

## MCS Program

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<sup>1</sup> HEN: Housing and Essential Needs program

## Medical Care Services (MCS)

Medical Care Services (MCS)<sup>2</sup> provides medical assistance for low-income adults who are unable to work for at least 90 days due to a physical or mental incapacity. MCS recipients may be eligible for housing assistance through the Housing and Essential Needs (HEN) program administered by the Department of Commerce. The MCS client population described in this section is limited to those who are potentially eligible for the HEN program. The term “MCS/Potentially HEN” is used to describe this client population.

### Highlights:

- MCS/Potentially HEN program averaged 9,583 recipients per month in SFY 2013, down by 18.6% from a monthly average of 11,362 in SFY 2012.
- In June 2013, the majority of MCS/Potentially HEN recipients were male (61.7%), White (66.6%), and never married (57.2%). The average age of MCS/Potentially HEN recipients was 40.6 years.

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<sup>2</sup> During the 2013 legislative session, the Legislature passed Substitute House Bill 2069, which narrows MCS eligibility to include only ABD and HEN recipients who are ineligible for Medicaid expansion. This change will maintain MCS coverage for aged, blind, disabled, or incapacitated immigrants under the five-year bar and legally present immigrants who are ineligible for other medical assistance following Medicaid expansion. The effective date for these MCS eligibility changes is January 1, 2014.

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### Selected MCS/Potentially HEN Program Characteristics SFY 2013

Source: ESA-ACES Data

|  | <b>SFY 2013</b><br><b>(July 2012 – June 2013)</b> |
|--|---|
| <b>Average Number of Persons Per Month (Range)</b>                   | 9,583<br>(9,145 – 9,939)                          |
| <b>Recipients as a Percent of State's Total Population</b>           | 0.1%  |
| <b>State Total Population<sup>3</sup></b>                            | 6,882,400   |
| <b>Recipients as a Percent of State's Population Age 18 and Over</b> | Trace   |
| <b>State Population Age 18 and Over<sup>4</sup></b>                  | 5,303,670   |

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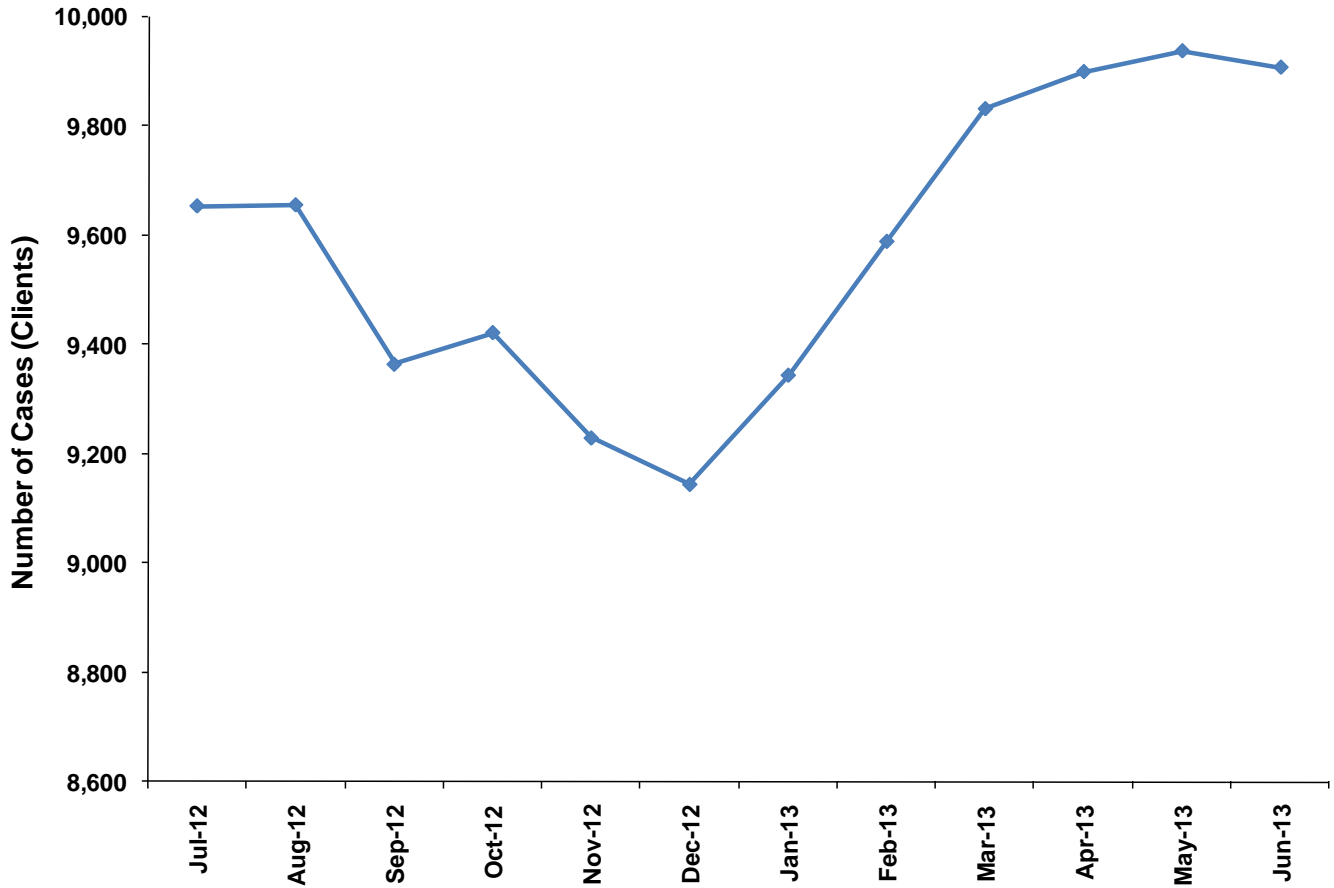
<sup>3</sup> OFM Forecasting Division

<sup>4</sup> Ibid.

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**MCS/Potentially HEN Clients by Month  
SFY 2013**

Source: ESA-ACES Data



| SFY 2013        | Persons      |
|-----------------|--------------|
| July            | 9,655        |
| August          | 9,657        |
| September       | 9,365        |
| October         | 9,423        |
| November        | 9,230        |
| December        | 9,145        |
| January         | 9,345        |
| February        | 9,590        |
| March           | 9,833        |
| April           | 9,901        |
| May             | 9,939        |
| June            | 9,909        |
| <b>Mo. Avg.</b> | <b>9,583</b> |

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**MCS/Potentially HEN Clients Moving to Other Programs  
SFY 2013**

Source: ESA-ACES Data

**During Subsequent Month Being Reported**

| SFY 2013         | Total MCS/<br>Potentially<br>HEN<br>Adults <sup>5</sup> | Adults Remaining<br>On MCS |              | Adults Moving to<br>ABD |             | Adults Moving to<br>SSI |             | Adults Exiting<br>MCS <sup>6</sup> |             |
|------------------|---|----------------------------|--------------|-------------------------|-------------|-------------------------|-------------|------------------------------------|-------------|
|                  |   | Number                     | Percent      | Number                  | Percent     | Number                  | Percent     | Number                             | Percent     |
| <b>July</b>      | 9,655   | 8,381                      | 86.8%        | 416                     | 4.3%        | 44                      | 0.5%        | 791                                | 8.2%        |
| <b>August</b>    | 9,657   | 8,286                      | 85.8%        | 355                     | 3.7%        | 34                      | 0.4%        | 947                                | 9.8%        |
| <b>September</b> | 9,365   | 8,021                      | 85.6%        | 378                     | 4.0%        | 38                      | 0.4%        | 898                                | 9.6%        |
| <b>October</b>   | 9,423   | 8,015                      | 85.1%        | 444                     | 4.7%        | 35                      | 0.4%        | 904                                | 9.6%        |
| <b>November</b>  | 9,230   | 7,984                      | 86.5%        | 311                     | 3.4%        | 34                      | 0.4%        | 878                                | 9.5%        |
| <b>December</b>  | 9,145   | 8,006                      | 87.5%        | 301                     | 3.3%        | 21                      | 0.2%        | 783                                | 8.6%        |
| <b>January</b>   | 9,345   | 8,197                      | 87.7%        | 316                     | 3.4%        | 29                      | 0.3%        | 780                                | 8.3%        |
| <b>February</b>  | 9,590   | 8,475                      | 88.4%        | 368                     | 3.8%        | 25                      | 0.3%        | 703                                | 7.3%        |
| <b>March</b>     | 9,833   | 8,554                      | 87.0%        | 399                     | 4.1%        | 41                      | 0.4%        | 813                                | 8.3%        |
| <b>April</b>     | 9,901   | 8,645                      | 87.3%        | 455                     | 4.6%        | 41                      | 0.4%        | 740                                | 7.5%        |
| <b>May</b>       | 9,939   | 8,780                      | 88.3%        | 335                     | 3.4%        | 35                      | 0.4%        | 772                                | 7.8%        |
| <b>June</b>      | 9,909   | 8,752                      | 88.3%        | 310                     | 3.1%        | 30                      | 0.3%        | 785                                | 7.9%        |
| <b>Mo. Avg.</b>  | <b>9,583</b>  | <b>8,341</b>               | <b>87.0%</b> | <b>366</b>              | <b>3.8%</b> | <b>34</b>               | <b>0.4%</b> | <b>816</b>                         | <b>8.5%</b> |

<sup>5</sup> Clients who received MCS during the reporting month. Additional columns in the table represent programs the client received during the subsequent month.

<sup>6</sup> These adults were not enrolled in ABD, SSI, or other cash programs in the following month.

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MCS/Potentially HEN Clients by DSHS Region, CSO, and HCS Office

June 2013 Snapshot

Source: ESA-ACES Data

|                     | Clients      |              |
|---------------------|--------------|--------------|
|                     | Number       | Percent      |
| <b>Region 1</b>     |              |              |
| ACCESS SPOKANE 032  | 883          | 8.9%         |
| CLARKSTON CSO       | 50           | 0.5%         |
| COLFAX CSO          | 15           | 0.2%         |
| COLVILLE CSO        | 77           | 0.8%         |
| CSD-CSC RICHLAND    | 23           | 0.2%         |
| ELLENSBURG CSO      | 33           | 0.3%         |
| GOLDENDALE CSO      | 26           | 0.3%         |
| KENNEWICK CSO       | 393          | 4.0%         |
| MOSES LAKE CSO      | 131          | 1.3%         |
| NEWPORT CSO         | 33           | 0.3%         |
| OKANOGAN CSO        | 81           | 0.8%         |
| REPUBLIC CSO        | 25           | 0.3%         |
| SUNNYSIDE CSO       | 54           | 0.5%         |
| WALLA WALLA CSO     | 63           | 0.6%         |
| WAPATO CSO          | 44           | 0.4%         |
| WENATCHEE CSO       | 131          | 1.3%         |
| WHITE SALMON CSO    | 19           | 0.2%         |
| YAKIMA CSO          | 194          | 2.0%         |
| <b>Region Total</b> | <b>2,275</b> | <b>23.0%</b> |
| <b>Region 2</b>     |              |              |
| ALDERWOOD CSO       | 180          | 1.8%         |
| AUBURN CSO          | 160          | 1.6%         |
| BELLINGHAM CSO      | 240          | 2.4%         |
| BELLTOWN CSO        | 454          | 4.6%         |
| CAPITOL HILL CSO    | 195          | 2.0%         |
| EVERETT CSO         | 355          | 3.6%         |
| FEDERAL WAY CSO     | 216          | 2.2%         |
| KING EASTSIDE CSO   | 293          | 3.0%         |
| KING NORTH CSO      | 335          | 3.4%         |
| KING SOUTH CSO      | 341          | 3.4%         |
| MT VERNON CSO       | 127          | 1.3%         |
| OAK HARBOR CSO      | 38           | 0.4%         |
| RAINIER CSO         | 217          | 2.2%         |
| RENTON CSO          | 203          | 2.0%         |
| SKY VALLEY CSO      | 105          | 1.1%         |
| SMOKEY POINT CSO    | 203          | 2.0%         |
| WHITE CENTER CSO    | 319          | 3.2%         |
| <b>Region Total</b> | <b>3,981</b> | <b>40.2%</b> |

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MCS/Potentially HEN Clients by DSHS Region, CSO, and HCS Office (continued)

June 2013 Snapshot

Source: ESA-ACES Data

|                      | Clients      |              |
|----------------------|--------------|--------------|
|                      | Number       | Percent      |
| <b>Region 3</b>      |              |              |
| ABERDEEN CSO         | 328          | 3.3%         |
| BREMERTON CSO        | 408          | 4.1%         |
| CHEHALIS CSO         | 237          | 2.4%         |
| COLUMBIA RIVER CSO   | 442          | 4.5%         |
| FORKS CSO            | 18           | 0.2%         |
| KELSO CSO            | 302          | 3.0%         |
| LAKESWOOD CSO        | 165          | 1.7%         |
| LONG BEACH CSO       | 47           | 0.5%         |
| OLYMPIA CSO          | 397          | 4.0%         |
| PIERCE NORTH CSO     | 294          | 3.0%         |
| PIERCE SOUTH CSO     | 322          | 3.2%         |
| PORT ANGELES CSO     | 72           | 0.7%         |
| PORT TOWNSEND CSO    | 33           | 0.3%         |
| PUYALLUP VALLEY CSO  | 290          | 2.9%         |
| SHELTON CSO          | 202          | 2.0%         |
| SOUTH BEND CSO       | 32           | 0.3%         |
| STEVENSON CSO        | 31           | 0.3%         |
| <b>Region Total</b>  | <b>3,620</b> | <b>36.5%</b> |
| <br>                 |              |              |
| CUSTOMER SVC CENTRAL | 1            | 0.0%         |
| CUSTOMER SVC SW      | 2            | 0.0%         |
| <br>                 |              |              |
| CUSTOMER SVC WASHCAP | 12           | 0.1%         |

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June 2013 Snapshot

Source: ESA-ACES Data

|                        | Clients      |               |
|------------------------|--------------|---------------|
|                        | Number       | Percent       |
| <b>HCS Region 1</b>    |              |               |
| COLVILLE HCS OFFICE    | 1            | 0.0%          |
| SPOKANE HCS OFFICE     | 2            | 0.0%          |
| <b>Region Total</b>    | <b>3</b>     | <b>0.0%</b>   |
| <b>HCS Region 2</b>    |              |               |
| ALDERWOOD HCS OFFICE   | 1            | 0.0%          |
| EVERETT HCS OFFICE     | 1            | 0.0%          |
| HOLGATE HCS OFFICE     | 3            | 0.0%          |
| <b>Region Total</b>    | <b>5</b>     | <b>0.1%</b>   |
| <b>HCS Region 3</b>    |              |               |
| BREMERTON HCS OFFICE   | 3            | 0.0%          |
| CHEHALIS HCS OFFICE    | 1            | 0.0%          |
| OLYMPIA HCS OFFICE     | 2            | 0.0%          |
| TACOMA HCS OFFICE      | 4            | 0.0%          |
| <b>Region Total</b>    | <b>10</b>    | <b>0.1%</b>   |
| <b>Statewide Total</b> | <b>9,909</b> | <b>100.0%</b> |



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**MCS/Potentially HEN Clients by County of Residence  
April 2013 Snapshot<sup>7</sup>**

Source: ESA-ACES Data

| County             | Clients      |               |
|--------------------|--------------|---------------|
|                    | Number       | Percent       |
| Adams              | 16           | 0.2%          |
| Asotin             | 44           | 0.4%          |
| Benton             | 283          | 2.9%          |
| Chelan             | 104          | 1.1%          |
| Clallam            | 113          | 1.1%          |
| Clark              | 418          | 4.2%          |
| Columbia           | 6            | 0.1%          |
| Cowlitz            | 284          | 2.9%          |
| Douglas            | 28           | 0.3%          |
| Ferry              | 13           | 0.1%          |
| Franklin           | 119          | 1.2%          |
| Garfield           | 2            | 0.0%          |
| Grant              | 141          | 1.4%          |
| Grays Harbor       | 315          | 3.2%          |
| Island             | 47           | 0.5%          |
| Jefferson          | 18           | 0.2%          |
| King               | 2,817        | 28.5%         |
| Kitsap             | 422          | 4.3%          |
| Kittitas           | 40           | 0.4%          |
| Klickitat          | 52           | 0.5%          |
| Lewis              | 231          | 2.3%          |
| Lincoln            | 11           | 0.1%          |
| Mason              | 188          | 1.9%          |
| Okanogan           | 73           | 0.7%          |
| Pacific            | 66           | 0.7%          |
| Pend Oreille       | 32           | 0.3%          |
| Pierce             | 1,052        | 10.6%         |
| San Juan           | 5            | 0.1%          |
| Skagit             | 116          | 1.2%          |
| Skamania           | 39           | 0.4%          |
| Snohomish          | 821          | 8.3%          |
| Spokane            | 874          | 8.8%          |
| Stevens            | 90           | 0.9%          |
| Thurston           | 411          | 4.2%          |
| Wahkiakum          | 8            | 0.1%          |
| Walla Walla        | 56           | 0.6%          |
| Whatcom            | 246          | 2.5%          |
| Whitman            | 22           | 0.2%          |
| Yakima             | 275          | 2.8%          |
| Unknown            | 3            | 0.0%          |
| <b>State Total</b> | <b>9,901</b> | <b>100.0%</b> |

<sup>7</sup> For the SFY 13 ESA Briefing Book, the client's county of residence is reported as of April (rather than June as in past publications) due to an ACES data warehouse issue affecting county level data that started in May 2013.

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MCS/Potentially HEN Client Demographics

June 2013 Snapshot

Source: ESA-ACES Data

| Characteristic                        | Number       | All Clients   |
|---------------------------------------|--------------|---------------|
|                                       |              | Percent       |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                          | <b>9,909</b> | <b>100.0%</b> |
| <b>Gender</b>                         |              |               |
| <b>Female</b>                         | 3,792        | 38.3%         |
| <b>Male</b>                           | 6,117        | 61.7%         |
| <b>Race</b>                           |              |               |
| <b>Hispanic Origin</b>                | 699          | 7.1%          |
| <b>Not Hispanic or Latino</b>         | 9,210        | 92.9%         |
| <b>White</b>                          | 6,596        | 66.6%         |
| <b>Black/African American</b>         | 988          | 10.0%         |
| <b>Asian/Pacific Islander</b>         | 239          | 2.4%          |
| <b>American Indian/ Alaska Native</b> | 292          | 2.9%          |
| <b>Two or More Races</b>              | 106          | 1.1%          |
| <b>Not Reported/Unidentifiable</b>    | 989          | 10.0%         |
| <b>Marital Status</b>                 |              |               |
| <b>Separated</b>                      | 1,040        | 10.5%         |
| <b>Married</b>                        | 458          | 4.6%          |
| <b>Never Married</b>                  | 5,664        | 57.2%         |
| <b>Divorced</b>                       | 2,463        | 24.9%         |
| <b>Widow</b>                          | 176          | 1.8%          |
| <b>Unknown</b>                        | 108          | 1.1%          |
| <b>Citizenship</b>                    |              |               |
| <b>U.S. Citizen</b>                   | 9,459        | 95.5%         |
| <b>Resident Alien</b>                 | 448          | 4.5%          |
| <b>U.S. National<sup>8</sup></b>      | 2            | 0.0%          |
| <b>Homeless</b>                       | <b>3,715</b> | <b>37.5%</b>  |

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<sup>8</sup> U.S. National: A national of the United States or a person who, though not a citizen of the United States, owes permanent allegiance to the United States (e.g., persons born in American Samoa or Swains Island).

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**MCS/Potentially HEN Client Demographics (continued)**

**June 2013 Snapshot**

Source: ESA-ACES Data

| Characteristic                  | All Clients           |         |
|---------------------------------|-----------------------|---------|
|                                 | Number                | Percent |
| <b>Disability</b>               |                       |         |
| Mental                          | 5,147                 | 51.9%   |
| Physical                        | 4,759                 | 48.0%   |
| Other <sup>9</sup>              | 3                     | 0.0%    |
| <b>Education</b>                |                       |         |
| Less than a High School Diploma | 2,215                 | 22.4%   |
| High School Graduate or GED     | 5,779                 | 58.3%   |
| Some College or College Degree  | 1,789                 | 18.1%   |
| Unknown                         | 126                   | 1.3%    |
| <b>Age</b>                      |                       |         |
| Under 18 Years Old              | 0                     | 0.0%    |
| 18 - 24 Years Old               | 1,118                 | 11.3%   |
| 25 - 34 Years Old               | 2,211                 | 22.3%   |
| 35 - 44 Years Old               | 2,302                 | 23.2%   |
| 45 - 54 Years Old               | 3,161                 | 31.9%   |
| 55 - 64 Years Old               | 1,116                 | 11.3%   |
| 65+ Years Old                   | 1                     | 0.0%    |
| Avg. Age of Clients             | <b>40.6 Years Old</b> |         |

<sup>9</sup> These clients had disability codes assigned in previous months; however, by June 2013 their cases were closed with a paid through date of 6/30/2013.