

Households on Cash, Food, and Medical Assistance¹ Programs in Washington State By Primary Language², April 2024

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Primary Language	State Total			
	# of Unique ³ Households	% of Households	# of Unique ³ Clients	% of Clients
Total Households	1,331,643	100.0%	2,220,979	100.0%
English	1,141,272	85.7%	1,844,452	83.0%
Spanish	107,678	8.1%	224,110	10.1%
Large Print English	15,345	1.2%	21,137	1.0%
Russian	14,787	1.1%	31,099	1.4%
Vietnamese	9,329	0.7%	14,178	0.6%
Chinese	7,887	0.6%	12,103	0.5%
Ukrainian	6,631	0.5%	16,013	0.7%
Korean	3,713	0.3%	4,926	0.2%
Arabic	2,449	0.2%	6,224	0.3%
Dari	2,395	0.2%	8,361	0.4%
Somali	1,764	0.1%	4,147	0.2%
Cambodian (Khmer)	1,643	0.1%	2,165	0.1%
Other Language	1,577	0.1%	3,191	0.1%
Punjabi	1,558	0.1%	2,523	0.1%
Amharic	1,462	0.1%	2,825	0.1%
Portuguese	1,364	0.1%	2,593	0.1%
French	1,273	0.1%	2,405	0.1%
Tigrigna	1,212	0.1%	2,428	0.1%
Farsi	1,022	0.1%	1,758	0.1%
Tagalog	829	0.1%	1,082	0.0%
Pashto	616	0.0%	2,558	0.1%
Trukese	605	0.0%	1,303	0.1%
Romanian	563	0.0%	1,482	0.1%
Laotian	428	0.0%	510	0.0%
Burmese	392	0.0%	1,056	0.0%
Haitian-Creole	375	0.0%	607	0.0%
Swahili	303	0.0%	757	0.0%
American SignLanguage	298	0.0%	343	0.0%
Oromo	270	0.0%	761	0.0%
Samoan	244	0.0%	361	0.0%
Albanian	229	0.0%	438	0.0%
Thai	221	0.0%	291	0.0%
Hindi	215	0.0%	328	0.0%
Turkish	187	0.0%	313	0.0%
Serbo-Croatian	154	0.0%	171	0.0%
Japanese	150	0.0%	224	0.0%
Braille	126	0.0%	185	0.0%
Urdu	123	0.0%	216	0.0%
Persian	86	0.0%	150	0.0%
Gujarati	75	0.0%	111	0.0%
Ilocano	75	0.0%	93	0.0%
French Creole	68	0.0%	111	0.0%
Hmong	67	0.0%	118	0.0%
Bengali	51	0.0%	66	0.0%
Polish	45	0.0%	54	0.0%
Indonesian	44	0.0%	59	0.0%
Mien	43	0.0%	53	0.0%
Bulgarian	35	0.0%	41	0.0%
Armenian	28	0.0%	42	0.0%
German	24	0.0%	41	0.0%
Tongan	22	0.0%	28	0.0%
Fijian	20	0.0%	26	0.0%
Kikuyu	20	0.0%	24	0.0%
Finnish	19	0.0%	31	0.0%
Danish	18	0.0%	18	0.0%
Tamil	16	0.0%	21	0.0%
Dutch	14	0.0%	19	0.0%
Tibetan	14	0.0%	15	0.0%
Ibo	12	0.0%	18	0.0%
Hungarian	11	0.0%	15	0.0%
Malayalam	10	0.0%	15	0.0%
Norwegian	10	0.0%	12	0.0%
Salish	10	0.0%	14	0.0%
Zulu	10	0.0%	19	0.0%
All other languages ⁴	107	0.0%	141	0.0%

Data Notes:

¹ Medical Assistance includes cases served by the Community Service Division (CSD), Home and Community Services (HCS), Developmental Disabilities Administration (DDA), and the Health Benefit Exchange (HBE) / Health Care Authority (HCA).

² The primary language used by the household (spoken and written).

³ Each household/client is counted once regardless of the number of services received.

⁴ Combines languages with household counts between 1 and 9.