

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

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Primary Language	State Total			
	# of Unique ³ Households	% of Households	# of Unique ³ Clients	% of Clients
Total Households	1,375,142	100.0%	2,293,983	100.0%
English	1,195,961	87.0%	1,936,374	84.4%
Spanish	100,716	7.3%	212,631	9.3%
Russian	14,438	1.0%	30,495	1.3%
Large Print English	14,072	1.0%	19,475	0.8%
Vietnamese	9,438	0.7%	14,423	0.6%
Chinese	7,767	0.6%	11,973	0.5%
Ukrainian	6,182	0.4%	15,040	0.7%
Korean	3,708	0.3%	4,938	0.2%
Arabic	2,319	0.2%	5,985	0.3%
Dari	2,099	0.2%	7,184	0.3%
Somali	1,797	0.1%	4,240	0.2%
Cambodian (Khmer)	1,645	0.1%	2,190	0.1%
Punjabi	1,508	0.1%	2,427	0.1%
Amharic	1,394	0.1%	2,718	0.1%
Other Language	1,295	0.1%	2,846	0.1%
Tigrigna	1,139	0.1%	2,232	0.1%
Portuguese	1,100	0.1%	2,012	0.1%
Farsi	1,008	0.1%	1,709	0.1%
Tagalog	827	0.1%	1,088	0.0%
French	753	0.1%	1,662	0.1%
Pashto	575	0.0%	2,322	0.1%
Romanian	542	0.0%	1,428	0.1%
Trukese	480	0.0%	1,071	0.0%
Laotian	447	0.0%	542	0.0%
Burmese	407	0.0%	1,135	0.0%
American Sign Language	284	0.0%	321	0.0%
Albanian	258	0.0%	501	0.0%
Swahili	250	0.0%	629	0.0%
Oromo	247	0.0%	730	0.0%
Samoa	236	0.0%	351	0.0%
Haitian-Creole	230	0.0%	410	0.0%
Thai	221	0.0%	294	0.0%
Hindi	208	0.0%	310	0.0%
Serbo-Croatian	158	0.0%	179	0.0%
Turkish	148	0.0%	254	0.0%
Japanese	144	0.0%	216	0.0%
Braille	128	0.0%	183	0.0%
Urdu	112	0.0%	179	0.0%
Persian	79	0.0%	130	0.0%
Ilocano	72	0.0%	88	0.0%
Hmong	71	0.0%	138	0.0%
Gujarati	68	0.0%	99	0.0%
Mien	48	0.0%	64	0.0%
French Creole	46	0.0%	76	0.0%
Polish	44	0.0%	54	0.0%
Bengali	40	0.0%	54	0.0%
Bulgarian	35	0.0%	41	0.0%
Indonesian	35	0.0%	48	0.0%
Tongan	27	0.0%	39	0.0%
Armenian	25	0.0%	32	0.0%
Danish	23	0.0%	32	0.0%
Fijian	22	0.0%	33	0.0%
German	19	0.0%	26	0.0%
Kikuyu	19	0.0%	22	0.0%
Dutch	16	0.0%	20	0.0%
Finnish	15	0.0%	25	0.0%
Tamil	14	0.0%	17	0.0%
Tibetan	14	0.0%	15	0.0%
Ibo	13	0.0%	16	0.0%
Hungarian	11	0.0%	14	0.0%
Italian	11	0.0%	16	0.0%
Malayalam	10	0.0%	14	0.0%
Zulu	10	0.0%	14	0.0%
All other languages ⁴	114	0.0%	159	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.