Nutrition Assistance Program Report November 2024 US Summary

Programs	Nov 2023	Oct 2024	Nov 2024
Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)			
Participants (thousands)	41,465	42,658	42,895
Average Benefit (\$)	\$188.53	\$197.67	\$192.82
Pandemic EBT (P-EBT) *			
Participants (thousands)	1,170	9	5
Costs (dollars in thousands)	165,503	1,134	626
National School Lunch Program			
Average Daily Participation (thousands)	30,091	30,492	30,551
Participating Children (Free/Reduced)	21,449	22,127	22,098
Percent Free/Reduced Price	71.28%	72.57%	72.33%
Total Snacks Served (in thousands)	17,612	18,749	15,870
School Breakfast Program			
Average Daily Participation (thousands)	15,849	16,064	16,251
Participating Children (Free/Reduced)	12,571	12,854	13,001
Percent Free/Reduced Price	79.31%	80.02%	80.00%
Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP)			
Meals Served in Homes (thousands)	25,964	26,692	25,170
Meals Served in Centers (thousands)	112,477	125,316	105,716
Meals Served in Adult Care Centers (thousands)	5,819	6,683	5,899
Percentage of Meals Served Free	77.22%	77.80%	77.57%
Special Supplemental Nutrition Program (WIC)			
Participants (thousands)	6,624	6,908	6,709
Average Benefit (\$)	\$56.16	\$58.96	\$63.85
Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP)			
Participants (thousands)	732	715	714
Average Benefit (WIC)			
Average Benefit (Elderly)	\$33.24	\$33.04	\$32.83
Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR)			
Participants (thousands)	54	56	55
Total Food Costs (dollars in thousands)	\$8,637	\$7,848	\$7,849
USDA Food Donations (All Programs)			
Entitlement Foods (dollars in thousands)	\$188,766	\$258,740	\$197,912
Bonus Foods (dollars in thousands)	\$689	\$114	\$240
TEFAP (dollars in thousands)	\$213,978	\$198,952	\$176,268

^{*}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.