

Table 559. Federal Food Stamp Program by State: 2000 to 2008

[Participation data are average monthly numbers (17,194 represents 17,194,000). For years ending September 30. Food stamp costs are for benefits only and exclude administrative expenditures]

State	Persons (1,000)			Benefits (mil. dol.)			State	Persons (1,000)			Benefits (mil. dol.)		
	2000	2005	2008	2000	2005	2008		2000	2005	2008	2000	2005	2008
Total¹	17,194	25,718	28,408	14,983	28,568	34,611							
U.S.	17,156	25,306	27,921	14,927	28,149	34,072	MO	423	766	889	358	736	810
AL	396	559	572	344	616	664	MT	59	81	80	51	89	94
AK	38	56	57	46	80	94	NE	82	117	121	61	120	141
AZ	259	550	628	240	634	772	NV	61	122	144	57	129	170
AR	247	374	378	206	401	432	NH	36	52	64	28	51	71
CA	1,831	1,992	2,220	1,639	2,315	2,998	NJ	345	392	438	304	437	533
CO	156	246	253	127	313	325	NY	169	241	240	140	251	269
CT	165	204	225	138	223	285	NC	1,439	1,755	1,953	1,361	2,136	2,573
DE	32	62	74	31	65	86	ND	488	800	947	403	856	1,104
DC	81	89	89	77	103	112	OH	32	42	48	25	45	59
FL	882	1,382	1,455	771	1,598	1,779	OK	610	1,007	1,151	520	1,155	1,495
GA	559	921	1,021	489	1,048	1,277	OR	253	424	419	208	440	491
HI	118	94	97	166	156	185	PA	234	429	469	198	456	542
ID	58	93	100	46	103	117	RI	777	1,043	1,188	656	1,105	1,387
IL	817	1,158	1,299	777	1,400	1,718	SC	74	76	85	59	79	108
IN	300	556	623	268	627	773	SD	295	521	590	249	566	707
IA	123	207	256	100	220	306	TN	43	56	63	37	61	78
KS	117	178	188	83	180	211	TX	496	850	911	415	942	1,115
KY	403	570	633	337	611	742	UT	1,333	2,442	2,532	1,215	2,659	3,068
LA	500	808	791	448	979	1,025	VT	82	133	134	68	141	151
ME	102	153	173	81	162	196	VA	41	45	56	32	45	62
MD	219	289	360	199	320	432	WA	336	488	545	263	500	610
MA	232	368	506	182	363	587	WV	295	508	581	241	539	681
MI	603	1,048	1,256	457	1,099	1,506	WI	227	262	277	185	258	304
MN	196	260	294	165	275	330	WY	193	346	423	129	317	430
MS	276	435	447	226	463	497		22	25	23	19	27	26

¹ Includes Guam and the Virgin Islands. Several outlying areas receive nutrition assistance grants in lieu of food stamps (Puerto Rico, American Samoa, and the Northern Marianas).

Source: U.S. Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Service. "Food and Nutrition Service, Program Data"; <<http://www.fns.usda.gov/pd/>>; updated monthly.