

LOCHHRA EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

March 2021

- For March 2021, WV WORKS cases statewide increased to **5,822**, up **77** cases compared to February 2021's **5,745** cases.
- Adult WV WORKS cases statewide for March 2021 are **1,608**, up **45** cases compared to February 2021's **1,563** cases.
- Child-only cases statewide for March 2021 are **4,214**, up **32** cases compared to February 2021's **4,182** cases.
- Total support service payments for March 2021 totaled **\$122,503**, up **44,050** from February 2021's **\$78,453**.
- From December 1st, 2001 through March 31st, 2021, **3,470** WV WORKS cases have closed due to the adult(s) reaching the 60-month limit. Of that amount, **2,029** customers requested an extension of benefits up to an additional 6-month period; **871** of which were approved (for a **42.9%** approval rate).

**WV WORKS Caseload
March 2021**

County	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Barbour (01)	36	34	35									
Berkeley (02)	303	302	325									
Boone (03)	112	111	108									
Braxton (04)	38	36	32									
Brooke (05)	0	0	0									
Cabell (06)	323	321	315									
Calhoun (07)	29	26	30									
Clay (08)	40	40	35									
Doddridge (09)	20	19	21									
Fayette (10)	173	170	169									
Gilmer (11)	8	7	9									
Grant (12)	28	30	32									
Greenbrier (13)	71	75	80									
Hampshire (14)	50	49	54									
Hancock (15)	102	100	103									
Hardy (16)	32	32	34									
Harrison (17)	176	184	189									

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County	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Jackson (18)	152	154	150									
Jefferson (19)	84	85	89									
Kanawha (20)	699	705	732									
Lewis (21)	73	74	74									
Lincoln (22)	127	129	128									
Logan (23)	150	155	161									
Marion (24)	158	165	164									
Marshall (25)	85	84	84									
Mason (26)	131	131	136									
Mercer (27)	306	305	306									
Mineral (28)	53	54	58									
Mingo (29)	125	125	129									
Monongalia (30)	119	117	113									
Monroe (31)	26	29	25									
Morgan (32)	41	40	39									
McDowell (33)	180	180	173									
Nicholas (34)	93	99	102									

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County	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Ohio (35)	66	64	65									
Pendleton (36)	13	14	14									
Pleasants (37)	13	13	12									
Pocahontas (38)	24	22	23									
Preston (39)	92	89	92									
Putnam (40)	148	146	148									
Raleigh (41)	241	241	238									
Randolph (42)	45	45	50									
Ritchie (43)	30	30	32									
Roane (44)	57	56	59									
Summers (45)	51	51	51									
Taylor (46)	26	32	33									
Tucker (47)	10	10	8									
Tyler (48)	29	29	29									
Upshur (49)	62	63	58									
Wayne (50)	159	159	164									
Webster (51)	35	34	31									

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County	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Wetzel (52)	59	58	57									
Wirt (53)	26	26	26									
Wood (54)	336	336	337									
Wyoming (55)	64	60	61									
TOTAL	5,729	5,745	5,822									

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Characteristics of the Current WV WORKS Caseload

March 2021

- √ **4,214** 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.
- √ **159** Cases currently receiving WV WORKS and received TANF in another state before moving to West Virginia.
- √ **106** Cases where parents are excluded from the payment due to being convicted of a drug-related felony after August 22, 1996.
- √ **6,853** Cases receiving Medicaid but not SNAP.
- √ **209** Cases receiving SNAP but adults not receiving Medicaid.
- √ **96** Adults receiving WV WORKS and are employed.

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Support Services Payments: Types and Amounts March 2021

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	\$658.85	\$1,867.40	10	\$252.62	\$2,526.25
lateral: items to include grooming expenses, test fees and other expenses related to employment. \$450 / 12 Month Period	\$4,524.31	\$10,732.29	41	\$372.11	\$15,256.60
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	\$6,859.63	\$9,065.52	22	\$723.87	\$15,925.15
Commercial Driver's License: payment to purchase license. \$100 Lifetime	\$25.50	\$20.00	2	\$0.00	\$45.50
Contract Training: 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
Driver/Chauffeurs License: does not include payment for test required due to traffic violations or classes required for DUI convictions. \$50 Lifetime	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	\$0.00	\$0.00
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	\$4,156.73	\$268.00	11	\$402.25	\$4,424.73
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	\$585.00	1	\$585.00	\$585.00
Employment Subsidy: re-imbusement of wages to employers who hire TANF participants \$5,000 Lifetime	\$1,749.98	\$0.00	2	\$874.99	\$1,749.98
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 2021**

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>	\$12,300.00	\$0.00	246	\$50.00	\$12,300.00
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>	\$498.00	\$0.00	2	\$249.00	\$498.00
Relocation: 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>	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	\$0.00	\$0.00
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	\$3,650.00	18	\$316.67	\$5,700.00
Tools/Equipment: when needed for a verified offer of employment or specialized training. <i>\$1,000 Lifetime</i>	\$976.08	\$0.00	4	\$244.02	\$976.08
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>	\$42,757.50	\$8,704.00	274	\$187.82	\$51,461.50
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>	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	\$0.00	\$0.00
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>	\$9,123.90	\$1,730.42	29	\$374.29	\$10,854.32
TOTALS	\$85,880.48	\$36,622.63	664	\$184.49	\$122,503.11

**Length of Time on Assistance
March 2021**

<i>NUMBER OF MONTHS</i>	<i>NUMBER OF CASES</i>
12 mos. or less	614
13 – 24	483
25 – 36	230
37 – 48	165
49 – 60	116
60 +	0
TANF ADULT ONLY CASES	1,608

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										
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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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	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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Mo./ Yr.	# of Closures	Mo./ Yr.	# of Closures	Mo. /Yr.	# of Closures	Mo./ Yr.	# of Closures										
1/20	2	1/21	6														
2/20	3	2/21	8														
3/20	1	3/21	6														
4/20	4	4/21															
5/20	1	5/21															
6/20	5	6/21															
7/20	7	7/21															
8/20	5	8/21															
9/20	5	9/21															
10/20	8	10/21															
11/20	5	11/21															
12/20	5	12/21															
TOTALS	51		20														

Total 60-Month TANF Closures from December 2001 through March 2021 = 3,470

60-Month TANF Limit Extension Report for March 2021:

Number of requests for extension received to date: 2,029

Number of requests approved to date: 871

Of the 871 cases approved through March 2021 for extension, 612 were for 6 months, and 259 were for periods of 1-5 months.

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