

Texas

Demographics, Poverty and Food Insecurity

Population (2007)	
Total People	23,904,380
Children (Under Age 18)	6,629,447
Income and Poverty (2007)	
Median Household Income (2007)	\$47,548
Rank Among States	29
Total People Living In Poverty	3,791,183
Poverty Rate	16.3%
Rank Among States (Highest to Lowest)	9
Children (Under Age 18) Living In Poverty	1,512,819
Child Poverty Rate	23.2%
Rank Among States (Highest to Lowest)	7
Total People Living Below 185% of Federal Poverty Level	7,908,484
Food Insecurity Among Households (2005-2007, 3-Year Averages)	
Number of Households that are Food Insecure	1,260,000
Percent of Households that are Food Insecure	14.8%
Number of Households that are Very Low Food Secure	427,000
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	1,438,562
Free and Reduced-Price Students	1,191,140
Paid Students	247,422
Change in Free and Reduced-Price Participation in Last 10 Years	91.3%
Free and Reduced-Price Student Participation Rate (Compared to School Lunch Participation)	53.8
Rank Among States	11
Additional Free and Reduced-Price Students Served if Participation Rate Reached 60%	136,494
Additional Federal Dollars State Would Receive if Participation Rate Reached 60%	\$30,463,459
Number of Schools Participating	7,616
School Participation Rate (Compared to Number of Schools Serving Lunch)	99.5%
Federal Funding for School Breakfast	\$322,452,457
School Breakfast Mandate in State Law (Yes/No)	Yes
National School Lunch Program (School Year 2007-2008)	
Average Daily Student Participation	3,165,845
Free and Reduced-Price Students	2,212,723
Paid Students	953,122
Number of Schools Participating	7,654
Federal Funding for School Lunch	\$949,698,799
Summer Nutrition Participation (July 2007)	
Average Daily Summer Nutrition Participation in July	164,085
July Summer Food Service Participation	94,887
July National School Lunch Participation in Free and Reduced-Price Lunch	69,198
Change in Average Daily Summer Nutrition Participation in Last 10 Years	-9.6%
Low-Income Participation Rate (Compared to Regular Year Free and Reduced-Price School Lunch)	8.2
Rank Among States	47
Additional Low-Income Children Served if Participation Rate Reached 40%	637,874
Additional Federal Dollars State Would Receive if Participation Rate Reached 40%	\$38,444,674
Number of Summer Food Service Sponsors	167
Number of Summer Food Service Sites	1,694
Federal Funding for Summer Food Service Program	\$26,855,958

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SNAP/Food Stamp Program (FY 2008)	
Average Monthly Participation (Individuals)	2,532,047
Change in Participation in Last 5 Years	35.2%
Average Monthly Benefit per Person	\$100.98
Participation Rate of Eligible Persons (FY 2006)	63%
Rank Among States	32
Participation Rate of Eligible Working Poor (FY 2006)	56%
Federal Funding for SNAP/Food Stamps	\$3,068,232,722
Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children (WIC) (FY 2008)	
Average Monthly Participation	934,597
Women	230,720
Infants	235,211
Children	468,665
Change in Participation in Last 10 Years	35.2%
Federal Funding for WIC	\$568,698,071
Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) (FY 2008)	
Number of Participating Family Child Care Homes	6,620
Family Child Care Home Average Daily Participation of Children	34,228
Change in Family Child Care Daily Participation in Last 10 Years	-26.5%
Number of Participating Child Care Centers (Includes Head Start)	3,847
Child Care Center Average Daily Participation of Children (Includes Head Start)	219,649
Change in Center Daily Participation in Last 10 Years	111.4%
Federal Funding for CACFP	\$210,408,507
The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP) (FY 2007)	
Federal Entitlement Funding	\$11,425,501
Federal Bonus Commodity Funding	\$5,652,873
Administrative Funding	\$5,347,795
Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP) (FY 2007)	
Average Monthly Participation	14,721
Federal Funding for CSFP	\$5,117,965

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)	160,806
Adults	26,287
Children	134,519
Maximum Monthly Benefit per 3-Person Family (FY 2005)	\$223
Federal and State Funding for Cash Assistance	\$138,932,208