



Impacts of H.R. 1 on Hungry Ohioans

The federal budget reconciliation bill (H.R. 1), also referred to as the “One Big Beautiful Bill Act” (OBBBA), requires sweeping changes to safety net programs, including \$186 billion in SNAP cuts over the next 10 years. These changes impose more complex eligibility rules, new state costs, and major funding reductions that threaten hundreds of thousands of Ohio families.

SNAP in Ohio Before H.R. 1¹



1,491,202
People receive SNAP



45,000
Veterans receive SNAP



12%
of Ohio receives SNAP



\$252,436,843
in federal benefits
coming to the state
each month



62%
of SNAP participants
are in families with
children



43%
of SNAP participants
are in families with
older adults or
disabled people

\$5.64 a day:³

That's what the
average Ohio SNAP
participant receives
in 2025.

Cost Shifts to Ohio:⁴

Administrative costs:
\$70 million per year

Benefits costs: \$321
million annually
(based on current
caseload & error rate)

SNAP Benefits Go Beyond the Grocery Aisle²

Supports children: SNAP benefits 582,344 Ohio children each month and provides eligibility for school meals.

Cuts to SNAP mean that children in families with low incomes can lose access to school meals

Boosts the economy: Every \$1 in new SNAP benefits generates \$1.54 in economic activity.

Supporting the food supply chain from farmer to grocery store

Strengthens local businesses: These include supermarkets, grocery stores, and farmers' markets that create jobs and support local economies.

Including the 9,964 retailers in Ohio



¹ DataOhio SNAP Data Map (September 2025); Center on Budget and Policy Priorities SNAP Data (2025); Feeding America Map the Meal Gap 2023 (2022 data)

² Ohio Caseload Summary Report (July 2025); USDA Economic Research Service SNAP Key Statistics and Research (2025)

³ DataOhio SNAP Data Map (September 2025)

⁴ CCAO Ohio SNAP Administrative & Benefits Cost Shift (2025)

Change Eliminates SNAP-Ed, the nation's largest nutrition education program	Elimination of SNAP Education (SNAP-Ed) Impacts Cuts \$11.2M annually for Ohio, eliminating free nutrition education, healthy cooking guidance, and trusted community programs¹	Timing October 1, 2025 (FFY26)
Change States and Local Governments Must Pay More to Run SNAP: Increased Administrative Costs (75% instead of 50%)	SNAP Administrative Cost Shift Impacts States must cover 75% of SNAP admin costs, and the federal share drops to 25% (Previously 50-50%) Ohio will need to cover an additional \$70+ million, creating greater financial pressure on the state and counties² Reduces funding for SNAP Outreach, a program that connects low-income households to SNAP through education and application assistance, through education and application assistance from community-based organizations	Timing October 1, 2026 (FFY27)
Change States may have to pay for SNAP Benefits: Cost Sharing (if payment error rate is greater than 6%)	SNAP Benefit Cost Share Impacts For the first time, states must pay a portion of SNAP benefits (5 to 15%) based on their payment error rate, creating an unsustainable fiscal burden Ohio faces an estimated additional cost of \$321M/year based on 2024 error rate (9.01%) to maintain current SNAP benefits²	Timing October 1, 2027 (FFY28)
Change Expands Ohioans who must report work activity (time limit) Eliminates SNAP for lawfully present immigrants, including refugees, asylees and victims of trafficking	SNAP Eligibility Changes Impacts The age range has been expanded from 18-54 to now also include adults ages 55-64 - also includes adults living with children aged 14-17 Estimated impact on 53,000+ Ohioans³ At minimum, 7,000 refugees, along with thousands of additional individuals, risk losing access to critical benefits and experiencing increased food insecurity⁴	Timing Takes effect immediately
Change Freezes future SNAP benefit increases by limiting Thrifty Food Plan (TFP) adjustments Limits which household expenses can be deducted from income calculations	Erosion of SNAP Benefit Levels Impacts Average SNAP benefit is already low - about \$6/per day per person⁵ Benefits won't keep up with rising food costs, families facing tougher choices Cuts benefits <i>now</i> for many by limiting the use of allowable utility deductions including internet	Timing Takes effect immediately

1 USDA SNAP-Ed FY 2025 Final Allocations Memo (August 2024)

2 CCAO Ohio SNAP Administrative & Benefits Cost Shift (2025)

3 Center on Budget and Policy Priorities Senate Agriculture Committee's Revised Work Requirement State Estimates (June 2025)

4 Center on Budget and Policy Priorities House Republican Reconciliation Bill Takes Away Health Coverage and Food Assistance (June 2025)

5 DataOhio SNAP Data Map (September 2025)