

Nutrition Assistance Program Report
March 2025
US Summary

Programs	Mar 2024	Feb 2025	Mar 2025
Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)			
Participants (thousands)	41,572	42,258	42,263
Average Benefit (\$)	\$186.31	\$187.45	\$187.77
Pandemic EBT (P-EBT) *			
Participants (thousands)	54	<0	<0
Costs (dollars in thousands)	18,005	3	7
National School Lunch Program			
Average Daily Participation (thousands)	29,658	29,858	29,522
Participating Children (Free/Reduced)	21,335	21,939	21,500
Percent Free/Reduced Price	71.94%	73.48%	72.83%
Total Snacks Served (in thousands)	17,656	17,110	17,929
School Breakfast Program			
Average Daily Participation (thousands)	15,598	15,457	15,559
Participating Children (Free/Reduced)	12,362	12,510	12,440
Percent Free/Reduced Price	79.25%	80.94%	79.95%
Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP)			
Meals Served in Homes (thousands)	27,120	24,565	26,584
Meals Served in Centers (thousands)	120,037	115,315	121,187
Meals Served in Adult Care Centers (thousands)	5,893	5,932	6,093
Percentage of Meals Served Free	76.39%	77.13%	76.66%
Special Supplemental Nutrition Program (WIC)			
Participants (thousands)	6,681	6,801	6,848
Average Benefit (\$)	\$60.11	\$63.38	\$66.24
Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP)			
Participants (thousands)	722	695	706
Average Benefit (WIC)	--	--	--
Average Benefit (Elderly)	\$35.75	\$33.43	\$33.93
Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR)			
Participants (thousands)	52	55	58
Total Food Costs (dollars in thousands)	\$7,072	\$7,768	\$8,136
USDA Food Donations (All Programs)			
Entitlement Foods (dollars in thousands)	\$181,915	\$168,203	\$197,914
Bonus Foods (dollars in thousands)	\$1,761	\$1	\$1
TEFAP (dollars in thousands)	\$163,657	\$96,540	\$95,781

*States tend to distribute multiple months of P-EBT benefits in a single issuance. Benefits distributed in June, for example, may represent the value of P-EBT benefits for participants' virtual school days in the months of March through May. Because states distribute multiple months of benefits in a single issuance, participant counts must be interpreted with caution. Participants who receive a combined P-EBT benefit in June for the months of March through May will appear in the participant count for June only. A household or person who receives a combined benefit for March and April in June, and a second combined benefit for May and June in July will appear in the June and July participant counts. As result, the number of P-EBT beneficiaries is much greater than any single monthly count, but summing the participant counts across months will overstate the number of beneficiaries.

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