

Colorado

Demographics, Poverty and Food Insecurity

Population (2015)	
Total People	5,456,574
Children (Under Age 18)	1,256,772
Income and Poverty (2015)	
Median Household Income	\$63,909
Rank Among States (Best to Worst)	12
Total People Living In Poverty	613,549
Poverty Rate	11.5%
Rank Among States (Worst to Best)	38
Children (Under Age 18) Living In Poverty	182,541
Child Poverty Rate	14.7%
Rank Among States (Worst to Best)	42
Total People Living Below 185% of Federal Poverty Level	1,327,900
Food Insecurity and Food Hardship	
Number of Households that are Food Insecure (2013-2015, 3-year average)	268,391
Percent of Households that are Food Insecure (2013-2015, 3-year average)	12.1%
Number of Households that are Very Low Food Secure (2013-2015, 3-year average)	112,102
Percent of Households that are Very Low Food Secure (2013-2015, 3-year average)	5.1%
Percent of Households Struggling Against Food Hardship (2015)	13.0%
Federal Nutrition Programs	
School Breakfast Program (School Year 2014–2015)	
Average Daily Student Participation	183,047
Free and Reduced-Price Students	144,932
Paid Students	38,115
Change in Free and Reduced-Price Participation in Last 10 Years	1.8%
Free and Reduced-Price Students Participating in School Breakfast per 100 in School Lunch	59.3
Rank Among States (Best to Worst)	11
Additional Free and Reduced-Price Students Served if Reached School Breakfast to Lunch Ratio of 70:100	26,241
Additional Federal Dollars State Would Receive if Participation Ratio Reached 70:100	\$6,955,012
Number of Schools Participating	1,401
Schools Offering School Breakfast per 100 Offering School Lunch	83.7
Federal Funding for School Breakfast	\$47,482,412
School Breakfast Mandate in State Law (Yes/No)	Yes
National School Lunch Program (School Year 2014–2015)	
Average Daily Student Participation	374,469
Free and Reduced-Price Students	244,534
Paid Students	129,935
Number of Schools Participating	1,673
Federal Funding for School Lunch	\$131,240,219
Summer Nutrition Participation (July 2015)	
Average Daily Summer Nutrition Participation in July	21,285
July Summer Food Service Participation	18,185
July National School Lunch Participation in Free and Reduced-Price Lunch	3,100
Change in Average Daily Summer Nutrition Participation in Last 10 Years	53.0%
Summer Nutrition Participation as a Ratio to Regular Year Free and Reduced-Price School Lunch Participation	9.3
Rank Among States (Best to Worst)	43
Additional Low-Income Children Served if Reached Ratio of 40:100	70,464
Additional Federal Dollars State Would Receive if Reached Ratio of 40:100	\$5,561,377
Number of Summer Food Service Sponsors	76
Number of Summer Food Service Sites	452
Federal Funding for Summer Food Service Program	\$4,173,381

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SNAP/Food Stamp Program	
Average Monthly Participation (Individuals) (FY 2015)	495,134
Change in Participation in Last 5 Years (FY 2010 - FY 2015)	22.4%
Average Monthly Benefit per Person (FY 2015)	\$129.92
Participation Rate of Eligible Persons (FY 2013)	81.0%
Rank Among States (Best to Worst)	36
Participation Rate of Eligible Working Poor (FY 2013)	73.0%
Program Access Index (PAI) - Ratio of SNAP Participants to Low-Income Population (FY 2014)	59.1
Federal Funding for SNAP/Food Stamps (FY 2015)	\$771,959,823
Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children (WIC) (FY 2015)	
Average Monthly Participation	90,733
Women	22,519
Infants	21,761
Children	46,453
Change in Average Monthly Participation in the last 10 Years (FY 2005 - FY 2015)	8.0%
Federal Funding for WIC	\$72,447,786
Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) (FY 2015)	
Number of Participating Family Child Care Homes	1,183
Family Child Care Home Average Daily Participation of Children	7,358
Change in Family Child Care Daily Participation in Last 10 Years	-45.3%
Number of Participating Child Care Centers (Includes Head Start)	776
Child Care Center Average Daily Participation of Children (Includes Head Start)	35,210
Change in Center Daily Participation in Last 10 Years	53.8%
Federal Funding for CACFP	\$23,385,586
The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP) (FY 2015)	
Federal Entitlement Funding	\$4,246,742
Federal Bonus Commodity Funding	\$4,939,922
Administrative Funding	\$1,182,166
Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP) (FY 2015)	
Average Monthly Participation	15,936
Federal Funding for CSFP	\$5,044,304
State Economic Security Policies	
Minimum Wage (2016)	
State Minimum Wage	\$8.31
Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) (2016)	
State EITC (Yes/No)	Yes
Refundable (Yes/No)	Yes
Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) (FY 2015)	
Average Monthly Participation	45,174
Adults	13,373
Children	31,801
Maximum TANF Benefit, Single-Parent Family of Three	\$462
Federal and State Funding for Cash Assistance	\$76,899,072