

Montana

Demographics, Poverty and Food Insecurity

Population (2007)	
Total People	957,861
Children (Under Age 18)	220,051
Income and Poverty (2007)	
Median Household Income (2007)	\$43,531
Rank Among States	40
Total People Living In Poverty	131,790
Poverty Rate	14.1%
Rank Among States (Highest to Lowest)	16
Children (Under Age 18) Living In Poverty	39,660
Child Poverty Rate	18.3%
Rank Among States (Highest to Lowest)	19
Total People Living Below 185% of Federal Poverty Level	290,119
Food Insecurity Among Households (2005-2007, 3-Year Averages)	
Number of Households that are Food Insecure	40,000
Percent of Households that are Food Insecure	9.5%
Number of Households that are Very Low Food Secure	16,000
Percent of Households that are Very Low Food Secure	3.8%

Federal Nutrition Programs

School Breakfast Program (School Year 2007-2008)	
Average Daily Student Participation	24,601
Free and Reduced-Price Students	18,135
Paid Students	6,466
Change in Free and Reduced-Price Participation in Last 10 Years	77.2%
Free and Reduced-Price Student Participation Rate (Compared to School Lunch Participation)	42.9
Rank Among States	29
Additional Free and Reduced-Price Students Served if Participation Rate Reached 60%	7,228
Additional Federal Dollars State Would Receive if Participation Rate Reached 60%	\$1,596,639
Number of Schools Participating	690
School Participation Rate (Compared to Number of Schools Serving Lunch)	85.4%
Federal Funding for School Breakfast	\$5,110,790
School Breakfast Mandate in State Law (Yes/No)	No
National School Lunch Program (School Year 2007-2008)	
Average Daily Student Participation	86,433
Free and Reduced-Price Students	42,273
Paid Students	44,160
Number of Schools Participating	808
Federal Funding for School Lunch	\$19,194,884
Summer Nutrition Participation (July 2007)	
Average Daily Summer Nutrition Participation in July	4,839
July Summer Food Service Participation	4,269
July National School Lunch Participation in Free and Reduced-Price Lunch	570
Change in Average Daily Summer Nutrition Participation in Last 10 Years	5.9%
Low-Income Participation Rate (Compared to Regular Year Free and Reduced-Price School Lunch)	12.9
Rank Among States	33
Additional Low-Income Children Served if Participation Rate Reached 40%	10,199
Additional Federal Dollars State Would Receive if Participation Rate Reached 40%	\$614,704
Number of Summer Food Service Sponsors	51
Number of Summer Food Service Sites	139
Federal Funding for Summer Food Service Program	\$657,515

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SNAP/Food Stamp Program (FY 2008)	
Average Monthly Participation (Individuals)	80,407
Change in Participation in Last 5 Years	12.7%
Average Monthly Benefit per Person	\$97.65
Participation Rate of Eligible Persons (FY 2006)	62%
Rank Among States	36
Participation Rate of Eligible Working Poor (FY 2006)	56%
Federal Funding for SNAP/Food Stamps	\$94,225,210
Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children (WIC) (FY 2008)	
Average Monthly Participation	19,914
Women	4,611
Infants	4,898
Children	10,405
Change in Participation in Last 10 Years	-7.1%
Federal Funding for WIC	\$14,399,067
Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) (FY 2008)	
Number of Participating Family Child Care Homes	799
Family Child Care Home Average Daily Participation of Children	6,715
Change in Family Child Care Daily Participation in Last 10 Years	-26.1%
Number of Participating Child Care Centers (Includes Head Start)	177
Child Care Center Average Daily Participation of Children (Includes Head Start)	6,649
Change in Center Daily Participation in Last 10 Years	39.1%
Federal Funding for CACFP	\$8,319,811
The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP) (FY 2007)	
Federal Entitlement Funding	\$386,337
Federal Bonus Commodity Funding	\$223,847
Administrative Funding	\$183,270
Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP) (FY 2007)	
Average Monthly Participation	6,722
Federal Funding for CSFP	\$1,526,998

State Economic Security Policies

Minimum Wage (2007)	
State Minimum Wage	\$6.15
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)	9,907
Adults	3,070
Children	6,838
Maximum Monthly Benefit per 3-Person Family (FY 2005)	\$375
Federal and State Funding for Cash Assistance	\$16,510,872