

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

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Primary Language	State Total			
	# of Unique ³ Households	% of Households	# of Unique ³ Clients	% of Clients
Total Households	1,335,243	100.0%	2,219,972	100.0%
English	1,136,659	85.1%	1,826,019	82.3%
Spanish	112,481	8.4%	234,718	10.6%
Large Print English	16,816	1.3%	23,206	1.0%
Russian	14,704	1.1%	30,834	1.4%
Vietnamese	9,435	0.7%	14,406	0.6%
Chinese	7,980	0.6%	12,279	0.6%
Ukrainian	7,384	0.6%	17,836	0.8%
Korean	3,713	0.3%	4,952	0.2%
Dari	2,692	0.2%	9,425	0.4%
Arabic	2,603	0.2%	6,481	0.3%
Cambodian (Khmer)	1,667	0.1%	2,254	0.1%
Somali	1,635	0.1%	3,379	0.2%
Other Language	1,627	0.1%	3,910	0.2%
Punjabi	1,606	0.1%	2,574	0.1%
Amharic	1,565	0.1%	3,042	0.1%
Portuguese	1,453	0.1%	2,950	0.1%
French	1,406	0.1%	2,688	0.1%
Tigrigna	1,269	0.1%	2,626	0.1%
Farsi	1,011	0.1%	1,721	0.1%
Tagalog	823	0.1%	1,060	0.0%
Trukese	667	0.0%	2,654	0.1%
Pashto	636	0.0%	1,350	0.1%
Romanian	562	0.0%	1,457	0.1%
Haitian-Creole	486	0.0%	779	0.0%
Laotian	422	0.0%	504	0.0%
Burmese	383	0.0%	990	0.0%
Swahili	348	0.0%	834	0.0%
American SignLanguage	296	0.0%	340	0.0%
Oromo	265	0.0%	738	0.0%
Samoan	265	0.0%	456	0.0%
Turkish	255	0.0%	393	0.0%
Thai	235	0.0%	313	0.0%
Hindi	220	0.0%	324	0.0%
Albanian	176	0.0%	335	0.0%
Japanese	146	0.0%	225	0.0%
Serbo-Croatian	146	0.0%	158	0.0%
Braille	139	0.0%	187	0.0%
Urdu	130	0.0%	232	0.0%
Persian	87	0.0%	159	0.0%
Gujarati	73	0.0%	110	0.0%
Ilocano	71	0.0%	87	0.0%
French Creole	68	0.0%	116	0.0%
Hmong	63	0.0%	111	0.0%
Bengali	53	0.0%	73	0.0%
Indonesian	46	0.0%	65	0.0%
Polish	44	0.0%	47	0.0%
Mien	39	0.0%	44	0.0%
Bulgarian	31	0.0%	35	0.0%
Armenian	27	0.0%	46	0.0%
Kikuyu	26	0.0%	31	0.0%
German	22	0.0%	35	0.0%
Danish	21	0.0%	27	0.0%
Tamil	19	0.0%	20	0.0%
Tongan	18	0.0%	21	0.0%
Finnish	18	0.0%	25	0.0%
Fijian	17	0.0%	22	0.0%
Tibetan	15	0.0%	19	0.0%
Malayalam	15	0.0%	16	0.0%
Ibo	12	0.0%	16	0.0%
Dutch	11	0.0%	15	0.0%
Hungarian	11	0.0%	14	0.0%
Visayan	11	0.0%	13	0.0%
Yoruba	10	0.0%	11	0.0%
Zulu	10	0.0%	11	0.0%
Cebuano	10	0.0%	16	0.0%
All other languages ⁴	89	0.0%	138	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.