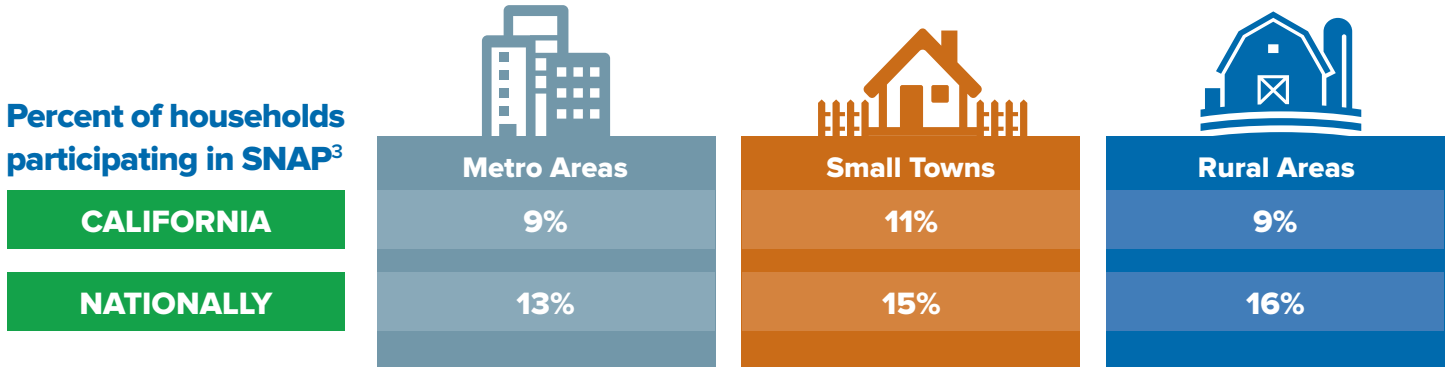


In California

- SNAP reaches 2,070,000 households with 4,346,000 individuals in an average month (FY 2015).¹
- SNAP participation helps 1 in 11 households in rural and metro areas, and 1 in 9 households in small towns.²

Percent of households participating in SNAP³

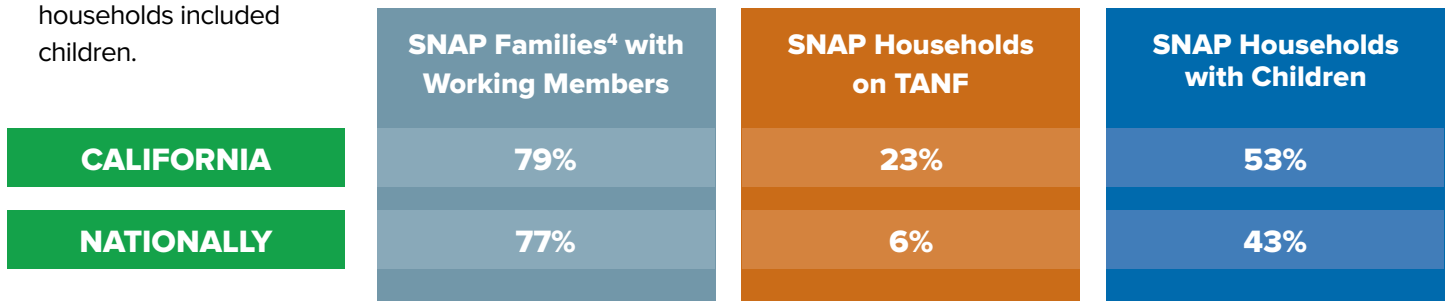


¹USDA, Characteristics of Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Households: Fiscal Year 2015.

²For the purpose of this analysis, “**Metro Areas**” are metropolitan statistical areas as delineated by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), each of which contains at least one Census Bureau-delineated urbanized area of 50,000 or more people; “**Small Towns**” are micropolitan statistical areas as delineated by OMB, each containing at least one Census Bureau-delineated urban cluster of between 10,000 and 50,000 people; and “**Rural Areas**” are non-metropolitan and non-micropolitan areas.

³ American Community Survey 2015 five-year estimates (2011-2015).

- Almost 80% of SNAP families had at least one working member in the past 12 months.
- Less than one-quarter of SNAP households (23% or 476,000) participate in TANF, making SNAP a critical safety net for families with children.
- More than half of all SNAP households included children.



Source for working families data: American Community Survey 2015 five-year estimates (2011-2015).

Source for TANF and children data: USDA, Characteristics of Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Households: Fiscal Year 2015.

⁴ Based on the Census Bureau definition, **family** consists of a householder and one or more other people living in the same household who are related to the householder by birth, marriage or adoption.

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