



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.

	\$6.73 billion in SNAP issued that year		CALIFORNIA 4,112,066 people on SNAP per month		72% participation rate
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7% of households receive SNAP

\$33,658 median income of households on SNAP

\$81,108 median income of households *not* on SNAP

Characteristic	Households Receiving SNAP	Households <i>not</i> Receiving SNAP
Households:		
With one or more people 60 years and over	32.90%	42.30%
With child(ren) under 18 years	61.60%	34.80%
With disabled individual(s)	38.60%	23.40%
Below poverty level ¹	35.30%	7.10%
Race/Ethnicity		
White	78.90%	81.60%
Black or African American	4.80%	2.50%
American Indian and Alaska Native	3.00%	1.30%
Asian	3.00%	4.70%
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	N/A	N/A
Other Race	6.60%	6.70%
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	34.50%	23.50%
Work Status		
Families With:		
No workers in the past 12 months	14.10%	12.50%
1 worker in the past 12 months	40.90%	29.70%
2 or more workers in the past 12 months	45.00%	57.80%

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>.

¹ 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.