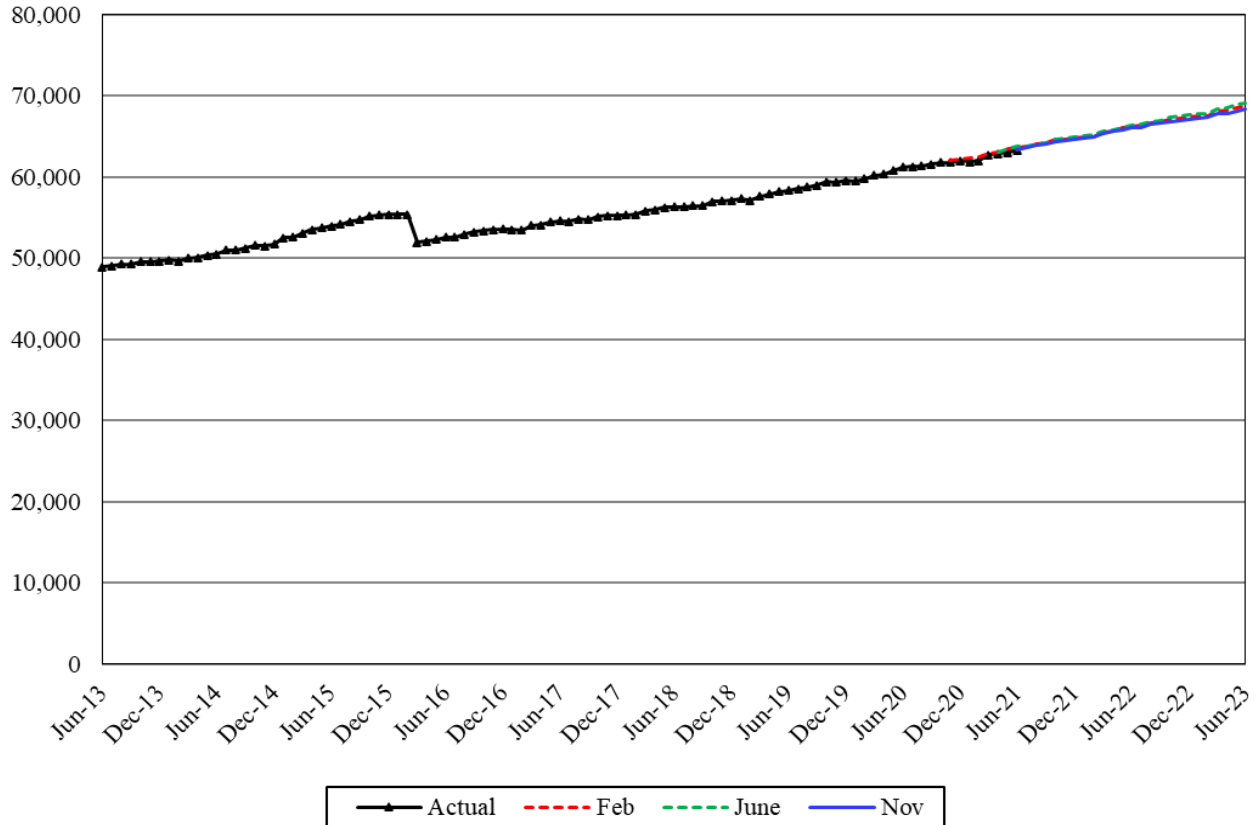


Long Term Care

Home and Community Services (HCS)

Caseload Forecast Council
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Home and Community Services



The Home and Community Services (HCS) forecast is comprised of in-home, residential, and managed care caseload forecasts. The in-home category comprises 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-21 Forecast	Jun-21 Forecast	Nov-21 Forecast	Feb to Nov Difference	Percent Difference	Jun to Nov Difference	Percent Difference
2022	64,935	65,041	64,779	-157	-0.2%	-262	-0.4%
2023	67,493	67,766	67,239	-254	-0.4%	-527	-0.8%

The November 2021 forecast is, on average, 205 cases or 0.3 percent lower than the February forecast, and 395 or 0.6 percent lower than the June forecast for the 2021-23 Biennium.

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Tracking the Current Forecast

	Jun-21 Forecast	Actual	Variance	Percent Variance
Apr-21	63,082	62,891	-191	-0.3%
May-21	63,436	62,990	-446	-0.7%
Jun-21	63,708	63,329	-379	-0.6%

Actuals are tracking, on average, 339 cases or 0.5 percent lower than the June 2021 forecast.

The November forecast change is mainly due to adjusting the growth rate of the agency provider (AP) program lower based on the newly available data in the past months.

Caseload growth for the 2021-23 Biennium is projected to be slightly lower than projected in the June forecast, primarily due to the above-mentioned AP growth rate adjustment.

Fiscal Year Caseload Change

	Fiscal Year	Caseload	Change from Prior Year	Percent Change
<i>Actual</i>	2014	49,714		
	2015	52,275	2,561	5.2%
	2016	54,080	1,805	3.5%
	2017	53,615	-464	-0.9%
	2018	55,390	1,775	3.3%
	2019	57,231	1,840	3.3%
	2020	59,709	2,479	4.3%
	2021	62,129	2,420	4.1%
<i>Forecast</i>	2022	64,779	2,649	4.3%
	2023	67,239	2,460	3.8%

Risks to the Forecast

Risks to this forecast are lower than other CFC-forecasted programs that have exhibited a more noticeable COVID-19 pandemic-related impact.