



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.

	\$0.99 billion in SNAP issued that year		MARYLAND 684,282 people on SNAP per month		91% participation rate
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MARYLAND CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 2
13% of households receive SNAP
\$28,767 median income of households on SNAP
\$75,448 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	35.40%	37.10%
With child(ren) under 18 years	51.00%	30.20%
With disabled individual(s)	44.50%	18.80%
Below poverty level ¹	38.20%	5.70%

Race/Ethnicity		
White	41.90%	60.20%
Black or African American	49.20%	30.10%
American Indian and Alaska Native	N/A	N/A
Asian	3.00%	5.30%
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	N/A	N/A
Other Race	3.10%	1.30%
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	7.00%	4.90%

Work Status		
Families With:		
No workers in the past 12 months	16.30%	9.10%
1 worker in the past 12 months	46.80%	30.40%
2 or more workers in the past 12 months	36.90%	60.50%

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.