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Housing Voucher Data for Utah

- Of Utah's 10,543 authorized vouchers, 97 percent were used by families last year.
- This was an improvement over 2005, when the voucher program was underfunded and changes in funding policy undermined the effectiveness of the program.
- This year, housing agencies in Utah have sufficient funds, including reserves, to assist 474 additional families, thereby using up to 100 percent of their authorized vouchers. To encourage agencies to make efficient use of these resources, agencies must be reassured that voucher renewal funding policy will be both stable and take into account the additional vouchers used by these families. Congress should enact the Section 8 Voucher Reform Act (H.R. 1851 and S. 2684) to provide confidence that renewal funding needs will be met in future years, thereby encouraging agencies to put as many of their vouchers to use as possible.

Agency Name	Code	2004	2005	2006	2007		2008			
		% of Authorized Vouchers in Use	% of Authorized Vouchers in Use	% of Authorized Vouchers in Use	% of Authorized Vouchers in Use	Number of Vouchers in Use	Authorized Vouchers as of January 2008	Authorized Vouchers Funded under Renewal Formula	Additional Authorized Vouchers That Could be Funded Using Remaining Reserves	% of Authorized Vouchers Funded (Counting Reserves)
Utah Total		97%	96%	98%	97%	10,062	10,543	10,464	72	100%
Bear River	UT030	92%	99%	99%	95%	116	122	113	9	100%
Beaver	UT006	225%	100%	100%	125%	5	4	4	0	100%
Carbon Co.	UT016	93%	88%	87%	82%	225	273	238	35	100%
Cedar City	UT031	100%	96%	106%	97%	111	114	114	0	100%
Davis Co.	UT009	99%	94%	97%	98%	1,019	1,036	1,036	0	100%
Emery Co.	UT015	99%	97%	99%	99%	67	68	68	0	100%
Grand Co.	UT014	93%	92%	84%	86%	63	73	61	8	95%
Logan City	UT026	92%	91%	99%	100%	368	369	369	0	100%
Myton City	UT029	97%	94%	97%	91%	30	33	29	4	100%
Ogden	UT002	94%	97%	99%	100%	822	822	822	0	100%

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Provo City	UT007	98%	97%	99%	100%	883	883	883	0	100%
Roosevelt City	UT028	98%	89%	85%	79%	72	91	75	13	97%
Salt Lake City	UT004	95%	96%	99%	94%	2,159	2,473	2,473	0	100%
Salt Lake Co.	UT003	99%	100%	100%	99%	2,107	2,135	2,135	0	100%
St. George	UT021	98%	99%	100%	98%	238	244	244	0	100%
Tooele Co.	UT020	95%	92%	100%	94%	203	215	212	3	100%
Utah Co.	UT011	98%	97%	92%	99%	946	952	952	0	100%
Weber Co.	UT022	95%	99%	99%	100%	123	123	123	0	100%
West Valley City	UT025	100%	97%	104%	98%	505	513	513	0	100%

Note: Authorized voucher figures for each agency are based on data from HUD's Resident Characteristics Report. The percentage of authorized vouchers in use in each year was determined by analysis of voucher leasing data reported by housing agencies to HUD's Voucher Management System (VMS). The number of vouchers funded in 2008 under the renewal formula was calculated using actual renewal funding awards and an estimate of the additional funds assumed to be available from excess reserves (the "offset" amount); these estimates do not take into account amounts received under the \$50 million in supplemental adjustment funds available under the law. The number of additional authorized vouchers that could be funded using remaining reserves is based on estimates of each agency's fund balance at the end of 2007, excluding the 2008 offset, and per-voucher costs for 2008.