

South Carolina

Demographics, Poverty and Food Insecurity

Population (2007)	
Total People	4,407,709
Children (Under Age 18)	1,057,656
Income and Poverty (2007)	
Median Household Income (2007)	\$43,329
Rank Among States	42
Total People Living In Poverty	641,758
Poverty Rate	15.0%
Rank Among States (Highest to Lowest)	12
Children (Under Age 18) Living In Poverty	218,250
Child Poverty Rate	20.9%
Rank Among States (Highest to Lowest)	12
Total People Living Below 185% of Federal Poverty Level	1,364,027
Food Insecurity Among Households (2005-2007, 3-Year Averages)	
Number of Households that are Food Insecure	230,000
Percent of Households that are Food Insecure	13.1%
Number of Households that are Very Low Food Secure	88,000
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	242,829
Free and Reduced-Price Students	193,498
Paid Students	49,331
Change in Free and Reduced-Price Participation in Last 10 Years	58.2%
Free and Reduced-Price Student Participation Rate (Compared to School Lunch Participation)	60.2
Rank Among States	2
Additional Free and Reduced-Price Students Served if Participation Rate Reached 60%	--
Additional Federal Dollars State Would Receive if Participation Rate Reached 60%	--
Number of Schools Participating	1,141
School Participation Rate (Compared to Number of Schools Serving Lunch)	99.2%
Federal Funding for School Breakfast	\$54,398,325
School Breakfast Mandate in State Law (Yes/No)	Yes
National School Lunch Program (School Year 2007-2008)	
Average Daily Student Participation	497,978
Free and Reduced-Price Students	321,261
Paid Students	176,717
Number of Schools Participating	1,150
Federal Funding for School Lunch	\$144,884,288
Summer Nutrition Participation (July 2007)	
Average Daily Summer Nutrition Participation in July	78,845
July Summer Food Service Participation	43,030
July National School Lunch Participation in Free and Reduced-Price Lunch	35,815
Change in Average Daily Summer Nutrition Participation in Last 10 Years	6.4%
Low-Income Participation Rate (Compared to Regular Year Free and Reduced-Price School Lunch)	26.7
Rank Among States	9
Additional Low-Income Children Served if Participation Rate Reached 40%	39,418
Additional Federal Dollars State Would Receive if Participation Rate Reached 40%	\$2,375,712
Number of Summer Food Service Sponsors	44
Number of Summer Food Service Sites	1,021
Federal Funding for Summer Food Service Program	\$7,381,657

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SNAP/Food Stamp Program (FY 2008)	
Average Monthly Participation (Individuals)	589,763
Change in Participation in Last 5 Years	30.9%
Average Monthly Benefit per Person	\$99.87
Participation Rate of Eligible Persons (FY 2006)	74%
Rank Among States	15
Participation Rate of Eligible Working Poor (FY 2006)	67%
Federal Funding for SNAP/Food Stamps	\$706,792,219
Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children (WIC) (FY 2008)	
Average Monthly Participation	126,956
Women	35,380
Infants	37,233
Children	54,343
Change in Participation in Last 10 Years	7.1%
Federal Funding for WIC	\$93,078,361
Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) (FY 2008)	
Number of Participating Family Child Care Homes	844
Family Child Care Home Average Daily Participation of Children	6,431
Change in Family Child Care Daily Participation in Last 10 Years	-30.8%
Number of Participating Child Care Centers (Includes Head Start)	442
Child Care Center Average Daily Participation of Children (Includes Head Start)	24,776
Change in Center Daily Participation in Last 10 Years	45.8%
Federal Funding for CACFP	\$24,067,946
The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP) (FY 2007)	
Federal Entitlement Funding	\$2,118,912
Federal Bonus Commodity Funding	\$974,034
Administrative Funding	\$992,250
Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP) (FY 2007)	
Average Monthly Participation	3,721
Federal Funding for CSFP	\$898,033

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)	35,548
Adults	8,343
Children	27,205
Maximum Monthly Benefit per 3-Person Family (FY 2005)	\$240
Federal and State Funding for Cash Assistance	\$38,531,355