NATIONAL SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM: TOTAL PARTICIPATION					
Data as of October 9, 2026					
State/Territory	**FY 2021**	**FY 2022**	**FY 2023**	**FY 2024**	**FY 2025**
Alabama	157,479	512,206	486,630	512,570	527,604
Alaska	5,991	51,594	43,327	43,335	42,505
Arizona	228,844	655,016	549,023	578,976	591,840
Arkansas	255,916	317,077	306,479	310,338	307,503
California	1,499,784	3,096,295	3,216,241	3,298,257	3,287,642
Colorado	49,313	422,615	353,806	443,276	456,697
Connecticut	115,645	324,526	311,391	296,977	292,121
Delaware	10,356	94,130	91,951	95,094	96,563
District of Columbia	7,742	70,427	48,410	51,008	51,262
Florida	559,706	1,704,456	1,702,968	1,787,320	1,799,255
Georgia	819,174	2,074,202	1,089,366	1,129,335	1,154,653
Guam	12,021	10,587	14,774	14,096	14,859
Hawaii	47,848	93,122	90,289	92,029	88,872
Idaho	81,674	165,625	133,644	130,732	130,015
Illinois	119,056	991,135	914,821	937,935	948,415
Indiana	242,637	744,347	710,142	722,468	724,219
Iowa	55,435	383,014	362,711	362,340	359,502
Kansas	54,765	352,722	313,791	319,248	312,515
Kentucky	54,874	480,012	486,966	495,160	495,303
Louisiana	60,703	489,936	495,456	506,692	503,864
Maine	11,189	106,473	113,430	116,224	116,709
Maryland	50,102	478,444	418,511	454,676	465,935
Massachusetts	288,916	579,812	596,441	621,914	627,121
Michigan	104,706	843,012	793,278	915,996	923,752
Minnesota	101,545	609,099	585,250	652,356	660,928
Mississippi	37,184	329,215	312,061	311,203	309,730
Missouri	303,091	575,059	526,289	524,378	521,118
Montana	15,263	86,258	74,931	75,354	75,367
Nebraska	29,651	253,301	240,606	239,689	237,009
Nevada	33,834	231,536	235,764	231,765	225,465
New Hampshire	52,381	93,746	74,988	75,728	75,318
New Jersey	411,266	763,671	687,588	712,565	734,695
New Mexico	95,090	191,179	186,385	201,834	208,017
New York	294,592	1,648,498	1,593,186	1,830,771	1,759,463
North Carolina	92,474	822,253	762,233	820,644	841,146
North Dakota	11,315	98,094	92,962	93,307	92,641
Ohio	632,112	1,081,939	933,127	960,243	988,005
Oklahoma	177,245	413,835	390,991	397,601	397,853
Oregon	58,701	268,075	267,174	282,676	300,224
Pennsylvania	445,671	1,013,949	959,620	985,762	989,126
Puerto Rico	4,019	152,698	162,969	148,654	144,364
Rhode Island	8,857	81,080	70,322	72,969	75,020
South Carolina	249,999	486,454	458,375	495,631	505,083
South Dakota	75,896	108,781	100,236	100,080	99,036
Tennessee	472,601	666,118	613,038	636,236	647,060
Texas	1,813,277	3,502,853	3,350,200	3,404,915	3,397,048
Utah	301,121	353,314	310,136	321,049	321,498
Vermont	5,986	52,718	53,562	54,707	54,254
Virginia	97,833	788,636	703,923	732,981	742,113
Virgin Islands	360	4,260	5,111	4,675	4,725
Washington	75,828	555,823	519,839	543,728	552,916
West Virginia	18,774	172,811	166,923	166,933	166,188
Wisconsin	180,339	517,677	474,062	484,250	478,520
Wyoming	5,608	51,448	44,149	42,984	42,731
Dept. of Defense	20,852	26,289	20,978	20,983	22,652
TOTAL	**11,016,640**	**31,041,449**	**28,620,821**	**29,862,644**	**29,988,041**

Participation data are nine-month averages; summer months (June-August) are excluded. Participation is based on average daily meals divided by an attendance factor of 0.927. Department of Defense activity represents children of armed forces personnel attending schools overseas.

All data are subject to revision.

** In SY 2020-2021, many schools served meals through the Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) due to the COVID-19 waivers. The COVID-19 waiver which allowed schools to serve meals through the Seamless Summer Option (SSO) and report separately started in SY 2021-2022. FY 2021 - 2022 data includes meals served through the SSO.

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