



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.

	\$0.65 billion in SNAP issued that year		CONNECTICUT 410,344 people on SNAP per month		91% participation rate
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9% of households receive SNAP

\$21,443 median income of households on SNAP

\$103,734 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	44.30%	40.00%
With child(ren) under 18 years	39.00%	34.20%
With disabled individual(s)	54.50%	17.30%
Below poverty level ¹	45.50%	5.80%
Race/Ethnicity		
White	49.00%	80.00%
Black or African American	25.90%	9.00%
American Indian and Alaska Native	1.00%	0.50%
Asian	2.10%	5.20%
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	N/A	N/A
Other Race	18.20%	4.00%
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	45.50%	13.50%
Work Status		
Families With:		
No workers in the past 12 months	20.80%	8.90%
1 worker in the past 12 months	46.80%	30.10%
2 or more workers in the past 12 months	32.40%	61.00%

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.