

## NORTH CAROLINA FACTS

## **Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)**

## In North Carolina

- SNAP reaches 793,000 households with 1,611,000 individuals in an average month (FY 2015).
- SNAP helps 1 in 5 rural and small town households, and 1 in 8 households in metro areas afford healthy, nutritious meals.²

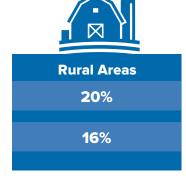
## Percent of households participating in SNAP<sup>3</sup>

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>USDA, Characteristics of Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Households: Fiscal Year 2015.

- More than three-quarters of SNAP families had at least one working adult in the past 12 months.
- A very small number of SNAP households (1% or 10,000) participate in TANF, making SNAP a critical safety net for families with children.
- More than two in five SNAP households included children.

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SNAP Households on TANF
1%
6%

SNAP Households with Children
43%
43%

Source for working families data: American Community Survey 2015 five-year estimates (2011-2015).

Source for TANF and children data: USDA, Characteristics of Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Households: Fiscal Year 2015.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>For the purpose of this analysis, **"Metro Areas"** are metropolitan statistical areas as delineated by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), each of which contains at least one Census Bureau-delineated urbanized area of 50,000 or more people; **"Small Towns"** are micropolitan statistical areas as delineated by OMB, each containing at least one Census Bureau-delineated urban cluster of between 10,000 and 50,000 people; and **"Rural Areas"** are non-metropolitan and non-micropolitan areas.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> American Community Survey 2015 five-year estimates (2011-2015).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Based on the Census Bureau definition, **family** consists of a householder and one or more other people living in the same household who are related to the householder by birth, marriage or adoption.