

Households on Cash, Food, and Medical Assistance¹ Programs in Washington State By Primary Language², February 2023

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Primary Language	State Total			
	# of Unique ³ Households	% of Households	# of Unique ³ Clients	% of Clients
Total Households	1,503,465	100.0%	2,498,554	100.0%
English	1,324,854	88.1%	2,137,900	85.6%
Spanish	102,150	6.8%	220,545	8.8%
Russian	13,966	0.9%	29,435	1.2%
Large Print English	13,461	0.9%	18,460	0.7%
Vietnamese	9,995	0.7%	15,451	0.6%
Chinese	8,023	0.5%	12,392	0.5%
Ukrainian	5,539	0.4%	13,597	0.5%
Korean	3,898	0.3%	5,246	0.2%
Arabic	2,233	0.1%	5,691	0.2%
Dari	1,911	0.1%	6,185	0.2%
Cambodian (Khmer)	1,719	0.1%	2,295	0.1%
Somali	1,683	0.1%	4,311	0.2%
Punjabi	1,460	0.1%	2,341	0.1%
Amharic	1,437	0.1%	2,819	0.1%
Other Language	1,120	0.1%	2,535	0.1%
Tigrigna	1,079	0.1%	2,124	0.1%
Farsi	1,018	0.1%	1,724	0.1%
Tagalog	896	0.1%	1,161	0.0%
Portuguese	891	0.1%	1,603	0.1%
French	561	0.0%	1,346	0.1%
Pashto	496	0.0%	1,954	0.1%
Laotian	456	0.0%	556	0.0%
Romanian	454	0.0%	1,109	0.0%
Trukese	429	0.0%	997	0.0%
Burmese	409	0.0%	1,239	0.0%
American Sign Language	302	0.0%	336	0.0%
Oromo	247	0.0%	724	0.0%
Swahili	244	0.0%	609	0.0%
Thai	239	0.0%	322	0.0%
Albanian	225	0.0%	432	0.0%
Samoan	222	0.0%	346	0.0%
Hindi	201	0.0%	303	0.0%
Serbo-Croatian	167	0.0%	187	0.0%
Braille	149	0.0%	214	0.0%
Japanese	137	0.0%	212	0.0%
Haitian-Creole	110	0.0%	213	0.0%
Urdu	107	0.0%	181	0.0%
Ilocano	81	0.0%	107	0.0%
Turkish	81	0.0%	147	0.0%
Hmong	73	0.0%	137	0.0%
Persian	66	0.0%	120	0.0%
Gujarati	65	0.0%	96	0.0%
Mien	50	0.0%	67	0.0%
Polish	43	0.0%	47	0.0%
Bengali	42	0.0%	62	0.0%
Bulgarian	36	0.0%	43	0.0%
Indonesian	35	0.0%	48	0.0%
French Creole	32	0.0%	61	0.0%
Armenian	27	0.0%	38	0.0%
Tongan	26	0.0%	37	0.0%
Fijian	20	0.0%	32	0.0%
Kikuyu	19	0.0%	25	0.0%
Danish	18	0.0%	23	0.0%
German	18	0.0%	26	0.0%
Ibo	17	0.0%	20	0.0%
Dutch	16	0.0%	23	0.0%
Tamil	15	0.0%	27	0.0%
Finnish	14	0.0%	14	0.0%
Malayalam	13	0.0%	26	0.0%
Salish	12	0.0%	17	0.0%
Hungarian	11	0.0%	14	0.0%
Italian	11	0.0%	21	0.0%
Tibetan	11	0.0%	12	0.0%
Visayan	10	0.0%	12	0.0%
Zulu	10	0.0%	11	0.0%
All other languages ⁴	105	0.0%	146	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/Health Care Authority.

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.