

# Massachusetts

## Demographics, Poverty and Food Insecurity

<b>Population (2007)</b>	
Total People	6,449,755
Children (Under Age 18)	1,432,107
<b>Income and Poverty (2007)</b>	
Median Household Income (2007)	\$62,365
Rank Among States	7
Total People Living In Poverty	621,286
Poverty Rate	9.9%
Rank Among States (Highest to Lowest)	41
Children (Under Age 18) Living In Poverty	182,159
Child Poverty Rate	12.9%
Rank Among States (Highest to Lowest)	41
Total People Living Below 185% of Federal Poverty Level	1,251,548
<b>Food Insecurity Among Households (2005-2007, 3-Year Averages)</b>	
Number of Households that are Food Insecure	198,000
Percent of Households that are Food Insecure	8.0%
Number of Households that are Very Low Food Secure	79,000
Percent of Households that are Very Low Food Secure	3.2%

## Federal Nutrition Programs

<b>School Breakfast Program (School Year 2007-2008)</b>	
Average Daily Student Participation	133,438
Free and Reduced-Price Students	109,584
Paid Students	23,854
Change in Free and Reduced-Price Participation in Last 10 Years	44.7%
Free and Reduced-Price Student Participation Rate (Compared to School Lunch Participation)	44.1
Rank Among States	26
Additional Free and Reduced-Price Students Served if Participation Rate Reached 60%	39,367
Additional Federal Dollars State Would Receive if Participation Rate Reached 60%	\$8,825,533
Number of Schools Participating	1,604
School Participation Rate (Compared to Number of Schools Serving Lunch)	70.5%
Federal Funding for School Breakfast	\$31,307,347
School Breakfast Mandate in State Law (Yes/No)	Yes
<b>National School Lunch Program (School Year 2007-2008)</b>	
Average Daily Student Participation	558,951
Free and Reduced-Price Students	248,251
Paid Students	310,700
Number of Schools Participating	2,276
Federal Funding for School Lunch	\$116,784,736
<b>Summer Nutrition Participation (July 2007)</b>	
Average Daily Summer Nutrition Participation in July	48,026
July Summer Food Service Participation	41,856
July National School Lunch Participation in Free and Reduced-Price Lunch	6,170
Change in Average Daily Summer Nutrition Participation in Last 10 Years	4.7%
Low-Income Participation Rate (Compared to Regular Year Free and Reduced-Price School Lunch)	21.3
Rank Among States	14
Additional Low-Income Children Served if Participation Rate Reached 40%	42,167
Additional Federal Dollars State Would Receive if Participation Rate Reached 40%	\$2,541,426
Number of Summer Food Service Sponsors	82
Number of Summer Food Service Sites	795
Federal Funding for Summer Food Service Program	\$4,868,230

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<b>SNAP/Food Stamp Program (FY 2008)</b>	
Average Monthly Participation (Individuals)	505,782
Change in Participation in Last 5 Years	73.1%
Average Monthly Benefit per Person	\$96.65
Participation Rate of Eligible Persons (FY 2006)	61%
Rank Among States	38
Participation Rate of Eligible Working Poor (FY 2006)	42%
Federal Funding for SNAP/Food Stamps	\$586,587,498
<b>Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children (WIC) (FY 2008)</b>	
Average Monthly Participation	123,938
Women	30,865
Infants	29,484
Children	63,589
Change in Participation in Last 10 Years	5.3%
Federal Funding for WIC	\$85,273,479
<b>Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) (FY 2008)</b>	
Number of Participating Family Child Care Homes	5,079
Family Child Care Home Average Daily Participation of Children	20,051
Change in Family Child Care Daily Participation in Last 10 Years	-14.4%
Number of Participating Child Care Centers (Includes Head Start)	766
Child Care Center Average Daily Participation of Children (Includes Head Start)	33,465
Change in Center Daily Participation in Last 10 Years	15.4%
Federal Funding for CACFP	\$43,699,603
<b>The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP) (FY 2007)</b>	
Federal Entitlement Funding	\$2,411,814
Federal Bonus Commodity Funding	\$1,208,867
Administrative Funding	\$1,124,858
<b>Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP) (FY 2007)</b>	
Average Monthly Participation	Not Available
Federal Funding for CSFP	in This State

## State Economic Security Policies

<b>Minimum Wage (2007)</b>	
State Minimum Wage	\$7.50
<b>Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) (2007)</b>	
State EITC (Yes/No)	Yes
Refundable (Yes/No)	Yes
<b>Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) (FY 2006)</b>	
Average Monthly Participation (FY 2006)	93,379
Adults	28,380
Children	64,999
Maximum Monthly Benefit per 3-Person Family (FY 2005)	\$618
Federal and State Funding for Cash Assistance	\$320,378,316