

LOCHHRA EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

March 2024

- For March 2024, WV WORKS cases statewide decreased to **4,838**, down **81** cases, compared to February 2024's **4,919** cases.
- Adult WV WORKS cases statewide for March 2024 are **1,238**, down **24** cases, compared to February 2024's **1,262** cases.
- Child-only cases statewide for March 2024 are **3,600**, down **57** cases, compared to February 2024's **3,657** cases.
- Total support service payments for March 2024 totaled **\$155,656**, down **\$7,748** from February 2024's **\$163,404**.

From December 1st, 2001, through March 31st, 2024, **3,626** WV WORKS cases have closed due to the adult(s) reaching the 60-month limit of that amount, **2,101** customers requested an extension of benefits up to an additional 6-month period; **902** of which were approved (for a **42.9%** approval rate).

**WV WORKS Caseload
March 2024**

County	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Barbour (01)	30	29	26									
Berkeley (02)	318	320	319									
Boone (03)	81	74	81									
Braxton (04)	24	25	21									
Brooke (05)	0	0	0									
Cabell (06)	272	276	277									
Calhoun (07)	22	23	23									
Clay (08)	33	31	29									
Doddridge (09)	16	14	14									
Fayette (10)	125	120	116									
Gilmer (11)	13	14	14									
Grant (12)	28	29	28									
Greenbrier (13)	64	62	56									
Hampshire (14)	57	55	55									
Hancock (15)	98	96	93									
Hardy (16)	28	25	27									
Harrison (17)	148	148	142									

Jackson	(18)	93	92	89									
Jefferson	(19)	76	81	80									
Kanawha	(20)	546	535	536									
Lewis	(21)	53	53	47									
Lincoln	(22)	117	117	121									
Logan	(23)	139	137	139									
Marion	(24)	175	178	165									
Marshall	(25)	83	80	83									
Mason	(26)	112	118	115									
Mercer	(27)	218	216	223									
Mineral	(28)	62	64	59									
Mingo	(29)	103	97	100									
Monongalia	(30)	116	114	112									
Monroe	(31)	29	27	27									
Morgan	(32)	28	32	31									
McDowell	(33)	126	127	120									
Nicholas	(34)	77	73	66									
Ohio	(35)	55	56	54									
Pendleton	(36)	12	11	12									
Pleasants	(37)	23	23	28									

Pocahontas (38)	11	12	14									
Preston (39)	70	64	63									
Putnam (40)	137	136	135									
Raleigh (41)	199	207	199									
Randolph (42)	46	50	50									
Ritchie (43)	22	23	21									
Roane (44)	39	41	34									
Summers (45)	45	42	41									
Taylor (46)	18	17	17									
Tucker (47)	10	10	10									
Tyler (48)	30	27	27									
Upshur (49)	50	52	53									
Wayne (50)	151	151	148									
Webster (51)	33	32	30									
Wetzel (52)	53	52	52									
Wirt (53)	35	35	36									
Wood (54)	340	323	311									
Wyoming (55)	74	73	69									
TOTAL	4,963	4,919	4,838									

**Characteristics of the
Current WV WORKS Caseload**

March 2024

3,600	Child-only cases ---- parents <u>not in</u> the home and children living with a relative, or parents in the home, are receiving Medicaid and are excluded from the WV WORKS payment.
246	Cases currently receiving WV WORKS and received TANF in another state before moving to West Virginia.
79	Cases where parents are excluded from the payment due to being convicted of a drug-related felony after August 22, 1996.
7,060	Cases receiving Medicaid but not SNAP.
228	Cases receiving SNAP but adults not receiving Medicaid.
39	Adults receiving WV WORKS and are employed.

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Support Services Payments: Types and Amounts March 2024

TYPE	Current WV WORKS	FORMER WV WORKS	# OF PAYMENTS	AVERAGE PAYMENT	TOTAL AMOUNT
Clothing: work or dress clothing when there is a verified offer of employment or short-term training. \$1000/lifetime Only \$200/12 Month Period	\$2,759.36	\$4,726.94	36	\$207.95	\$7,486.30
Collateral: items to include grooming expenses, test fees and other expenses related to employment. \$450 / 12 Month Period	\$2,739.41	\$10,950.88	53	\$258.31	\$13,690.29
Car Repair: 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. \$2,000 Lifetime / Per Household	\$11,368.97	\$10,788.09	33	\$671.43	\$22,157.06
Commercial Driver's License: payment to purchase license. \$100 Lifetime	\$91.25	\$0.00	1	\$91.25	\$91.25
Contract Training: training contracts may be written when training is not available on a no-cost basis; can be provided to an individual or group of participants; expectation is that the 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
Driver/Chauffeurs License: does not include payment for tests required due to traffic violations or classes required for DUI convictions. \$50 Lifetime	\$52.50	\$15.00	3	\$22.50	\$67.50
DUI Offenses: 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. \$750 Lifetime	\$1,766.73	\$464.55	8	\$278.91	\$2,231.28
Employer Incentive Program (EIP): 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.	\$0.00	\$323.00	1	\$323.00	\$323.00
Employment Subsidy: reimbursement of wages to employers who hire TANF participants. \$5,000 Lifetime	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	\$0.00	\$0.00
GED Achievement Bonus: one-time-only payment for any active WV WORKS recipient who passes the GED examination. \$100 Lifetime	\$200.00	\$0.00	2	\$100.00	\$200.00

Support Services Payments: Types and Amounts March 2024

TYPE	Current WV WORKS	FORMER WV WORKS	# OF PAYMENTS	AVERAGE PAYMENT	TOTAL AMOUNT
Participation Achievement Bonus: paid when the participant meets minimum Federal participation requirements. <i>\$50 Month Limit</i>	\$10,750.00	\$0.00	215	\$50.00	\$10,750.00
Professional License: 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>	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	\$0.00	\$0.00
Relocation: with a verified offer of employment, families can be relocated to a different state, different areas 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>	\$2,000.00	\$0.00	2	\$1,000.00	\$2,000.00
Six-Month Self-Sufficiency Achievement Bonus Bonuses paid to each former recipient who is employed full-time during each of the months following case closure. <i>\$750 Lifetime</i>	\$2,050.00	\$2,500.00	14	\$325.00	\$4,550.00
Tools/Equipment: when needed for a verified offer of employment or specialized training. <i>\$1,000 Lifetime</i>	\$2,290.38	\$195.00	6	\$414.23	\$2,485.38
Transportation: payments made based on travel to employment or a work activity when a cost involved; public transportation reimbursed at actual cost. <i>\$345 Month Limit</i>	\$68,127.00	\$2,835.00	349	\$203.33	\$70,962.00
Vocational Educational and Employment Achievement Bonus: 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>	\$250.00	\$250.00	2	\$250.00	\$500.00
Vehicle Insurance: payment for vehicle insurance premium; must be titled or leased in name of adult in WV WORKS payment. <i>\$1,500 Lifetime</i>	\$11,976.40	\$6,185.62	36	\$504.50	\$18,162.02
TOTALS	\$116,422.00	\$39,234.08	761	\$204.54	\$155,656.08

**Length of Time on Assistance
March 2024**

NUMBER OF MONTHS	NUMBER OF CASES
12 mos. or less	545
13 – 24	299
25 – 36	177
37 – 48	137
49 – 60	79
60+	1
TANF ADULT ONLY CASES	1,238

Child-only cases not included.

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	Mo./Yr.	# of Closures	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
TOTALS	441		332		327		302		220		177		150		180		228

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1/11	23	1/12	11	1/13	17	1/14	11	1/15	2	1/16	5	1/17	6	1/18	7	1/19	4
2/11	23	2/12	21	2/13	13	2/14	17	2/15	3	2/16	6	2/17	6	2/18	7	2/19	2
3/11	18	3/12	16	3/13	16	3/14	10	3/15	5	3/16	3	3/17	6	3/18	8	3/19	3
4/11	18	4/12	10	4/13	18	4/14	14	4/15	12	4/16	6	4/17	4	4/18	3	4/19	5
5/11	22	5/12	16	5/13	12	5/14	19	5/15	9	5/16	6	5/17	10	5/18	5	5/19	3
6/11	23	6/12	14	6/13	14	6/14	7	6/15	10	6/16	12	6/17	8	6/18	6	6/19	3
7/11	18	7/12	24	7/13	8	7/14	10	7/15	5	7/16	3	7/17	3	7/18	5	7/19	9
8/11	19	8/12	16	8/13	22	8/14	14	8/15	8	8/16	6	8/17	9	8/18	6	8/19	5
9/11	14	9/12	18	9/13	9	9/14	1	9/15	5	9/16	5	9/17	9	9/18	4	9/19	2
10/11	13	10/12	19	10/13	13	10/14	4	10/15	8	10/16	7	10/17	7	10/18	2	10/19	1
11/11	18	11/12	15	11/13	15	11/14	1	11/15	9	11/16	7	11/17	5	11/18	7	11/19	5
12/11	12	12/12	21	12/13	14	12/14	0	12/15	12	12/16	3	12/17	2	12/18	3	12/19	4
TOTALS	221		201		171		108		88		69		75		63		46

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1/20	2	1/21	6	1/22	4	1/23	3	1/24	4								
2/20	3	2/21	8	2/22	7	2/23	4	2/24	1								
3/20	1	3/21	6	3/22	4	3/23	2	3/24	6								
4/20	4	4/21	4	4/22	5	4/23	4										
5/20	1	5/21	7	5/22	4	5/23	2										
6/20	5	6/21	7	6/22	4	6/23	4										
7/20	7	7/21	9	7/22	5	7/23	1										
8/20	5	8/21	9	8/22	5	8/23	4										
9/20	5	9/21	4	9/22	1	9/23	3										
10/20	8	10/21	2	10/22	4	10/23	6										
11/20	5	11/21	6	11/22	2	11/23	6										
12/20	5	12/21	6	12/22	4	12/23	4										
TOTALS	51		74		49		43		11								

Total 60-Month TANF Closures from December 2001 through March 2024 = 3,626

60-Month TANF Limit Extension Report for March 2024:

Number of requests for extension received to date: 2,101

Number of requests approved to date: 902

Of the 902 cases approved through March 2024 for extension, 631 were for 6 months, and 271 were for periods of 1-5 months.