

North Carolina

Demographics, Poverty and Food Insecurity

Population (2007)	
Total People	9,061,032
Children (Under Age 18)	2,212,884
Income and Poverty (2007)	
Median Household Income (2007)	\$44,670
Rank Among States	38
Total People Living In Poverty	1,258,988
Poverty Rate	14.3%
Rank Among States (Highest to Lowest)	13
Children (Under Age 18) Living In Poverty	426,047
Child Poverty Rate	19.5%
Rank Among States (Highest to Lowest)	15
Total People Living Below 185% of Federal Poverty Level	2,731,295
Food Insecurity Among Households (2005-2007, 3-Year Averages)	
Number of Households that are Food Insecure	441,000
Percent of Households that are Food Insecure	12.6%
Number of Households that are Very Low Food Secure	141,000
Percent of Households that are Very Low Food Secure	4.0%

Federal Nutrition Programs

School Breakfast Program (School Year 2007-2008)	
Average Daily Student Participation	365,307
Free and Reduced-Price Students	293,905
Paid Students	71,403
Change in Free and Reduced-Price Participation in Last 10 Years	66.7%
Free and Reduced-Price Student Participation Rate (Compared to School Lunch Participation)	49.9
Rank Among States	17
Additional Free and Reduced-Price Students Served if Participation Rate Reached 60%	59,499
Additional Federal Dollars State Would Receive if Participation Rate Reached 60%	\$13,244,032
Number of Schools Participating	2,454
School Participation Rate (Compared to Number of Schools Serving Lunch)	99.2%
Federal Funding for School Breakfast	\$82,116,694
School Breakfast Mandate in State Law (Yes/No)	No
National School Lunch Program (School Year 2007-2008)	
Average Daily Student Participation	966,394
Free and Reduced-Price Students	589,006
Paid Students	377,388
Number of Schools Participating	2,473
Federal Funding for School Lunch	\$264,623,514
Summer Nutrition Participation (July 2007)	
Average Daily Summer Nutrition Participation in July	79,500
July Summer Food Service Participation	31,089
July National School Lunch Participation in Free and Reduced-Price Lunch	48,412
Change in Average Daily Summer Nutrition Participation in Last 10 Years	17.0%
Low-Income Participation Rate (Compared to Regular Year Free and Reduced-Price School Lunch)	14.8
Rank Among States	27
Additional Low-Income Children Served if Participation Rate Reached 40%	135,888
Additional Federal Dollars State Would Receive if Participation Rate Reached 40%	\$8,189,964
Number of Summer Food Service Sponsors	77
Number of Summer Food Service Sites	646
Federal Funding for Summer Food Service Program	\$4,281,308

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SNAP/Food Stamp Program (FY 2008)	
Average Monthly Participation (Individuals)	946,978
Change in Participation in Last 5 Years	45.8%
Average Monthly Benefit per Person	\$97.19
Participation Rate of Eligible Persons (FY 2006)	67%
Rank Among States	27
Participation Rate of Eligible Working Poor (FY 2006)	58%
Federal Funding for SNAP/Food Stamps	\$1,104,399,962
Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children (WIC) (FY 2008)	
Average Monthly Participation	260,433
Women	64,064
Infants	68,089
Children	128,280
Change in Participation in Last 10 Years	31.6%
Federal Funding for WIC	\$181,091,985
Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) (FY 2008)	
Number of Participating Family Child Care Homes	3,198
Family Child Care Home Average Daily Participation of Children	14,372
Change in Family Child Care Daily Participation in Last 10 Years	-29.2%
Number of Participating Child Care Centers (Includes Head Start)	2,121
Child Care Center Average Daily Participation of Children (Includes Head Start)	107,045
Change in Center Daily Participation in Last 10 Years	40.8%
Federal Funding for CACFP	\$72,320,047
The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP) (FY 2007)	
Federal Entitlement Funding	\$4,023,026
Federal Bonus Commodity Funding	\$2,386,257
Administrative Funding	\$1,649,531
Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP) (FY 2007)	
Average Monthly Participation	1,182
Federal Funding for CSFP	\$271,213

State Economic Security Policies

Minimum Wage (2007)	
State Minimum Wage	\$6.15
Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) (2007)	
State EITC (Yes/No)	Yes
Refundable (Yes/No)	Yes
Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) (FY 2006)	
Average Monthly Participation (FY 2006)	58,801
Adults	11,333
Children	47,468
Maximum Monthly Benefit per 3-Person Family (FY 2005)	\$272
Federal and State Funding for Cash Assistance	\$94,433,523