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ESTIMATED VOUCHER FUNDING SHORTFALLS IN 2005, 2006 AND 2010

Alabama

This table displays estimates of cuts in housing voucher assistance under the actual 2005 voucher funding level, the Administration's 2006 budget request, and an estimate of the Administration's budget plan for 2010 based on the limited information available to the public.ⁱ The table below can be read as follows:

“In 2005, [housing agency] will receive [2005 funding shortfall] less fundingⁱⁱ than it needs to support its vouchers, causing an estimated [2005 cut in families assisted] low-income families to go without housing assistance.ⁱⁱⁱ Under the Administration's budget for 2006, the funding gap confronting the agency will drop to [2006 funding shortfall], allowing it to restore temporarily [2006 number of cut vouchers restored] of the vouchers that were cut in 2005. But estimates based on available information on the Administration's budget plans through 2010 show the shortfall widening to approximately [2010 funding shortfall], eliminating all of the vouchers restored in 2006 and cutting the number of families assisted by a further [2010 cut in families assisted below 2005 level].”

Housing Agency	Current Number of Authorized Vouchers	2005 Actual Funding		2006 Administration Request		2010 Administration Budget Plan (Estimated)	
		Funding Shortfall	Cut in Families Assisted	Funding Shortfall	Number of Cut Vouchers Restored	Funding Shortfall	Cut in Families Assisted Below 2005 Level
Albertville	376	-\$44,547	-15	-\$23,406	7	-\$283,078	-67
Alexander City HA	265	-\$28,339	-10	-\$15,087	5	-\$182,463	-47
Anniston HA	246	-\$33,204	-10	-\$16,956	5	-\$205,064	-43
Arab HA	69	-\$6,135	-3	-\$3,300	1	-\$39,907	-12
Atmore HA	100	-\$10,666	-4	-\$5,375	2	-\$65,007	-18
Auburn HA	258	-\$51,124	-10	-\$27,345	5	-\$330,716	-46
Bessmer HA	277	-\$62,208	-11	-\$31,184	6	-\$377,147	-49
Birmingham District	4,272	-\$953,961	-174	-\$475,916	90	-\$5,755,756	-748
Boaz	368	-\$49,065	-15	-\$24,739	8	-\$299,201	-65
Carrollton HA	50	-\$5,810	-2	-\$2,898	1	-\$35,054	-9
Clayton HA	40	-\$3,364	-1	-\$2,014	1	-\$24,358	-7
Columbiana HA	79	-\$10,133	-3	-\$5,547	1	-\$67,084	-14
Cordova HA	50	-\$4,718	-2	-\$2,558	1	-\$30,940	-9
Cullman HA	183	-\$13,581	-6	-\$8,266	2	-\$99,964	-33
Decatur HA	850	-\$125,764	-33	-\$65,544	16	-\$792,692	-150
Dothan HA	615	-\$100,862	-25	-\$51,147	13	-\$618,580	-108
Elba HA	119	-\$14,512	-5	-\$7,240	2	-\$87,560	-21

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Enterprise HA	190	-\$20,263	-7	-\$11,227	3	-\$135,774	-34
Eufaula HA	388	-\$38,619	-15	-\$19,800	8	-\$239,461	-68
Evergreen HA	120	-\$14,431	-5	-\$7,301	2	-\$88,294	-21
Fairfield HA	466	-\$104,133	-18	-\$53,957	9	-\$652,561	-82
Flomaton HA	40	-\$5,377	-2	-\$2,705	1	-\$32,716	-7
Florence HA	677	-\$113,340	-27	-\$58,503	13	-\$707,541	-119
Foley HA	279	-\$50,600	-11	-\$26,882	5	-\$325,107	-50
Fort Payne HA	111	-\$12,246	-5	-\$6,110	2	-\$73,889	-19
Gordo HA	50	-\$5,161	-2	-\$2,952	1	-\$35,704	-9
Greater Gadsen HA	112	-\$13,215	-4	-\$6,879	2	-\$83,200	-20
Greenville	181	-\$21,356	-7	-\$10,654	4	-\$128,853	-32
Guntersville HA	174	-\$20,011	-6	-\$12,408	2	-\$150,057	-32
Hamilton	72	-\$7,187	-3	-\$3,723	1	-\$45,032	-13
Hartford HA	36	-\$2,888	-1	-\$1,441	1	-\$17,422	-6
Huntsville	1,199	-\$217,165	-49	-\$109,190	25	-\$1,320,547	-210
Jacksonville HA	162	-\$21,192	-6	-\$11,194	3	-\$135,382	-29
Jasper HA	233	-\$29,838	-9	-\$15,530	4	-\$187,817	-41
Jefferson Co. HA	1,620	-\$365,579	-66	-\$182,381	34	-\$2,205,732	-284
Leeds HA	182	-\$28,068	-7	-\$14,590	4	-\$176,456	-32
Lineville HA	55	-\$5,916	-2	-\$3,122	1	-\$37,752	-10
Midland city HA	50	-\$7,104	-2	-\$3,770	1	-\$45,598	-9
Millport	17	-\$1,550	-1	-\$805	0	-\$9,736	-3
Mobile County HA	95	-\$20,747	-4	-\$10,350	2	-\$125,179	-17
Mobile Housing Board	3,001	-\$589,155	-117	-\$308,515	57	-\$3,731,199	-531
Monroeville HA	46	-\$5,654	-2	-\$3,089	1	-\$37,363	-8
Montgomery	2,068	-\$310,527	-84	-\$154,917	43	-\$1,873,576	-362
Northport HA	393	-\$82,044	-16	-\$40,930	8	-\$495,013	-69
Oneonta HA	50	-\$6,081	-2	-\$3,182	1	-\$38,487	-9
Opelika HA	490	-\$96,190	-20	-\$47,988	10	-\$580,374	-86
OPP HA	100	-\$11,953	-4	-\$6,458	2	-\$78,105	-18
Ozark	472	-\$57,533	-19	-\$28,702	10	-\$347,129	-83
Phenix City	772	-\$115,290	-29	-\$62,045	14	-\$750,374	-137
Phil Campbell	53	-\$6,753	-2	-\$3,391	1	-\$41,005	-9
Piedmont	50	-\$4,870	-2	-\$3,169	1	-\$38,326	-9
Prattville City HA	40	-\$6,192	-2	-\$3,310	1	-\$40,027	-7
Prichard HA	2,596	-\$589,522	-101	-\$309,440	49	-\$3,742,386	-460
Russellville	90	-\$10,184	-4	-\$5,081	2	-\$61,446	-16
Samson HA	208	-\$19,354	-7	-\$11,262	3	-\$136,199	-38
Scottsboro HA	175	-\$22,615	-7	-\$11,435	4	-\$138,294	-31

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Selma HA	1,071	-\$137,901	-42	-\$72,474	20	-\$876,502	-190
Sheffield HA	322	-\$47,796	-13	-\$23,845	7	-\$288,377	-56
South Central AL Regional HA	897	-\$109,237	-32	-\$62,246	14	-\$752,808	-162
Talladega HA	30	-\$2,637	-1	-\$1,377	1	-\$16,653	-5
Tallassee HA	68	-\$5,671	-3	-\$2,974	1	-\$35,969	-12
Tarrant AL HA	87	-\$19,893	-3	-\$10,103	2	-\$122,186	-15
Troy HA	215	-\$20,892	-8	-\$11,901	3	-\$143,926	-39
Tuscaloosa HA	1,156	-\$170,832	-43	-\$93,091	20	-\$1,125,850	-206
Tuskegee HA	74	-\$9,280	-3	-\$4,780	1	-\$57,815	-13
Uniontown HA	50	-\$4,461	-2	-\$2,670	1	-\$32,296	-9
Walker County	221	-\$11,963	-4	-\$13,190	0	-\$159,523	-44
York HA	100	-\$10,864	-4	-\$5,766	2	-\$69,733	-18
Alabama	29,621	-5,129,323	-1,162	-2,651,328	574	-32,065,323	-5,234

ⁱ The Administration has released its planned 2010 funding level for a “housing assistance” category that includes the voucher program, public housing and several other programs taken together, but has not released a funding level for the voucher program separately. See Ruth Carlitz, “Domestic Discretionary Funding Levels For 2006 Through 2010, Detailed Data,” <http://www.cbpp.org/2-15-05bud.htm>. We have estimated the 2010 voucher funding level by assuming that the Administration plans to cut all housing assistance programs proportionately. It is possible that the Administration actually intends to impose larger cuts in voucher assistance than we estimate and smaller cuts in other programs, or vice versa.

ⁱⁱ We assume that the amount of funding needed to support an agency’s vouchers in 2005 is equal to the agency’s average voucher cost in May -July 2004 plus the applicable HUD inflation adjustment, multiplied by the sum of the number of the agency’s vouchers in use in May -July 2004 and the number of new vouchers requiring funding that were issued to families losing public housing or other types of federal housing assistance. In 2006 and 2010 we assumed the agencies would need funding for approximately the same number of vouchers as in 2005, but that the average cost of these vouchers would rise based on a national average CBO voucher cost inflation estimate.

ⁱⁱⁱ All figures in the table assume that agencies will respond to funding shortfalls by reducing the number of families assisted. Agencies also have some limited flexibility to reduce the level of assistance provided per family, for example by shifting rental burdens onto needy households or reducing the maximum amount of rent a voucher can cover (and therefore limiting the ability of voucher households to live outside high-poverty neighborhoods in areas that may be safer and with better schools and more job opportunities). If agencies took these measures, the reduction in the number of families assisted could be somewhat smaller.