

The purpose of this document is to provide relevant contextual information for graph and table visualizations found in the [VDSS Annual Statistical Report \(ASR\)](#).

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## ASR Visualizations: Notes & Data Sources

Each program report is listed in alphabetical order below. Each program title is a clickable link that redirects to the program’s dedicated ASR webpage which contains that program’s background information and associated data visualizations.

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## 2-1-1 VIRGINIA: Statewide Information and Referral

### **Notes:**

- 1) In SFY 2016, the new 2-1-1 Virginia website was launched. The new site counts the number of visitors while the old site counted pages visited but not the number of visitors.

### **Data Sources:**

Division of Community and Volunteer Services - Office of Volunteerism and Community Service staff, 2-1-1 website and call centers.

## Adoption Assistance

### **Notes:**

### **Data Sources:**

LASER and OASIS.

## Adult Protective Services - Reports

### **Notes:**

- 1) "State Fiscal Year": On October 1, 2005, Adult Services initiated a new case management system, Adult Services and Adult Protective Services or ASAPS. Data for SFY 2006 were calculated using 1st quarter data from VACIS and 2nd through 4th quarter data from ASAPS.
- 2) "Invalid": Prior to October 1, 2005, counts for Invalid reports were unavailable.
- 3) "Pending": Prior to SFY 2006, "Pending" reports were included in the "Unfounded" category.

### **Data Sources:**

Prior to SFY 2014, the VDSS Division of Family Services, including program staff, the Virginia Client Information System, or VACIS, (through Q1 SFY 2006), and the Adult

Services & Adult Protective Services case management system (since Q2 SFY 2006). At the start of SFY 2014 (July 1, 2013), the Adult Services Program moved from VDSS to the Department for Aging & Rehabilitative Services (DARS). DARS' Adult Protective Services Division oversees Adult Services and Auxiliary Grants as well as Adult Protective Services. Local departments of social services staff remain responsible for determining eligibility for Auxiliary Grants and service delivery for Adult Protective Services and Adult Services.

### [Adult Services: Home-Based and Other Purchased Services](#)

**Notes:**

- 1) Prior to SFY 2007, the Sources for number of adults served were VACIS and an annual survey. More recent counts are from ASAPS.
- 2) In 2009, revised table to display all three "home based services" (per Code of Virginia 63.2-1600) as a total.
- 3) "Other Purchased Services" include adult day services, adult foster care, adult protective services, and nutrition services.
- 4) Represents duplicate services provided to AS/APS clients by homemaker, chore, or companion providers from ASAPS service plans.
- 5) Beginning in SFY 2009, counts are from ASAPS case type listings.

**Data Sources:**

Adult Services Program staff, ASAPS, and LASER.

### [Assisted Living and Adult Day Care Facilities](#)

**Notes:**

**Data Sources:**

VACIS (through SFY 2003); DOLPHIN (since SFY 2004).

## [Auxiliary Grant: Caseload and Payments](#)

### **Notes:**

- 1) The local fiscal year runs from June 1 through May 31.
- 2) In 2009, three-quarters of the 78 local departments with declines in their caseloads in FYs 2007 and 2008 responded to a survey and identified the top 3 reasons for caseload decline: 1) AG grant rate is insufficient for ALF providers to cover required services, therefore providers are unable to accept AG recipients; 2) individuals' care needs exceed Assisted Living level of care; and 3) clients' desire to remain at home and, instead, use home-based services, Medicaid waivers, or CSB case management.

### **Data Sources:**

LASER.

## [Cases Needing Paternity Establishment](#)

### **Notes:**

- 1) A case may include more than one child needing paternity established.

### **Data Sources:**

APECS.

## [Child Care: Children and Families Served](#)

### **Notes:**

### **Data Sources:**

Virginia Case Management System (VACMS) and the Interim Child Care System (ICC),  
“Agency Demographic Report” (rp006).

## [Child Care Expenditures](#)

### **Notes:**

- 1) “TANF Ed. and Training” includes TANF Education & Training and TANF Education & Training Pass-Thru.
- 2) “Fee Child Care” includes SNAP-ET, Fee Child Care/At Risk, Fee Child Care/At Risk Pass-Thru, and Head Start Wrap-Around.
- 3) “Staff Allowance” is for local agency child care administration.

### **Data Sources:**

LASER and VaCMS.

## [Child Day Care and Family Day Facilities](#)

### **Notes:**

### **Data Sources:**

DOLPHIN.

## [Child Protective Services - Central Registry Activity](#)

### **Notes:**

### **Data Sources:**

Division of Business Operations - Office of Background Investigations staff.

## [Child Protective Services - Reports](#)

### **Notes:**

- 1) Number of reported child victims includes unfounded complaints and family assessments.

2) As of October 13, 2023 there were 79 child fatalities pending a finding for SFY 2023.  
The data is point in time and can change due to criminal cases, appeals and autopsy results.

**Data Sources:**

VCWOR, CPS Reports - "Referral and Findings Annual Report (by Locality)".

[Child Residential Care](#)

**Notes:**

**Data Sources:**

DOLPHIN.

[Child Support Enforcement Caseload](#)

**Notes:**

**Data Sources:**

APECS.

[Child Support Enforcement Collections](#)

**Notes:**

**Data Sources:**

APECS.

[Child Support Enforcement Income Withholding](#)

**Notes:**

**Data Sources:**

APECS.

## Child Support Enforcement Income Obligations

**Notes:**

**Data Sources:**

APECS.

## Children’s Health Insurance Program

**Notes:**

- 1) Some variance in the average monthly expenditure per enrollee is related to the number of MCO (managed care organization) capitation payments processed each year.

**Data Sources:**

Virginia Department of Medical Assistance Services (DMAS).

## Client Appeals

**Notes:**

- 1) “Benefit Program” appeals include SNAP, Administrative Disqualification Hearings, TANF, and Other.

**Data Sources:**

VaCMS.

## Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) Funding

**Notes:**

**Data Sources:**

Division of Community and Volunteer Services - Office of Volunteerism and Community Service staff, CSBG database.



## Criminal Background Investigations

### **Notes:**

- 1) Background checks for local departments of social services and licensed child-placing agencies were required by legislation effective April 2007.

### **Data Sources:**

Division of Business Operations - Office of Background Investigations staff.

## Domestic Violence Services

### **Notes:**

- 1) Starting in SFY 2021, CARES (Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security) and ARPA (American Rescue Plan Act) funding is reported. VDSS received CARES Act funding to support local domestic violence agencies during the early days of the COVID-19 public health emergency. Funds were distributed to currently funded sub-recipients through contract modifications during SFY 21. VDSS received ARPA funds to support local domestic violence agencies during the ongoing period of time in which local domestic violence agencies were impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. Funds were distributed to local domestic violence agencies through contract modifications in SFY 22. Remaining funds will be awarded during SFY 23.

### **Data Sources:**

Division of Family Services - Office of Family Violence Program staff and the Virginia Sexual and Domestic Violence Data Collection System (<http://vadata.org>).

## [Energy Assistance - Crisis](#)

### **Notes:**

- 1) Final funding for FFY 2011 was not determined until April 2011 and awarded in May 2011. Consequently, allocations for Energy Assistance Program (EAP) Fuel and Crisis components (fall and winter 2010-2011) were lower than the previous year.
- 2) The average payment per household amounts for 2021-22 were higher than usual due to the receipt of additional ARPA funds in this timeframe.

### **Data Sources:**

VaCMS.

## [Energy Assistance - Fuel & Cooling](#)

### **Notes:**

- 1) Final funding for FFY 2011 was not determined until April 2011 and awarded in May 2011. Consequently, allocations for EAP Fuel and Crisis components (fall and winter 2010-2011) were lower than the previous year.
- 2) The average payment per household amounts for 2021-22 were higher than usual due to the receipt of additional ARPA funds in this timeframe.

### **Data Sources:**

VaCMS.

## [Family Services Grant Program](#)

### **Notes:**

- 1) "PSSF" - Expenditures: 2000 expenditures reflect the federal fiscal year, not the state fiscal year. SFY 2007 expenditures do not reflect the full SFY allocation because of a change in the year-end cutoff date for inclusion in the total.

- 2) “PSSF” - Number of Individuals/Families Served: Counts represent number of families served. SFY 2012 PSSF increase due to inclusion of numbers served under the Strengthening Families Fatherhood grants. Starting with SFY 2022, this count includes families served by the Adoption through Collaborative Partnerships (ATCP) program.
- 3) “Hugs and Kisses Play” - Expenditures: The increase in SFY 2012 expenditures is due to new grants and changes in the obligation/liquidation cycle outlined by the federal government.
- 4) “Hugs and Kisses Play” - Number of Individuals/Families Served: Counts represent estimated number of children attending the play using VDSS funds. For FY 2021, no attendance is available due to the COVID-19 pandemic. FY 2021 funds were used to produce virtual Hugs & Kisses performance and a teacher’s guide.
- 5) “Healthy Families” - Number of Individuals/Families Served: Prior to SFY 2008, family counts likely were an overcount due to variations in reporting by participating agencies. The SFY 2008 reporting form clarified how to count families receiving services. Starting in 2023, SFY 2017 to SFY2021 historical counts were readjusted to include counts of families only, as had been the unit of analysis up to SFY 2017.
- 6) “Community-Based Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Grant” - Number of Individuals/Families Served: Beginning with SFY 2006, counts represent unduplicated families. The definition of counts for "direct services" was changed. The counts represent direct services to families, and do not include a variety of indirect services and training also funded with CBCAP funds. Starting in FY 2022, grant and reporting cycles changed from State Fiscal Year to Federal Fiscal Year.

**Data Sources:**

Division of Family Services Program staff, and Report on Federal Contracts, Grants or Money, FAAS Year-End Reports.

## Federally Declared Disasters

### **Notes:**

### **Data Sources:**

Emergency Management Program staff. Includes Other Needs Assistance (ONA) grants; excludes Housing Assistance grants, which are administered by FEMA.

## Foster Care - Number of Children in Care

### **Notes:**

- 1) Counts are point-in-time data as of June 30, the end of the state fiscal year. The total number of children served in foster care during the year is greater. *[Data Table only]*
- 2) "Title IV-E Penetration Rate": The percentage of Title IV-E cases relative to all foster care cases. *[Data Table only]*

### **Data Sources:**

VCWOR.

## Foster Care Payment Rates

### **Notes:**

- 1) Rates are calculated as a weighted average of the foster home rates for different age groups, where the weights are the proportion of foster children in each age group in Virginia. Virginia rates went into effect July 1.
- 2) Other states may have rates that go into effect at different times of the year and/or use different methods in their rate calculations.

### **Data Sources:**

VDSS Foster Care Manual, Foster Care Demographic Report, and public sources for other Mid-Atlantic states and District of Columbia.

## Foster Care - Title IV-E & State & Local Expenditures

### **Notes:**

- 1) Totals may not sum due to rounding.
- 2) For SFY 2002, the annual expenditures per child cannot be calculated since the total number of children served is unavailable.
- 3) Children in foster care may receive both maintenance payments (room and board) and payments for specialized services. The annual expenditures per child include children who receive maintenance payments only and children who also receive specialized services such as residential care. Other specialized services (e.g., counseling, mentoring) are not included.
- 4) Beginning with SFY 2009, CSA total excludes "Residential Parental Agreements/DSS Non-Custodial Foster Care" since less than one-third of the total is a Foster Care expense.
- 5) Starting in SFY 2023, the total CSA expenditure was calculated based on specific foster care mandate types reported by localities for reimbursement of expenditures. This approach better reflects expenses designated solely for the foster care population, per the recommendation of the Office of Children's Services (OCS).

### **Data Sources:**

Division of Family Services - Foster Care Program staff; Division of Finance staff (LASER), and Office of Children's Services Financial Reporting (LEDRS).

## Fraud Investigations

### **Notes:**

### **Data Sources:**

Division of Compliance staff, VaCMS.

## General Relief - Caseload & Payments

### **Notes:**

- 1) Case counts may be duplicated because payments to recipients and vendors also include payments made to vendors on the recipient's behalf.
- 2) Starting in SFY23, the cases and expenditures reported were adjusted to only include state and local expense categories that fall entirely within the scope of the General Relief program.

### **Data Sources:**

LASER.

## Local Departments Expenditures

### **Notes:**

- 1) The Local Fiscal Year runs from June 1 through May 31.
- 2) "Local Match": These funds are local expenditures required to obtain federal and state funds. *[Data Table only]*
- 3) "Local Only": These funds are local expenditures beyond the required local match. *[Data Table only]*
- 4) "Federal Funds": For FY 2021, special COVID-19 related funding added. *[Data Table only]*

### **Data Sources:**

Division of Finance staff, Statewide Annual Financial Statement.

## Medicaid - Enrollment

### **Notes:**

- 1) Medicaid Expansions began January 1, 2019.

### **Data Sources:**

Virginia Department of Medical Assistance Services (DMAS).

## Medicaid - Payments

**Notes:**

- 1) Medicaid Expansions began January 1, 2019.

**Data Sources:**

Virginia Department of Medical Assistance Services (DMAS).

## Neighborhood Assistance Program (NAP) Tax Credits

**Notes:**

**Data Sources:**

Division of Community and Volunteer Services - Office of Community Services  
Program, NAP database

## Neighborhood Assistance Program (NAP) Issued Tax Credits

**Notes:**

**Data Sources:**

Division of Community and Volunteer Services - Office of Community Services  
Program, NAP database

## Office of Volunteerism and Community Services

**Notes:**

- 1) "Number of Volunteers Recruited": The number of volunteers is no longer collected.
- 2) "Total Recruited Volunteer Hours": The number of volunteer hours is no longer collected.

**Data Sources:**

AmeriCorps Program Directors, eGrants, and OnCorps.

## [Paternity Establishment in Child Support Cases and In-Hospital Paternity Project](#)

### **Notes:**

- 1) “In-Hospital Cases”: Most cases are not child support cases.

### **Data Sources:**

APECS.

## [Refugee Resettlement: Refugee Arrivals and Funding](#)

### **Notes:**

- 1) “Federal Fiscal Year”: Program is 100% federally funded; information is based on the federal fiscal year (October 1 – September 30).
- 2) “Arrivals”: Refugee arrivals
- 3) “Medical Assistance”: Includes Refugee Cash and Medical Assistance, Unaccompanied Minors Program, and health screening.
- 4) “Refugee Social Services”: Includes employment services, English Language Training (ELT), support services, outreach, translation, and interpretation services.
- 5) “Targeted Assistance Program”: Provides additional employment, ELT, and support services to areas of heaviest refugee impact.
- 6) “Discretionary Grants”: Addresses critical unmet needs in the refugee community. FY 2012 grants include the Virginia Refugee Student Achievement Program (VRSAP), the Refugee Health, Service to Older Adult Refugees (SOAR) project, and the Pathway to English and Civic Engagement (PEACE) project.
- 7) “Total”: The sum of Medical Assistance, Refugee Social Services, Targeted Assistance Program, and Discretionary Grants.
- 8) For FFY 2023, funding includes standard refugee funding, Afghan Supplemental Appropriation (ASA) funding, Ukraine Funding and Assistance to Schools.

### **Data Sources:**

U.S. Department of Health & Human Services - Office of Refugee Resettlement Arrivals data, Virginia Newcomer Information System (VNIS) data, Worldwide Refugee Admissions Processing System (WRAPS) data, and Financial Status Reports (SF 269s).



## [SNAP - Caseload & Expenditures](#)

**Notes:**

**Data Sources:**

VaCMS and Division of Benefit Programs - SNAP Monthly Participation Reports.

## [SNAP - Payment Error Rate](#)

**Notes:**

1) FFY 2020 and FFY 2021 rates were not calculated by the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

**Data Sources:**

U.S. Department of Agriculture.

## [SNAP and TANF Overpayment Collections](#)

**Notes:**

1) TANF collections data are not available by error type.

**Data Sources:**

Division of Compliance staff, VaCMS.

## [TANF - Caseload & Payments](#)

**Notes:**

1) In January 2022, TANF received a one-time supplemental amount (\$13,291,330.68) from the federal government related to COVID relief. The supplemental amount is deducted, with the remainder being total TANF regular payment amounts.

**Data Sources:**

LASER and VaCMS.

### TANF-UP - Caseload & Payments

**Notes:**

- 1) In January 2022, TANF-UP received a one-time supplemental amount (\$1,288,394.40) from the federal government related to COVID relief. The supplemental amount is deducted, with the remainder being total TANF-UP regular payment amounts.

**Data Sources:**

LASER and VaCMS.

### Unlicensed, Registered Child Care Facilities

**Notes:**

**Data Sources:**

DOLPHIN.

### Virginia Child Care Provider Scholarship Program

**Notes:**

- 1) “Persons Approved” double counts individuals who are approved for scholarships for more than one semester.

**Data Sources:**

Virginia Department of Education (VDOE).