

# North Carolina

## Demographics, Poverty and Food Insecurity

### Population (2015)

Total People	10,042,802
Children (Under Age 18)	2,288,050

### Income and Poverty (2015)

Median Household Income	\$47,830
Rank Among States (Best to Worst)	42
Total People Living In Poverty	1,607,835
Poverty Rate	16.4%
Rank Among States (Worst to Best)	13
Children (Under Age 18) Living In Poverty	529,635
Child Poverty Rate	23.5%
Rank Among States (Worst to Best)	13
Total People Living Below 185% of Federal Poverty Level	3,382,693

### Food Insecurity and Food Hardship

Number of Households that are Food Insecure (2013-2015, 3-year average)	626,590
Percent of Households that are Food Insecure (2013-2015, 3-year average)	15.9%
Number of Households that are Very Low Food Secure (2013-2015, 3-year average)	246,213
Percent of Households that are Very Low Food Secure (2013-2015, 3-year average)	6.2%
Percent of Households Struggling Against Food Hardship (2015)	17.0%

## Federal Nutrition Programs

### School Breakfast Program (School Year 2014–2015)

Average Daily Student Participation	449,870
Free and Reduced-Price Students	388,168
Paid Students	61,703
Change in Free and Reduced-Price Participation in Last 10 Years	2.7%
Free and Reduced-Price Students Participating in School Breakfast per 100 in School Lunch	56.0
Rank Among States (Best to Worst)	21
Additional Free and Reduced-Price Students Served if Reached School Breakfast to Lunch Ratio of 70:100	97,247
Additional Federal Dollars State Would Receive if Participation Ratio Reached 70:100	\$25,799,744
Number of Schools Participating	2,476
Schools Offering School Breakfast per 100 Offering School Lunch	98.4
Federal Funding for School Breakfast	\$129,354,933
School Breakfast Mandate in State Law (Yes/No)	No

### National School Lunch Program (School Year 2014–2015)

Average Daily Student Participation	895,353
Free and Reduced-Price Students	693,450
Paid Students	201,903
Number of Schools Participating	2,517
Federal Funding for School Lunch	\$375,637,608

### Summer Nutrition Participation (July 2015)

Average Daily Summer Nutrition Participation in July	101,902
July Summer Food Service Participation	62,153
July National School Lunch Participation in Free and Reduced-Price Lunch	39,749
Change in Average Daily Summer Nutrition Participation in Last 10 Years	62.7%
Summer Nutrition Participation as a Ratio to Regular Year Free and Reduced-Price School Lunch Participation	15.7
Rank Among States (Best to Worst)	27
Additional Low-Income Children Served if Reached Ratio of 40:100	158,280
Additional Federal Dollars State Would Receive if Reached Ratio of 40:100	\$12,492,271
Number of Summer Food Service Sponsors	118
Number of Summer Food Service Sites	1,812
Federal Funding for Summer Food Service Program	\$10,596,497

## North Carolina, Continued

### SNAP/Food Stamp Program

Average Monthly Participation (Individuals) (FY 2015)	1,646,202
Change in Participation in Last 5 Years (FY 2010 - FY 2015)	22.3%
Average Monthly Benefit per Person (FY 2015)	\$121.27
Participation Rate of Eligible Persons (FY 2013)	84.0%
Rank Among States (Best to Worst)	32
Participation Rate of Eligible Working Poor (FY 2013)	75.0%
Program Access Index (PAI) - Ratio of SNAP Participants to Low-Income Population (FY 2014)	72.2
Federal Funding for SNAP/Food Stamps (FY 2015)	\$2,395,550,386

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

Average Monthly Participation	248,245
Women	59,416
Infants	61,242
Children	127,587
Change in Average Monthly Participation in the last 10 Years (FY 2005 - FY 2015)	10.6%
Federal Funding for WIC	\$193,937,087

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

Number of Participating Family Child Care Homes	1,911
Family Child Care Home Average Daily Participation of Children	9,126
Change in Family Child Care Daily Participation in Last 10 Years	-47.7%
Number of Participating Child Care Centers (Includes Head Start)	2,212
Child Care Center Average Daily Participation of Children (Includes Head Start)	113,660
Change in Center Daily Participation in Last 10 Years	-6.8%
Federal Funding for CACFP	\$88,206,914

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

Federal Entitlement Funding	\$9,837,131
Federal Bonus Commodity Funding	\$8,950,665
Administrative Funding	\$2,106,038

### Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP) (FY 2015)

Average Monthly Participation	1,151
Federal Funding for CSFP	\$376,586

## 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	23,920
Adults	4,360
Children	19,560
Maximum TANF Benefit, Single-Parent Family of Three	\$272
Federal and State Funding for Cash Assistance	\$52,293,388