

Nutrition Assistance Programs Report
March 2015
US Summary

Programs	Mar 2014	Feb 2015	Mar 2015
Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)			
Participants (thousands)	46,098	45,682	45,642
Average Benefit (\$)	\$125.28	\$126.88	\$127.01
National School Lunch Program			
Average Daily Participation (thousands)	30,395	30,741	30,550
Participating Children (Free/Reduced)	21,698	22,271	22,135
Percent Free/Reduced Price	71.39%	72.45%	72.45%
Total Snacks Served (in thousands)	25,312	23,093	25,968
School Breakfast Program			
Average Daily Participation (thousands)	13,513	13,769	13,848
Participating Children (Free/Reduced)	11,459	11,761	11,797
Percent Free/Reduced Price	84.80%	85.42%	85.19%
Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP)			
Meals Served in Homes (thousands)	45,046	40,447	45,493
Meals Served in Centers (thousands)	126,360	114,443	132,532
Meals Served in Adult Care Centers (thousands)	5,755	5,400	6,115
Percentage of Meals Served Free	78.71%	78.84%	78.76%
Special Supplemental Nutrition Program (WIC)			
Participants (thousands)	8,158	7,912	7,923
Average Benefit (\$)	\$39.80	\$40.98	\$42.89
Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP)			
Participants (thousands)	579	563	570
Average Benefit (WIC)	\$26.78	\$21.88	\$24.10
Average Benefit (Elderly)	\$21.87	\$19.96	\$20.44
Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR)			
Participants (thousands)	85	81	87
Total Food Costs (dollars in thousands)	\$5,060	\$5,250	\$5,506
USDA Food Donations (All Programs)			
Entitlement Foods (dollars in thousands)	\$132,974	\$139,924	\$138,884
Bonus Foods (dollars in thousands)	\$116	\$160	\$75
TEFAP (dollars in thousands)	\$21,710	\$29,159	\$33,142

March 2015 participation in SNAP was over 45 million persons, a decrease of over 455 thousand persons (1 percent) from March 2014.

National participation in the WIC program totaled 7.9 million persons in March 2015, a decrease of 234 thousand persons from the March 2014 participation level.