

## LOCHHRA EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

### March 2015

- For March 2015, WV WORKS cases statewide decreased to **8,024**, down **156** cases compared to February 2015's **8,180** cases.
- Adult WV WORKS cases statewide for March 2015 are **3,164**, down **160** cases compared to February 2015's **3,324** cases.
- Child-only cases statewide for March 2015 are **4,860**, up **4** cases compared to February 2015's **4,856** cases.
- Total support service payments for March 2015 totaled **\$382,614**, down **\$17,264** from February 2015's **\$365,350**.
- From December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2001 through March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2015, **3,068** WV WORKS cases have closed due to the adult(s) reaching the 60-month limit. Of that amount, **1,840** customers requested an extension of benefits up to an additional 6-month period; **782** of which were approved (for a **42.5%** approval rate).

**WV WORKS Caseload  
March 2015**

<b>County</b>	<b>Jan</b>	<b>Feb</b>	<b>Mar</b>	<b>Apr</b>	<b>May</b>	<b>Jun</b>	<b>Jul</b>	<b>Aug</b>	<b>Sep</b>	<b>Oct</b>	<b>Nov</b>	<b>Dec</b>
<b>Barbour (01)</b>	44	47	45									
<b>Berkeley (02)</b>	428	439	431									
<b>Boone (03)</b>	182	171	163									
<b>Braxton (04)</b>	67	68	61									
<b>Brooke (05)</b>	60	55	53									
<b>Cabell (06)</b>	598	586	587									
<b>Calhoun (07)</b>	31	32	30									
<b>Clay (08)</b>	51	49	47									
<b>Doddridge (09)</b>	24	24	24									
<b>Fayette (10)</b>	243	235	223									
<b>Gilmer (11)</b>	12	12	12									
<b>Grant (12)</b>	30	28	32									
<b>Greenbrier (13)</b>	90	96	101									
<b>Hampshire (14)</b>	90	88	89									
<b>Hancock (15)</b>	132	125	124									
<b>Hardy (16)</b>	53	53	49									
<b>Harrison (17)</b>	191	184	179									

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<b>Jackson (18)</b>	168	161	154									
<b>Jefferson (19)</b>	141	136	136									
<b>Kanawha (20)</b>	1,122	1,096	1,074									
<b>Lewis (21)</b>	78	68	70									
<b>Lincoln (22)</b>	168	171	161									
<b>Logan (23)</b>	280	271	254									
<b>Marion (24)</b>	121	119	113									
<b>Marshall (25)</b>	119	119	115									
<b>Mason (26)</b>	196	190	191									
<b>Mercer (27)</b>	649	623	604									
<b>Mineral (28)</b>	78	73	75									
<b>Mingo (29)</b>	221	226	227									
<b>Monongalia (30)</b>	155	157	153									
<b>Monroe (31)</b>	32	30	31									
<b>Morgan (32)</b>	53	59	62									
<b>McDowell (33)</b>	319	304	296									
<b>Nicholas (34)</b>	139	130	132									

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Ohio (35)	120	117	111									
Pendleton (36)	14	13	13									
Pleasants (37)	22	19	20									
Pocahontas (38)	27	24	31									
Preston (39)	54	55	53									
Putnam (40)	154	162	163									
Raleigh (41)	267	263	253									
Randolph (42)	47	44	41									
Ritchie (43)	30	27	26									
Roane (44)	66	67	66									
Summers (45)	112	101	104									
Taylor (46)	69	69	70									
Tucker (47)	11	7	9									
Tyler (48)	24	23	25									
Upshur (49)	51	50	46									
Wayne (50)	263	255	255									
Webster (51)	94	95	83									

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<b>Wetzel (52)</b>	88	84	82									
<b>Wirt (53)</b>	35	34	33									
<b>Wood (54)</b>	314	314	313									
<b>Wyoming (55)</b>	137	132	129									
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>8,364</b>	<b>8,180</b>	<b>8,024</b>									

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## **Characteristics of the Current WV WORKS Caseload**

**March 2015**

- √ **4,860** Child-only cases ---- parents not in the home and children living with a relative, or parents in the home, are receiving Medicaid and are excluded from the WV WORKS payment.
  
- √ **2** Cases currently receiving WV WORKS and received TANF in another state before moving to West Virginia.
  
- √ **110** Cases where parents are excluded from the payment due to being convicted of a drug-related felony after August 22, 1996.
  
- √ **2,393** Cases receiving Medicaid but not SNAP.
  
- √ **39** Cases receiving SNAP but adults not receiving Medicaid.
  
- √ **884** Adults receiving WV WORKS and are employed.

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## Support Services Payments: Types and Amounts March 2015

TYPE	Current WV WORKS	FORMER WV WORKS	# OF PAYMENTS	AVERAGE PAYMENT	TOTAL AMOUNT
<b>Clothing:</b> work or dress clothing when there is a verified offer of employment or short-term training. \$1000/lifetime Only \$200/12 Month Period	\$4,361.69	\$524.63	38	\$128.59	\$4,886.32
<b>Collateral:</b> items to include grooming expenses, test fees and other expenses related to employment. \$250 / 12 Month Period	\$852.09	\$0.00	13	\$65.55	\$852.09
<b>Commercial Drivers License:</b> payment to purchase license. \$100 Lifetime	\$83.75	\$0.00	1	\$83.75	\$83.75
<b>Contract Training:</b> training contracts may be written when training not available on a no-cost basis; can be provided to an individual or group of participants; expectation is that individual will be able to find employment after successfully completing the training. *Costs exceeding this amount require DFA approval. \$600 Lifetime	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>Driver/Chauffeurs License:</b> does not include payment for test required due to traffic violations or classes required for DUI convictions. \$50 Lifetime	\$50.00	\$0.00	1	\$50.00	\$50.00
<b>DUI Offenses:</b> costs related to reinstatement of driver's license which have been revoked due to substance abuse; including DUI classes, license reinstatement fees, new license, and ignition interlock system; but <u>does not</u> include fines, treatment programs or tests for drug/alcohol use. \$250 Lifetime	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>Emergency ARRA Stimulus Payment:</b> intended to cover any emergency need that is considered a barrier to employment. (rent/mortgage, utilities, and household furnishings/supplies) \$5,000 Lifetime	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>Employer Incentive Program (EIP):</b> agreements between employers and local DHHR offices placing WV WORKS recipients in jobs; employers reimbursed one-half of employee's wages for first 200-600 work hours under these contracts.	\$1,533.40	\$0.00	4	\$383.35	\$1,533.40
<b>GED Achievement Bonus:</b> one-time-only payment for any active WV WORKS recipient who passes the GED examination. \$100 Lifetime	\$1,200.00	\$0.00	12	\$100.00	\$1,200.00

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TYPE	Current WV WORKS	FORMER WV WORKS	# OF PAYMENTS	AVERAGE PAYMENT	TOTAL AMOUNT
<b>Participation Achievement Bonus:</b> paid when the participant meets minimum Federal participation requirements <i>\$50 Month Limit</i>	\$47,100.00	\$0.00	942	\$50.00	\$47,100.00
<b>Professional License:</b> when the cost of the license is not paid by the employer or is not included in the cost of a training course and obtaining the license is part of the course completion. <i>\$300 Lifetime</i>	\$389.00	\$0.00	3	\$129.67	\$389.00
<b>Relocation:</b> with a verified offer of employment, family can be relocated to a different state, different area of the state or to the same area if the move reduces travel time to one hour or less. <i>\$1,500 Lifetime Per Household</i>	\$1,335.00	\$1,415.00	2	\$1,375.00	\$2,750.00
<b>Six-Month Self-Sufficiency Achievement Bonus</b> Bonuses paid to each former recipient who is employed full-time during each of the months following case closure. <i>\$250 Lifetime</i>	\$11,900.00	\$8,500.00	59	\$345.76	\$20,400.00
<b>Tools/Equipment:</b> when needed for a verified offer of employment or specialized training. <i>\$500 Lifetime</i>	\$1,637.60	\$0.00	6	\$272.93	\$1,637.60
<b>Transportation:</b> payments made based on travel to employment or a work activity when a cost involved; public transportation reimbursed at actual cost. <i>\$230 Month Limit</i>	\$211,338.25	\$45,483.69	1,930	\$133.07	\$256,821.94
<b>Vehicle Insurance:</b> payment for vehicle insurance premium; must be titled or leased in name of adult in WV WORKS payment. <i>\$1,000 Lifetime</i>	\$21,634.06	\$2,734.45	89	\$273.80	\$24,368.51
<b>Vehicle Repair:</b> for personally owned vehicles; including tires, mufflers, or brakes necessary to pass state inspection, state inspection stickers, license plates, vehicle insurance, and driver's education classes. Funds cannot be used to purchase a vehicle. <i>\$1,500 Lifetime / Per Household</i>	\$14,859.77	\$2,681.60	33	\$531.56	\$17,541.37
<b>Vocational Educational and Employment Achievement Bonus:</b> a one-time only payment paid to Work-Eligible individuals in active WV WORKS cases who complete Vocational Educational Training and accept employment of at least 20 hours per week. <i>\$250 Lifetime</i>	\$2,250.00	\$750.00	12	\$250.00	\$3,000.00
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$320,524.61</b>	<b>\$62,089.37</b>	<b>3,145</b>	<b>\$121.66</b>	<b>\$382,613.98</b>

**Length of Time on Assistance  
March 2015**

<b>NUMBER OF MONTHS</b>	<b>NUMBER OF CASES</b>
<b>12 mos. or less</b>	<b>N/A</b>
<b>13 – 24</b>	<b>N/A</b>
<b>25 – 36</b>	<b>N/A</b>
<b>37 – 48</b>	<b>N/A</b>
<b>49 – 60</b>	<b>N/A</b>
<b>TANF ADULT ONLY CASES</b>	<b>3,164</b>

**Child-only cases not included.**

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## WV WORKS Closures Due to Expiration of 60 Months

Mo./ Yr.	# of Closures	Mo./ Yr.	# of Closures	Mo. /Yr.	# of Closures	Mo./ Yr.	# of Closures										
12/01	108																
1/02	40	1/03	19	1/04	31	1/05	39	1/06	24	1/07	15	1/08	17	1/09	24	1/10	23
2/02	23	2/03	25	2/04	20	2/05	24	2/06	24	2/07	17	2/08	14	2/09	11	2/10	21
3/02	29	3/03	20	3/04	23	3/05	20	3/06	21	3/07	19	3/08	17	3/09	13	3/10	16
4/02	21	4/03	26	4/04	28	4/05	24	4/06	18	4/07	10	4/08	15	4/09	14	4/10	15
5/02	25	5/03	26	5/04	25	5/05	20	5/06	22	5/07	15	5/08	7	5/09	16	5/10	24
6/02	44	6/03	34	6/04	36	6/05	23	6/06	25	6/07	18	6/08	13	6/09	14	6/10	26
7/02	29	7/03	25	7/04	28	7/05	25	7/06	27	7/07	14	7/08	6	7/09	14	7/10	16
8/02	18	8/03	32	8/04	22	8/05	22	8/06	18	8/07	14	8/08	13	8/09	17	8/10	19
9/02	21	9/03	37	9/04	30	9/05	30	9/06	14	9/07	14	9/08	13	9/09	20	9/10	16
10/02	28	10/03	31	10/04	27	10/05	23	10/06	11	10/07	7	10/08	12	10/09	13	10/10	17
11/02	22	11/03	30	11/04	33	11/05	27	11/06	9	11/07	13	11/08	16	11/09	16	11/10	16
12/02	33	12/03	27	12/04	24	12/05	25	12/06	7	12/07	21	12/08	7	12/09	8	12/10	19
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>441</b>		<b>332</b>		<b>327</b>		<b>302</b>		<b>220</b>		<b>177</b>		<b>150</b>		<b>180</b>		<b>228</b>

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Mo./ Yr.	# of Closures	Mo./ Yr.	# of Closures	Mo. /Yr.	# of Closures	Mo./ Yr.	# of Closures										
1/11	23	1/12	11	1/13	17	1/14	11	1/15	2	1/16		1/17		1/18		1/19	
2/11	23	2/12	21	2/13	13	2/14	17	2/15	3	2/16		2/17		2/18		2/19	
3/11	18	3/12	16	3/13	16	3/14	10	3/15	5	3/16		3/17		3/18		3/19	
4/11	18	4/12	10	4/13	18	4/14	14	4/15		4/16		4/17		4/18		4/19	
5/11	22	5/12	16	5/13	12	5/14	19	5/15		5/16		5/17		5/18		5/19	
6/11	23	6/12	14	6/13	14	6/14	7	6/15		6/16		6/17		6/18		6/19	
7/11	18	7/12	24	7/13	8	7/14	10	7/15		7/16		7/17		7/18		7/19	
8/11	19	8/12	16	8/13	22	8/14	14	8/15		8/16		8/17		8/18		8/19	
9/11	14	9/12	18	9/13	9	9/14	1	9/15		9/16		9/17		9/18		9/19	
10/11	13	10/12	19	10/13	13	10/14	4	10/15		10/16		10/17		10/18		10/19	
11/11	18	11/12	15	11/13	15	11/14	1	11/15		11/16		11/17		11/18		11/19	
12/11	12	12/12	21	12/13	14	12/14	0	12/15		12/16		12/17		12/18		12/19	
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>221</b>		<b>201</b>		<b>171</b>		<b>108</b>		<b>5</b>								

**Total 60-Month TANF Closures from December 2001 through March 2015 = 3,068**

**60-Month TANF Limit Extension Report for March 2015:**

Number of requests for extension received to date: 1,840

Number of request approved to date: 782

**Of the 782 cases approved through March 2015 for extension, 554 were for 6 months, and 228 were for periods of 1-5 months.**