

# 2022 SUMMER NUTRITION PROGRAM



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### North Carolina



Thanks to all the dedicated summer nutrition staff!

## Overview of the Program

- Many children receiving free and reduced-price meals through the School Breakfast and National School Lunch Program are at greater risk of hunger during the summer.
- Lack of nutrition during the summer makes students more likely to fall behind during the school year and experience health issues.
- Federal Summer Nutrition Programs reimburse meal sponsors for serving free, healthy meals to children and teens ages 18 and younger in low-income areas during the summer.

## North Carolina Program Highlights



**214 sponsors** administered the program.

### Meals Served

Breakfast: **3,379,559**  
Lunch: **5,538,935**  
Supper: **10,252**  
Snack: **227,974**



**3,425 sites** served free summer meals.

Sites served meals between **1 and 84 days**, with an average of **20 days**.



**9,156,720** total meals were served during the Summer of 2022.



For more information about who is sponsoring meals in North Carolina, visit: [CarolinaHungerInitiative.org/Profiles](https://CarolinaHungerInitiative.org/Profiles)

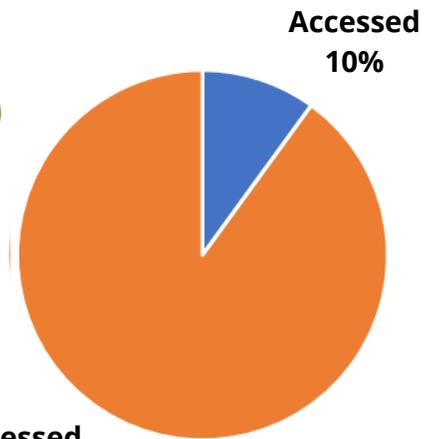
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## Summer Nutrition Builds the Economy!

- Up to two meals or snacks are reimbursable at each site daily, and can be served seven days a week.
- If every student eligible for free and reduced-price meals received breakfast and lunch Monday-Friday (55 days) during the summer, **\$347,818,230** would have been brought into the state.
- In the summer of 2022, **\$34,322,075** was brought into the state, with **\$313,496,154** not accessed.

## 2022 Summer Nutrition Program Funding



Not Accessed  
90%

## NEED

- In September 2022, **897,972** children (**62%** of public school students in the state) were eligible for free and reduced-price school meals
- **503,701** students participated in free and reduced-price school lunch in September 2022

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## State Need Met Through the 2022 NC Summer Nutrition Program

Month	Average Daily Attendance	Ratio of Summer Nutrition to FRP students*	Ratio of Summer Nutrition to NSLP**
June	401,759	44.74	79.76
July	87,931	9.79	17.46
August	43,727	4.87	8.68

\*Ratio of the number of children participating in the Summer Nutrition Program based on the average daily attendance in 2022 per 100 students eligible for free and reduced-price school meals in September 2022.

\*\*Ratio of the number of children participating in the Summer Nutrition Program based on the average daily attendance in 2022 per 100 participating in free and reduced-price lunch through the National School Lunch Program in September 2022.

This report covers meals served through summer nutrition programs for all of June-August 2022. Due to USDA waivers allowing meals to be served through summer nutrition programs during the 2021-22 school year, it may not be directly comparable to data from summer 2019 and earlier.  
Data Sources: NC Department of Public Instruction Summer 2022 and September 2022 Meal Claims Data. Additional information on data and calculations used in this profile can be found here: [CarolinaHungerInitiative.org/Profiles](https://CarolinaHungerInitiative.org/Profiles)

Learn more about the NC Summer Nutrition Program: [summermeals4nckids.org/](https://summermeals4nckids.org/)