

# Pennsylvania LIHEAP facts:

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**Number Served:** In 2009 PA LIHEAP provided roughly **547,300 households with LIHEAP financial assistance** (There are 2 million eligible households in the state).

**Eligibility:** PA families receiving LIHEAP assistance have incomes below 150 of the federal poverty level. The majority fall well below the cap.

Under 75%	36%
75%-100%	37%
101%-150%	27%

**Demographic:** PA LIHEAP helps the most vulnerable:

Elderly	33.4%
Disabled	28.9%
Children under 5	18.5%

**Average Award:** Average PA household assistance benefit was \$237 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

## PA Funding:

### Source:

LIHEAP Energy Notebook, FY06  
National Energy Assistance Directors Association

The Fiscal Year 2010 Appropriations bill includes \$5.1 billion for LIHEAP, which will provide PA with **\$308.5 million** in funding.

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

Fiscal Year	Base	Contingency	Total	PA allocation	Households Served
2010	\$4.5 b	\$590 m	\$5.1 b	\$308.5 m	TBD
2009	\$4.5 b	\$590 m	\$5.1 b	\$275.2 m	547,304
2008	\$1.98b	\$590 m	\$2.57 b	\$191.8 m	370,873

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