

Alabama

Demographics, Poverty and Food Insecurity

Population (2007)	
Total People	4,627,851
Children (Under Age 18)	1,124,650
Income and Poverty (2007)	
Median Household Income (2007)	\$40,554
Rank Among States	47
Total People Living In Poverty	759,835
Poverty Rate	16.9%
Rank Among States (Highest to Lowest)	7
Children (Under Age 18) Living In Poverty	269,086
Child Poverty Rate	24.3%
Rank Among States (Highest to Lowest)	5
Total People Living Below 185% of Federal Poverty Level	1,540,701
Food Insecurity Among Households (2005-2007, 3-Year Averages)	
Number of Households that are Food Insecure	219,000
Percent of Households that are Food Insecure	11.9%
Number of Households that are Very Low Food Secure	79,000
Percent of Households that are Very Low Food Secure	4.3%

Federal Nutrition Programs

School Breakfast Program (School Year 2007-2008)	
Average Daily Student Participation	204,723
Free and Reduced-Price Students	169,615
Paid Students	35,107
Change in Free and Reduced-Price Participation in Last 10 Years	55.3%
Free and Reduced-Price Student Participation Rate (Compared to School Lunch Participation)	48.0
Rank Among States	19
Additional Free and Reduced-Price Students Served if Participation Rate Reached 60%	42,235
Additional Federal Dollars State Would Receive if Participation Rate Reached 60%	\$9,442,592
Number of Schools Participating	1,533
School Participation Rate (Compared to Number of Schools Serving Lunch)	100.3%
Federal Funding for School Breakfast	\$47,139,210
School Breakfast Mandate in State Law (Yes/No)	No
National School Lunch Program (School Year 2007-2008)	
Average Daily Student Participation	580,512
Free and Reduced-Price Students	353,085
Paid Students	227,427
Number of Schools Participating	1,529
Federal Funding for School Lunch	\$157,397,685
Summer Nutrition Participation (July 2007)	
Average Daily Summer Nutrition Participation in July	30,719
July Summer Food Service Participation	20,187
July National School Lunch Participation in Free and Reduced-Price Lunch	10,532
Change in Average Daily Summer Nutrition Participation in Last 10 Years	-40.9%
Low-Income Participation Rate (Compared to Regular Year Free and Reduced-Price School Lunch)	9.5
Rank Among States	41
Additional Low-Income Children Served if Participation Rate Reached 40%	98,958
Additional Federal Dollars State Would Receive if Participation Rate Reached 40%	\$5,964,187
Number of Summer Food Service Sponsors	37
Number of Summer Food Service Sites	536
Federal Funding for Summer Food Service Program	\$3,012,683

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SNAP/Food Stamp Program (FY 2008)	
Average Monthly Participation (Individuals)	571,591
Change in Participation in Last 5 Years	21.1%
Average Monthly Benefit per Person	\$96.79
Participation Rate of Eligible Persons (FY 2006)	66%
Rank Among States	30
Participation Rate of Eligible Working Poor (FY 2006)	58%
Federal Funding for SNAP/Food Stamps	\$663,901,057
Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children (WIC) (FY 2008)	
Average Monthly Participation	134,842
Women	32,699
Infants	37,851
Children	64,293
Change in Participation in Last 10 Years	14.9%
Federal Funding for WIC	\$104,431,776
Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) (FY 2008)	
Number of Participating Family Child Care Homes	1,126
Family Child Care Home Average Daily Participation of Children	6,148
Change in Family Child Care Daily Participation in Last 10 Years	-45.0%
Number of Participating Child Care Centers (Includes Head Start)	746
Child Care Center Average Daily Participation of Children (Includes Head Start)	36,712
Change in Center Daily Participation in Last 10 Years	56.0%
Federal Funding for CACFP	\$34,613,004
The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP) (FY 2007)	
Federal Entitlement Funding	\$2,162,764
Federal Bonus Commodity Funding	\$950,489
Administrative Funding	\$779,768
Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP) (FY 2007)	
Average Monthly Participation	Not Available
Federal Funding for CSFP	in This State

State Economic Security Policies

Minimum Wage (2007)	
State Minimum Wage	\$5.85 (July, 2007 - Federal)
Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) (2007)	
State EITC (Yes/No)	No
Refundable (Yes/No)	No
Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) (FY 2006)	
Average Monthly Participation (FY 2006)	44,693
Adults	9,869
Children	34,824
Maximum Monthly Benefit per 3-Person Family (FY 2005)	\$215
Federal and State Funding for Cash Assistance	\$34,578,824