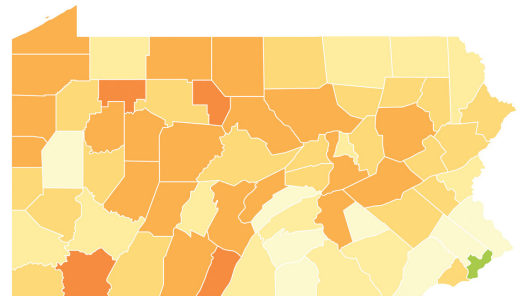


# PROTECT SNAP

Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program

## PHILADELPHIA COUNTY

Population: 1,569,657



# 467,647

county residents  
received \$61,547,164 in  
SNAP benefits to help  
make ends meet in  
December 2018

### SNAP FACTS

- 66% of those receiving SNAP are children, seniors, and persons with disabilities
- 97% of benefits are redeemed by the end of the month
- Low income SNAP participants spend \$1,400, or nearly 25%, less in annual medical costs than low-income adults who don't participate in SNAP
- SNAP boosts wages for workers who don't earn enough to afford a basic diet, and is also there to help those who are in between jobs while they search for work

### Philadelphia County: SNAP By the Numbers, 2018

## \$131.61

Average monthly  
benefit per person

## \$1.40

National average SNAP  
amount to be spent per  
meal

## \$1.3 Billion\*

in economic activity generated  
by SNAP benefits in  
Philadelphia County in 2018

\*Every one dollar of SNAP benefits has an estimated economic impact of \$1.70.



Sources: Pennsylvania Department of Human Services (Data as of December 2018), USDA, US Census, Center on Budget and Policy Priorities

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