

# New Jersey

## Demographics, Poverty and Food Insecurity

<b>Population (2007)</b>	
Total People	8,685,920
Children (Under Age 18)	2,062,768
<b>Income and Poverty (2007)</b>	
Median Household Income (2007)	\$67,035
Rank Among States	2
Total People Living In Poverty	729,211
Poverty Rate	8.6%
Rank Among States (Highest to Lowest)	47
Children (Under Age 18) Living In Poverty	236,098
Child Poverty Rate	11.6%
Rank Among States (Highest to Lowest)	45
Total People Living Below 185% of Federal Poverty Level	1,590,766
<b>Food Insecurity Among Households (2005-2007, 3-Year Averages)</b>	
Number of Households that are Food Insecure	281,000
Percent of Households that are Food Insecure	8.8%
Number of Households that are Very Low Food Secure	84,000
Percent of Households that are Very Low Food Secure	2.7%

## Federal Nutrition Programs

<b>School Breakfast Program (School Year 2007-2008)</b>	
Average Daily Student Participation	154,443
Free and Reduced-Price Students	124,206
Paid Students	30,236
Change in Free and Reduced-Price Participation in Last 10 Years	97.3%
Free and Reduced-Price Student Participation Rate (Compared to School Lunch Participation)	36.7
Rank Among States	46
Additional Free and Reduced-Price Students Served if Participation Rate Reached 60%	78,990
Additional Federal Dollars State Would Receive if Participation Rate Reached 60%	\$17,588,755
Number of Schools Participating	1,744
School Participation Rate (Compared to Number of Schools Serving Lunch)	65.1%
Federal Funding for School Breakfast	\$37,737,784
School Breakfast Mandate in State Law (Yes/No)	Yes
<b>National School Lunch Program (School Year 2007-2008)</b>	
Average Daily Student Participation	667,492
Free and Reduced-Price Students	338,661
Paid Students	328,831
Number of Schools Participating	2,680
Federal Funding for School Lunch	\$161,392,636
<b>Summer Nutrition Participation (July 2007)</b>	
Average Daily Summer Nutrition Participation in July	62,390
July Summer Food Service Participation	40,023
July National School Lunch Participation in Free and Reduced-Price Lunch	22,366
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)	20.4
Rank Among States	17
Additional Low-Income Children Served if Participation Rate Reached 40%	59,663
Additional Federal Dollars State Would Receive if Participation Rate Reached 40%	\$3,595,892
Number of Summer Food Service Sponsors	88
Number of Summer Food Service Sites	940
Federal Funding for Summer Food Service Program	\$5,285,711

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<b>SNAP/Food Stamp Program (FY 2008)</b>	
Average Monthly Participation (Individuals)	437,860
Change in Participation in Last 5 Years	29.1%
Average Monthly Benefit per Person	\$101.43
Participation Rate of Eligible Persons (FY 2006)	60%
Rank Among States	40
Participation Rate of Eligible Working Poor (FY 2006)	45%
Federal Funding for SNAP/Food Stamps	\$532,944,902
<b>Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children (WIC) (FY 2008)</b>	
Average Monthly Participation	159,064
Women	38,956
Infants	41,747
Children	78,362
Change in Participation in Last 10 Years	13.0%
Federal Funding for WIC	\$112,911,448
<b>Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) (FY 2008)</b>	
Number of Participating Family Child Care Homes	625
Family Child Care Home Average Daily Participation of Children	3,208
Change in Family Child Care Daily Participation in Last 10 Years	-36.9%
Number of Participating Child Care Centers (Includes Head Start)	1,265
Child Care Center Average Daily Participation of Children (Includes Head Start)	59,651
Change in Center Daily Participation in Last 10 Years	68.5%
Federal Funding for CACFP	\$55,315,264
<b>The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP) (FY 2007)</b>	
Federal Entitlement Funding	\$2,920,760
Federal Bonus Commodity Funding	\$1,551,037
Administrative Funding	\$1,358,887
<b>Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP) (FY 2007)</b>	
Average Monthly Participation	Not Available
Federal Funding for CSFP	in This State

## State Economic Security Policies

<b>Minimum Wage (2007)</b>	
State Minimum Wage	\$7.15
<b>Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) (2007)</b>	
State EITC (Yes/No)	Yes
Refundable (Yes/No)	Yes
<b>Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) (FY 2006)</b>	
Average Monthly Participation (FY 2006)	101,065
Adults	28,680
Children	72,385
Maximum Monthly Benefit per 3-Person Family (FY 2005)	\$424
Federal and State Funding for Cash Assistance	\$77,742,396