






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.

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|  | \$1.12 billion in SNAP issued that year |  | VIRGINIA 775,548 people on SNAP per month |  | 75% participation rate |
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VIRGINIA CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 4
12% of households receive SNAP
\$17,839 median income of households on SNAP
\$64,200 median income of households *not* on SNAP

| Characteristic | Households Receiving SNAP | Households <i>not</i> Receiving SNAP |
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| Households: | | |
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| With one or more people 60 years and over | 33.60% | 39.50% |
| With child(ren) under 18 years | 50.90% | 26.20% |
| With disabled individual(s) | 53.20% | 23.80% |
| Below poverty level ¹ | 54.90% | 7.50% |

| Race/Ethnicity | | |
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| White | 26.90% | 59.10% |
| Black or African American | 67.60% | 36.00% |
| American Indian and Alaska Native | 0.10% | 0.20% |
| Asian | 0.30% | 1.90% |
| Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander | N/A | N/A |
| Other Race | 1.00% | 0.80% |
| Hispanic or Latino (of any race) | 4.90% | 3.40% |

| Work Status | | |
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| Families With: | | |
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| No workers in the past 12 months | 20.60% | 12.40% |
| 1 worker in the past 12 months | 53.30% | 32.30% |
| 2 or more workers in the past 12 months | 26.10% | 55.30% |

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>.

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.