

Division of Disability Determination Services

Program Description

Within the Department of Social and Health Services' Economic Services Administration, the Division of Disability Determination Services makes determinations for individuals applying for the Title II Social Security Disability, Title XVI Supplemental Security Income benefit and Title XIX State Medical Assistance claims.

Overview

DDDS provides medical eligibility determinations for claims filed to the Social Security Administration for disability benefits by residents of Washington state. The division serves Washington residents of the ages who meet the requirements under Section 221 (b) of Social Security Act. DDDS had an annual budget for federal fiscal year 25 (FFY25) of \$57,151,853 federal dollars.

DDS Initial T2 & T16 Processing Time combined (Days)

	National	Washington DDS
September 2024	188.6	174.4
December 2024	192.1	176.3
March 2025	193.8	168.8
June 2025	188.5	166.1
September 2025	177.4	164.6

Highlights in FFY25

DDS Processed:

- Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI) Title II claims: **26,162**
- Supplemental Security Income (SSI) Title XVI claims: **22,722**
- Concurrent claims: **15,022**
- Non-Grant Medical Assistance Claims (NGMA) Title XIX: **2,882**
- Continuing Disability Review pre-hearing decisions: **501**
- Disability hearing decisions: **261**

153,473 Washingtonians receive an average of \$1,463.87 a month in SSDI benefits, bringing \$898.7 million per year into communities throughout the state.

132,590 Washingtonians receive an average of \$720 per month in SSI benefits, bringing \$460 million per year into communities throughout the state.

Program Impact

Annual budget for FFY25 total costs (federal) \$57,151,853, (state) \$2,068,200.

In 2025, DDDS served 63,906 individuals.

Decisions by Body System:

Musculoskeletal System	25.2%
Respiratory	2.8%
Cardiovascular.....	5.1%
Digestive.....	2.1%
Neurological.....	8.7%
Mental	31.5%
Cancer	5.0%
Other	10.0%

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