



**CALIFORNIA  
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**Long-Term Care and Aging Services**

**Statistical Fact Sheets  
and  
Program Narratives**

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# **Introduction to the Aging Services Long-Term Care and Aging Services Statistical Fact Sheets and Program Narratives March 2009**

## **Statistical Fact Sheets**

The California Department of Aging (CDA) *Long-Term Care and Aging Services Statistical Fact Sheets* provide performance data, demographic statistics, State operations budget allocations and 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. These services are either provided directly by 33 Area Agencies on Aging (AAAs) throughout the state, or by their sub-contracted service providers within each of the 33 Planning and Services Areas (PSA). 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.

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.

## **New this Year**

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.

## **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](http://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. 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.