

**Nutrition Assistance Programs Report  
February 2018  
US Summary**

Programs	Feb 2017	Jan 2018	Feb 2018
<b>Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)</b>			
Participants (thousands)	42,289	40,640	40,032
Average Benefit (\$)	\$124.91	\$123.23	\$122.92
<b>National School Lunch Program</b>			
Average Daily Participation (thousands)	30,177	29,600	29,888
Participating Children (Free/Reduced)	22,160	21,648	22,059
Percent Free/Reduced Price	73.43%	73.13%	73.81%
Total Snacks Served (in thousands)	22,610	20,142	21,519
<b>School Breakfast Program</b>			
Average Daily Participation (thousands)	14,691	14,160	14,609
Participating Children (Free/Reduced)	12,475	12,012	12,430
Percent Free/Reduced Price	84.91%	84.83%	85.08%
<b>Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP)</b>			
Meals Served in Homes (thousands)	38,087	38,958	36,147
Meals Served in Centers (thousands)	130,797	126,720	127,494
Meals Served in Adult Care Centers (thousands)	6,017	6,396	6,101
Percentage of Meals Served Free	78.67%	78.15%	78.25%
<b>Special Supplemental Nutrition Program (WIC)</b>			
Participants (thousands)	7,257	6,967	6,824
Average Benefit (\$)	\$41.80	\$37.67	\$41.66
<b>Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP)</b>			
Participants (thousands)	611	655	660
Average Benefit (WIC)	\$21.80	\$23.69	\$23.77
Average Benefit (Elderly)	\$18.48	\$19.21	\$19.70
<b>Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR)</b>			
Participants (thousands)	86	91	83
Total Food Costs (dollars in thousands)	\$5,178	\$6,040	\$5,371
<b>USDA Food Donations (All Programs)</b>			
Entitlement Foods (dollars in thousands)	\$157,364	\$165,521	\$124,961
Bonus Foods (dollars in thousands)	\$210	\$80	\$76
TEFAP (dollars in thousands)	\$45,533	\$48,741	\$44,091

February 2018 participation in SNAP was over 40 million persons, a decrease of over 2.2 million persons (5.3 percent) from February 2017

National participation in the WIC program totaled over 6.6 million in February 2018, down by 433 thousand persons from the February 2017 participation level