

Providing Services to Individuals with Developmental Disabilities How Does Washington State Compare?

STATE	* AVG CASE MANAGER RATIO	** NUMBER ON WAITLIST	* AVG WAIT (YRS)	*** FISCAL EFFORT RANKING
Alabama	1:37	3,193 *	Several	49
Alaska	1:40	667	1	15
Arizona	1:39	NONE	N/A	38
Arkansas	Varies ²	2,818	10	19
California	1:62	NONE	N/A	37
Colorado	1:40	3,299	5-7	48
Connecticut	1:40	2,000 *	Many	13
Delaware	1:35	344 *	N/A	29
Dist of Columbia	1:30	NONE	N/A	11
Florida	1:42	21,000 *	7+	50
Georgia	Varies ²	7,500 *	Several	47
Hawaii	1:50	NONE	N/A	45
Idaho	Varies ²	NONE	N/A	34
Illinois	Varies ²	23,000	5-7	43
Indiana	Varies ²	13,000	5+	16
Iowa	1:35	735 *	Varies	8
Kansas	1:40	3,500	3-4	32
Kentucky	Varies ²	1,934	Unknown	22
Louisiana	1:45	13,000 *	10+	3
Maine	1:35	NONE	N/A	2
Maryland	Varies ²	8,000 *	Many	42
Massachusetts	1:60	NONE ¹	Unknown	14
Michigan	Varies ²	NONE *	N/A	33
Minnesota	1:40	3,600	Several	7
Mississippi	Varies ²	2,000	Months	23
Missouri	1:50	3,300	Several	28

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Montana	1:35	1,300	3	26
Nebraska	1:28	2,200 *	4	25
Nevada	1:45	2,097 *	2	51
New Hampshire	1:28	114 *	1+	27
New Jersey	Varies ²	8,500	5+	30
New Mexico	1:30	6,035	11	21
New York	Varies ²	11,500 *	Unknown	1
North Carolina	1:30	9,000+	7-10	31
North Dakota	1:60	NONE	N/A	4
Ohio	Varies ²	48,700	Varies	5
Oklahoma	1:22	7,064 *	8	39
Oregon	Varies ²	NONE	N/A	18
Pennsylvania	Varies ²	14,647	7+	10
Rhode Island	Varies ²	NONE	N/A	17
South Carolina	1:45	6,000	4	36
South Dakota	1:40	NONE	N/A	24
Tennessee	1:30	6,000 *	6	35
Texas	1:45	156,161	11+	46
Utah	1:46	1,978 *	5+	44
Vermont	Varies ²	500	Varies	9
Virginia	1:35	10,000 *	Several	40
Washington	1:75	14,126 * ³	Varies	41
West Virginia	1:30	1, 049 *	3+	6
Wisconsin	1:40	1,600 * ⁴	5	12
Wyoming	1:13	617 *	3	20

* Data collected from State Developmental Disabilities Agencies, State Developmental Disabilities Councils, state chapters of The Arc
 ** Data collected from www.medicaidwaiver.org, 2013, unless otherwise noted
 *** Braddock et al., State of the States in Developmental Disabilities, 2015

1 Massachusetts doesn't keep a waiting list, but does have people waiting for services.

2 Caseload ratios can vary by county or because of smaller caseloads for children, intense supports, etc., but are typically 1:30 to 1:60.

3 Washington has a No Paid Services caseload of people who qualify for services, but receive nothing due to lack of funding.

4 In process of moving to Managed Care; 57 counties have no wait list, 15 counties comprise the waitlist, but soon will not have one.