

PUBLIC HEALTH SEATTLE & KING COUNTY PROFILE 2024

Public Health Seattle & King County (PHSKC) receives funding devoted solely to sexual and reproductive health and related preventive health services with a focus on low-income and uninsured persons. Funding supports a variety of services, including FDA– approved birth control, STI/HIV testing, breast and pelvic exams, Pap smears and other cancer screenings, pregnancy testing and counseling, achieving pregnancy, and pre-pregnancy health. PHSKC works with Washington State Department of Health to assure quality and affordable sexual and reproductive health services at its clinics in King County.

In 2024, PHSKC served 4,704 clients during 8,092 clinic visits, representing a 2% decrease in clients and a 3% decrease in clinic visits from 2023. Across the state, an estimated 84% of female clients of reproductive age served in 2024 were on some form of contraceptive method, resulting in a lower risk of unintended pregnancy, unplanned births, and abortions.

PHSKC served 4,704 clients in 2024

	2024		2023	
	Count	% of total	Count	% of total
Total	4,704	100%	4,777	100%
Male	729	15%	856	18%
Female	3,975	85%	3,921	82%
Females of reproductive age (15-44)	3,695	79%	3,673	77%
Hispanic	2,005	54%	1,836	50%
Non Hispanic:				
American Indian/Alaskan Native	25	>1%	24	>1%
Asian	263	7%	301	8%
Black or African American	498	13%	528	14%
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	80	2%	111	3%
White	585	16%	615	17%
More than one race	239	6%	258	7%
Primary Contraception Method of Reproductive Age (15-44) Female Clients	3,695	100%	3,673	100%
No method*	601	16%	420	11%
Female Sterilization	0	0%	0	0%
Progestrone-Only Pills (POPs)	72	2%	0	0%
Combined Hormonals	946	26%	1,148	31%
IUD/Implant	711	19%	745	20%
Barriers	553	15%	601	16%
Emergency Contraception (EC)	82	2%	0	0%
Hormonal Injection	468	13%	438	12%
Primary Contraception Method of Male Clients	729	100%	856	100%
Male Condom	503	69%	626	73%
Vasectomy	0	0%	0	0%

* No method includes female clients 15-44 years who were pregnant or seeking pregnancy and those who reported no method.



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Sexual & reproductive health services provided by PHSKC prevented an estimated* 850 unintended pregnancies and 290 abortions, and saved over \$4.5M in health care costs in 2024 alone.

PHSKC's sexual & reproductive health services averted unwanted reproductive health outcomes and saved healthcare-related expenses by providing contraceptive services, testing and treatment for sexually transmitted infections, and prevention of certain cancers, like breast and cervical cancer. Most notably, in 2024 the agency's services prevented an estimated 850 unintended pregnancies, 400 unplanned births, and 290 abortions resulting in net savings of more than \$4.5 million associated with maternal and birth-related care, miscarriages, ectopic pregnancies, and abortions.

Estimate of unwanted outcomes and health expenditures prevented by PHSKC sexual & reproductive health services, 2024

Unintended pregnancies	850
Unplanned births	400
Abortions	290
Miscarriages following unintended pregnancies prevented	160
Maternal & birth-related gross costs saved from contraceptive services	\$5,663,140
Miscarriage & ectopic pregnancy gross costs saved	\$179,910
Chlamydia infections	70
Gonorrhea infections	10
HIV Infections	**
Gross costs saved from STI testing	\$83,520
Gross costs saved from Pap and HPV testing & vaccinations	\$6,540
Total gross savings	\$5,933,100
Total family planning costs	\$1,367,290
Total net savings	\$4,565,810

**Estimates are based on Washington State SRHP clinic visit record data and formulas from Guttmacher Institute (Frost JJ et al., Return on investment: A fuller assessment of the benefits and cost savings of the US publicly funded family planning program, The Milbank Quarterly, 2014, <<http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/enhanced/doi/10.1111/1468-0009.12080>>.)*

**** Unable to report due to small numbers**

Data sources: (1) Washington State Clinic Visit Record data 2023,2024 (2) Guttmacher Institute Data Center. Estimates retrieved from <https://data.guttmacher.org/calculator> on 03/13/2025.

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