



U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

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Dear State Agency Directors,

The Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) of the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA, Department) plays a key role, in conjunction with our State agency partners, providing Federally funded nutrition services to Americans in need through the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP). The Department is dedicated to upholding the commitments of both President Trump and Secretary Rollins to strengthening government program integrity, as directed by Executive Order 14243, Stopping Waste, Fraud, and Abuse by Eliminating Information Silos.

To that end, USDA has established the SNAP Information Database. In accordance with Secretary Rollins' July 9, 2025, [letter](#), and in order to ensure a complete and accurate database, State agencies must be compliant with the requirement of transmitting SNAP participant data to FNS no later than July 30, 2025. As a reminder, 7 U.S.C. 2020(e)(8)(A) provides that State data protections must allow for this disclosure.

State agencies should refer to the SNAP Data Sharing Guidance [letter](#), published on July 23, 2025, to confirm the steps each State agency shall follow to transmit the data. Departmental staff stand ready to assist State partners with any technology challenges and/or provide clarifications as necessary to ensure State agency partners are compliant, and meet the July 30, 2025, deadline.

Failure to take the steps necessary to provide the relevant data to FNS may trigger noncompliance procedures codified in 7 U.S.C. 2020(g).

The Food and Nutrition Service thanks you for your dedication to improved program integrity and transparency in not only addressing the needs of vulnerable Americans, but safeguarding taxpayer dollars.

Sincerely,

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