

Households on Cash, Food, and Medical Assistance¹ Programs in Washington State By Primary Language², April 2025

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Primary Language	State Total			
	# of Unique ³ Households	% of Households	# of Unique ³ Clients	% of Clients
Total Households	1,328,439	100.0%	2,197,583	100.0%
English	1,130,468	85.1%	1,805,252	82.1%
Spanish	111,688	8.4%	232,612	10.6%
Large Print English	17,798	1.3%	24,680	1.1%
Russian	13,941	1.0%	29,003	1.3%
Vietnamese	9,375	0.7%	14,124	0.6%
Chinese	8,064	0.6%	12,300	0.6%
Ukrainian	7,126	0.5%	17,402	0.8%
Korean	3,718	0.3%	4,962	0.2%
Dari	2,894	0.2%	10,439	0.5%
Arabic	2,602	0.2%	6,435	0.3%
Other Language	1,684	0.1%	3,530	0.2%
Cambodian (Khmer)	1,658	0.1%	2,210	0.1%
Amharic	1,656	0.1%	3,231	0.1%
Punjabi	1,635	0.1%	2,630	0.1%
Somali	1,536	0.1%	3,800	0.2%
Portuguese	1,510	0.1%	3,128	0.1%
French	1,353	0.1%	2,682	0.1%
Tigrigna	1,249	0.1%	2,618	0.1%
Farsi	1,046	0.1%	1,775	0.1%
Tagalog	835	0.1%	1,084	0.0%
Pashto	701	0.1%	2,930	0.1%
Trukese	618	0.0%	1,320	0.1%
Romanian	522	0.0%	1,332	0.1%
Haitian-Creole	462	0.0%	760	0.0%
Laotian	412	0.0%	490	0.0%
Burmese	383	0.0%	972	0.0%
Swahili	357	0.0%	884	0.0%
American SignLanguage	292	0.0%	329	0.0%
Oromo	259	0.0%	743	0.0%
Samoan	258	0.0%	385	0.0%
Thai	249	0.0%	336	0.0%
Hindi	226	0.0%	341	0.0%
Turkish	188	0.0%	374	0.0%
Albanian	172	0.0%	327	0.0%
Serbo-Croatian	147	0.0%	160	0.0%
Braille	141	0.0%	199	0.0%
Japanese	141	0.0%	226	0.0%
Urdu	139	0.0%	251	0.0%
Persian	99	0.0%	186	0.0%
Gujarati	72	0.0%	107	0.0%
Ilocano	71	0.0%	82	0.0%
Hmong	61	0.0%	105	0.0%
French Creole	55	0.0%	95	0.0%
Bengali	54	0.0%	70	0.0%
Indonesian	49	0.0%	74	0.0%
Mien	41	0.0%	49	0.0%
Polish	39	0.0%	41	0.0%
Bulgarian	33	0.0%	37	0.0%
Kikuyu	31	0.0%	36	0.0%
Armenian	28	0.0%	38	0.0%
Tongan	20	0.0%	22	0.0%
Finnish	19	0.0%	20	0.0%
Tamil	19	0.0%	26	0.0%
Dutch	18	0.0%	22	0.0%
Danish	17	0.0%	19	0.0%
Fijian	16	0.0%	20	0.0%
Cebuano	15	0.0%	18	0.0%
German	15	0.0%	26	0.0%
Tibetan	11	0.0%	12	0.0%
Yoruba	11	0.0%	13	0.0%
Zulu	11	0.0%	16	0.0%
Ibo	10	0.0%	13	0.0%
Malayalam	10	0.0%	12	0.0%
All other languages ⁴	111	0.0%	168	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.