

North Carolina LIHEAP facts:

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HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE

Number Served: In 2009 NC LIHEAP provided **roughly 384,000 households with LIHEAP financial assistance** (There are 1.4 million eligible households in the state).

Eligibility: NC families receiving LIHEAP assistance have incomes below 110 of the federal poverty level. The majority fall well below the cap.

Under 75%	77%
75%-100%	20%
101%-125%	3%

Demographic: NC LIHEAP helps the most vulnerable:

Elderly	24%
Disabled	21%
Children under 5	14%

Average Award: Average NC household assistance benefit was \$66 in 2006. Nationally, the average benefit covered only 8% of household winter heating bills.

**Federal Poverty Guidelines:
LIHEAP Family of Four**

100%	125%	150%
\$22,050	\$27,563	\$33,075

NC Funding:

Source:

LIHEAP Energy Notebook, FY06
National Energy Assistance Directors Association

The Fiscal Year 2009 Appropriations bill includes \$5.1 billion for LIHEAP, which will provide NC with **\$123 million** in funding.

As the chart displays, an increase in LIHEAP funding will enable NC to distribute assistance to a greater number of eligible households.

Fiscal Year	Base	Contingency	Total	North Carolina allocation	Households Served
2010	\$4.5 b	\$590 m	\$5.1 b	\$123 m	TBD
2009	\$4.5 b	\$590 m	\$5.1 b	\$130 m	383,755
2008	\$1.98b	\$590 m	\$2.57 b	\$41.6 m	319,980

* The Administration has \$100 million remaining in contingency funding