



**Food Stamp Program (FSP) Enrollment and Benefits Increased Significantly in California
Between September 2008 and September 2009**

County	FSP Enrollment, September 2008	FSP Enrollment, September 2009	Percent Change in FSP Enrollment, September 2008 to September 2009	Cash Value of Food Stamp Benefits, September 2008	Cash Value of Food Stamp Benefits, September 2009	Percent Change in Cash Value of Food Stamp Benefits, September 2008 to September 2009
Alameda	77,762	90,333	16.2%	\$8,936,061	\$13,789,544	54.3%
Alpine	117	120	2.6%	\$11,632	\$16,432	41.3%
Amador	1,673	2,148	28.4%	\$195,560	\$331,423	69.5%
Butte	20,133	23,277	15.6%	\$2,274,040	\$3,405,409	49.8%
Calaveras	2,542	3,477	36.8%	\$288,283	\$511,907	77.6%
Colusa	1,368	1,502	9.8%	\$131,094	\$191,536	46.1%
Contra Costa	39,247	50,108	27.7%	\$4,545,017	\$7,572,767	66.6%
Del Norte	4,082	4,584	12.3%	\$457,191	\$662,310	44.9%
El Dorado	5,560	7,261	30.6%	\$647,979	\$1,076,514	66.1%
Fresno	144,882	174,120	20.2%	\$16,431,455	\$25,144,650	53.0%
Glenn	2,443	2,804	14.8%	\$255,226	\$383,902	50.4%
Humboldt	10,143	12,167	20.0%	\$1,173,020	\$1,819,299	55.1%
Imperial	22,433	25,988	15.8%	\$2,509,317	\$3,917,522	56.1%
Inyo	1,190	1,472	23.7%	\$123,661	\$184,901	49.5%
Kern	92,149	110,989	20.4%	\$10,008,332	\$15,685,742	56.7%
Kings	14,972	17,414	16.3%	\$1,585,957	\$2,409,503	51.9%
Lake	6,388	7,544	18.1%	\$726,909	\$1,115,533	53.5%
Lassen	2,297	2,626	14.3%	\$264,439	\$383,184	44.9%
Los Angeles	670,861	815,123	21.5%	\$79,321,273	\$125,773,792	58.6%
Madera	15,936	19,240	20.7%	\$1,690,979	\$2,692,827	59.2%
Marin	5,090	6,622	30.1%	\$609,035	\$1,023,018	68.0%
Mariposa	987	1,127	14.2%	\$111,199	\$173,691	56.2%
Mendocino	8,643	10,430	20.7%	\$982,459	\$1,555,131	58.3%
Merced	34,923	41,771	19.6%	\$3,780,730	\$5,886,776	55.7%
Modoc	791	939	18.7%	\$81,026	\$124,591	53.8%
Mono	267	431	61.4%	\$32,433	\$69,918	115.6%

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Monterey	21,470	27,101	26.2%	\$2,250,335	\$3,747,965	66.6%
Napa	3,291	4,680	42.2%	\$360,247	\$676,742	87.9%
Nevada	3,601	4,378	21.6%	\$430,234	\$675,770	57.1%
Orange	94,634	132,206	39.7%	\$10,063,221	\$18,691,430	85.7%
Placer	9,840	12,745	29.5%	\$1,091,418	\$1,787,738	63.8%
Plumas	756	997	31.9%	\$79,050	\$137,372	73.8%
Riverside	123,323	177,936	44.3%	\$13,179,828	\$24,613,782	86.8%
Sacramento	136,865	161,835	18.2%	\$16,147,576	\$24,444,765	51.4%
San Benito	3,828	4,876	27.4%	\$434,131	\$717,963	65.4%
San Bernardino	185,493	251,607	35.6%	\$20,585,691	\$35,889,701	74.3%
San Diego	111,232	147,573	32.7%	\$12,233,584	\$21,732,303	77.6%
San Francisco	31,204	37,517	20.2%	\$3,726,622	\$5,782,603	55.2%
San Joaquin	64,513	75,388	16.9%	\$7,222,720	\$11,054,503	53.1%
San Luis Obispo	9,927	12,502	25.9%	\$1,077,927	\$1,785,051	65.6%
San Mateo	10,267	14,911	45.2%	\$1,166,229	\$2,234,743	91.6%
Santa Barbara	20,049	24,865	24.0%	\$2,129,443	\$3,505,302	64.6%
Santa Clara	64,978	79,923	23.0%	\$7,130,779	\$11,617,049	62.9%
Santa Cruz	12,763	15,914	24.7%	\$1,415,854	\$2,276,770	60.8%
Shasta	16,002	18,992	18.7%	\$1,772,984	\$2,709,942	52.8%
Sierra	138	193	39.9%	\$14,834	\$27,968	88.5%
Siskiyou	4,043	4,790	18.5%	\$453,532	\$686,282	51.3%
Solano	25,206	31,123	23.5%	\$2,969,597	\$4,732,637	59.4%
Sonoma	16,502	22,108	34.0%	\$1,903,246	\$3,275,465	72.1%
Stanislaus	51,605	63,516	23.1%	\$5,737,413	\$9,051,915	57.8%
Sutter	7,679	8,957	16.6%	\$836,825	\$1,270,074	51.8%
Tehama	6,016	7,666	27.4%	\$678,274	\$1,099,484	62.1%
Trinity	1,080	1,266	17.2%	\$123,339	\$184,397	49.5%
Tulare	72,514	87,846	21.1%	\$7,993,116	\$12,527,576	56.7%
Tuolumne	3,683	4,725	28.3%	\$371,412	\$642,946	73.1%
Ventura	37,585	49,562	31.9%	\$4,213,491	\$7,213,618	71.2%
Yolo	10,810	12,841	18.8%	\$1,236,444	\$1,875,895	51.7%
Yuba	9,386	11,229	19.6%	\$1,045,126	\$1,620,395	55.0%
California	2,357,162	2,945,385	25.0%	\$267,248,829	\$434,191,969	62.5%

Note: The federal government increased maximum food stamp benefits by 8.5 percent on October 1, 2008 to reflect the rise in food prices that occurred during late 2007 and 2008. In addition, the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA) temporarily increased maximum food stamp benefits by 13.6 percent effective April 1, 2009. September 2009 is the most recent month for which data are available.

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