

# Rhode Island

## Demographics, Poverty and Food Insecurity

Population (2005)	
Total People	1,032,662
Children (Under Age 18)	244,331
Income and Poverty (2005)	
Median Household Income (2005)	\$51,458
Rank Among States	12
Total People Living In Poverty	126,150
Poverty Rate	12.3%
Rank Among States (Highest to Lowest)	27
Children (Under Age 18) Living In Poverty	46,894
Child Poverty Rate	19.5%
Rank Among States (Highest to Lowest)	17
Total People Living Below 185% of Federal Poverty Level	261,708
Food Insecurity Among Households (2003-2005, 3-Year Averages)	
Number of Households that are Food Insecure	53,000
Percent of Households that are Food Insecure	12.4%
Number of Households that are Very-Low Food Secure	18,000
Percent of Households that are Very-Low Food Secure	4.1%

## Federal Nutrition Programs

School Breakfast Program (School Year 2005-2006)	
Average Daily Student Participation	25,974
Free and Reduced-Price Students	20,949
Paid Students	5,025
Change in Free and Reduced-Price Participation in Last 10 Years	283.4%
Free/Reduced-Price Student Participation Rate (Compared to School Lunch Participation)	43.6
Rank Among States	22
Additional Free and Reduced-Priced Children Served if Reached Participation Rate of 60%	7,896
Additional Federal Dollars State Would Receive if Reached Participation Rate of 60%	\$1,651,475
Number of Schools Participating	428
School Participation Rate (Compared to Number of Schools Serving Lunch)	97.9%
Federal Reimbursement for School Breakfast	\$5,157,836
School Breakfast Mandate in State Law (Yes/No)	Yes
National School Lunch Program (School Year 2005-2006)	
Average Daily Student Participation	84,101
Free and Reduced-Price Students	48,074
Paid Students	36,027
Number of Schools Participating	437
Federal Reimbursement for School Lunch	\$20,103,652
Summer Nutrition Participation (July 2005)	
Average Daily Summer Nutrition Participation in July	10,884
July Summer Food Service Participation	9,451
July National School Lunch Participation in Free and Reduced-Price Lunch	1,433
Change in Average Daily Summer Nutrition Participation in Last 10 Years	-34.4%
Low-Income Participation Rate (Compared to Regular Year Free and Reduced-Price School Lunch)	24.2
Rank Among States	12
Additional Low-Income Children Served if Participation Rate Reached 40%	7,081
Additional Federal Dollars State Would Receive if Participation Rate Reached 40%	\$381,661
Number of Summer Food Service Sponsors	12
Number of Summer Food Service Sites	159
Federal Funding for Summer Food Service Program	\$948,036

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<b>Food Stamp Program (FY 2006)</b>	
Average Monthly Number of Individuals Participating	73,195
Change in Participation in Last 5 Years	2.7%
Average Monthly Benefit per Person	\$92.14
Proportion of Eligible Persons Who Were Participating (FY 2004)	52%
Rank Among States	47
Participation Rate of Eligible Working Poor (FY 2004)	39%
Federal Funding for Food Stamps	\$80,928,576
<b>Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children (WIC) (FY 2006)</b>	
Average Monthly Number of Participants	22,667
Women	5,239
Infants	5,547
Children	11,882
Change in Last 10 Years (Total Participation)	1.3%
Federal Funding for WIC	\$15,143,712
<b>Child and Adult Care Food Program (FY 2006)</b>	
Number of Participating Family Child Care Homes	420
Family Child Care Home Average Daily Participation of Children	1,897
Change in Family Child Care Daily Participation in Last 10 Years	54.4%
Number of Participating Child Care Centers (Includes Head Start)	177
Child Care Center Average Daily Participation of Children (Includes Head Start)	8,030
Change in Center Daily Participation in Last 10 Years	52.3%
Federal Funding for CACFP	\$6,511,341
<b>The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP) (FY 2006)</b>	
Federal Entitlement Funding	\$432,120
Federal Bonus Commodity Funding	\$278,674
Administrative Funding	\$198,058
<b>Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP) (FY 2006)</b>	
Average Monthly Participation	Not Available
Federal Funding for CSFP	in This State

## State Economic Security Policies

<b>Minimum Wage (2006)</b>	
State Minimum Wage	\$7.10 (Mar. 1, 2006)
<b>Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) (2006)</b>	
State EITC (Yes/No)	Yes
Refundable (Yes/No)	Partially
<b>Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) (FY 2005)</b>	
Average Monthly Number of Participants (2005)	26,252
Adults	7,923
Children	18,329
Maximum Monthly Benefit per 3-Person Family (FY 2004)	\$554
Federal and State Funding for Cash Assistance	\$72,080,115