

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

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Primary Language	State Total			
	# of Unique ³ Households	% of Households	# of Unique ³ Clients	% of Clients
Total Households	1,510,575	100.0%	2,509,901	100.0%
English	1,329,930	88.0%	2,145,561	85.5%
Spanish	103,237	6.8%	222,450	8.9%
Russian	14,221	0.9%	30,022	1.2%
Large Print English	13,624	0.9%	18,676	0.7%
Vietnamese	10,052	0.7%	15,531	0.6%
Chinese	8,040	0.5%	12,451	0.5%
Ukrainian	5,699	0.4%	13,902	0.6%
Korean	3,908	0.3%	5,263	0.2%
Arabic	2,250	0.1%	5,706	0.2%
Dari	1,945	0.1%	6,332	0.3%
Cambodian (Khmer)	1,726	0.1%	2,317	0.1%
Somali	1,723	0.1%	4,397	0.2%
Punjabi	1,480	0.1%	2,373	0.1%
Amharic	1,431	0.1%	2,794	0.1%
Other Language	1,118	0.1%	2,511	0.1%
Tigrigna	1,116	0.1%	2,180	0.1%
Farsi	1,038	0.1%	1,775	0.1%
Portuguese	923	0.1%	1,667	0.1%
Tagalog	888	0.1%	1,162	0.0%
French	578	0.0%	1,351	0.1%
Pashto	505	0.0%	1,980	0.1%
Romanian	467	0.0%	1,143	0.0%
Laotian	462	0.0%	568	0.0%
Trukese	426	0.0%	967	0.0%
Burmese	417	0.0%	1,266	0.1%
American Sign Language	304	0.0%	337	0.0%
Oromo	254	0.0%	739	0.0%
Swahili	242	0.0%	588	0.0%
Thai	240	0.0%	323	0.0%
Albanian	229	0.0%	438	0.0%
Samoan	223	0.0%	348	0.0%
Hindi	193	0.0%	292	0.0%
Serbo-Croatian	167	0.0%	188	0.0%
Braille	149	0.0%	215	0.0%
Japanese	143	0.0%	219	0.0%
Haitian-Creole	125	0.0%	221	0.0%
Urdu	111	0.0%	178	0.0%
Turkish	86	0.0%	157	0.0%
Ilocano	80	0.0%	105	0.0%
Hmong	76	0.0%	145	0.0%
Persian	70	0.0%	121	0.0%
Gujarati	68	0.0%	100	0.0%
Mien	52	0.0%	67	0.0%
Polish	44	0.0%	49	0.0%
Bengali	42	0.0%	62	0.0%
Indonesian	36	0.0%	49	0.0%
Bulgarian	35	0.0%	42	0.0%
French Creole	33	0.0%	61	0.0%
Armenian	28	0.0%	41	0.0%
Tongan	26	0.0%	37	0.0%
Fijian	21	0.0%	33	0.0%
Kikuyu	20	0.0%	25	0.0%
Danish	18	0.0%	23	0.0%
Dutch	16	0.0%	18	0.0%
German	14	0.0%	18	0.0%
Ibo	14	0.0%	17	0.0%
Tamil	14	0.0%	24	0.0%
Finnish	13	0.0%	13	0.0%
Italian	13	0.0%	23	0.0%
Tibetan	12	0.0%	13	0.0%
Hungarian	11	0.0%	14	0.0%
Zulu	11	0.0%	12	0.0%
Malayalam	10	0.0%	16	0.0%
Visayan	10	0.0%	12	0.0%
All other languages ⁴	118	0.0%	173	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.