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# Basic Food

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The Basic Food Program is Washington state's name for the combination of federally-funded Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) and the state-funded Food Assistance Program for Legal Immigrants (FAP). FAP is for individuals who are legal immigrants and meet all eligibility requirements for SNAP except for citizenship and immigration status. Basic Food helps low-income individuals and families access nutritious foods.

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# Basic Food Overview

This chapter summarizes the caseload and client data for the Basic Food program in SFY 2023. The following programs are highlighted in this chapter.

- **Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)**, formerly known as Food Stamps until 2008, provides food assistance to eligible low-income individuals and families.
- **Food Assistance Program for Legal Immigrants (FAP)** provides food assistance to legal immigrants who are not eligible for the federal Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP).
- **Basic Food Employment and Training (BFET)** provides supervised job search assistance, education, skills training, and other support services to individuals over age 16 receiving SNAP who are not participating in the state's Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) program.
- **Washington Combined Application Program (WASHCAP)**, a simplified food benefit program for certain Supplemental Security Income (SSI) recipients, delivers food benefits through an automated interface between the Social Security Administration (SSA) and the Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS). A client's application for SSI also acts as an application for food benefits. Clients who receive WASHCAP are certified for up to 36 months.
- **Transitional Food Assistance (TFA)** is a program for families leaving Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) or Tribal TANF programs while receiving Basic Food, allowing five additional months of food benefits as they transition off public assistance.

Basic Food program caseloads are divided into three types:

- Cases Receiving SSI – recipients who also receive Supplemental Security Income (SSI).
- Cases Receiving Cash Assistance – recipients who also receive a cash assistance grant.
- Cases Not Receiving Cash Assistance or SSI – recipients who only receive food assistance.

Additional information, including the eligibility criteria, funding sources, and services/benefits provided, is available here.

## Highlights

The average monthly Basic Food caseload in Washington state increased by 4.9% in SFY 2023 (523,860) from SFY 2022 (499,625). Of the SFY 2023 caseload, a majority (74.1%) did not receive cash assistance or SSI. The percentage of cases in SFY 2023 that received cash assistance averaged 8.8% per month and the percentage of cases that received SSI averaged 17.0% per month. The average monthly number of clients served by the Basic Food Employment and Training (BFET) program in SFY 2023 was 4,276. The average monthly food assistance grant per case was $418.

**TECHNICAL NOTES**

DATA SOURCES: The majority of the data covered in this chapter was based on the ESA's Automated Client Eligibility System (ACES) in August 2023. The Basic Food Error Rate was provided by ESA's Division of Program Integrity. BFET data was based on both ACES and the Electronic Jobs Automated System (eJAS).

DATA NOTES:

- Unless otherwise noted, both the federally funded SNAP program and the state-funded FAP program are reported jointly in this chapter.
- Percentages may not add up to expected totals due to rounding.
- All reports of 10-year caseload trends reflect the monthly average for each state fiscal year (SFY).

## Selected Basic Food Program Overview, SFY 2022 and SFY 2023

| | SFY 2022 (July 2021-June 2022) | SFY 2023 (July 2022-June 2023) | Change | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Average Number of Cases Per Month (Range)** | 499,625 (484,018 - 520,004) | 523,860 (519,940 - 527,545) | *4.9% (Increase)* | ⬆ |
| **Average Number of Persons Per Month (Range)** | 873,078 (847,922 - 912,436) | 924,162 (915,153 - 931,085) | *5.9% (Increase)* | ⬆ |
| **Average Number of Adults Per Month (Range)** | 572,268 (554,969 - 596,825) | 603,024 (598,636 - 606,052) | *5.4% (Increase)* | ⬆ |
| **Average Number of Children Per Month (Range)** | 300,811 (291,119 - 315,611) | 321,138 (316,131 - 325,825) | *6.8% (Increase)* | ⬆ |
| **State Population[1]** | 7,864,400 | 7,951,150 | *1.1% (Increase)* | ⬆ |
| **Average Monthly Recipients as a Percent of State's Total Population** | 11.1% | 11.6% | *0.5% Point (Increase)* | ⬆ |
| **Children as Percent of Recipients** | 34.5% | 34.7% | *0.2% Point (Increase)* | ⬆ |
| **Average Persons Per Case** | 1.7 | 1.8 | *0.1 Point (Increase)* | ⬆ |
| **Average Children Per Case** | 0.6 | 0.6 | *No Change* | = |
| **Average Children Per Adult** | 0.5 | 0.5 | *No Change* | = |
| **Average Monthly Payment Per Case (Range)[2]** | $434.26 ($409.71 - $443.23) | $418.25 ($303.28 - $495.23) | *-3.7% (Decrease)* | ⬇ |

[1] Source: Office of Financial Management (OFM) population estimates

[2] Payments not adjusted for refunds. From March 2020 to February 2023, the federal government issued temporary emergency funding to provide families with additional food benefits during the COVID-19 pandemic. Food benefit amounts decreased to normal benefit levels in March 2023.

## Basic Food Caseload, SFY 2014 – 2023
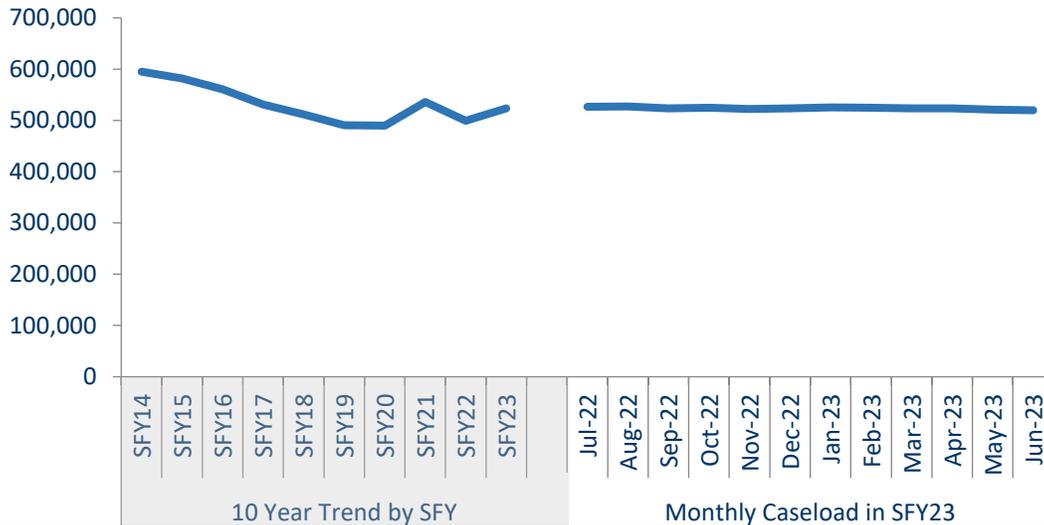


|  |  | 10 Year Trend by SFY |  | Monthly Caseload in SFY23 |
|---|---|---|---|---|

| SFY | Monthly Average Caseload | SFY | Monthly Average Caseload |
|---|---|---|---|
| **SFY14** | 595,115 | **SFY19** | 490,545 |
| **SFY15** | 582,192 | **SFY20** | 489,893 |
| **SFY16** | 561,095 | **SFY21** | 536,010 |
| **SFY17** | 531,134 | **SFY22**[3] | 499,625 |
| **SFY18** | 511,760 | **SFY23** | 523,860 |

| SFY 2023 | Total Caseload | Total Clients | Grant Expenditures | Average Payment Per Case |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| July | 526,920 | 924,605 | $233,548,667 | $443.23 |
| August | 527,545 | 925,253 | $233,333,409 | $442.30 |
| September | 523,487 | 917,354 | $231,263,043 | $441.77 |
| October | 524,605 | 927,468 | $259,215,249 | $494.12 |
| November | 522,263 | 923,762 | $258,638,321 | $495.23 |
| December | 523,876 | 927,951 | $259,385,063 | $495.13 |
| January | 525,228 | 931,085 | $258,031,714 | $491.28 |
| February | 524,821 | 929,696 | $258,180,082 | $491.94 |
| March[4] | 523,286 | 925,745 | $158,701,258 | $303.28 |
| April | 523,459 | 923,328 | $159,795,106 | $305.27 |
| May | 520,890 | 918,539 | $159,518,238 | $306.24 |
| June | 519,940 | 915,153 | $159,632,275 | $307.02 |
| **Mo. Avg.** | **523,860** | **924,162** | **$219,103,536** | **$418.25** |
| **Annual Unduplicated** | **696,348** | **1,211,782** | **$2,629,242,426** | **$3,775.76** |

[3] In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the USDA Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) authorized the state to issue SNAP Emergency Allotments on a month-to-month basis, as outlined in President Biden's *Executive Order on Economic Relief to COVID-19 Pandemic*, issued January 2021. Under this order, eligible households receive the maximum SNAP allotment based on their household size. Households with an allotment over $0 but Emergency Allotment under $95 received a minimum of $95.

[4] From March 2020 to February 2023, the federal government issued temporary emergency funding to provide families with additional food benefits during the COVID-19 pandemic. Food benefit amounts decreased to normal benefit levels in March 2023.

## Basic Food LIHEAP[5] Caseload and Issuances, SFY 2023

| SFY 2023 | Total Basic Food Program Caseload | # of Basic Food Cases Receiving a LIHEAP Issuance | Amount of Grant Expenditures for Cases Receiving a LIHEAP Issuance | # of Basic Food Cases Not Receiving a LIHEAP Issuance | Amount of Grant Expenditures for Cases Not Receiving a LIHEAP Issuance | LIHEAP Dollars Issued |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| July | 526,920 | 15,029 | $6,113,099 | 511,891 | $227,435,568 | $300,730 |
| August | 527,545 | 14,054 | $5,626,536 | 513,491 | $227,706,873 | $281,221 |
| September | 523,487 | 21,800 | $8,812,576 | 501,687 | $222,450,467 | $436,238 |
| October | 524,605 | 17,768 | $7,837,325 | 506,837 | $251,377,924 | $355,538 |
| November | 522,263 | 40,671 | $15,416,494 | 481,592 | $243,221,827 | $813,827 |
| December | 523,876 | 18,269 | $7,897,713 | 505,607 | $251,487,350 | $365,583 |
| January | 525,228 | 22,293 | $8,992,087 | 502,935 | $249,039,627 | $446,103 |
| February | 524,821 | 16,521 | $7,226,042 | 508,300 | $250,954,040 | $330,585 |
| March | 523,286 | 16,665 | $4,559,385 | 506,621 | $154,141,873 | $333,507 |
| April | 523,459 | 16,868 | $4,693,669 | 506,591 | $155,101,437 | $337,529 |
| May | 520,890 | 15,378 | $4,329,274 | 505,512 | $155,188,964 | $307,714 |
| June | 519,940 | 16,256 | $4,681,188 | 503,684 | $154,951,087 | $325,283 |
| **Mo. Avg.** | **523,860** | **19,298** | **$7,182,116** | **504,562** | **$211,921,420** | **$386,155** |
| **Annual Unduplicated** | **696,348** | **229,978** | **$86,185,389** | **503,952** | **$210,628,574** | **$4,633,856** |

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[5] Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) is a program administered by Washington State Department of Commerce and provides energy assistance to households in Washington through a network of community action agencies and local partners.

## Basic Food Caseload by Type, SFY 2023
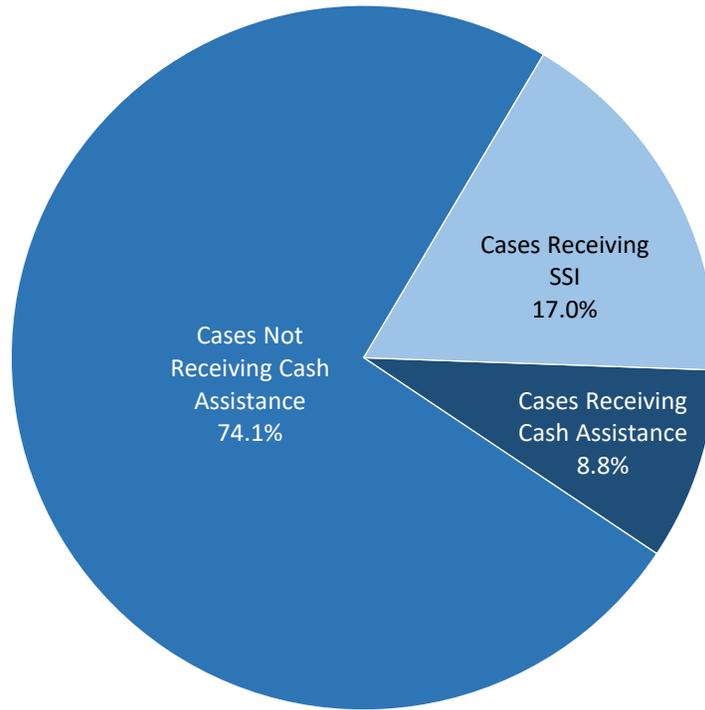


| SFY 2023 | Total Cases | Cases Receiving Cash Assistance | | Cases Not Receiving Cash Assistance | | Cases Receiving SSI | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | # of Cases | % of Total | # of Cases | % of Total | # of Cases | % of Total |
| July | 526,920 | 44,615 | 8.5% | 392,582 | 74.5% | 89,723 | 17.0% |
| August | 527,545 | 44,651 | 8.5% | 393,241 | 74.5% | 89,653 | 17.0% |
| September | 523,487 | 45,094 | 8.6% | 388,826 | 74.3% | 89,567 | 17.1% |
| October | 524,605 | 45,401 | 8.7% | 389,598 | 74.3% | 89,606 | 17.1% |
| November | 522,263 | 46,025 | 8.8% | 386,757 | 74.1% | 89,481 | 17.1% |
| December | 523,876 | 46,904 | 9.0% | 387,010 | 73.9% | 89,962 | 17.2% |
| January | 525,228 | 47,560 | 9.1% | 387,904 | 73.9% | 89,764 | 17.1% |
| February | 524,821 | 46,982 | 9.0% | 388,503 | 74.0% | 89,336 | 17.0% |
| March | 523,286 | 46,829 | 8.9% | 387,551 | 74.1% | 88,906 | 17.0% |
| April | 523,459 | 47,277 | 9.0% | 387,524 | 74.0% | 88,658 | 16.9% |
| May | 520,890 | 46,638 | 9.0% | 385,844 | 74.1% | 88,408 | 17.0% |
| June | 519,940 | 47,179 | 9.1% | 384,486 | 73.9% | 88,275 | 17.0% |
| **Mo. Avg.** | **523,860** | **46,263** | **8.8%** | **388,319** | **74.1%** | **89,278** | **17.0%** |

## Average Monthly Basic Food Participants as a Percent of State Population, SFY 2014 – 2023
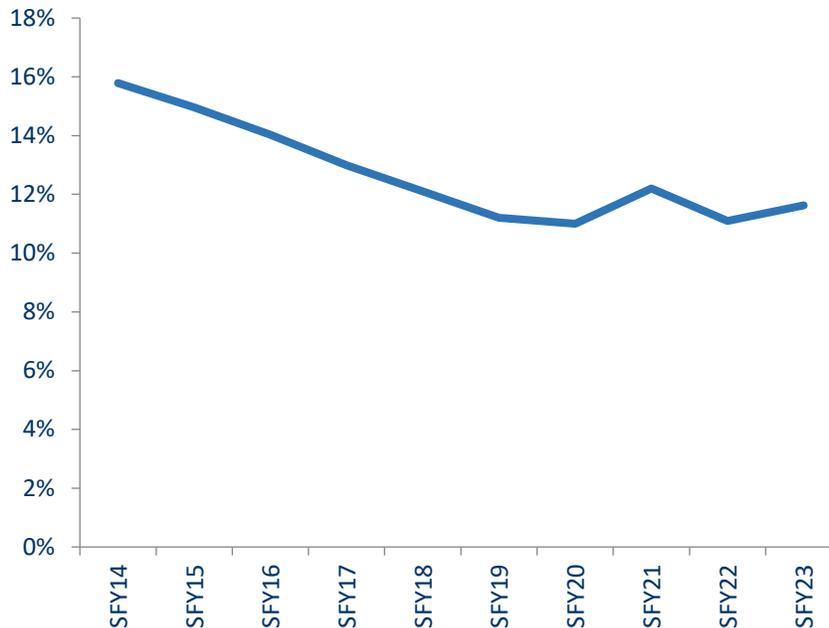


| SFY | Average Monthly Participating Persons | State Population[6] | Percent of State Population | State Population at or Below 125% FPL[7] | Percent Participating as a % of State Population at or Below 125% FPL[8] | State Population at or Below 200% FPL | Percent Participating as a % of State Population at or Below 200% FPL |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2014 | 1,100,010 | 6,968,170 | 15.8% | 1,188,472 | 92.6% | 2,071,216 | 53.1% |
| 2015 | 1,056,165 | 7,061,410 | 15.0% | 1,122,481 | 94.1% | 2,015,651 | 52.4% |
| 2016 | 1,007,629 | 7,183,700 | 14.0% | 1,069,229 | 94.2% | 1,903,213 | 52.9% |
| 2017 | 949,975 | 7,310,300 | 13.0% | 1,051,726 | 90.3% | 1,858,736 | 51.1% |
| 2018 | 897,220 | 7,427,600 | 12.1% | 1,002,777 | 89.5% | 1,816,838 | 49.4% |
| 2019 | 841,927 | 7,546,400 | 11.2% | 964,782 | 87.3% | 1,753,486 | 48.0% |
| 2020 | 838,550 | 7,656,200 | 11.0% | 964,782 | 86.9% | 1,753,486 | 47.8% |
| 2021 | 950,592 | 7,766,925 | 12.2% | 976,710 | 97.3% | 1,721,298 | 55.2% |
| 2022 | 873,078 | 7,864,400 | 11.1% | 990,999 | 88.1% | 1,709,507 | 51.1% |
| 2023 | 924,162 | 7,951,150 | 11.6% | 990,999 | 93.3% | 1,709,507 | 54.1% |

[6] Source: OFM Forecasting Division
[7] Based on U.S. Census Bureau's American Community Survey (ACS) 2022 1-year estimates. ACS poverty estimates for 2023 are not available at the time of this publication.
[8] Values can exceed 100% as 125% of the federal poverty level is used to approximate the federal measure of the Program Access Index (PAI) while households can be eligible for Basic Food with income up to 200% of the federal poverty level.

## Basic Food Caseload Receiving Assistance through WASHCAP[9], SFY 2014 – 2023



10 Year Trend by SFY          Monthly Caseload in SFY 23
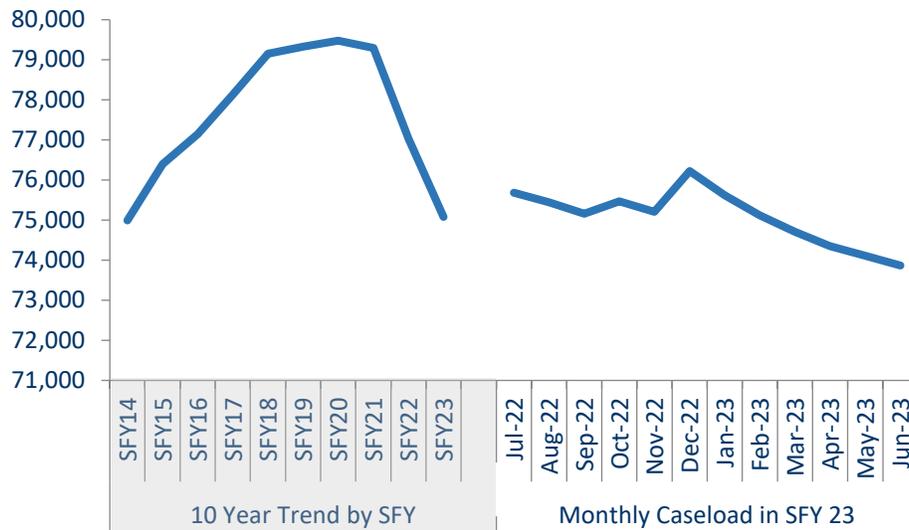
| SFY | Mo. Avg. Caseload | SFY | Mo. Avg. Caseload |
|---|---|---|---|
| SFY14 | 75,063 | SFY19 | 79,326 |
| SFY15 | 76,401 | SFY20 | 79,477 |
| SFY16 | 77,144 | SFY21 | 79,295 |
| SFY17 | 78,132 | SFY22 | 77,029 |
| SFY18 | 79,152 | SFY23 | 75,080 |

| SFY 2023 | Total Basic Food Program Caseload | Cases Receiving WASHCAP | Percent Receiving WASHCAP | WASHCAP Expenditures | WASHCAP Expenditures Per Case |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| July | 526,920 | 75,680 | 14.4% | $21,278,731 | $281.17 |
| August | 527,545 | 75,443 | 14.3% | $21,212,368 | $281.17 |
| September | 523,487 | 75,162 | 14.4% | $21,132,567 | $281.16 |
| October | 524,605 | 75,470 | 14.4% | $23,929,690 | $317.08 |
| November | 522,263 | 75,209 | 14.4% | $24,265,816 | $322.65 |
| December | 523,876 | 76,225 | 14.6% | $24,191,054 | $317.36 |
| January | 525,228 | 75,621 | 14.4% | $22,781,487 | $301.26 |
| February | 524,821 | 75,116 | 14.3% | $22,642,536 | $301.43 |
| March | 523,286 | 74,710 | 14.3% | $14,008,132 | $187.50 |
| April | 523,459 | 74,348 | 14.2% | $13,918,866 | $187.21 |
| May | 520,890 | 74,109 | 14.2% | $13,868,676 | $187.14 |
| June | 519,940 | 73,867 | 14.2% | $13,815,932 | $187.04 |
| Mo. Avg. | 523,860 | 75,080 | 14.3% | $19,753,821 | $263.10 |
| Annual Unduplicated | 696,348 | 85,750 | 12.3% | $237,045,855 | $2,764.38 |

[9] Washington State Combined Application Program (WASHCAP) is a simplified food benefits program for certain single Supplemental Security Income (SSI) recipients. Cases consist of one client; therefore, the number of WASHCAP clients is equal to the number of WASHCAP cases.

## Basic Food Caseload Receiving Assistance through Transitional Food Assistance (TFA), SFY 2014 – 2023



10 Year Trend by SFY          Monthly Caseload in SFY 23
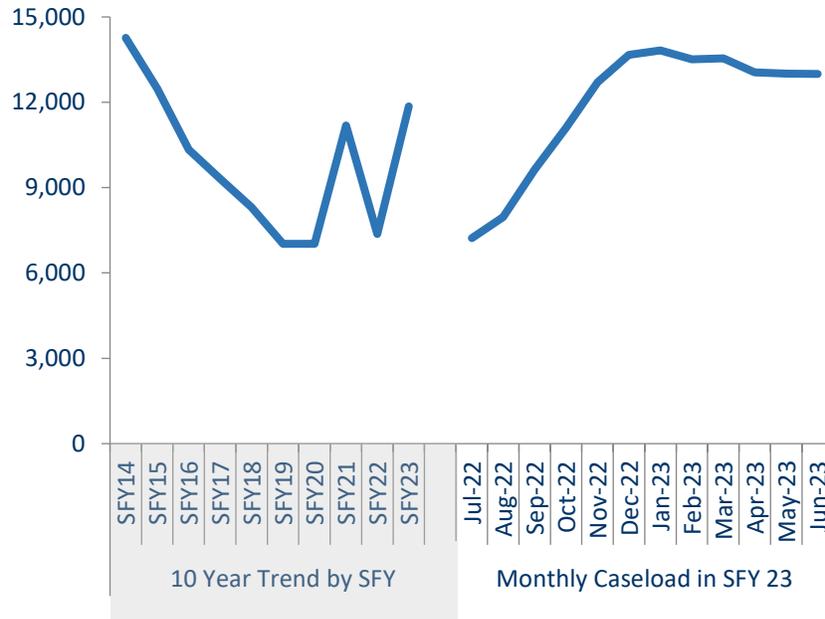
| SFY | Mo. Avg. Caseload | SFY | Mo. Avg. Caseload |
|---|---|---|---|
| **SFY14** | 14,265 | **SFY19** | 7,027 |
| **SFY15** | 12,477 | **SFY20** | 7,025 |
| **SFY16** | 10,388 | **SFY21** | 11,180 |
| **SFY17** | 9,314 | **SFY22** | 7,336 |
| **SFY18** | 8,313 | **SFY23** | 11,852 |

| SFY 2023 | Total Basic Food Program Caseload | # of Cases Receiving TFA | Percent Receiving TFA | TFA Expenditures | TFA Expenditures Per Case |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **July** | 526,920 | 7,221 | 1.4% | $5,188,222 | $718.49 |
| **August** | 527,545 | 7,961 | 1.5% | $5,723,909 | $718.99 |
| **September** | 523,487 | 9,632 | 1.8% | $6,942,923 | $720.82 |
| **October** | 524,605 | 11,111 | 2.1% | $8,937,325 | $804.37 |
| **November** | 522,263 | 12,703 | 2.4% | $10,253,249 | $807.15 |
| **December** | 523,876 | 13,668 | 2.6% | $11,093,113 | $811.61 |
| **January** | 525,228 | 13,819 | 2.6% | $11,262,746 | $815.02 |
| **February** | 524,821 | 13,506 | 2.6% | $11,065,148 | $819.28 |
| **March** | 523,286 | 13,549 | 2.6% | $7,828,917 | $577.82 |
| **April** | 523,459 | 13,050 | 2.5% | $7,765,730 | $595.08 |
| **May** | 520,890 | 13,006 | 2.5% | $7,798,972 | $599.64 |
| **June** | 519,940 | 12,994 | 2.5% | $7,910,614 | $608.79 |
| **Mo. Avg.** | **523,860** | **11,852** | **2.3%** | **$8,480,906** | **$715.57** |
| **Annual Unduplicated** | **696,348** | **40,355** | **5.8%** | **$101,770,868** | **$2,521.89** |

## Basic Food Caseload Receiving SNAP and FAP[10], SFY 2023

| SFY 2023 | Total # of Cases | SNAP Only | | Both SNAP & FAP | | FAP Only | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | # of Cases | % of Total | # of Cases | % of Total | # of Cases | % of Total |
| July | 526,920 | 513,536 | 97.5% | 7,714 | 1.5% | 5,670 | 1.1% |
| August | 527,545 | 514,168 | 97.5% | 7,806 | 1.5% | 5,571 | 1.1% |
| September | 523,487 | 510,644 | 97.5% | 7,781 | 1.5% | 5,062 | 1.0% |
| October | 524,605 | 511,270 | 97.5% | 7,971 | 1.5% | 5,364 | 1.0% |
| November | 522,263 | 508,455 | 97.4% | 8,127 | 1.6% | 5,681 | 1.1% |
| December | 523,876 | 509,453 | 97.2% | 8,318 | 1.6% | 6,105 | 1.2% |
| January | 525,228 | 510,113 | 97.1% | 8,540 | 1.6% | 6,575 | 1.3% |
| February | 524,821 | 509,114 | 97.0% | 8,713 | 1.7% | 6,994 | 1.3% |
| March | 523,286 | 506,945 | 96.9% | 8,846 | 1.7% | 7,495 | 1.4% |
| April | 523,459 | 506,399 | 96.7% | 8,947 | 1.7% | 8,113 | 1.5% |
| May | 520,890 | 502,994 | 96.6% | 9,076 | 1.7% | 8,820 | 1.7% |
| June | 519,940 | 501,493 | 96.5% | 9,110 | 1.8% | 9,337 | 1.8% |
| **Mo. Avg.** | **523,860** | **508,715** | **97.1%** | **8,412** | **1.6%** | **6,732** | **1.3%** |

| SFY 2023 | FAP Caseload[11] | State Expenditures on FAP Cases[12] | Federal Expenditures on FAP Cases[13] | Average State Expenditures Per Case | Total Avg. Expenditures Per Case |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| July | 13,384 | $4,336,663 | $4,327,467 | $324.02 | $647.35 |
| August | 13,377 | $4,292,135 | $4,334,785 | $320.86 | $644.91 |
| September | 12,843 | $3,894,949 | $4,326,968 | $303.27 | $640.19 |
| October | 13,335 | $4,639,918 | $4,930,524 | $347.95 | $717.69 |
| November | 13,808 | $4,869,052 | $5,019,818 | $352.63 | $716.17 |
| December | 14,423 | $5,115,876 | $5,118,471 | $354.70 | $709.59 |
| January | 15,115 | $5,423,662 | $5,229,324 | $358.83 | $704.80 |
| February | 15,707 | $5,695,662 | $5,377,542 | $362.62 | $704.99 |
| March | 16,341 | $4,393,445 | $3,424,963 | $268.86 | $478.45 |
| April | 17,060 | $4,671,438 | $3,512,129 | $273.82 | $479.69 |
| May | 17,896 | $4,988,678 | $3,555,942 | $278.76 | $477.46 |
| June | 18,447 | $5,232,291 | $3,595,945 | $283.64 | $478.57 |
| **Mo. Avg.** | **15,145** | **$4,796,147** | **$4,396,157** | **$316.69** | **$606.97** |
| **Annual Unduplicated** | **27,216** | **$57,553,768** | **$52,753,879** | **$2,114.70** | **$4,053.04** |

[10] SNAP is the federal food assistance program. FAP is the state-funded Food Assistance Program for Legal Immigrants. Some households have a member receiving SNAP assistance and a member receiving state-funded FAP.

[11] FAP caseload includes mixed SNAP and FAP cases as well as FAP-only cases.

[12] State expenditures for FAP benefits are established in the biennial Operating Budget and can be changed in the Supplemental Budget.

[13] These are federal expenditures on mixed SNAP/FAP households in which at least one individual is a recipient of the federal SNAP benefits and at least one individual is a recipient of the state's FAP benefits.

## Basic Food Caseload by DSHS Region and CSO of Issuance and Residence, June 2023 Snapshot

The following pages detail the Basic Food caseload, June 2023 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), Home and Community Service Offices (HCS) within DSHS's Aging and Long-Term Support Administration (ALTSA), Developmental Disability Administration (DDA), or Port Gamble S'Klallam Tribe (PGST).

- CSO of Residence: Based on the CSO coverage area in which a client lives.

| Overview | Office of Issuance | | | | Office of Residence | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | # of Cases | % of State Total | # of Clients | % of State Total | # of Cases | % of State Total | # of Clients | % of State Total |
| **Region 1 CSOs** | 121,564 | 23.4% | 250,638 | 27.4% | 148,052 | 28.5% | 278,721 | 30.5% |
| **Region 2 CSOs** | 151,377 | 29.1% | 282,860 | 30.9% | 190,188 | 36.6% | 324,671 | 35.5% |
| **Region 3 CSOs** | 144,642 | 27.8% | 271,542 | 29.7% | 181,155 | 34.9% | 311,460 | 34.0% |
| **CSCCs & WASHCAP** | 54,460 | 10.5% | 56,229 | 6.1% | N/A | | | |
| **ALTSA (HCS)** | 39,271 | 7.6% | 45,013 | 4.9% | | | | |
| **DDA** | 8,560 | 1.6% | 8,722 | 1.0% | | | | |
| **Tribal Locations** | 65 | <0.1% | 148 | <0.1% | | | | |
| **Not Reported / Unidentifiable** | 1 | <0.1% | 1 | <0.1% | 145 | <0.1% | 301 | <0.1% |
| **State Total** | 519,940 | 100.0% | 915,153 | 100.0% | 519,940 | 100.0% | 915,153 | 100.0% |

## Caseload by DSHS Region and CSO of Issuance and Residence, June 2023 Snapshot (continued)

| Region 1 CSO | CSO of Issuance | | | | CSO of Residence | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | # of Cases | % of State Total | # of Clients | % of State Total | # of Cases | % of State Total | # of Clients | % of State Total |
| CLARKSTON | 2,116 | 0.4% | 3,947 | 0.4% | 2,606 | 0.5% | 4,444 | 0.5% |
| COLFAX | 2,028 | 0.4% | 3,708 | 0.4% | 2,444 | 0.5% | 4,172 | 0.5% |
| COLVILLE | 3,497 | 0.7% | 7,080 | 0.8% | 4,401 | 0.8% | 8,015 | 0.9% |
| ELLENSBURG | 2,425 | 0.5% | 4,195 | 0.5% | 2,882 | 0.6% | 4,639 | 0.5% |
| GOLDENDALE | 1,068 | 0.2% | 1,970 | 0.2% | 1,328 | 0.3% | 2,221 | 0.2% |
| KENNEWICK | 19,031 | 3.7% | 43,062 | 4.7% | 22,954 | 4.4% | 47,395 | 5.2% |
| MOSES LAKE | 9,797 | 1.9% | 22,455 | 2.5% | 11,588 | 2.2% | 24,377 | 2.7% |
| NEWPORT | 1,209 | 0.2% | 2,330 | 0.3% | 1,583 | 0.3% | 2,733 | 0.3% |
| OKANOGAN | 4,285 | 0.8% | 8,323 | 0.9% | 5,137 | 1.0% | 9,168 | 1.0% |
| REPUBLIC | 756 | 0.1% | 1,458 | 0.2% | 911 | 0.2% | 1,614 | 0.2% |
| SPOKANE MAPLE | 16,616 | 3.2% | 30,292 | 3.3% | 22,539 | 4.3% | 38,213 | 4.2% |
| SPOKANE TRENT | 22,095 | 4.2% | 44,474 | 4.9% | 26,119 | 5.0% | 47,051 | 5.1% |
| SUNNYSIDE | 4,811 | 0.9% | 11,519 | 1.3% | 5,343 | 1.0% | 12,018 | 1.3% |
| TOPPENISH | 5,466 | 1.1% | 12,122 | 1.3% | 6,090 | 1.2% | 12,802 | 1.4% |
| WALLA WALLA | 4,000 | 0.8% | 7,774 | 0.8% | 5,114 | 1.0% | 8,954 | 1.0% |
| WENATCHEE | 6,459 | 1.2% | 12,960 | 1.4% | 7,728 | 1.5% | 14,318 | 1.6% |
| WHITE SALMON | 589 | 0.1% | 1,116 | 0.1% | 734 | 0.1% | 1,288 | 0.1% |
| YAKIMA | 15,316 | 2.9% | 31,853 | 3.5% | 18,551 | 3.6% | 35,299 | 3.9% |
| Region 1 Total | 121,564 | 23.4% | 250,638 | 27.4% | 148,052 | 28.5% | 278,721 | 30.5% |

## Caseload by DSHS Region and CSO of Issuance and Residence, June 2023 Snapshot (continued)

| Region 2 CSO | CSO of Issuance | | | | CSO of Residence | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | # of Cases | % of State Total | # of Clients | % of State Total | # of Cases | % of State Total | # of Clients | % of State Total |
| **ALDERWOOD** | 9,394 | 1.8% | 18,512 | 2.0% | 11,680 | 2.2% | 21,047 | 2.3% |
| **AUBURN** | 10,434 | 2.0% | 22,520 | 2.5% | 12,562 | 2.4% | 24,956 | 2.7% |
| **BELLINGHAM** | 12,137 | 2.3% | 21,215 | 2.3% | 15,029 | 2.9% | 24,198 | 2.6% |
| **BELLTOWN** | 8,354 | 1.6% | 9,988 | 1.1% | 11,255 | 2.2% | 13,023 | 1.4% |
| **CAPITOL HILL** | 5,598 | 1.1% | 7,920 | 0.9% | 7,482 | 1.4% | 9,903 | 1.1% |
| **EVERETT** | 12,267 | 2.4% | 23,476 | 2.6% | 15,212 | 2.9% | 26,561 | 2.9% |
| **FEDERAL WAY** | 7,393 | 1.4% | 16,429 | 1.8% | 9,123 | 1.8% | 18,325 | 2.0% |
| **KING EASTSIDE** | 9,912 | 1.9% | 18,662 | 2.0% | 12,867 | 2.5% | 21,942 | 2.4% |
| **KING NORTH** | 10,679 | 2.1% | 16,561 | 1.8% | 14,079 | 2.7% | 20,063 | 2.2% |
| **KING SOUTH** | 11,644 | 2.2% | 25,734 | 2.8% | 14,174 | 2.7% | 28,670 | 3.1% |
| **MOUNT VERNON** | 8,594 | 1.7% | 15,984 | 1.7% | 9,845 | 1.9% | 16,995 | 1.9% |
| **OAK HARBOR** | 2,639 | 0.5% | 4,555 | 0.5% | 3,767 | 0.7% | 6,047 | 0.7% |
| **RAINIER** | 6,907 | 1.3% | 13,661 | 1.5% | 9,160 | 1.8% | 16,108 | 1.8% |
| **RENTON** | 9,253 | 1.8% | 17,955 | 2.0% | 11,559 | 2.2% | 20,449 | 2.2% |
| **SKYKOMISH VALLEY** | 3,840 | 0.7% | 6,739 | 0.7% | 4,530 | 0.9% | 7,471 | 0.8% |
| **SMOKEY POINT** | 9,675 | 1.9% | 18,310 | 2.0% | 11,848 | 2.3% | 20,683 | 2.3% |
| **WHITE CENTER** | 12,657 | 2.4% | 24,639 | 2.7% | 16,016 | 3.1% | 28,230 | 3.1% |
| **Region 2 Total** | **151,377** | **29.1%** | **282,860** | **30.9%** | **190,188** | **36.6%** | **324,671** | **35.5%** |

## Caseload by DSHS Region and CSO of Issuance and Residence, June 2023 Snapshot (continued)

| Region 3 CSO | CSO of Issuance | | | | CSO of Residence | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | # of Cases | % of State Total | # of Clients | % of State Total | # of Cases | % of State Total | # of Clients | % of State Total |
| ABERDEEN | 7,521 | 1.4% | 13,148 | 1.4% | 9,837 | 1.9% | 15,572 | 1.7% |
| BREMERTON | 11,971 | 2.3% | 21,236 | 2.3% | 15,127 | 2.9% | 24,589 | 2.7% |
| CHEHALIS | 6,423 | 1.2% | 11,982 | 1.3% | 8,228 | 1.6% | 13,885 | 1.5% |
| COLUMBIA RIVER | 25,788 | 5.0% | 52,091 | 5.7% | 31,824 | 6.1% | 58,675 | 6.4% |
| FORKS | 904 | 0.2% | 1,905 | 0.2% | 1,080 | 0.2% | 2,085 | 0.2% |
| KELSO | 10,164 | 2.0% | 18,811 | 2.1% | 12,770 | 2.5% | 21,490 | 2.3% |
| LAKEWOOD | 13,932 | 2.7% | 27,924 | 3.1% | 17,129 | 3.3% | 31,334 | 3.4% |
| LONG BEACH | 1,041 | 0.2% | 1,669 | 0.2% | 1,337 | 0.3% | 1,986 | 0.2% |
| OLYMPIA | 15,580 | 3.0% | 27,802 | 3.0% | 20,270 | 3.9% | 33,625 | 3.7% |
| PIERCE NORTH | 11,185 | 2.2% | 18,249 | 2.0% | 14,201 | 2.7% | 21,204 | 2.3% |
| PIERCE SOUTH | 13,437 | 2.6% | 25,847 | 2.8% | 16,759 | 3.2% | 29,358 | 3.2% |
| PORT ANGELES | 4,277 | 0.8% | 7,114 | 0.8% | 5,485 | 1.1% | 8,392 | 0.9% |
| PORT TOWNSEND | 1,568 | 0.3% | 2,433 | 0.3% | 2,058 | 0.4% | 2,940 | 0.3% |
| PUYALLUP VALLEY | 14,222 | 2.7% | 29,223 | 3.2% | 17,208 | 3.3% | 32,591 | 3.6% |
| SHELTON | 5,176 | 1.0% | 9,590 | 1.0% | 6,386 | 1.2% | 10,807 | 1.2% |
| SOUTH BEND | 781 | 0.2% | 1,385 | 0.2% | 1,051 | 0.2% | 1,661 | 0.2% |
| STEVENSON | 672 | 0.1% | 1,133 | 0.1% | 805 | 0.2% | 1,266 | 0.1% |
| **Region 3 Total** | **144,642** | **27.8%** | **271,542** | **29.7%** | **181,555** | **34.9%** | **311,460** | **34.0%** |

## Basic Food Caseload by Customer Service Contact Centers (CSCC) and Other Locations, June 2023 Snapshot

| Customer Service Contact Centers (CSCC) | Office of Issuance | | | |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| | # of Cases | % of State Total | # of Clients | % of State Total |
| CSCC Central Sound | 358 | 0.1% | 554 | 0.1% |
| CSCC Northeast | 409 | 0.1% | 649 | 0.1% |
| CSCC Northwest | 462 | 0.1% | 683 | 0.1% |
| CSCC South Sound | 321 | 0.1% | 518 | 0.1% |
| CSCC Southeast | 534 | 0.1% | 876 | 0.1% |
| CSCC Southwest | 462 | 0.1% | 714 | 0.1% |
| CSCC Virtual Case Management Center | 519 | 0.1% | 843 | 0.1% |
| CSCC WASHCAP | 51,395 | 9.9% | 51,392 | 5.6% |
| **CSCC and WASHCAP Total** | **54,460** | **10.5%** | **56,229** | **6.1%** |

| DDA Locations | Office of Issuance | | | |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| | # of Cases | % of State Total | # of Clients | % of State Total |
| DDA Behavioral Health Financial Unit | 0 | 0.0% | 0 | 0.0% |
| DDA Long-Term Care & Special Programs | 8,560 | 1.6% | 8,722 | 1.0% |
| **DDA Locations Total** | **8,560** | **1.6%** | **8,722** | **1.0%** |

| Tribal Locations | Office of Issuance | | | |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| | # of Cases | % of State Total | # of Clients | % of State Total |
| PORT GAMBLE S'KLALLAM TRIBE (PGST) | 65 | <0.1% | 148 | <0.1% |

## Basic Food Caseload by Home and Community Services Offices (HCS), June 2023 Snapshot

| ALTSA Home and Community Service Offices (HCS) – Region 1 | HCS of Issuance | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | # of Cases | % of State Total | # of Clients | % of State Total |
| CLARKSTON HCS | 222 | <0.1% | 246 | <0.1% |
| COLVILLE HCS | 411 | 0.1% | 449 | <0.1% |
| ELLENSBURG HCS | 198 | <0.1% | 217 | <0.1% |
| MEDICAL LAKE HCS | 198 | <0.1% | 211 | <0.1% |
| MOSES LAKE HCS | 958 | 0.2% | 1,095 | 0.1% |
| OKANOGAN HCS | 368 | 0.1% | 402 | <0.1% |
| SPOKANE HCS | 3,564 | 0.7% | 4,018 | 0.4% |
| SUNNYSIDE HCS | 656 | 0.1% | 796 | 0.1% |
| TRI-CITIES HCS | 1,577 | 0.3% | 1,774 | 0.2% |
| WALLA WALLA HCS | 369 | 0.1% | 410 | <0.1% |
| WENATCHEE HCS | 267 | 0.1% | 286 | <0.1% |
| YAKIMA HCS | 980 | 0.2% | 1,096 | 0.1% |
| **Region 1 Total** | **9,768** | **1.9%** | **11,000** | **1.2%** |

| ALTSA Home and Community Service Offices (HCS) – Region 2 | HCS of Issuance | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | # of Cases | % of State Total | # of Clients | % of State Total |
| ALDERWOOD HCS | 1,811 | 0.3% | 2,100 | 0.2% |
| BELLINGHAM HCS | 1,574 | 0.3% | 1,784 | 0.2% |
| EVERETT HCS | 1,395 | 0.3% | 1,675 | 0.2% |
| HOLGATE HCS | 10,020 | 1.9% | 11,939 | 1.3% |
| MOUNT VERNON HCS | 1,779 | 0.3% | 2,051 | 0.2% |
| SMOKEY POINT HCS | 2 | <0.1% | 2 | <0.1% |
| **Region 2 Total** | **16,581** | **3.2%** | **19,551** | **2.1%** |

## Caseload by Home and Community Services Offices (HCS), June 2023 Snapshot (continued)

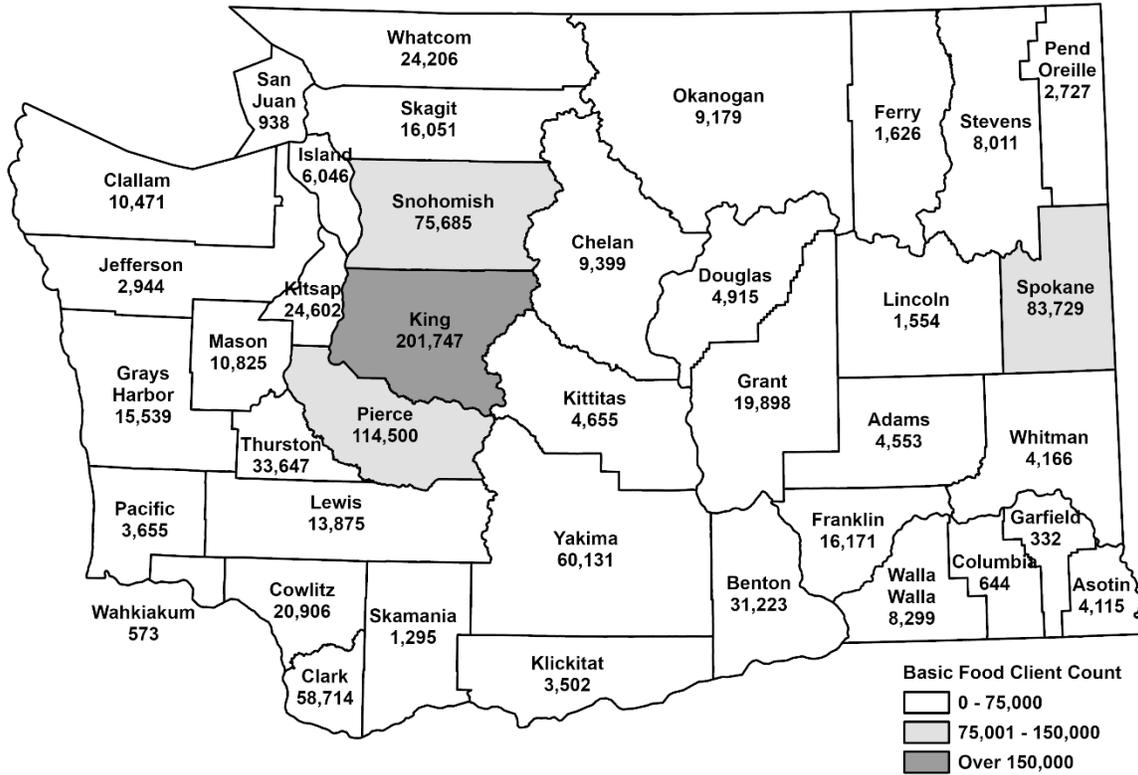| ALTSA Home and Community Service Offices (HCS) – Region 3 | HCS of Issuance | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | # of Cases | % of State Total | # of Clients | % of State Total |
| ABERDEEN HCS | 843 | 0.2% | 924 | 0.1% |
| BREMERTON HCS | 1,426 | 0.3% | 1,548 | 0.2% |
| CHEHALIS HCS | 1,651 | 0.3% | 1,827 | 0.2% |
| KELSO HCS | 3 | <0.1% | 3 | <0.1% |
| OLYMPIA HCS | 1,406 | 0.3% | 1,537 | 0.2% |
| PORT ANGELES HCS | 2 | <0.1% | 2 | <0.1% |
| STEILICOOM HCS | 7 | <0.1% | 8 | <0.1% |
| TACOMA HCS | 4,634 | 0.9% | 5,217 | 0.6% |
| VANCOUVER HCS | 2,950 | 0.6% | 3,396 | 0.4% |
| **Region 3 Total** | **12,922** | **2.5%** | **14,462** | **1.6%** |

## Basic Food Caseload by County of Residence, June 2023 Snapshot

| County | # of Cases | % of Total | # of Clients | % of Total | County | # of Cases | % of Total | # of Clients | % of Total |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Adams** | 1,903 | 0.4% | 4,553 | 0.5% | **Lewis** | 8,223 | 1.6% | 13,875 | 1.5% |
| **Asotin** | 2,439 | 0.5% | 4,116 | 0.4% | **Lincoln** | 832 | 0.2% | 1,554 | 0.2% |
| **Benton** | 15,653 | 3.0% | 31,224 | 3.4% | **Mason** | 6,402 | 1.2% | 10,825 | 1.2% |
| **Chelan** | 5,232 | 1.0% | 9,399 | 1.0% | **Okanogan** | 5,140 | 1.0% | 9,179 | 1.0% |
| **Clallam** | 6,559 | 1.3% | 10,471 | 1.1% | **Pacific** | 2,395 | 0.5% | 3,655 | 0.4% |
| **Clark** | 31,852 | 6.1% | 58,714 | 6.4% | **Pend Oreille** | 1,578 | 0.3% | 2,727 | 0.3% |
| **Columbia** | 394 | 0.1% | 644 | 0.1% | **Pierce** | 65,299 | 12.6% | 114,500 | 12.5% |
| **Cowlitz** | 12,410 | 2.4% | 20,906 | 2.3% | **San Juan** | 666 | 0.1% | 938 | 0.1% |
| **Douglas** | 2,493 | 0.5% | 4,915 | 0.5% | **Skagit** | 9,171 | 1.8% | 16,051 | 1.8% |
| **Ferry** | 921 | 0.2% | 1,626 | 0.2% | **Skamania** | 824 | 0.2% | 1,295 | 0.1% |
| **Franklin** | 7,303 | 1.4% | 16,169 | 1.8% | **Snohomish** | 43,216 | 8.3% | 75,685 | 8.3% |
| **Garfield** | 168 | <0.1% | 332 | <0.1% | **Spokane** | 47,828 | 9.2% | 83,729 | 9.1% |
| **Grant** | 9,719 | 1.9% | 19,898 | 2.2% | **Stevens** | 4,403 | 0.8% | 8,011 | 0.9% |
| **Grays Harbor** | 9,806 | 1.9% | 15,539 | 1.7% | **Thurston** | 20,285 | 3.9% | 33,647 | 3.7% |
| **Island** | 3,765 | 0.7% | 6,046 | 0.7% | **Wahkiakum** | 356 | 0.1% | 573 | 0.1% |
| **Jefferson** | 2,061 | 0.4% | 2,944 | 0.3% | **Walla Walla** | 4,713 | 0.9% | 8,299 | 0.9% |
| **King** | 118,333 | 22.8% | 201,747 | 22.0% | **Whatcom** | 15,036 | 2.9% | 24,206 | 2.6% |
| **Kitsap** | 15,130 | 2.9% | 24,602 | 2.7% | **Whitman** | 2,440 | 0.5% | 4,166 | 0.5% |
| **Kittitas** | 2,890 | 0.6% | 4,655 | 0.5% | **Yakima** | 29,984 | 5.8% | 60,131 | 6.6% |
| **Klickitat** | 2,058 | 0.4% | 3,502 | 0.4% | **Not Reported/ Unidentifiable** | 60 | <0.1% | 105 | <0.1% |

| | # of Cases | % of Total | # of Clients | % of Total |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **State Total** | 519,940 | 100.0% | 915,153 | 100.0% |

## Basic Food Client Density Maps, June 2023 Snapshot

**Number of Basic Food Clients by Residential County in Washington State: June 2023**

San Juan 938
Whatcom 24,206
Skagit 16,051
Island 6,046
Clallam 10,471
Snohomish 75,685
Okanogan 9,179
Ferry 1,626
Stevens 8,011
Pend Oreille 2,727
Jefferson 2,944
Chelan 9,399
Kitsap 24,602
King 201,747
Douglas 4,915
Lincoln 1,554
Spokane 83,729
Mason 10,825
Grays Harbor 15,539
Pierce 114,500
Kittitas 4,655
Grant 19,898
Adams 4,553
Whitman 4,166
Thurston 33,647
Lewis 13,875
Yakima 60,131
Franklin 16,171
Garfield 332
Columbia 644
Asotin 4,115
Pacific 3,655
Cowlitz 20,906
Skamania 1,295
Benton 31,223
Walla Walla 8,299
Wahkiakum 573
Klickitat 3,502
Clark 58,714

**Basic Food Client Count**
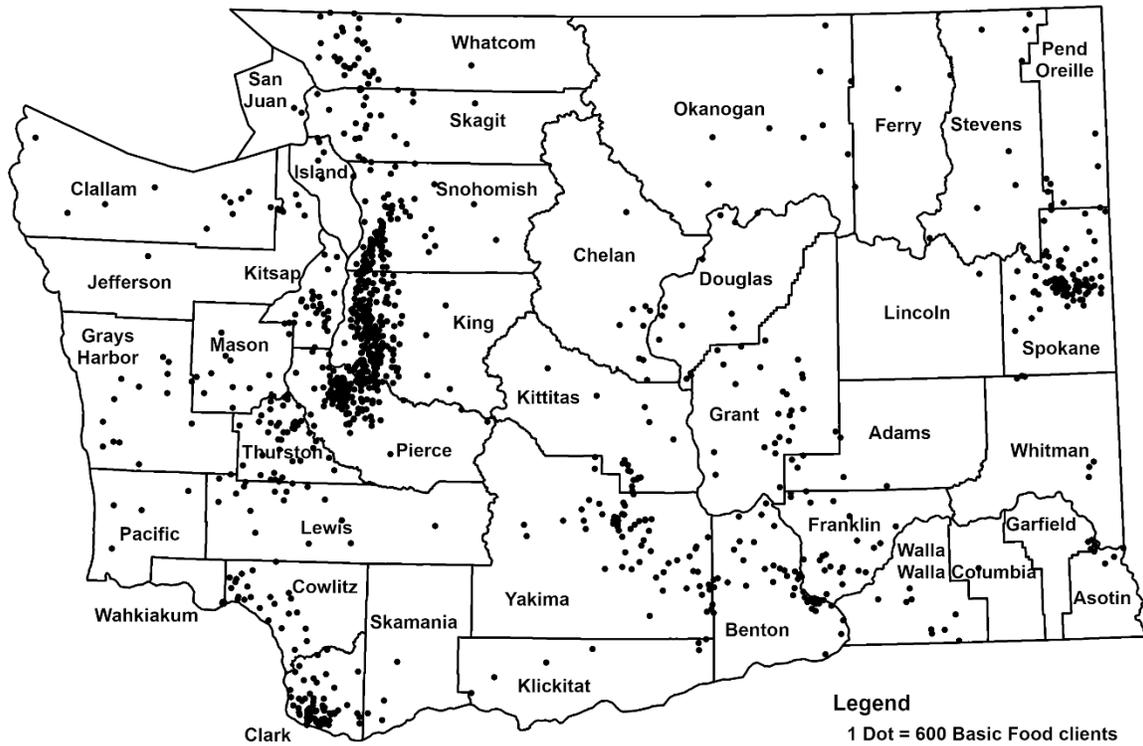- 0 - 75,000
- 75,001 - 150,000
- Over 150,000

**Source:** ACES data

Provided by DSHS/ESA/OAS/EMAPS - Aug. 2023

## Basic Food Client Density Maps, June 2023 (continued)

**Number of Basic Food Clients by Density of Residential Zip Code in Washington State: June 2023**



Legend
1 Dot = 600 Basic Food clients

**Source:** ACES data

Provided by DSHS/ESA/OAS/EMAPS - Aug. 2023

# Basic Food Error Rate (Federal Fiscal Year October through September), FFY 2013 through FFY 2022[14]

| Federal Fiscal Year | Error Rate | National Average Error Rate | Federal Error Tolerance[15] |
|---|---|---|---|
| 2013 | 1.71 | 3.20 | 3.36 |
| 2014 | 0.77 | 3.66 | 3.84 |
| 2015[16] | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| 2016 | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| 2017 | 5.42 | 6.30 | 6.62 |
| 2018 | 6.59 | 6.80 | 7.14 |
| 2019 | 4.88 | 7.36 | 7.73 |
| 2020[17] | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| 2021 | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| 2022 | 9.33 | 11.54 | 12.12 |

Information about the Basic Food Program Error Rate

Each month a number of Basic Food cases are randomly selected for federal quality control review. The findings on all cases are reported monthly to the Food and Nutrition Service (FNS), a part of the U.S. Department of Agriculture which administers the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP). After 12 months of reviews are reported, the data collected is considered statistically valid. The error rate is determined by our state QC team's work and FNS. The error rates of all states are used to determine the national average payment error rate.

In 2015-2016, FNS redesigned how they determine the state and national error rates. During that time, the U.S. Congress ended the practice of awarding states bonuses. Now, a state will be in sanction status if it exceeds the federal error tolerance level for at least two consecutive years. The USDA Secretary determines if all, or most, of a sanction amount will be waived. If not waived, the Secretary can determine how much of that amount will be used for reinvesting in payment accuracy activities and how much will be "at risk," or eligible to be repaid to FNS if the state is in sanction for a second consecutive year.

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[14] Official data is made available nine months after the end of the previous Federal Fiscal Year.  Therefore, 2023 data is not yet available.

[15] The Federal Error Tolerance level is a federally determined threshold that states may be sanctioned for exceeding. Prior to 2003, the tolerance level was set at the national average. Beginning in 2003, the tolerance level became 105 percent of the national average.

[16] USDA suspended error rate reporting nationally for 2 years in order to conduct a thorough review of the quality control system. The review created new controls and measurement procedures that improved the accuracy of the data, rather than an actual increase in improper payments. This review created a higher error rate nationally. For FFY 2017, USDA assigned Washington state's official state error rate of 5.42%. The national average payment error rate was 6.30%.

[17] A February 19, 2021 FNS memorandum notified state SNAP agencies that USDA would not issue payment error rates for federal fiscal years 2020 and 2021. Neither of the national or state rates would be released to align with flexibilities provided by Section 4603 (a)(2) of the Continuing Appropriations Act, 2021 and other Extensions Act, allowing suspension of quality control reviews through June 30, 2021 due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

## Basic Food Client Demographics, June 2023 Snapshot

| Characteristic | All Clients | | All Adults | | All Children | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | # of Clients | % of Total Clients | # of Clients | % of Total Adults | # of Clients | % of Total Children |
| **Total Clients** | **915,153** | **100.0%** | **598,636** | **100.0%** | **316,517** | **100.0%** |

| Gender | All Clients | | All Adults | | All Children | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Female** | 491,865 | 53.7% | 337,180 | 56.3% | 154,685 | 48.9% |
| **Male** | 423,217 | 46.2% | 261,408 | 43.7% | 161,809 | 51.1% |
| **Unknown** | 71 | <0.1% | 48 | <0.1% | 23 | <0.1% |

| Ethnicity and Race | All Clients | | All Adults | | All Children | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Hispanic or Latino** | **202,618** | **22.1%** | **93,794** | **15.7%** | **108,824** | **34.4%** |
| **Not Hispanic or Latino**[18] | **712,535** | **77.9%** | **504,842** | **84.3%** | **207,693** | **65.6%** |
| White | 457,325 | 50.0% | 341,225 | 57.0% | 116,100 | 36.7% |
| Black/African American | 86,921 | 9.5% | 54,722 | 9.1% | 32,199 | 10.2% |
| Asian/Pacific Islander | 75,212 | 8.2% | 53,160 | 8.9% | 22,052 | 7.0% |
| American Indian/Alaska Native | 31,496 | 3.4% | 21,259 | 3.6% | 10,237 | 3.2% |
| Two or More Races | 25,565 | 2.8% | 13,917 | 2.3% | 11,648 | 3.7% |
| Race Not Reported | 36,016 | 3.9% | 20,559 | 3.4% | 15,457 | 4.9% |

| Marital Status | All Adults | |
|---|---|---|
| **Separated** | 37,582 | 6.3% |
| **Married** | 116,231 | 19.4% |
| **Never Married** | 280,912 | 46.9% |
| **Divorced** | 127,823 | 21.4% |
| **Widowed** | 34,470 | 5.8% |
| **Not Reported/Unidentifiable** | 1,618 | 0.3% |

| Citizenship Status | All Clients | | All Adults | | All Children | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **U.S. Citizen** | 818,534 | 89.4% | 525,182 | 87.7% | 293,352 | 92.7% |
| **Resident Noncitizen** | 93,625 | 10.2% | 71,220 | 11.9% | 22,405 | 7.1% |
| **U.S. National**[19] | 2,628 | 0.3% | 1,972 | 0.3% | 656 | 0.2% |
| **Survivors of Certain Crimes**[20] | 366 | <0.1% | 262 | <0.1% | 104 | <0.1% |
| **Not Reported/Unidentifiable** | 0 | 0.0% | 0 | 0.0% | 0 | 0.0% |

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[18] Includes clients not reporting whether or not they are of Hispanic or Latino origin.

[19] 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).

[20] Effective February 1, 2022, certain state-funded benefits including Food Assistance Program (FAP), are available to noncitizens who have been harmed by a crime and have filed or are preparing to file with the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services an application for T visa for trafficking victims, U visa for victims of qualifying crimes or asylum status. This population is referred to as survivors of certain crimes (SCCs).

# Basic Food Client Demographics, June 2023 Snapshot (continued)

| Characteristic | All Clients # of Clients | All Clients % of Total Clients | All Adults # of Clients | All Adults % of Total Adults | All Children # of Clients | All Children % of Total Children |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|

| Homeless Status | All Clients | | All Adults | | All Children | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Homeless[21] | 98,007 | 10.7% | 83,565 | 14.0% | 14,442 | 4.6% |

| Education Status | | All Adults | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Less than a High School Diploma | | 123,689 | 20.7% |
| High School Graduate or GED | | 293,455 | 49.0% |
| Some College or College Degree | | 168,382 | 28.1% |
| Not Reported/Unidentifiable | | 13,110 | 2.2% |

| Age | All Clients | | All Adults | | All Children | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| < 1 Year Old | 15,703 | 1.7% | | | 15,703 | 5.0% |
| 1 – 5 Years Old | 92,136 | 10.1% | | | 92,136 | 29.1% |
| 6 – 10 Years Old | 93,788 | 10.2% | N/A | | 93,788 | 29.6% |
| 11 – 15 Years Old | 85,173 | 9.3% | | | 85,173 | 26.9% |
| 16 – 17 Years Old | 29,717 | 3.2% | | | 29,717 | 9.4% |
| 18 – 24 Years Old | 65,738 | 7.2% | 65,738 | 11.0% | | |
| 25 – 34 Years Old | 126,175 | 13.8% | 126,175 | 21.1% | | |
| 35 – 44 Years Old | 120,853 | 13.2% | 120,853 | 20.2% | N/A | |
| 45 – 54 Years Old | 81,794 | 8.9% | 81,794 | 13.7% | | |
| 55 – 64 Years Old | 91,235 | 10.0% | 91,235 | 15.2% | | |
| 65+ Years Old | 112,841 | 12.3% | 112,841 | 18.8% | | |

| Average Age of Children | 8.3 Years |
|---|---|
| Average Age of Adults | 46.2 Years |

| Length of Stay | |
|---|---|
| Average Length of Stay[22] | 115.0 Months |

[21] Homeless is defined (based on the self-reported living arrangement code in ACES) as: homeless without housing, homeless with housing (staying temporarily with family or friends—commonly referred to as "couch surfing"), emergency shelter, or domestic violence shelter.
[22] Average cumulative months an adult received Basic Food since July 1997

## FAP Client Demographics, June 2023 Snapshot

| Characteristic | All Clients | | All Adults | | All Children | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | # of Clients | % of Total Clients | # of Clients | % of Total Adults | # of Clients | % of Total Children |
| **Total Clients** | **29,915** | **100.0%** | **24,147** | **100.0%** | **5,768** | **100.0%** |

| Gender | All Clients | | All Adults | | All Children | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Female** | 16,616 | 55.5% | 13,784 | 57.1% | 2,832 | 49.1% |
| **Male** | 13,290 | 44.4% | 10,356 | 42.9% | 2,934 | 50.9% |
| **Unknown** | 9 | <0.1% | 7 | <0.1% | 2 | <0.1% |

| Ethnicity and Race | All Clients | | All Adults | | All Children | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Hispanic or Latino** | **10,470** | **35.0%** | **8,102** | **33.6%** | **2,368** | **41.1%** |
| **Not Hispanic or Latino[23]** | **19,445** | **65.0%** | **16,045** | **66.4%** | **3,400** | **58.9%** |
| White | 4,633 | 15.5% | 3,691 | 15.3% | 942 | 16.3% |
| Black/African American | 2,772 | 9.3% | 2,432 | 10.1% | 340 | 5.9% |
| Asian/Pacific Islander | 9,213 | 30.8% | 7,622 | 31.6% | 1,591 | 27.6% |
| American Indian/Alaska Native | 23 | 0.1% | 20 | 0.1% | 3 | 0.1% |
| Two or More Races | 183 | 0.6% | 157 | 0.7% | 26 | 0.5% |
| Race Not Reported | 2,621 | 8.8% | 2,123 | 8.8% | 498 | 8.6% |

| Marital Status | All Adults | |
|---|---|---|
| **Separated** | 1,005 | 4.2% |
| **Married** | 11,369 | 47.1% |
| **Never Married** | 9,449 | 39.1% |
| **Divorced** | 999 | 4.1% |
| **Widowed** | 1,152 | 4.8% |
| **Not Reported/Unidentifiable** | 173 | 0.7% |

| Citizenship Status | All Clients | | All Adults | | All Children | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Resident Noncitizen** | 29,545 | 98.8% | 23,884 | 98.9% | 5,661 | 98.1% |
| **Survivors of Certain Crimes[24]** | 366 | 1.2% | 262 | 1.1% | 104 | 1.8% |
| **U.S. National[25]** | 4 | <0.1% | 1 | <0.1% | 3 | 0.1% |

[23] Includes clients not reporting whether or not they are of Hispanic or Latino origin.
[24] Effective February 1, 2022, certain state-funded benefits including Food Assistance Program (FAP), are available to noncitizens who have been harmed by a crime and have filed or are preparing to file with the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services an application for T visa for trafficking victims, U visa for victims of qualifying crimes or asylum status. This population is referred to as survivors of certain crimes (SCCs).
[25] 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).

## FAP Client Demographics, June 2023 Snapshot (continued)

| Characteristic | All Clients | | All Adults | | All Children | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | # of Clients | % of Total Clients | # of Clients | % of Total Adults | # of Clients | % of Total Children |

| Homeless Status | All Clients | | All Adults | | All Children | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Homeless[26] | 2,760 | 9.2% | 2,128 | 8.8% | 632 | 11.0% |

| Education Status | All Adults | |
|---|---|---|
| Less than a High School Diploma | 6,727 | 27.9% |
| High School Graduate or GED | 10,987 | 45.5% |
| Some College or College Degree | 5,293 | 21.9% |
| Not Reported/Unidentifiable | 1,140 | 4.7% |

| Age | All Clients | | All Adults | | All Children | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| < 1 Year Old | 40 | 0.1% | | | 40 | 0.7% |
| 1 – 5  Years Old | 1,233 | 4.1% | | N/A | 1,233 | 21.4% |
| 6 – 10  Years Old | 1,930 | 6.5% | | | 1,930 | 33.5% |
| 11 – 15 Years Old | 1,823 | 6.1% | | | 1,823 | 31.6% |
| 16 – 17 Years Old | 742 | 2.5% | | | 742 | 12.9% |
| 18 – 24 Years Old | 3,316 | 11.1% | 3,316 | 13.7% | | |
| 25 – 34 Years Old | 8,227 | 27.5% | 8,227 | 34.1% | | |
| 35 – 44 Years Old | 6,479 | 21.7% | 6,479 | 26.8% | | N/A |
| 45 – 54 Years Old | 2,681 | 9.0% | 2,681 | 11.1% | | |
| 55 – 64 Years Old | 1,511 | 5.1% | 1,511 | 6.3% | | |
| 65+ Years Old | 1,933 | 6.5% | 1,933 | 8.0% | | |
| | | | | | | |
| Average Age of Children | 9.6 Years | | | | | |
| Average Age of Adults | 38.3 Years | | | | | |

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[26] Homeless is defined (based on the self-reported living arrangement code in ACES) as: homeless without housing, homeless with housing (staying temporarily with family or friends—commonly referred to as "couch surfing"), emergency shelter, or domestic violence shelter.

## FAP Clients Top 10 Countries of Origin, June 2023 Snapshot

| Country | Total Clients | | Adults | | Children | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | # of Clients | % of Total Clients | # of Clients | % of Total Adults | # of Clients | % of Total Children |
| **State Total** | **29,915** | **100.0%** | **24,147** | **100.0%** | **5,768** | **100.0%** |
| **Mexico** | 4,957 | 16.6% | 3,998 | 16.6% | 959 | 16.6% |
| **Marshall Islands** | 4,835 | 16.2% | 3,781 | 15.7% | 1,054 | 18.3% |
| **Micronesia** | 3,448 | 11.5% | 2,874 | 11.9% | 574 | 10.0% |
| **Russia** | 2,083 | 7.0% | 1,649 | 6.8% | 434 | 7.5% |
| **Ukraine** | 1,594 | 5.3% | 1,308 | 5.4% | 286 | 5.0% |
| **Venezuela** | 1,275 | 4.3% | 1,047 | 4.3% | 228 | 4.0% |
| **Columbia** | 1,212 | 4.1% | 871 | 3.6% | 341 | 5.9% |
| **Afghanistan** | 751 | 2.5% | 576 | 2.4% | 175 | 3.0% |
| **Nicaragua** | 646 | 2.2% | 535 | 2.2% | 111 | 1.9% |
| **Ethiopia** | 634 | 2.1% | 605 | 2.5% | 29 | 0.5% |
| **Total Clients from Top 10 Countries** | **21,435** | **71.7%** | **17,244** | **71.4%** | **4,191** | **72.7%** |
| **All Other Countries** | **8,480** | **28.3%** | **6,903** | **28.6%** | **1,577** | **27.3%** |

## WASHCAP Client Demographics, June 2023 Snapshot

| Characteristic | # of Clients | % of Total Clients |
|---|---|---|
| | **All Clients** | |
| **Total Clients** | **73,867** | **100.0%** |

| Gender | All Clients | |
|---|---|---|
| **Female** | 40,929 | 55.4% |
| **Male** | 32,938 | 44.6% |
| **Unknown** | 0 | 0.0% |

| Ethnicity and Race | All Clients | |
|---|---|---|
| **Hispanic or Latino** | **5,943** | **8.0%** |
| **Not Hispanic or Latino[27]** | **67,924** | **92.0%** |
| White | 46,316 | 62.7% |
| Black/African American | 6,871 | 9.3% |
| Asian/Pacific Islander | 6,943 | 9.4% |
| American Indian/Alaska Native | 2,353 | 3.2% |
| Two or More Races | 1,022 | 1.4% |
| Race Not Reported | 4,419 | 6.0% |

| Marital Status | All Clients | |
|---|---|---|
| **Separated** | 7,254 | 9.8% |
| **Married** | 5 | <0.1% |
| **Never Married** | 36,332 | 49.2% |
| **Divorced** | 21,180 | 28.7% |
| **Widowed** | 8,427 | 11.4% |
| **Not Reported/Unidentifiable** | 669 | 0.9% |

| Citizenship Status | All Clients | |
|---|---|---|
| **U.S. Citizen** | 69,644 | 94.3% |
| **Resident Noncitizen** | 4,113 | 5.6% |
| **U.S. National[28]** | 110 | 0.1% |

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[27] Includes clients not reporting whether or not they are of Hispanic or Latino origin.

[28] 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).

## WASHCAP Client Demographics, June 2023 Snapshot (continued)

| | All Clients | |
|---|---|---|
| **Characteristic** | **# of Clients** | **% of Total Clients** |

| **Homeless Status** | **All Clients** | |
|---|---|---|
| **Homeless**[29] | 6,182 | 8.4% |

| **Education Status** | **All Clients** | |
|---|---|---|
| **Less than a High School Diploma** | 19,676 | 26.6% |
| **High School Graduate or GED** | 38,722 | 52.4% |
| **Some College or College Degree** | 11,240 | 15.2% |
| **Not Reported/Unidentifiable** | 4,229 | 5.7% |

| **Age** | **All Clients** | |
|---|---|---|
| **18 - 24 Years Old** | 2,452 | 3.3% |
| **25 - 34 Years Old** | 6,924 | 9.4% |
| **35 - 44 Years Old** | 7,598 | 10.3% |
| **45 - 54 Years Old** | 10,161 | 13.8% |
| **55 - 64 Years Old** | 21,252 | 28.8% |
| **65+ Years Old** | 25,480 | 34.5% |
| | | |
| **Average Age of Clients** | 57.4 Years | |

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[29] Homeless is defined (based on the self-reported living arrangement code in ACES) as: homeless without housing, homeless with housing (staying temporarily with family or friends—commonly referred to as "couch surfing"), emergency shelter, or domestic violence shelter.

## Monthly Basic Food Employment & Training (BFET) Clients Served[30], SFY 2023
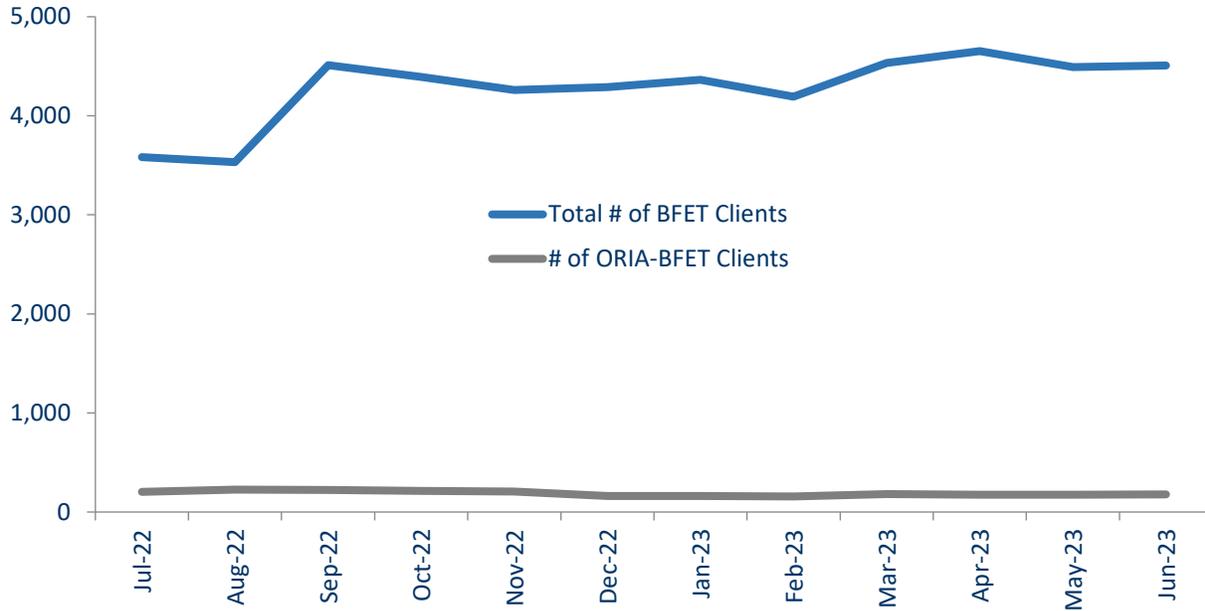


| SFY 2023 | Total # of BFET Clients | # of ORIA-BFET Clients[31] |
|---|---|---|
| July | 3,583 | 202 |
| August | 3,532 | 226 |
| September | 4,511 | 223 |
| October | 4,393 | 214 |
| November | 4,262 | 208 |
| December | 4,289 | 162 |
| January | 4,363 | 161 |
| February | 4,194 | 157 |
| March | 4,532 | 180 |
| April | 4,653 | 174 |
| May | 4,493 | 173 |
| June | 4,509 | 177 |
| Mo. Avg. | 4,276 | 188 |
| Annual Unduplicated | 11,273 | 587 |

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[30] A typical BFET activity lasts over 30 days, so the monthly client counts include duplications.
[31] Some BFET clients are served by the ESA Office of Refugee and Immigrant Assistance (ORIA).

## BFET Client Demographics, June 2023 Snapshot

| Characteristic | All Clients | |
| --- | --- | --- |
| | # of Clients | % of Total Clients |
| **Total Clients** | **4,509** | **100.0%** |

| Gender | All Clients | |
| --- | --- | --- |
| **Female** | 2,932 | 65.0% |
| **Male** | 1,577 | 35.0% |
| **Unknown** | 0 | 0.0% |

| Ethnicity and Race | All Clients | |
| --- | --- | --- |
| **Hispanic or Latino** | **659** | **14.6%** |
| **Not Hispanic or Latino**[32] | **3,850** | **85.4%** |
| White | 2,187 | 48.5% |
| Black/African American | 861 | 19.1% |
| Asian/Pacific Islander | 291 | 6.5% |
| American Indian/Alaska Native | 133 | 2.9% |
| Two or More Races | 150 | 3.3% |
| Race Not Reported | 228 | 5.1% |

| Marital Status | All Clients | |
| --- | --- | --- |
| **Separated** | 258 | 5.7% |
| **Married** | 907 | 20.1% |
| **Never Married** | 2,445 | 54.2% |
| **Divorced** | 832 | 18.5% |
| **Widowed** | 61 | 1.4% |
| **Not Reported/Unidentifiable** | 6 | 0.1% |

| Citizenship Status | All Clients | |
| --- | --- | --- |
| **U.S. Citizen** | 3,813 | 84.6% |
| **Resident Noncitizen** | 686 | 15.2% |
| **U.S. National**[33] | 10 | 0.2% |
| **Not Reported/Unidentifiable** | 0 | 0.0% |

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[32] Includes clients not reporting whether or not they are of Hispanic or Latino origin.

[33] 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).

## BFET Client Demographics, June 2023 Snapshot (continued)

| Characteristic | All Clients | |
| --- | --- | --- |
| | # of Clients | % of Total Clients |

| Homeless Status | All Clients | |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Homeless[34] | 508 | 11.3% |

| Education Status | All Clients | |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Less than a High School Diploma | 460 | 10.2% |
| High School Graduate or GED | 1,751 | 38.8% |
| Some College or College Degree | 2,221 | 49.3% |
| Not Reported/Unidentifiable | 77 | 1.7% |

| Age | All Clients | |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Under 18 Years Old | 25 | 0.6% |
| 18 - 24 Years Old | 628 | 13.9% |
| 25 - 34 Years Old | 1,520 | 33.7% |
| 35 - 44 Years Old | 1,281 | 28.4% |
| 45 - 54 Years Old | 642 | 14.2% |
| 55 - 64 Years Old | 328 | 7.3% |
| 65+ Years Old | 85 | 1.9% |
| | | |
| Average Age of Clients | 36.8 Years | |

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[34] Homeless is defined (based on the self-reported living arrangement code in ACES) as: homeless without housing, homeless with housing (staying temporarily with family or friends—commonly referred to as "couch surfing"), emergency shelter, or domestic violence shelter.

## TFA Client Demographics, June 2023 Snapshot

| Characteristic | # of Clients | % of Total Clients |
|---|---|---|
| **All Clients** | | |
| **Total Clients** | **42,127** | **100.0%** |

| Gender | All Clients | |
|---|---|---|
| **Female** | 23,857 | 56.6% |
| **Male** | 18,270 | 43.4% |
| **Unknown** | 0 | 0.0% |

| Ethnicity and Race | All Clients | |
|---|---|---|
| **Hispanic or Latino** | **11,510** | **27.3%** |
| **Not Hispanic or Latino[35]** | **30,617** | **72.7%** |
| White | 18,407 | 43.7% |
| Black/African American | 4,485 | 10.6% |
| Asian/Pacific Islander | 3,268 | 7.8% |
| American Indian/Alaska Native | 1,166 | 2.8% |
| Two or More Races | 1,187 | 2.8% |
| Race Not Reported | 2,104 | 5.0% |

| Marital Status | All Adults Only | |
|---|---|---|
| **Separated** | 1,149 | 6.3% |
| **Married** | 6,851 | 37.6% |
| **Never Married** | 8,055 | 44.3% |
| **Divorced** | 1,933 | 10.6% |
| **Widowed** | 169 | 0.9% |
| **Not Reported/Unidentifiable** | 43 | 0.2% |

| Citizenship Status | All Clients | |
|---|---|---|
| **U.S. Citizen** | 33,937 | 80.6% |
| **Resident Noncitizen** | 8,015 | 19.0% |
| **U.S. National[36]** | 157 | 0.4% |
| **Survivors of Certain Crimes[37]** | 18 | <0.1% |

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[35] Includes clients not reporting whether or not they are of Hispanic or Latino origin.

[36] 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).

[37] Effective February 1, 2022, certain state-funded benefits are available to noncitizens who have been harmed by a crime and have filed or are preparing to file with the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services an application for T visa for trafficking victims, U visa for victims of qualifying crimes or asylum status. This population is referred to as survivors of certain crimes (SCCs).

## TFA Client Demographics, June 2023 Snapshot (continued)

| | **All Clients** | |
|---|---|---|
| **Characteristic** | **# of Clients** | **% of Total Clients** |

| **Homeless Status** | **All Clients** | |
|---|---|---|
| **Homeless**[38] | 3,505 | 8.3% |

| **Education Status** | **Adults Only** | |
|---|---|---|
| **Less than a High School Diploma** | 3,556 | 19.5% |
| **High School Graduate or GED** | 8,413 | 46.2% |
| **Some College or College Degree** | 5,932 | 32.6% |
| **Not Reported/Unidentifiable** | 299 | 1.6% |

| **Age** | **All Clients** | |
|---|---|---|
| **< 1 Year Old** | 1,138 | 2.7% |
| **1 – 5  Years Old** | 7,638 | 18.1% |
| **6 – 10  Years Old** | 6,945 | 16.5% |
| **11 – 15 Years Old** | 6,067 | 14.4% |
| **16 – 17 Years Old** | 2,139 | 5.1% |
| **18 - 24 Years Old** | 3,396 | 8.1% |
| **25 - 34 Years Old** | 6,537 | 15.5% |
| **35 - 44 Years Old** | 5,751 | 13.7% |
| **45 - 54 Years Old** | 1,960 | 4.7% |
| **55 - 64 Years Old** | 443 | 1.1% |
| **65+ Years Old** | 113 | 0.3% |
| | | |
| **Average Age of Clients** | 19.2 Years | |

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[38] Homeless is defined (based on the self-reported living arrangement code in ACES) as: homeless without housing, homeless with housing (staying temporarily with family or friends—commonly referred to as "couch surfing"), emergency shelter, or domestic violence shelter.