

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

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Primary Language	State Total			
	# of Unique ³ Households	% of Households	# of Unique ³ Clients	% of Clients
Total Households	1,357,143	100.0%	2,261,370	100.0%
English	1,171,391	86.3%	1,892,233	83.7%
Spanish	104,628	7.7%	219,237	9.7%
Large Print English	14,789	1.1%	20,444	0.9%
Russian	14,670	1.1%	30,842	1.4%
Vietnamese	9,380	0.7%	14,347	0.6%
Chinese	7,855	0.6%	12,086	0.5%
Ukrainian	6,478	0.5%	15,691	0.7%
Korean	3,740	0.3%	4,974	0.2%
Arabic	2,448	0.2%	6,282	0.3%
Dari	2,237	0.2%	7,833	0.3%
Somali	1,767	0.1%	4,208	0.2%
Cambodian (Khmer)	1,615	0.1%	2,121	0.1%
Punjabi	1,547	0.1%	2,491	0.1%
Other Language	1,506	0.1%	3,098	0.1%
Amharic	1,452	0.1%	2,814	0.1%
Portuguese	1,229	0.1%	2,314	0.1%
Tigrigna	1,171	0.1%	2,355	0.1%
French	1,096	0.1%	2,130	0.1%
Farsi	1,030	0.1%	1,801	0.1%
Tagalog	833	0.1%	1,100	0.0%
Pashto	589	0.0%	2,429	0.1%
Romanian	587	0.0%	1,592	0.1%
Trukese	526	0.0%	1,199	0.1%
Laotian	443	0.0%	527	0.0%
Burmese	390	0.0%	1,072	0.0%
Swahili	294	0.0%	733	0.0%
American Sign Language	293	0.0%	333	0.0%
Haitian-Creole	290	0.0%	474	0.0%
Albanian	256	0.0%	493	0.0%
Oromo	256	0.0%	727	0.0%
Samoan	250	0.0%	374	0.0%
Thai	224	0.0%	290	0.0%
Hindi	210	0.0%	321	0.0%
Turkish	179	0.0%	312	0.0%
Serbo-Croatian	163	0.0%	185	0.0%
Japanese	144	0.0%	209	0.0%
Braille	131	0.0%	188	0.0%
Urdu	117	0.0%	198	0.0%
Persian	87	0.0%	148	0.0%
Ilocano	73	0.0%	89	0.0%
Gujarati	71	0.0%	104	0.0%
Hmong	70	0.0%	132	0.0%
French Creole	67	0.0%	102	0.0%
Bengali	52	0.0%	73	0.0%
Polish	46	0.0%	57	0.0%
Indonesian	42	0.0%	57	0.0%
Mien	42	0.0%	53	0.0%
Bulgarian	36	0.0%	42	0.0%
Tongan	26	0.0%	37	0.0%
German	23	0.0%	34	0.0%
Armenian	21	0.0%	27	0.0%
Danish	20	0.0%	20	0.0%
Fijian	20	0.0%	28	0.0%
Finnish	19	0.0%	31	0.0%
Kikuyu	18	0.0%	21	0.0%
Dutch	17	0.0%	27	0.0%
Tamil	16	0.0%	18	0.0%
Tibetan	14	0.0%	15	0.0%
Ibo	13	0.0%	17	0.0%
Hungarian	11	0.0%	15	0.0%
Chamorro	10	0.0%	12	0.0%
Norwegian	10	0.0%	12	0.0%
All other languages ⁴	115	0.0%	142	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.