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Food Stamp Participation in Texas, 2004

County	Population Potentially Eligible for Food Stamps ⁱ	Individuals Receiving Food Stamps, FY 2004 ⁱⁱ	Federal Food Stamp Revenue, FY 2004 (\$million) ⁱⁱⁱ	Participation Rate*	Additional Federal Revenue at 60% Participation Rate (\$million) ^{iv}
Anderson	11,888	5,445	\$5.2	46%	\$1.6
Andrews	3,658	1,596	\$1.4	44%	\$0.5
Angelina	21,410	11,358	\$10.9	53%	\$1.4
Aransas	7,642	3,235	\$3.2	42%	\$1.3
Archer	1,515	385	\$0.4	25%	\$0.5
Armstrong	344	71	\$0.1	21%	\$0.1
Atascosa	12,849	6,722	\$6.2	52%	\$0.9
Austin	5,512	1,516	\$1.4	28%	\$1.7
Bailey	2,418	1,238	\$1.0	51%	\$0.2
Bandera	3,857	1,478	\$1.4	38%	\$0.8
Bastrop	11,899	6,140	\$5.9	52%	\$1.0
Baylor	1,272	578	\$0.5	45%	\$0.2
Bee	9,343	4,225	\$3.7	45%	\$1.2
Bell	50,308	23,728	\$23.1	47%	\$6.3
Bexar	374,284	175,738	\$170.0	47%	\$47.2
Blanco	1,691	287	\$0.3	17%	\$0.7
Borden	221	5	\$0.0	2%	\$0.1
Bosque	4,054	1,557	\$1.4	38%	\$0.8
Bowie	23,975	10,725	\$10.3	45%	\$3.5
Brazoria	41,653	16,456	\$16.5	40%	\$8.6
Brazos	56,457	12,096	\$12.1	21%	\$21.8
Brewster	3,012	963	\$0.9	32%	\$0.8
Briscoe	559	119	\$0.1	21%	\$0.2
Brooks**	4,398	2,734	\$2.5	62%	NA
Brown	10,969	5,351	\$5.2	49%	\$1.2
Burleson	4,436	1,792	\$1.7	40%	\$0.8
Burnet	7,109	2,360	\$2.1	33%	\$1.7
Caldwell	7,582	4,577	\$4.4	60%	\$0.0
Calhoun	6,139	2,337	\$2.2	38%	\$1.3

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Callahan	2,904	1,438	\$1.3	50%	\$0.3
Cameron	175,000	99,950	\$93.6	57%	\$4.7
Camp	3,987	1,626	\$1.5	41%	\$0.7
Carson	961	211	\$0.2	22%	\$0.3
Cass	9,687	3,877	\$3.6	40%	\$1.8
Castro	2,914	1,412	\$1.3	49%	\$0.3
Chambers	4,960	1,945	\$2.0	39%	\$1.0
Cherokee	14,263	5,867	\$5.2	41%	\$2.4
Childress	1,856	943	\$0.9	51%	\$0.2
Clay	2,100	601	\$0.5	29%	\$0.5
Cochran	1,586	662	\$0.6	42%	\$0.3
Coke	890	268	\$0.2	30%	\$0.2
Coleman	3,355	1,591	\$1.5	47%	\$0.4
Collin	42,075	14,761	\$14.8	35%	\$10.5
Collingsworth	1,061	374	\$0.3	35%	\$0.2
Colorado	5,514	1,748	\$1.6	32%	\$1.4
Comal	12,709	5,086	\$5.0	40%	\$2.5
Comanche	4,405	1,687	\$1.5	38%	\$0.8
Concho	642	248	\$0.2	39%	\$0.1
Cooke	8,257	2,897	\$2.8	35%	\$2.0
Coryell	12,935	4,303	\$3.9	33%	\$3.2
Cottle	578	300	\$0.3	52%	\$0.0
Crane	1,132	230	\$0.2	20%	\$0.4
Crockett	1,539	495	\$0.4	32%	\$0.4
Crosby	3,269	1,510	\$1.3	46%	\$0.4
Culberson	1,296	616	\$0.5	48%	\$0.1
Dallam	1,884	753	\$0.7	40%	\$0.4
Dallas	517,224	190,105	\$200.0	37%	\$126.5
Dawson	4,681	2,177	\$1.9	47%	\$0.5
Deaf Smith	6,697	3,133	\$2.8	47%	\$0.8
Delta	1,458	576	\$0.5	40%	\$0.3
Denton	48,056	14,682	\$14.7	31%	\$14.1
DeWitt	6,008	2,712	\$2.4	45%	\$0.8
Dickens	783	212	\$0.2	27%	\$0.2
Dimmit	5,494	3,291	\$3.0	60%	\$0.0
Donley	1,012	396	\$0.4	39%	\$0.2
Duval	5,893	3,423	\$3.0	58%	\$0.1
Eastland	5,279	2,591	\$2.3	49%	\$0.5

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Ector	40,800	22,043	\$21.9	54%	\$2.4
Edwards	1,043	314	\$0.3	30%	\$0.2
Ellis	17,993	8,685	\$8.6	48%	\$2.1
El Paso	271,811	148,349	\$141.8	55%	\$14.1
Erath	8,923	2,544	\$2.3	29%	\$2.5
Falls	6,326	2,478	\$2.1	39%	\$1.1
Fannin	6,889	2,762	\$2.6	40%	\$1.3
Fayette	4,271	1,898	\$1.8	44%	\$0.6
Fisher	1,445	235	\$0.2	16%	\$0.5
Floyd	2,952	1,598	\$1.4	54%	\$0.2
Foard	478	169	\$0.1	35%	\$0.1
Fort Bend	46,351	15,705	\$15.3	34%	\$11.8
Franklin	2,649	681	\$0.6	26%	\$0.8
Freestone	4,523	1,782	\$1.7	39%	\$0.9
Frio	7,330	3,608	\$3.1	49%	\$0.7
Gaines	5,561	1,552	\$1.3	28%	\$1.5
Galveston	54,967	23,206	\$24.2	42%	\$10.2
Garza	1,496	868	\$0.8	58%	\$0.0
Gillespie	3,811	1,007	\$0.9	26%	\$1.1
Glasscock	387	9	\$0.0	2%	\$0.2
Goliad	1,866	788	\$0.7	42%	\$0.3
Gonzales	6,428	2,943	\$2.6	46%	\$0.8
Gray	5,108	1,948	\$1.7	38%	\$1.0
Grayson	21,802	10,336	\$10.2	47%	\$2.7
Gregg	28,894	13,395	\$12.9	46%	\$3.8
Grimes	6,099	2,555	\$2.5	42%	\$1.1
Guadalupe	16,174	8,612	\$8.2	53%	\$1.0
Hale	10,994	5,638	\$5.1	51%	\$0.9
Hall	1,620	666	\$0.5	41%	\$0.2
Hamilton	2,093	781	\$0.7	37%	\$0.4
Hansford	1,491	348	\$0.3	23%	\$0.5
Hardeman	1,515	495	\$0.4	33%	\$0.3
Hardin	9,184	4,883	\$4.9	53%	\$0.6
Harris	870,755	297,668	\$309.5	34%	\$233.7
Harrison	17,133	6,436	\$6.0	38%	\$3.6
Hartley	574	84	\$0.1	15%	\$0.2
Haskell	2,293	880	\$0.8	38%	\$0.4
Hays	21,039	5,235	\$5.3	25%	\$7.5

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Hemphill	807	79	\$0.1	10%	\$0.3
Henderson	19,287	7,921	\$7.6	41%	\$3.5
Hidalgo	325,739	184,759	\$177.9	57%	\$10.3
Hill	9,522	3,827	\$3.6	40%	\$1.8
Hockley	6,958	3,255	\$3.0	47%	\$0.8
Hood	6,583	3,558	\$3.5	54%	\$0.4
Hopkins	8,198	2,531	\$2.2	31%	\$2.0
Houston	6,724	3,133	\$2.8	47%	\$0.8
Howard	9,279	4,115	\$3.8	44%	\$1.4
Hudspeth	1,934	791	\$0.7	41%	\$0.3
Hunt	17,099	8,623	\$8.4	50%	\$1.6
Hutchinson	5,003	2,246	\$2.2	45%	\$0.7
Irion	363	56	\$0.1	15%	\$0.2
Jack	1,904	276	\$0.2	15%	\$0.7
Jackson	3,569	1,333	\$1.2	37%	\$0.7
Jasper	10,506	5,481	\$5.4	52%	\$0.8
Jeff Davis	558	78	\$0.1	14%	\$0.2
Jefferson	69,080	33,835	\$34.1	49%	\$7.7
Jim Hogg	2,120	1,226	\$1.0	58%	\$0.0
Jim Wells	15,870	8,344	\$7.7	53%	\$1.1
Johnson	20,685	11,972	\$12.1	58%	\$0.4
Jones	4,767	1,951	\$1.6	41%	\$0.8
Karnes	4,615	2,236	\$2.0	48%	\$0.5
Kaufman	13,547	6,795	\$6.6	50%	\$1.3
Kendall	4,115	907	\$0.9	22%	\$1.5
Kenedy	143	25	\$0.0	18%	\$0.0
Kent	187	17	\$0.0	9%	\$0.1
Kerr	10,411	3,904	\$3.7	38%	\$2.2
Kimble	1,558	467	\$0.4	30%	\$0.4
King	93	2	\$0.0	2%	\$0.0
Kinney	1,325	533	\$0.4	40%	\$0.2
Kleberg	13,416	6,164	\$5.8	46%	\$1.8
Knox	1,647	702	\$0.6	43%	\$0.2
Lamar	13,560	6,997	\$6.6	52%	\$1.1
Lamb	5,598	2,342	\$2.1	42%	\$0.9
Lampasas	4,192	1,661	\$1.5	40%	\$0.8
LaSalle	2,672	1,394	\$1.2	52%	\$0.2
Lavaca	4,898	1,417	\$1.2	29%	\$1.3

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Lee	3,177	887	\$0.7	28%	\$0.8
Leon	4,281	1,213	\$1.1	28%	\$1.2
Liberty	16,808	8,456	\$8.5	50%	\$1.6
Limestone	6,568	2,564	\$2.3	39%	\$1.2
Lipscomb	901	188	\$0.2	21%	\$0.3
Live Oak	3,258	1,040	\$0.9	32%	\$0.8
Llano	3,504	1,023	\$0.8	29%	\$0.9
Loving	0	1	\$0.0	NA	\$0.0
Lubbock	69,729	30,107	\$29.2	43%	\$11.4
Lynn	2,477	1,041	\$0.9	42%	\$0.4
Madison	2,894	1,642	\$1.5	57%	\$0.1
Marion	4,084	1,924	\$1.8	47%	\$0.5
Martin	1,574	710	\$0.6	45%	\$0.2
Mason	915	217	\$0.2	24%	\$0.2
Matagorda	11,620	5,139	\$5.2	44%	\$1.8
Maverick	28,591	14,761	\$12.8	52%	\$2.1
McCulloch	3,063	1,400	\$1.2	46%	\$0.4
McLennan	61,159	24,918	\$24.2	41%	\$11.4
McMullen	295	40	\$0.0	14%	\$0.1
Medina	10,934	4,882	\$4.4	45%	\$1.5
Menard	917	341	\$0.3	37%	\$0.2
Midland	26,499	13,122	\$12.5	50%	\$2.7
Milam	6,690	3,430	\$3.2	51%	\$0.5
Mills	1,611	363	\$0.3	23%	\$0.5
Mitchell	2,225	929	\$0.8	42%	\$0.3
Montague	5,016	1,493	\$1.3	30%	\$1.4
Montgomery	49,018	18,512	\$19.2	38%	\$11.3
Moore	5,566	1,610	\$1.4	29%	\$1.5
Morris	3,841	1,589	\$1.4	41%	\$0.6
Motley	439	89	\$0.1	20%	\$0.2
Nacogdoches	20,477	7,504	\$7.2	37%	\$4.6
Navarro	13,994	5,402	\$5.2	39%	\$2.9
Newton	4,934	2,641	\$2.6	54%	\$0.3
Nolan	5,701	2,419	\$2.1	42%	\$0.9
Nueces	95,538	50,748	\$50.1	53%	\$6.5
Ochiltree	2,211	747	\$0.7	34%	\$0.6
Oldham	649	92	\$0.1	14%	\$0.3
Orange	19,353	10,502	\$10.7	54%	\$1.1

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Palo Pinto	7,624	3,074	\$2.9	40%	\$1.4
Panola	5,663	2,368	\$2.2	42%	\$1.0
Parker	12,868	5,446	\$5.2	42%	\$2.2
Parmer	3,353	578	\$0.5	17%	\$1.2
Pecos	5,356	2,072	\$1.7	39%	\$1.0
Polk	11,846	6,088	\$6.1	51%	\$1.0
Potter	36,107	20,315	\$19.9	56%	\$1.3
Presidio**	4,333	2,661	\$2.3	61%	NA
Rains	2,184	977	\$0.9	45%	\$0.3
Randall	15,266	2,193	\$2.1	14%	\$6.7
Reagan	807	408	\$0.3	51%	\$0.1
Real	1,174	602	\$0.6	51%	\$0.1
Red River	4,462	2,014	\$1.7	45%	\$0.6
Reeves	6,038	2,613	\$2.3	43%	\$0.9
Refugio	2,642	596	\$0.5	23%	\$0.9
Roberts	117	12	\$0.0	10%	\$0.0
Robertson	5,412	2,743	\$2.6	51%	\$0.5
Rockwall	3,954	2,167	\$2.1	55%	\$0.2
Runnels	3,838	1,461	\$1.2	38%	\$0.7
Rusk	11,997	4,258	\$3.8	36%	\$2.6
Sabine	3,141	1,346	\$1.3	43%	\$0.5
San Augustine	2,963	1,314	\$1.2	44%	\$0.4
San Jacinto	6,858	3,420	\$3.5	50%	\$0.7
San Patricio	19,812	11,829	\$10.9	60%	\$0.1
San Saba	1,636	699	\$0.6	43%	\$0.2
Schleicher	1,034	190	\$0.2	18%	\$0.4
Scurry	4,314	2,110	\$1.9	49%	\$0.4
Shackelford	911	220	\$0.2	24%	\$0.3
Shelby	8,719	3,518	\$3.3	40%	\$1.6
Sherman	929	106	\$0.1	11%	\$0.4
Smith	41,987	17,542	\$16.6	42%	\$7.2
Somervell	1,206	423	\$0.4	35%	\$0.3
Starr	40,550	20,682	\$18.3	51%	\$3.2
Stephens	2,432	1,485	\$1.4	61%	\$0.0
Sterling	369	44	\$0.0	12%	\$0.1
Stonewall	550	107	\$0.1	20%	\$0.2
Sutton	1,189	406	\$0.3	34%	\$0.2
Swisher	2,288	1,386	\$1.2	61%	\$0.0

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Tarrant	263,627	108,901	\$112.4	41%	\$50.9
Taylor	32,403	14,346	\$13.4	44%	\$4.8
Terrell	451	67	\$0.1	15%	\$0.2
Terry	4,678	2,217	\$2.0	47%	\$0.5
Throckmorton	524	97	\$0.1	19%	\$0.2
Titus	9,055	2,917	\$2.6	32%	\$2.3
Tom Green	27,349	13,319	\$12.8	49%	\$3.0
Travis	167,667	59,265	\$65.8	35%	\$45.9
Trinity	4,352	2,227	\$2.0	51%	\$0.3
Tyler	5,459	2,411	\$2.4	44%	\$0.8
Upshur	9,255	4,089	\$3.9	44%	\$1.4
Upton	1,179	289	\$0.2	25%	\$0.4
Uvalde**	10,625	6,621	\$5.8	62%	NA
Val Verde	18,695	8,966	\$7.7	48%	\$1.9
Van Zandt	11,647	3,651	\$3.3	31%	\$3.0
Victoria	19,906	9,492	\$9.1	48%	\$2.4
Walker	14,232	4,338	\$4.3	31%	\$4.2
Waller	8,171	4,094	\$4.0	50%	\$0.8
Ward	3,411	1,501	\$1.4	44%	\$0.5
Washington	6,773	2,699	\$2.6	40%	\$1.3
Webb	98,539	51,906	\$48.2	53%	\$6.7
Wharton	11,782	3,960	\$3.8	34%	\$2.9
Wheeler	1,258	269	\$0.2	21%	\$0.4
Wichita	28,643	13,889	\$13.3	49%	\$3.1
Wilbarger	3,589	1,934	\$1.7	54%	\$0.2
Willacy**	10,484	6,489	\$5.9	62%	NA
Williamson**	21,498	14,199	\$13.9	66%	NA
Wilson	6,495	3,077	\$2.8	47%	\$0.7
Winkler	2,289	901	\$0.8	39%	\$0.4
Wise	8,622	3,256	\$3.1	38%	\$1.9
Wood	8,921	3,102	\$2.8	35%	\$2.0
Yoakum	2,514	542	\$0.5	22%	\$0.9
Young	4,672	2,467	\$2.3	53%	\$0.3
Zapata	6,374	3,471	\$3.3	55%	\$0.3
Zavala	7,530	3,776	\$3.4	50%	\$0.7
Texas	5387504	2,329,550	\$2,284	43%	\$904.2

Food Stamp Participation in the 32-County Texas Border Region

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Jim Hogg	2,120	1,226	\$1.0	58%	\$0.0
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LaSalle	2,672	1,394	\$1.2	52%	\$0.2
Maverick	28,591	14,761	\$12.8	52%	\$2.1
McMullen	295	40	\$0.0	14%	\$0.1
Pecos	5,356	2,072	\$1.7	39%	\$1.0
Presidio**	4,333	2,661	\$2.3	61%	NA
Real	1,174	602	\$0.6	51%	\$0.1
Reeves	6,038	2,613	\$2.3	43%	\$0.9
Starr	40,550	20,682	\$18.3	51%	\$3.2
Sutton	1,189	406	\$0.3	34%	\$0.2
Terrell	451	67	\$0.1	15%	\$0.2
Uvalde**	10,625	6,621	\$5.8	62%	NA
Val Verde	18,695	8,966	\$7.7	48%	\$1.9
Webb	98,539	51,906	\$48.2	53%	\$6.7
Willacy	10,484	6,489	\$5.9	62%	NA
Zapata**	6,374	3,471	\$3.3	55%	\$0.3
Zavala	7,530	3,776	\$3.4	50%	\$0.7
TOTAL	1,055,503	578,564	\$543.8	NA	\$51.3
Texas	5,387,504	2,329,550	\$2,284	43%	\$904.2

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ENDNOTES

ⁱ CPPP's estimate of the number of persons potentially eligible for Food Stamps is based on the estimated number of Texans with income below 130% of the federal poverty level in 2004, since that is the income limit for most households to receive Food Stamps. Estimates of the number of persons in each county with income below 130% of FPL are calculated by multiplying the total number of Texans with income below 130% of FPL in 2004 by that county's share of the population below 130% of FPL in 1999 (U.S. Census Bureau, 2000 census). The estimated number of Texans statewide with income below 130% of FPL in 2004 is calculated by multiplying the state population in 2004 (U.S. Census, State Population Estimates, July 1, 2004) by the percentage of Texans with income below 130% of FPL in 2003, (U.S. Census Bureau, Current Population Survey, 2004 Annual Demographic and Economic Supplement).

ⁱⁱ Texas Works Annual Report, Fiscal 2004, Texas Works Reporting Team, Center for Strategic Decision Support, Health and Human Services Commission, Annual Report, Fiscal 2004

ⁱⁱⁱ Ibid

^{iv} Assumes additional recipients would receive average annual per person benefit for that county in fiscal 2004 (Texas Works Annual Report, Fiscal 2004).