

NATIONAL SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM: CHILDREN PARTICIPATING

(Data as of December 07, 2018)

State / Territory	September 2017	August 2018	September 2018	Percent Change Sep 18 vs Sep 17
		<i>Preliminary</i>	<i>Initial</i>	
Alabama	520,960	503,877	518,574	-0.5%
Alaska	54,725	41,895	54,243	-0.9%
Arizona	642,070	604,411	627,646	-2.2%
Arkansas	318,191	308,625	315,683	-0.8%
California	3,191,133	3,103,832	3,446,834	8.0%
Colorado	367,987	270,478	370,069	0.6%
Connecticut	271,236	70,335	271,504	0.1%
Delaware	98,959	53,031	97,655	-1.3%
District of Columbia	57,146	8,060	57,181	0.1%
Florida	1,791,669	1,562,962	1,735,125	-3.2%
Georgia	1,211,695	1,157,510	1,198,921	-1.1%
Guam	17,292	19,441	18,073	4.5%
Hawaii	104,301	104,131	105,896	1.5%
Idaho	152,194	101,101	177,169	16.4%
Illinois	1,065,597	717,125	1,015,545	-4.7%
Indiana	746,824	635,394	716,857	-4.0%
Iowa	376,739	258,338	377,620	0.2%
Kansas	339,816	320,306	340,345	0.2%
Kentucky	516,668	490,525	521,231	0.9%
Louisiana	567,126	464,653	566,913	0.0%
Maine	94,297	6,439	71,648	-24.0%
Maryland	425,626	12,882	421,066	-1.1%
Massachusetts	519,797	405,617	482,487	-7.2%
Michigan	761,867	216,675	777,735	2.1%
Minnesota	605,156	28,709	629,458	4.0%
Mississippi	377,785	353,084	367,010	-2.9%
Missouri	587,304	527,161	561,345	-4.4%
Montana	80,320	56,088	79,069	-1.6%
Nebraska	248,064	223,509	247,115	-0.4%
Nevada	234,424	212,148	232,976	-0.6%
New Hampshire	78,374	47,915	73,447	-6.3%
New Jersey	670,935	49,401	659,391	-1.7%
New Mexico	221,351	213,646	215,729	-2.5%
New York	1,655,373	100,933	1,664,728	0.6%
North Carolina	849,990	340,713	816,386	-4.0%
North Dakota	94,691	36,378	94,691	0.0%
Ohio	980,073	473,535	907,243	-7.4%
Oklahoma	450,331	429,548	436,319	-3.1%
Oregon	282,223	35,172	270,173	-4.3%
Pennsylvania	1,006,878	673,718	997,804	-0.9%
Puerto Rico	233,180	217,055	214,654	-7.9%
Rhode Island	74,619	33,429	69,035	-7.5%
South Carolina	471,112	422,626	470,241	-0.2%
South Dakota	106,492	70,867	101,028	-5.1%
Tennessee	678,960	606,403	668,787	-1.5%
Texas	3,384,405	2,877,751	3,385,073	0.0%
Utah	332,040	313,553	328,887	-0.9%
Vermont	46,002	33,826	42,508	-7.6%
Virginia	687,082	492,580	527,795	-23.2%

Virgin Islands	41	161	2,997	7210.5%
Washington	497,765	177,054	491,104	-1.3%
West Virginia	192,470	167,839	188,857	-1.9%
Wisconsin	494,242	72,545	495,679	0.3%
Wyoming	48,043	30,737	46,628	-2.9%
Dept. of Defense	16,176	8,339	17,501	8.2%
TOTAL	29,899,818	20,764,069	29,589,676	-1.0%

Participation data are based on average daily meals adjusted by an attendance factor of 0.927. Dept. of Defense refers to children of armed forces personnel attending school abroad.

Data for August and September 2018 are preliminary and are subject to significant change; all data are subject to revision.