

**Table A-18. Average Number of Food Stamp Recipients by State, Selected Fiscal Years  
1977 – 1998**

[In thousands]

	1977	1981	1985	1989	1992	1994	1996	1998	Percent Change	
									1989-93	1993-98
Alabama	316	605	588	436	550	545	509	427	29	-24
Alaska	11	32	22	26	38	46	46	42	65	-2
Arizona	140	210	206	264	457	512	427	296	85	-39
Arkansas	213	305	253	227	277	283	274	256	25	-10
California	1,345	1,605	1,615	1,776	2,558	3,155	3,143	2,259	61	-21
Colorado	147	175	170	211	260	268	244	191	29	-30
Connecticut	178	175	145	114	202	223	223	196	90	-9
Delaware	26	56	40	30	51	59	58	46	95	-21
Dist. of Columbia	98	101	72	58	82	91	93	85	48	-1
Florida	728	957	630	668	1,404	1,474	1,371	991	125	-34
Georgia	459	654	567	485	754	830	793	632	67	-22
Guam	22	25	20	13	20	15	18	25	0	100
Hawaii	108	104	99	78	94	115	130	122	32	19
Idaho	33	64	59	61	72	82	80	62	30	-21
Illinois	922	984	1,110	990	1,156	1,189	1,105	923	19	-22
Indiana	196	405	406	285	448	518	390	313	74	-37
Iowa	108	163	203	168	192	196	177	141	17	-28
Kansas	62	108	119	128	175	192	172	119	47	-37
Kentucky	394	519	560	447	529	522	486	412	19	-22
Louisiana	425	574	644	725	779	756	670	537	7	-31
Maine	101	140	114	84	133	136	131	115	64	-17
Maryland	255	346	287	249	342	390	375	323	51	-14
Massachusetts	579	437	337	314	429	442	374	293	41	-34
Michigan	635	942	985	874	994	1,031	935	772	17	-25
Minnesota	158	202	228	245	309	318	295	220	29	-31
Mississippi	333	514	495	493	536	511	457	329	9	-39
Missouri	221	378	362	404	549	593	554	411	46	-30
Montana	27	47	58	56	66	71	71	62	26	-11
Nebraska	40	75	94	92	107	111	102	95	23	-16
Nevada	18	37	32	41	80	97	97	72	126	-23
New Hampshire	44	54	28	22	58	62	53	40	176	-34
New Jersey	493	608	464	353	494	545	540	425	50	-20
New Mexico	118	183	157	151	221	244	235	175	62	-28
New York	1,646	1,851	1,834	1,463	1,885	2,154	2,099	1,627	40	-20
North Carolina	428	605	474	390	597	630	631	528	61	-16
North Dakota	15	29	33	39	46	45	40	34	25	-30
Ohio	803	976	1,133	1,068	1,251	1,245	1,045	734	19	-42
Oklahoma	158	206	263	261	346	376	354	288	42	-22
Oregon	153	232	228	213	265	286	288	238	33	-16
Pennsylvania	843	1,071	1,032	916	1,137	1,208	1,124	907	29	-24
Puerto Rico	1,472	1,805	1,480	1,460	1,480	1,410	1,330	1,181	-1	-18
Rhode Island	79	88	69	57	87	94	91	72	62	-22
South Carolina	280	443	373	272	369	385	358	333	45	-16
South Dakota	26	46	48	50	55	53	49	45	11	-19
Tennessee	392	677	518	500	702	735	638	538	55	-30
Texas	823	1,226	1,263	1,634	2,454	2,726	2,372	1,636	63	-38
Utah	36	65	75	95	123	128	110	92	40	-31
Vermont	46	48	44	34	54	65	56	46	70	-21
Virgin Islands	25	34	32	16	16	20	31	17	8	-1
Virginia	240	432	360	333	495	547	538	397	61	-26
Washington	212	271	281	321	431	468	478	364	44	-21
West Virginia	199	252	278	259	310	321	300	269	24	-17
Wisconsin	175	269	363	291	334	330	283	193	16	-43
Wyoming	9	15	27	27	33	34	33	25	25	-26
United States	17,014	22,430	21,379	20,266	26,886	28,879	26,872	20,970	40	-26

Source: U.S. Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Service, unpublished data from the National Data Bank.