

AGE OF CHILD SUPPORT DEBT IN IOWA JUNE 30, 2010

<u>Age of Debt</u>	<u>Debt to Other States</u>	<u>Debt to State of Iowa</u>	<u>Debt to Family</u>
1 Month to 1 Year	\$ 73,531	\$ 10,361,380	\$ 65,762,167
1 to 2 Years	65,783	9,492,942	55,264,769
2 to 3 Years	77,298	9,408,431	48,823,086
3 to 4 Years	78,607	9,890,878	46,874,745
4 to 5 Years	72,327	10,428,193	44,438,676
5 to 10 Years	403,684	59,791,583	185,928,625
10 to 15 Years	450,614	64,283,124	108,138,051
15 to 20 Years	381,737	56,547,406	36,109,821
More than 20 Years	225,118	71,381,695	25,549,634
Total	<u>\$ 1,828,699</u>	<u>\$ 301,585,632</u>	<u>\$ 616,889,576</u>

Notes:

- 1) In 1997, the General Assembly repealed the statute of limitations on child support debt.
- 2) New cases with existing debt is a key factor in the total amount of debt owed. In SFY 2010, Child Support opened 3,973 cases with existing debt of \$11,250,858.
- 3) Approximately 29.0% of the debt owed to the State of Iowa is owed on cases where a parent lives in another state. There are 26,051 cases where the parent lives in another state.
- 4) A portion of the debt owed to Iowa (approximately two-thirds), when paid, would be returned to the federal government to offset federal costs of supporting these families.
- 5) This data represents total debt owed on Title IV-D Child Support Recovery Unit cases only. The number of Title IV-D cases in Iowa was 192,758 as of June 30, 2010.
- 6) The Federal Deficit Reduction Act (DRA) required a federal policy change regarding the distribution of child support receipts effective 10/1/09. As part of that change, and to simplify Iowa's distribution system, the General Assembly adopted a one-time satisfaction of largely uncollectible debt that had been assigned to Iowa under an older federal law. The DRA's family-first simplification changes also allowed some old debt to be reassigned as debt owed to families.

Source: Department of Human Services, Bureau of Collections