



## 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.

	<b>\$0.74 billion in SNAP issued that year</b>		<b>MISSISSIPPI</b> 537,370 people on SNAP per month		<b>83% participation rate</b>
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### MISSISSIPPI CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 4

**15%** of households receive SNAP

**\$17,715** median income of households on SNAP

**\$50,613** 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	32.80%	43.40%
With child(ren) under 18 years	54.30%	28.60%
With disabled individual(s)	53.30%	31.40%
Below poverty level <sup>1</sup>	53.30%	11.50%

#### Race/Ethnicity

White	50.60%	77.70%
Black or African American	47.20%	18.20%
American Indian and Alaska Native	N/A	N/A
Asian	0.10%	1.40%
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	N/A	N/A
Other Race	0.80%	0.70%
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	4.10%	3.20%

#### Work Status

##### Families With:

No workers in the past 12 months	22.70%	17.00%
1 worker in the past 12 months	49.30%	34.10%
2 or more workers in the past 12 months	28.00%	48.90%

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>.

<sup>1</sup> 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.