






## 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>\$1.59 billion in SNAP issued that year</b>		<b>TENNESSEE</b> <b>1,047,058 people on SNAP per month</b>		<b>93% participation rate</b>
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### TENNESSEE CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 8

**14%** of households receive SNAP

**\$18,403** median income of households on SNAP

**\$63,461** 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	31.30%	45.00%
With child(ren) under 18 years	43.50%	29.70%
With disabled individual(s)	53.60%	27.10%
Below poverty level <sup>1</sup>	56.00%	7.30%

#### Race/Ethnicity

White	60.00%	80.20%
Black or African American	37.20%	15.80%
American Indian and Alaska Native	0.30%	0.10%
Asian	0.20%	2.00%
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	N/A	N/A
Other Race	0.80%	0.50%
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	2.30%	1.80%

#### Work Status

##### Families With:

No workers in the past 12 months	29.10%	15.50%
1 worker in the past 12 months	48.40%	32.20%
2 or more workers in the past 12 months	22.50%	52.30%

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.