

LOCHHRA EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

December 2023

- For December 2023, WV WORKS cases statewide decreased to **5,025**, down **16** cases, compared to November 2023's **5,041** cases.
- Adult WV WORKS cases statewide for December 2023 are **1,311**, up **12** cases, compared to November 2023's **1,299** cases.
- Child-only cases statewide for December 2023 are **3,714**, down **28** cases, compared to November 2023's **3,742** cases.
- Total support service payments for December 2023 totaled **\$164,860**, down **\$17,623** from November 2023's **\$182,483**.

From December 1st, 2001, through December 31st, 2023, **3,615** WV WORKS cases have closed due to the adult(s) reaching the 60-month limit of that amount, **2,095** customers requested an extension of benefits up to an additional 6-month period; **899** of which were approved (for a **42.9%** approval rate).

**WV WORKS Caseload
December 2023**

County	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Barbour (01)	37	37	35	32	38	32	30	36	31	32	36	31
Berkeley (02)	293	300	295	300	299	291	290	287	289	298	304	319
Boone (03)	91	88	89	90	90	92	94	94	87	86	83	84
Braxton (04)	34	37	38	40	36	37	36	33	30	28	27	26
Brooke (05)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cabell (06)	268	265	267	272	280	274	264	268	278	274	272	275
Calhoun (07)	20	21	25	24	22	27	26	22	23	24	23	23
Clay (08)	40	35	36	36	35	36	35	34	36	35	33	33
Doddridge (09)	16	19	18	18	18	16	16	17	19	19	18	17
Fayette (10)	119	125	122	122	123	116	118	128	128	134	135	133
Gilmer (11)	14	14	12	12	10	11	12	14	13	14	13	12
Grant (12)	27	29	29	32	33	32	30	29	29	29	31	28
Greenbrier (13)	80	83	85	88	86	85	83	81	79	76	69	66
Hampshire (14)	62	62	63	64	68	65	64	63	62	61	58	57
Hancock (15)	106	105	108	108	108	108	104	104	104	111	106	104
Hardy (16)	28	27	28	30	27	28	31	33	32	34	34	31
Harrison (17)	160	159	160	159	157	157	147	142	143	145	150	150

Jackson	(18)	123	125	116	111	119	102	103	103	95	99	98	96
Jefferson	(19)	93	92	93	90	81	80	81	79	82	81	79	74
Kanawha	(20)	625	613	605	596	613	567	552	557	551	564	548	551
Lewis	(21)	62	62	66	67	58	57	53	57	58	56	51	51
Lincoln	(22)	110	108	103	101	106	103	103	102	110	112	117	117
Logan	(23)	126	125	130	128	127	133	129	134	129	129	134	136
Marion	(24)	182	183	185	196	195	194	191	175	170	187	188	177
Marshall	(25)	89	90	90	90	88	86	81	85	84	90	88	86
Mason	(26)	111	109	107	109	104	112	111	118	122	117	116	113
Mercer	(27)	244	240	238	237	244	247	249	249	244	239	239	229
Mineral	(28)	66	63	63	56	57	56	58	58	64	65	60	58
Mingo	(29)	116	114	109	105	104	100	99	99	102	103	102	102
Monongalia	(30)	117	115	119	123	123	129	126	123	122	120	118	117
Monroe	(31)	25	28	25	24	28	24	26	26	28	29	32	29
Morgan	(32)	45	43	43	38	39	34	32	35	33	29	28	28
McDowell	(33)	151	150	144	140	143	138	138	131	128	127	125	129
Nicholas	(34)	76	77	76	72	74	75	75	79	76	84	86	81
Ohio	(35)	61	61	56	58	62	61	59	56	57	54	51	56
Pendleton	(36)	10	10	13	11	8	10	11	13	12	11	11	13
Pleasants	(37)	23	21	23	20	19	17	21	22	19	21	21	22

Pocahontas (38)	19	19	17	14	14	15	12	12	13	11	10	11
Preston (39)	70	68	61	58	61	60	67	67	64	68	65	71
Putnam (40)	146	145	147	148	151	137	137	135	134	138	131	135
Raleigh (41)	205	208	209	194	190	197	194	195	194	198	193	195
Randolph (42)	45	47	50	52	51	52	46	49	46	47	45	45
Ritchie (43)	27	29	28	28	28	25	23	25	22	24	24	24
Roane (44)	53	51	48	48	52	41	44	44	44	39	37	40
Summers (45)	51	49	49	49	46	46	46	44	46	44	47	42
Taylor (46)	27	24	22	21	22	22	20	20	17	18	17	17
Tucker (47)	8	7	7	7	7	8	9	8	8	9	8	10
Tyler (48)	32	33	30	29	32	32	32	33	28	32	33	32
Upshur (49)	50	48	53	56	51	57	57	58	59	54	57	57
Wayne (50)	165	156	155	157	163	161	158	151	147	152	152	151
Webster (51)	35	38	38	36	37	37	39	35	33	32	30	31
Wetzel (52)	47	47	54	52	48	56	52	54	56	56	57	58
Wirt (53)	27	27	27	27	29	27	30	30	32	31	32	34
Wood (54)	312	322	318	319	325	324	330	352	361	358	349	347
Wyoming (55)	68	66	66	68	69	73	70	66	71	70	70	71
TOTAL	5,237	5,219	5,193	5,162	5,198	5,102	5,044	5,064	5,044	5,098	5,041	5,025

**Characteristics of the
Current WV WORKS Caseload**

December 2023

13,714	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.
239	Cases currently receiving WV WORKS and received TANF in another state before moving to West Virginia.
91	Cases where parents are excluded from the payment due to being convicted of a drug-related felony after August 22, 1996.
7,030	Cases receiving Medicaid but not SNAP.
225	Cases receiving SNAP but adults not receiving Medicaid.
31	Adults receiving WV WORKS and are employed.

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Support Services Payments: Types and Amounts December 2023

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	\$1,439.98	\$9,088.86	51	\$206.45	\$10,528.84
Collateral: items to include grooming expenses, test fees and other expenses related to employment. \$450 / 12 Month Period	\$1,488.28	\$8,896.87	40	\$259.63	\$10,385.15
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	\$14,065.97	\$11,218.24	35	\$722.14	\$25,284.21
Commercial Driver's License: payment to purchase license. \$100 Lifetime	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	\$0.00	\$0.00
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	\$85.00	\$0.00	3	\$28.33	\$85.00
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	\$2,337.15	\$50.00	6	\$397.86	\$2,387.15
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	\$0.00	0	\$0.00	\$0.00
Employment Subsidy: reimbursement of wages to employers who hire TANF participants. \$5,000 Lifetime	\$1,072.75	\$0.00	1	\$1,072.75	\$1,072.75
GED Achievement Bonus: one-time-only payment for any active WV WORKS recipient who passes the GED examination. \$100 Lifetime	\$400.00	\$0.00	4	\$100.00	\$400.00

Support Services Payments: Types and Amounts December 2023

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>	\$11,150.00	\$0.00	223	\$50.00	\$11,150.00
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>	\$84.99	\$0.00	2	\$42.50	\$84.99
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>	\$1,500.00	\$0.00	1	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00
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>	\$1,250.00	\$2,000.00	10	\$325.00	\$3,250.00
Tools/Equipment: when needed for a verified offer of employment or specialized training. <i>\$1,000 Lifetime</i>	\$582.99	\$209.97	2	\$396.48	\$792.96
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>	\$71,801.00	\$3,465.00	382	\$197.03	\$75,266.00
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>	\$12,196.19	\$9,976.79	47	\$471.77	\$22,172.98
TOTALS	\$119,704.30	\$45,155.73	809	\$203.78	\$164,860.03

**Length of Time on Assistance
December 2023**

NUMBER OF MONTHS	NUMBER OF CASES
12 mos. or less	591
13 – 24	304
25 – 36	203
37 – 48	135
49 – 60	78
60+	0
TANF ADULT ONLY CASES	1,311

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	10/1 2	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	11/1 2	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	12/1 2	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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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
1/20	2	1/21	6	1/22	4	1/23	3										
2/20	3	2/21	8	2/22	7	2/23	4										
3/20	1	3/21	6	3/22	4	3/23	2										
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										

Total 60-Month TANF Closures from December 2001 through December 2023 = 3,615

60-Month TANF Limit Extension Report for December 2023:

Number of requests for extension received to date: 2,095

Number of requests approved to date: 899

Of the 899 cases approved through December 2023 for extension, 629 were for 6 months, and 270 were for periods of 1-5 months.