

Minnesota LIHEAP facts:

CAMPAIGN FOR
HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE

Number Served: In 2009 MN LIHEAP provided **roughly 154,000 households with LIHEAP financial assistance** (There are 745,951 eligible households in the state).

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

Under 75%	29%
75%-100%	22%
101%-125%	17%

Demographic: MN LIHEAP helps the most vulnerable:

Elderly	32%
Disabled	20%
Children under 5	25%

Average Award: Average MN household assistance benefit was \$579 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

Minnesota Funding:

The Fiscal Year 2009 Appropriations bill includes \$5.1 billion for LIHEAP, which will provide MN with **\$156.1 million** in funding. As the chart displays, an increase in LIHEAP funding will enable MN to distribute assistance to a greater number of eligible households.

Source:

LIHEAP Energy Notebook, FY06
National Energy Assistance Directors Association

Fiscal Year	Base	Contingency	Total	Minnesota allocation	Households Served
2010	\$4.5 b	\$590 m	\$5.1 b	\$156.1 m	TBD
2009	\$4.5 b	\$590 m	\$5.1 b	\$144.5 m	153,721
2008	\$1.98b	\$590 m	\$2.57 b	\$102 m	126,229

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