Data Dictionary for Public Assistance

Field	Description
neighborhood	Name of the neighborhood. Neighborhood boundaries were defined by residents instead of by public officials.
number_households_receiving_grants_1974	Number of households receiving cash grants in 1974 under the public assistance program of the Pennsylvania Department of Welfare
percentage_households_receiving_grants_1974	Percentage of households receiving cash grants in 1974 under the public assistance program of the Pennsylvania Department of Welfare
number_households_receiving_grants_1975	Number of households receiving cash grants in 1975 under the public assistance program of the Pennsylvania Department of Welfare
percentage_households_receiving_grants_1975	Percentage of households receiving cash grants in 1975 under the public assistance program of the Pennsylvania Department of Welfare
number_households_receiving_grants_1976	Number of households receiving cash grants in 1976 under the public assistance program of the Pennsylvania Department of Welfare
percentage_households_receiving_grants_1976	Percentage of households receiving cash grants in 1976 under the public assistance program of the Pennsylvania Department of Welfare

Data Notes:
1. Information for Glen Hazel Heights is omitted for much of it would be misleading or inaccurate due to major changes in the neighborhood since 1970 resulting from the razing and reconstruction of the Glen Hazel Heights housing project (in progress) and the opening of a new apartment building for the elderly (Atlas authors' note on p.1 of the report)
2. Four Pittsburgh neighborhoods, Hays, Lincoln Place, New Homestead Hill, and Gates Manor-Homeridge Terrace, comprise the 31st Ward. Statistics were compiled from data issued by census tract. The combined figures for these tracts are used. They are therefore descriptive of the area as a whole, the 31st Ward, and conclusions about any one neighborhood cannot be drawn from the data as given.
3. For the St Clair Village and Mt Oliver neighborhoods the statistics were compiled from data issued for census tract #1605, which conforms exactly to the area made up of the two neighborhoods. These figures therefore describe characteristics of the area as a whole and cannot be used to draw conclusions about one neighborhood or the other. Users of this atlas must keep in mind that specific figures for St. Clair Village or Mt. Oliver Neighborhood cannot be extracted from the data as given. (Appendix)
4. The percentages are based on 1974 Polk households. Only households receiving cash grants under Aid to Dependent Children, Aid to Dependent Children-Unemployed Parent; General Assistance, and State Blind Pension programs are tabulated. The count is of those on assistance as of April 5, 1974, February 28, 1975, and February 27, 1976; households whose grants were terminated between reporting dates are not included.

Data Sources:
Information for the atlas was obtained from the 1960 and 1970 U. S. Census of Population and Housing; R. L. Polk and Company's "Profiles of Change" for Pittsburgh in 1974; Pittsburgh's Department of City Planning and Bureau of Police; the Allegheny County Board of Assistance, and Department of Elections and Voter Registration; Southwestern Pennsylvania Regional Planning Commission; and the Citizen Survey conducted by the Pittsburgh Neighborhood Atlas.