Washington State Department of Health

AT A GLANCE

Emergency preparedness and response

Drinking water oversight



Pesticide illness prevention

Birth and death certificates

Health professional credentialing

Health care facility inspections

Emergency medical services and trauma system oversight

HIV prevention and

case management

Injury and violence prevention



MISSION

The Department of Health works with others to protect and improve the health of all people in Washington State.

VALUES

Our values describe who we are and

- Equity
- Innovation
- Engagement

VISION

Equity and optimal health for all







Tobacco and vaping prevention

Radiation protection

Statewide WIC nutrition

program management

Shellfish licensing/marine water monitoring

Food safety promotion/regulation



Maternal and child health support



Chronic disease prevention/management

Newborn screening



Rural/urban health disparities/inequities reduction

Statewide public health data systems management

Communicable disease

monitoring/investigation

Immunization promotion

Public Health Laboratories operation



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PUBLIC HEALTH IS ESSENTIAL

PUBLIC SAFETY

Public health helps protect everyone from communicable diseases and health threats.



166,189

water samples evaluated for contaminants



99,752

new practitioners licensed



7,185

shellfish water samples analyzed for contaminants



2,376

animal-transmitted disease samples tested



2,384

licensed health care facilities inspected for patient safety



1,480

farmworker housing inspections performed



357

cases identified as part of a foodborne outbreak

HEALTHY BEGINNINGS

Public health helps ensure all children achieve their highest health potential.





FAMILIES OF





CHILD PROFILE

ENGLISH 569,717 (96%)

ESPAÑOL 23,738(4%)



196,404

women and children received WIC nutritional and breastfeeding support





newborn blood samples tested for congenital disorders



91%

of kindergartners immunized per current standards (2018)

HEALTHY LIVING

Public health helps ensure health equity and improve population health.





VITAL RECORDS

65,227 birth certificates **10,488** death certificates



2,025

adults with prediabetes enrolled in a diabetes prevention program



120

farmers markets accepted fruit and vegetable vouchers from SNAP participants

