

Child Support

Definition

Child Support is financial support paid by parents to help support a child or children of whom they do not have custody.

Nevada Child-Support Enforcement Data: Federal Fiscal Years 2002 and 2004

<i>Category</i>	<i>2002</i>	<i>2004</i>
Total number of open child-support cases at the end of the fiscal year	125,681	111,694
Total amount of current support due	\$164,678,836	\$177,812,049
Total amount of current support distributed	\$72,989,111	\$90,876,206
Annual percent of current support amount due which was distributed	45.8%	51.1%
Total cumulative amount of unpaid prior support due for all fiscal years	\$661,150,884	\$880,073,356
Total amount of unpaid prior support distributed	\$34,100,380	\$43,390,445
Annual percent of unpaid prior support due which was distributed	5.2%	4.9%

Source: Nevada Department of Human Resources, Welfare Division, Child Support Enforcement Program, 2003 and 2005.

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Nevada's total child-support collections (withholding, voluntary payment, unemployment compensation, and income-tax withholding) increased from 2002 to 2004. Nevada collected and distributed 51.1 percent of current child support due in fiscal year 2004.

Counties

Three state child-support offices are located in Elko, Las Vegas, and Reno. Each of Nevada's counties, with the exception of Esmeralda, Eureka, Lander, and Storey, provide child-support services. The state office in Elko manages child-support cases in Eureka County. Las Vegas state office manages child-support cases from Esmeralda County. Reno state office manages Storey County and a portion of Douglas County child-support cases. Elko's District Attorney's Office and Elko's state office share in the management of Lander County's child-support cases.

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Nevada Child-Support Enforcement Data: Month Ending January 2005

<i>County</i>	<i>Total Current Support Distributed*</i>	<i>Total Current Support Due**</i>	<i>Percent of Current Support Distributed***</i>
Churchill DA	\$1,735,323.23	\$2,886,036.40	60.0
Clark DA	54,720,677.52	125,187,413.24	43.0
Douglas DA	1,391,546.67	2,363,362.16	58.0
Elko DA	4,933,981.38	7,384,376.21	66.0
Esmeralda DA	19,209.47	34,648.00	55.0
Eureka DA	0.00	0.00	0.0
Humboldt DA	1,816,152.03	2,916,616.89	62.0
Lander DA	0.00	0.00	0.0
Lincoln DA	191,050.46	387,076.91	49.0
Lyon DA	1,558,962.98	2,781,578.29	56.0
Mineral DA	495,718.37	959,632.63	56.0
Nye DA	1,409,658.47	3,377,642.87	41.0
Carson City DA	2,704,906.79	5,134,436.89	52.0
Pershing DA	391,360.39	668,695.86	58.0
Storey DA	13,586.22	32,783.54	41.0
Washoe DA	15,325,609.46	29,125,986.68	52.0
White Pine DA	920,500.17	1,357,544.66	67.0
Las Vegas PAO	12,788.85	150,375.78	8.0
Reno PAO	306,594.05	1,525,674.99	20.0
Elko PAO	120,629.08	408,574.41	29.0
Carson City PAO	0.00	0.00	0.0
TOTAL	88,068,255.59	186,682,456.41	47.0

Note: DA=District Attorney's Office and PAO=Program Area Office.

*"Of the total current support collected, the amount forwarded to families."

**"The total amount due from all cases with court ordered child support."

***"The total amount of current support distributed divided by the total number of collections."

Source: Nevada Welfare Division, Child Support Enforcement Program, 2004, "State of Nevada Incentive Measures for Month Ending January, 2005," available online at: <<http://www.welfare.state.nv.us/child/statistics/incentive-2005-01.htm>> as of 4/17/06.