

FOOD STAMP PROGRAM: NUMBER OF PERSONS PARTICIPATING - 1 MONTH CHANGE			
(Data as of July 29, 2008)			
State	April 2008	May 2008	Percent Change May 2008 vs April 2008
New York	1,895,596	1,986,156	4.8%
Georgia	1,002,500	1,039,417	3.7%
Utah	133,033	136,972	3.0%
Minnesota*	290,690	299,065	2.9%
Florida	1,441,093	1,475,659	2.4%
Arizona	626,555	638,780	2.0%
Wisconsin	425,903	432,800	1.6%
Mississippi	439,293	445,873	1.5%
District of Columbia	88,408	89,629	1.4%
Illinois	1,294,912	1,312,933	1.4%
Nevada	145,517	147,361	1.3%
Maryland	358,818	363,035	1.2%
New Jersey	435,916	441,267	1.2%
Alaska	61,058	61,749	1.1%
California	2,228,659	2,252,135	1.1%
Idaho	102,519	103,611	1.1%
Oregon	474,808	480,123	1.1%
Texas	2,446,639	2,471,914	1.0%
Alabama	567,193	572,356	0.9%
Hawaii	96,038	96,862	0.9%
Massachusetts	502,455	507,157	0.9%
New Mexico	240,102	242,228	0.9%
South Carolina	585,205	590,504	0.9%
Arkansas	376,329	379,254	0.8%
Michigan	1,266,669	1,276,347	0.8%
North Carolina	938,216	945,711	0.8%
Rhode Island	85,778	86,493	0.8%
Kansas	187,616	188,873	0.7%
Louisiana	653,510	658,314	0.7%
Ohio	1,152,412	1,160,225	0.7%
South Dakota	63,951	64,401	0.7%
Nebraska	120,651	121,361	0.6%
Kentucky	630,607	633,997	0.5%
Pennsylvania	1,191,886	1,197,516	0.5%
Virginia	544,002	546,775	0.5%
Iowa	255,566	256,548	0.4%
Vermont	56,217	56,462	0.4%
Washington	582,564	584,862	0.4%
Oklahoma	413,970	415,304	0.3%
Tennessee	907,989	910,763	0.3%
Connecticut	225,233	225,670	0.2%
Missouri	890,530	891,580	0.1%
Delaware	75,462	75,485	0.0%
Colorado	253,090	252,813	-0.1%
North Dakota	48,998	48,959	-0.1%
New Hampshire	64,847	64,561	-0.4%
Maine	174,834	173,910	-0.5%
Montana	81,417	80,911	-0.6%
Indiana	615,421	611,239	-0.7%
West Virginia	279,012	275,796	-1.2%
Wyoming	23,319	22,470	-3.6%
TOTAL	28,084,126	28,435,841	1.3%

* Minnesota's April 2008 participation numbers reflect an update from the previous month. The state experienced an increase in participation in April 2008, not a decrease.

FOOD STAMP PROGRAM: NUMBER OF PERSONS PARTICIPATING - 1 YEAR CHANGE (Data as of July 29, 2008)			
State	May 2007	May 2008	Percent Change May 2008 vs May 2007
Florida	1,218,894	1,475,659	21.1%
Nevada	122,470	147,361	20.3%
Idaho	87,741	103,611	18.1%
Arizona	541,262	638,780	18.0%
Maryland	314,830	363,035	15.3%
Wisconsin	384,085	432,800	12.7%
Rhode Island	77,298	86,493	11.9%
Delaware	67,541	75,485	11.8%
Utah	122,473	136,972	11.8%
Massachusetts	454,647	507,157	11.5%
Georgia	938,870	1,039,417	10.7%
New York	1,801,853	1,986,156	10.2%
South Carolina	539,053	590,504	9.5%
California	2,060,397	2,252,135	9.3%
Missouri	817,460	891,580	9.1%
Washington	536,775	584,862	9.0%
Hawaii	89,119	96,862	8.7%
Oregon	442,592	480,123	8.5%
North Carolina	874,694	945,711	8.1%
New Hampshire	59,882	64,561	7.8%
Ohio	1,081,748	1,160,225	7.3%
South Dakota	60,026	64,401	7.3%
Iowa	240,022	256,548	6.9%
Connecticut	211,601	225,670	6.6%
Virginia	513,584	546,775	6.5%
Tennessee	857,443	910,763	6.2%
New Jersey	416,091	441,267	6.1%
Vermont	53,206	56,462	6.1%
Alabama	541,430	572,356	5.7%
Kentucky	600,082	633,997	5.7%
Maine	164,729	173,910	5.6%
Mississippi	422,095	445,873	5.6%
Michigan	1,210,925	1,276,347	5.4%
Minnesota	283,762	299,065	5.4%
Illinois	1,246,913	1,312,933	5.3%
North Dakota	46,547	48,959	5.2%
New Mexico	231,337	242,228	4.7%
Indiana	585,245	611,239	4.4%
Pennsylvania	1,147,038	1,197,516	4.4%
Kansas	181,956	188,873	3.8%
District of Columbia	86,542	89,629	3.6%
Texas	2,392,619	2,471,914	3.3%
West Virginia	267,535	275,796	3.1%
Alaska	59,931	61,749	3.0%
Wyoming	21,968	22,470	2.3%
Montana	79,791	80,911	1.4%
Arkansas	374,639	379,254	1.2%
Louisiana	651,785	658,314	1.0%
Colorado	250,547	252,813	0.9%
Nebraska	120,641	121,361	0.6%
Oklahoma	416,548	415,304	-0.3%
TOTAL	26,409,288	28,435,841	7.7%

FOOD STAMP PROGRAM: NUMBER OF PERSONS PARTICIPATING - 5 YEAR CHANGE			
(Data as of July 29, 2008)			
State	May 2003	May 2008	Percent Change May 2008 vs May 2003
Massachusetts	302,760	507,157	67.5%
Iowa	158,189	256,548	62.2%
Delaware	47,091	75,485	60.3%
Michigan	855,415	1,276,347	49.2%
Missouri	602,270	891,580	48.0%
Florida	1,012,016	1,475,659	45.8%
North Carolina	651,370	945,711	45.2%
Wisconsin	300,436	432,800	44.1%
Pennsylvania	831,307	1,197,516	44.1%
Maryland	254,590	363,035	42.6%
New Hampshire	46,051	64,561	40.2%
Washington	419,027	584,862	39.6%
Virginia	393,351	546,775	39.0%
New York	1,452,645	1,986,156	36.7%
Illinois	971,183	1,312,933	35.2%
Vermont	41,947	56,462	34.6%
Ohio	871,824	1,160,225	33.1%
Georgia	781,340	1,039,417	33.0%
Arizona	481,281	638,780	32.7%
Texas	1,875,207	2,471,914	31.8%
South Carolina	453,941	590,504	30.1%
Indiana	473,541	611,239	29.1%
California	1,745,626	2,252,135	29.0%
New Jersey	344,125	441,267	28.2%
Utah	108,080	136,972	26.7%
Nevada	116,610	147,361	26.4%
Minnesota	238,552	299,065	25.4%
Kentucky	509,945	633,997	24.3%
Mississippi	359,613	445,873	24.0%
Connecticut	182,523	225,670	23.6%
South Dakota	52,408	64,401	22.9%
New Mexico	197,723	242,228	22.5%
Tennessee	743,838	910,763	22.4%
Idaho	84,666	103,611	22.4%
North Dakota	40,072	48,959	22.2%
Alabama	471,574	572,356	21.4%
Arkansas	313,490	379,254	21.0%
Nebraska	100,373	121,361	20.9%
Maine	144,370	173,910	20.5%
Colorado	213,633	252,813	18.3%
Oregon	408,273	480,123	17.6%
Kansas	163,108	188,873	15.8%
Alaska	53,966	61,749	14.4%
Rhode Island	75,883	86,493	14.0%
West Virginia	246,700	275,796	11.8%
Montana	72,843	80,911	11.1%
Oklahoma	380,189	415,304	9.2%
District of Columbia	83,333	89,629	7.6%
Louisiana	652,568	658,314	0.9%
Hawaii	103,971	96,862	-6.8%
Wyoming	25,504	22,470	-11.9%
TOTAL	21,547,187	28,435,841	32.0%