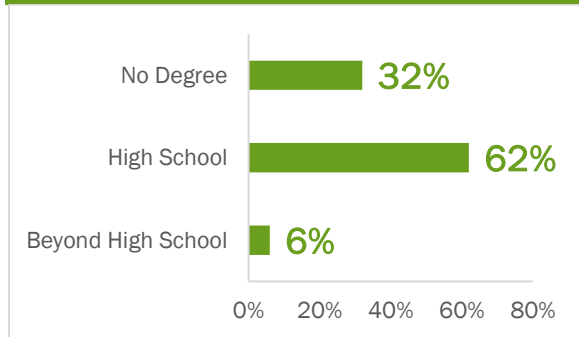


Temporary Cash Assistance (TCA) Recipients in Lower Shore

Most have a high school education



Most have recent work experience, but their earnings are low

- ❖ **58%** worked in the year before receiving TCA
- ❖ Earned a median of **\$4,624** in that year
- ❖ **69%** worked in the year after leaving TCA
- ❖ Earned a median of **\$7,754** in that year

They do not receive welfare for long periods of time

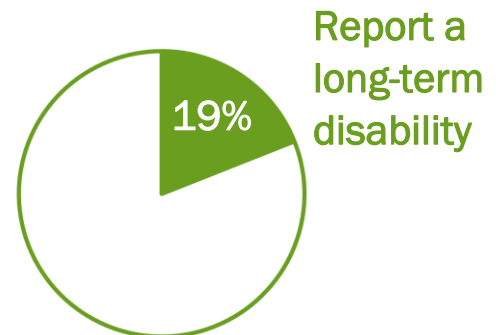
65% received assistance for 2 years or less in last 10 years

7% received assistance for more than 5 of the last 10 years

Typically, they are African American women with 1 or 2 children

- ❖ **88%** are female
- ❖ **67%** are African American
- ❖ **31** years old, on average
- ❖ **69%** have 1 to 2 children
- ❖ **48%** have a child under 3 years old

Some have disabilities that are expected to last over 1 year



The Lower Shore includes Wicomico, Worcester, & Somerset Counties.

Employment and earnings data is based on adult payees who were TCA recipients on cases that closed in federal fiscal 2015 and includes only formal employment in Maryland. All other data is based on analysis of 1,040 adults who received TCA benefits for at least one month in state fiscal 2016 (July 2015 through June 2016).



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