






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.

	\$5.81 billion in SNAP issued that year		TEXAS 3,921,278 people on SNAP per month		73% participation rate
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TEXAS CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 22

6% of households receive SNAP

\$41,210 median income of households on SNAP

\$99,782 median income of households *not* on SNAP

Characteristic	Households Receiving SNAP	Households <i>not</i> Receiving SNAP
Households:		
With one or more people 60 years and over	27.30%	33.70%
With child(ren) under 18 years	71.80%	43.10%
With disabled individual(s)	32.00%	17.40%
Below poverty level ¹	32.20%	6.10%
Race/Ethnicity		
White	52.10%	66.60%
Black or African American	30.40%	12.30%
American Indian and Alaska Native	N/A	N/A
Asian	9.20%	17.20%
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	N/A	N/A
Other Race	2.80%	2.30%
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	34.40%	21.20%
Work Status		
Families With:		
No workers in the past 12 months	13.40%	8.80%
1 worker in the past 12 months	40.20%	31.70%
2 or more workers in the past 12 months	46.40%	59.40%

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.