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Hello Professor Skinner,

Here is the data you requested. All numbers are annual averages in thousands of employees, and most of the states had data for both "Social Assistance" and "Health Care and Social Assistance" from 1990 to 2015. There are a number of exceptions:

1. Iowa, Kansas, Mississippi, Nevada, New Hampshire, South Carolina, South Dakota, and West Virginia did not have data for "Social Assistance" on its own, only "Health and Social Assistance" together. I left the underlying data for these in the spreadsheet but I did not include these states in the master data table.
2. New Mexico did not have data for either of these categories; instead, they only report "Education and Health Services" as a whole. I also left the underlying data in the spreadsheet, but did not include New Mexico in the master data table.
3. Kentucky and Michigan only have "Social Assistance" data from 2001+
4. Wisconsin only has "Social Assistance" data from 1995+.
5. As you mentioned, Alaska had a separate "Health Care" category, and only had data from 2003+.

As a result, 41 states are found in the master data table, and 4 of them do not have the full 15 years of data.

Please let me know if you want anything in a different format, you see any issues, or you have any questions.

Thanks,
Jan