

TANF Challenges in the Current Recession



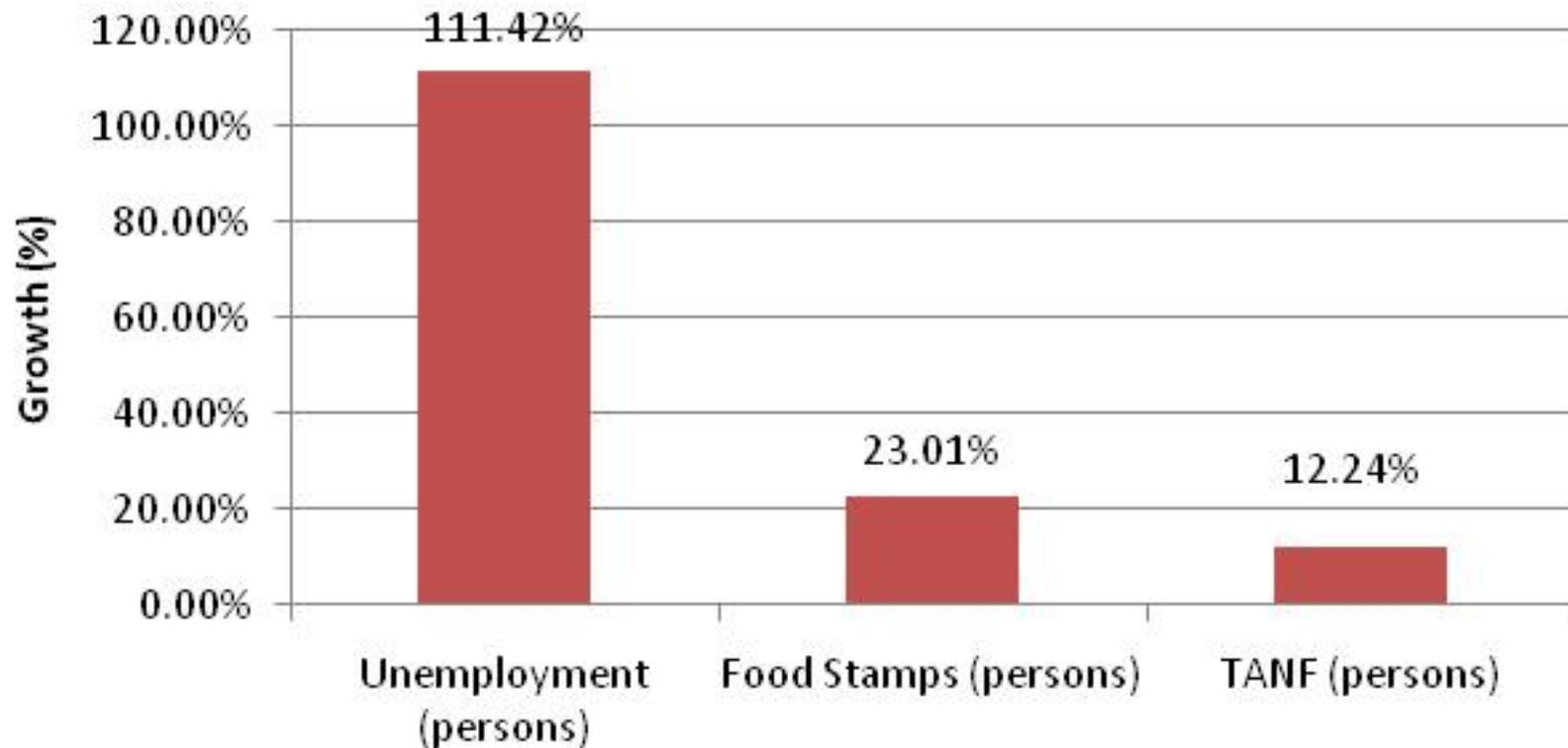
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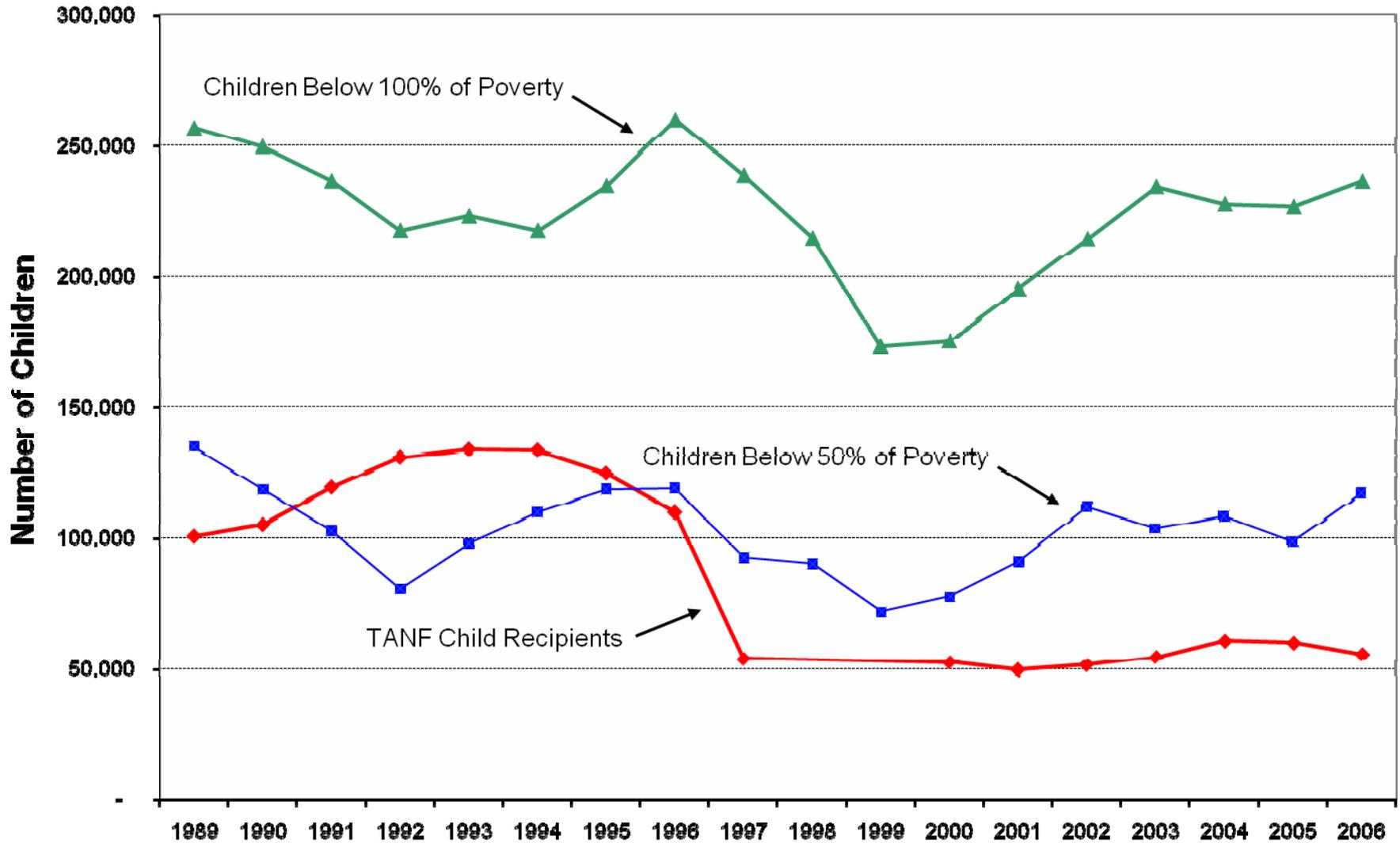
Key Programs Lagging:

Growth in the Unemployed, Food Stamp Reciprocity, and TANF Reciprocity Since the Start of the Recession, December '07 to April '09



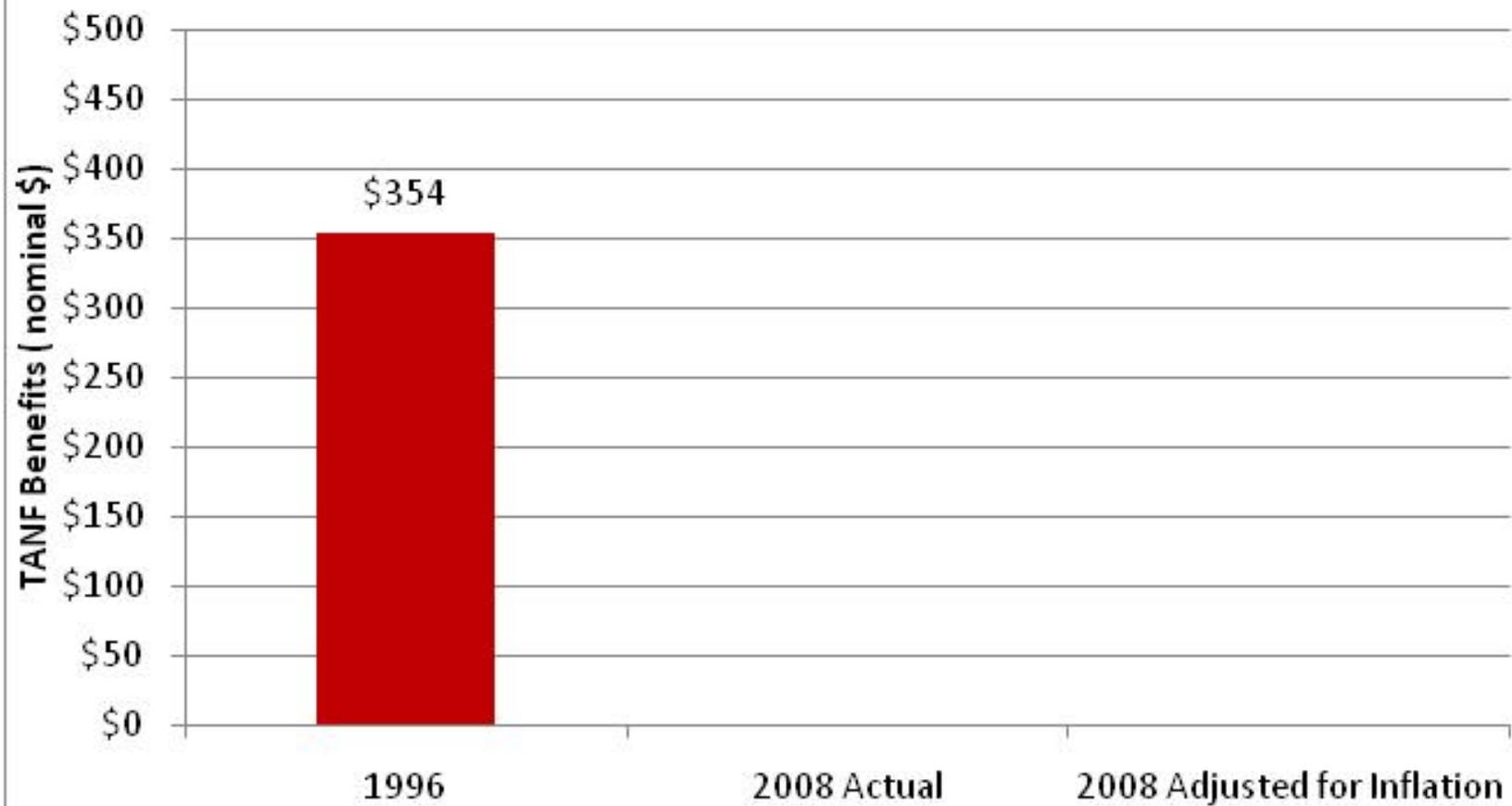
Source: VEC and Virginia DSS.

Comparison of Virginia Children In Poverty and TANF Child Recipients



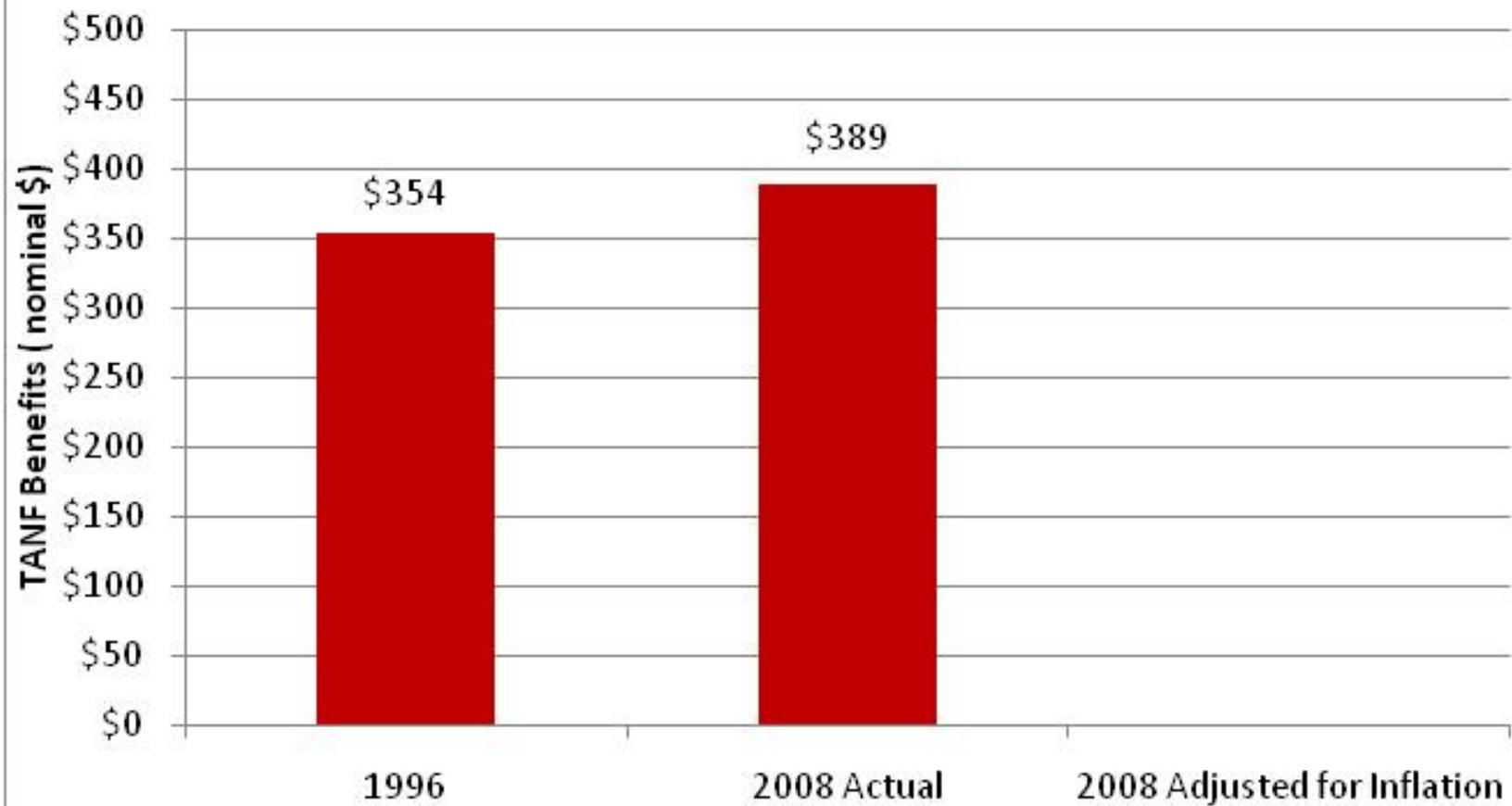
Methodology: Annual number of Virginia children in poverty was estimated using 3 year averages from the March Supplement of the Current Population Survey.

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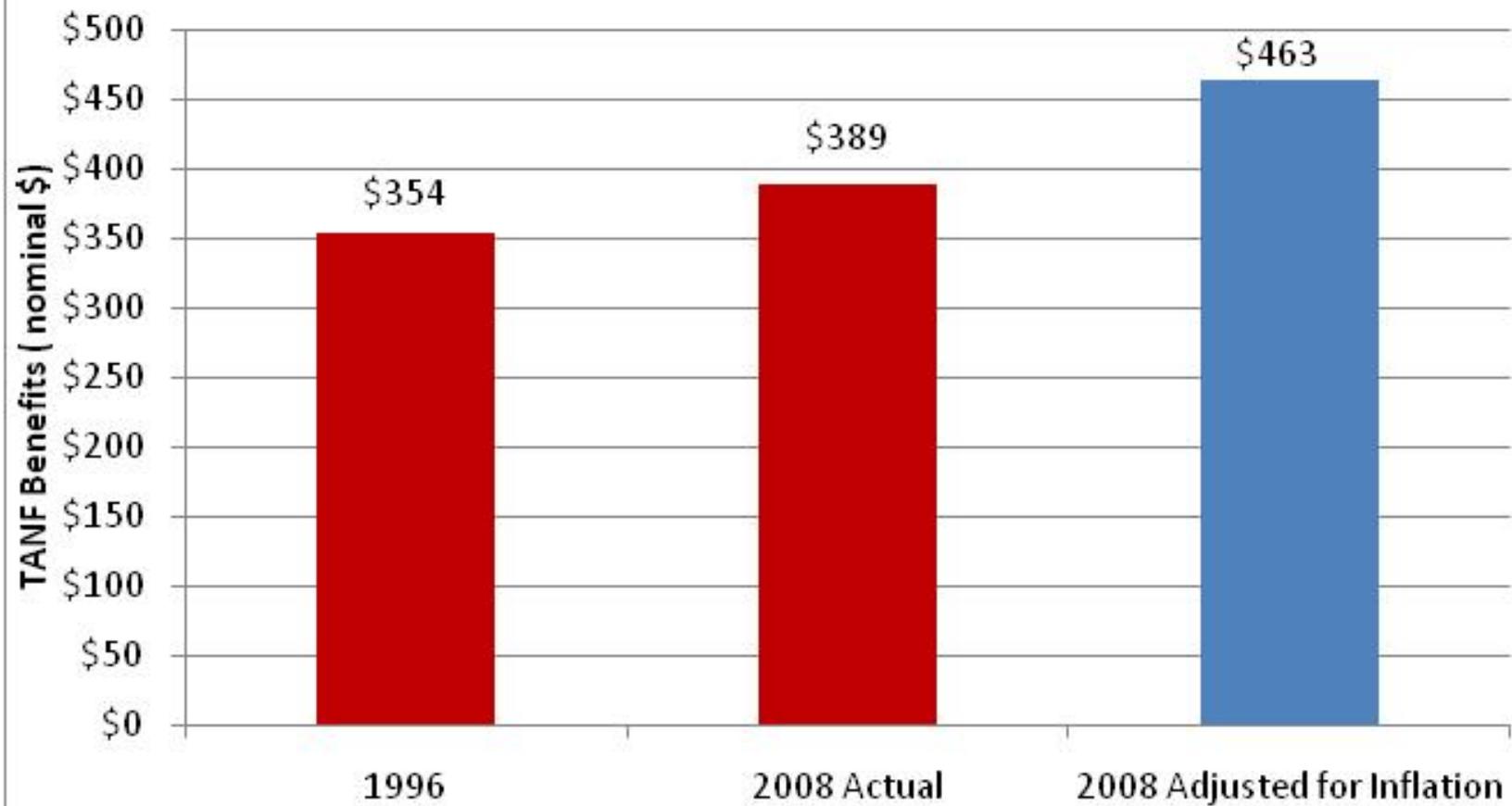
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