   | 13.1    | 16.8 | 100   |
| No Working Parent   | 39.6  | 11     | 5.8     | 43.6 | 100   | 56.3                                       | 14.5   | 10.5    | 18.7 | 100   |
| No Parent Present   | 34.2  | 14.1   | 15.1    | 36.6 | 100   | 60.3                                       | 15.6   | 2.6     | 21.5 | 100   |

SOURCE: Survey of Income and Program Participation, 1992 Panel.

NOTE: For active spells, characteristics refer to September 1993. For new spells, characteristics refer to the start of the spell.