






## 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> 3,921,278 people on SNAP per month		<b>73% participation rate</b>
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**TEXAS CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 29**  
**21%** of households receive SNAP  
**\$24,672** median income of households on SNAP  
**\$48,873** 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	21.80%	29.40%
With child(ren) under 18 years	68.20%	40.20%
With disabled individual(s)	27.80%	19.00%
Below poverty level <sup>1</sup>	52.70%	14.60%

Race/Ethnicity		
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White	67.90%	77.60%
Black or African American	22.50%	12.60%
American Indian and Alaska Native	0.30%	0.60%
Asian	1.20%	1.70%
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	N/A	N/A
Other Race	6.50%	6.10%
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	67.80%	70.00%

Work Status		
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Families With:		
No workers in the past 12 months	15.30%	8.30%
1 worker in the past 12 months	50.60%	38.80%
2 or more workers in the past 12 months	34.10%	53.00%

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.