

Table 4. Determination of Causal County

Will my county be considered a Causal Contributing County should the State be penalized for not meeting the TANF Work Participation Rate?

Action	Causal County?
<b>Ohio Works First (OWF) Work Required Participants age 25 Years (if not a participant in CCMEP prior to their 25th birthday) and Older</b>	
Were at least 50% of the county's All-Family OWF work required participants age 25 years and older assigned work participation hours in sufficient quantity to meet the requirements of paragraph (C) of rule 5101:1-3-12 of the OAC?	<b>If Yes, go to the next box. If No, causal county.</b>
Did at least 50% of the county's All-Family OWF work required participants age 25 years and older participate ( <i>documented &amp; verified</i> ) in a <u>sufficient number of assigned core and non-core TANF work participation hours</u> as described in paragraph (F) of rule 5101:1-3-01 of the OAC to meet the required number of hours of paragraph (C) of rule 5101:1-3-12? <sup>1</sup>	<b>If Yes, not a causal county. If No, causal county.</b>
Were at least 90% of the county's 2-Parent OWF work required participants age 25 years and older assigned work participation hours in sufficient quantity to meet the requirements of paragraph (C) of rule 5101:1-3-12 of the OAC?	<b>If Yes, go to the next box. If No, causal county.</b>
Did at least 90% of the county's 2-Parent OWF work required participants age 25 years and older participate ( <i>documented &amp; verified</i> ) in a <u>sufficient number of assigned core and non-core TANF work participation hours</u> as described in paragraph (F) of rule 5101:1-3-01 of the OAC to meet the required number of hours of paragraph (C) of rule 5101:1-3-12? <sup>1</sup>	<b>If Yes, not a causal county. If No, causal county.</b>
<b>Ohio Works First (OWF) Work Required Participants age 16-24 Years Enrolled in CCMEP</b>	
Were at least 50% of the county's All-Family OWF work required participants age 16-24 years assigned work participation activities in accordance with paragraph (C) of rule 5101:14-1-05 of the OAC in sufficient quantity to meet the higher of either 20 hours per week or the requirements of paragraph (C) of rule 5101:1-3-12 of the OAC?	<b>If Yes, go to the next box. If No, causal county.</b>
Did at least 50% of the county's All-Family OWF work required participants age 16-24 years participate ( <i>documented &amp; verified</i> ) in a <u>sufficient number of assigned work participation hours from CCMEP activities</u> described in paragraph (C) of rule 5101:14-1-05 of the OAC to meet the higher of either 20 hours per week or the required number of hours of paragraph (C) of rule 5101:1-3-12?	<b>If Yes, not a causal county. If No, causal county.</b>
Were at least 90% of the county's 2-Parent OWF work required participants age 16-24 years assigned work participation activities in accordance with paragraph (C) of rule 5101:14-1-05 in sufficient quantity to meet the higher of either 20 hours per week per participant, or the requirements of paragraph (C) of rule 5101:1-3-12 of the OAC?	<b>If Yes, go to the next box. If No, causal county.</b>
Did at least 90% of the county's 2-Parent OWF work required participants age 16-24 years participate ( <i>documented &amp; verified</i> ) in a <u>sufficient number of assigned work participation hours from CCMEP activities</u> described in paragraph (C) of rule 5101:14-1-05 of the OAC to meet the higher of either 20 hours per week per participant or the required number of hours of paragraph (C) of rule 5101:1-3-12?	<b>If Yes, not a causal county. If No, causal county.</b>

**NOTE:**

<sup>1</sup> Certain core and non-core TANF activities have restrictions on the number of hours that will count toward the TANF work participation rate. These are detailed by activity in rules 5101:1-3-12 through 5101:1-3-12.12 of OAC.

- 1) While Ohio's TANF waiver request would be applicable to the entire OWF work required participant population this would not affect county practice with OWF work required participants enrolled in CCMEP. The waive is only meaningful:
  - a. For change of practice (*assignment*) and work participation rate calculation at the county level for participants age 25 years and older
  - b. For work participation rate calculation at the State level for all participants (age 16-24 years old and age 25 years and older).
- 2) Ohio's waiver request, if approved, would alter the following:
  - a. Distinction between core and non-core TANF hours
  - b. Increase vocational education training time limit from 12 to 36 months
  - c. Increase job search and job readiness time limit from 6 to 12 weeks and remove the 4 consecutive week limit
  - d. Maintain 80-hour annual cap, but remove the 16-hour monthly cap on good cause hours credited toward work participation.