

Rhode Island

Demographics, Poverty and Food Insecurity

Population (2007)	
Total People	1,057,832
Children (Under Age 18)	234,821
Income and Poverty (2007)	
Median Household Income (2007)	\$53,568
Rank Among States	18
Total People Living In Poverty	122,128
Poverty Rate	12.0%
Rank Among States (Highest to Lowest)	29
Children (Under Age 18) Living In Poverty	40,468
Child Poverty Rate	17.5%
Rank Among States (Highest to Lowest)	21
Total People Living Below 185% of Federal Poverty Level	249,440
Food Insecurity Among Households (2005-2007, 3-Year Averages)	
Number of Households that are Food Insecure	47,000
Percent of Households that are Food Insecure	10.9%
Number of Households that are Very Low Food Secure	17,000
Percent of Households that are Very Low Food Secure	3.9%

Federal Nutrition Programs

School Breakfast Program (School Year 2007-2008)	
Average Daily Student Participation	25,327
Free and Reduced-Price Students	20,606
Paid Students	4,722
Change in Free and Reduced-Price Participation in Last 10 Years	198.7%
Free and Reduced-Price Student Participation Rate (Compared to School Lunch Participation)	39.9
Rank Among States	38
Additional Free and Reduced-Price Students Served if Participation Rate Reached 60%	10,342
Additional Federal Dollars State Would Receive if Participation Rate Reached 60%	\$2,319,308
Number of Schools Participating	417
School Participation Rate (Compared to Number of Schools Serving Lunch)	96.5%
Federal Funding for School Breakfast	\$5,881,762
School Breakfast Mandate in State Law (Yes/No)	Yes
National School Lunch Program (School Year 2007-2008)	
Average Daily Student Participation	84,515
Free and Reduced-Price Students	51,580
Paid Students	32,936
Number of Schools Participating	432
Federal Funding for School Lunch	\$23,069,118
Summer Nutrition Participation (July 2007)	
Average Daily Summer Nutrition Participation in July	12,566
July Summer Food Service Participation	10,256
July National School Lunch Participation in Free and Reduced-Price Lunch	2,310
Change in Average Daily Summer Nutrition Participation in Last 10 Years	-6.0%
Low-Income Participation Rate (Compared to Regular Year Free and Reduced-Price School Lunch)	29.4
Rank Among States	6
Additional Low-Income Children Served if Participation Rate Reached 40%	4,504
Additional Federal Dollars State Would Receive if Participation Rate Reached 40%	\$271,427
Number of Summer Food Service Sponsors	11
Number of Summer Food Service Sites	157
Federal Funding for Summer Food Service Program	\$1,362,537

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SNAP/Food Stamp Program (FY 2008)	
Average Monthly Participation (Individuals)	84,868
Change in Participation in Last 5 Years	14.6%
Average Monthly Benefit per Person	\$105.77
Participation Rate of Eligible Persons (FY 2006)	55%
Rank Among States	47
Participation Rate of Eligible Working Poor (FY 2006)	36%
Federal Funding for SNAP/Food Stamps	\$107,719,391
Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children (WIC) (FY 2008)	
Average Monthly Participation	25,823
Women	5,895
Infants	6,192
Children	13,737
Change in Participation in Last 10 Years	13.4%
Federal Funding for WIC	\$18,602,388
Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) (FY 2008)	
Number of Participating Family Child Care Homes	399
Family Child Care Home Average Daily Participation of Children	2,480
Change in Family Child Care Daily Participation in Last 10 Years	110.0%
Number of Participating Child Care Centers (Includes Head Start)	175
Child Care Center Average Daily Participation of Children (Includes Head Start)	7,076
Change in Center Daily Participation in Last 10 Years	13.6%
Federal Funding for CACFP	\$6,423,203
The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP) (FY 2007)	
Federal Entitlement Funding	\$468,009
Federal Bonus Commodity Funding	\$356,222
Administrative Funding	\$219,650
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	\$7.40
Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) (2007)	
State EITC (Yes/No)	Yes
Refundable (Yes/No)	Partially
Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) (FY 2006)	
Average Monthly Participation (FY 2006)	23,977
Adults	7,201
Children	16,776
Maximum Monthly Benefit per 3-Person Family (FY 2005)	\$554
Federal and State Funding for Cash Assistance	\$64,976,630