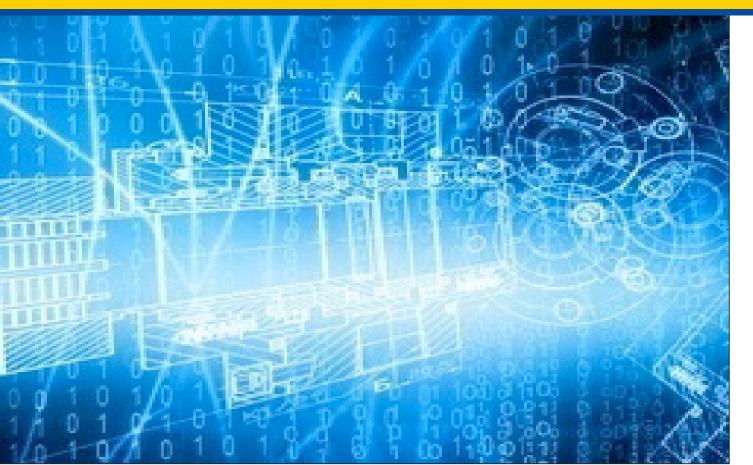


MAGI Application Processing Time Snapshot Report: October 2022 - December 2022



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Background

- The modified adjusted gross income (MAGI) application processing time data represent the length of time it takes state Medicaid and Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) agencies to conduct all final MAGI determinations (including all Medicaid MAGI and CHIP determinations) for individuals at application, regardless of date of application.
- Application processing time data are constantly changing and are influenced by state policies, practices including verification processes, and other factors including application volume, staffing, and level of automation in a state's eligibility system.
- States may prioritize processing older applications and, as these are completed, the data would reflect longer processing times, while the volume and age of pending applications would decrease.
- Processing time data do not reflect the state's volume of pending applications.
- This processing time data does not reflect renewals or redeterminations.

Current Issue

- Historically, the MAGI Application Processing Time Report (Processing Time Report) has been published on an annual basis with the Medicaid and CHIP Scorecard. To date, we have published annual reports for <u>2018</u>, <u>2019</u>, <u>2020</u>, and <u>2021</u>.
- As a result of the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency (PHE), the Processing Time Report is currently released on a quarterly basis. This Processing Time Report reflects October 2022 December 2022 data for all states.ⁱ
- The quarterly Processing Time Reports are available <u>here</u>.

i. For each reporting month, states submit preliminary Performance Indicator (PI) data, and a month later, updated PI data. Preliminary data carries over to the updated report, and states are not required to make changes to their preliminary processing time data when they submit the updated PI report. For the vast majority of states, there are no changes to the processing time data between the two reports. For states that do make changes, it is typically due to a lag in data availability, and the changes from the preliminary to the updated report are typically small. This report reflects states' updated MAGI processing time data for October 2022 – December 2022.

Methodology Used

- The Performance Indicator MAGI application processing time data reflect the number of calendar days between the date the state agency receives an initial application and the date the state agency makes a final eligibility determination.
- As part of their monthly Medicaid and CHIP Performance Indicator report to CMS, states report processing time data at the individual level and include both final eligible and ineligible determinations.
- Application processing time data excludes redeterminations, determinations based on beneficiary changes in circumstances, presumptive eligibility determinations, and final determinations from the Federally Facilitated Exchange (FFE).

Data Quality

- Certain states with significant data quality issues are excluded from the national-level statistics presented in this report, and other states may have minor quality issues noted.
 - States with significant data quality issues in the following areas are excluded from the national calculations presented in this report:
 - Missing a significant portion of determinations.
 - Failing to include all calendar days that elapsed between receipt of the application and the final determination.
 - Including a significant portion of renewal processing time data with MAGI application processing time data.
 - Failing to report determinations in the correct time categories.
 - For the period of October 2022 December 2022:
 - California, Nevada, and South Dakota did not report October December MAGI processing time data that aligned with CMS's specifications.
 - In the affected months, data for these states are excluded from the national-level statistics presented in this report.

MAGI Application Processing Time Data

These reports reflect the percentage of MAGI determinations at application that were processed within each of the following time categories:

- $\circ~$ Less than 24 hours.
- \circ 1 7 days.
- \circ 8 30 days.
- \circ 31 45 days.
- \circ Greater than 45 days.

Processing Time Report Key Findings

Of the 48 states that reported Medicaid MAGI application processing time data to CMS's specifications for the **October 2022– December 2022 period**:

- Over half (52 percent) of all MAGI determinations at application were processed in under 24 hours.
- Over two-thirds (67 percent) of all MAGI determinations at application were processed within seven days:
 - In 21 states, more than 60 percent of MAGI determinations at application were processed within seven days.
 - In 14 states, 40 percent or less of MAGI determinations at application were processed within seven days.
- Approximately 5 percent of all MAGI determinations at application were processed in more than 45 days.

Prior Year Comparisons

Compared to the MAGI application processing time data for the October 2021 – December 2021 period, in October – December 2022:ⁱ

- There was a 2-percentage point decrease in the percentage of MAGI determinations at application processed in under 24 hours, from 54 percent in 2021 to 52 percent in 2022.
- There was a 2-percentage point decrease in the percentage processed within 7 days, from 69 percent in 2021 to 67 percent in 2022:
 - 13 states reported an increase of at least 1 percentage point."
 - 27 states reported a decrease of at least 1 percentage point.ⁱⁱⁱ
- There was a 1-percentage point increase in the percentage processed in more than 45 days, from 4 percent in 2021 to 5 percent in 2022.

MAGI Application Processing Time								
	Percent of Determinations Processed < 24 Hours		Percent of Determinations Processed 1–7 days		Percent of Determinations Processed > 45 Days			
National Totals Per Month ^{iv}	2021	2022	2021	2022	2021	2022		
October	52%	54%	15%	14%	5%	5%		
November	55%	55%	16%	15%	3%	4%		
December	55%	47%	13%	15%	4%	6%		
October – December Average	54%	52%	15%	15%	4%	5%		

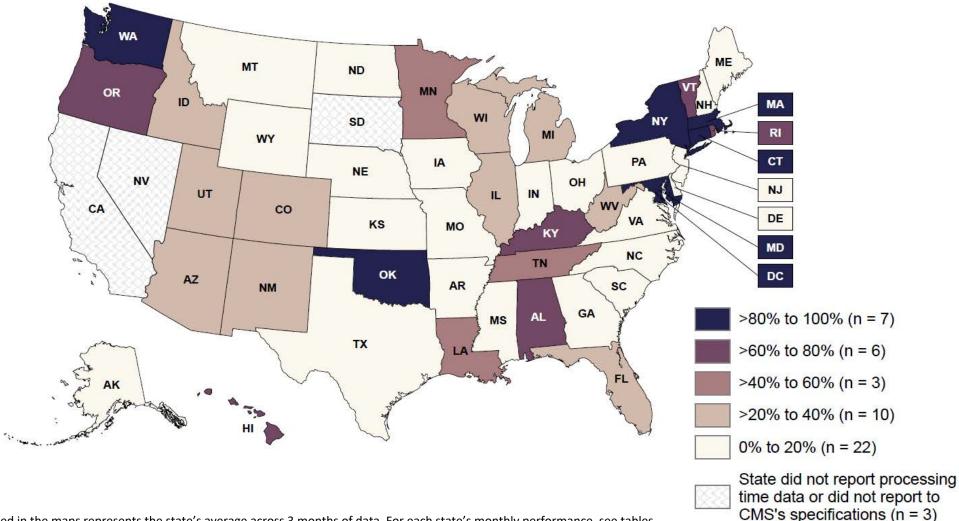
i. In both periods (October – December 2021 and October – December 2022), CA, NV, and SD were excluded from the national totals.

ii. States include AZ, AR, MA, MO, NE, NH, OH, OR, TN, TX, UT, VT, and VA.

iii. States include AL, AK, CO, DE, DC, FL, GA, HI, ID, IL, IN, IA, KS, KY, LA, ME, MN, MS, MT, NJ, NM, NC, ND, RI, SC, WV, and WY.

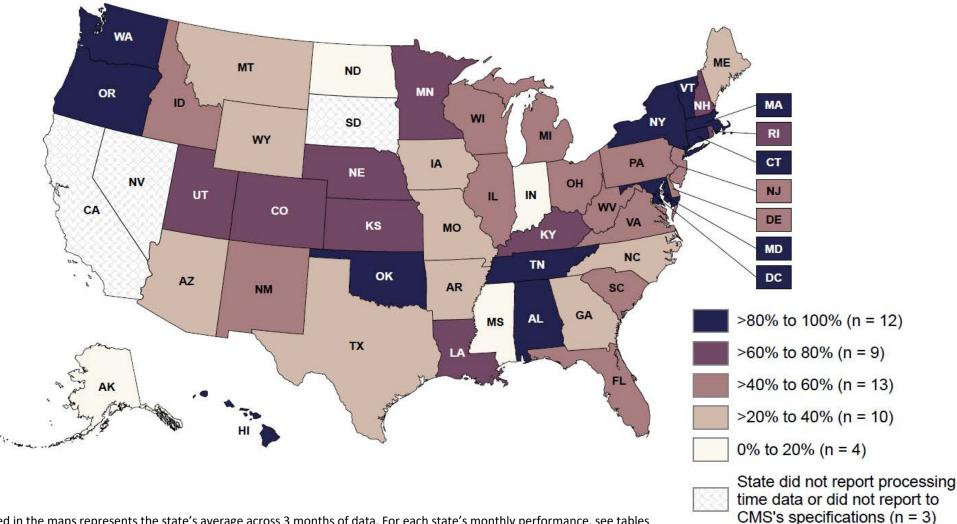
iv. The national total for each month is a weighted average of the percentage of determinations conducted within each category across states, with each state's percentage weighted by the number of determinations the state of determinations conducted nationally in each of the three months.

Percentage of Medicaid MAGI and CHIP Determinations at Application Processed Within 24 Hours, October 2022 – December 2022



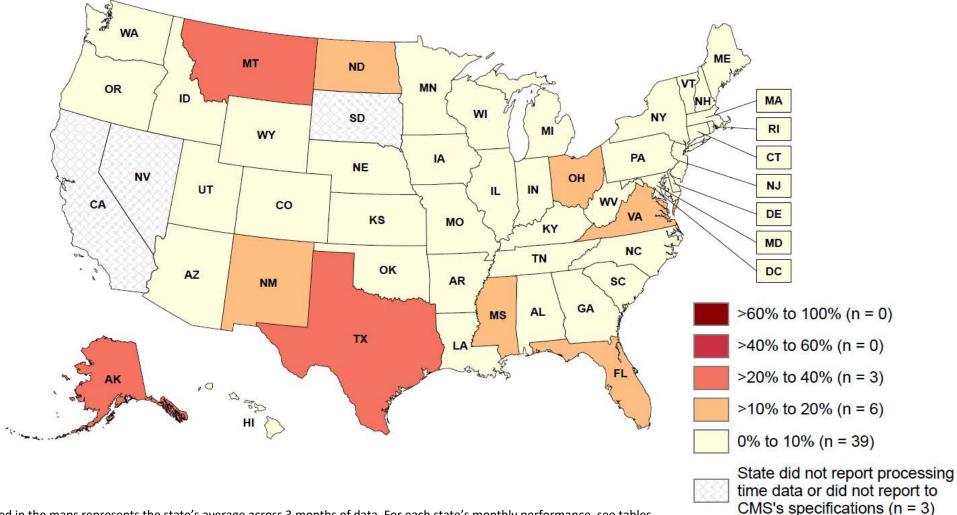
Note: The data reflected in the maps represents the state's average across 3 months of data. For each state's monthly performance, see tables below.

Percentage of Medicaid MAGI and CHIP Determinations at Application Processed Within 7 Days, October 2022 – December 2022



Note: The data reflected in the maps represents the state's average across 3 months of data. For each state's monthly performance, see tables below.

Percentage of Medicaid MAGI and CHIP Determinations at Application Processed in More Than 45 Days, October 2022 – December 2022



Note: The data reflected in the maps represents the state's average across 3 months of data. For each state's monthly performance, see tables below.

State	Month	Percent of Determinations Processed < 24 Hours	Percent of Determinations Processed 1–7 Days	Percent of Determinations Processed 8–30 Days	Percent of Determinations Processed 31–45 Days	Percent of Determinations Processed > 45 Days
	October*	80%	8%	9%	2%	1%
Alabama	November*	79%	8%	10%	2%	1%
	December*	77%	10%	10%	2%	1%
	October ^{(V)*}	9%	7%	41%	13%	30%
Alaska	November ^{(V)*}	4%	6%	22%	29%	40%
	December ^{(V)*}	4%	4%	12%	43%	36%
	October*	36%	12%	44%	5%	3%
Arizona	November*	31%	0%	43%	12%	3%
	December*	24%	7%	60%	6%	3%
	October*	9%	27%	44%	10%	9%
Arkansas	November*	14%	24%	51%	7%	4%
	December*	13%	9%	60%	13%	5%

State	Month	Percent of Determinations Processed < 24 Hours	Percent of Determinations Processed 1–7 Days	Percent of Determinations Processed 8–30 Days	Percent of Determinations Processed 31–45 Days	Percent of Determinations Processed > 45 Days
	October ^(II)	20%	16%	30%	17%	15%
California	November ^(II)	20%	15%	33%	17%	15%
	December ^(II)	18%	13%	29%	23%	17%
	October*	32%	31%	30%	4%	2%
Colorado	November*	32%	28%	33%	5%	2%
	December*	32%	26%	31%	7%	4%
	October*	98%	2%	0%	0%	0%
Connecticut	November*	98%	1%	0%	0%	0%
	December*	98%	1%	0%	0%	0%
	October*	6%	69%	10%	14%	0%
Delaware	November*	6%	26%	50%	18%	0%
	December*	7%	55%	21%	17%	0%

State	Month	Percent of Determinations Processed < 24 Hours	Percent of Determinations Processed 1–7 Days	Percent of Determinations Processed 8–30 Days	Percent of Determinations Processed 31–45 Days	Percent of Determinations Processed > 45 Days
	October*	80%	1%	4%	1%	13%
District of Columbia	November*	86%	2%	3%	1%	7%
	December*	85%	1%	2%	3%	9%
	October ^{(III)*}	24%	15%	35%	16%	10%
Florida	November ^{(III)*}	26%	18%	25%	20%	11%
	December ^{(III)*}	25%	15%	30%	16%	14%
	October*	11%	37%	44%	6%	2%
Georgia	November*	3%	28%	48%	16%	4%
	December*	2%	31%	44%	12%	10%
	October*	73%	6%	14%	3%	5%
Hawaii	November*	85%	4%	9%	1%	2%
	December*	76%	4%	13%	2%	5%

State	Month	Percent of Determinations Processed < 24 Hours	Percent of Determinations Processed 1–7 Days	Percent of Determinations Processed 8–30 Days	Percent of Determinations Processed 31–45 Days	Percent of Determinations Processed > 45 Days
	October*	37%	24%	36%	2%	1%
Idaho	November*	36%	23%	38%	2%	1%
	December*	28%	28%	39%	2%	2%
	October*	28%	31%	33%	5%	4%
Illinois	November*	32%	29%	29%	5%	4%
	December*	26%	31%	31%	6%	5%
	October ^{(III)*}	2%	17%	55%	22%	5%
Indiana	November ^{(III)*}	1%	12%	57%	24%	5%
	December ^{(III)*}	1%	12%	53%	30%	4%
	October*	12%	14%	51%	18%	5%
Iowa	November*	10%	13%	59%	14%	4%
	December*	7%	7%	59%	21%	6%

State	Month	Percent of Determinations Processed < 24 Hours	Percent of Determinations Processed 1–7 Days	Percent of Determinations Processed 8–30 Days	Percent of Determinations Processed 31–45 Days	Percent of Determinations Processed > 45 Days
	October*	25%	50%	21%	1%	3%
Kansas	November*	17%	57%	23%	1%	2%
	December*	12%	42%	37%	2%	7%
	October*	28%	3%	63%	5%	0%
Kentucky	November*	61%	11%	26%	2%	0%
	December*	67%	11%	21%	1%	0%
	October*	44%	25%	26%	3%	3%
Louisiana	November*	44%	24%	27%	3%	2%
	December*	41%	22%	31%	4%	2%
	October*	14%	19%	55%	5%	6%
Maine	November*	10%	11%	64%	10%	5%
	December*	9%	10%	64%	9%	7%

State	Month	Percent of Determinations Processed < 24 Hours	Percent of Determinations Processed 1–7 Days	Percent of Determinations Processed 8–30 Days	Percent of Determinations Processed 31–45 Days	Percent of Determinations Processed > 45 Days
	October*	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Maryland	November*	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	December*	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	October*	86%	5%	7%	1%	1%
Massachusetts	November*	91%	3%	5%	1%	0%
	December*	88%	7%	5%	0%	0%
	October*	35%	24%	26%	13%	2%
Michigan	November*	34%	27%	26%	11%	2%
	December*	30%	22%	26%	18%	3%
	October*	51%	26%	22%	0%	0%
Minnesota	November*	58%	23%	19%	0%	0%
	December*	58%	21%	21%	0%	0%

State	Month	Percent of Determinations Processed < 24 Hours	Percent of Determinations Processed 1–7 Days	Percent of Determinations Processed 8–30 Days	Percent of Determinations Processed 31–45 Days	Percent of Determinations Processed > 45 Days
	October*	1%	10%	55%	19%	16%
Mississippi	November*	1%	9%	63%	15%	13%
	December*	0%	7%	61%	21%	11%
	October*	7%	10%	73%	3%	6%
Missouri	November [*]	5%	65%	28%	1%	1%
	December*	5%	24%	63%	7%	1%
	October*	10%	16%	31%	19%	24%
Montana	November*	8%	21%	37%	18%	15%
	December*	11%	14%	33%	18%	25%
	October*	25%	38%	27%	5%	4%
Nebraska	November*	18%	56%	19%	4%	2%
	December*	15%	49%	23%	12%	2%

State	Month	Percent of Determinations Processed < 24 Hours	Percent of Determinations Processed 1–7 Days	Percent of Determinations Processed 8–30 Days	Percent of Determinations Processed 31–45 Days	Percent of Determinations Processed > 45 Days
	October ^{(I),(III),(IV)}	-	43%	45%	10%	2%
Nevada	November ^{(I),(III),(IV)}	-	45%	44%	9%	2%
	December ^{(I),(III),(IV)}	-	30%	50%	20%	1%
	October [*]	23%	43%	26%	1%	7%
New Hampshire	November*	16%	54%	24%	1%	5%
	December*	14%	56%	27%	1%	2%
	October*	5%	51%	40%	3%	1%
New Jersey	November*	4%	54%	34%	6%	2%
	December*	4%	42%	40%	9%	4%
	October*	42%	3%	27%	20%	8%
New Mexico	November*	42%	2%	12%	32%	11%
	December*	31%	2%	8%	35%	23%

State	Month	Percent of Determinations Processed < 24 Hours	Percent of Determinations Processed 1–7 Days	Percent of Determinations Processed 8–30 Days	Percent of Determinations Processed 31–45 Days	Percent of Determinations Processed > 45 Days
	October*	99%	1%	0%	0%	0%
New York	November*	99%	1%	0%	0%	0%
	December*	99%	1%	0%	0%	0%
	October*	0%	25%	21%	43%	10%
North Carolina	November*	0%	26%	22%	46%	7%
	December*	0%	20%	24%	50%	6%
	October*	2%	13%	46%	29%	10%
North Dakota	November*	1%	12%	48%	30%	10%
	December*	0%	7%	43%	35%	14%
	October*	13%	27%	39%	11%	10%
Ohio	November*	14%	27%	40%	10%	10%
	December*	14%	26%	39%	11%	10%

State	Month	Percent of Determinations Processed < 24 Hours	Percent of Determinations Processed 1–7 Days	Percent of Determinations Processed 8–30 Days	Percent of Determinations Processed 31–45 Days	Percent of Determinations Processed > 45 Days
	October*	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Oklahoma	November*	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	December*	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	October*	77%	15%	7%	0%	0%
Oregon	November*	78%	16%	6%	0%	0%
	December*	80%	15%	5%	0%	0%
	October ^{(V)*}	16%	31%	47%	4%	1%
Pennsylvania	November ^{(V)*}	14%	32%	48%	5%	1%
	December ^{(V)*}	13%	24%	52%	9%	2%
	October*	58%	15%	18%	2%	7%
Rhode Island	November*	64%	14%	13%	2%	6%
	December*	65%	13%	13%	2%	8%

State	Month	Percent of Determinations Processed < 24 Hours	Percent of Determinations Processed 1–7 Days	Percent of Determinations Processed 8–30 Days	Percent of Determinations Processed 31–45 Days	Percent of Determinations Processed > 45 Days
	October*	17%	46%	29%	4%	4%
South Carolina	November*	11%	40%	44%	3%	2%
	December*	8%	31%	49%	9%	3%
	October ^{(I),(III),(V)}	-	61%	31%	8%	1%
South Dakota	November ^{(I),(III),(V)}	-	76%	19%	4%	0%
	December ^{(I),(III),(V)}	-	66%	30%	4%	0%
	October*	44%	33%	11%	6%	6%
Tennessee	November*	48%	38%	9%	4%	2%
	December*	54%	30%	8%	5%	2%
	October*	9%	22%	17%	21%	31%
Texas	November*	8%	27%	18%	26%	21%
	December*	9%	26%	24%	17%	24%

State	Month	Percent of Determinations Processed < 24 Hours	Percent of Determinations Processed 1–7 Days	Percent of Determinations Processed 8–30 Days	Percent of Determinations Processed 31–45 Days	Percent of Determinations Processed > 45 Days
Utah	October*	47%	21%	25%	4%	3%
	November*	37%	25%	32%	3%	2%
	December*	35%	25%	34%	5%	3%
Vermont	October*	74%	5%	9%	9%	3%
	November*	76%	5%	10%	6%	3%
	December*	78%	4%	9%	7%	2%
Virginia	October*	10%	25%	23%	22%	19%
	November*	8%	37%	24%	19%	12%
	December*	6%	36%	22%	25%	11%
Washington	October*	83%	9%	5%	1%	2%
	November*	89%	6%	2%	1%	1%
	December*	88%	7%	2%	1%	1%

State	Month	Percent of Determinations Processed < 24 Hours	Percent of Determinations Processed 1–7 Days	Percent of Determinations Processed 8–30 Days	Percent of Determinations Processed 31–45 Days	Percent of Determinations Processed > 45 Days
West Virginia	October*	25%	29%	33%	7%	5%
	November*	29%	26%	34%	7%	4%
	December*	27%	20%	38%	11%	4%
Wisconsin	October ^{(III)*}	37%	20%	31%	12%	0%
	November ^{(III)*}	35%	26%	30%	8%	0%
	December ^{(III)*}	24%	22%	42%	12%	1%
Wyoming	October*	24%	48%	22%	1%	6%
	November*	12%	9%	72%	1%	6%
	December*	6%	9%	78%	2%	5%
National Totals ⁱ	October	54%	14%	20%	7%	5%
	November	55%	15%	19%	7%	4%
	December	47%	15%	24%	8%	6%

i. The national total for each month is a weighted average of the percentage of determinations conducted within each category across states; each state's percentage is weighted by the number of determinations the state conducted within the month.

Data Limitation Categories

- (I) Determinations conducted in less than 24 hours are reported under the 1-7 days category.
- (II) Includes some non-MAGI determinations on applications.
- (III) Reporting processing time at application level, as opposed to the individual level.
- (IV) MAGI determinations conducted in 6-7 days are reported under the 8-30 days category.
- (V) Includes redeterminations.



- Due to system limitations, state did not report data for the processing time category.
- * State's monthly application processing time data is included in the national total.

National totals are calculated for only states reporting complete data that comports with CMS's reporting specifications.

October, November, and December 2022 national totals include 48 states (California, Nevada, and South Dakota are excluded in all months).