WIC PROGRAM PARTICIPATION AND COSTS					
(Data as of September 11, 2026)					
Fiscal Year	**Total Participation*** (Thousands)	**Food Costs** (Millions of Dollars)	**NSA Costs** (Millionsof Dollars)	**Total Costs 1]** (Millions of Dollars)	**Average Monthly Food Cost Per Person** (Dollars)
1974	88	8.2	2.2	10.4	15.68
1975	344	76.7	12.6	89.3	18.58
1976	520	122.3	20.3	142.6	19.60
1977	848	211.7	44.2	255.9	20.80
1978	1,181	311.5	68.1	379.6	21.99
1979	1,483	428.6	96.8	525.4	24.09
1980	1,914	584.1	140.5	727.7	25.43
1981	2,119	708.0	160.6	871.6	27.84
1982	2,189	757.6	190.5	948.8	28.83
1983	2,537	901.8	221.3	1,126.0	29.62
1984	3,045	1,117.3	268.8	1,388.1	30.58
1985	3,138	1,193.2	294.4	1,489.3	31.69
1986	3,312	1,264.4	316.4	1,582.9	31.82
1987	3,429	1,344.7	333.1	1,679.6	32.68
1988	3,593	1,434.8	360.6	1,797.5	33.28
1989	4,119	1,489.4	416.5	1,910.9	30.13
1990	4,517	1,636.8	478.7	2,122.4	30.20
1991	4,893	1,751.9	544.0	2,301.0	29.84
1992	5,403	1,960.5	632.7	2,600.6	30.24
1993	5,921	2,115.1	705.6	2,828.6	29.77
1994	6,477	2,325.2	834.4	3,169.3	29.92
1995	6,894	2,511.6	904.6	3,436.2	30.36
1996	7,186	2,689.9	985.1	3,695.4	31.19
1997	7,407	2,815.5	1,008.2	3,843.8	31.68
1998	7,367	2,808.1	1,061.4	3,890.4	31.76
1999	7,311	2,851.6	1,063.9	3,938.1	32.50
2000	7,192	2,853.1	1,102.6	3,982.1	33.06
2001	7,306	3,007.9	1,110.6	4,149.4	34.31
2002	7,491	3,129.7	1,182.3	4,339.8	34.82
2003	7,631	3,230.3	1,260.0	4,524.4	35.28
2004	7,904	3,562.0	1,272.4	4,887.3	37.55
2005	8,023	3,602.8	1,335.5	4,992.6	37.42
2006	8,088	3,597.5	1,402.6	5,072.0	37.07
2007	8,285	3,881.1	1,479.0	5,409.6	39.04
2008	8,705	4,534.0	1,607.6	6,188.8	43.40
2009	9,122	4,640.9	1,788.0	6,476.9	42.40
2010	9,175	4,561.9	1,907.9	6,689.9	41.43
2011	8,961	5,020.8	1,961.3	7,180.8	46.69
2012	8,908	4,810.5	1,877.8	6,801.3	45.00
2013	8,663	4,497.2	1,881.6	6,501.7	43.26
2014	8,258	4,324.1	1,903.4	6,355.3	43.64
2015	8,024	4,176.0	1,921.9	6,238.0	43.37
2016	7,696	3,949.6	1,946.1	6,026.0	42.77
2017	7,286	3,606.1	1,964.7	5,720.3	41.24
2018	6,870	3,374.7	1,976.3	5,496.6	40.94
2019	6,396	3,139.4	1,986.4	5,286.2	40.90
2020	6,247	2,884.5	1,980.9	5,022.6	38.48
2021	6,244	2,665.4	1,993.5	5,065.6	35.57
2022	6,260	3,587.1	2,019.2	5,813.7	47.75
2023	6,576	4,419.9	2,133.1	6,822.8	56.01
2024	6,704	4,912.7	2,263.9	7,336.7	61.07
2025	6,867	5,347.1	2,329.8	7,793.6	64.89

* Participation data are annual averages (6 months in FY 1974; 12 months all subsequent years).

1] In addition to food and NSA costs, total expenditures includes funds for program evaluation, Farmers' Market Nutrition Program (FY 1989 onward), special projects and infrastructure.

NSA = Nutrition Services and Administrative costs. Nutrition Services includes nutrition education, preventative and coordination services (such as health care), and promotion of breastfeeding and immunization.

FY 2025 data are preliminary; all data are subject to revision.