






## 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>\$5.81 billion in SNAP issued that year</b>		<b>TEXAS</b> <b>3,921,278 people on SNAP per month</b>		<b>73% participation rate</b>
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**TEXAS CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 15**  
**26% of households receive SNAP**  
**\$18,696 median income of households on SNAP**  
**\$57,020 median income of households *not* on SNAP**

Characteristic	Households Receiving SNAP	Households <i>not</i> Receiving SNAP
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<b>Households:</b>		
With one or more people 60 years and over	33.20%	35.20%
With child(ren) under 18 years	66.90%	38.60%
With disabled individual(s)	49.90%	27.10%
Below poverty level <sup>1</sup>	57.90%	12.10%

<b>Race/Ethnicity</b>		
White	83.90%	83.90%
Black or African American	0.90%	2.30%
American Indian and Alaska Native	0.30%	0.40%
Asian	0.30%	1.40%
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	N/A	N/A
Other Race	13.70%	10.60%
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	94.40%	70.10%

<b>Work Status</b>		
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<b>Families With:</b>		
No workers in the past 12 months	21.10%	12.00%
1 worker in the past 12 months	50.40%	31.30%
2 or more workers in the past 12 months	28.40%	56.70%

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.