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FoodShare at a Glance — December 2019

Assistance Groups (AGs) — Individuals who live in the same household, purchase and prepare food together, and pass all financial and non-financial eligibility criteria to receive FoodShare benefits

Members — Individuals receiving FoodShare Benefits

Who received FoodShare benefits in Wisconsin?

312,765 NO. OF AGs

4,003 NO. OF FIRST TIME AGs

602,255 NO. OF MEMBERS

2 AVG. HOUSEHOLD SIZE

36.6% % OF AGs WITH MINORS

48.4% % OF AGs WITH EBD

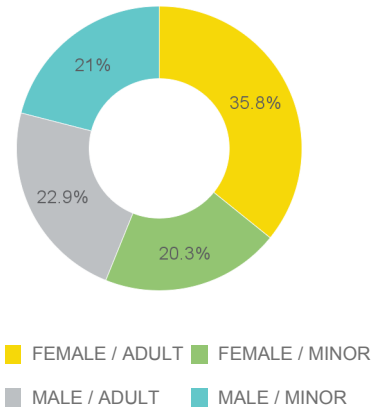
$63,441,570 TOTAL ALLOTMENT

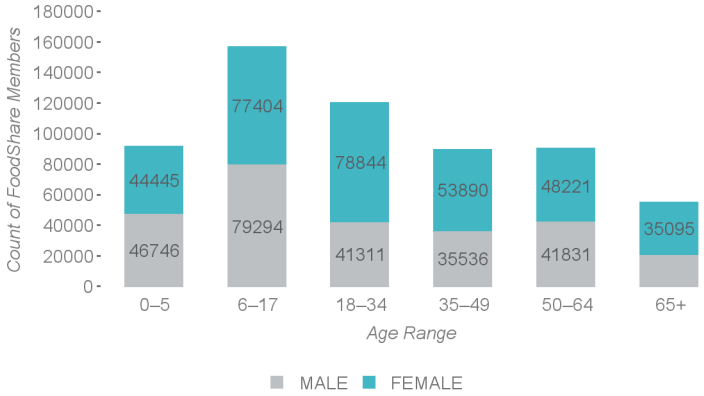
$203 AVG. ALLOTMENT/HH

$63,655,678 TOTAL ISSUANCE

1. What is the age distribution of FoodShare members and age gender ratio?

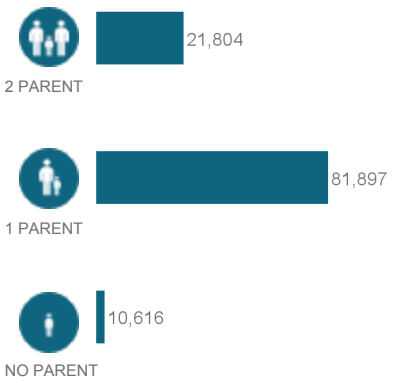
56% of the FoodShare members are female and 44% are male. 59% are adults and 41% are minors. 37% of AGs include minors. Members between ages 6–17 has the largest number for any grouping, making up to 26% of recipients. 41.16% of FoodShare members are 17 and younger.





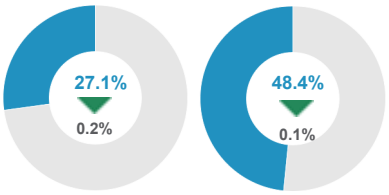
2. Households with Minors

Of the AGs that contain minors, 72% have one parent in the AG, 19% have two or more parents, and 9% have no parents.



3. How many recipients are elderly, blind or disabled (EBD)?

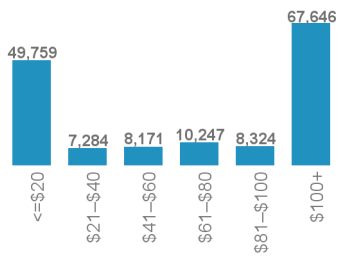
27.1% of FoodShare members are EBD. 48.4% of AGs contain at least one individual who is EBD. The average allotment for EBD AGs is $122. However, 33% of the EBD caseload is receiving an allotment of $20 or less.



Avg. AG Allotment

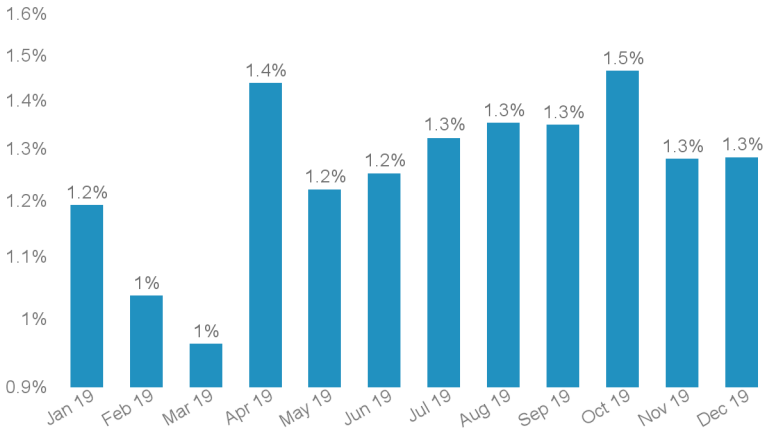
$122

Allotment Distribution Among AGs



4. What percent of FoodShare AGs are first-time recipients?

First-time AGs are households where no one has received benefits in the past 60 months. The average number of FoodShare AGs that are first-time recipients is 3,974



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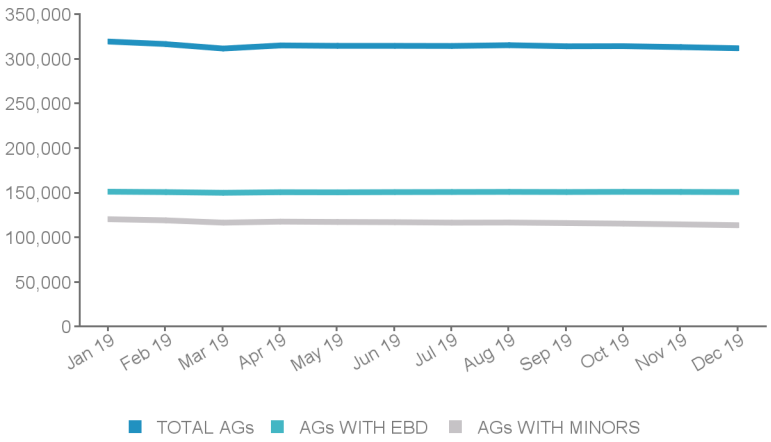
5. What are the member compositions?

The table and graph show combinations of programs with FoodShare, for which individuals receive benefits for December 2019. The programs include FS — FoodShare, MA — Medicaid, CC — ChildCare, W-2 — Wisconsin Works.

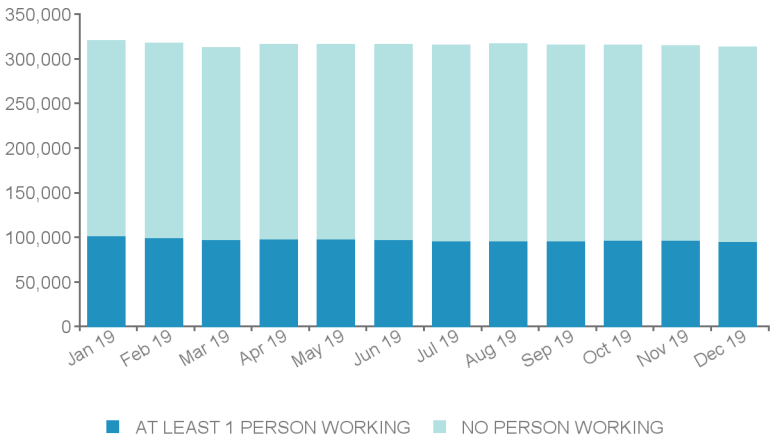
6. What is the historical caseload trend?

The statewide caseload for December 2019 is 312,765, a decrease from 12 months ago.



7. What percent of AGs have at least one person employed?

30% of AGs have at least one person working in the month of December 2019



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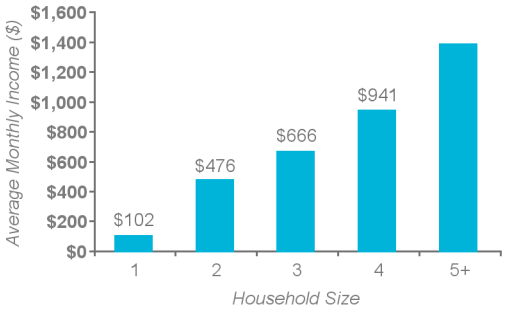
8. What is the average monthly income of an AG?

The average monthly income of AGs that have at least one individual working is $373, same as last month. 40.6% of adult FoodShare recipients are employed, a decrease from last month.

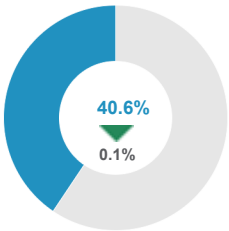
Average Monthly Income of AG *

$373

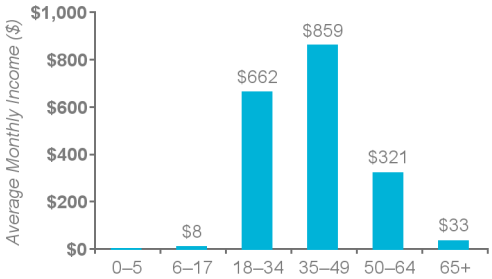
Average Monthly Income of AG's *



% of Adult FoodShare Employed



FoodShare Members Average Monthly Earned Income by Age Segments *

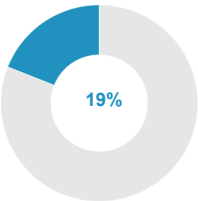


** Average income uses monthly gross employment earnings of FoodShare AGs, not net income used for FoodShare eligibility.*

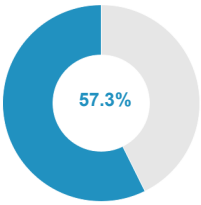
9. How many working families receive FoodShare?

Working families (households with at least one minor and at least one parent of a minor that also earn income) make up to 19% of the statewide FoodShare AGs, average 2 persons per AG, and average $1,479 in earned income per month. 57.3% of all families are working.

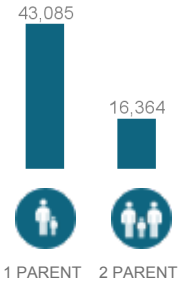
Working Families vs. Total FoodShare AGs



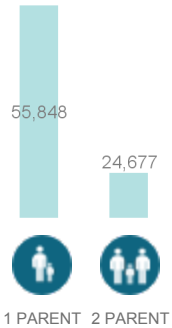
Working Families vs. Total Families



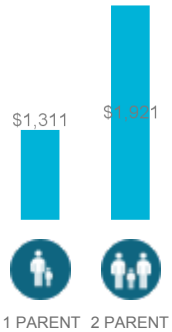
Working Families with Number of Parents



Working Families Unduplicated FoodShare Members



Working Families Average Earned Income



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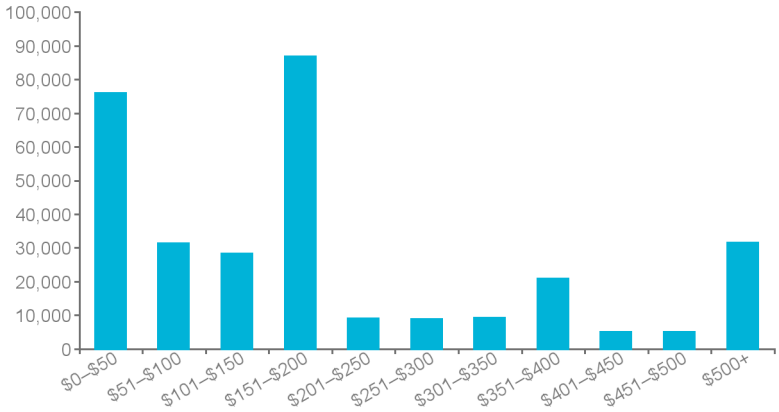
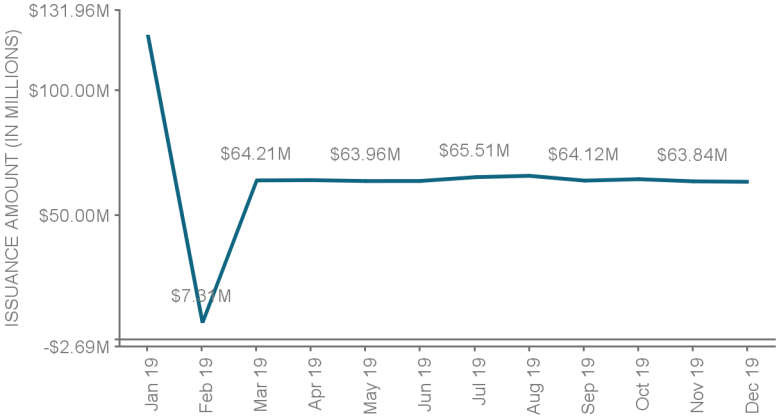
10. What was the allotment this month?

The average allotment amount per AG is $203. Below is the frequency distribution of benefit amounts.



11. What was the issuance this month?

A total of $63.66 million in FoodShare benefits were issued for the month. The graph below shows the total dollars for FoodShare Issuance in the past 12 months.



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