

Pregnant
Women
Assistance
(PWA)

SFY

2016

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 **99 clients in SFY 2016, down from 120 clients in SFY 2015**. The monthly average cash grant assistance per client was about **\$174**. Most women served by the program have never been married (June 2016: 81.1%).

TECHNICAL NOTES

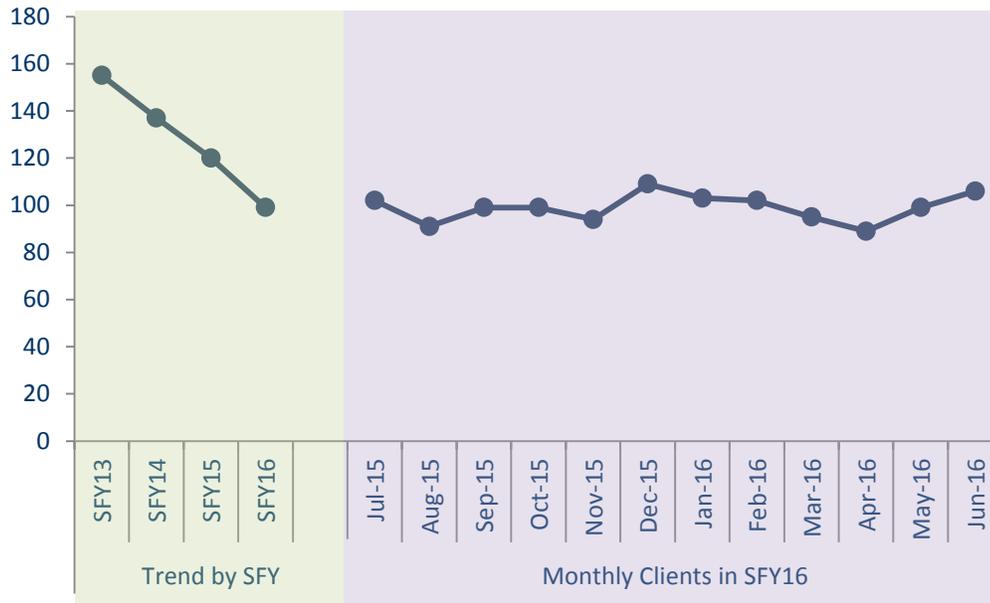
DATA SOURCES: Results reported in this chapter are based on September 2016 data from ESA's ACES database.

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

Selected PWA Program Overview, SFY 2015 and SFY 2016

	SFY 2015 (July 2014-June 2015)	SFY 2016 (July 2015-June 2016)	Change	
Average Number of Persons Per Month (Range)	120 (99 - 135)	99 (89 - 109)	-17.5% (Decrease)	↓
State Population 18 and Over	5,458,665	5,557,921	1.8% (Increase)	↑
Recipients as a Percent of State's Population Age 18 and Over State's Population Age 18 and Over	Trace	Trace		
Average Monthly Payment Per Case (Range)	\$174.0 (\$168.6 - \$178.6)	\$173.8 (\$168.0 - \$182.9)	-0.1% (Decrease)	↓

PWA Clients, SFY 2013¹ – 2016



SFY	Monthly Average Clients
SFY13	155
SFY14	137
SFY15	120
SFY16	99

SFY 2016	Persons	Grant Expenditures	Average Payment Per Person
July	102	\$17,189	\$168.5
August	91	\$15,817	\$173.8
September	99	\$17,386	\$175.6
October	99	\$17,206	\$173.8
November	94	\$16,728	\$178.0
December	109	\$18,763	\$172.1
January	103	\$17,537	\$170.3
February	102	\$17,986	\$176.3
March	95	\$17,379	\$182.9
April	89	\$15,922	\$178.9
May	99	\$16,805	\$169.7
June	106	\$17,804	\$168.0
Mo. Avg.	99	\$17,210	\$173.8

¹ PWA data from SFY 2012 represents only eight months, since the PWA program was implemented on November 1, 2011. Consequently, SFY 2012 data has been omitted from the chart.

PWA Clients by DSHS Region and CSO of Issuance and Residence, June 2016 Snapshot

The following pages detail the PWA clients, June 2016 snapshot, by both the CSO of Issuance and CSO of Residence.

- **CSO of Issuance:** 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:** Based on where the client lives within a CSO coverage area.

Overview	CSO of Issuance		CSO of Residence	
	# of Clients	% of State Total	# of Clients	% of State Total
Region 1 CSOs	31	29.2%	31	29.2%
Region 2 CSOs	33	31.1%	32	30.2%
Region 3 CSOs	42	39.6%	43	40.6%
CSCCs	0	0.0%	N/A	
HCS	0	0.0%	N/A	
Not Reported / Unidentifiable	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
State Total	106	100.0%	106	100.0%

PWA Clients by DSHS Region and CSO of Issuance and Residence, June 2016 Snapshot (continued)

Region 1 CSO	CSO of Issuance		CSO of Residence	
	# of Clients	% of State Total	# of Clients	% of State Total
CLARKSTON	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
COLFAX	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
COLVILLE	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
ELLENSBURG	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
GOLDENDALE	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
KENNEWICK	6	5.7%	6	5.7%
MOSES LAKE	1	0.9%	1	0.9%
NEWPORT	1	0.9%	1	0.9%
OKANOGAN	1	0.9%	1	0.9%
REPUBLIC	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
SPOKANE MAPLE	6	5.7%	6	5.7%
SPOKANE TRENT	4	3.8%	4	3.8%
SUNNYSIDE	1	0.9%	1	0.9%
TOPPENISH	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
WALLA WALLA	1	0.9%	1	0.9%
WAPATO	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
WENATCHEE	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
WHITE SALMON	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
YAKIMA	10	9.4%	10	9.4%
Region 1 Total	31	29.2%	31	29.2%

PWA Clients by DSHS Region and CSO of Issuance and Residence, June 2016 Snapshot (continued)

Region 2 CSO	CSO of Issuance		CSO of Residence	
	# of Clients	% of State Total	# of Clients	% of State Total
ALDERWOOD	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
AUBURN	1	0.9%	1	0.9%
BELLINGHAM	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
BELLTOWN	3	2.8%	2	1.9%
CAPITOL HILL	1	0.9%	2	1.9%
EVERETT	4	3.8%	4	3.8%
FEDERAL WAY	1	0.9%	0	0.0%
KING EASTSIDE	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
KING NORTH	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
KING SOUTH	5	4.7%	5	4.7%
MT VERNON	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
OAK HARBOR	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
RAINIER	5	4.7%	5	4.7%
RENTON	5	4.7%	5	4.7%
SKY VALLEY	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
SMOKEY POINT	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
WHITE CENTER	8	7.5%	8	7.5%
Region 2 Total	33	31.1%	32	30.2%

PWA Clients by DSHS Region and CSO of Issuance and Residence, June 2016 Snapshot (continued)

Region 3 CSO	CSO of Issuance		CSO of Residence	
	# of Clients	% of State Total	# of Clients	% of State Total
ABERDEEN	1	0.9%	1	0.9%
BREMERTON	2	1.9%	2	1.9%
CHEHALIS	2	1.9%	2	1.9%
COLUMBIA RIVER	2	1.9%	2	1.9%
FORKS	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
KELSO	2	1.9%	2	1.9%
LAKESWOOD	6	5.7%	5	4.7%
LONG BEACH	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
OLYMPIA	10	9.4%	10	9.4%
PIERCE NORTH	4	3.8%	6	5.7%
PIERCE SOUTH	9	8.5%	9	8.5%
PORT ANGELES	1	0.9%	1	0.9%
PORT TOWNSEND	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
PUYALLUP VALLEY	2	1.9%	2	1.9%
SHELTON	1	0.9%	1	0.9%
SOUTH BEND	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
STEVENSON	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Region 3 Total	42	39.6%	43	40.6%

PWA Clients by County of Residence, June 2016 Snapshot

County	# of Clients	% of Total	County	# of Clients	% of Total
Adams	0	0.0%	Lewis	2	1.9%
Asotin	0	0.0%	Lincoln	0	0.0%
Benton	4	3.8%	Mason	1	0.9%
Chelan	0	0.0%	Okanogan	1	0.9%
Clallam	1	0.9%	Pacific	0	0.0%
Clark	2	1.9%	Pend Oreille	1	0.9%
Columbia	0	0.0%	Pierce	22	20.8%
Cowlitz	2	1.9%	San Juan	0	0.0%
Douglas	0	0.0%	Skagit	0	0.0%
Ferry	0	0.0%	Skamania	0	0.0%
Franklin	2	1.9%	Snohomish	4	3.8%
Garfield	0	0.0%	Spokane	10	9.4%
Grant	1	0.9%	Stevens	0	0.0%
Grays Harbor	1	0.9%	Thurston	10	9.4%
Island	0	0.0%	Wahkiakum	0	0.0%
Jefferson	0	0.0%	Walla Walla	1	0.9%
King	27	25.5%	Whatcom	0	0.0%
Kitsap	2	1.9%	Whitman	0	0.0%
Kittitas	0	0.0%	Yakima	11	10.4%
Klickitat	0	0.0%	Not Reported/ Unidentifiable	1	0.9%

	# of Clients	% of Total
State Total	106	100.0%

PWA Client Demographics, June 2016 Snapshot

Characteristic	All Clients	
	# of Clients	% of Total Clients
Total Clients	106	100.0%

Gender	All Clients	
	# of Clients	% of Total Clients
Female	106	100.0%
Male	0	0.0%
Not Reported/Unidentifiable	0	0.0%

Race	All Clients	
	# of Clients	% of Total Clients
Hispanic Origin	18	17.0%
Not Hispanic or Latino	88	83.0%
White	44	41.5%
Black/African American	34	32.1%
Asian/Pacific Islander	1	0.9%
American Indian/Alaska Native	6	5.7%
Two or More Races	1	0.9%
Not Reported/Unidentifiable	2	1.9%

Marital Status (Adults Only)	All Clients	
	# of Clients	% of Total Clients
Separated	10	9.4%
Married	1	0.9%
Never Married	86	81.1%
Divorced	7	6.6%
Widowed	0	0.0%
Not Reported/Unidentifiable	2	1.9%

Citizenship Status	All Clients	
	# of Clients	% of Total Clients
U.S. Citizen	104	98.1%
Resident Alien	1	0.9%
U.S. National²	1	0.9%
Not Reported/Unidentifiable	0	0.0%

² 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 2016 Snapshot (continued)

<u>All Clients</u>		
Characteristic	# of Clients	% of Total Clients
Homeless Status		
<u>All Clients</u>		
Homeless ³	45	42.5%
Age		
<u>All Clients</u>		
< 18 Years Old	0	0.0%
18 – 24 Years Old	6	5.7%
25 – 34 Years Old	75	70.8%
35 – 44 Years Old	25	23.6%
45 – 54 Years Old	0	0.0%
55 – 64 Years Old	0	0.0%
65+ Years Old	0	0.0%
Average Age of Clients		
		31.2 Years

³ Homeless is defined as: homeless without housing, homeless with housing (staying temporarily with family or friends), emergency shelter, or battered spouse shelter.