

**PROFILE OF SNAP HOUSEHOLDS***Arkansas Congressional District 1*

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Arkansas Congressional District 1

Characteristic	Households Receiving SNAP	Households not Receiving SNAP	Total
Total Households	43,849	229,710	273,559
With one or more people 60 years and over	31.2%	45.0%	42.8%
With child(ren) under 18 years	51.3%	26.1%	30.1%
With disabled individual(s)	52.6%	34.6%	37.5%
Income and Poverty Status in the past 12 Months¹			
Below poverty level	57.0%	11.0%	18.4%
Median income (2016 dollars)	\$16,334	\$46,553	\$40,492
Race and Hispanic or Latino Origin of Householder			
White	62.4%	83.5%	80.1%
Black or African American	35.3%	12.9%	16.5%
American Indian and Alaska Native	.2%	.4%	.3%
Asian	N/A	N/A	N/A
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	N/A	N/A	N/A
Some other race	.3%	.9%	.8%
Two or more races	1.7%	1.6%	1.6%
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	2.6%	2.1%	2.2%
Work Status			
Families	30,745	149,195	179,940
No workers in the past 12 months	28.1%	17.6%	19.4%
1 worker in the past 12 months	47.4%	33.0%	35.4%
2 or more workers in the past 12 months	24.6%	49.4%	45.1%

Source: USDA FNS SNAP Program Data (downloaded October 2017), Reaching Those in Need: Estimates of State SNAP Participation Rates (forthcoming); U.S. Census Bureau 2016 American Community Survey (ACS), using 115th Congressional District boundaries.

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Arkansas Congressional District 2

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Arkansas Congressional District 2

Characteristic	Households Receiving SNAP	Households not Receiving SNAP	Total
Total Households	30,023	263,308	293,331
With one or more people 60 years and over	29.0%	38.3%	37.3%
With child(ren) under 18 years	55.3%	28.0%	30.8%
With disabled individual(s)	46.2%	27.3%	29.3%
Income and Poverty Status in the past 12 Months¹			
Below poverty level	53.5%	11.4%	15.7%
Median income (2016 dollars)	\$19,240	\$53,115	\$49,498
Race and Hispanic or Latino Origin of Householder			
White	51.8%	75.1%	72.7%
Black or African American	43.0%	20.3%	22.6%
American Indian and Alaska Native	.6%	.3%	.3%
Asian	.0%	1.3%	1.2%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	N/A	N/A	N/A
Some other race	1.6%	1.1%	1.2%
Two or more races	2.3%	2.0%	2.0%
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	3.9%	3.5%	3.5%
Work Status			
Families	20,341	168,374	188,715
No workers in the past 12 months	24.9%	15.1%	16.1%
1 worker in the past 12 months	53.8%	34.0%	36.1%
2 or more workers in the past 12 months	21.3%	50.9%	47.7%

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Arkansas Congressional District 3

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Arkansas Congressional District 3

Characteristic	Households Receiving SNAP	Households not Receiving SNAP	Total
Total Households	30,882	272,245	303,127
With one or more people 60 years and over	23.1%	35.7%	34.5%
With child(ren) under 18 years	55.3%	31.9%	34.3%
With disabled individual(s)	45.8%	24.0%	26.2%
Income and Poverty Status in the past 12 Months¹			
Below poverty level	55.0%	10.4%	15.0%
Median income (2016 dollars)	\$20,200	\$51,349	\$47,903
Race and Hispanic or Latino Origin of Householder			
White	77.5%	88.2%	87.1%
Black or African American	7.9%	2.5%	3.0%
American Indian and Alaska Native	1.1%	.9%	.9%
Asian	.9%	2.5%	2.3%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	1.9%	.3%	.5%
Some other race	7.8%	3.4%	3.9%
Two or more races	2.8%	2.2%	2.3%
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	17.4%	9.1%	10.0%
Work Status			
Families	21,348	178,364	199,712
No workers in the past 12 months	24.8%	14.9%	16.0%
1 worker in the past 12 months	43.7%	31.6%	32.9%
2 or more workers in the past 12 months	31.4%	53.5%	51.1%

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Arkansas Congressional District 4

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Arkansas Congressional District 4

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Total Households	38,205	234,496	272,701
With one or more people 60 years and over	30.5%	46.0%	43.8%
With child(ren) under 18 years	45.7%	26.2%	28.9%
With disabled individual(s)	53.8%	34.6%	37.3%
Income and Poverty Status in the past 12 Months¹			
Below poverty level	58.3%	12.0%	18.5%
Median income (2016 dollars)	\$14,950	\$44,347	\$39,586
Race and Hispanic or Latino Origin of Householder			
White	52.9%	80.0%	76.2%
Black or African American	40.7%	16.6%	20.0%
American Indian and Alaska Native	1.5%	.6%	.8%
Asian	.2%	.3%	.3%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	N/A	N/A	N/A
Some other race	2.7%	1.5%	1.7%
Two or more races	1.9%	1.0%	1.2%
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	5.1%	3.1%	3.4%
Work Status			
Families	26,122	153,428	179,550
No workers in the past 12 months	32.7%	19.0%	21.0%
1 worker in the past 12 months	48.0%	34.4%	36.4%
2 or more workers in the past 12 months	19.3%	46.5%	42.6%

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