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Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)

In Texas

SNAP reaches 1,575,638 households with 3,731,727 individuals in an average month (FY 2016).

■ SNAP helps 1 in 7 rural households, 1 in 6 small town households, and 1 in 8 households in metro areas afford healthy, nutritious meals.²

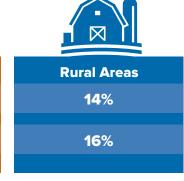
Percent of households participating in SNAP³

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¹USDA, Characteristics of Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Households: Fiscal Year 2016.

- More than 80% of SNAP families had at least one working adult in the past 12 months.
- A very small number of SNAP households (1% or 20,000) participate in TANF, making SNAP a critical safety net for families with children.
- More than half of all SNAP households included children.

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SNAP Households on TANF
1%
5%

SNAP Households with Children
58 %
43%

Source for working families data: American Community Survey 2016 five-year estimates (2012-2016). Source for TANF and children data: USDA, Characteristics of Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Households: Fiscal Year 2016.

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² For 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 2016 five-year estimates (2012-2016).

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.