






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 26
4% of households receive SNAP
\$33,636 median income of households on SNAP
\$93,796 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	27.70%	28.90%
With child(ren) under 18 years	64.40%	39.30%
With disabled individual(s)	37.70%	17.00%
Below poverty level ¹	34.00%	5.10%

Race/Ethnicity

White	67.60%	81.70%
Black or African American	17.70%	7.50%
American Indian and Alaska Native	1.10%	0.40%
Asian	7.10%	6.70%
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	N/A	N/A
Other Race	2.60%	1.90%
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	28.50%	13.10%

Work Status

Families With:

No workers in the past 12 months	12.70%	7.40%
1 worker in the past 12 months	37.70%	28.10%
2 or more workers in the past 12 months	49.60%	64.40%

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.