

Georgia

Demographics, Poverty and Food Insecurity

Population (2015)

Total People	10,214,860
Children (Under Age 18)	2,502,414

Income and Poverty (2015)

Median Household Income	\$51,244
Rank Among States (Best to Worst)	33
Total People Living In Poverty	1,694,988
Poverty Rate	17.0%
Rank Among States (Worst to Best)	10
Children (Under Age 18) Living In Poverty	603,354
Child Poverty Rate	24.5%
Rank Among States (Worst to Best)	10
Total People Living Below 185% of Federal Poverty Level	3,420,119

Food Insecurity and Food Hardship

Number of Households that are Food Insecure (2013-2015, 3-year average)	592,286
Percent of Households that are Food Insecure (2013-2015, 3-year average)	14.9%
Number of Households that are Very Low Food Secure (2013-2015, 3-year average)	223,529
Percent of Households that are Very Low Food Secure (2013-2015, 3-year average)	5.6%
Percent of Households Struggling Against Food Hardship (2015)	18.5%

Federal Nutrition Programs

School Breakfast Program (School Year 2014–2015)

Average Daily Student Participation	618,008
Free and Reduced-Price Students	536,600
Paid Students	81,408
Change in Free and Reduced-Price Participation in Last 10 Years	2.9%
Free and Reduced-Price Students Participating in School Breakfast per 100 in School Lunch	57.2
Rank Among States (Best to Worst)	18
Additional Free and Reduced-Price Students Served if Reached School Breakfast to Lunch Ratio of 70:100	119,888
Additional Federal Dollars State Would Receive if Participation Ratio Reached 70:100	\$30,626,432
Number of Schools Participating	2,341
Schools Offering School Breakfast per 100 Offering School Lunch	96.9
Federal Funding for School Breakfast	\$177,516,252
School Breakfast Mandate in State Law (Yes/No)	Yes

National School Lunch Program (School Year 2014–2015)

Average Daily Student Participation	1,224,128
Free and Reduced-Price Students	937,840
Paid Students	286,288
Number of Schools Participating	2,416
Federal Funding for School Lunch	\$506,294,315

Summer Nutrition Participation (July 2015)

Average Daily Summer Nutrition Participation in July	151,142
July Summer Food Service Participation	67,420
July National School Lunch Participation in Free and Reduced-Price Lunch	83,723
Change in Average Daily Summer Nutrition Participation in Last 10 Years	57.4%
Summer Nutrition Participation as a Ratio to Regular Year Free and Reduced-Price School Lunch Participation	17.2
Rank Among States (Best to Worst)	21
Additional Low-Income Children Served if Reached Ratio of 40:100	200,735
Additional Federal Dollars State Would Receive if Reached Ratio of 40:100	\$15,843,033
Number of Summer Food Service Sponsors	103
Number of Summer Food Service Sites	1,371
Federal Funding for Summer Food Service Program	\$14,949,858

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SNAP/Food Stamp Program

Average Monthly Participation (Individuals) (FY 2015)	1,800,531
Change in Participation in Last 5 Years (FY 2010 - FY 2015)	13.2%
Average Monthly Benefit per Person (FY 2015)	\$129.76
Participation Rate of Eligible Persons (FY 2013)	93.0%
Rank Among States (Best to Worst)	15
Participation Rate of Eligible Working Poor (FY 2013)	81.0%
Program Access Index (PAI) - Ratio of SNAP Participants to Low-Income Population (FY 2014)	79.5
Federal Funding for SNAP/Food Stamps (FY 2015)	\$2,803,606,880

Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children (WIC) (FY 2015)

Average Monthly Participation	264,299
Women	66,424
Infants	65,545
Children	132,330
Change in Average Monthly Participation in the last 10 Years (FY 2005 - FY 2015)	-1.2%
Federal Funding for WIC	\$214,343,798

Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) (FY 2015)

Number of Participating Family Child Care Homes	1,736
Family Child Care Home Average Daily Participation of Children	12,474
Change in Family Child Care Daily Participation in Last 10 Years	-60.9%
Number of Participating Child Care Centers (Includes Head Start)	2,384
Child Care Center Average Daily Participation of Children (Includes Head Start)	125,948
Change in Center Daily Participation in Last 10 Years	30.7%
Federal Funding for CACFP	\$106,883,653

The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP) (FY 2015)

Federal Entitlement Funding	\$11,284,988
Federal Bonus Commodity Funding	\$9,356,970
Administrative Funding	\$1,756,572

Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP) (FY 2015)

Average Monthly Participation	3,048
Federal Funding for CSFP	\$939,058

State Economic Security Policies

Minimum Wage (2016)

State Minimum Wage	\$7.25
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Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) (2016)

State EITC (Yes/No)	No
Refundable (Yes/No)	No

Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) (FY 2015)

Average Monthly Participation	25,853
Adults	2,712
Children	23,141
Maximum TANF Benefit, Single-Parent Family of Three	\$280
Federal and State Funding for Cash Assistance	\$64,478,369