

California State Nutrition Profile



Demographics

Total Population: 35,200,308	Child Population (0-17): 9,523,019
Total Population in Poverty: 4,681,641	Child Population in Poverty: 1,761,755
% of Total Population in Poverty: 13.3%	% of Children in Poverty: 18.5%

HEALTH INDICATORS	California
Food Insecurity Indicators	
# of Low-Income Adults in Food Insecure Households (HH)	2,486,000
Rate of Food Insecurity Among Adults in Low-Income HH	30%
Obesity Indicators	
% of Babies Born with Low Birth Weight	6.7%
% of 7 th Graders with Unhealthy Weight	32.3%
% of 7 th Graders with Unhealthy Aerobic Capacity	37.8%
# of Overweight or Obese Adults	14,800,000
% of Overweight/Obese Adults	56.1%
# Of People with Type II Diabetes	1,516,000
# of Diabetes Related Deaths, Annually	6,997
Breastfeeding Rates	83.7%

Food Assistance Programs	# Eligible	# Eligible but Not Participating	% Eligible but Not Participating	Loss of Federal \$ due to Underutilization
Food Stamp Program	4,464,796	2,410,990	54.0%	\$2,862,809,095
School Lunch Program	3,142,685 (FRP eligible)	901,054	28.7%	\$93,964,901
Summer Food Programs	2,426,999 (FRP eligible)	1,845,112	76.0%	\$107,164,105
WIC Program	1,401,502 (# of participants – only data available at time of release)			

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School Breakfast Highlights

- Public Schools Statewide: 11,200
- Public Schools Statewide WITHOUT a School Breakfast Program: 2,599
- Students Eligible for Free or Reduced Price School Breakfast Statewide: 3,142,685
- Eligible Students Not Getting Free or Reduced Price School Breakfast Statewide: 2,216,681
- Loss of Federal Dollars due to Underutilization of the School Breakfast Program Statewide: \$512,820,675

For more on the Breakfast First Campaign, go to www.breakfastfirst.org.

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BACKGROUND INFORMATION ON FEDERAL FOOD PROGRAMS:

Child Nutrition Programs

Through the National School Lunch and School Breakfast Programs, schools provide students of all ages with nutritious meals they need in order to learn. Through the Summer Food Service and Afterschool Snack Programs, schools, non-profit agencies, and recreation programs provide free meals and snacks to students when they are out of school.

Food Stamp Program (FSP)

Providing benefits to over two million Californians, the Food Stamp Program is the largest and most comprehensive federal nutrition assistance program. US citizens and some groups of legal immigrants are eligible if they meet certain income and asset requirements.

Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP)

The Child and Adult Care Food Program is the only program that provides funding for meals served in a childcare setting to children up to age 12 and impaired adults. The program provides reimbursements for meals and snacks.

WIC

Formally known as the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children, WIC is designed for low-income women and children up to age five. WIC provides vouchers for specific nutritious foods along with nutrition education and health care referrals.

2008 Federal Poverty Guidelines

Family Size	Federal Poverty Line (FPL)	130% of FPL	185% of FPL
1	\$10,400	\$13,520	\$19,240
2	\$14,000	\$18,200	\$25,900
3	\$17,600	\$22,880	\$32,560
4	\$21,200	\$27,560	\$39,220

Complete methodology available online at www.cfpa.net.