

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

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Massachusetts Congressional District 1

Characteristic	Households Receiving SNAP	Households not Receiving SNAP	Total
Total Households	47,715	238,234	285,949
With one or more people 60 years and over	38.3%	44.8%	43.7%
With child(ren) under 18 years	43.3%	25.1%	28.1%
With disabled individual(s)	53.8%	24.0%	29.0%
Income and Poverty Status in the past 12 Months¹			
Below poverty level	47.7%	6.4%	13.3%
Median income (2016 dollars)	\$18,849	\$66,623	\$55,716
Race and Hispanic or Latino Origin of Householder			
White	78.2%	91.4%	89.2%
Black or African American	11.7%	3.9%	5.2%
American Indian and Alaska Native	N/A	N/A	N/A
Asian	1.1%	2.0%	1.9%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	N/A	N/A	N/A
Some other race	6.8%	1.2%	2.1%
Two or more races	2.2%	1.2%	1.4%
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	42.5%	8.2%	13.9%
Work Status			
Families	29,536	150,499	180,035
No workers in the past 12 months	31.3%	12.9%	15.9%
1 worker in the past 12 months	45.5%	29.2%	31.9%
2 or more workers in the past 12 months	23.2%	57.8%	52.1%

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Massachusetts Congressional District 2

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Massachusetts Congressional District 2

Characteristic	Households Receiving SNAP	Households not Receiving SNAP	Total
Total Households	33,599	245,401	279,000
With one or more people 60 years and over	38.3%	38.8%	38.7%
With child(ren) under 18 years	36.2%	27.7%	28.7%
With disabled individual(s)	59.6%	19.7%	24.5%
Income and Poverty Status in the past 12 Months¹			
Below poverty level	45.2%	6.2%	10.9%
Median income (2016 dollars)	\$17,024	\$74,478	\$64,868
Race and Hispanic or Latino Origin of Householder			
White	74.7%	87.9%	86.3%
Black or African American	8.3%	4.3%	4.8%
American Indian and Alaska Native	.6%	.2%	.3%
Asian	1.7%	4.2%	3.9%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	N/A	N/A	N/A
Some other race	10.7%	2.3%	3.3%
Two or more races	3.9%	1.1%	1.4%
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	26.3%	5.6%	8.1%
Work Status			
Families	17,035	153,638	170,673
No workers in the past 12 months	34.3%	11.1%	13.4%
1 worker in the past 12 months	40.7%	26.7%	28.1%
2 or more workers in the past 12 months	25.1%	62.1%	58.4%

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Massachusetts Congressional District 3

Characteristic	Households Receiving SNAP	Households not Receiving SNAP	Total
Total Households	40,270	230,350	270,620
With one or more people 60 years and over	39.5%	37.5%	37.8%
With child(ren) under 18 years	45.5%	32.6%	34.5%
With disabled individual(s)	51.5%	19.5%	24.3%
Income and Poverty Status in the past 12 Months¹			
Below poverty level	46.6%	5.5%	11.6%
Median income (2016 dollars)	\$20,929	\$90,602	\$77,995
Race and Hispanic or Latino Origin of Householder			
White	71.2%	86.0%	83.8%
Black or African American	5.5%	2.7%	3.2%
American Indian and Alaska Native	N/A	N/A	N/A
Asian	6.8%	6.3%	6.4%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	N/A	N/A	N/A
Some other race	13.5%	3.2%	4.8%
Two or more races	2.3%	1.5%	1.6%
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	46.2%	9.8%	15.2%
Work Status			
Families	25,272	163,671	188,943
No workers in the past 12 months	23.7%	8.9%	10.9%
1 worker in the past 12 months	40.3%	25.6%	27.6%
2 or more workers in the past 12 months	36.0%	65.5%	61.6%

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Massachusetts Congressional District 4

Characteristic	Households Receiving SNAP	Households not Receiving SNAP	Total
Total Households	20,650	250,613	271,263
With one or more people 60 years and over	40.8%	40.7%	40.7%
With child(ren) under 18 years	36.8%	33.3%	33.6%
With disabled individual(s)	52.1%	19.0%	21.5%
Income and Poverty Status in the past 12 Months¹			
Below poverty level	37.8%	4.4%	6.9%
Median income (2016 dollars)	\$23,374	\$103,817	\$98,530
Race and Hispanic or Latino Origin of Householder			
White	76.4%	90.4%	89.3%
Black or African American	10.4%	2.2%	2.8%
American Indian and Alaska Native	N/A	N/A	N/A
Asian	2.3%	5.1%	4.9%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	N/A	N/A	N/A
Some other race	8.3%	1.1%	1.6%
Two or more races	2.2%	1.2%	1.2%
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	11.1%	3.0%	3.6%
Work Status			
Families	12,122	180,633	192,755
No workers in the past 12 months	21.2%	10.5%	11.1%
1 worker in the past 12 months	50.5%	23.2%	24.9%
2 or more workers in the past 12 months	28.3%	66.4%	64.0%

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Massachusetts Congressional District 5

Characteristic	Households Receiving SNAP	Households not Receiving SNAP	Total
Total Households	20,519	272,106	292,625
With one or more people 60 years and over	47.5%	37.6%	38.3%
With child(ren) under 18 years	31.2%	28.8%	29.0%
With disabled individual(s)	52.5%	16.4%	18.9%
Income and Poverty Status in the past 12 Months¹			
Below poverty level	40.6%	6.1%	8.5%
Median income (2016 dollars)	\$19,296	\$97,959	\$92,268
Race and Hispanic or Latino Origin of Householder			
White	72.2%	82.1%	81.4%
Black or African American	9.3%	3.8%	4.2%
American Indian and Alaska Native	N/A	N/A	N/A
Asian	8.8%	10.2%	10.1%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	N/A	N/A	N/A
Some other race	4.7%	2.3%	2.4%
Two or more races	4.9%	1.5%	1.8%
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	16.3%	5.8%	6.6%
Work Status			
Families	12,599	173,943	186,542
No workers in the past 12 months	25.4%	8.8%	9.9%
1 worker in the past 12 months	37.1%	24.7%	25.6%
2 or more workers in the past 12 months	37.5%	66.5%	64.5%

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Massachusetts Congressional District 6

Characteristic	Households Receiving SNAP	Households not Receiving SNAP	Total
Total Households	26,084	263,196	289,280
With one or more people 60 years and over	48.8%	42.3%	42.9%
With child(ren) under 18 years	36.8%	29.8%	30.4%
With disabled individual(s)	58.4%	21.2%	24.6%
Income and Poverty Status in the past 12 Months¹			
Below poverty level	46.1%	4.9%	8.6%
Median income (2016 dollars)	\$17,877	\$91,309	\$84,913
Race and Hispanic or Latino Origin of Householder			
White	73.9%	89.0%	87.7%
Black or African American	7.5%	3.2%	3.5%
American Indian and Alaska Native	N/A	N/A	N/A
Asian	4.9%	3.0%	3.2%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	N/A	N/A	N/A
Some other race	10.7%	3.4%	4.1%
Two or more races	2.9%	1.2%	1.4%
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	21.3%	5.7%	7.1%
Work Status			
Families	14,291	179,330	193,621
No workers in the past 12 months	25.0%	10.5%	11.6%
1 worker in the past 12 months	39.2%	24.7%	25.7%
2 or more workers in the past 12 months	35.7%	64.8%	62.7%

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Massachusetts Congressional District 7

Characteristic	Households Receiving SNAP	Households not Receiving SNAP	Total
Total Households	57,956	234,474	292,430
With one or more people 60 years and over	43.2%	27.6%	30.7%
With child(ren) under 18 years	41.5%	21.4%	25.4%
With disabled individual(s)	49.4%	16.3%	22.8%
Income and Poverty Status in the past 12 Months¹			
Below poverty level	55.5%	11.5%	20.2%
Median income (2016 dollars)	\$15,125	\$75,440	\$60,873
Race and Hispanic or Latino Origin of Householder			
White	33.8%	60.5%	55.2%
Black or African American	38.4%	21.0%	24.5%
American Indian and Alaska Native	.6%	.3%	.4%
Asian	9.9%	9.3%	9.4%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	N/A	N/A	N/A
Some other race	10.6%	4.6%	5.8%
Two or more races	6.6%	4.3%	4.8%
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	30.7%	14.7%	17.8%
Work Status			
Families	35,470	112,788	148,258
No workers in the past 12 months	25.3%	6.0%	10.6%
1 worker in the past 12 months	45.3%	28.5%	32.5%
2 or more workers in the past 12 months	29.4%	65.5%	56.9%

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Massachusetts Congressional District 8

Characteristic	Households Receiving SNAP	Households not Receiving SNAP	Total
Total Households	29,584	272,939	302,523
With one or more people 60 years and over	45.2%	39.1%	39.7%
With child(ren) under 18 years	44.2%	26.2%	28.0%
With disabled individual(s)	45.7%	19.5%	22.1%
Income and Poverty Status in the past 12 Months¹			
Below poverty level	41.7%	6.6%	10.0%
Median income (2016 dollars)	\$21,762	\$90,175	\$82,333
Race and Hispanic or Latino Origin of Householder			
White	58.8%	83.6%	81.2%
Black or African American	18.9%	6.1%	7.4%
American Indian and Alaska Native	1.1%	.1%	.2%
Asian	8.2%	6.6%	6.8%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	N/A	N/A	N/A
Some other race	10.6%	2.0%	2.8%
Two or more races	2.5%	1.6%	1.7%
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	13.6%	4.3%	5.2%
Work Status			
Families	18,211	162,966	181,177
No workers in the past 12 months	21.8%	9.0%	10.3%
1 worker in the past 12 months	39.9%	25.4%	26.8%
2 or more workers in the past 12 months	38.3%	65.6%	62.9%

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Massachusetts Congressional District 9

Characteristic	Households Receiving SNAP	Households not Receiving SNAP	Total
Total Households	32,619	263,089	295,708
With one or more people 60 years and over	41.4%	48.8%	48.0%
With child(ren) under 18 years	38.9%	24.6%	26.1%
With disabled individual(s)	56.5%	22.0%	25.8%
Income and Poverty Status in the past 12 Months¹			
Below poverty level	39.5%	4.9%	8.7%
Median income (2016 dollars)	\$19,701	\$74,783	\$68,173
Race and Hispanic or Latino Origin of Householder			
White	76.5%	92.4%	90.7%
Black or African American	5.8%	1.7%	2.1%
American Indian and Alaska Native	N/A	N/A	N/A
Asian	1.0%	1.0%	1.0%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	N/A	N/A	N/A
Some other race	12.7%	3.5%	4.5%
Two or more races	2.9%	1.3%	1.5%
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	12.0%	2.9%	3.9%
Work Status			
Families	18,009	173,648	191,657
No workers in the past 12 months	29.8%	15.1%	16.5%
1 worker in the past 12 months	44.1%	26.8%	28.4%
2 or more workers in the past 12 months	26.2%	58.0%	55.1%

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