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## Sequestration Cuts in Housing Vouchers: Sources and Methodology

The **“Number of Families Using Vouchers, December 2012”** is the number of housing vouchers leased at the beginning of December 2012 by all types of households, as reported by housing agencies to HUD’s Voucher Management System (VMS). The data may not reflect corrections submitted by agencies after HUD released the data, but do reflect adjustments by CBPP to correct for obvious errors.

**“New Veterans’ (VASH) and Tenant Protection Vouchers Added in 2013”** is the number of new vouchers HUD awarded to housing agencies in FY 2013, as reported by HUD in the Federal Register or on the HUD website.

CBPP projected the **“Number of Families Using Vouchers, December 2013”** using data reported by housing agencies to HUD’s Voucher Management System (VMS) through October, 2013.

To calculate the **“Change in the Number of Families Assisted, as of December 2013,”** we subtracted the total of the number of vouchers leased in December 2012 (column C) plus the number of new vouchers added in 2013 (column D) from the projected number of vouchers leased in December 2013 (column D).

Agencies marked with a single asterisk (\*) are funded according to their agreements with HUD under the Moving to Work demonstration; such agencies are permitted to shift voucher funds to support public housing and for other purposes. Agencies marked with a double asterisk (\*\*) were potentially affected by Hurricanes Katrina and Rita in 2005.