

Georgia

Demographics, Poverty and Food Insecurity

Population (2007)	
Total People	9,544,750
Children (Under Age 18)	2,526,863
Income and Poverty (2007)	
Median Household Income (2007)	\$49,136
Rank Among States	24
Total People Living In Poverty	1,323,828
Poverty Rate	14.3%
Rank Among States (Highest to Lowest)	14
Children (Under Age 18) Living In Poverty	490,381
Child Poverty Rate	19.7%
Rank Among States (Highest to Lowest)	14
Total People Living Below 185% of Federal Poverty Level	2,790,652
Food Insecurity Among Households (2005-2007, 3-Year Averages)	
Number of Households that are Food Insecure	467,000
Percent of Households that are Food Insecure	13.0%
Number of Households that are Very Low Food Secure	179,000
Percent of Households that are Very Low Food Secure	5.0%

Federal Nutrition Programs

School Breakfast Program (School Year 2007-2008)	
Average Daily Student Participation	548,705
Free and Reduced-Price Students	434,819
Paid Students	113,885
Change in Free and Reduced-Price Participation in Last 10 Years	76.9%
Free and Reduced-Price Student Participation Rate (Compared to School Lunch Participation)	55.8
Rank Among States	7
Additional Free and Reduced-Price Students Served if Participation Rate Reached 60%	32,927
Additional Federal Dollars State Would Receive if Participation Rate Reached 60%	\$7,330,156
Number of Schools Participating	2,311
School Participation Rate (Compared to Number of Schools Serving Lunch)	96.7%
Federal Funding for School Breakfast	\$121,663,346
School Breakfast Mandate in State Law (Yes/No)	Yes
National School Lunch Program (School Year 2007-2008)	
Average Daily Student Participation	1,283,588
Free and Reduced-Price Students	779,577
Paid Students	504,011
Number of Schools Participating	2,391
Federal Funding for School Lunch	\$351,467,887
Summer Nutrition Participation (July 2007)	
Average Daily Summer Nutrition Participation in July	95,956
July Summer Food Service Participation	44,727
July National School Lunch Participation in Free and Reduced-Price Lunch	51,229
Change in Average Daily Summer Nutrition Participation in Last 10 Years	-2.0%
Low-Income Participation Rate (Compared to Regular Year Free and Reduced-Price School Lunch)	13.6
Rank Among States	31
Additional Low-Income Children Served if Participation Rate Reached 40%	186,431
Additional Federal Dollars State Would Receive if Participation Rate Reached 40%	\$11,236,187
Number of Summer Food Service Sponsors	72
Number of Summer Food Service Sites	1,211
Federal Funding for Summer Food Service Program	\$7,658,052

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SNAP/Food Stamp Program (FY 2008)	
Average Monthly Participation (Individuals)	1,021,155
Change in Participation in Last 5 Years	36.1%
Average Monthly Benefit per Person	\$104.19
Participation Rate of Eligible Persons (FY 2006)	68%
Rank Among States	25
Participation Rate of Eligible Working Poor (FY 2006)	59%
Federal Funding for SNAP/Food Stamps	\$1,276,750,098
Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children (WIC) (FY 2008)	
Average Monthly Participation	305,516
Women	77,900
Infants	80,696
Children	146,919
Change in Participation in Last 10 Years	31.5%
Federal Funding for WIC	\$230,725,716
Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) (FY 2008)	
Number of Participating Family Child Care Homes	3,324
Family Child Care Home Average Daily Participation of Children	22,704
Change in Family Child Care Daily Participation in Last 10 Years	15.0%
Number of Participating Child Care Centers (Includes Head Start)	2,097
Child Care Center Average Daily Participation of Children (Includes Head Start)	114,330
Change in Center Daily Participation in Last 10 Years	58.5%
Federal Funding for CACFP	\$86,791,042
The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP) (FY 2007)	
Federal Entitlement Funding	\$4,104,588
Federal Bonus Commodity Funding	\$1,847,392
Administrative Funding	\$1,657,139
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)	62,584
Adults	7,872
Children	54,712
Maximum Monthly Benefit per 3-Person Family (FY 2005)	\$280
Federal and State Funding for Cash Assistance	\$95,716,821