

CALCULATING THE SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (SNAP) PROGRAM ACCESS INDEX: A STEP-BY-STEP GUIDE FOR 2013

Introduction

The Program Access Index (PAI) is one of the measures the USDA Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) uses to reward States for high performance in the administration of the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP). The Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 (also known as the 2002 Farm Bill) directed USDA to establish a number of indicators of effective program performance and to award bonus payments to States with the best and most improved performance. The PAI is designed to indicate the degree to which low-income people have access to SNAP benefits.

The PAI is not, strictly speaking, a measure of participation among people eligible for benefits. For most purposes, the participation rate among people eligible for benefits is a better measure of program performance.¹ FNS uses the poverty-based PAI because it is the best measure available in time to meet the law's requirements. The 2002 Farm Bill that authorizes the State performance awards requires payment by the end of the fiscal year following the period of performance – by September 2014 for performance during calendar year 2013, for example. The timing of the release of the official poverty statistics each year enables calculation of a PAI in time to meet the law's requirements. There is not enough time to

complete the more precise estimates of the number of people eligible for SNAP benefits. Waiting for the more precise estimates is inconsistent with the law and would also delay payments to States.

FNS issued a final rule on February 7, 2005, codifying the procedures for calculating and awarding performance bonuses for calendar year 2005 and beyond. For this access measure, FNS uses the American Community Survey (ACS) for poverty count estimates.² In addition, the final rule changed the name of the measure to the Program Access Index (PAI).

The purpose of this step-by-step guide is to describe the calculation of the PAI in detail. It includes all of the data, adjustments, and calculations used in determining the PAI for every State in 2013.

Calculating the PAI

In general, the PAI is a simple index of the average monthly number of SNAP participants over the course of a calendar year to the number of people with income below 125 percent of the official poverty line in each State. FNS

¹ See for example *Reaching Those in Need: State Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Participation Rates in 2011* by Karen E. Cunyngnam, available online at www.fns.usda.gov/sites/default/files/Reaching2011.pdf

² FNS did a comparative analysis of the merits of the American Community Survey (ACS) and Current Population Survey (CPS) surveys and determined that the ACS provided a better basis for the calculation of the Program Access Index beginning with the 2005 high performance bonuses. See *Estimating the Number of People in Poverty for the Program Access Index: The American Community Survey vs. the Current Population Survey* available online at www.fns.usda.gov/sites/default/files/080206a.pdf

computes average monthly participation over a calendar year – rather than the Federal fiscal year – to better align the participation count with the annual poverty measure.

FNS makes an adjustment to the counts of participants, the numerator of this index, to better reflect State performance in the administration of SNAP. FNS subtracts out estimates of the number of people who received SNAP disaster assistance. Disaster assistance is approved in limited circumstances and operates under special rules that differ from regular SNAP rules. The adjustment is intended to account for only those disaster assistance recipients who are new to the program – not existing participants who are issued replacement benefits. The quality of this adjustment depends in part on the accuracy of data reported by States to FNS on the operations of disaster assistance programs.

FNS makes two adjustments to the poverty counts in the denominator of the index. Participants in the Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR) are subtracted from the number of people with income below

125 percent of poverty in each State. Participants in FDPIR would qualify for SNAP, but have opted to take the FDPIR commodity package instead. In addition, poor Supplemental Security Income (SSI) recipients in California are subtracted from the number of people with income below 125 percent of poverty. By law, SSI recipients in California are ineligible for SNAP because they receive a State-funded cash supplement for food. The number of participants in FDPIR and California SSI recipients offers no information on the effectiveness of State SNAP agency operations.

FNS awards performance bonuses to the four States with the highest PAI and to the four States with the most improved PAI, provided that a State is eligible to receive such a bonus. A State agency is not eligible for a bonus payment in any fiscal year for which it has a liability amount as a result of an excessive payment error rate in the same year. If a State qualifies under both the best and most improved criteria, it is awarded the bonus for most improved, and the State with the next highest PAI is awarded a bonus for best performance.

Step-by-Step Guide

The following provides a step-by-step description of the calculation of the PAI, using the calculation of the 2013 PAI for Kansas as an example. Calculations are made using unrounded numbers. The column references in the following example, along with the calculations for all States, can be found in the accompanying table: *SNAP Program Access Index Calculation: 2013*. The example below may contain discrepancies due to rounding.

Description	Example (Kansas)
<p>Step 1: Determine number of SNAP participants (CY 2013)</p> <p>The number of annual SNAP participants is the sum of the monthly counts from January to December 2013. The monthly counts are extracted from the Food and Nutrition Service National Data Bank and displayed in the <i>SNAP Participants</i> table. The annual total is calculated in the last column of <i>SNAP Participants</i>, carried into Column B of <i>PAI Calculation</i>.</p>	<p>Column B: 3,791,309</p>

<p>Step 2: Determine number of FDPIR participants (CY 2013)</p> <p>The number of annual FDPIR participants is the sum of the monthly counts from January to December 2013. The monthly counts are extracted from the Food and Nutrition Service National Data Bank and displayed in the <i>FDPIR Participants</i> table. The annual total is calculated in the last column of <i>FDPIR Participants</i>, and carried into Column C of <i>PAI Calculation</i>.</p>	<p>Column C:</p> <p>5,255</p>
<p>Step 3: Determine number of disaster assistance participants (CY 2013)</p> <p>The number of disaster assistance participants is calculated in the table: <i>Disaster Assistance 2013</i>. State and disaster specific adjustments are made to reflect the disaster policy in effect. For disasters that lasted more than a month, the reduction in participation was adjusted to reflect that. The annual total for all States is displayed in Column I of <i>Disaster Assistance</i>, and carried into Column D of <i>PAI Calculation</i>.</p>	<p>Column D:</p> <p>0</p>
<p>Step 4: Calculate adjusted number of annual participants (CY 2013)</p> <p>The adjusted annual number of participants is the annual number of SNAP participants (Column B) minus the number of disaster assistance recipients (Column D).</p>	<p>Column E:</p> <p>3,791,309 - 0 = 3,791,309</p>
<p>Step 5: Calculate adjusted average monthly participants (CY 2013)</p> <p>The adjusted monthly average number of participants is equal to the annual number (Column E) divided by 12.</p>	<p>Column F:</p> <p>3,791,309 ÷ 12 = 315,942</p>
<p>Step 6: Determine the number of individuals with income below 125 percent of poverty</p> <p>Estimates of the number of people with income below 125 percent of poverty are published annually by the Bureau of the Census and are available online via the American FactFinder Web site (http://factfinder.census.gov/). The 2013 ACS estimates are displayed in Column G.</p>	<p>Column G:</p> <p>511,665</p>
<p>Step 7: Calculate adjustment for SSI recipients in California</p> <p>This adjustment is based on the number of SSI recipients among the population with income below 125 percent of the official poverty threshold in California. This statistic is provided to us directly from the Census Bureau.</p>	<p>Column H:</p> <p>N/A</p>
<p>Step 8: Calculate monthly FDPIR participants (CY 2013)</p> <p>The monthly average number of FDPIR participants is equal to the annual number of FDPIR participants (Column C) divided by 12.</p>	<p>Column I:</p> <p>5,255 ÷ 12 = 438</p>

<p>Step 9: Calculate adjusted number of people with income below 125 percent of poverty</p> <p>The adjusted number of people with income below 125% of poverty is equal to the official counts of persons below 125% of poverty (Column G) minus the Monthly FDPIR Participants (Column I). For California, the adjusted number of people in poverty (Column J) is equal to the official counts of persons below 125% of poverty (Column G) minus the Monthly FDPIR Participants (Column I) minus the SSI adjustment (Column H). The SSI adjustment is not applied in any other State.</p>	<p>Column J:</p> <p>511,665 -438 -0 = 511,227</p>
<p>Step 10: Calculate the Program Access Index for 2013</p> <p>The final PAI is an index of the adjusted count of participants to the adjusted estimate of persons living below 125% of the official poverty line (Column F) divided by the adjusted poverty count (Column J).</p>	<p>Column K:</p> <p>315,942 ÷ 511,227 = .618</p>
<p>Step 11: Rank Order States by Program Access Index</p> <p>State rankings are determined in descending order, from highest to lowest.</p>	<p>Column L:</p> <p>44</p>
<p>Step 12: Determine the Program Access Index for 2012</p> <p>The 2012 PAI was calculated in the same fashion, using prior year data.</p>	<p>Column M:</p> <p>0.593</p>
<p>Step 13: Calculate the difference between 2013 and 2012 PAIs</p> <p>The difference is equal to the 2013 PAI (Column K) minus the 2012 PAI (Column M). This provides the percentage point difference between 2013 and 2012. A positive difference indicates improvement; a negative difference indicates a reduction.</p>	<p>Column N:</p> <p>0.618 - 0.593 = 0.0249</p>
<p>Step 14: Rank Order States by ‘Improvement’ -- the difference in 2013 and 2012 PAIs</p> <p>State rankings are determined in descending order, from highest to lowest.</p>	<p>Column O:</p> <p>11</p>

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Calculation of SNAP Program Access Index: 2013

Worksheet Name	Column	Description
PAI Calculation	B	Annual count of SNAP participants (set equal to column N of Annual SNAP Participants Worksheet)
	C	Annual count of FDPIR participants (set equal to column N of Annual FDPIR Participants Worksheet)
	D	Annual count of disaster assistance recipients (set equal to column F of Disaster Assistance Worksheet)
	E	Adjusted annual count of SNAP participants (set equal to column B - Column D)
	F	Adjusted monthly average count of SNAP participants (set equal to column E divided by 12)
	G	Count of persons in households with income less than 125% of poverty from 2013 ACS American FactFinder: 2013 ACS
	H	CA Adjustment: Number of CA persons who receive SSI and have income less than 125% of poverty from 2013 ACS
	I	Monthly FDPIR Participants (set equal to column C divided by 12)
	J	Adjusted count of persons in households with income below 125% of poverty (set equal to column G - column H - column I)
	K	Program Access Index, 2013 (set equal to column F divided by column J)
	L	2013 PAI Rank
	M	Program Access Index, 2012 (compare to current year for improvement)
	N	Improvement in Program Access Index from prior year (set equal to column K - column M)
	O	Improvement Rank
SNAP Participants		Counts of individual SNAP participants by State and month in calendar year 2013. Extracted from National Data Bank in August 2014. Annual total shown in last column.
FDPIR Participants		Counts of individual participants in Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations by State and month in calendar year 2013. Extracted from National Data Bank in August 2014. Annual total shown in last column.
Disaster Assistance		Counts of individual recipients of disaster assistance; includes only new participants, excludes replacement issuances. Extracted from National Data Bank in August 2014.
2013 ACS Poverty		Counts of individuals with income below 125 percent of poverty in 2013. Extracted from the American FactFinder website (http://factfinder.census.gov)

SNAP Program Access Index Calculation: 2013

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O
State	Annual SNAP Participants	Annual FDIPIR Participants	Disaster Assistance	Adjusted Annual SNAP Participants	Adjusted Monthly SNAP Participants	ACS 125% Poverty Count	CA SSI Adjustment	Monthly FDIPIR Participants	Adjusted Poverty Count	2013 PAI	2013 PAI Rank	2012 PAI	Improvement	Improvement Rank
Alabama	10,959,284	-	-	10,959,284	913,274	1,154,539	-	-	1,154,539	0.791	26	0.787	0.0037	23
Alaska	1,088,519	2,804	-	1,088,519	90,710	93,883	-	234	93,649	0.969	6	0.870	0.0984	1
Arizona	13,160,476	131,243	-	13,160,476	1,096,706	1,547,809	-	10,937	1,536,872	0.714	35	0.733	-0.0192	41
Arkansas	6,030,631	-	-	6,030,631	502,553	746,039	-	-	746,039	0.674	41	0.682	-0.0084	36
California	50,370,831	66,685	-	50,370,831	4,197,569	8,321,345	432,726	5,557	7,883,062	0.532	48	0.510	0.0225	13
Colorado	6,090,794	5,430	1,035	6,089,759	507,480	893,542	-	453	893,090	0.568	46	0.552	0.0158	17
Connecticut	5,146,547	-	-	5,146,547	428,879	484,585	-	-	484,585	0.885	13	0.844	0.0412	7
Delaware	1,839,770	-	-	1,839,770	153,314	153,572	-	-	153,572	0.998	3	1.082	-0.0835	50
District of Columbia	1,738,568	-	-	1,738,568	144,881	140,534	-	-	140,534	1.031	1	1.064	-0.0335	44
Florida	42,675,979	-	-	42,675,979	3,556,332	4,255,916	-	-	4,255,916	0.836	19	0.798	0.0374	8
Georgia	22,931,668	-	-	22,931,668	1,910,972	2,362,045	-	-	2,362,045	0.809	24	0.815	-0.0058	32
Hawaii	2,294,363	-	-	2,294,363	191,197	198,861	-	-	198,861	0.961	8	0.884	0.0771	2
Idaho	2,695,473	17,274	-	2,695,473	224,623	334,521	-	1,440	333,082	0.674	40	0.695	-0.0202	42
Illinois	24,458,192	-	106,272	24,351,920	2,029,327	2,380,974	-	-	2,380,974	0.852	15	0.800	0.0526	5
Indiana	11,092,873	-	-	11,092,873	924,406	1,321,644	-	-	1,321,644	0.699	37	0.709	-0.0094	37
Iowa	5,040,407	-	-	5,040,407	420,034	498,566	-	-	498,566	0.842	17	0.838	0.0050	22
Kansas	3,791,309	5,255	-	3,791,309	315,942	511,665	-	438	511,227	0.618	44	0.593	0.0249	11
Kentucky	10,410,627	-	-	10,410,627	867,552	1,031,205	-	-	1,031,205	0.841	18	0.812	0.0288	9
Louisiana	11,080,367	-	-	11,080,367	923,364	1,138,457	-	-	1,138,457	0.811	23	0.799	0.0125	19
Maine	2,954,612	-	-	2,954,612	246,218	250,956	-	-	250,956	0.981	5	0.995	-0.0142	40
Maryland	9,383,375	-	-	9,383,375	781,948	771,424	-	-	771,424	1.014	2	0.951	0.0624	3
Massachusetts	10,647,829	-	-	10,647,829	887,319	988,060	-	-	988,060	0.898	11	0.895	0.0027	25
Michigan	21,050,179	17,041	-	21,050,179	1,754,182	2,072,328	-	1,420	2,070,908	0.847	16	0.853	-0.0062	33
Minnesota	6,653,375	29,233	-	6,653,375	554,448	785,688	-	2,436	783,252	0.708	36	0.683	0.0244	12
Mississippi	8,014,780	8,996	-	8,014,780	667,898	876,613	-	750	875,863	0.763	29	0.745	0.0175	16
Missouri	11,001,944	-	-	11,001,944	916,829	1,212,650	-	-	1,212,650	0.756	32	0.767	-0.0112	39
Montana	1,535,268	30,983	-	1,535,268	127,939	215,345	-	2,582	212,763	0.601	45	0.625	-0.0241	43
Nebraska	2,163,558	12,584	-	2,163,558	180,297	327,046	-	1,049	325,997	0.553	47	0.555	-0.0015	30
Nevada	4,363,483	17,415	-	4,363,483	363,624	583,488	-	1,451	582,037	0.625	43	0.600	0.0250	10
New Hampshire	1,392,153	-	-	1,392,153	116,013	152,347	-	-	152,347	0.762	30	0.707	0.0544	4
New Jersey	10,503,367	-	-	10,503,367	875,281	1,293,627	-	-	1,293,627	0.677	39	0.684	-0.0070	34
New Mexico	5,229,820	31,154	-	5,229,820	435,818	578,248	-	2,596	575,652	0.757	31	0.809	-0.0522	48
New York	38,169,007	4,599	-	38,169,007	3,180,751	3,881,010	-	383	3,880,627	0.820	21	0.802	0.0177	15
North Carolina	19,975,427	7,668	-	19,975,427	1,664,619	2,230,227	-	639	2,229,588	0.747	34	0.746	0.0008	27
North Dakota	666,536	49,036	-	666,536	55,545	112,743	-	4,086	108,657	0.511	49	0.603	-0.0921	51
Ohio	21,829,772	-	-	21,829,772	1,819,148	2,317,336	-	-	2,317,336	0.785	27	0.771	0.0136	18
Oklahoma	7,481,716	310,631	1,908	7,479,808	623,317	834,481	-	25,886	808,595	0.771	28	0.749	0.0222	14
Oregon	9,776,592	8,590	-	9,776,592	814,716	846,442	-	716	845,726	0.963	7	0.964	-0.0008	29
Pennsylvania	21,485,269	-	-	21,485,269	1,790,439	2,191,789	-	-	2,191,789	0.817	22	0.812	0.0051	21
Rhode Island	2,164,283	-	-	2,164,283	180,357	190,668	-	-	190,668	0.946	9	0.955	-0.0096	38
South Carolina	10,471,755	-	-	10,471,755	872,646	1,097,690	-	-	1,097,690	0.795	25	0.795	-0.0002	28
South Dakota	1,242,100	90,978	-	1,242,100	103,508	158,755	-	7,582	151,174	0.685	38	0.760	-0.0749	49
Tennessee	16,095,535	-	-	16,095,535	1,341,295	1,474,233	-	-	1,474,233	0.910	10	0.907	0.0028	24
Texas	48,081,003	1,444	-	48,081,003	4,006,750	5,951,728	-	120	5,951,608	0.673	42	0.671	0.0026	26
Utah	2,944,677	1,778	-	2,944,677	245,390	484,269	-	148	484,121	0.507	50	0.544	-0.0373	45
Vermont	1,204,632	-	-	1,204,632	100,386	102,030	-	-	102,030	0.984	4	1.035	-0.0511	47
Virginia	11,304,937	-	-	11,304,937	942,078	1,248,995	-	-	1,248,995	0.754	33	0.747	0.0072	20
Washington	13,312,099	37,548	-	13,312,099	1,109,342	1,249,497	-	3,129	1,246,368	0.890	12	0.941	-0.0511	46
West Virginia	4,226,071	-	-	4,226,071	352,173	429,138	-	-	429,138	0.821	20	0.826	-0.0049	31
Wisconsin	10,274,258	30,403	-	10,274,258	856,188	994,608	-	2,534	992,074	0.863	14	0.870	-0.0072	35
Wyoming	455,012	8,573	-	455,012	37,918	85,004	-	714	84,290	0.450	51	0.398	0.0523	6
US	568,951,102	927,345	109,215	568,841,887	47,403,491	63,558,165	432,726	77,279	63,048,160	0.7518616		0.74236643	0.0095	

2013 SNAP Participants

NATIONAL DATA BANK VERSION 8.2 PUBLIC USE
 SC6 - STATES ASCENDING - MONTHLY/ANNUAL DATA
 Part. People Actual/Final

State/Territory	Jan 2013	Feb 2013	Mar 2013	Apr 2013	May 2013	Jun 2013	Jul 2013	Aug 2013	Sep 2013	Oct 2013	Nov 2013	Dec 2013	Total
Alabama	917,452	913,949	911,626	909,254	914,462	914,339	916,543	913,774	912,789	915,230	911,698	908,168	10,959,284
Alaska	92,451	93,417	94,905	95,371	94,514	94,336	92,289	91,258	89,674	75,493	87,510	87,301	1,088,519
Arizona	1,108,674	1,101,324	1,114,638	1,099,471	1,102,305	1,106,860	1,109,093	1,100,429	1,099,131	1,093,804	1,072,133	1,052,614	13,160,476
Arkansas	508,572	503,375	502,491	500,689	499,603	502,070	502,723	504,844	503,928	504,541	501,124	496,671	6,030,631
California	4,155,083	4,147,880	4,180,235	4,163,620	4,169,854	4,167,502	4,181,660	4,198,369	4,200,988	4,245,372	4,264,816	4,295,452	50,370,831
Colorado	511,802	507,192	513,483	510,696	510,441	507,135	506,228	506,169	503,275	508,082	501,679	504,612	6,090,794
Connecticut	426,519	422,884	422,064	423,328	426,863	430,599	430,157	429,190	432,339	436,283	429,190	437,131	5,146,547
Delaware	155,334	152,756	152,002	153,857	153,339	152,809	151,921	153,885	154,199	155,762	151,800	152,106	1,839,770
District of Columbia	145,327	144,545	144,193	143,361	144,200	144,619	145,249	146,161	146,065	146,278	145,357	143,213	1,738,568
Florida	3,573,410	3,548,832	3,566,784	3,548,465	3,556,098	3,568,672	3,558,254	3,570,722	3,560,545	3,565,296	3,536,728	3,522,173	42,675,979
Georgia	1,969,696	1,960,035	1,956,754	1,945,001	1,950,577	1,950,819	1,933,572	1,918,247	1,888,206	1,883,966	1,796,275	1,778,520	22,931,668
Hawaii	188,763	188,564	188,933	189,366	189,647	189,855	191,509	192,117	192,162	194,961	193,936	194,550	2,294,363
Idaho	230,569	231,015	231,301	229,927	228,311	226,041	223,398	221,841	220,521	219,112	217,219	216,218	2,695,473
Illinois	2,027,281	2,023,635	2,048,658	2,029,103	2,048,898	2,149,813	2,036,411	2,037,738	2,010,860	2,027,483	2,001,372	2,016,940	24,458,192
Indiana	927,030	925,554	926,959	924,463	926,574	924,122	925,265	931,675	928,601	926,155	917,743	908,732	11,092,873
Iowa	418,533	419,296	420,704	420,360	420,914	422,004	421,082	423,428	422,639	421,634	416,270	413,543	5,040,407
Kansas	315,953	313,906	315,220	316,523	317,892	319,827	319,275	320,638	317,725	315,171	311,672	307,507	3,791,309
Kentucky	876,465	869,765	874,094	873,899	875,644	878,344	879,771	873,683	867,037	856,784	845,094	840,047	10,410,627
Louisiana	967,731	961,253	951,535	919,032	914,196	917,053	908,502	922,845	914,731	909,245	902,984	891,260	11,080,367
Maine	252,482	250,189	251,418	250,434	249,920	248,730	247,565	244,855	244,026	241,371	237,780	235,842	2,954,612
Maryland	760,830	762,890	766,599	773,137	776,725	782,926	787,382	793,693	795,796	800,022	794,933	788,442	9,383,375
Massachusetts	888,527	885,956	887,990	888,531	885,701	888,377	887,184	891,502	891,584	889,565	885,920	876,992	10,647,829
Michigan	1,784,755	1,779,085	1,773,290	1,773,173	1,768,141	1,764,866	1,760,433	1,757,800	1,752,492	1,735,759	1,707,665	1,692,720	21,050,179
Minnesota	551,209	550,644	554,321	555,092	556,621	555,029	560,132	557,037	555,978	556,655	551,045	549,612	6,653,375
Mississippi	668,862	668,255	666,700	663,151	664,219	667,267	667,575	671,774	670,979	671,463	669,599	664,936	8,014,780
Missouri	941,247	932,446	936,963	931,761	927,925	927,927	918,776	915,469	905,311	896,475	886,405	881,239	11,001,944
Montana	129,150	129,555	128,481	130,952	129,797	129,067	129,492	126,095	126,010	125,704	125,478	125,487	1,535,268
Nebraska	180,193	180,460	180,774	179,816	181,796	182,149	182,487	181,484	180,180	178,056	177,532	178,631	2,163,558
Nevada	358,457	356,414	355,312	358,319	360,207	362,203	363,155	367,101	370,042	372,377	369,352	370,544	4,363,483
New Hampshire	120,160	117,641	117,420	117,148	116,319	116,098	115,721	115,529	114,742	114,919	113,534	112,922	1,392,153
New Jersey	867,660	866,157	873,657	871,760	877,752	875,437	877,043	883,015	876,613	892,606	864,490	877,177	10,503,367
New Mexico	442,753	440,872	442,302	441,550	442,570	443,784	443,453	431,094	428,877	425,559	423,913	423,093	5,229,820
New York	3,158,541	3,153,979	3,182,976	3,181,218	3,183,287	3,186,788	3,194,470	3,186,530	3,169,363	3,170,323	3,243,156	3,158,376	38,169,007
North Carolina	1,725,504	1,698,745	1,704,848	1,706,588	1,721,681	1,734,913	1,705,966	1,682,965	1,541,482	1,591,292	1,578,293	1,583,150	19,975,427
North Dakota	57,658	57,449	56,918	56,676	56,136	55,721	55,125	55,005	54,500	54,025	53,753	53,570	666,536
Ohio	1,845,325	1,837,229	1,853,963	1,844,692	1,830,161	1,815,695	1,813,874	1,802,036	1,799,050	1,799,770	1,787,984	1,799,993	21,829,772
Oklahoma	618,863	615,154	615,158	614,471	618,624	622,684	622,578	631,815	640,138	629,942	627,722	624,567	7,481,716
Oregon	820,014	819,465	819,534	817,676	816,010	814,318	820,927	819,503	811,554	810,191	805,163	802,237	9,776,592
Pennsylvania	1,767,367	1,767,598	1,777,618	1,776,949	1,784,566	1,788,531	1,800,392	1,812,492	1,810,643	1,807,510	1,802,935	1,788,668	21,485,269
Rhode Island	180,392	180,626	180,940	180,731	180,546	180,260	180,405	180,294	180,151	180,860	179,742	179,336	2,164,283
South Carolina	878,022	876,505	876,632	873,591	872,313	871,501	873,803	877,202	877,498	874,016	864,774	855,898	10,471,755
South Dakota	104,806	104,629	104,407	104,175	104,135	104,445	104,004	104,099	102,755	101,887	101,403	101,355	1,242,100
Tennessee	1,342,605	1,335,790	1,339,440	1,343,265	1,351,113	1,350,184	1,356,160	1,351,040	1,333,931	1,346,102	1,327,376	1,318,529	16,095,535
Texas	4,072,529	4,024,348	4,026,519	3,992,627	4,007,194	4,007,128	4,016,999	4,035,868	3,981,182	4,027,808	3,972,686	3,916,115	48,081,003
Utah	261,426	258,560	257,781	252,378	248,821	244,726	241,380	241,892	237,894	236,449	233,041	230,329	2,944,677
Vermont	101,768	101,793	101,712	100,985	100,607	100,020	99,608	99,764	100,087	100,276	99,405	98,607	1,204,632
Virginia	938,389	940,712	939,561	939,775	942,648	944,377	944,657	947,445	946,599	945,067	940,065	935,642	11,304,937
Washington	1,117,999	1,117,832	1,116,250	1,111,505	1,112,751	1,107,066	1,112,119	1,116,059	1,113,184	1,113,644	1,091,092	1,082,598	13,312,099
West Virginia	352,352	349,853	349,481	349,325	349,169	348,273	350,303	355,048	355,120	356,349	356,038	354,760	4,226,071
Wisconsin	854,697	857,811	858,342	860,186	861,950	861,644	859,769	861,179	859,820	856,336	843,578	838,946	10,274,258
Wyoming	38,254	37,488	38,180	38,502	38,492	37,965	37,553	37,200	37,874	37,931	37,914	37,659	455,012
US	47,699,441	47,485,307	47,652,066	47,475,925	47,562,229	47,686,918	47,563,392	47,590,897	47,230,870	47,340,961	46,958,366	46,704,730	568,951,102

2013 FDPIR Participants

NATIONAL DATA BANK VERSION 8.2 PUBLIC USE
 SC6 - STATES ASCENDING - MONTHLY/ANNUAL DATA
 Number of Participants

State/Territory	Jan 2013	Feb 2013	Mar 2013	Apr 2013	May 2013	Jun 2013	Jul 2013	Aug 2013	Sep 2013	Oct 2013	Nov 2013	Dec 2013	Total
Alabama	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	0
Alaska	197	218	200	225	243	197	230	241	237	248	269	299	2,804
Arizona	11,096	10,385	10,476	10,373	10,646	11,242	11,714	11,441	10,867	11,192	11,040	10,771	131,243
Arkansas	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	0
California	6,018	5,381	5,351	5,682	5,567	5,447	5,512	5,664	5,499	5,584	5,671	5,309	66,685
Colorado	379	378	401	410	458	467	492	547	535	497	435	431	5,430
Connecticut	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	0
Delaware	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	0
District of Columbia	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	0
Florida	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	0
Georgia	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	0
Hawaii	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	0
Idaho	1,367	1,328	1,377	1,458	1,390	1,434	1,529	1,433	1,469	1,618	1,550	1,321	17,274
Illinois	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	0
Indiana	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	0
Iowa	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	0
Kansas	437	378	387	388	386	316	432	481	411	547	561	531	5,255
Kentucky	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	0
Louisiana	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	0
Maine	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	0
Maryland	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	0
Massachusetts	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	0
Michigan	1,370	1,296	1,293	1,329	1,363	1,252	1,260	1,301	1,368	1,621	1,790	1,798	17,041
Minnesota	2,130	2,035	2,300	2,380	2,462	2,384	2,523	2,480	2,511	2,649	2,856	2,523	29,233
Mississippi	851	825	819	769	793	768	105	774	789	860	866	777	8,996
Missouri	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	0
Montana	2,248	2,161	2,277	2,416	2,519	2,575	2,657	2,701	2,640	2,831	2,953	3,005	30,983
Nebraska	984	923	955	985	1,026	1,070	1,089	1,054	1,120	1,134	1,066	1,178	12,584
Nevada	1,403	1,314	1,313	1,385	1,393	1,436	1,404	1,447	1,476	1,534	1,633	1,677	17,415
New Hampshire	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	0
New Jersey	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	0
New Mexico	2,484	2,421	2,520	2,587	2,619	2,569	2,646	2,644	2,568	2,657	2,723	2,716	31,154
New York	381	409	352	402	412	321	418	341	392	407	385	379	4,599
North Carolina	711	634	687	783	713	8	639	661	633	785	865	549	7,668
North Dakota	3,805	3,531	3,573	4,021	3,932	3,983	4,419	4,399	4,214	4,453	4,438	4,268	49,036
Ohio	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	0
Oklahoma	27,127	23,743	24,387	24,694	25,006	25,101	25,791	25,695	25,241	27,668	28,400	27,778	310,631
Oregon	745	677	629	702	693	653	719	642	700	769	791	870	8,590
Pennsylvania	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	0
Rhode Island	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	0
South Carolina	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	0
South Dakota	7,745	6,791	7,507	7,168	7,471	7,267	8,009	8,033	7,509	8,527	7,850	7,101	90,978
Tennessee	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	0
Texas	111	108	94	127	112	116	127	120	133	132	131	133	1,444
Utah	95	81	114	139	133	130	103	173	182	257	232	139	1,778
Vermont	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	0
Virginia	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	0
Washington	3,301	3,146	3,088	3,114	3,249	3,112	3,292	3,230	3,019	3,032	2,843	3,122	37,548
West Virginia	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	0
Wisconsin	2,692	1,962	2,530	2,735	2,048	2,652	2,726	2,051	2,712	2,834	2,579	2,882	30,403
Wyoming	659	506	641	671	689	669	852	863	814	798	675	736	8,573
US	78,336	70,631	73,271	74,943	75,323	75,169	78,688	78,416	77,039	82,634	82,602	80,293	927,345

2013 Disaster Assistance

NATIONAL DATA BANK VERSION 8.2 PUBLIC USE
 SC6 - STATES ASCENDING - MONTHLY/ANNUAL DATA
 Total Number of New Persons Issued D-SNAP Benefits

State/Territory	Jan 2013	Feb 2013	Mar 2013	Apr 2013	May 2013	Jun 2013	Jul 2013	Aug 2013	Sep 2013	Oct 2013	Nov 2013	Dec 2013	Total
Alabama	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	0
Alaska	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	0
Arizona	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	0
Arkansas	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	0
California	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	0
Colorado	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	1,035	--	--	--	1,035
Connecticut	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	0
Delaware	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	0
District of Columbia	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	0
Florida	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	0
Georgia	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	0
Hawaii	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	0
Idaho	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	0
Illinois	--	--	--	106,034	--	--	--	--	--	238	--	--	106,272
Indiana	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	0
Iowa	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	0
Kansas	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	0
Kentucky	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	0
Louisiana	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	0
Maine	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	0
Maryland	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	0
Massachusetts	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	0
Michigan	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	0
Minnesota	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	0
Mississippi	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	0
Missouri	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	0
Montana	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	0
Nebraska	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	0
Nevada	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	0
New Hampshire	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	0
New Jersey	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	0
New Mexico	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	0
New York	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	0
North Carolina	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	0
North Dakota	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	0
Ohio	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	0
Oklahoma	--	--	--	--	1,908	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	1,908
Oregon	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	0
Pennsylvania	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	0
Rhode Island	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	0
South Carolina	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	0
South Dakota	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	0
Tennessee	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	0
Texas	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	0
Utah	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	0
Vermont	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	0
Virginia	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	0
Washington	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	0
West Virginia	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	0
Wisconsin	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	0
Wyoming	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	0
US	0	0	0	106,034	1,908	0	0	0	1,035	238	0	0	109,215

2013 American Community Survey Poverty Counts

GEO_NAME	B17002_2_EST	B17002_3_EST	B17002_4_EST	B17002_5_EST	TOTAL POPULATION UNDER 125% OF POVERTY
Geography	Universe: POPULATION FOR WHOM POVERTY STATUS IS DETERMINED: Under .50 (Estimate)	Universe: POPULATION FOR WHOM POVERTY STATUS IS DETERMINED: .50 to .74 (Estimate)	Universe: POPULATION FOR WHOM POVERTY STATUS IS DETERMINED: .75 to .99 (Estimate)	Universe: POPULATION FOR WHOM POVERTY STATUS IS DETERMINED: 1.00 to 1.24 (Estimate)	
Alabama	397,866	232,326	253,179	271,168	1,154,539
Alaska	30,611	16,916	19,489	26,867	93,883
Arizona	574,905	309,262	322,293	341,349	1,547,809
Arkansas	238,195	140,555	186,719	180,570	746,039
California	2,761,078	1,551,534	2,016,212	1,992,521	8,321,345
Colorado	285,942	168,588	212,916	226,096	893,542
Connecticut	168,578	84,194	121,128	110,685	484,585
Delaware	56,840	28,588	25,899	42,245	153,572
District of Columbia	63,136	26,650	25,765	24,983	140,534
Florida	1,458,753	796,637	997,943	1,002,583	4,255,916
Georgia	858,146	426,498	559,124	518,277	2,362,045
Hawaii	72,922	35,063	40,383	50,493	198,861
Idaho	102,497	58,546	85,507	87,971	334,521
Illinois	855,537	469,028	520,828	535,581	2,380,974
Indiana	462,127	261,287	291,713	306,517	1,321,644
Iowa	166,365	98,521	114,241	119,439	498,566
Kansas	166,289	104,121	122,948	118,307	511,665
Kentucky	340,232	223,442	236,961	230,570	1,031,205
Louisiana	404,166	252,035	231,818	250,438	1,138,457
Maine	65,946	55,557	59,136	70,317	250,956
Maryland	290,284	145,047	150,240	185,853	771,424
Massachusetts	352,232	186,137	232,144	217,547	988,060
Michigan	768,871	426,090	453,475	423,892	2,072,328
Minnesota	259,106	150,241	183,075	193,266	785,688
Mississippi	309,654	188,152	198,109	180,698	876,613
Missouri	404,106	253,711	273,249	281,584	1,212,650
Montana	70,102	43,976	49,559	51,708	215,345
Nebraska	99,219	52,800	87,414	87,613	327,046
Nevada	195,701	113,337	124,538	149,912	583,488
New Hampshire	52,875	27,947	30,673	40,852	152,347
New Jersey	438,899	252,784	306,866	295,078	1,293,627
New Mexico	207,655	110,457	130,349	129,787	578,248
New York	1,338,887	781,700	935,058	825,365	3,881,010
North Carolina	753,265	452,730	509,402	514,830	2,230,227
North Dakota	37,065	20,653	24,680	30,345	112,743
Ohio	841,667	463,380	491,895	520,394	2,317,336
Oklahoma	267,969	155,810	203,127	207,575	834,481
Oregon	283,077	169,008	190,053	204,304	846,442
Pennsylvania	759,549	452,528	478,328	501,384	2,191,789
Rhode Island	60,477	36,931	47,038	46,222	190,668
South Carolina	390,000	219,001	251,379	237,310	1,097,690
South Dakota	49,643	24,881	40,930	43,301	158,755
Tennessee	493,980	294,794	337,998	347,461	1,474,233
Texas	1,896,210	1,192,108	1,441,721	1,421,689	5,951,728
Utah	149,062	90,958	121,161	123,088	484,269
Vermont	29,946	16,932	27,180	27,972	102,030
Virginia	432,539	231,339	274,855	310,262	1,248,995
Washington	434,999	233,149	299,134	282,215	1,249,497
West Virginia	150,421	86,148	95,778	96,791	429,138
Wisconsin	316,808	199,616	239,127	239,057	994,608
Wyoming	28,948	16,405	16,686	22,965	85,004
TOTAL					63,558,165