

Pregnant
Women
Assistance
(PWA)

SFY

2015

Provides cash assistance to low-income pregnant women who are ineligible for TANF/SFA for a reason other than a failure to cooperate with TANF program rules.

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Pregnant Women Assistance (PWA) Program Overview

Pregnant Women Assistance (PWA) is a state-funded program that provides cash assistance to low-income pregnant women who are not eligible for the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) or State Family Assistance (SFA) program for a reason other than not cooperating with TANF program rules. The PWA program was implemented on November 1, 2011 as required by Engrossed Substitute House Bill 2082.

Highlights

The program served a monthly average of **120 clients in SFY 2015, down from 137 clients in SFY 2014**. The monthly average cash grant assistance per client was about **\$174**. Most women served by the program were never married (June 2015: 78.8%)

TECHNICAL NOTES

DATA SOURCES: Data for this chapter was based on September 2015 ESA ACES database.

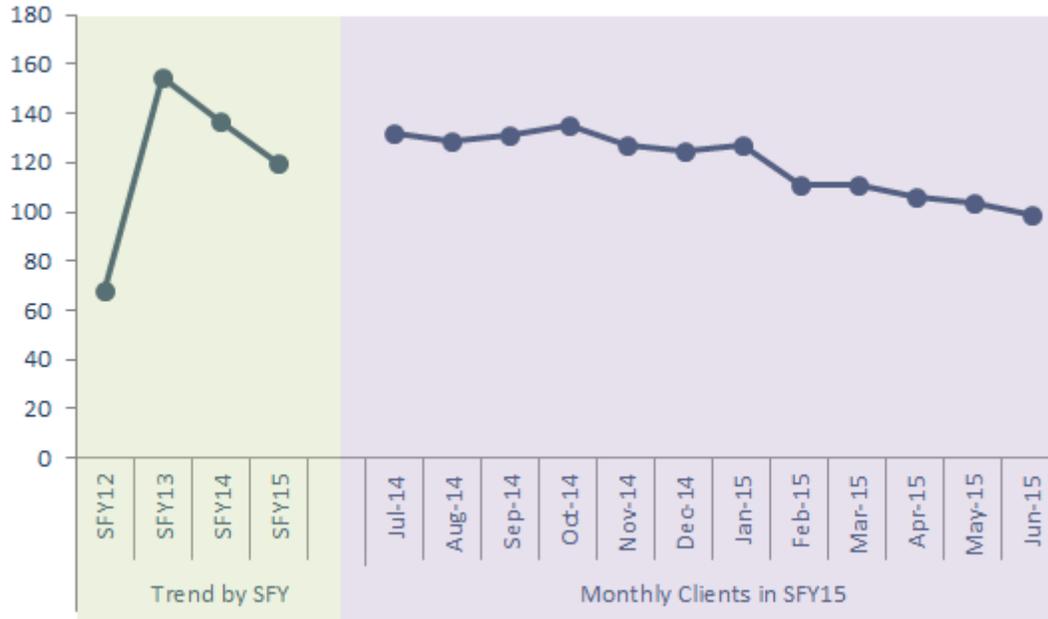
DATA NOTES: Percentages may not add up to expected totals due to rounding.

Selected PWA Program Overview, SFY 2014 and SFY 2015

	SFY 2014 (July 2013-June 2014)	SFY 2015 (July 2014-June 2015)	Change	
Average Number of Persons Per Month (Range)	137 (126 - 150)	120 (99 - 135)	-12.4% <i>Decrease</i>	↓
State Population 18 and Over¹	5,376,986	5,458,665	1.5% <i>Increase</i>	↑
Recipients as a Percent of State's Population Age 18 and Over	Trace	Trace		
Average Monthly Payment Per Case (Range)	\$172.71 (\$168.81 - \$178.81)	\$174.02 (\$168.56 - \$178.58)	0.8% <i>Increase</i>	↑

¹ OFM Forecasting Division

PWA Clients, SFY 2012² – 2015



SFY	Mo. Avg. Clients
SFY12	68
SFY13	155
SFY14	137
SFY15	120

SFY 2015	Persons	Grant Expenditures	Average Payment Per Person
July	132	\$22,744.10	\$172.30
August	129	\$22,455.35	\$174.07
September	131	\$22,661.50	\$172.99
October	135	\$23,775.65	\$176.12
November	127	\$22,037.70	\$173.53
December	125	\$21,179.80	\$169.44
January	127	\$22,459.25	\$176.84
February	111	\$19,821.90	\$178.58
March	111	\$19,482.18	\$175.52
April	106	\$17,867.29	\$168.56
May	104	\$18,173.99	\$174.75
June	99	\$17,414.20	\$175.90
Mo. Avg.	120	\$20,839.41	\$174.02

² The PWA program was implemented on November 1, 2011 as required by Engrossed Substitute House Bill 2082.

PWA Clients by DSHS Region and CSO of Issuance and Residence, June 2015 Snapshot

The following pages detail the PWA caseload, June 2015 snapshot, by both the CSO of Issuance and CSO of Residence.

- CSO of Issuance: Caseload distribution is based on the location from which benefits were issued. While most benefits are issued through ESA's Community Service Offices (CSO), benefits may be issued by Customer Service Contact Centers (CSCC), Port Gamble S'Klallam Tribe (PGST), or Home and Community Service Offices (HCS) within DSHS's Aging and Long-Term Support Administration.
- CSO of Residence: Caseload distribution is based on where the client lives within a CSO coverage area.

Overview	CSO of ISSUANCE		CSO of RESIDENCE	
	Clients	% of State Total	Clients	% of State Total
Region 1 CSOs	22	22.2%	21	21.2%
Region 2 CSOs	39	39.4%	40	40.4%
Region 3 CSOs	37	37.4%	38	38.4%
CSCCs & PGST	1	1.0%	Not Applicable	
HCS	0	0.0%	Not Applicable	
Not Reported / Unidentifiable	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
State Total	99	100.0%	99	100.0%

PWA Clients by DSHS Region and CSO of Issuance and Residence, June 2015 Snapshot (continued)

Region 1 CSO	CSO of ISSUANCE		CSO of RESIDENCE	
	Clients	% of State Total	Clients	% of State Total
ACCESS SPOKANE	10	10.1%	10	10.1%
CLARKSTON	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
COLFAX	1	1.0%	1	1.0%
COLVILLE	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
ELLENSBURG	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
GOLDENDALE	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
KENNEWICK	3	3.0%	2	2.0%
MOSES LAKE	1	1.0%	1	1.0%
NEWPORT	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
OKANOGAN	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
REPUBLIC	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
SUNNYSIDE	3	3.0%	2	2.0%
TOPPENISH	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
WALLA WALLA	1	1.0%	1	1.0%
WAPATO	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
WENATCHEE	1	1.0%	1	1.0%
WHITE SALMON	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
YAKIMA	2	2.0%	3	3.0%
Region 1 Total	22	22.2%	21	21.2%

PWA Clients by DSHS Region and CSO of Issuance and Residence, June 2015 Snapshot (continued)

Region 2 CSO	CSO of ISSUANCE		CSO of RESIDENCE	
	Clients	% of State Total	Clients	% of State Total
ALDERWOOD	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
AUBURN	1	1.0%	2	2.0%
BELLINGHAM	2	2.0%	2	2.0%
BELLTOWN	0	0.0%	1	1.0%
CAPITOL HILL	3	3.0%	1	1.0%
EVERETT	3	3.0%	4	4.0%
FEDERAL WAY	3	3.0%	3	3.0%
KING EASTSIDE	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
KING NORTH	2	2.0%	3	3.0%
KING SOUTH	5	5.1%	5	5.1%
MT VERNON	1	1.0%	2	2.0%
OAK HARBOR	1	1.0%	0	0.0%
RAINIER	7	7.1%	7	7.1%
RENTON	2	2.0%	2	2.0%
SKY VALLEY	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
SMOKEY POINT	1	1.0%	1	1.0%
WHITE CENTER	8	8.1%	7	7.1%
Region 2 Total	39	39.4%	40	40.4%

PWA Clients by DSHS Region and CSO of Issuance and Residence, June 2015 Snapshot (continued)

Region 3 CSO	CSO of ISSUANCE		CSO of RESIDENCE	
	Clients	% of State Total	Clients	% of State Total
ABERDEEN	1	1.0%	1	1.0%
BREMERTON	1	1.0%	1	1.0%
CHEHALIS	1	1.0%	1	1.0%
COLUMBIA RIVER	4	4.0%	5	5.1%
FORKS	1	1.0%	1	1.0%
KELSO	4	4.0%	4	4.0%
LAKESWOOD	5	5.1%	4	4.0%
LONG BEACH	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
OLYMPIA	7	7.1%	7	7.1%
PIERCE NORTH	5	5.1%	3	3.0%
PIERCE SOUTH	5	5.1%	8	8.1%
PORT ANGELES	1	1.0%	0	0.0%
PORT TOWNSEND	1	1.0%	2	2.0%
PUYALLUP VALLEY	1	1.0%	1	1.0%
SHELTON	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
SOUTH BEND	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
STEVENSON	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Region 3 Total	37	37.4%	38	38.4%

PWA Clients by DSHS Region and CSO of Issuance and Residence, June 2015 Snapshot (continued)

Customer Service Contact Centers (CSCC)	CSO of ISSUANCE	
	Clients	% of State Total
CUSTOMER SVC CENTRAL	0	0.0%
CUSTOMER SVC NE	0	0.0%
CUSTOMER SVC NW	1	1.0%
CUSTOMER SVC SW	0	0.0%
CUSTOMR SVC SO SOUND	0	0.0%
CUSTOMER SERV LTC	0	0.0%
CUSTOMER SVC WASHCAP	0	1.0%
CSCC and PGST Total	1	1.0%

PWA Clients by County of Residence, June 2015 Snapshot

County	Clients	% of Total	County	Clients	% of Total
Adams	0	0.0%	Lewis	1	1.0%
Asotin	0	0.0%	Lincoln	0	0.0%
Benton	1	1.0%	Mason	0	0.0%
Chelan	1	1.0%	Okanogan	0	0.0%
Clallam	1	1.0%	Pacific	0	0.0%
Clark	5	5.1%	Pend Oreille	0	0.0%
Columbia	0	0.0%	Pierce	16	16.2%
Cowlitz	4	4.0%	San Juan	0	0.0%
Douglas	0	0.0%	Skagit	2	2.0%
Ferry	0	0.0%	Skamania	0	0.0%
Franklin	1	1.0%	Snohomish	5	5.1%
Garfield	0	0.0%	Spokane	10	10.1%
Grant	1	1.0%	Stevens	0	0.0%
Grays Harbor	1	1.0%	Thurston	7	7.1%
Island	0	0.0%	Wahkiakum	0	0.0%
Jefferson	2	2.0%	Walla Walla	1	1.0%
King	31	31.3%	Whatcom	2	2.0%
Kitsap	1	1.0%	Whitman	1	1.0%
Kittitas	0	0.0%	Yakima	5	5.1%
Klickitat	0	0.0%	Not Reported/ Unidentifiable	0	0.0%

	Clients	% of Total
State Total	99	100.0%

PWA Client Demographics, June 2015 Snapshot

Characteristic	All Clients	
	Number	% of Total Clients
Total Clients	99	100.0%

Gender		
Female	99	100.0%
Not Reported/ Unidentifiable	0	0.0%

Race/Ethnicity		
Hispanic Origin	12	12.1%
Not Hispanic or Latino	87	87.9%
White	40	40.4%
Black/African American	35	35.4%
Asian/Pacific Islander	2	2.0%
American Indian/Alaska Native	4	4.0%
Two or More Races	3	3.0%
Not Reported/Unidentifiable	3	3.0%

Marital Status		
Separated	7	7.1%
Married	7	7.1%
Never Married	78	78.8%
Divorced	5	5.1%
Widowed	1	1.0%
Not Reported/Unidentifiable	1	1.0%

Citizenship Status		
U.S. Citizen	93	93.9%
Resident Alien	6	6.1%
U.S. National³	0	0.0%
Not Reported/Unidentifiable	0	0.0%

³ U.S. National: A national of the United States or a person who, though not a citizen of the United States, owes permanent allegiance to the United States (e.g., persons born in American Samoa or Swains Island).

PWA Client Demographics, June 2015 Snapshot (continued)

Characteristic	All Clients	
	Number	% of Total Clients
Homeless Status		
Homeless	43	43.4
Age		
Under 18 Years Old	0	0.0%
18 - 24 Years Old	5	5.1%
25 - 34 Years Old	73	73.7%
35 - 44 Years Old	20	20.2%
45 - 54 Years Old	1	1.0%
55 - 64 Years Old	0	0.0%
65+ Years Old	0	0.0%
Average Age of Clients		
	31 Years Old	