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# **Basic Food**

The Basic Food Program is Washington state's name for the combination of federally-funded Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) and the state-funded Food Assistance Program for Legal Immigrants (FAP). FAP is for individuals who are legal immigrants and meet all eligibility requirements for SNAP except for citizenship and immigration status. Basic Food helps low-income individuals and families access nutritious foods.

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#### **Basic Food Overview**

This chapter summarizes the caseload and client data for the Basic Food program in SFY 2024. The following programs are highlighted in this chapter.

- Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), formerly known as Food Stamps until 2008, provides food assistance to eligible low-income individuals and families.
- Food Assistance Program for Legal Immigrants (FAP) provides food assistance to legal immigrants who are not eligible for the federal Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP).
- Basic Food Employment and Training (BFET) provides supervised job search assistance, education, skills
  training, and other support services to individuals over age 16 receiving SNAP who are not participating
  in the state's Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) program.
- Washington Combined Application Program (WASHCAP), a simplified food benefit program for certain Supplemental Security Income (SSI) recipients, delivers food benefits through an automated interface between the Social Security Administration (SSA) and the Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS). A client's application for SSI also acts as an application for food benefits. Clients who receive WASHCAP are certified for up to 36 months.
- Transitional Food Assistance (TFA) is a program for families leaving Temporary Assistance for Needy
  Families (TANF) or Tribal TANF programs while receiving Basic Food, or who receive a one-time \$10
  Transitional Cash Assistance benefit. The program allows families five additional months of food benefits
  as they transition off public assistance.

Basic Food program caseloads are divided into three types:

- Cases Receiving SSI recipients who also receive Supplemental Security Income (SSI).
- Cases Receiving Cash Assistance recipients who also receive a cash assistance grant.
- Cases Not Receiving Cash Assistance or SSI recipients who only receive food assistance.

Additional information, including the eligibility criteria, funding sources, and services/benefits provided, is available in the **Program Descriptions** section of the Briefing Book.

#### **Highlights**

The average monthly Basic Food caseload in Washington state increased by 0.2% in SFY 2024 (525,044) from SFY 2023 (523,860). Of the SFY 2024 caseload, a majority (74.1%) did not receive cash assistance or SSI. The percentage of cases in SFY 2024 that received cash assistance averaged 9.3% per month and the percentage of cases that received SSI averaged 16.6% per month. The average monthly number of clients served by the Basic Food Employment and Training (BFET) program in SFY 2024 was 4,580. The average monthly food assistance allotment per case was \$322.

#### **TECHNICAL NOTES**

DATA SOURCES: The majority of the data covered in this chapter was based on the ESA's Automated Client Eligibility System (ACES) in August 2024. The Basic Food Error Rate was provided by ESA's Division of Program Integrity. BFET data was based on both ACES and the Electronic Jobs Automated System (eJAS).

#### **DATA NOTES:**

- Unless otherwise noted, both the federally funded SNAP program and the state-funded FAP program are reported jointly in this chapter.
- Percentages may not add up to expected totals due to rounding.
- All reports of 10-year caseload trends reflect the monthly average for each state fiscal year (SFY).

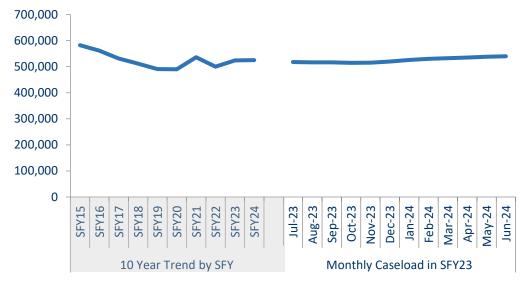
### Selected Basic Food Program Overview, SFY 2023 and SFY 2024

	SFY 2023 (July 2022-June 2023)			
Average Number of Cases Per Month (Range)	523,860 (519,940 - 527,545)	525,044 (514,670 - 539,684)	0.2% (Increase)	
Average Number of Persons Per Month (Range)	924,162 (915,153 - 931,085)	920,541 (904,926 - 942,426)	-0.4% (Decrease)	
Average Number of Adults Per Month (Range)	603,024 (598,636 - 606,052)	603,471 (592,112- 620,108)	0.1% (Increase)	
Average Number of Children Per Month (Range)	321,138 (316,131 - 325,825)	317,070 (311,131 - 322,319)	-1.3% (Decrease)	•
State Population <sup>1</sup>	7,951,150 8,035,700		1.1% (Increase)	
Average Monthly Recipients as a Percent of State's Total Population	11.6%	11.5%	-0.1% Point (Decrease)	•
Children as Percent of Recipients	34.7%	34.4%	- 0.3% Point (Decrease)	-
Average Persons Per Case	1.8	1.8	No Change 💻	•
Average Children Per Case	0.6	0.6	No Change =	•
Average Children Per Adult	0.5	0.5	No Change =	•
Average Monthly Payment Per Case (Range) <sup>2</sup>	\$418.25 (\$303.28 - \$495.23)	\$322.37 (\$308.34 - \$329.22)	-22.9% (Decrease)	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Source: Office of Financial Management (OFM) population estimates

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Payments not adjusted for refunds. From March 2020 to February 2023, the federal government issued temporary emergency funding to provide families with additional food benefits during the COVID-19 pandemic. Food benefit amounts decreased to normal benefit levels in March 2023 when this additional benefit ended.

## Basic Food Caseload, SFY 2015 – 2024



SFY	Monthly Average Caseload	SFY	Monthly Average Caseload
SFY15	582,192	SFY20	489,893
SFY16	561,095	SFY21	536,010
SFY17	531,134	SFY22	499,625
SFY18	511,760	SFY23	523,860
SFY19	490,545	SFY24	525,044

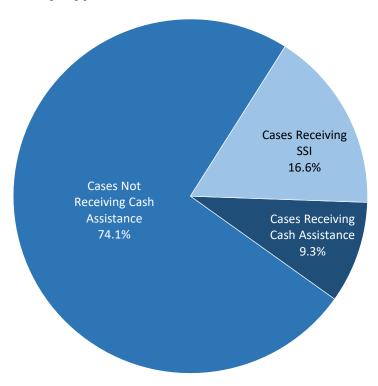
SFY 2024	<b>Total Caseload</b>	<b>Total Clients</b>	<b>Grant Expenditures</b>	Average Payment Per Case
July	517,501	909,520	\$159,565,184	\$308.34
August	516,278	905,657	\$159,299,638	\$308.55
September	516,229	904,926	\$159,431,155	\$308.84
October	514,670	905,875	\$168,680,260	\$327.74
November	515,516	907,150	\$169,716,632	\$329.22
December	519,826	913,419	\$170,802,725	\$328.58
January	525,575	923,228	\$169,999,466	\$323.45
February	529,742	928,542	\$172,396,722	\$325.44
March	532,416	931,434	\$173,481,971	\$325.84
April	535,198	935,086	\$174,921,692	\$326.84
May	537,898	939,228	\$176,148,871	\$327.48
June	539,684	942,426	\$176,630,967	\$327.29
Mo. Avg.	525,044	920,541	\$169,256,274	\$322.37
Annual Unduplicated	710,780	1,229,520	\$2,031,075,282	\$2,857.53

## Basic Food LIHEAP<sup>3</sup> Caseload and Issuances, SFY 2024

			Amount of			
		# of Basic	Grant	# of Basic	Amount of Grant	
	Total Basic	Food Cases	Expenditures	Food Cases	Expenditures for	
	Food	Receiving a	for Cases	Not Receiving	Cases Not	LIHEAP
	Program	LIHEAP	Receiving a	a LIHEAP	Receiving a	Dollars
SFY 2024	Caseload	Issuance	LIHEAP Issuance	Issuance	LIHEAP Issuance	Issued
July	517,501	14,638	\$4,146,567	502,863	\$155,418,617	\$292,926
August	516,278	14,231	\$4,001,049	502,047	\$155,298,589	\$284,762
September	516,229	18,686	\$5,473,120	497,543	\$153,958,034	\$373,947
October	514,670	16,988	\$5,029,054	497,682	\$163,651,206	\$339,950
November	515,516	39,918	\$10,498,418	475,598	\$159,218,213	\$798,779
December	519,826	16,257	\$4,760,047	503,569	\$166,042,678	\$325,303
January	525,575	23,153	\$6,319,645	502,422	\$163,679,821	\$463,332
February	529,742	17,987	\$5,389,425	511,755	\$167,007,297	\$359,920
March	532,416	17,265	\$5,068,992	515,151	\$168,412,979	\$345,493
April	535,198	17,309	\$5,111,353	517,889	\$169,810,339	\$346,373
May	537,898	18,320	\$5,601,111	519,578	\$170,547,759	\$366,623
June	539,684	16,223	\$4,878,271	523,461	\$171,752,696	\$324,622
Mo. Avg.	525,044	19,248	\$5,523,088	505,797	\$163,733,186	\$385,169
Annual Unduplicated	710,780	229,391	\$66,277,054	481,389	\$1,964,798,229	\$4,622,030

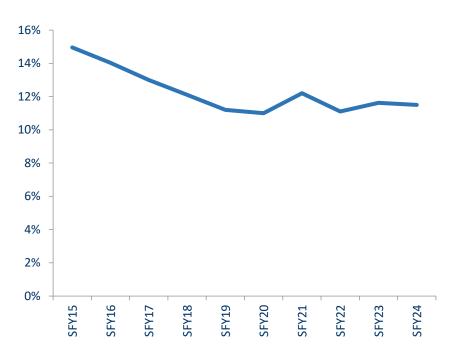
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) is a program administered by Washington State Department of Commerce and provides energy assistance to households in Washington through a network of community action agencies and local partners.

# **Basic Food Caseload by Type, SFY 2024**



		Cases Receiving Cash Assistance		Cases Not Receiving Cash Assistance		Cases Receiving SSI	
	Total	# of	% of	# of	% of	# of	% of
SFY 2024	Cases	Cases	Total	Cases	Total	Cases	Total
July	517,501	46,412	9.0%	383,058	74.0%	88,031	17.0%
August	516,278	46,219	9.0%	382,777	74.1%	87,282	16.9%
September	516,229	46,654	9.0%	382,380	74.1%	87,195	16.9%
October	514,670	47,222	9.2%	380,364	73.9%	87,084	16.9%
November	515,516	47,702	9.3%	380,834	73.9%	86,980	16.9%
December	519,826	48,560	9.3%	383,954	73.9%	87,312	16.8%
January	525,575	49,092	9.3%	389,177	74.0%	87,306	16.6%
February	529,742	50,402	9.5%	392,403	74.1%	86,937	16.4%
March	532,416	50,588	9.5%	395,095	74.2%	86,733	16.3%
April	535,198	50,806	9.5%	397,781	74.3%	86,611	16.2%
May	537,898	51,449	9.6%	399,951	74.4%	86,497	16.1%
June	539,684	51,490	9.5%	401,770	74.4%	86,424	16.0%
Mo. Avg.	525,044	48,883	9.3%	389,129	74.1%	87,033	16.6%

# Average Monthly Basic Food Participants as a Percent of State Population, SFY 2015 – 2024



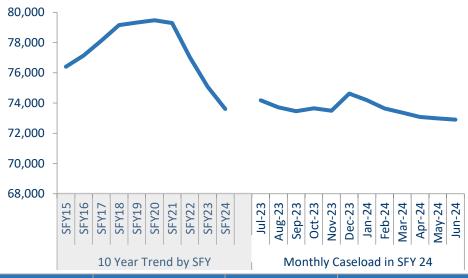
SFY	Average Monthly Participating Persons	State Population⁴	Percent of State Population	State Population at or Below 125% FPL <sup>5</sup>	Percent Participating as a % of State Population at or Below 125% FPL <sup>6</sup>	State Population at or Below 200% FPL	Percent Participating as a % of State Population at or Below 200% FPL
2015	1,056,165	7,061,410	15.0%	1,122,481	94.1%	2,015,651	52.4%
2016	1,007,629	7,183,700	14.0%	1,069,229	94.2%	1,903,213	52.9%
2017	949,975	7,310,300	13.0%	1,051,726	90.3%	1,858,736	51.1%
2018	897,220	7,427,600	12.1%	1,002,777	89.5%	1,816,838	49.4%
2019	841,927	7,546,400	11.2%	964,782	87.3%	1,753,486	48.0%
2020	838,550	7,656,200	11.0%	964,782	86.9%	1,753,486	47.8%
2021	950,592	7,766,925	12.2%	976,710	97.3%	1,721,298	55.2%
2022	873,078	7,864,400	11.1%	990,999	88.1%	1,709,507	51.1%
2023	924,162	7,951,150	11.6%	989,625	93.4%	1,757,287	52.6%
2024	920,541	8,035,700	11.5%	989,625	93.0%	1,757,287	52.4%

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Source: OFM Forecasting Division

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Based on U.S. Census Bureau's American Community Survey (ACS) 2023 1-year estimates. ACS poverty estimates for 2024 are not available at the time of this publication.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Values can exceed 100% as 125% of the federal poverty level is used to approximate the federal measure of the Program Access Index (PAI) while households can be eligible for Basic Food with income up to 200% of the federal poverty level.

# Basic Food Caseload Receiving Assistance through WASHCAP<sup>7</sup>, SFY 2015 – 2024

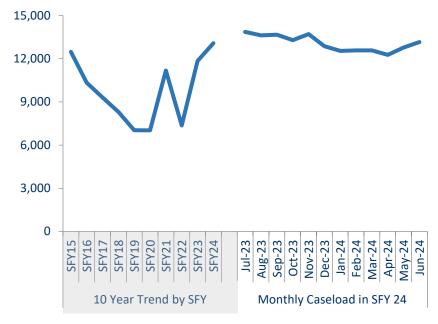


SFY	Mo. Avg. Caseload	SFY	Mo. Avg. Caseload
SFY15	76,401	SFY20	79,477
SFY16	77,144	SFY21	79,295
SFY17	78,132	SFY22	77,029
SFY18	79,152	SFY23	75,080
SFY19	79,326	SFY24	73,611

	Total Basic Food	Cases Receiving	Percent Receiving	WASHCAP	WASHCAP
SFY 2024	Program Caseload	WASHCAP	WASHCAP	Expenditures	Expenditures Per Case
July	517,501	74,181	14.3%	\$13,892,862	\$187.28
August	516,278	73,714	14.3%	\$13,802,038	\$187.24
September	516,229	73,459	14.2%	\$13,765,209	\$187.39
October	514,670	73,658	14.3%	\$15,171,416	\$205.97
November	515,516	73,499	14.3%	\$15,574,923	\$211.91
December	519,826	74,631	14.4%	\$15,437,553	\$206.85
January	525,575	74,195	14.1%	\$14,414,010	\$194.27
February	529,742	73,645	13.9%	\$14,287,392	\$194.00
March	532,416	73,371	13.8%	\$14,245,926	\$194.16
April	535,198	73,085	13.7%	\$14,549,453	\$199.08
May	537,898	72,991	13.6%	\$14,580,083	\$199.75
June	539,684	72,905	13.5%	\$14,522,812	\$199.20
Mo. Avg.	525,044	73,611	14.0%	\$14,520,307	\$197.26
Annual Unduplicated	710,780	84,876	11.9%	\$174,243,679	\$2,052.92

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Washington State Combined Application Program (WASHCAP) is a simplified food benefits program for certain single Supplemental Security Income (SSI) recipients. Cases consist of one client; therefore, the number of WASHCAP clients is equal to the number of WASHCAP cases.

# Basic Food Caseload Receiving Assistance through Transitional Food Assistance (TFA), SFY 2015 – 2024



SFY	Mo. Avg. Caseload	SFY	Mo. Avg. Caseload
SFY15	12,477	SFY20	7,025
SFY16	10,388	SFY21	11,180
SFY17	9,314	SFY22	7,336
SFY18	8,313	SFY23	11,852
SFY19	7,027	SFY24	13,081

SEV 2024	Total Basic Food	# of Cases	Percent	TFA	TFA
SFY 2024	Program Caseload	Receiving TFA	Receiving TFA	Expenditures	Expenditures Per Case
July	517,501	13,867	2.7%	\$8,590,955	\$619.53
August	516,278	13,628	2.6%	\$8,518,602	\$625.08
September	516,229	13,671	2.6%	\$8,497,575	\$621.58
October	514,670	13,292	2.6%	\$8,698,837	\$654.44
November	515,516	13,714	2.7%	\$8,990,880	\$655.60
December	519,826	12,872	2.5%	\$8,478,814	\$658.70
January	525,575	12,549	2.4%	\$8,223,623	\$655.32
February	529,742	12,586	2.4%	\$8,244,288	\$655.04
March	532,416	12,581	2.4%	\$8,186,343	\$650.69
April	535,198	12,271	2.3%	\$7,994,474	\$651.49
May	537,898	12,777	2.4%	\$8,554,710	\$669.54
June	539,684	13,165	2.4%	\$8,552,175	\$649.61
Mo. Avg.	525,044	13,081	2.5%	\$8,460,940	\$646.81
Annual Unduplicated	710,780	45,339	6.4%	\$101,531,276	\$2,239.38

#### Basic Food Caseload Receiving SNAP and FAP8, SFY 2024

		SNAP Only		Both SNA	Both SNAP & FAP		Only
	Total # of	# of	% of	# of	% of	# of	% of
SFY 2024	Cases	Cases	Total	Cases	Total	Cases	Total
July	517,501	498,547	96.3%	9,117	1.8%	9,837	1.9%
August	516,278	496,797	96.2%	9,144	1.8%	10,337	2.0%
September	516,229	496,085	96.1%	9,188	1.8%	10,956	2.1%
October	514,670	493,854	96.0%	9,365	1.8%	11,451	2.2%
November	515,516	493,408	95.7%	9,566	1.9%	12,542	2.4%
December	519,826	496,231	95.5%	9,822	1.9%	13,773	2.6%
January	525,575	500,507	95.2%	10,103	1.9%	14,965	2.8%
February	529,742	502,994	95.0%	10,467	2.0%	16,281	3.1%
March	532,416	504,266	94.7%	10,763	2.0%	17,387	3.3%
April	535,198	505,809	94.5%	11,058	2.1%	18,331	3.4%
May	537,898	507,516	94.4%	11,293	2.1%	19,089	3.5%
June	539,684	508,815	94.3%	11,492	2.1%	19,377	3.6%
Mo. Avg.	525,044	500,402	95.3%	10,115	1.9%	14,527	2.8%

SFY 2024	FAP Caseload <sup>9</sup>	State Expenditures on FAP Cases <sup>10</sup>	Federal Expenditures on FAP Cases <sup>11</sup>	Average State Expenditures Per Case	Total Avg. Expenditures Per Case
July	18,954	\$5,466,769	\$3,610,604	\$288.42	\$478.92
August	19,481	\$5,662,298	\$3,621,941	\$290.66	\$476.58
September	20,144	\$5,898,512	\$3,633,392	\$292.82	\$473.19
October	20,816	\$6,460,637	\$3,886,145	\$310.37	\$497.06
November	22,108	\$6,877,263	\$3,955,301	\$311.08	\$489.98
December	23,595	\$7,420,977	\$4,057,009	\$314.51	\$486.46
January	25,068	\$7,941,609	\$4,149,110	\$316.80	\$482.32
February	26,748	\$8,602,151	\$4,338,528	\$321.60	\$483.80
March	28,150	\$9,121,812	\$4,427,993	\$324.04	\$481.34
April	29,389	\$9,629,189	\$4,538,565	\$327.65	\$482.08
May	30,382	\$10,072,768	\$4,652,247	\$331.54	\$484.66
June	30,869	\$10,362,341	\$4,703,497	\$335.69	\$488.06
Mo. Avg.	24,642	\$7,793,027	\$4,131,194	\$316.25	\$483.90
Annual Unduplicated	44,038	\$93,516,326	\$49,574,332	\$2,123.54	\$3,249.25

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> SNAP is the federal food assistance program. FAP is the state-funded Food Assistance Program for Legal Immigrants. Some households have a member receiving SNAP assistance and a member receiving state-funded FAP.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> FAP caseload includes mixed SNAP and FAP cases as well as FAP-only cases.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> State expenditures for FAP benefits are established in the biennial Operating Budget and can be changed in the Supplemental Budget.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> These are federal expenditures on mixed SNAP/FAP households in which at least one individual is a recipient of the federal SNAP benefits and at least one individual is a recipient of the state's FAP benefits.

#### Basic Food Caseload by DSHS Region and Office of Issuance and Residence, June 2024 Snapshot

The following pages detail the Basic Food caseload, June 2024 snapshot, by both the Office of Issuance and Office of Residence.

- Office of Issuance: Based on the location from which benefits were issued. While most benefits are issued through ESA's Community Service Offices (CSO), benefits may be issued by Customer Service Contact Centers (CSCC), Home and Community Service Offices (HCS) within DSHS's Aging and Long-Term Support Administration (ALTSA), Developmental Disability Administration (DDA), or Port Gamble S'Klallam Tribe (PGST).
- Office of Residence: Based on the CSO coverage area in which a client lives.

		Office of Issuance				Office of Residence			
		% of State		% of State		% of State		% of State	
Overview	# of Cases	Total	# of Clients	Total	# of Cases	Total	# of Clients	Total	
Region 1 CSOs	126,205	23.4%	255,159	27.1%	152,184	28.2%	282,566	30.0%	
Region 2 CSOs	161,072	29.8%	298,326	31.7%	199,296	36.9%	339,568	36.0%	
Region 3 CSOs	151,531	28.1%	280,383	29.8%	188,061	34.8%	320,009	34.0%	
CSCCs & WASHCAP	52,376	9.7%	53,828	5.7%					
ALTSA (HCS)	39,430	7.3%	45,212	4.8%		N.	/^		
DDA	8,988	1.7%	9,359	1.0%		IN	/A		
<b>Tribal Locations</b>	81	<0.1%	158	<0.1%					
Not Reported / Unidentifiable	1	<0.1%	1	<0.1%	143	<0.1%	283	<0.1%	
State Total	539,684	100.0%	942,426	100.0%	539,684	100.0%	942,426	100.0%	

# Caseload by DSHS Region and CSO of Issuance and Residence, June 2024 **Snapshot (continued)**

		CSO of	<u>Issuance</u>			CSO of R	<u>Residence</u>	
		% of		% of		% of		% of
	# of	State	# of	State	# of	State	# of	State
Region 1 CSO	Cases	Total	Clients	Total	Cases	Total	Clients	Total
CLARKSTON	2,144	0.4%	3,972	0.4%	2,602	0.5%	4,430	0.5%
COLFAX	1,913	0.4%	3,616	0.4%	2,302	0.4%	4,011	0.4%
COLVILLE	3,548	0.7%	7,026	0.7%	4,515	0.8%	8,065	0.9%
ELLENSBURG	2,407	0.4%	4,178	0.4%	2,861	0.5%	4,624	0.5%
GOLDENDALE	1,100	0.2%	2,018	0.2%	1,319	0.2%	2,215	0.2%
KENNEWICK	20,129	3.7%	44,340	4.7%	24,094	4.5%	48,741	5.2%
MOSES LAKE	9,811	1.8%	22,173	2.4%	11,594	2.1%	24,080	2.6%
NEWPORT	1,245	0.2%	2,376	0.3%	1,598	0.3%	2,724	0.3%
OKANOGAN	4,413	0.8%	8,327	0.9%	5,242	1.0%	9,118	1.0%
REPUBLIC	817	0.2%	1,583	0.2%	928	0.2%	1,658	0.2%
SPOKANE MAPLE	17,213	3.2%	30,960	3.3%	23,124	4.3%	38,868	4.1%
SPOKANE TRENT	22,918	4.2%	45,149	4.8%	26,869	5.0%	47,773	5.1%
SUNNYSIDE	5,287	1.0%	12,330	1.3%	5,832	1.1%	12,790	1.4%
TOPPENISH	5,583	1.0%	12,116	1.3%	6,218	1.2%	12,795	1.4%
WALLA WALLA	4,120	0.8%	7,837	0.8%	5,141	1.0%	8,896	0.9%
WENATCHEE	6,856	1.3%	13,293	1.4%	8,033	1.5%	14,508	1.5%
WHITE SALMON	581	0.1%	1,063	0.1%	711	0.1%	1,209	0.1%
YAKIMA	16,120	3.0%	32,802	3.5%	19,201	3.6%	36,061	3.8%
Region 1 Total	126,205	23.4%	255,159	27.1%	152,184	28.2%	282,566	30.0%

# Caseload by DSHS Region and CSO of Issuance and Residence, June 2024 **Snapshot (continued)**

		CSO of	<u>Issuance</u>			CSO of F	<u>Residence</u>	
		% of		% of		% of		% of
	# of	State	# of	State	# of	State	# of	State
Region 2 CSO	Cases	Total	Clients	Total	Cases	Total	Clients	Total
ALDERWOOD	9,826	1.8%	19,175	2.0%	12,070	2.2%	21,687	2.3%
AUBURN	10,785	2.0%	23,291	2.5%	12,919	2.4%	25,700	2.7%
BELLINGHAM	12,560	2.3%	21,639	2.3%	15,477	2.9%	24,686	2.6%
BELLTOWN	9,218	1.7%	11,049	1.2%	11,903	2.2%	13,853	1.5%
CAPITOL HILL	6,114	1.1%	8,601	0.9%	7,956	1.5%	10,535	1.1%
EVERETT	12,804	2.4%	24,047	2.6%	15,571	2.9%	26,871	2.9%
FEDERAL WAY	8,049	1.5%	17,753	1.9%	9,836	1.8%	19,738	2.1%
KING EASTSIDE	10,728	2.0%	20,227	2.1%	13,760	2.5%	23,608	2.5%
KING NORTH	11,844	2.2%	18,143	1.9%	15,111	2.8%	21,553	2.3%
KING SOUTH	12,313	2.3%	27,231	2.9%	14,859	2.8%	30,119	3.2%
MOUNT VERNON	8,809	1.6%	16,223	1.7%	10,061	1.9%	17,242	1.8%
OAK HARBOR	2,720	0.5%	4,618	0.5%	3,838	0.7%	6,112	0.6%
RAINIER	7,517	1.4%	14,242	1.5%	9,683	1.8%	16,684	1.8%
RENTON	10,020	1.9%	19,415	2.1%	12,360	2.3%	22,016	2.3%
SKYKOMISH VALLEY	4,048	0.8%	7,313	0.8%	4,733	0.9%	8,046	0.9%
SMOKEY POINT	9,940	1.8%	18,726	2.0%	12,048	2.2%	21,031	2.2%
WHITE CENTER	13,777	2.6%	26,633	2.8%	17,111	3.2%	30,087	3.2%
Region 2 Total	161,072	29.8%	298,326	31.7%	199,296	36.9%	339,568	36.0%

# Caseload by DSHS Region and CSO of Issuance and Residence, June 2024 **Snapshot (continued)**

		CSO of	<u>Issuance</u>			CSO of R	<u>Residence</u>	
		% of		% of		% of		% of
	# of	State	# of	State	# of	State	# of	State
Region 3 CSO	Cases	Total	Clients	Total	Cases	Total	Clients	Total
ABERDEEN	7,712	1.4%	13,341	1.4%	9,989	1.9%	15,718	1.7%
BREMERTON	12,434	2.3%	21,662	2.3%	15,518	2.9%	24,985	2.7%
CHEHALIS	6,663	1.2%	12,058	1.3%	8,380	1.6%	13,813	1.5%
<b>COLUMBIA RIVER</b>	27,649	5.1%	55,297	5.9%	33,659	6.2%	61,890	6.6%
FORKS	905	0.2%	1,876	0.2%	1,105	0.2%	2,088	0.2%
KELSO	10,369	1.9%	18,796	2.0%	13,053	2.4%	21,572	2.3%
LAKEWOOD	14,372	2.7%	28,453	3.0%	17,407	3.2%	31,571	3.3%
LONG BEACH	1,079	0.2%	1,653	0.2%	1,369	0.3%	1,969	0.2%
OLYMPIA	16,212	3.0%	28,432	3.0%	21,063	3.9%	34,568	3.7%
PIERCE EAST	15,047	2.8%	30,510	3.2%	18,041	3.3%	33,882	3.6%
PIERCE NORTH	11,547	2.1%	18,542	2.0%	14,549	2.7%	21,622	2.3%
PIERCE SOUTH	14,415	2.7%	27,400	2.9%	17,621	3.3%	30,740	3.3%
PORT ANGELES	4,465	0.8%	7,214	0.8%	5,563	1.0%	8,341	0.9%
PORT TOWNSEND	1,822	0.3%	2,730	0.3%	2,273	0.4%	3,182	0.3%
SHELTON	5,357	1.0%	9,829	1.0%	6,575	1.2%	11,069	1.2%
SOUTH BEND	825	0.2%	1,483	0.2%	1,109	0.2%	1,774	0.2%
STEVENSON	658	0.1%	1,107	0.1%	787	0.1%	1,225	0.1%
Region 3 Total	151,531	28.1%	280,383	29.8%	188,061	34.8%	320,009	34.0%

# Basic Food Caseload by Customer Service Contact Centers (CSCC) and Other Locations, June 2024 Snapshot

	Office of Issuance						
Customer Service Contact Centers	# of	% of State	# of	% of State			
(CSCC)	Cases	Total	Clients	Total			
CSCC Central Sound	382	0.1%	624	0.1%			
CSCC Northeast	352	0.1%	570	0.1%			
CSCC Northwest	323	0.1%	503	0.1%			
CSCC South Sound	260	<0.1%	400	<0.1%			
CSCC Southeast	383	0.1%	636	0.1%			
CSCC Southwest	444	0.1%	701	0.1%			
<b>CSCC Virtual Case Management Center</b>	221	<0.1%	389	<0.1%			
CSCC WASHCAP	50,011	9.3%	50,005	5.3%			
CSCC and WASHCAP Total	52,376	9.7%	53,828	5.7%			

	Office of Issuance						
DDA Locations	# of Cases	% of State Total	# of Clients	% of State Total			
DDA Behavioral Health Financial Unit	0	0.0%	0	0.0%			
DDA Long-Term Care & Special Programs	8,988	1.7%	9,359	1.0%			
DDA Locations Total	8,988	1.7%	9,359	1.0%			

	Office of Issuance						
		% of State	# of	% of State			
Tribal Locations	# of Cases	Total	Clients	Total			
PORT GAMBLE S'KLALLAM TRIBE (PGST)	81	<0.1%	158	<0.1%			

# Basic Food Caseload by Home and Community Services Offices (HCS), June 2024 Snapshot

	HCS of Issuance					
ALTSA Home and Community Service Offices (HCS) – Region 1	# of Cases	% of State Total	# of Clients	% of State Total		
CLARKSTON HCS	379	0.1%	417	<0.1%		
COLVILLE HCS	431	0.1%	485	0.1%		
ELLENSBURG HCS	229	<0.1%	257	<0.1%		
MEDICAL LAKE HCS	131	<0.1%	135	<0.1%		
MOSES LAKE HCS	813	0.2%	926	0.1%		
OKANOGAN HCS	364	0.1%	398	<0.1%		
SPOKANE HCS	3,416	0.6%	3,864	0.4%		
TOPPENISH HCS	608	0.1%	728	0.1%		
TRI-CITIES HCS	1,721	0.3%	1,934	0.2%		
WALLA WALLA HCS	337	0.1%	364	<0.1%		
WENATCHEE HCS	334	0.1%	363	<0.1%		
YAKIMA HCS	902	0.2%	996	0.1%		
Region 1 Total	9,665	1.8%	10,867	1.2%		

	HCS of Issuance					
ALTSA Home and Community Service Offices (HCS) – Region 2	# of Cases	% of State Total	# of Clients	% of State Total		
ALDERWOOD HCS	2	<0.1%	2	<0.1%		
BELLINGHAM HCS	1	<0.1%	6	<0.1%		
EVERETT HCS	46	<0.1%	54	<0.1%		
HOLGATE HCS	16,829	3.1%	19,866	2.1%		
MOUNT VERNON HCS	2	<0.1%	2	<0.1%		
SMOKEY POINT HCS	3	<0.1%	3	<0.1%		
Region 2 Total	16,883	3.1%	19,933	2.1%		

# Caseload by Home and Community Services Offices (HCS), June 2024 **Snapshot (continued)**

	HCS of Issuance						
ALTSA Home and Community Service Offices (HCS) – Region 3	# of Cases	% of State Total	# of Clients	% of State Total			
ABERDEEN HCS	4	<0.1%	4	<0.1%			
BREMERTON HCS	1	<0.1%	1	<0.1%			
CHEHALIS HCS	12,853	2.4%	14,378	1.5%			
KELSO HCS	2	<0.1%	2	<0.1%			
OLYMPIA HCS	17	<0.1%	19	<0.1%			
PORT ANGELES HCS	2	<0.1%	2	<0.1%			
STEILICOOM HCS	1	<0.1%	1	<0.1%			
TACOMA HCS	2	<0.1%	5	<0.1%			
VANCOUVER HCS	0	0.0%	0	0.0%			
Region 3 Total	12,882	2.4%	14,412	1.5%			

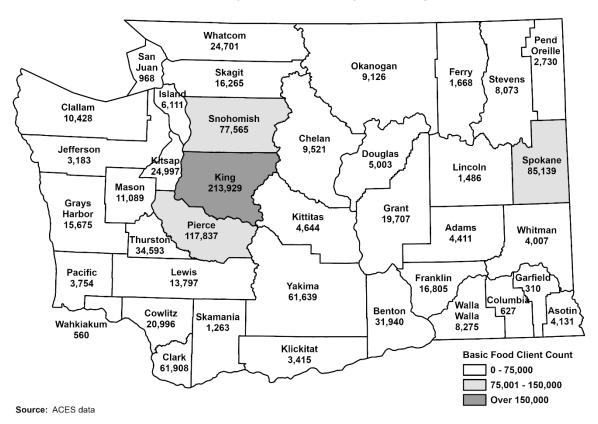
# Basic Food Caseload by County of Residence, June 2024 Snapshot

County	# of Cases	% of Total	# of Clients	% of Total	County	# of Cases	% of Total	# of Clients	% of Total
Adams	1,900	0.4%	4,411	0.5%	Lewis	8,376	1.6%	13,797	1.5%
Asotin	2,448	0.5%	4,131	0.4%	Lincoln	814	0.2%	1,486	0.2%
Benton	16,315	3.0%	31,940	3.4%	Mason	6,591	1.2%	11,089	1.2%
Chelan	5,469	1.0%	9,521	1.0%	Okanogan	5,243	1.0%	9,126	1.0%
Clallam	6,666	1.2%	10,428	1.1%	Pacific	2,486	0.5%	3,754	0.4%
Clark	33,676	6.2%	61,908	6.6%	Pend Oreille	1,597	0.3%	2,730	0.3%
Columbia	384	0.1%	627	0.1%	Pierce	67,623	12.5%	117,837	12.5%
Cowlitz	12,692	2.4%	20,996	2.2%	San Juan	681	0.1%	968	0.1%
Douglas	2,568	0.5%	5,003	0.5%	Skagit	9,367	1.7%	16,265	1.7%
Ferry	936	0.2%	1,668	0.2%	Skamania	812	0.2%	1,263	0.1%
Franklin	7,780	1.4%	16,805	1.8%	Snohomish	44,370	8.2%	77,565	8.2%
Garfield	157	<0.1%	310	<0.1%	Spokane	49,174	9.1%	85,139	9.0%
Grant	9,725	1.8%	19,707	2.1%	Stevens	4,519	0.8%	8,073	0.9%
<b>Grays Harbor</b>	9,953	1.8%	15,675	1.7%	Thurston	21,074	3.9%	34,593	3.7%
Island	3,838	0.7%	6,111	0.6%	Wahkiakum	354	0.1%	560	0.1%
Jefferson	2,275	0.4%	3,183	0.3%	Walla Walla	4,760	0.9%	8,275	0.9%
King	125,536	23.3%	213,929	22.7%	Whatcom	15,489	2.9%	24,701	2.6%
Kitsap	15,520	2.9%	24,997	2.7%	Whitman	2,298	0.4%	4,007	0.4%
Kittitas	2,870	0.5%	4,644	0.5%	Yakima	31,246	5.8%	61,639	6.5%
Klickitat	2,023	0.4%	3,415	0.4%	Not Reported/ Unidentifiable	79	<0.1%	150	<0.1%

	# of Cases	% of Total	# of Clients	% of Total
State Total	539,684	100.0%	942,426	100.0%

#### **Basic Food Client Density Maps, June 2024 Snapshot**

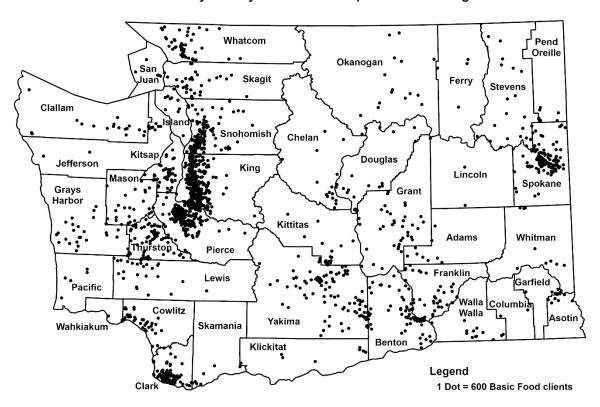
#### Number of Basic Food Clients by Residential County in Washington State: June 2024



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### **Basic Food Client Density Maps, June 2024 (continued)**

Number of Basic Food Clients by Density of Residential Zip Code in Washington State: June 2024



Source: ACES data

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#### Basic Food Error Rate (Federal Fiscal Year October through September), FFY 2014 through FFY 202312

Federal Fiscal		National Average Error	Federal Error
Year	Error Rate	Rate	Tolerance <sup>13</sup>
2014	0.77	3.66	3.84
2015 <sup>14</sup>	N/A	N/A	N/A
2016	N/A	N/A	N/A
2017	5.42	6.30	6.62
2018	6.59	6.80	7.14
2019	4.88	7.36	7.73
2020 <sup>15</sup>	N/A	N/A	N/A
2021	N/A	N/A	N/A
2022	9.33	11.54	12.12
2023	6.74	11.68	12.26

#### Information about the Basic Food Program Error Rate

Each month a number of Basic Food cases are randomly selected for federal quality control review. The findings on all cases are reported monthly to the Food and Nutrition Service (FNS), a part of the U.S. Department of Agriculture which administers the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP). After 12 months of reviews are reported, the data collected is considered statistically valid. The error rate is determined by our state QC team's work and FNS. The error rates of all states are used to determine the national average payment error rate.

In 2015-2016, FNS redesigned how they determine the state and national error rates. During that time, the U.S. Congress ended the practice of awarding states bonuses. Now, a state will be in sanction status if it exceeds the federal error tolerance level for at least two consecutive years. The USDA Secretary determines if all, or most, of a sanction amount will be waived. If not waived, the Secretary can determine how much of that amount will be used for reinvesting in payment accuracy activities and how much will be "at risk," or eligible to be repaid to FNS if the state is in sanction for a second consecutive year.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> Official data is made available nine months after the end of the previous Federal Fiscal Year. Therefore, 2024 data is not yet available.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> The Federal Error Tolerance level is a federally determined threshold that states may be sanctioned for exceeding. The current tolerance level is 105 percent of the national average.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> USDA suspended error rate reporting nationally for 2 years in order to conduct a thorough review of the quality control system. The review created new controls and measurement procedures that improved the accuracy of the data, rather than an actual increase in improper payments. This review created a higher error rate nationally. For FFY 2017, USDA assigned Washington state's official state error rate of 5.42%. The national average payment error rate was 6.30%.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup> A February 19, 2021 FNS memorandum notified state SNAP agencies that USDA would not issue payment error rates for federal fiscal years 2020 and 2021. Neither of the national or state rates would be released to align with flexibilities provided by Section 4603 (a)(2) of the Continuing Appropriations Act, 2021 and other Extensions Act, allowing suspension of quality control reviews through June 30, 2021 due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

#### **Basic Food Client Demographics, June 2024 Snapshot**

	<u>All Clients</u>		<u>All Adults</u>		<u>All Children</u>	
	# of	% of Total	# of	% of Total	# of	% of Total
Characteristic	Clients	Clients	Clients	Adults	Clients	Children
Total Clients	942,426	100.0%	620,108	100.0%	322,318	100.0%

Gender	All Clients		All Adults		All Children	
Female	504,124	53.5%	346,341	55.9%	157,783	49.0%
Male	438,224	46.5%	273,723	44.1%	164,501	51.0%
Unknown	78	<0.1%	44	<0.1%	34	<0.1%

Ethnicity and Race	All C	<u>Clients</u>	<u>All Adults</u>		All C	<u>hildren</u>
Hispanic or Latino	223,256	23.7%	107,878	17.4%	115,378	35.8%
Not Hispanic or Latino <sup>16</sup>	719,170	76.3%	512,230	82.6%	206,940	64.2%
White	453,339	48.1%	340,410	54.9%	112,929	35.0%
Black/African American	89,522	9.5%	57,317	9.2%	32,205	10.0%
Asian/Pacific Islander	78,323	8.3%	55,459	8.9%	22,864	7.1%
American Indian/Alaska Native	32,024	3.4%	21,764	3.5%	10,260	3.2%
Two or More Races	26,369	2.8%	14,469	2.3%	11,900	3.7%
Race Not Reported	39,593	4.2%	22,811	3.7%	16,782	5.2%

Marital Status	<u>All Adults</u>			
Separated	37,929 6.1%			
Married	121,502 19.6%			
Never Married	295,496 47.7%			
Divorced	128,187 20.7%			
Widowed	35,369 5.7%			
Not Reported/Unidentifiable	1,625 0.3%			

Citizenship Status	All Clients		<u>All Adults</u>		All Children	
U.S. Citizen	822,135	87.2%	530,808	85.6%	291,327	90.4%
Resident Noncitizen	117,049	12.4%	86,915	14.0%	30,134	9.3%
U.S. National <sup>17</sup>	2,792	0.3%	2,085	0.3%	707	0.2%
Survivors of Certain Crimes <sup>18</sup>	450	<0.1%	299	<0.1%	151	<0.1%
Not Reported/Unidentifiable	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%

 $<sup>^{16}</sup>$  Includes clients not reporting whether or not they are of Hispanic or Latino origin.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>17</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).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>18</sup> Effective February 1, 2022, certain state-funded benefits, including Food Assistance Program (FAP), are available to noncitizens who have been harmed by a crime and have filed or are preparing to file with the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services an application for T visa for trafficking victims, U visa for victims of qualifying crimes or asylum status. This population is referred to as survivors of certain crimes (SCCs).

### **Basic Food Client Demographics, June 2024 Snapshot (continued)**

	All Clients		All A	<u>Adults</u>	All Children	
Characteristic	# of Clients	% of Total Clients	# of Clients	% of Total Adults	# of Clients	% of Total Children
Homeless Status	All	<u>Clients</u>	All A	<u>ldults</u>	All Cl	<u>nildren</u>
Homeless <sup>19</sup>	106,971	11.4%	91,260	14.7%	15,711	4.9%

Equal Access	All Adults			
Equal Access Help Needed	166,994 26.9%			

Education Status	<u>All Adults</u>
Less than a High School Diploma	130,384 21.0%
High School Graduate or GED	301,989 48.7%
Some College or College Degree	173,827 28.0%
Not Reported/Unidentifiable	13,908 2.2%

Age	All Clients		All Adults		<u>All Children</u>	
< 1 Year Old	15,911	1.7%			15,911	4.9%
1-5 Years Old	94,205	10.0%			94,205	29.2%
6 – 10 Years Old	95,338	10.1%	N/	A	95,338	29.6%
11 – 15 Years Old	85,448	9.1%			85,448	26.5%
16 – 17 Years Old	31,416	3.3%			31,416	9.7%
18 – 24 Years Old	68,701	7.3%	68,701	11.1%		
25 – 34 Years Old	130,651	13.9%	130,651	21.1%	20.5%	
35 – 44 Years Old	127,381	13.5%	127,381	20.5%		
45 – 54 Years Old	84,047	8.9%	84,047	17 13.6% N/A		A
55 – 64 Years Old	91,341	9.7%	91,341	14.7%		
65+ Years Old	117,987	12.5%	117,987	19.0%	19.0%	
Average Age of Children	8.3 Years					
Average Age of Adults			46.1	Years		

Length of Stay	
Average Length of Stay <sup>20</sup>	115.0 Months

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>19</sup> Homeless is defined (based on the self-reported living arrangement code in ACES) as: homeless without housing, homeless with housing (staying temporarily with family or friends—commonly referred to as "couch surfing"), emergency shelter, or domestic violence shelter.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>20</sup> Average cumulative months an adult received Basic Food since July 1997.

### **FAP Client Demographics, June 2024 Snapshot**

	All Clients		<u>All Adults</u>		<u>All Children</u>	
	# of	% of Total	# of	% of Total	# of	% of Total
Characteristic	Clients	Clients	Clients	Adults	Clients	Children
Total Clients	51,624	100.0%	39,687	100.0%	11,937	100.0%

Gender	All Clients		<u>All Adults</u>		<u>All Children</u>	
Female	27,590	53.4%	21,759	54.8%	5,831	48.8%
Male	24,026	46.5%	17,923	45.2%	6,103	51.1%
Unknown	8	<0.1%	5	<0.1%	3	<0.1%

Ethnicity and Race	All Clients		All Adults		<u>All Children</u>	
Hispanic or Latino	25,055	48.5%	17,743	44.7%	7,312	61.3%
Not Hispanic or Latino <sup>21</sup>	26,569	51.5%	21,944	55.3%	4,625	38.7%
White	6,710	13.0%	5,507	13.9%	1,203	10.1%
Black/African American	4,680	9.1%	3,972	10.0%	708	5.9%
Asian/Pacific Islander	10,405	20.2%	8,625	21.7%	1,780	14.9%
American Indian/Alaska Native	40	0.1%	34	0.1%	6	0.1%
Two or More Races	292	0.6%	254	0.6%	38	0.3%
Race Not Reported	4,442	8.6%	3,552	9.0%	890	7.5%

Marital Status	All Adults
Separated	1,472 3.7%
Married	17,000 42.8%
Never Married	17,978 45.3%
Divorced	1,433 3.6%
Widowed	1,527 3.8%
Not Reported/Unidentifiable	277 0.7%

Citizenship Status	All Clients		All Adults		<u>All Children</u>	
Resident Noncitizen	51,174	99.1%	39,388	99.3%	11,786	98.7%
Survivors of Certain Crimes <sup>22</sup>	450	0.9%	299	0.8%	151	1.3%

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>21</sup> Includes clients not reporting whether or not they are of Hispanic or Latino origin.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>22</sup> Effective February 1, 2022, certain state-funded benefits including Food Assistance Program (FAP), are available to noncitizens who have been harmed by a crime and have filed or are preparing to file with the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services an application for T visa for trafficking victims, U visa for victims of qualifying crimes or asylum status. This population is referred to as survivors of certain crimes (SCCs).

### **FAP Client Demographics, June 2024 Snapshot (continued)**

	All Clients		All Adults		All Children	
Characteristic	# of Clients	% of Total Clients	# of Clients	% of Total Adults	# of Clients	% of Total Children
Homeless Status	All Clients		All Adults		All	<u>Children</u>
Homeless <sup>23</sup>	6,141	11.9%	4,517	11.4%	1,624	13.6%

Equal Access	<u>All Adults</u>				
Equal Access Help Needed	9,140 23.0%				

Education Status	All Adults			
Less than a High School Diploma	11,048	27.8%		
High School Graduate or GED	17,961	45.3%		
Some College or College Degree	8,842	22.3%		
Not Reported/Unidentifiable	1,836	4.6%		

Age	All Clients		All A	<u>Adults</u>	All Children			
< 1 Year Old	95	0.2%			95	0.8%		
1 – 5 Years Old	3,041	5.9%				25.5%		
6 – 10 Years Old	4,014	7.8%	I\	I/A	4,014	33.6%		
11 – 15 Years Old	3,603	7.0%				30.2%		
16 – 17 Years Old	1,184	2.3%				9.9%		
18 – 24 Years Old	6,359	12.3%	6,359	16.0%	N/A			
25 – 34 Years Old	14,132	27.4%	14,132	35.6%				
35 – 44 Years Old	10,232	19.8%	10,232	25.8%				
45 – 54 Years Old	4,233	8.2%	4,233	10.7%				
55 – 64 Years Old	2,139	4.1%	2,139	5.4%				
65+ Years Old	2,592	5.0%	2,592 6.5%					
Average Age of Children	9.1 Years							
Average Age of Adults		37.0 Years						

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>23</sup> Homeless is defined (based on the self-reported living arrangement code in ACES) as: homeless without housing, homeless with housing (staying temporarily with family or friends—commonly referred to as "couch surfing"), emergency shelter, or domestic violence shelter.

# FAP Clients Top 10 Countries of Origin, June 2024 Snapshot

	<u>Total</u> (	<u>Clients</u>	<u>Ad</u> ı	ults	<u>Chil</u>	<u>dren</u>
		% of		% of		% of
	# of	Total	# of	Total	# of	Total
Country	Clients	Clients	Clients	Adults	Clients	Children
State Total	51,624	100.0%	39,687	100.0%	11,937	100.0%
Mexico	10,149	19.7%	6,783	17.1%	3,366	28.2%
Venezuela	5,914	11.5%	4,585	11.6%	1,329	11.1%
Marshall Islands	5,199	10.1%	4,122	10.4%	1,077	9.0%
Micronesia	3,927	7.6%	3,279	8.3%	648	5.4%
Ukraine	3,465	6.7%	2,963	7.5%	502	4.2%
Columbia	3,078	6.0%	2,309	5.8%	769	6.4%
Russia	2,124	4.1%	1,701	4.3%	423	3.5%
Honduras	1,461	2.8%	883	2.2%	578	4.8%
Guatemala	1,430	2.8%	869	2.2%	561	4.7%
Angola	1,086	2.1%	697	1.8%	389	3.3%
Total Clients from Top 10 Countries	37,833	73.3%	28,191	71.0%	9,642	80.8%
All Other Countries	13,791	26.7%	11,496	29.0%	2,295	19.2%

## **WASHCAP Client Demographics, June 2024 Snapshot**

	All Clients			
	# of	% of Total		
Characteristic	Clients	Clients		
Total Clients	72,905	100.0%		

Gender	All Clients				
Female	40,585 55.7%				
Male	32,320	44.3%			
Unknown	0	0.0%			

Ethnicity and Race	nd Race <u>All Clients</u>	
Hispanic or Latino	6,175	8.5%
Not Hispanic or Latino <sup>24</sup>	66,730	91.5%
White	45,403	62.3%
Black/African American	6,787	9.3%
Asian/Pacific Islander	6,956	9.5%
American Indian/Alaska Native	2,304	3.2%
Two or More Races	1,115	1.5%
Race Not Reported	4,165	5.7%

Marital Status	All Clients		
Separated	6,893	9.5%	
Married	6	<0.1%	
Never Married	35,927	49.3%	
Divorced	20,873	28.6%	
Widowed	8,598	11.8%	
Not Reported/Unidentifiable	608	0.8%	

Citizenship Status	All Clients		
U.S. Citizen	68,643 94.2%		
Resident Noncitizen	4,136	5.7%	
U.S. National <sup>25</sup>	126	0.2%	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>24</sup> Includes clients not reporting whether or not they are of Hispanic or Latino origin.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>25</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).

### **WASHCAP Client Demographics, June 2024 Snapshot (continued)**

	All Clients		
	# of % of Total		
Characteristic	Clients	Clients	

Homeless Status	All Clients		
Homeless <sup>26</sup>	6,164 8.5%		

Equal Access	All Clients		
Equal Access Help Needed	45,981 63.1%		

Education Status	All Clients		
Less than a High School Diploma	19,469	26.7%	
High School Graduate or GED	37,960	52.1%	
Some College or College Degree	11,459	15.7%	
Not Reported/Unidentifiable	4,017	5.5%	

Age	All Clients		
18 - 24 Years Old	2,439	3.3%	
25 - 34 Years Old	6,816	9.3%	
35 - 44 Years Old	7,495	10.3%	
45 - 54 Years Old	9,668	13.3%	
55 - 64 Years Old	20,211	27.7%	
65+ Years Old	26,276	36.0%	
Average Age of Clients	57.7 Years		

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>26</sup> Homeless is defined (based on the self-reported living arrangement code in ACES) as: homeless without housing, homeless with housing (staying temporarily with family or friends—commonly referred to as "couch surfing"), emergency shelter, or domestic violence shelter.

#### Pandemic EBT Clients and Expenditures<sup>27</sup>

Pandemic EBT, or P-EBT, provides food benefits to children eligible for free or reduced price meals through the National School Lunch Program (NSLP), who had limited onsite meals at their school or childcare center due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Washington coordinated with the Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI) and a third party vendor, Accenture, to validate eligibility and issue benefits. Due to the expiration of the federal public health emergency declaration, children under 6 were no longer eligible for Summer P-EBT. The 2022-2023 school year marked the conclusion of P-EBT and prior year issuance data can be found within the 2020 – 2022 ESA Briefing Books.

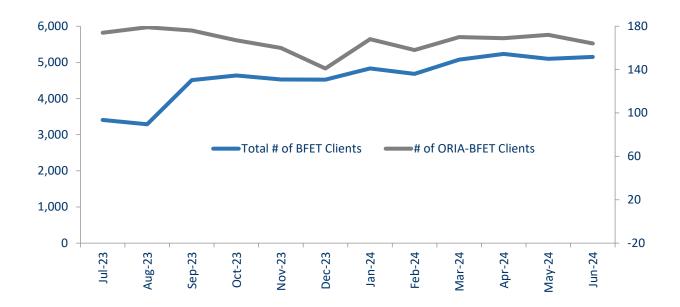
	P-EBT	Total <sup>28</sup>
	Total Eligible Children	Total Dollars Issued
SFY 2024 Total	865,368	\$126,342,591

	By Category					
			P-EBT Children Under 6			ren Under 6
	Summe	er P-EBT	(Federal)		(State)	
	Total Eligible	Total Dollars	Total Eligible	Total Dollars	Total Eligible	Total Dollars
	Children	Issued	Children	Issued	Children	Issued
SFY 2024 Total	692,810	\$83,137,124	170,280	\$42,884,085	2,278	\$361,382

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>27</sup> Data provided by Accenture, September 2024

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>28</sup> Most of the issuances occurred during SFY 2024; however, some June 2023 issuances are also included in this data. Due to the expiration of the federal public health emergency declaration, children under 6 were no longer eligible for Summer P-EBT, and the Childcare and Summer P-EBT programs concluded in December 2023.

# Monthly Basic Food Employment & Training (BFET) Clients Served<sup>29</sup>, SFY 2024



SFY 2024	Total # of BFET Clients	# of ORIA-BFET Clients <sup>30</sup>
July	3,406	174
August	3,287	179
September	4,510	176
October	4,638	167
November	4,525	160
December	4,521	141
January	4,831	168
February	4,683	158
March	5,076	170
April	5,233	169
May	5,096	172
June	5,150	164
Mo. Avg.	4,580	167
Annual Unduplicated	11,754	520

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>29</sup> A typical BFET activity lasts over 30 days, so the monthly client counts include duplications.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>30</sup> Some BFET clients are served by the ESA Office of Refugee and Immigrant Assistance (ORIA).

## **BFET Client Demographics, June 2024 Snapshot**

	<u>All (</u>	All Clients		
	# of	% of Total		
Characteristic	Clients	Clients		
<b>Total Clients</b>	5,150	100.0%		

Gender	All Clients	
Female	3,398	66.0%
Male	1,752	34.0%
Unknown	0	0.0%

Ethnicity and Race		lients
Hispanic or Latino	912	17.7%
Not Hispanic or Latino <sup>31</sup>	4,238	82.3%
White	2,363	45.9%
Black/African American	851	16.5%
Asian/Pacific Islander	378	7.3%
American Indian/Alaska Native	180	3.5%
Two or More Races	171	3.3%
Race Not Reported	295	5.7%

Marital Status	All Clients	
Separated	299	5.8%
Married	1,018	19.8%
Never Married	2,877	55.9%
Divorced	889	17.3%
Widowed	56	1.1%
Not Reported/Unidentifiable	11	0.2%

Citizenship Status	All Clients	
U.S. Citizen	4,397	85.4%
Resident Noncitizen	743	14.4%
U.S. National <sup>32</sup>	10	0.2%
Not Reported/Unidentifiable	0	0.0%

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>31</sup> Includes clients not reporting whether or not they are of Hispanic or Latino origin.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>32</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).

## **BFET Client Demographics, June 2024 Snapshot (continued)**

	All Clients	
	# of	% of Total
Characteristic	Clients	Clients

Homeless Status	All C	lients
Homeless <sup>33</sup>	660	12.8%

Equal Access	<u>All C</u>	lients
Equal Access Help Needed	971	18.9%

Education Status	All Clients	
Less than a High School Diploma	514	10.0%
High School Graduate or GED	1,958	38.0%
Some College or College Degree	2,599	50.5%
Not Reported/Unidentifiable	79	1.5%

Age	All Clients	
Under 18 Years Old	28	0.5%
18 - 24 Years Old	814	15.8%
25 - 34 Years Old	1,709	33.2%
35 - 44 Years Old	1,460	28.3%
45 - 54 Years Old	704	13.7%
55 - 64 Years Old	350	6.8%
65+ Years Old	85	1.7%
Average Age of Clients	36.3 Years	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>33</sup> Homeless is defined (based on the self-reported living arrangement code in ACES) as: homeless without housing, homeless with housing (staying temporarily with family or friends—commonly referred to as "couch surfing"), emergency shelter, or domestic violence shelter.

#### **TFA Client Demographics, June 2024 Snapshot**

	<u>All</u>	<u>All Clients</u>	
	# of	% of Total	
Characteristic	Clients	Clients	
Total Clients	41,628	100.0%	

Gender	All Clients	
Female	23,481	56.4%
Male	18,137	43.6%
Unknown	10	<0.1%

Ethnicity and Race	All Clients	
Hispanic or Latino	12,409	29.8%
Not Hispanic or Latino <sup>34</sup>	29,219	70.2%
White	16,901	40.6%
Black/African American	4,136	9.9%
Asian/Pacific Islander	3,304	7.9%
American Indian/Alaska Native	1,157	2.8%
Two or More Races	1,279	3.1%
Race Not Reported	2,442	5.9%

Marital Status	<u>All Adults</u>	
Separated	1,055	5.9%
Married	6,850	38.3%
Never Married	7,937	44.4%
Divorced	1,790	10.0%
Widowed	207	1.2%
Not Reported/Unidentifiable	37	0.2%

Citizenship Status	All Clients	
U.S. Citizen	32,859	78.9%
Resident Noncitizen	8,583	20.6%
U.S. National <sup>35</sup>	160	0.4%
Survivors of Certain Crimes <sup>36</sup>	26	0.1%

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>34</sup> Includes clients not reporting whether or not they are of Hispanic or Latino origin.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>35</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).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>36</sup> Effective February 1, 2022, certain state-funded benefits are available to noncitizens who have been harmed by a crime and have filed or are preparing to file with the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services an application for T visa for trafficking victims, U visa for victims of qualifying crimes or asylum status. This population is referred to as survivors of certain crimes (SCCs).

### **TFA Client Demographics, June 2024 Snapshot (continued)**

	All Clients	
	# of	% of Total
Characteristic	Clients	Clients

Homeless Status	All Clients	
Homeless <sup>37</sup>	3,245	7.8%

Equal Access	<u>All Adults</u>	
Equal Access Help Needed	2,478	13.9%

Education Status	All Adults	
Less than a High School Diploma	3,684	20.6%
High School Graduate or GED	8,127	45.5%
Some College or College Degree	5,775	32.3%
Not Reported/Unidentifiable	290	1.6%

Age	All Clients	
< 1 Year Old	1,087	2.6%
1-5 Years Old	7,633	18.3%
6-10 Years Old	6,973	16.8%
11 – 15 Years Old	5,890	14.1%
16 – 17 Years Old	2,169	5.2%
18 - 24 Years Old	3,253	7.8%
25 - 34 Years Old	6,230	15.0%
35 - 44 Years Old	5,788	13.9%
45 - 54 Years Old	2,023	4.9%
55 - 64 Years Old	477	1.1%
65+ Years Old	105	0.3%
Average Age of Children	8.0	
Average Age of Adults	34.2 Years	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>37</sup> Homeless is defined (based on the self-reported living arrangement code in ACES) as: homeless without housing, homeless with housing (staying temporarily with family or friends—commonly referred to as "couch surfing"), emergency shelter, or domestic violence shelter.