

Nutrition Assistance Programs Report

May 2017

US Summary

Programs	May 2016	Apr 2017	May 2017
Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)			
Participants (thousands)	43,481	41,671	41,496
Average Benefit (\$)	\$125.26	\$124.16	\$124.57
National School Lunch Program			
Average Daily Participation (thousands)	29,293	30,013	29,076
Participating Children (Free/Reduced)	21,509	21,947	21,347
Percent Free/Reduced Price	73.43%	73.12%	73.42%
Total Snacks Served (in thousands)	19,962	20,012	21,058
School Breakfast Program			
Average Daily Participation (thousands)	14,455	14,683	14,387
Participating Children (Free/Reduced)	12,313	12,451	12,219
Percent Free/Reduced Price	85.18%	84.80%	84.93%
Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP)			
Meals Served in Homes (thousands)	43,726	40,338	43,315
Meals Served in Centers (thousands)	138,793	133,149	142,795
Meals Served in Adult Care Centers (thousands)	6,533	6,211	6,924
Percentage of Meals Served Free	78.12%	78.34%	77.74%
Special Supplemental Nutrition Program (WIC)			
Participants (thousands)	7,626	7,171	7,189
Average Benefit (\$)	\$44.47	\$42.56	\$42.36
Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP)			
Participants (thousands)	584	634	638
Average Benefit (WIC)	\$20.55	\$20.85	\$20.26
Average Benefit (Elderly)	\$17.95	\$17.75	\$18.53
Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR)			
Participants (thousands)	91	87	88
Total Food Costs (dollars in thousands)	\$5,536	\$5,120	\$5,337
USDA Food Donations (All Programs)			
Entitlement Foods (dollars in thousands)	\$33,817	\$57,368	\$32,556
Bonus Foods (dollars in thousands)	\$65	\$250	\$169
TEFAP (dollars in thousands)	\$34,843	\$55,578	\$43,429

May 2017 participation in SNAP was over 41 million persons, a decrease of over 1.9 million persons (4.6 percent) from May 2016.

National participation in the WIC program totaled over 7.1 million in May 2017, down by 436 thousand persons from the May 2016 participation level