

Households on Cash, Food, and Medical Assistance¹ Programs in Washington State By Primary Language², January 2023

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Primary Language	State Total			
	# of Unique ³ Households	% of Households	# of Unique ³ Clients	% of Clients
Total Households	1,498,275	100.0%	2,490,842	100.0%
English	1,321,137	88.2%	2,133,291	85.6%
Spanish	101,422	6.8%	219,053	8.8%
Russian	13,733	0.9%	28,854	1.2%
Large Print English	13,279	0.9%	18,224	0.7%
Vietnamese	9,981	0.7%	15,418	0.6%
Chinese	8,015	0.5%	12,377	0.5%
Ukrainian	5,361	0.4%	13,135	0.5%
Korean	3,925	0.3%	5,285	0.2%
Arabic	2,243	0.1%	5,738	0.2%
Dari	1,893	0.1%	6,123	0.2%
Cambodian (Khmer)	1,719	0.1%	2,295	0.1%
Somali	1,662	0.1%	4,261	0.2%
Punjabi	1,470	0.1%	2,368	0.1%
Amharic	1,417	0.1%	2,782	0.1%
Other Language	1,092	0.1%	2,493	0.1%
Tigrigna	1,056	0.1%	2,075	0.1%
Farsi	1,012	0.1%	1,715	0.1%
Tagalog	901	0.1%	1,166	0.0%
Portuguese	870	0.1%	1,562	0.1%
French	539	0.0%	1,301	0.1%
Pashto	493	0.0%	1,921	0.1%
Laotian	452	0.0%	549	0.0%
Romanian	442	0.0%	1,076	0.0%
Trukese	424	0.0%	967	0.0%
Burmese	418	0.0%	1,276	0.1%
American Sign Language	298	0.0%	333	0.0%
Albanian	247	0.0%	500	0.0%
Oromo	246	0.0%	719	0.0%
Swahili	241	0.0%	599	0.0%
Thai	238	0.0%	319	0.0%
Samoan	226	0.0%	343	0.0%
Hindi	202	0.0%	304	0.0%
Serbo-Croatian	168	0.0%	187	0.0%
Braille	147	0.0%	215	0.0%
Japanese	134	0.0%	210	0.0%
Haitian-Creole	110	0.0%	210	0.0%
Urdu	105	0.0%	171	0.0%
Ilocano	81	0.0%	107	0.0%
Turkish	78	0.0%	144	0.0%
Hmong	74	0.0%	133	0.0%
Gujarati	67	0.0%	98	0.0%
Persian	64	0.0%	113	0.0%
Mien	50	0.0%	67	0.0%
Bengali	43	0.0%	69	0.0%
Polish	41	0.0%	45	0.0%
Indonesian	35	0.0%	48	0.0%
Bulgarian	34	0.0%	41	0.0%
French Creole	33	0.0%	64	0.0%
Tongan	25	0.0%	36	0.0%
Armenian	22	0.0%	32	0.0%
Kikuyu	20	0.0%	28	0.0%
Fijian	19	0.0%	27	0.0%
German	18	0.0%	22	0.0%
Danish	17	0.0%	22	0.0%
Dutch	16	0.0%	19	0.0%
Finnish	14	0.0%	14	0.0%
Ibo	14	0.0%	17	0.0%
Tamil	14	0.0%	26	0.0%
Malayalam	12	0.0%	26	0.0%
Hungarian	11	0.0%	14	0.0%
Salish	11	0.0%	16	0.0%
Tibetan	11	0.0%	12	0.0%
Zulu	11	0.0%	12	0.0%
All other languages ⁴	122	0.0%	175	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/Health Care Authority.

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.