

**Table 572. Selected Characteristics of Food Stamp Households and Participants: 1990 to 2009**

[7,811 represents 7,811,000. For years ending September 30. Data for 1990 exclude Guam and the Virgin Islands. Based on a sample of households from the Food Stamp Quality Control System]

Year	Households				Participants		
	Total <sup>1</sup> (1,000)	Percent of total			Total (1,000)	Percent of total	
		With children	With elderly <sup>2</sup>	With disabled <sup>3</sup>		Children	Elderly <sup>2</sup>
1990	7,811	60.3	18.1	8.9	20,440	49.6	7.7
1995	10,883	59.7	16.0	18.9	26,955	51.5	7.1
2000	7,335	53.9	21.0	27.5	17,091	51.3	10.0
2005	10,852	53.7	17.1	23.0	24,794	49.9	8.2
2006	11,313	52.0	17.9	23.1	25,472	49.1	8.7
2007	11,561	51.0	17.8	23.8	25,775	48.9	8.8
2008	12,464	50.6	18.5	22.6	27,607	48.4	9.1
2009	14,981	49.9	16.6	21.2	32,889	47.5	8.3

<sup>1</sup> Total does not include those who are ineligible or those receiving disaster benefits. <sup>2</sup> Persons 60 years old and over. <sup>3</sup> The substantial increase in 1995 and decrease in 2000 are due in part to the changes in definition of a disabled household. Prior to 1995, disabled households were defined as households with SSI income but no members over age 59. In 1995, that definition changed to households with at least one member under 65 who received SSI, or at least one member aged 18–61 who received Social Security, veterans' benefits, or other government benefits as a result of a disability. Because of changes to the QC data in 2000, the definition of a disabled household changed to households with either SSI income or a medical expense deduction and without an elderly person, and households containing a nonelderly adult who does not appear to be working and who is receiving Social Security, veterans' benefits, or workers' compensation.

Source: U.S. Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Service. Percentages obtained from *Characteristics of Food Stamp Households: Fiscal Year 2009*, September 2010. See also <<http://www.fns.usda.gov/ora/MENU/Published/snap/SNAPPparth.htm>>.

**Table 573. Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Households and Participants—Summary: 2009**

[14,981 represents 14,981,000. For years ending September 30. Based on a sample of households from the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Quality Control (QC) System. Figures are lower than official participation counts because they do not include ineligible participants or those receiving disaster food stamp assistance]

Household type and income source	Households		Age, sex, race, and Hispanic origin	Participants	
	Number (1,000)	Percent		Number (1,000)	Percent
Total	14,981	100.0	Total	32,889	100.0
With children	7,474	49.9	Children	15,617	47.5
Single-parent households	4,367	29.2	Under 5 years old	5,403	16.4
Married-couple households	1,340	8.9	5 to 17 years old	10,214	31.1
Other	1,767	11.8	Adults	17,272	52.5
With elderly	2,486	16.6	18 to 35 years old	7,490	22.8
Living alone	1,947	12.4	36 to 59 years old	7,054	21.4
Not living alone	539	3.6	60 years old and over	2,728	8.3
Disabled	3,172	21.2	Male	14,035	42.7
Living alone	1,864	13.0	Female	18,854	57.3
Not living alone	1,307	3.6	White, non-Hispanic	10,586	32.2
Earned income	4,412	29.5	Black, non-Hispanic	7,393	22.5
Wages and salaries	3,883	25.9	Hispanic	5,103	15.5
Unearned income	9,475	63.2	Asian	934	2.8
TANF <sup>1</sup>	1,446	9.7	Native American	1,400	4.3
Supplemental security income	3,539	23.6	Other <sup>2</sup>	7,474	22.7
Social security	3,358	22.4			
No income	2,635	17.6			

<sup>1</sup> Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) program. <sup>2</sup> For FY 2009, this category includes respondents who recorded more than one race, and those with no racial/ethnic data.

Source: U.S. Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Service, *Characteristics of SNAP Households: Fiscal Year 2009*, September 2010. See also <<http://www.fns.usda.gov/oane/MENU/Published/snap/snap.htm>>.

**Table 574. Head Start—Summary: 1980 to 2009**

[For years ending September 30 (376 represents 376,000)]

Year	Enrollment (1,000)	Appropriation (mil. dol.)	Age and race	Enrollment, 2009 (percent)	Item	Number
1980	376	735	Under 3 years old	10	Average cost per child:	
1990	541	1,552	3 years old	36	1995	\$4,534
1995	751	3,534	4 years old	51	2000	\$5,951
1999	826	4,658	5 years old and over	3	2009	\$7,600
2000	858	5,267				
2001	905	6,200	White	40	Paid staff (1,000):	
2002	912	6,537	Black	30	1995	147
2003	910	6,668	Hispanic	36	2000	180
2004	906	6,775	American Indian/		2009	212
2005	907	6,843	Alaska Native	4	Volunteers (1,000):	
2006	909	6,872	Asian	2	1995	1,235
2007	908	6,888	Hawaiian/		2000	1,252
2008	907	6,878	Pacific Islander	1	2009	1,274
2009	904	7,113				

Source: U.S. Department of Health and Services, Administration for Children and Families, "Head Start Statistical Fact Sheet"; <<http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/ohs/about>>.