






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.

	\$0.94 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		
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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%

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.