



Profile of SNAP Households in 2017

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	\$0.94 billion in SNAP issued that year		KENTUCKY 654,873 people on SNAP per month		76% participation rate
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KENTUCKY CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 1
14% of households receive SNAP
\$17,728 median income of households on SNAP
\$46,589 median income of households *not* on SNAP

Characteristic	Households Receiving SNAP	Households <i>not</i> Receiving SNAP
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Households:		
With one or more people 60 years and over	34.50%	44.10%
With child(ren) under 18 years	47.40%	25.80%
With disabled individual(s)	53.60%	33.50%
Below poverty level ¹	56.70%	12.30%

Race/Ethnicity		
White	86.50%	90.80%
Black or African American	11.10%	7.10%
American Indian and Alaska Native	N/A	N/A
Asian	N/A	N/A
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	N/A	N/A
Other Race	0.40%	0.70%
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	2.10%	1.80%

Work Status		
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Families With:		
No workers in the past 12 months	32.00%	20.10%
1 worker in the past 12 months	41.80%	31.50%
2 or more workers in the past 12 months	26.20%	48.40%

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KENTUCKY CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 2
11% of households receive SNAP
\$17,017 median income of households on SNAP
\$54,934 median income of households *not* on SNAP

Characteristic	Households Receiving SNAP	Households <i>not</i> Receiving SNAP
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Households:		
With one or more people 60 years and over	29.80%	39.60%
With child(ren) under 18 years	53.40%	30.60%
With disabled individual(s)	59.40%	31.60%
Below poverty level ¹	55.50%	9.00%

Race/Ethnicity		
White	81.90%	92.10%
Black or African American	10.80%	4.90%
American Indian and Alaska Native	N/A	N/A
Asian	2.40%	0.80%
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	N/A	N/A
Other Race	0.40%	0.50%
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	4.50%	2.00%

Work Status		
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Families With:		
No workers in the past 12 months	23.50%	15.10%
1 worker in the past 12 months	55.50%	32.10%
2 or more workers in the past 12 months	21.00%	52.90%

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KENTUCKY CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 3
12% of households receive SNAP
\$17,061 median income of households on SNAP
\$60,581 median income of households *not* on SNAP

Characteristic	Households Receiving SNAP	Households <i>not</i> Receiving SNAP
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Households:		
With one or more people 60 years and over	25.90%	40.10%
With child(ren) under 18 years	52.40%	24.80%
With disabled individual(s)	41.40%	23.30%
Below poverty level ¹	57.30%	7.90%

Race/Ethnicity		
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White	48.90%	77.30%
Black or African American	46.30%	18.40%
American Indian and Alaska Native	0.60%	0.10%
Asian	2.20%	2.10%
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	N/A	N/A
Other Race	1.10%	0.70%
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	8.90%	3.50%

Work Status		
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Families With:		
No workers in the past 12 months	15.60%	12.40%
1 worker in the past 12 months	58.30%	29.70%
2 or more workers in the past 12 months	26.10%	57.90%

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KENTUCKY CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 4
11% of households receive SNAP
\$16,832 median income of households on SNAP
\$69,554 median income of households not on SNAP

Characteristic	Households Receiving SNAP	Households <i>not</i> Receiving SNAP
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Households:		
With one or more people 60 years and over	30.60%	38.00%
With child(ren) under 18 years	50.00%	32.40%
With disabled individual(s)	59.70%	25.30%
Below poverty level ¹	58.60%	7.20%

Race/Ethnicity		
White	88.30%	93.60%
Black or African American	7.80%	3.50%
American Indian and Alaska Native	N/A	N/A
Asian	N/A	N/A
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	N/A	N/A
Other Race	2.20%	0.60%
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	4.20%	2.20%

Work Status		
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Families With:		
No workers in the past 12 months	23.90%	12.20%
1 worker in the past 12 months	47.80%	29.20%
2 or more workers in the past 12 months	28.30%	58.50%

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25% of households receive SNAP
\$13,285 median income of households on SNAP
\$40,122 median income of households *not* on SNAP

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Households:		
With one or more people 60 years and over	31.40%	46.60%
With child(ren) under 18 years	43.90%	26.00%
With disabled individual(s)	56.70%	39.30%
Below poverty level ¹	63.70%	17.60%

Race/Ethnicity		
White	98.00%	97.90%
Black or African American	0.90%	0.80%
American Indian and Alaska Native	0.20%	0.50%
Asian	N/A	N/A
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	N/A	N/A
Other Race	N/A	N/A
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	0.40%	0.30%

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Families With:		
No workers in the past 12 months	46.70%	27.20%
1 worker in the past 12 months	36.30%	32.50%
2 or more workers in the past 12 months	17.00%	40.20%

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KENTUCKY CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 6

13% of households receive SNAP

\$19,323 median income of households on SNAP

\$59,642 median income of households *not* on SNAP

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Households:

With one or more people 60 years and over	24.20%	37.20%
With child(ren) under 18 years	52.10%	27.90%
With disabled individual(s)	54.60%	28.10%
Below poverty level ¹	55.30%	10.10%

Race/Ethnicity

White	78.30%	87.40%
Black or African American	16.90%	7.90%
American Indian and Alaska Native	N/A	N/A
Asian	1.40%	1.90%
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	N/A	N/A
Other Race	1.10%	1.00%
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	4.60%	3.20%

Work Status

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1 worker in the past 12 months	53.50%	30.80%
2 or more workers in the past 12 months	26.00%	55.50%

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