

Arizona Food Bank Network

Our Mission: A Hunger-Free Arizona



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Hunger in Legislative District 9



Total Population Children in Poverty

Adults in Poverty

243,448

13,648

23,489



Median Income

\$62,816

Unemployment Rate

5.8%



Households

91,454

SNAP Households

14,971

SNAP's impact on the local economy (monthly)

\$8,364,247

About 16% of households in your district participate in SNAP to make ends meet.



The Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP, formerly food stamps) is the nation's most effective anti-hunger program.

In LD-09, 39% of households earn below \$50,000 annually and may be eligible for food assistance programs like the reduced price co-pay for school meals.

Sources: Arizona Department of Economic Security (DES), <u>Arizona Legislative Districts: DES Client/Provider and Community Demographics Summary Handbook 2024. March 2025.</u>

Canning, P., and B. Stacy. The Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) and the Economy: New Estimates of the SNAP Multiplier. July 2019. US Department of Agriculture, Economic Research Service. Economic Research Report #265.

*Note: The average SNAP issuance in Arizona in 2024 was \$362.79/household/month, according to the 2024 DES Family Assistance Administration Monthly Statistical Plan Bulletins. AzFBN multiplied this average by the number of SNAP households in each legislative district and multiplied the total by \$1.54 to estimate the impact of SNAP dollars infused into the local economy each month. This multiplier effect is explained by The Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) and the Economy: New Estimates of the SNAP Multiplier (USDA 2019).