

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

Source: DSHS-ESA/EMAPS Assignment M5410 using the ACES Data Warehouse as of the September 2024 load

This report was produced on September 16, 2024

This report has been approved for external use (outside of ESA)

Primary Language	State Total			
	# of Unique ³ Households	% of Households	# of Unique ³ Clients	% of Clients
Total Households	1,330,656	100.0%	2,213,254	100.0%
English	1,134,539	85.3%	1,823,823	82.4%
Spanish	111,740	8.4%	233,853	10.6%
Large Print English	16,076	1.2%	22,176	1.0%
Russian	14,770	1.1%	31,084	1.4%
Vietnamese	9,324	0.7%	14,124	0.6%
Chinese	7,930	0.6%	12,175	0.6%
Ukrainian	6,974	0.5%	16,825	0.8%
Korean	3,734	0.3%	4,965	0.2%
Arabic	2,532	0.2%	6,307	0.3%
Dari	2,528	0.2%	8,864	0.4%
Cambodian (Khmer)	1,649	0.1%	2,166	0.1%
Somali	1,636	0.1%	3,885	0.2%
Punjabi	1,602	0.1%	2,575	0.1%
Other Language	1,578	0.1%	3,284	0.1%
Amharic	1,515	0.1%	2,927	0.1%
Portuguese	1,460	0.1%	2,887	0.1%
French	1,370	0.1%	2,575	0.1%
Tigrigna	1,233	0.1%	2,505	0.1%
Farsi	1,014	0.1%	1,744	0.1%
Tagalog	825	0.1%	1,054	0.0%
Pashto	635	0.0%	2,557	0.1%
Trukese	619	0.0%	1,314	0.1%
Romanian	555	0.0%	1,444	0.1%
Haitian-Creole	450	0.0%	730	0.0%
Laotian	428	0.0%	512	0.0%
Burmese	399	0.0%	1,069	0.0%
Swahili	321	0.0%	774	0.0%
American Sign Language	298	0.0%	347	0.0%
Oromo	267	0.0%	732	0.0%
Samoan	260	0.0%	393	0.0%
Thai	232	0.0%	304	0.0%
Turkish	221	0.0%	390	0.0%
Hindi	214	0.0%	322	0.0%
Albanian	211	0.0%	400	0.0%
Japanese	155	0.0%	234	0.0%
Serbo-Croatian	148	0.0%	162	0.0%
Braille	132	0.0%	191	0.0%
Urdu	122	0.0%	219	0.0%
Persian	95	0.0%	161	0.0%
Ilocano	76	0.0%	94	0.0%
Gujarati	75	0.0%	117	0.0%
French Creole	70	0.0%	117	0.0%
Hmong	62	0.0%	108	0.0%
Bengali	52	0.0%	69	0.0%
Indonesian	46	0.0%	63	0.0%
Mien	45	0.0%	53	0.0%
Polish	45	0.0%	51	0.0%
Bulgarian	29	0.0%	33	0.0%
Armenian	27	0.0%	46	0.0%
Kikuyu	27	0.0%	32	0.0%
Tongan	22	0.0%	29	0.0%
German	21	0.0%	35	0.0%
Danish	19	0.0%	22	0.0%
Tamil	19	0.0%	24	0.0%
Fijian	17	0.0%	20	0.0%
Finnish	17	0.0%	24	0.0%
Dutch	14	0.0%	19	0.0%
Tibetan	14	0.0%	15	0.0%
Hungarian	11	0.0%	15	0.0%
Ibo	11	0.0%	17	0.0%
Malayalam	11	0.0%	16	0.0%
Zulu	11	0.0%	21	0.0%
Visayan	10	0.0%	11	0.0%
All other languages ⁴	114	0.0%	150	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.