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## Child Nutrition Index

Summer Meals Trend Analysis  
2000 – 2016

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## ***Kids Should Only Be Hungry To Learn!***

**Hunger Impact Partners** brings a laser focus to leading initiatives that support high impact child nutrition programs available to food insecure children. Armed with in-depth knowledge in hunger-relief, strong cross-sector partnerships and nutrition program expertise, we customize community solutions designed to close the meal gap for low income kids. We invest and support child nutrition program access and utilization for all eligible children and unlock corresponding federal reimbursement dollars to provide meal program sustainability.



## Grant Opportunity For Summer Meals Initiative

Hunger Impact Partners is funding existing and new meal site expansion for Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) providing grant opportunities to support:

- Youth Community Centers
- Schools K-12
- Parks & Recreation
- Faith-based Programs
- Community Education
- Multi-family Affordable Housing Sites
- Libraries
- Community Health Clinics
- Hospitals

<http://hungerimpactpartners.org/kidsfund/grant-opportunities/>

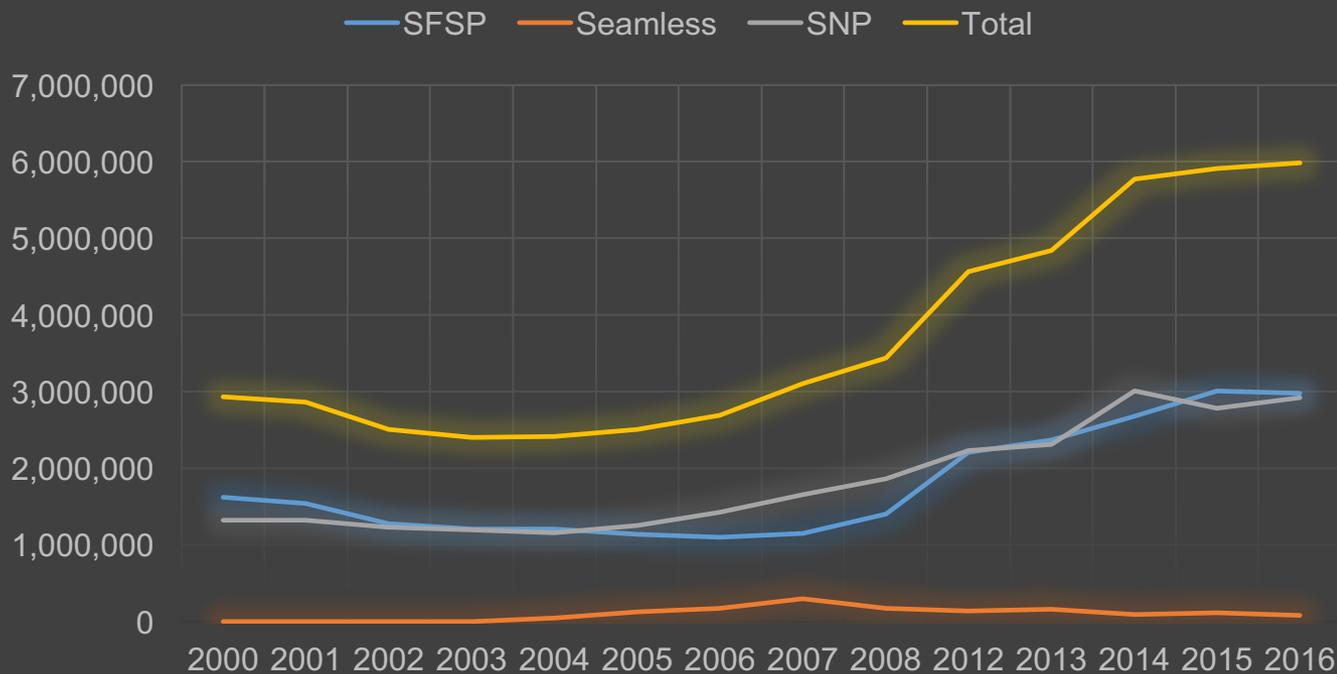
The following Summer Meals trend analysis supports efforts to improve access and utilization of this important child nutrition program.

# Child Nutrition Index: Trends/Summer Meals

Summer programs doubled the number of meals available to children from 2000 to 2016.



## Summer Meal Trends By Program and Total (Claim Months June, July and August)



### Data Sources:

Minnesota Department of Education  
\*2000 to 2016 statistics (March 16, 2017) SFSP & At-Risk Meal Programs  
\* Snp Claim Summaries for 2011-12, 2012-13, 2013-14, 2014-15, 2015-16 from Jeanette Johnson-Reed, SFSP Supervisor.

### Data Analysis:

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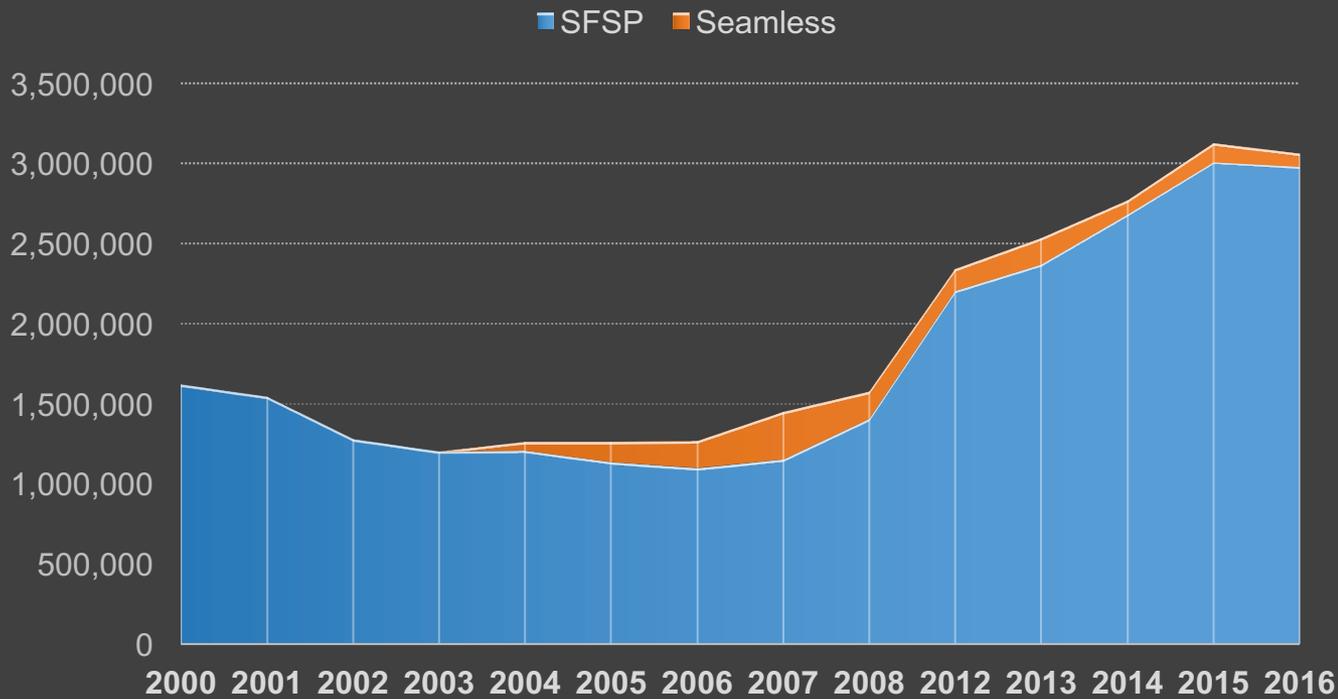
See Addendum for comparison information regarding summer meal programs. The graph does not include Summer 2010, 2011 and 2012 because complete data sets were not available for those summers.

# Child Nutrition Index: Trends/Summer Meals

SFSP and Seamless meals increased from 1.6 Million to 3 Million between 2000 and 2016.



## SFSP and Seamless Summer Meals



### Data Sources:

Minnesota  
Department of  
Education  
\*2000 to 2016  
statistics (March 16,  
2017) SFSP & At-Risk  
Meal Programs  
\* SFSP validated  
using USDA  
<http://www.fns.usda.gov/pd/child-nutrition-tables>

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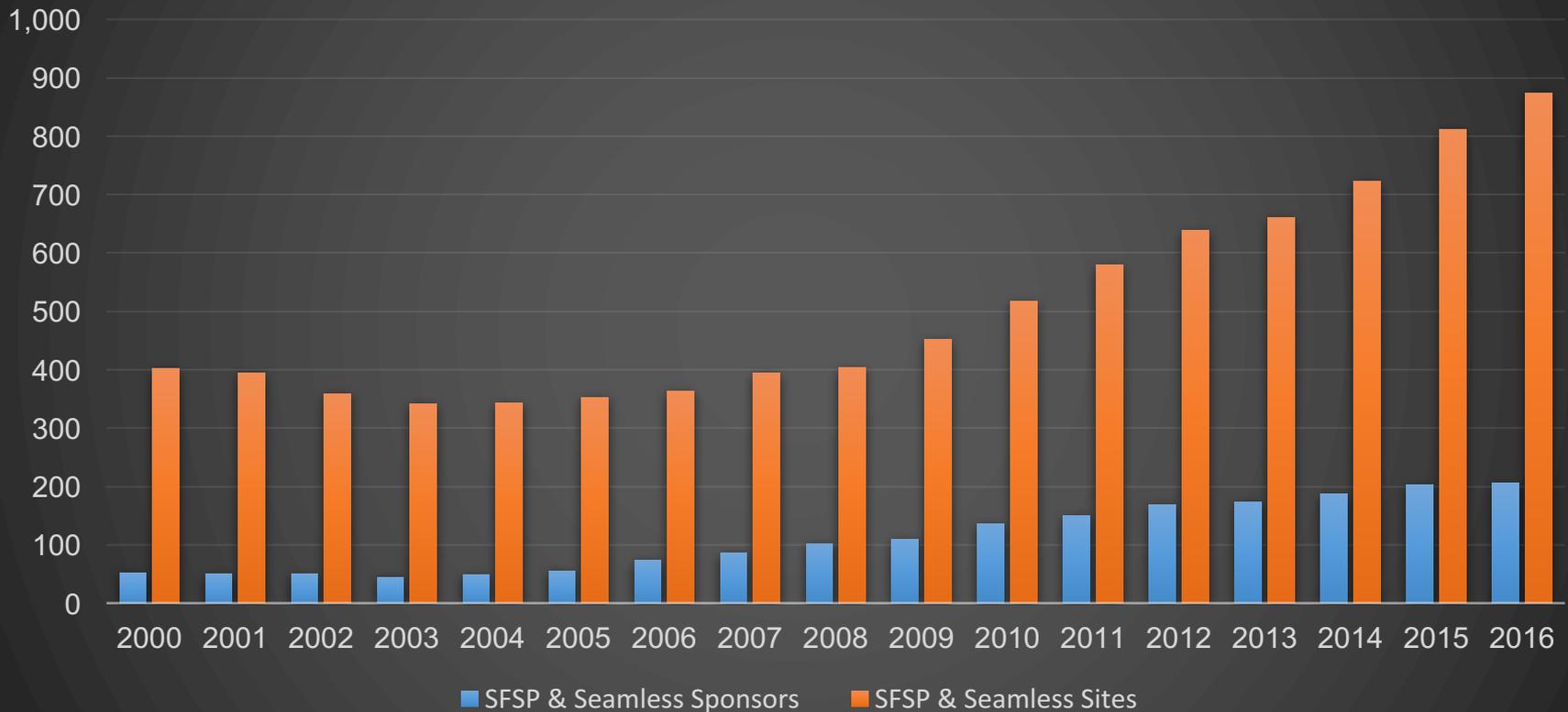
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# Child Nutrition Index: Trends/Summer Meals

There was an increase of 289% for SFSP and Seamless sponsors (52 to 206) and a 117% increase for SFSP and Seamless sites (402 to 874) between 2000 and 2016.



## SFSP and Seamless Sponsors and Sites



**Data Sources:** Minnesota Department of Education 2000 to 2016 statistics (March 16, 2017) SFSP & At-Risk Meal Programs.

**Data Analysis:** EnSearch, Inc.

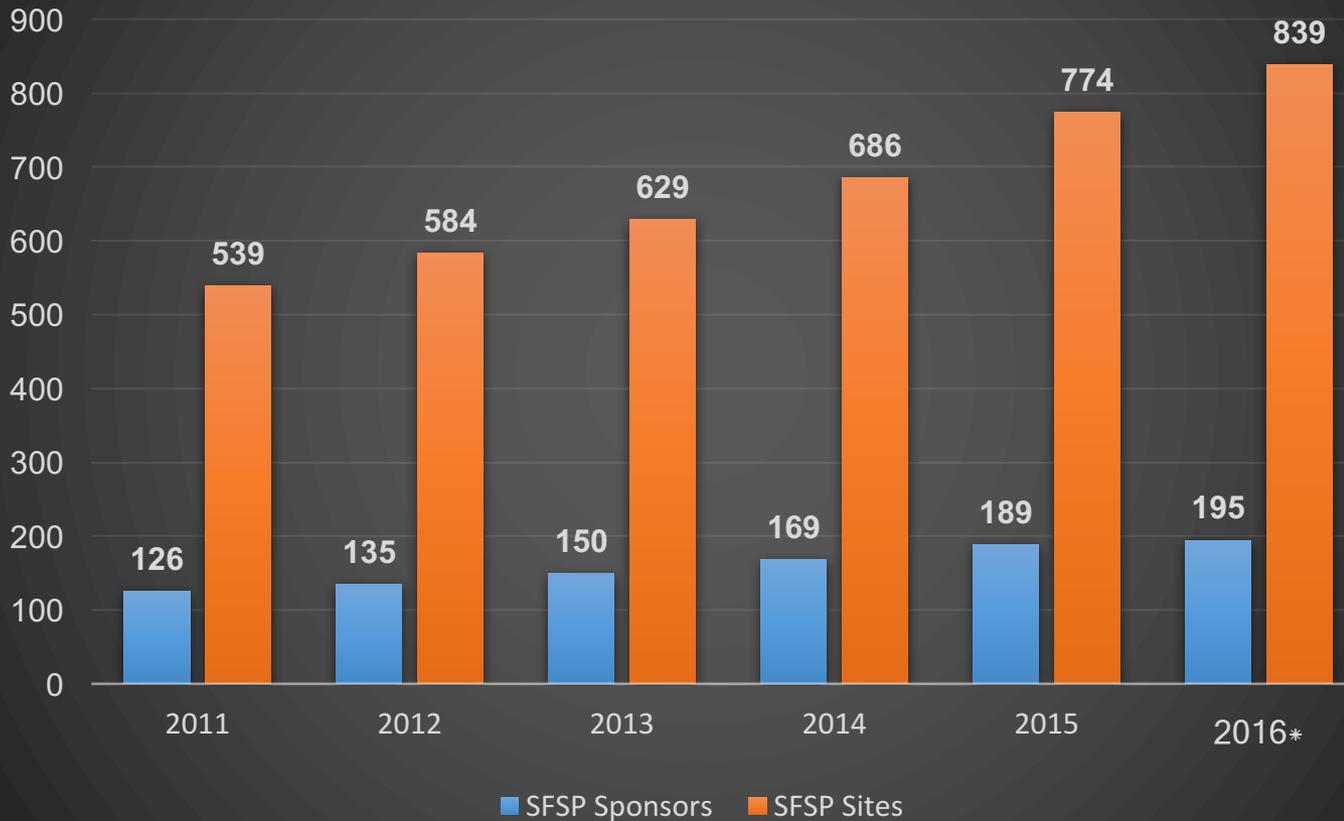
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The number of SFSP sponsors increased 55% (126 to 195) and the number of SFSP sites increased 56% (539 to 839) between Summer 2011 and 2016.



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## SFSP: Number of Sponsors and Sites



### Data Sources:

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Department of  
Education  
\*2000 to 2016  
statistics (March 16,  
2017) SFSP & At-Risk  
Meal Programs

### Data Analysis:

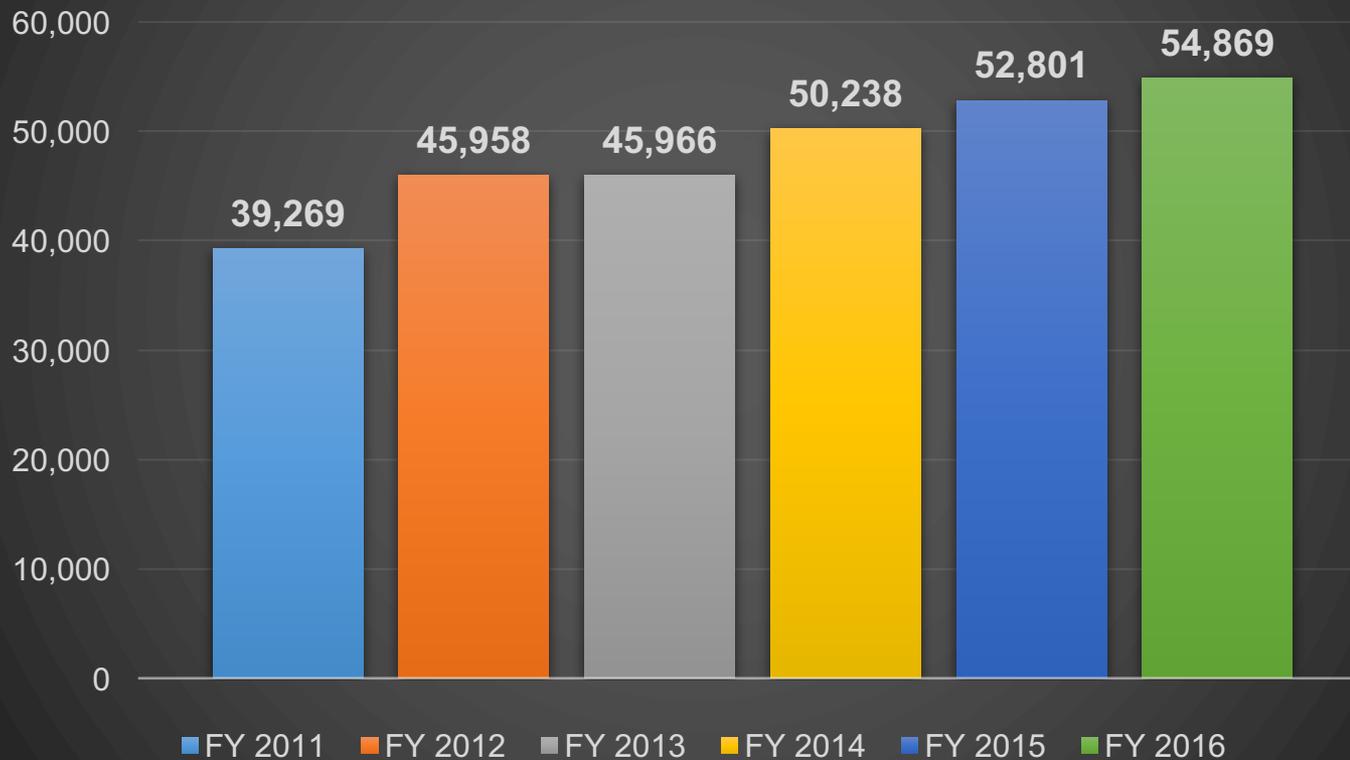
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# Child Nutrition Index: Trends/Summer Meals

SFSP average daily attendance increased 40% from 39,269 Summer 2011 to 54,869 Summer 2016.



## SFSP: Average Daily Attendance Data as of March 10, 2017



**Data Sources:** USDA  
Summer Food Service  
Program: Average  
Daily Attendance  
<http://www.fns.usda.gov/pd/child-nutrition-tables>

**Data Analysis:**  
EnSearch, Inc.

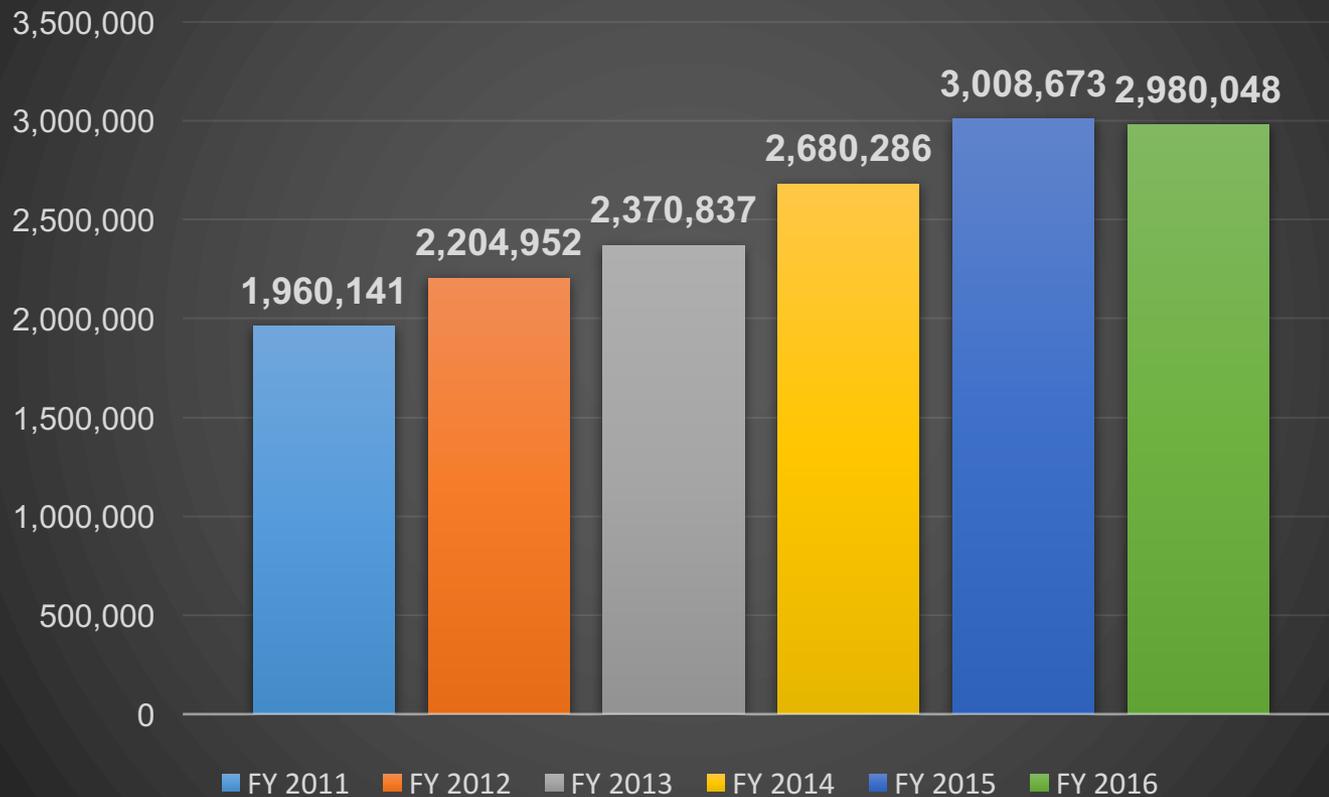
# Child Nutrition Index: Trends/Summer Meals

SFSP Total Meals Served increased 52% from nearly 2.0 Million Summer 2011 to nearly 3 Million Summer 2016.



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## SFSP: Total Meals Served Data as of March 10, 2017



**Data Sources:** USDA  
Summer Food Service  
Program: *Total Meals  
Served*  
<http://www.fns.usda.gov/pd/child-nutrition-tables>

**Data Analysis:**  
EnSearch, Inc.

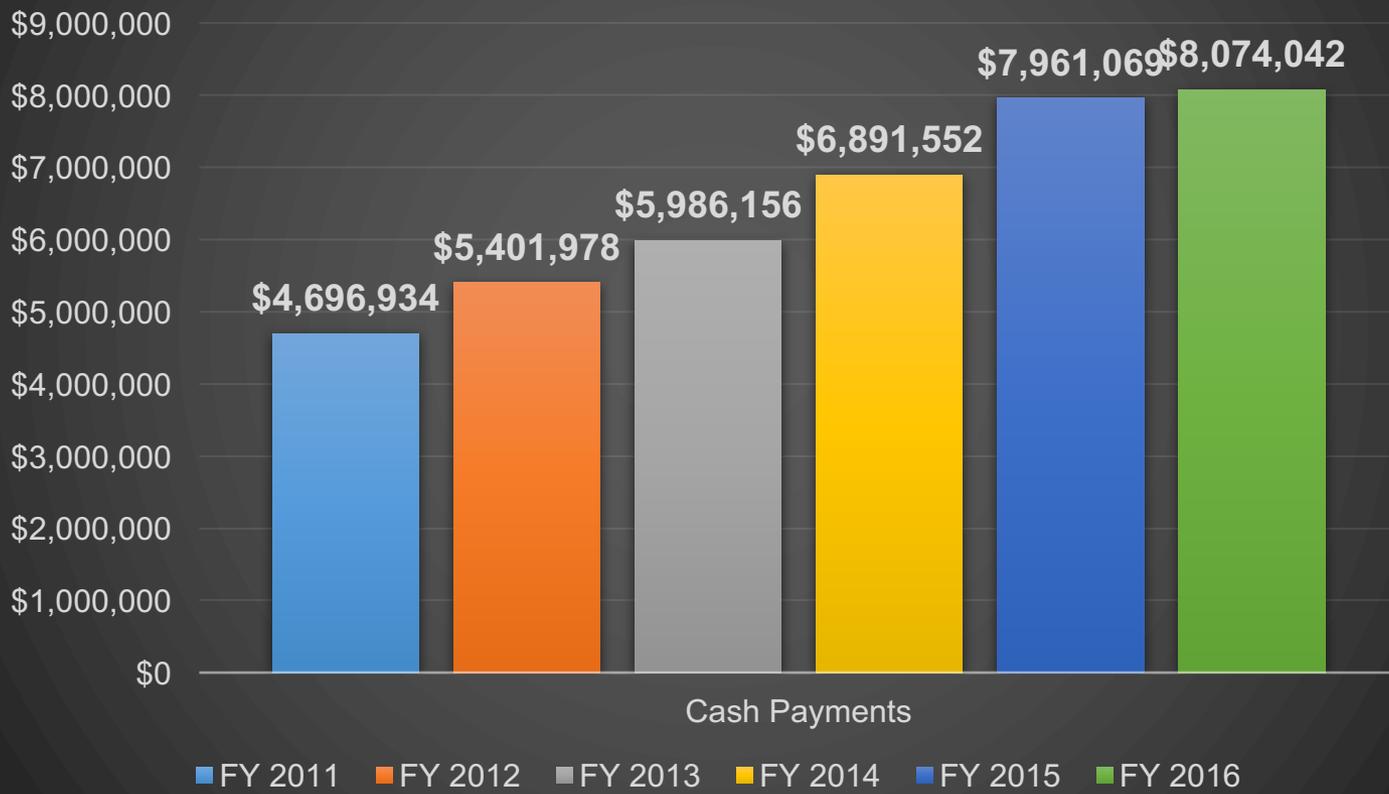
# Child Nutrition Index: Trends/Summer Meals

SFSP Cash Payments increased 72% from \$4.7 Million Summer 2011 to \$8.1 Million Summer 2016.



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## SFSP: Cash Payments Data as of March 10, 2017



**Data Source:** USDA  
Summer Food  
Service Program:  
Cash Payments  
<http://www.fns.usda.gov/pd/child-nutrition-tables>

**Data Analysis:**  
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# *Addendum*



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# Summer Meal Program Comparisons



## Comparison of Programs: SFSP/NSLP/Seamless Option 1/22/2015

*This is a comparison between the various Child Nutrition summer feeding programs. The purpose of this comparison chart is to inform and encourage more School Food Authorities (SFAs) to provide meals in the summer and other times when school is not in session. Both the Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) and Seamless Summer Option (SSO) reduce paperwork and administrative burden, making it easier for SFAs to feed children in low-income areas during the summer months or during the extended breaks of a year-round school schedule. Areas where the provisions in the Seamless Summer Option are same as SFSP, rather than NSLP, are highlighted as **Same as SFSP**.*

Topic	SFSP	NSLP/SBP	Seamless Summer Option
Eligible Sponsors	SFAs, Local government agencies, Private non-profit organizations, Universities or Colleges, Community & faith-based organizations SFAs are waived of the requirement to demonstrate financial and administrative capability for program operations	SFAs	SFAs currently administering the NSLP and/or SBP

**Source: Slides 12 to 19 retrieved from:**

[http://www.fns.usda.gov/sites/default/files/SFSP\\_SeamlessComparisonChart.pdf](http://www.fns.usda.gov/sites/default/files/SFSP_SeamlessComparisonChart.pdf)

# Summer Meal Program Comparisons



Topic	SFSP	NSLP/SBP	Seamless Summer Option
Times of Operation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• May – September for traditional school calendar areas</li> <li>• October-April during unanticipated school closures (i.e. emergencies)</li> <li>• During student vacations of 15 days or more for schools on a continuous year calendar</li> </ul>	When school is in session as established by the school district, including summer school	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• May – September for traditional school calendar areas</li> <li>• October-April during unanticipated school closures (i.e. emergencies)</li> <li>• During student vacations of 10 days or more for schools on a continuous year calendar</li> </ul>
Meal Service Locations	Schools, Camps, Churches, Community Centers, Housing Projects, Libraries, Migrant Centers, Parks, Playgrounds, Pools, and Other public sites where children gather	Schools , Residential Child Care Institutions (RCCIs)	Same as SFSP

# Summer Meal Program Comparisons, continued



Topic	SFSP	NSLP/SBP	Seamless Summer Option
Meal Cost for Children	All meals are free (Although camps are only reimbursed for children who qualify for free or reduced price meals, camp sponsors may, and usually do, provide meals free of charge to all children)	Meal cost (free/reduced price/paid) for children is based on their income eligibility	Same as SFSP
Establishing Site Eligibility	<p><b>Open sites:</b> In the attendance area of a school or in a geographic area defined by census data where 50 percent or more of the children qualify for free or reduced price school meals, and open to community</p> <p><b>Enrolled sites:</b> 50 percent or more of enrolled children are eligible for free or reduced price meals, determined by approved application, or operate in an eligible area</p> <p><b>Migrant sites:</b> Certification by a migrant organization that the sites serve children of migrant farm workers</p> <p><b>Camps:</b> Offer a regularly scheduled food service as part of an organized program for enrolled children</p> <p>*As applicable, alternative forms of data may be used to establish site eligibility, including Special provision data (including Community Eligibility) under NSLP/SBP, and Census data</p>	<p>Schools: Public and private non-profit schools of high school grade and under that are part of State's education system</p> <p>RCCIs: Public and licensed, non-profit, private</p>	Same as SFSP

# Summer Meal Program Comparisons, continued



Topic	SFSP	NSLP/SBP	Seamless Summer Option
Type of Meals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Breakfast</li> <li>• Lunch</li> <li>• Snack (AM or PM)</li> <li>• Supper</li> </ul> Lunch & supper cannot be reimbursed for the same day by the same site, except for camp and migrant sites	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Breakfast</li> <li>• Lunch</li> <li>• Afterschool Snacks</li> </ul>	Same as SFSP
Maximum Number of Meals	2 meals for most sites 3 meals for migrant sites and camps	Breakfast Lunch Afterschool Snack	Same as SFSP
Commodities	1.5 cents per meal for sponsors and self-prep sites May also receive bonus commodities, as available, in accordance w/ statute	24.75 cents per meal (2014-15 school year) May also receive bonus commodities, as available, in accordance w/ statute	Same as NSLP

# Summer Meal Program Comparisons, continued



Topic	SFSP			NSLP/SBP				Seamless Summer Option
2015 Reimbursement Rates	Type of meal	Self-prep or rural	All Other Types of Sites	Type of meal	Breakfast*	Lunch**	Snack	All eligible meals provided under SSO reimbursed at NSLP/SBP applicable free rates for the school year beginning July 1 of the prior calendar year
	Breakfast	2.0775	2.0375	Paid	.28	.42	.07	
	Lunch or Supper	3.6450	3.5875	R/P	1.63	2.81	.41	
	Snack	0.8650	0.8450	Free	1.93	3.21	.82	
	Calendar Year 2015 *For the contiguous States only; rates for Alaska & Hawaii are higher			School Year 2014-15*** *Includes severe need payment **Includes additional 6 cents performance-based reimbursement ***For the contiguous States only; rates for Alaska & Hawaii are higher				

# Summer Meal Program Comparisons, continued



Topic	SFSP	NSLP/SBP	Seamless Summer Option
Reimbursement Method	<p>SFSP sponsors receive the maximum reimbursement (meals times rates) without regard to their actual or budgeted costs</p> <p>Sponsors may use reimbursements to pay for any allowable program cost</p> <p>Camps are reimbursed only for meals served to eligible children</p>	<p>Total meals by type times the free, reduced, or paid rate for each type of meal</p> <p>Extra \$.02 per lunch if 60 percent or more of lunches in second preceding year were free or reduced price</p> <p>Additional payments for free or reduced price breakfasts in severe need schools</p>	<p>If area eligible, all meals reimbursed at NSLP/SBP free rate</p> <p>Extra reimbursements available under NSLP/SBP provided under SSO, as applicable</p> <p>If applications required (camps or closed enrolled in non-eligible area), free and reduced price meals reimbursed at free NSLP/SBP rate; no reimbursement for paid meals at these sites</p>
Monitoring Required of SFA/Sponsors	<p>Pre-operational visits before a new or problem site operates the summer program ; Site visits the first week of operation (waived for sites that operated successfully the previous summer); Site review during first 4 weeks of operation, followed by additional monitoring as needed</p>	<p>Onsite review of lunch counting and claiming system for each school by Feb. 1st each year.</p>	<p>Review of meal counting, claiming and meal pattern compliance at least once during each site's operation.</p>

# Summer Meal Program Comparisons, continued



Topic	SFSP	NSLP/SBP	Seamless Summer Option
Monitoring Required of State	Review every 3 years; more frequently based on program size and prior problems identified by the State agency	Administrative reviews every 3 years	Administrative reviews consistent with NSLP/SBP requirements. Must include one seamless site in an administrative review of a School Food Authority participating in the SSO
Meal Pattern	Meal pattern must meet 7 CFR 225.16(d) standards, though School Food Authorities may substitute NSLP/SBP meal patterns.	Must meet requirement for NSLP in 7 CFR 210.10; or SBP in 7 CFR 220.8.	Same as NSLP/SBP* *Additional flexibilities granted in specific circumstances: Refer to policy memo SP-39-2014 "Questions and Answers for the National School Lunch Program's Seamless Summer Option"

# Summer Meal Program Comparisons, continued



Topic	SFSP	NSLP/SBP	Seamless Summer Option
Eligible Participants	Persons 18 years or younger and persons 19 or older with a physical or mental disability, as defined by the State	Students enrolled in a school of high school grade and under determined by the SA; including persons enrolled in a school program for the mentally or physically disabled; and persons under 21 enrolled in an RCCI	Same as NSLP/SBP
Public Notification	Sponsor must send public media notice regarding program and eligibility	SFA must send public media notice regarding program and letter or notice with an application to parents for all children in attendance at the school at the beginning of each school year	Public media notice may be done but is not required SFA must state in application how each site (excluding closed enrolled sites) will promote the availability of meals to children in the community

# Summer Meal Program Comparisons, continued



Topic	SFSP			NSLP/SBP				Seamless Summer Option
	Type of meal	Self-prep or rural	All Other Types of Sites	Type of meal	Breakfast*	Lunch**	Snack	
2016 Reimbursement Rates	Breakfast	\$2.1325	\$2.0925	Paid	\$0.29	\$0.37	\$0.07	All eligible meals provided under SSO reimbursed at NSLP/SBP applicable free rates for the school year beginning July 1 of the prior calendar year
	Lunch or Supper	\$3.7450	\$3.6850	R/P	\$1.69	\$2.75	\$0.42	
	Snack	\$0.8875	\$0.8650	Free	\$1.99	\$3.15	\$0.84	
	Calendar Year 2016 *For the contiguous States only; rates for Alaska & Hawaii are higher			School Year 2015-2016*** *Includes severe need payment **Includes additional 6 cents performance- based reimbursement ***For the contiguous States only; rates for Alaska & Hawaii are higher				

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Validated by Jenny Butcher, Minnesota : Outreach Lead, SFSP & At-Risk Meal Programs

<https://www.fns.usda.gov/sites/default/files/cn/NAPS15-16nslpchart.pdf>

<https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2016-01-13/pdf/2016-00506.pdf>

# Summer Meal Program Comparisons, continued



Topic	SFSP			NSLP/SBP				Seamless Summer Option
	Type of meal	Self-prep or rural	All Other Types of Sites	Type of meal	Breakfast*	Lunch **	Snack	
2017 Reimbursement Rates	Breakfast	\$2.1875	\$2.145	Paid	\$0.29	\$0.32	\$0.07	All eligible meals provided under SSO reimbursed at NSLP/SBP applicable free rates for the school year beginning July 1 of the prior calendar year
	Lunch or Supper	\$3.8325	\$3.7700	R/P	\$1.74	\$2.84	\$0.43	
	Snack	\$0.9075	\$0.8875	Free	\$2.04	\$3.24	\$0.86	
	Calendar Year 2017 *For the contiguous States only; rates for Alaska & Hawaii are higher			School Year 2016-2017*** *Includes severe need payment **Includes additional 6 cents performance- based reimbursement ***For the contiguous States only; rates for Alaska & Hawaii are higher				

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