






## Profile of SNAP Households in 2017

The Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) is the cornerstone of the Nation's nutrition assistance safety net. The program serves a broad spectrum of low income people as benefits are available to most people who meet the financial and non-financial requirements.

	<b>\$0.51 billion in SNAP issued that year</b>		<b>ARKANSAS</b> <b>388,362 people on SNAP per month</b>		<b>72% participation rate</b>
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### ARKANSAS CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 4

**15%** of households receive SNAP

**\$15,829** median income of households on SNAP

**\$45,881** median income of households *not* on SNAP

Characteristic	Households Receiving SNAP	Households <i>not</i> Receiving SNAP
<b>Households:</b>		
With one or more people 60 years and over	28.50%	47.00%
With child(ren) under 18 years	48.70%	24.80%
With disabled individual(s)	54.80%	35.60%
Below poverty level <sup>1</sup>	58.00%	12.30%
<b>Race/Ethnicity</b>		
White	57.40%	78.70%
Black or African American	39.00%	16.80%
American Indian and Alaska Native	0.50%	0.40%
Asian	0.20%	0.50%
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	N/A	N/A
Other Race	1.90%	2.10%
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	3.90%	3.50%
<b>Work Status</b>		
<b>Families With:</b>		
No workers in the past 12 months	25.90%	22.00%
1 worker in the past 12 months	51.00%	33.70%
2 or more workers in the past 12 months	23.10%	44.30%

Sources: U.S. Census Bureau 2017 American Community Survey (ACS), using 115th Congressional District boundaries; USDA SNAP program data; and participation rates from Reaching Those in Need: Estimates of State SNAP Participation Rates in 2016. For more information on SNAP households see <https://www.fns.usda.gov/research-analysis>.

<sup>1</sup> The ACS bases poverty status on annual household income; SNAP eligibility is based on monthly income. Due to this difference in reference periods, poverty status in the ACS may differ from poverty status at the time of SNAP certification.