

Nutrition Assistance Programs Report

January 2018

US Summary

Programs	Jan 2017	Dec 2017	Jan 2018
Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)			
Participants (thousands)	42,676	41,327	40,739
Average Benefit (\$)	\$123.85	\$122.80	\$122.62
National School Lunch Program			
Average Daily Participation (thousands)	30,027	29,676	29,670
Participating Children (Free/Reduced)	21,861	21,687	21,678
Percent Free/Reduced Price	72.80%	73.08%	73.06%
Total Snacks Served (in thousands)	22,260	15,854	20,329
School Breakfast Program			
Average Daily Participation (thousands)	14,329	14,553	14,187
Participating Children (Free/Reduced)	12,156	12,393	12,031
Percent Free/Reduced Price	84.84%	85.16%	84.81%
Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP)			
Meals Served in Homes (thousands)	40,236	35,286	38,816
Meals Served in Centers (thousands)	130,984	108,409	125,947
Meals Served in Adult Care Centers (thousands)	6,455	6,091	6,206
Percentage of Meals Served Free	78.49%	78.39%	78.17%
Special Supplemental Nutrition Program (WIC)			
Participants (thousands)	7,383	6,891	6,943
Average Benefit (\$)	\$42.53	\$40.69	\$38.38
Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP)			
Participants (thousands)	603	657	655
Average Benefit (WIC)	\$22.97	\$23.51	\$23.69
Average Benefit (Elderly)	\$18.72	\$19.43	\$19.21
Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR)			
Participants (thousands)	92	86	91
Total Food Costs (dollars in thousands)	\$5,675	\$5,629	\$6,029
USDA Food Donations (All Programs)			
Entitlement Foods (dollars in thousands)	\$180,907	\$162,769	\$165,563
Bonus Foods (dollars in thousands)	\$300	\$165	\$80
TEFAP (dollars in thousands)	\$49,945	\$41,190	\$48,741

January 2018 participation in SNAP was over 40 million persons, a decrease of over 1.9 million persons (4.5 percent) from January 2017

National participation in the WIC program totaled over 6.9 million in January 2018, down by 440 thousand persons from the January 2017 participation level