

Nutrition Assistance Program Report

May 2025

US Summary

Programs	May 2024	Apr 2025	May 2025
Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)			
Participants (thousands)	41,743	41,825	41,735
Average Benefit (\$)	\$184.90	\$189.00	\$188.45
Pandemic EBT (P-EBT) *			
Participants (thousands)	<0	<0	<0
Costs (dollars in thousands)	155	6	7
National School Lunch Program			
Average Daily Participation (thousands)	28,651	30,144	28,605
Participating Children (Free/Reduced)	20,656	22,106	20,845
Percent Free/Reduced Price	72.09%	73.34%	72.87%
Total Snacks Served (in thousands)	16,790	17,549	17,238
School Breakfast Program			
Average Daily Participation (thousands)	15,301	15,932	15,323
Participating Children (Free/Reduced)	12,137	12,839	12,250
Percent Free/Reduced Price	79.32%	80.58%	79.94%
Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP)			
Meals Served in Homes (thousands)	29,616	27,691	28,290
Meals Served in Centers (thousands)	129,798	129,165	123,531
Meals Served in Adult Care Centers (thousands)	6,432	6,651	6,387
Percentage of Meals Served Free	75.69%	76.65%	76.13%
Special Supplemental Nutrition Program (WIC)			
Participants (thousands)	6,764	6,876	6,890
Average Benefit (\$)	\$62.85	\$66.66	\$64.33
Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP)			
Participants (thousands)	717	709	696
Average Benefit (WIC)	--	--	--
Average Benefit (Elderly)	\$33.43	\$33.27	\$34.07
Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR)			
Participants (thousands)	54	59	58
Total Food Costs (dollars in thousands)	\$6,572	\$8,370	\$8,550
USDA Food Donations (All Programs)			
Entitlement Foods (dollars in thousands)	\$66,080	\$116,907	\$85,309
Bonus Foods (dollars in thousands)	\$1,575	\$25	\$1
TEFAP (dollars in thousands)	\$181,387	\$95,424	\$109,416

*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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