



**CALIFORNIA
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Long-Term Care and Aging Services Division

**Statistical Fact Sheets
and
Program Narratives**

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Introduction to the California Department of Aging Long-Term Care and Aging Services Division Statistical Fact Sheets and Program Narratives March 2010

Statistical Fact Sheets

The California Department of Aging (CDA) *Long-Term Care and Aging Services Division Statistical Fact Sheets* provide service performance data, demographic statistics, State operations budget allocations and local services expenditures, and local assistance expenditures for programs and services administered by CDA. Many of these programs are funded with both Federal and State funds under the Older Americans Act (OAA) and Older Californians Act (OCA) respectively. However, the amended State Budget for Fiscal Year (FY) 2009-10 eliminated the equivalent of nine months of Older Californians Act (OCA) State General Fund (GF) for specified Community Based Services Programs (CBSP) and all future GF.¹ The eliminated State funded programs are: Alzheimer's Day Care Resource Center, Brown Bag, Linkages, Respite Purchase of Services, and Senior Companion. However, the statutory authority for these programs continues.

CDA contracts with its statewide network of 33 Area Agencies on Aging (AAA) to plan, develop, and deliver services to assist older adults, adults with disabilities, and their caregivers. Each AAA is responsible for service delivery in one of 33 designated Planning and Service Areas (PSA). The AAAs may provide services directly or by contract. PSAs are geographic service regions consisting of one or more counties (and Los Angeles City) within the State. A listing of PSAs by County is attached for your reference (see Attachment A).

The Statistical Fact Sheets also include data for two Medi-Cal funded programs administered by CDA: the Multipurpose Senior Services Program (MSSP) and Adult Day Health Care (ADHC) Program. These programs are Medi-Cal programs administered directly by CDA through local contractors.

For programs administered by AAAs, the data in the Statistical Facts Sheets are extracted from individual reports submitted by AAAs quarterly and annually for the prior fiscal year. The Administration on Aging (AoA) requires State Units on Aging (SUAs) to compile and submit Federal program data via the National Aging Program Information System (NAPIS) by January 31 of each year. AoA also requires SUAs to collect "unduplicated" client counts for registered services and "estimated unduplicated" counts for clients receiving services from a non-registered service. Registered services require an exact unduplicated count of clients. Non-registered services are those services where it is not practical to collect client specific information or where requiring the client to register may serve as a barrier to receiving a service.

¹ The other two CBSPs, the Foster Grandparent Program (FGP) and Health Insurance Counseling and Advocacy Program (HICAP) are not included. The GF for the FGP was eliminated in previous budget years. The HICAP is not GF supported and was not affected by these GF reductions. The statutory authority for the FGP continues.

While most programs display their data numerically, the Disease Prevention and Health Promotion program uses a narrative style to discuss their demographic and performance accomplishments. These are available by request.

Since the current State budget proposal has not been finalized, and programs may incur decreases in funding levels from the previous year, the uncertainty does not make it prudent to forecast future estimates and/or performance levels at this time. Therefore, the “estimated” data column was not completed for a number of programs.

New this Year

In Fiscal Year 2008-09, CDA implemented the California Aging Reporting System (CARS) that substantially changed data collection and reporting requirements for a number of programs administered by AAAs. CARS requires client-level reporting, as opposed to aggregate reporting, to more accurately capture unduplicated clients served. Modifications were also made in the collection of various demographic and performance data elements to meet State and Federal data collection requirements. Due to these changes, CDA expects some data fluctuation in the next few years.

Program Narratives

A Program Narrative provides information on the purpose of the program, eligibility requirements, and a brief history of the program. Links to narratives and histories of each program and service can be found under Program Fact Sheets and Program Narratives at www.aging.ca.gov. Recent changes to any program will be contained in the narrative. This information is often helpful in placing the data in context. We highly recommend using program narratives together with the presented data.

Expenditures

For programs funded under OAA, fluctuations in the reported expenditures between years may not necessarily reflect an increase or decrease in overall funding allocations. Unexpended Federal funds from OAA programs may be carried forward to a subsequent State fiscal year (SFY) within the same Federal fiscal year. Additionally, funds may be transferred among certain Federal programs within a SFY.

The prior year budget, in most cases, is used as the projected budget for the current year. Actual expenditure data for the current year is not available until year-end closeouts are received, which is generally at the end of October.

Similarly, for programs funded through the OAA and the OCA, the actual prior year number of clients served is also often used as an estimate for the anticipated number of clients that will be served in the current year, since actual client counts are reported only at the close of each year.

Consistently throughout the Fact Sheets, the total program cost figures for Current Year (CY) Budget and Budget Year (BY) reflect the “budget authority” as shown in the final Governor’s Budget. The estimated performance and demographics data would be based on allocated funding, not the budget authority amounts. This should be taken into account when comparing future proposed expenditures and future proposed performance.

Within six Community-Based Services Programs [there are seven, but the Health Insurance Counseling and Advocacy Program (HICAP) is exempt] AAAs are allowed to transfer funds between the six programs as long as the total budget authority for all six programs equals the total allocation each year.

Program Performance

Most performance data for the Statistical Fact Sheets are extracted from the individual reports submitted by the AAAs both quarterly and annually. Performance data is representative of actual clients served and various services provided in each fiscal year. Figures under an “estimated” column assume that the number of sites and/or client slots will remain relatively constant from year to year. However, not all programs project estimated counts for future years. In addition, not all program Statistical Fact Sheets include performance data.

Demographics

Demographic elements do not necessarily sum to total client counts due to missing data in each variable or clients declining to provide information. Individual programs’ Statistical Fact Sheets have footnote explanations regarding demographic data that explain other variances. Also note that not all program Statistical Fact Sheets include demographic data.