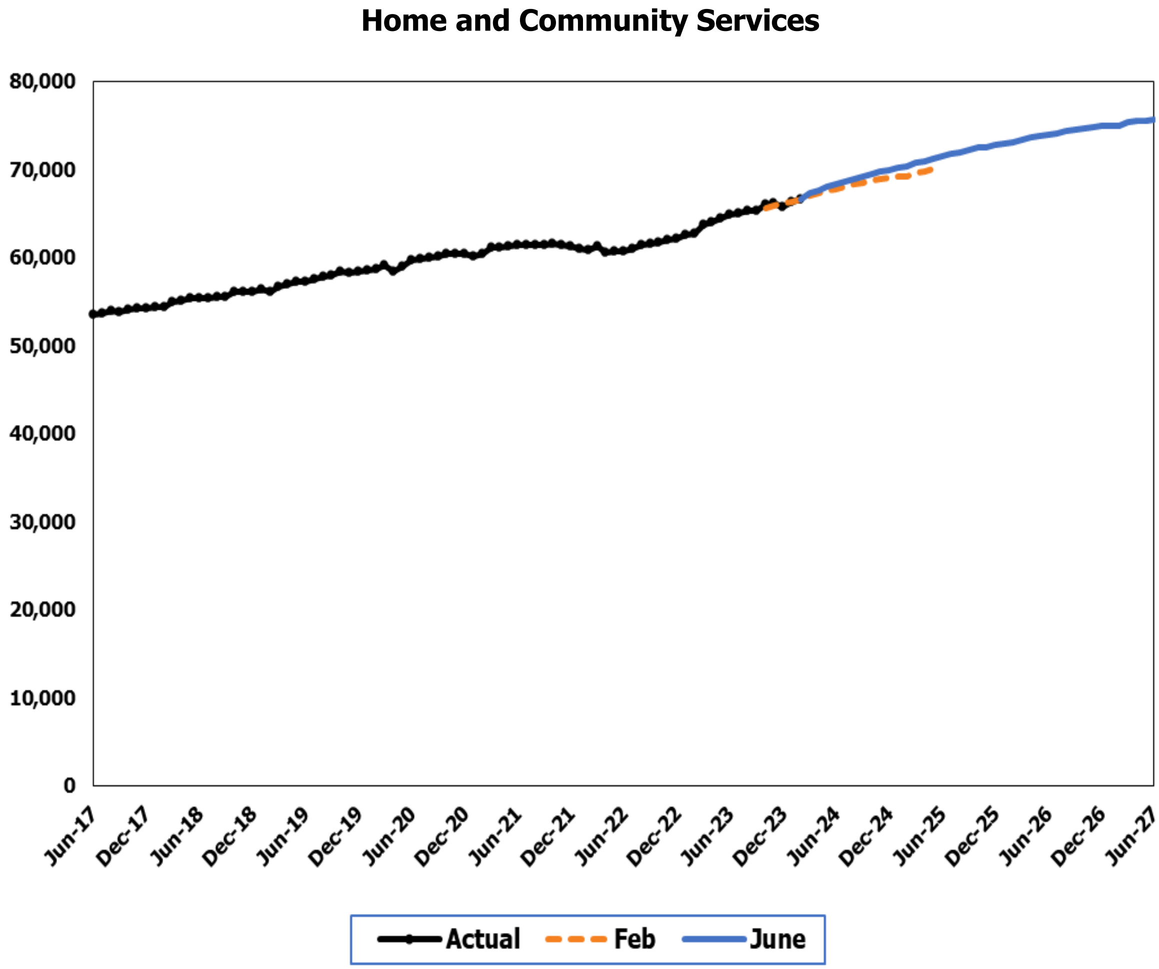
Long Term Care

Home and Community Services (HCS)

Caseload Forecast Council
June 13, 2024



The Home and Community Services (HCS) forecast is comprised of in-home, residential, and managed care caseload forecasts. The in-home category includes 75 percent of the HCS total, and the individual provider service type is the largest single caseload of the seven in this category.

Forecast Comparisons (Fiscal Year Averages)

Fiscal Year	Feb-24 Forecast	Jun-24 Forecast	Feb to Jun Difference	Percent Difference
2024	66,298	66,499	201	0.3%
2025	69,094	70,044	950	1.4%
2026		72,844		
2027		74,921		

The June 2024 forecast is, on average, 575 cases or 0.9 percent higher than the February forecast for the 2023-25 Biennium.

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Tracking the Current Forecast

Month	Feb-24 Forecast	Actual	Variance	Percent Variance
Oct-23	65,598	66,076	478	0.7%
Nov-23	65,931	66,223	293	0.4%
Dec-23	66,100	65,723	-376	-0.6%
Jan-24	66,353	66,298	-55	-0.1%
Feb-24	66,547	66,661	114	0.2%

Actuals are tracking, on average, 91 cases or 0.1 percent above the February forecast.

This caseload is expected to continue growing indefinitely. Enrollment is increasing in the Adult Family Homes (AFH) program. Growth in other programs is offset by reductions in related programs. The higher Agency Providers (AP) forecast offsets the lower Individual Providers (IP) forecast, while the higher Assisted Living (AL) forecast offsets the lower Adult Residential Care (ARC) forecast.

Fiscal Year Caseload Change

	Fiscal Year	Caseload	Change from Prior Year	Percent Change
Actual	2018	54,440		
	2019	56,240	1,800	3.3%
	2020	58,462	2,222	4.0%
	2021	60,570	2,108	3.6%
	2022	61,130	560	0.9%
	2023	62,656	1,527	2.5%
Forecast	*2024*	*66,499*	*3,843*	*6.1%*
	2025	*70,044*	*3,545*	*5.3%*
	2026	*72,844*	*2,799*	*4.0%*
	2027	*74,921*	*2,078*	*2.9%*

Risks to the Forecast

Risks to the overall forecast are low to moderate due to the uncertainty related to how quickly this caseload will grow.

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