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Executive Summary

The School Nutrition Programs — the National School Lunch Program and the School Breakfast Program — provide millions of low-income students the nutritious meals they need to fuel their minds and bodies. These programs help reduce food insecurity, support healthy eating, and are linked to improved academic achievement and attendance.

The shuttering of schools in the spring of 2020 and the variety of school schedules in the fall of 2020 have dramatically reduced participation in school breakfast and lunch and have significantly changed program operations. School districts (and community partners) have pivoted quickly to provide meals at sites through the Summer Nutrition Programs, which can be operated during times of unanticipated school closures.[1]

In March 2020, Congress supported these efforts by giving the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) broad authority to issue nationwide child nutrition waivers to support access to school, summer, and afterschool nutrition programs.

To capture the changes in participation and operations that School Nutrition Programs have experienced this past year due to COVID-19, the Food Research & Action Center (FRAC) surveyed 54 large school districts about their breakfast and lunch participation at three points in time:

1. **October 2019**,
2. **April 2020**, and
3. **October 2020**.

1 The Summer Nutrition Programs include the Summer Food Service Program and the Seamless Summer Option available through the National School Lunch Program.

KEY FINDINGS

- **IN OCTOBER 2019**, the surveyed school districts served a combined total of **38.8 million breakfasts** and **62.8 million lunches**. The reach of school breakfast was significantly less than lunch.
- **IN APRIL 2020**, the month following the shutdown for a majority of the country's schools, **17.7 million breakfasts** and **18.8 million lunches** were served in the surveyed districts, a **decrease** from October 2019 of **54 percent and 70 percent**, respectively.
- **IN OCTOBER 2020**, **18.5 million breakfasts** and **21.5 million lunches** were served. Between April 2020 and October 2020, **breakfast increased by 761,300** meals served, and **lunch increased by 2.8 million**. Participation in breakfast and lunch continued to lag significantly from the previous school year, with **52 percent fewer breakfasts** and **66 percent fewer lunches** served in October 2020 when compared to October 2019.

While the School Nutrition Programs have continued to operate throughout the pandemic with school nutrition departments working tirelessly to reach children in new and creative ways, too many children are still not being reached and school nutrition finances are stretched more than ever due to increased program costs and decreased reimbursements resulting from lower participation.

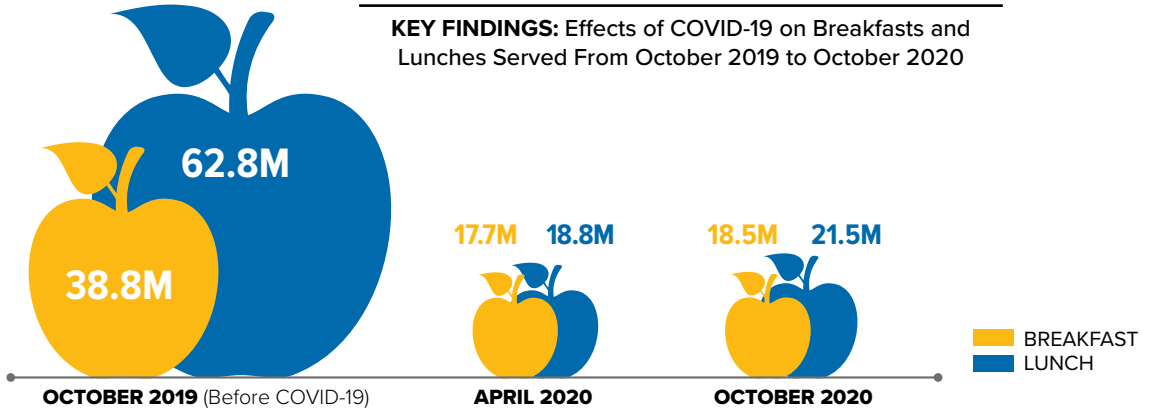
Looking ahead, schools will need more financial support to recover. Continuing to allow schools to provide meals to all students at no charge in the 2021–2022 school year will allow more children to participate while increasing funding through reimbursements. FRAC looks forward to working with the Administration, Congress, and USDA to take the necessary steps that will ensure students can continue to access the child nutrition programs this school year and beyond.

Resources on the Child Nutrition Programs

More Information on the child nutrition programs and participation data can be found in the following reports from the Food Research & Action Center:

- *School Breakfast Scorecard;*
- *Hunger Doesn't Take a Vacation: Summer Nutrition Status Report;*
- *Hunger Doesn't Take a Vacation: Summer Breakfast Status Report;* and
- *Afterschool Suppers: A Snapshot of Participation*.

KEY FINDINGS: Effects of COVID-19 on Breakfasts and Lunches Served From October 2019 to October 2020



OCTOBER 2019
(School Year 2019–2020)

In October 2019, students were attending school in person and school districts served breakfast and lunch through the School Breakfast Program and National School Lunch Program, respectively. School breakfast participation continued to lag behind school lunch participation in most school districts. Meals often were served in the cafeteria, but many schools were taking steps to increase their school breakfast participation by providing breakfast in the classroom or through other innovative models.

OCTOBER 2019: KEY FINDINGS FROM THE 54 SCHOOL DISTRICTS SURVEYED

38.8 million

62.8 million

Combined, the districts served **38.8 million breakfasts** and **62.8 million lunches**. The vast majority of the meals — 34.7 million breakfasts and 55.1 million lunches — were served for free or at the reduced-price rate.

The districts with the highest levels of participation in school breakfast broadly implemented **breakfast after the bell models in combination with offering breakfast at no charge to all students**.

On an average school day, a total of **1.6 million low-income students** received a school breakfast and **2.6 million received a school lunch**.

73%

Seventeen school districts offered free breakfast and lunch to all students districtwide through the Community Eligibility Provision. An additional 28 school districts participated in community eligibility in at least some of their schools. Overall, **6,471 schools (out of 8,838)**, or **73 percent**, offered free school meals to all students through community eligibility.

Six additional schools **offered free breakfast and lunch** through Provision 2. An additional **246** schools **offered free breakfast** to all students (but not lunch) through Provision 2, and **387 offered free breakfast** to all students through nonpricing or another method.

Eighteen school districts reached FRAC's benchmark[2] of **serving 70 low-income children school breakfast for every 100 participating in school lunch**, with Los Angeles Unified School District (CA) serving more children breakfast than lunch.

91%

Forty-nine districts (91 percent) had at least some schools that operated **breakfast after the bell models**. (Please refer to the table on the right and Table C.)

2 The Food Research & Action Center (FRAC) sets an ambitious but achievable goal of reaching 70 low-income students with school breakfast for every 100 participating in school lunch. For more information, refer to FRAC's *School Breakfast Scorecard*.

Survey Sample

FRAC surveyed 54 large school districts about their breakfast and lunch participation and operating status in **October 2019**, **April 2020**, and **October 2020** in order to analyze participation and program operations **pre-pandemic**, in the **spring** when schools were shuttered, and in the **fall** when schools were operating under a variety of school schedules.

- Completed surveys for the **54 school districts** were submitted by districts in **28 states** and the **District of Columbia**.
- The size of the school districts ranged from **9,737 students** in Floyd County Schools (GA) to **1,148,696 students** in New York City Department of Education (NY).
- Of the surveyed school districts, **27 percent** had student enrollments of **more than 100,000 students**.
- In 52 percent of the surveyed school districts, **70 percent or more** of the students were certified to **receive free or reduced-price school meals**.

TABLE: Number of School Districts With at Least One School Using Each Breakfast Model, October 2019

Traditional/Cafeteria Service	52
Breakfast in the Classroom	38
"Grab and Go"	36
Second Chance	22
Vending Machine	10

Breakfast After the Bell

Implementing a breakfast after the bell model that moves breakfast out of the cafeteria and makes it more accessible and part of the regular school day has proven to be the most successful strategy for increasing school breakfast participation. Breakfast after the bell service models overcome timing, convenience, and stigma barriers that get in the way of children participating in school breakfast, and are even more impactful when they are combined with offering breakfast at no charge to all students. Schools have three options when offering breakfast after the bell:

- **Breakfast in the Classroom:** Meals are delivered to and eaten in the classroom at the start of the school day;
- **"Grab and Go":** Children (particularly older students) are able to quickly grab the components of their breakfast from carts or kiosks in the hallway or the cafeteria line to eat in their classroom or in common areas; and
- **Second Chance Breakfast:** Students are offered a second chance to eat breakfast after homeroom or first period. Many middle and high school students are not hungry first thing in the morning. Serving these students breakfast after the first period allows them ample time to arrive to class on time while still providing them the opportunity to get a nutritious start to the day.

Offering Breakfast and Lunch Free to All

In October 2019, many of the surveyed school districts were offering free meals to all students, with federal reimbursements based on the proportions of low-income children in the school. The following options, which offer free breakfast and lunch to all students through the School Breakfast Program and National School Lunch Program, are used by one or more of the surveyed school districts:

- **Community Eligibility Provision:** Community eligibility schools are high-poverty schools that offer free breakfast and lunch to all students and do not have to collect, process, or verify school meal applications, or keep track of meals by fee category, resulting in significant administrative savings and increased participation.
- **Provision 2:** Schools using Provision 2 (referring to a provision of the National School Lunch Act) do not need to collect, process, or verify school meal applications or keep track of meals by fee category for at least three out of every four years. Schools collect school meal applications and count and claim meals by fee category during year one of the multi-year cycle, called the "base year." Those data then determine the federal reimbursement and are used for future years in the cycle. Provision 2 schools have the option to serve only breakfast or lunch, or both breakfast and lunch, to all students at no charge, and use economies of scale from increased participation and significant administrative savings to offset the cost of offering free meals to all students.
- **Nonpricing:** No fees are collected from students while schools continue to receive federal reimbursements for the breakfasts served under the three-tier federal fee categories (free, reduced-price, and paid).

APRIL 2020
(School Year 2019–2020)

In the middle of March 2020, school districts began to close in response to COVID-19. State officials and district administrators had to develop a new course of action for educating children remotely. When schools closed, it also brought the challenge of providing breakfast and lunch to the millions of children who relied on free and reduced-price school breakfast and lunch. All of the school districts that were surveyed continued to feed children in April. All but one[3] provided meals at no charge at school and community-based meal sites through the Summer Nutrition Programs. While the districts developed creative approaches to reach the children in their community, most still experienced dramatic drops in participation.

APRIL 2020: KEY FINDINGS FROM THE 54 SCHOOL DISTRICTS SURVEYED

17.7 million **54%**

18.8 million **70%**

The school districts served **17.7 million breakfasts** and **18.8 million lunches**, a decrease of 21 million breakfasts **(a 54 percent drop)** and 44 million lunches **(a 70 percent drop)** compared to October 2019.

One district — **Chicago Public Schools (IL)** — **INCREASED** the number of breakfasts and lunches served in April 2020 when compared to October 2019. Three additional districts — **Albuquerque Public Schools (NM), Salt Lake City School District (UT), and Wake County Public School System (NC)** — **INCREASED** participation in breakfast.

1 million fewer breakfasts

Three districts served more than **1 million fewer breakfasts in April 2020 compared to October 2019**:

- **New York City** Department of Education (NY) dropped by **3.5 million**;
- **Los Angeles** Unified School District (CA) dropped by **3.4 million**; and
- **Clark County** School District (NV) dropped by **1.4 million**.

1.5 million fewer lunches

Five districts served more than **1.5 million fewer lunches in April 2020 compared to October 2019**:

- **New York City** Department of Education (NY) dropped by **9.7 million**;
- **Clark County** School District (NV) dropped by **3.1 million**;
- **Los Angeles** Unified School District (CA) dropped by **2.6 million**;
- **Broward County** Public Schools (FL) dropped by **2.4 million**; and
- School District of **Palm Beach County** (FL) dropped by **1.8 million**.

3 The Cleveland Metropolitan School District continued to provide free meals to all students through the Community Eligibility Provision in April 2020 instead of switching to one of the Summer Nutrition Programs.

Nationwide Waivers

All of the districts used one or more of the waivers that the U.S. Department of Agriculture issued in the spring to support access to meals during the pandemic. Without these waivers, the decrease in meal service in April and October (both in 2020) would have been significantly higher. The waivers are available to schools (and community-based organizations) through the 2020–2021 school year.[4] Below is a list of the waivers, followed by a table that describes the extent to which the surveyed districts used the waivers.

Area Eligibility
allows communities across the country to provide meals by waiving the requirement that summer and afterschool meal sites be located in an area in which at least half of the children are eligible for free or reduced-price school meals.

Non-Congregate Feeding
allows families to take meals home to eat by waiving the requirement that children eat the meal at the site.

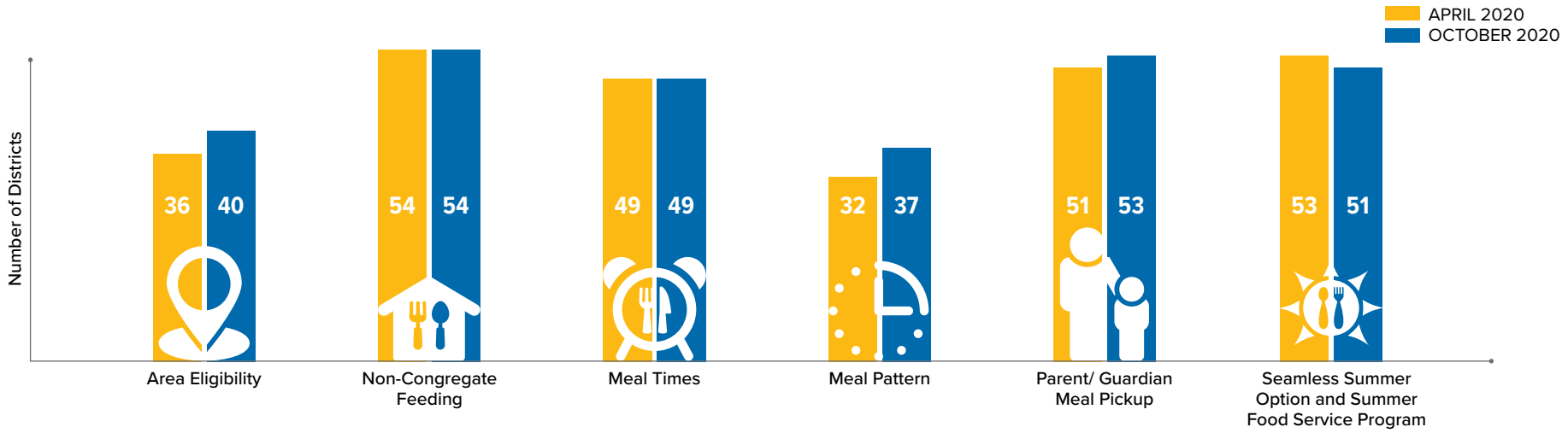
Meal Times
allows sites to provide families multiple meals — up to breakfast, lunch, supper, and a snack for one day — and more than one days' worth of meals at a time by waiving requirements for the timing of the meal service.

Meal Pattern
allows flexibility in meeting the meal patterns.

Parent/Guardian Pickup
allows parents or guardians to pick up meals for the children in the household by waiving the requirement that the child be present.

Seamless Summer Option and Summer Food Service Program[5]
allows schools to serve meals through the Summer Nutrition Programs instead of operating the School Breakfast Program and National School Lunch Program under the normal rules for the regular school year.

TABLE: Number of Districts Using Each Type of Waiver, April 2020 and October 2020



4 The waivers are set expire on June 30, 2021, but the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) has the authority to extend them if the need remains. Schools and community-based organizations are calling upon USDA to extend the waivers.

5 The total number of districts using the Seamless Summer Option (SSO) and Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) waiver includes any district that reported serving meals through either SSO or SFSP in the applicable month.

Meal Sites and Delivery Methods

As school districts transitioned from operating under the School Nutrition Programs to the Summer Nutrition Programs (Seamless Summer Option or the Summer Food Service Program), "grab and go" meal sites took the place of school cafeterias. In October 2019, more than 8,800 schools operated School Nutrition Programs across the 54 surveyed districts. In April 2020, these districts operated 2,706 meal sites (which includes sites on and off school grounds). This translates to a 69 percent drop in the number of school-operated sites that were available for students to receive meals between October 2019 to April 2020.[6]

However, some districts did take extra measures to reach children and their families beyond meal sites — 13 of the surveyed districts used existing bus routes to deliver meals to children's bus stops,[7] 13 districts delivered school meals to students' homes,[8] and 10 provided adult meals.[9] School districts offered "grab and go" meals from food trucks or at schools, and delivered meals to apartment complexes, shelters, and hotels for those in transitional housing. School districts also served as the meal vendor for meal sites operated by another sponsor.

In October 2020, some of the surveyed school districts were still using innovative delivery methods beyond meal sites, although the number of those that were using each type had dropped. In October 2020, 11 of the surveyed districts used existing bus routes to deliver meals to children's bus stops,[10] 11 delivered school meals to students' homes,[11] and four provided meals for adults.[12] Districts also continued to use other innovative methods for meal distribution, including "grab and go" at schools or in school parking lots, designated bulk meal drop-offs, family dinner meals, weekend meals, and delivery to remote sites.

6 Additional meal sites operated by nonprofit organizations and local government agencies were available in April 2020 to families in some of the districts that were surveyed.

7 The 13 districts that used existing bus routes were Alexandria City Public Schools (VA), Anchorage School District (AK), Atlanta Public Schools (GA), Austin Independent School District (TX), Boise School District (ID), Boston Public Schools (MA), Denver Public Schools (CO), Duval County Public Schools (FL), Metropolitan Nashville Public Schools (TN), Portland Public Schools (OR), Richmond City Public Schools (VA), San Antonio Independent School District (TX), and Savannah-Chatham County Public School System (GA).

8 The 13 districts that delivered meals to students' homes were Alexandria City Public Schools (VA), Boston Public Schools (MA), Chicago Public Schools (IL), Dallas Independent School District (TX), Erie School District (PA), Knox County Schools (TN), New York City Department of Education (NY), Omaha Public Schools (NE), Portland Public Schools (OR), Reading School District (PA), San Antonio Independent School District (TX), San Bernardino City Unified School District (CA), and Syracuse City School District (NY).

9 The 10 districts that offered adult meals were Broward County Public Schools (FL), Cleveland Metropolitan School District (OH), Cobb County School District (GA), Dallas Independent School District (TX), Denver Public Schools (CO), District of Columbia Public Schools (DC), Los Angeles Unified School District (CA), Milwaukee Public Schools (WI), New York City Department of Education (NY), and Newark Board of Education (NJ).

10 The 11 districts that used existing bus routes were Alexandria City Public Schools (VA), Anchorage School District (AK), Atlanta Public Schools (GA), Denver Public Schools (CO), Ferguson-Florissant School District (MO), Metropolitan Nashville Public Schools (TN), Portland Public Schools (OR), Richmond City Public Schools (VA), Rockford Public Schools (IL), San Antonio Independent School District (TX), and Savannah-Chatham County Public School System (GA).

11 The 11 districts that delivered meals to students' homes were Alexandria City Public Schools (VA), Austin Independent School District (TX), Boston Public Schools (MA), Chicago Public Schools (IL), Erie School District (PA), New York City Department of Education (NY), Portland Public Schools (OR), Reading School District (PA), San Antonio Independent School District (TX), San Bernardino City Unified School District (CA), and Syracuse City School District (NY).

12 The four districts that served adult meals were Boise School District (ID), Cobb County School District (GA), Los Angeles Unified School District (CA), and New York City Department of Education (NY).

OCTOBER 2020
(School Year 2020–2021)

In October 2020, school districts' reopening plans varied significantly. Twenty-six of the surveyed school districts implemented a virtual learning model for all students. The rest of the surveyed districts used models that included virtual and in-person learning. This included school districts in which some students were fully virtual/remote and some students solely attended in person; other districts had some students who split their time between in-person and virtual learning while others only attended classes in a virtual/remote setting; and a hybrid model where all students are in school with a staggered schedule or there are cohorts of students in school at any given time.

OCTOBER 2020: KEY FINDINGS FROM THE 54 SCHOOL DISTRICTS SURVEYED

18.5 million

21.5 million

In October 2020, the month that schools were operating under a variety of learning models,[13] **18.5 million breakfasts** and **21.5 million lunches** were served. This was a **DECREASE** from the **38.8 million breakfasts** and **62.8 million lunches** served in October 2019.

700,000 fewer breakfasts

Four districts served at least **700,000 fewer breakfasts in October 2020 than in October 2019**:

- **Los Angeles** Unified School District (CA) dropped by **5.1 million**;
- **New York City** Department of Education (NY) dropped by **2.9 million**;
- School District of **Philadelphia** (PA) dropped by **963,393**; and
- **Clark County** School District (NV) dropped by **745,917**.

13 In person, virtual, or a combination of these approaches.

Only **Alexandria City Public Schools (VA)** had an **INCREASE** in breakfast in October 2020; they served **16,570 more breakfasts compared to October 2019**.

1.5 million fewer lunches

Five districts served over **1.5 million fewer lunches in October 2020 than in October 2019**:

- **New York City** Department of Education (NY) dropped by **9.5 million**;
- **Los Angeles** Unified School District (CA) dropped by **4.3 million**;
- **Clark County** School District (NV) dropped by **2.4 million**;
- **Broward County** Public Schools (FL) dropped by **1.9 million**; and
- School District of **Philadelphia** (PA) dropped by **1.6 million**.

In October 2020, of the 29 school districts that were not fully virtual/remote, **22 offered some model of breakfast after the bell in some schools**, with **"grab and go"** being the model most often implemented, followed by **second chance** and **breakfast in the classroom**.

Pandemic Electronic Benefit Transfer (P-EBT)

P-EBT was created through the Families First Coronavirus Act in March 2020. The program provides EBT cards to eligible families with the value of the free reimbursement for school breakfast and lunch for each day their school was closed. Subsequent legislation has expanded the program to provide benefits to young children[14] and to provide benefits during the summer months. The budget reconciliation, when passed, extends P-EBT through the pandemic and allows benefits to be provided during the summer. The program is available through the COVID-19 public health declaration. Students who are eligible for benefits during the 2020–2021 school year include those who

- **attend a school that runs the National School Lunch Program**, and their school has been closed or is operating with reduced hours or attendance for at least five consecutive school days; or
- **have been certified to receive free or reduced-price meals through their school** or attend a school that provides free meals for all through the Community Eligibility Provision or Provision 2 or 3.

14 Children under 6 years old, whose households participate in the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, are eligible for benefits if there are child care or school closures. For more information on the Pandemic Electronic Benefit Transfer (P-EBT) program benefits available to young children, visit frac.org/pebt.

During school year 2020–2021, a majority of school districts continued to use the child nutrition program waivers that allowed them to operate the Summer Nutrition Programs instead of traditional school meals programs. Only three school districts did not serve meals through the Summer Nutrition Programs and instead provided free meals to all students through community eligibility.

TABLE: Number of Districts Using Each Learning Model, October 2020

All Students in 100% Virtual/Remote Learning Model	26
Some Students in 100% Virtual/Remote Learning Model and Some Students 100% In Person	11
Some Students in Hybrid Model and Some Students in 100% Virtual/Remote Learning Model	15
All Students in Hybrid Model	1
Other[15]	1

TABLE: Number of Meals Served Through Each Program, October 2020

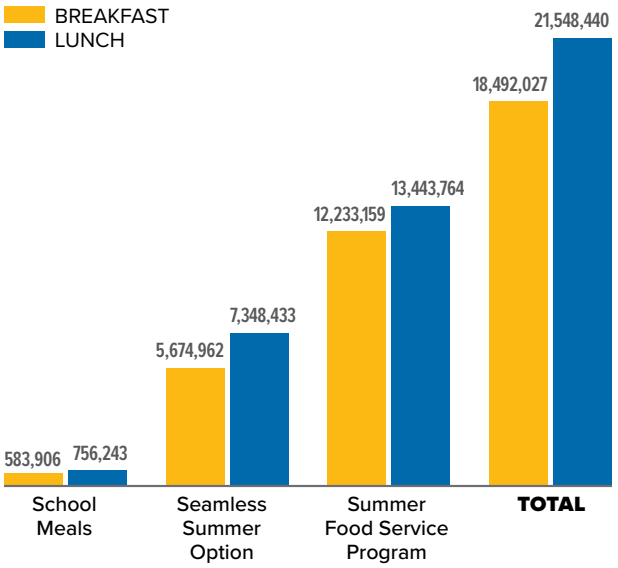


TABLE: Number of Districts Using Each Breakfast After the Bell Model, October 2020[16]

Cafeteria Before School	12
Breakfast in the Classroom	16
"Grab and Go" in the Classroom	18
Second Chance	5
Vending Machine	1
Other	4

15 One school district responded "other" in the survey; the district verbally confirmed that they used a combination of all virtual, all in-person, and hybrid models.

16 This does not include any districts that are fully using a virtual/remote learning model.

Conclusion

The 2019–2020 and 2020–2021 school years have been unlike any this nation has ever experienced. School administrators, state officials, and the federal government have worked hard to provide access to breakfast and lunch for the millions of students who rely on them. Even with these efforts, many children are missing out on the meals they need each day as schools remain unable to operate normally due to COVID-19. The participation numbers in school lunch continue to be less than half of what they were before the pandemic hit and shuttered schools in March 2020, and school breakfast participation numbers remain low.

In order to ensure access to school breakfast and to allow school districts to overcome the strain that has been placed on school nutrition finances during the pandemic, Congress should

- **MAKE school meals free for all students;**
- **EXPAND direct certification** to ensure that more vulnerable children are being automatically linked to free school meals; and
- **SUPPORT breakfast after the bell models** to increase school breakfast participation and, more importantly, get this much-needed daily meal to children who rely on school meals for the majority of their nutrition.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) should make full use of its waiver authority and continue to allow schools to offer free meals to all students in the 2021–2022 school year. Families will still be recovering from the financial impact of the pandemic. Schools will be continuing their work to overcome the educational inequities that have been further exacerbated by the pandemic, and school nutrition departments will be struggling to improve their financial outlook as the pandemic wears on and likely thereafter. USDA also can encourage schools to participate in the Community Eligibility Provision and work with states to implement the Pandemic Electronic Benefit Transfer program for the 2020–2021 school year in order to get the necessary food assistance to children who are missing out on school meals.

Technical Notes

In December 2020, the Food Research & Action Center (FRAC) distributed an electronic survey to 126 large school districts nationwide. Fifty-four districts completed the survey. FRAC selected the districts based on the number of students and the diversity of geographic representation. The survey — composed primarily of multiple-choice questions — asked each school district about breakfast and lunch participation trends and practices within the district.

The survey collected School Breakfast Program (SBP) and National School Lunch Program (NSLP) data for October 2019; SBP, NSLP, and Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) data for April 2020; and SBP, NSLP, and SFSP data for April 2020. Breakfast and lunch participation in the Seamless Summer Option (SSO) is included in the free participation data for SBP and NSLP. The findings of this report are based on completed surveys from 54 school districts' food service staff.

The goals of the survey are below:

- **COLLECT** information on these districts' school nutrition operations during the 2019–2020 school year prior to schools closing in response to the pandemic, once schools had closed in response to the pandemic, and during the 2020–2021 school year as schools implemented a variety of in-person and remote learning approaches;
- **DETERMINE** the extent to which the pandemic impacted the number of breakfasts and lunches served by these districts and the ways in which districts adjusted their program operations;
- **UNDERSTAND** the extent to which the surveyed districts used the U.S. Department of Agriculture's nationwide child nutrition waivers that have been made available during the pandemic;
- **ASSESS** these districts' breakfast participation compared to lunch, with a focus on free and reduced-price participation in October 2019; and
- **DISCOVER** the extent to which the surveyed districts are implementing promising practices to increase participation, e.g., breakfast after the bell and offering meals at no charge to all students.

Participation in the school meals programs was determined by self-reported numbers provided by each district as part of the survey.

To determine the free and reduced-price average daily participation in SBP and NSLP for October 2019 in **Table E**, the total number of free and reduced-price meals served in October 2019 was divided by the total number of serving days for each program and rounded to the nearest whole number. The average daily participation was used to determine if a district was reaching FRAC's school breakfast goal (a ratio of 70 low-income children participating in school breakfast to 100 low-income children participating in school lunch).[17]

The average daily participation in free and reduced-price meals was not calculated for April 2020 and October 2020. This is due to the differences in meal operations in April 2020 and October 2020 (when both are compared to October 2019) and data limitations.

Table F includes the total (free, reduced-price, and paid) breakfasts and lunches served through SBP and NSLP in October 2019. The total breakfasts and lunches served through SBP and NSLP and the total breakfasts and lunches served through SFSP are included in both the April 2020 and October 2020 data. Breakfasts and lunches served through SSO are included in the SBP and NSLP breakfast and lunch meal counts.

Table G lists the child nutrition program — SFSP, SSO through NSLP, or the Community Eligibility Provision through NSLP — that the district used to provide meals in April 2020 and October 2020. It also includes all of the school and non-school meal sites operated by the surveyed districts.

School District Update — Elizabeth Public Schools (NJ) did not report using any waivers during April or October 2020 in their survey; however, the school district verbally confirmed its meal operations used these waiver options. The totals on page 6 have been updated to reflect this.

17 The Food Research & Action Center (FRAC) sets an ambitious but achievable goal of reaching 70 low-income students with school breakfast for every 100 participating in school lunch. For more information, refer to FRAC's *School Breakfast Scorecard*.

Table A: Student Enrollment and Free and Reduced-Price (FRP) Certification by District, October 2019

School District	State	Enrollment	FRP Certified	FRP Percentage of Enrollment
Albuquerque Public Schools	NM	82,352	36,798	45%
Alexandria City Public Schools	VA	16,209	9,111	56%
Anchorage School District	AK	42,617	20,881	49%
Atlanta Public Schools	GA	47,409	37,400	79%
Austin Independent School District	TX	80,377	27,315	34%
Boise School District	ID	25,386	6,992	28%
Boston Public Schools	MA	53,094	53,094	100%
Brentwood Union Free School District	NY	19,925	14,769	74%
Charlotte Mecklenburg Schools	NC	148,820	36,799	25%
Chicago Public Schools	IL	316,895	316,895	100%
Cincinnati Public Schools	OH	36,145	29,966	83%
Clark County School District	NV	325,654	218,421	67%
Cleveland Metropolitan School District	OH	36,437	36,437	100%
Cobb County School District	GA	111,700	44,749	40%
Cypress-Fairbanks Independent School District	TX	117,692	59,252	50%
Dallas Independent School District	TX	154,624	154,624	100%
District of Columbia Public Schools	DC	51,195	34,284	67%
Denver Public Schools	CO	93,467	56,042	60%
Duval County Public Schools	FL	111,728	90,672	81%
Elizabeth Public Schools	NJ	28,035	19,985	71%
Erie City School District	PA	11,573	11,573	100%
Ferguson-Florissant School District	MO	10,027	10,027	100%
Floyd County Schools	GA	9,737	6,641	68%
Fulton County Schools	GA	88,690	38,962	44%
Houston County Board of Education	GA	30,221	16,385	54%
Indianapolis Public Schools	IN	27,385	27,385	100%
Jefferson County Public Schools	KY	97,828	61,779	63%
Kalamazoo Public Schools	MI	12,848	6,430	50%
Knox County Schools	TN	61,652	30,912	50%
Los Angeles Unified School District	CA	488,860	416,187	85%
Metro Nashville Public Schools	TN	86,999	34,926	40%
Milwaukee Public Schools	WI	75,508	75,508	100%
New York City Department of Education	NY	1,148,696	1,148,696	100%
Newark Public Schools	NJ	37,166	28,051	75%
Newburgh Enlarged City School District	NY	11,322	11,322	100%
Norfolk Public Schools	VA	30,302	22,208	73%
Omaha Public Schools	NE	53,368	39,705	74%
Pinellas County Schools	FL	103,233	48,202	47%
Pittsburgh Public Schools	PA	22,748	14,632	64%
Portland Public Schools	OR	49,478	14,894	30%
Reading School District	PA	17,735	17,735	100%
Richmond Public Schools	VA	22,086	22,086	100%
Rochester City School District	NY	24,000	24,000	100%
Rockford Public Schools	IL	27,529	27,529	100%
Salt Lake City School District	UT	23,589	13,111	56%
San Antonio Independent School District	TX	48,667	48,667	100%
San Bernardino Unified School District	CA	51,068	44,012	86%
Savannah-Chatham County Public School System	GA	37,456	24,150	64%
School District of Philadelphia	PA	130,876	130,876	100%
Syracuse City School District	NY	21,095	15,323	73%
Broward County Public Schools	FL	220,881	137,284	62%
The School District of Palm Beach County	FL	186,769	111,683	60%
Wake County Public Schools	NC	165,181	54,984	33%
Waterbury Public Schools	CT	18,813	18,813	100%

Table B: Meals Served for Free, at a Reduced-Price (RP), or at the Paid Rate by District, October 2019

School District	State	Free Breakfast	RP Breakfast	Paid Breakfast	Total Breakfasts	Free Lunch	RP Lunch	Paid Lunch	Total Lunches
Albuquerque Public Schools	NM	443,778	5,327	35,443	484,548	680,629	20,166	139,439	840,234
Alexandria City Public Schools	VA	83,824	13,616	20,173	117,613	138,061	23,942	44,553	206,556
Anchorage School District	AK	51,200	27,200	81,600	160,000	115,300	61,260	183,440	360,000
Atlanta Public Schools	GA	315,658	-	136,582	452,240	513,118	-	136,582	649,700
Austin Independent School District	TX	536,000	2,792	14,988	553,780	769,201	10,599	145,818	925,618
Boise School District	ID	34,009	6,347	97,102	137,458	63,286	13,037	149,055	225,378
Boston Public Schools	MA	505,412	-	-	505,412	794,797	-	-	794,797
Brentwood Union Free School District	NY	125,680	16,010	30,960	172,650	206,066	22,256	41,876	270,198
Charlotte Mecklenburg Schools	NC	424,494	32,988	422,992	880,474	768,963	63,721	797,706	1,630,390
Chicago Public Schools	IL	1,597,148	-	-	1,597,148	2,495,515	-	-	2,495,515
Cincinnati Public Schools	OH	371,877	2,073	19,346	393,296	515,147	4,300	26,447	545,894
Clark County School District	NV	1,883,489	44,710	202,338	2,130,537	3,078,173	146,688	594,302	3,819,163
Cleveland Metropolitan School District	OH	428,804	-	-	428,804	617,492	-	-	617,492
Cobb County School District	GA	84,905	43,917	315,950	444,772	609,172	122,887	669,846	1,401,905
Cypress-Fairbanks Independent School District	TX	558,601	44,273	150,529	753,403	1,024,183	116,506	530,848	1,671,537
Dallas Independent School District	TX	1,582,483	-	76,590	1,659,073	2,232,098	-	108,125	2,340,223
District of Columbia Public Schools	DC	342,199	1,626	64,725	408,550	515,394	4,014	122,347	641,755
Denver Public Schools	CO	362,907	78,065	145,099	586,071	537,729	112,983	192,739	843,451
Duval County Public Schools	FL	856,321	3,844	83,002	943,167	1,274,774	9,738	145,968	1,430,480
Elizabeth Public Schools	NJ	195,195	24,448	56,039	275,682	300,185	35,217	58,899	394,301
Erie City School District	PA	141,098	-	-	141,098	143,408	-	-	143,408
Ferguson-Florissant School District	MO	120,244	-	-	120,244	150,848	-	-	150,848
Floyd County Schools	GA	34,156	6,306	20,795	61,257	52,033	9,778	28,853	90,664
Fulton County Schools	GA	334,164	17,368	64,903	416,435	551,363	37,951	298,297	887,611
Houston County Board of Education	GA	183,998	23,155	207,650	414,803	218,137	56,998	417,825	692,960
Indianapolis Public Schools	IN	222,621	-	-	222,621	366,835	-	-	366,835
Jefferson County Public Schools	KY	842,788	3,519	15,062	861,369	1,269,368	8,175	54,293	1,331,836
Kalamazoo Public Schools	MI	144,400	784	5,026	150,210	178,126	2,495	9,439	190,060

Table B: Meals Served for Free, at a Reduced-Price (RP), or at the Paid Rate by District, October 2019 (continued)

School District	State	Free Breakfast	RP Breakfast	Paid Breakfast	Total Breakfasts	Free Lunch	RP Lunch	Paid Lunch	Total Lunches
Knox County Schools	TN	208,307	8,142	43,582	260,031	393,375	23,224	184,601	601,200
Los Angeles Unified School District	CA	6,173,037	181,609	544,849	6,899,495	5,717,024	130,042	232,473	6,079,539
Metro Nashville Public Schools	TN	516,402	4,603	69,902	590,907	732,377	7,938	96,052	836,367
Milwaukee Public Schools	WI	749,868	-	-	749,868	1,124,067	-	-	1,124,067
New York City Department of Education	NY	5,570,122	-	-	5,570,122	12,752,458	-	-	12,752,458
Newark Public Schools	NJ	365,939	30,753	89,590	486,282	414,148	33,347	107,576	555,071
Newburgh Enlarged City School District	NY	137,951	-	7,567	145,518	152,638	-	8,371	161,009
Norfolk Public Schools	VA	254,158	111,806	41,364	407,328	356,832	19,019	44,967	420,818
Omaha Public Schools	NE	321,267	46,744	163,503	531,514	602,144	70,094	158,004	830,242
Pinellas County Schools	FL	533,485	18,470	127,636	679,591	924,598	35,731	182,395	1,142,724
Pittsburgh Public Schools	PA	235,059	-	-	235,059	339,242			339,242
Portland Public Schools	OR	131,755	12,028	53,166	196,949	194,148	24,056	166,608	384,812
Reading School District	PA	223,794	-	-	223,794	314,381	-	-	314,381
Richmond Public Schools	VA	284,240	-	-	284,240	360,714	-	-	360,714
Rochester City School District	NY	372,193	-	-	372,193	439,912	-	-	439,912
Rockford Public Schools	IL	185,513	-	-	185,513	422,208	-	-	422,208
Salt Lake City School District	UT	82,269	7,996	19,527	109,792	160,675	19,362	75,813	255,850
San Antonio Independent School District	TX	726,210	-	-	726,210	820,736	-	-	820,736
San Bernardino Unified School District	CA	270,350	-	-	270,350	747,662	-	-	747,662
Savannah-Chatham County Public School System	GA	280,911	30,397	89,318	400,626	360,271	36,147	77,373	473,791
School District of Philadelphia	PA	1,170,313	-	-	1,170,313	1,824,726	-	-	1,824,726
Syracuse City School District	NY	250,880	-	-	250,880	324,978	-	-	324,978
Broward County Public Schools	FL	817,304	98,161	226,435	1,141,900	1,762,164	238,441	580,470	2,581,075
The School District of Palm Beach County	FL	736,717	76,537	257,469	1,070,723	1,515,369	170,919	513,410	2,199,698
Wake County Public Schools	NC	88,952	44,155	87,488	220,595	72,057	99,177	386,776	558,010
Waterbury Public Schools	CT	126,962	-	-	126,962	291,140	-	-	291,140
TOTAL		**33,621,411**	**1,069,769**	**4,088,290**	**38,779,470**	**53,299,445**	**1,790,208**	**7,711,586**	**62,801,239**

Table C: Number of Schools Using Breakfast After the Bell Service Models, October 2019

School District	State	Total Number of Schools	Schools Offering Breakfast	Cafeteria Before School	Served in the Classroom	"Grab and Go"	Second Chance	Vending Machine	Other
Albuquerque Public Schools	NM	153	142	111	30	1	0	0	0
Alexandria City Public Schools	VA	18	18	13	6	0	2	0	0
Anchorage School District	AK	103	103	83	33	0	12	0	0
Atlanta Public Schools	GA	75	75	75	55	11	66	0	0
Austin Independent School District	TX	114	114	114	84	0	0	0	0
Boise School District	ID	47	47	34	11	2	13	0	0
Boston Public Schools	MA	125	125	91	51	25	0	0	0
Brentwood Union Free School District	NY	18	18	18	11	11	18	0	0
Charlotte Mecklenburg Schools	NC	175	175	175	0	175	0	0	0
Chicago Public Schools	IL	578	578	262	68	403	578	0	0
Cincinnati Public Schools	OH	61	61	52	16	15	13	3	0
Clark County School District	NV	349	349	214	135	0	0	0	0
Cleveland Metropolitan School District	OH	91	91	91	0	0	0	0	0
Cobb County School District	GA	112	108	87	0	21	0	0	0
Cypress-Fairbanks Independent School District	TX	88	88	88	1	51	1	0	0
Dallas Independent School District	TX	226	226	226	0	226	35	9	0
District of Columbia Public Schools	DC	115	115	0	61	4	0	59	0
Denver Public Schools	CO	224	224	161	63	0	0	0	0
Duval County Public Schools	FL	155	155	29	126	0	0	0	0
Elizabeth Public Schools	NJ	39	39	39	22	7	0	5	0
Erie City School District	PA	24	24	3	22	2	0	0	0
Ferguson-Florissant School District	MO	26	26	9	14	3	0	0	0
Floyd County Schools	GA	18	18	18	8	8	0	0	0
Fulton County Schools	GA	95	95	95	0	18	0	0	0
Houston County Board of Education	GA	37	37	37	0	19	0	0	0
Indianapolis Public Schools	IN	60	60	60	0	0	0	0	0
Jefferson County Public Schools	KY	146	146	146	25	82	3	1	0
Kalamazoo Public Schools	MI	32	32	16	16	0	0	0	0

Table C: Number of Schools Using Breakfast After the Bell Service Models, October 2019 (continued)

School District	State	Total Number of Schools	Schools Offering Breakfast	Cafeteria Before School	Served in the Classroom	"Grab and Go"	Second Chance	Vending Machine	Other
Knox County Schools	TN	89	89	72	3	13	2	0	0
Los Angeles Unified School District	CA	684	684	53	631	0	53	0	0
Metro Nashville Public Schools	TN	149	149	142	66	0	0	0	0
Milwaukee Public Schools	WI	162	162	62	94	10	4	0	0
New York City Department of Education	NY	2,579	2,579	1,978	225	457	2,537	0	0
Newark Public Schools	NJ	64	64	14	50	0	0	0	0
Newburgh Enlarged City School District	NY	14	14	5	9	7	3	2	0
Norfolk Public Schools	VA	51	51	18	0	33	0	0	0
Omaha Public Schools	NE	95	95	37	2	56	0	0	0
Pinellas County Schools	FL	152	152	152	0	1	25	6	0
Pittsburgh Public Schools	PA	54	54	54	0	0	0	0	0
Portland Public Schools	OR	86	86	58	6	22	0	0	0
Reading School District	PA	24	24	0	0	24	0	0	0
Richmond Public Schools	VA	43	43	16	13	14	0	0	0
Rochester City School District	NY	53	53	12	36	5	0	0	0
Rockford Public Schools	IL	41	41	41	0	0	41	0	0
Salt Lake City School District	UT	37	37	26	0	11	0	0	0
San Antonio Independent School District	TX	92	92	34	74	4	0	0	0
San Bernardino Unified School District	CA	72	72	72	0	0	0	0	0
Savannah-Chatham County Public School System	GA	55	55	55	20	55	35	0	0
School District of Philadelphia	PA	239	239	139	110	28	15	0	0
Syracuse City School District	NY	38	38	38	30	0	38	1	0
Broward County Public Schools	FL	229	229	229	5	0	15	0	0
The School District of Palm Beach County	FL	211	211	211	10	10	0	10	0
Wake County Public Schools	NC	191	191	191	0	30	1	29	0
Waterbury Public Schools	CT	30	30	30	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL		**8,838**	**8,823**	**6,086**	**2,242**	**1,864**	**3,510**	**125**	**0**

Table D: Number of Schools Offering School Meals at No Cost to All Students, October 2019

School District	State	Total Number of Schools	Number of Community Eligibility Schools	Number of Schools Using Provision 2 for Breakfast Only	Number of Schools Using Provision 2 for Breakfast and Lunch	Number of Schools Using Nonpricing or Other Method
Albuquerque Public Schools	NM	153	99	0	1	0
Alexandria City Public Schools	VA	18	2	6	0	0
Anchorage School District	AK	103	35	0	0	0
Atlanta Public Schools	GA	75	75	0	0	0
Austin Independent School District	TX	114	76	0	0	0
Boise School District	ID	47	11	2	0	0
Boston Public Schools	MA	125	125	0	0	0
Brentwood Union Free School District	NY	18	0	18	0	0
Charlotte Mecklenburg Schools	NC	175	68	0	0	0
Chicago Public Schools	IL	578	578	0	0	0
Cincinnati Public Schools	OH	61	52	9	0	0
Clark County School District	NV	349	226	11	4	108
Cleveland Metropolitan School District	OH	91	91	0	0	0
Cobb County School District	GA	112	0	0	0	1
Cypress-Fairbanks Independent School District	TX	88	26	0	0	0
Dallas Independent School District	TX	226	226	0	0	0
District of Columbia Public Schools	DC	115	86	0	0	0
Denver Public Schools	CO	224	0	0	0	0
Duval County Public Schools	FL	155	126	0	0	29
Elizabeth Public Schools	NJ	39	0	0	0	0
Erie City School District	PA	24	24	0	0	0
Ferguson-Florissant School District	MO	26	26	0	0	0
Floyd County Schools	GA	18	18	0	0	0
Fulton County Schools	GA	95	27	0	0	12
Houston County Board of Education	GA	37	19	0	0	0
Indianapolis Public Schools	IN	60	60	0	0	0
Jefferson County Public Schools	KY	146	133	0	0	0
Kalamazoo Public Schools	MI	32	27	0	0	0
Knox County Schools	TN	89	47	0	0	0
Los Angeles Unified School District	CA	684	494	0	0	0
Metro Nashville Public Schools	TN	149	120	29	0	0
Milwaukee Public Schools	WI	162	162	0	0	0
New York City Department of Education	NY	2,579	2,579	0	0	0
Newark Public Schools	NJ	64	0	0	0	0
Newburgh Enlarged City School District	NY	14	14	0	0	0
Norfolk Public Schools	VA	51	29	0	0	0
Omaha Public Schools	NE	95	5	89	0	0
Pinellas County Schools	FL	152	81	0	0	0
Pittsburgh Public Schools	PA	54	54	0	0	0
Portland Public Schools	OR	86	13	26	1	0
Reading School District	PA	24	24	0	0	0
Richmond Public Schools	VA	43	43	0	0	0
Rochester City School District	NY	53	53	0	0	0
Rockford Public Schools	IL	41	41	0	0	0
Salt Lake City School District	UT	37	5	0	0	8
San Antonio Independent School District	TX	92	92	0	0	0
San Bernardino Unified School District	CA	72	72	0	0	0
Savannah-Chatham County Public School System	GA	55	0	55	0	0
School District of Philadelphia	PA	239	239	0	0	0
Syracuse City School District	NY	38	38	0	0	0
Broward County Public Schools	FL	229	0	0	0	229
The School District of Palm Beach County	FL	211	0	1	0	0
Wake County Public Schools	NC	191	0	0	0	0
Waterbury Public Schools	CT	30	30	0	0	0
TOTAL		**8,838**	**6,471**	**246**	**6**	**387**

Table E: Ratio of Free and Reduced-Price (FRP) Students in School Breakfast Program (SBP) per 100 in National School Lunch Program (NSLP), October 2019

School District	State	Average Daily Participation in Breakfast	Average Daily Participation in Lunch	Ratio of FRP Students in SBP per 100 in NSLP
Albuquerque Public Schools	NM	21,386	33,371	64.1
Alexandria City Public Schools	VA	4,429	7,364	60.1
Anchorage School District	AK	3,920	8,828	44.4
Atlanta Public Schools	GA	15,031	24,434	61.5
Austin Independent School District	TX	25,657	37,133	69.1
Boise School District	ID	1,834	3,469	52.9
Boston Public Schools	MA	22,973	36,127	63.6
Brentwood Union Free School District	NY	7,085	11,416	62.1
Charlotte Mecklenburg Schools	NC	21,785	39,652	54.9
Chicago Public Schools	IL	72,598	113,433	64.0
Cincinnati Public Schools	OH	16,998	23,611	72.0
Clark County School District	NV	87,645	146,585	59.8
Cleveland Metropolitan School District	OH	18,644	26,847	69.4
Cobb County School District	GA	5,601	31,829	17.6
Cypress-Fairbanks Independent School District	TX	26,212	49,595	52.9
Dallas Independent School District	TX	68,804	97,048	70.9
District of Columbia Public Schools	DC	16,373	24,734	66.2
Denver Public Schools	CO	23,209	34,248	67.8
Duval County Public Schools	FL	39,098	58,387	67.0
Elizabeth Public Schools	NJ	10,982	16,770	65.5
Erie City School District	PA	6,719	6,829	98.4
Ferguson-Florissant School District	MO	5,726	7,542	75.9
Floyd County Schools	GA	2,529	3,863	65.5
Fulton County Schools	GA	16,740	28,063	59.7
Houston County Board of Education	GA	12,185	16,184	75.3
Indianapolis Public Schools	IN	12,368	20,380	60.7
Jefferson County Public Schools	KY	42,315	63,877	66.2
Kalamazoo Public Schools	MI	6,599	8,210	80.4
Knox County Schools	TN	12,025	23,144	52.0
Los Angeles Unified School District	CA	288,848	265,776	108.7
Metro Nashville Public Schools	TN	26,050	37,016	70.4
Milwaukee Public Schools	WI	34,085	51,094	66.7
New York City Department of Education	NY	278,506	637,623	43.7
Newark Public Schools	NJ	18,031	20,341	88.6
Newburgh Enlarged City School District	NY	6,898	7,632	90.4
Norfolk Public Schools	VA	16,635	17,084	97.4
Omaha Public Schools	NE	17,524	32,011	54.7
Pinellas County Schools	FL	26,284	45,730	57.5
Pittsburgh Public Schools	PA	11,193	16,154	69.3
Portland Public Schools	OR	6,536	9,918	65.9
Reading School District	PA	10,172	14,290	71.2
Richmond Public Schools	VA	12,920	16,396	78.8
Rochester City School District	NY	17,723	20,948	84.6
Rockford Public Schools	IL	8,432	19,191	43.9
Salt Lake City School District	UT	4,513	9,002	50.1
San Antonio Independent School District	TX	34,581	39,083	88.5
San Bernardino Unified School District	CA	11,265	29,906	37.7
Savannah-Chatham County Public School System	GA	13,535	17,236	78.5
School District of Philadelphia	PA	53,196	82,942	64.1
Syracuse City School District	NY	11,404	14,772	77.2
Broward County Public Schools	FL	43,594	95,267	45.8
The School District of Palm Beach County	FL	38,726	80,299	48.2
Wake County Public Schools	NC	6,050	7,783	77.7
Waterbury Public Schools	CT	6,046	13,864	43.6
TOTAL		**1,630,217**	**2,604,332**	

Table F: Meals Served by District, October 2019, April 2020, and October 2020

School District	State	Breakfast Participation			Lunch Participation		
		October 2019[1]	April 2020[2]	October 2020[3]	October 2019[4]	April 2020[5]	October 2020[6]
Albuquerque Public Schools	NM	484,548	612,834	365,949	840,234	612,834	369,244
Alexandria City Public Schools	VA	117,613	57,053	134,183	206,556	56,943	135,732
Anchorage School District	AK	160,000	110,000	13,000	360,000	110,000	13,000
Atlanta Public Schools	GA	452,240	240,419	263,596	649,700	240,419	263,596
Austin Independent School District	TX	553,780	129,733	351,923	925,618	130,109	386,748
Boise School District	ID	137,458	38,071	38,844	225,378	38,071	64,174
Boston Public Schools	MA	505,412	119,081	270,913	794,797	122,217	274,135
Brentwood Union Free School District	NY	172,650	110,182	104,796	270,198	109,829	121,773
Charlotte Mecklenburg Schools	NC	880,474	368,285	553,494	1,630,390	368,693	552,373
Chicago Public Schools	IL	1,597,148	3,024,285	1,461,523	2,495,515	3,024,285	1,462,202
Cincinnati Public Schools	OH	393,296	58,653	336,635	545,894	58,653	355,152
Clark County School District	NV	2,130,537	732,065	1,384,620	3,819,163	732,065	1,385,173
Cleveland Metropolitan School District	OH	428,804	97,911	148,622	617,492	97,263	148,672
Cobb County School District	GA	444,772	71,432	297,540	1,401,905	89,290	465,880
Cypress-Fairbanks Independent School District	TX	753,403	183,277	551,023	1,671,537	183,122	981,848
Dallas Independent School District	TX	1,659,073	1,032,809	1,030,461	2,340,223	1,032,827	1,215,710
District of Columbia Public Schools	DC	408,550	103,911	49,629	641,755	104,196	49,629
Denver Public Schools	CO	586,071	115,437	266,795	843,451	116,067	265,563
Duval County Public Schools	FL	943,167	464,149	579,256	1,430,480	464,149	797,570
Elizabeth Public Schools	NJ	275,682	67,430	113,076	394,301	67,430	113,076
Erie City School District	PA	141,098	89,299	93,192	143,408	89,294	97,528
Ferguson-Florissant School District	MO	120,244	5,840	27,815	150,848	13,150	27,916
Floyd County Schools	GA	61,257	51,383	57,122	90,664	51,463	68,856
Fulton County Schools	GA	416,435	99,704	294,004	887,611	101,296	453,082
Houston County Board of Education	GA	414,803	175,886	231,904	692,960	175,886	314,532
Indianapolis Public Schools	IN	222,621	67,098	76,008	366,835	67,102	115,755
Jefferson County Public Schools	KY	861,369	254,913	365,296	1,331,836	255,955	366,496
Kalamazoo Public Schools	MI	150,210	144,015	97,613	190,060	144,015	97,050

1 The October 2019 breakfasts include the total number of breakfast (free, reduced-price, and paid) served through the School Breakfast Program.

2 The April 2020 breakfasts include the total number of breakfasts (free, reduced-price, and paid) served through the School Breakfast Program, which includes the breakfasts served through the Seamless Summer Option and the number of breakfasts served through the Summer Food Service Program.

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Table F: Meals Served by District, October 2019, April 2020, and October 2020 (continued)

School District	State	Breakfast Participation			Lunch Participation		
		October 2019[1]	April 2020[2]	October 2020[3]	October 2019[4]	April 2020[5]	October 2020[6]
Knox County Schools	TN	260,031	242,021	177,146	601,200	242,021	388,131
Los Angeles Unified School District	CA	6,899,495	3,495,953	1,818,563	6,079,539	3,495,953	1,820,066
Metro Nashville Public Schools	TN	590,907	75,104	325,475	836,367	75,548	335,414
Milwaukee Public Schools	WI	749,868	138,398	75,873	1,124,067	138,398	80,626
New York City Department of Education	NY	5,570,122	2,099,631	2,675,831	12,752,458	3,101,685	3,244,208
Newark Public Schools	NJ	486,282	9,193	101,699	555,071	9,193	101,699
Newburgh Enlarged City School District	NY	145,518	13,533	127,308	161,009	13,533	127,574
Norfolk Public Schools	VA	407,328	62,239	82,022	420,818	62,239	82,157
Omaha Public Schools	NE	531,514	57,725	164,500	830,242	57,725	228,500
Pinellas County Schools	FL	679,591	158,091	372,379	1,142,724	158,091	541,916
Pittsburgh Public Schools	PA	235,059	11,725	47,358	339,242	20,131	47,347
Portland Public Schools	OR	196,949	129,313	182,541	384,812	103,023	182,304
Reading School District	PA	223,794	46,014	95,942	314,381	45,662	94,938
Richmond Public Schools	VA	284,240	131,849	130,232	360,714	131,849	130,232
Rochester City School District	NY	372,193	95,355	105,933	439,912	107,480	109,183
Rockford Public Schools	IL	185,513	75,356	153,416	422,208	75,356	169,207
Salt Lake City School District	UT	109,792	113,252	98,643	255,850	113,911	100,367
San Antonio Independent School District	TX	726,210	216,283	247,301	820,736	186,749	263,575
San Bernardino Unified School District	CA	270,350	104,191	189,561	747,662	104,191	189,561
Savannah-Chatham County Public School System	GA	400,626	206,910	137,681	473,791	206,910	137,339
School District of Philadelphia	PA	1,170,313	605,048	206,920	1,824,726	605,048	206,920
Syracuse City School District	NY	250,880	105,500	77,695	324,978	105,500	83,703
Broward County Public Schools	FL	1,141,900	252,728	504,412	2,581,075	227,946	705,224
The School District of Palm Beach County	FL	1,070,723	345,318	584,406	2,199,698	389,760	939,901
Wake County Public Schools	NC	220,595	250,400	187,453	558,010	251,153	210,228
Waterbury Public Schools	CT	126,962	64,442	62,905	291,140	64,878	65,655
TOTAL		**38,779,470**	**17,730,727**	**18,492,027**	**62,801,239**	**18,750,556**	**21,548,440**

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Table G: Program — Summer Food Service Program (SFSP), Seamless Summer Option (SSO),[1] or Community Eligibility Provision (CEP)[1] — and Number of Sites by District, April 2020 and October 2020

School District	State	April 2020		October 2020	
		Number of Sites	Program	Number of Sites	Program
Albuquerque Public Schools	NM	79	SSO	82	SSO
Alexandria City Public Schools	VA	11	SFSP	16	SFSP
Anchorage School District	AK	13	SFSP	28	SFSP
Atlanta Public Schools	GA	12	SSO	10	SSO
Austin Independent School District	TX	84	SSO	48	SSO
Boise School District	ID	26	SFSP	47	SFSP
Boston Public Schools	MA	20	SFSP	27	SFSP
Brentwood Union Free School District	NY	6	SFSP	17	SFSP
Charlotte Mecklenburg Schools	NC	40	SFSP	60	SFSP
Chicago Public Schools	IL	301	SFSP	461	SFSP
Cincinnati Public Schools	OH	23	SFSP	64	SFSP
Clark County School District	NV	46	SSO	290	SFSP
Cleveland Metropolitan School District	OH	22	CEP	81	CEP
Cobb County School District	GA	8	SSO	20	SSO
Cypress-Fairbanks Independent School District	TX	22	SSO	34	SSO
Dallas Independent School District	TX	62	SSO	0	SSO
District of Columbia Public Schools	DC	30	SFSP	48	SFSP
Denver Public Schools	CO	63	SFSP	139	SFSP
Duval County Public Schools	FL	155	SFSP	0	SFSP
Elizabeth Public Schools	NJ	9	SFSP	30	SFSP
Erie City School District	PA	14	SSO	5	SSO
Ferguson-Florissant School District	MO	3	SSO	52	SSO
Floyd County Schools	GA	6	SSO	0	SSO
Fulton County Schools	GA	22	SSO	95	SSO
Houston County Board of Education	GA	11	SSO	13	SSO
Indianapolis Public Schools	IN	15	SFSP	10	SFSP
Jefferson County Public Schools	KY	69	SFSP	137	SFSP
Kalamazoo Public Schools	MI	24	SFSP	23	SFSP
Knox County Schools	TN	28	SSO	89	SSO
Los Angeles Unified School District	CA	63	SFSP	63	SFSP
Metro Nashville Public Schools	TN	15	SFSP	0	SSO
Milwaukee Public Schools	WI	27	SFSP	50	SFSP
New York City Department of Education	NY	591	SFSP	1522	SFSP
Newark Public Schools	NJ	18	SFSP	19	SFSP
Newburgh Enlarged City School District	NY	11	SFSP	6	SFSP
Norfolk Public Schools	VA	12	SFSP	35	SFSP
Omaha Public Schools	NE	90	SFSP	72	SFSP
Pinellas County Schools	FL	21	SFSP	152	CEP
Pittsburgh Public Schools	PA	34	SSO	27	SSO
Portland Public Schools	OR	15	SFSP	40	SFSP
Reading School District	PA	16	SSO	19	SSO
Richmond Public Schools	VA	10	SFSP	12	SFSP
Rochester City School District	NY	12	SFSP	12	SFSP
Rockford Public Schools	IL	9	SFSP	9	SFSP
Salt Lake City School District	UT	19	SSO	25	SFSP
San Antonio Independent School District	TX	42	SSO	158	SSO
San Bernardino Unified School District	CA	70	SSO	24	SSO
Savannah-Chatham County Public School System	GA	55	SSO	55	SSO
School District of Philadelphia	PA	49	SSO	63	SSO
Syracuse City School District	NY	37	SFSP	37	SFSP
Broward County Public Schools	FL	51	SFSP	229	SFSP
The School District of Palm Beach County	FL	53	SSO	180	SSO
Wake County Public Schools	NC	137	SFSP	153	SFSP
Waterbury Public Schools	CT	25	SSO	30	CEP
TOTAL		**2706**		**4918**	

1 Seamless Summer Option and Community Eligibility Provision are operated through the National School Lunch Program.

Table H: Waiver Take-up by District, April 2020 and October 2020

School District	State	Area Eligibility		Non-Congregate Feeding		Meal Times		Meal Pattern		Parent/Guardian Meal Pickup		Seamless Summer Option and Summer Food Service Program[1]	
		April 2020	October 2020	April 2020	October 2020	April 2020	October 2020	April 2020	October 2020	April 2020	October 2020	April 2020	October 2020
Albuquerque Public Schools	NM		x	x	x		x		x	x	x	x	x
Alexandria City Public Schools	VA	x	x	x	x			x	x	x	x	x	x
Anchorage School District	AK	x	x	x	x			x	x	x	x	x	x
Atlanta Public Schools	GA	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Austin Independent School District	TX	x	x	x	x			x	x		x	x	x
Boise School District	ID	x	x	x	x	x	x		x	x	x	x	x
Boston Public Schools	MA	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Brentwood Union Free School District	NY			x	x	x	x			x	x	x	x
Charlotte Mecklenburg Schools	NC	x	x	x	x	x	x			x	x	x	x
Chicago Public Schools	IL			x	x	x	x			x	x	x	x
Cincinnati Public Schools	OH	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Clark County School District	NV	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Cleveland Metropolitan School District	OH			x	x								
Cobb County School District	GA	x		x	x	x	x			x	x	x	x
Cypress-Fairbanks Independent School District	TX	x	x	x	x	x	x		x	x	x	x	x
Dallas Independent School District	TX			x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
District of Columbia Public Schools	DC		x	x	x	x	x		x	x	x	x	x
Denver Public Schools	CO	x	x	x	x	x	x			x	x	x	x
Duval County Public Schools	FL	x	x	x	x	x	x			x	x	x	x
Elizabeth Public Schools[2]	NJ	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Erie City School District	PA			x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Ferguson-Florissant School District	MO			x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Floyd County Schools	GA		x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Fulton County Schools	GA	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Houston County Board of Education	GA	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Indianapolis Public Schools	IN	x	x	x	x	x	x			x	x	x	x
Jefferson County Public Schools	KY	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Kalamazoo Public Schools	MI			x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x

1 The total number of districts using the Seamless Summer Option (SSO) and Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) waiver includes any district that reported serving meals through either SSO or SFSP in the applicable month.

2 Elizabeth Public Schools (NJ) did not report using any waivers during April or October 2020 in their survey; however, the school district verbally confirmed its meal operations used these waiver options. Table H has been updated to reflect this.

Table H: Waiver Take-up by District April and October 2020 (continued)

School District	State	Area Eligibility		Non-Congregate Feeding		Meal Times		Meal Pattern		Parent/Guardian Meal Pickup		Seamless Summer Option and Summer Food Service Program[1]	
		April 2020	October 2020	April 2020	October 2020	April 2020	October 2020	April 2020	October 2020	April 2020	October 2020	April 2020	October 2020
Knox County Schools	TN	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x		x	x	x
Los Angeles Unified School District	CA	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Metro Nashville Public Schools	TN	x	x	x	x	x	x			x	x	x	x
Milwaukee Public Schools	WI	x	x	x	x	x	x		x	x	x	x	x
New York City Department of Education	NY	x	x	x	x	x	x			x	x	x	x
Newark Public Schools	NJ			x	x	x		x	x	x	x	x	x
Newburgh Enlarged City School District	NY			x	x	x	x			x	x	x	x
Norfolk Public Schools	VA	x	x	x	x	x	x			x	x	x	x
Omaha Public Schools	NE	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Pinellas County Schools	FL	x	x	x	x	x	x			x	x	x	
Pittsburgh Public Schools	PA	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Portland Public Schools	OR	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Reading School District	PA	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Richmond Public Schools	VA		x	x	x	x	x	x		x	x	x	x
Rochester City School District	NY			x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Rockford Public Schools	IL	x	x	x	x	x	x		x	x	x	x	x
Salt Lake City School District	UT	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
San Antonio Independent School District	TX		x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
San Bernardino Unified School District	CA			x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Savannah-Chatham County Public School System	GA	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
School District of Philadelphia	PA	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Syracuse City School District	NY			x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Broward County Public Schools	FL			x	x	x	x			x	x	x	x
The School District of Palm Beach County	FL	x	x	x	x	x	x			x	x	x	x
Wake County Public Schools	NC	x	x	x	x	x	x			x	x	x	x
Waterbury Public Schools	CT	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	
TOTAL		**36**	**40**	**54**	**54**	**49**	**49**	**32**	**37**	**51**	**53**	**53**	**51**

1 The total number of districts using the Seamless Summer Option (SSO) and Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) waiver includes any district that reported serving meals through either SSO or SFSP in the applicable month.

Table I: Program — School Breakfast Program (SBP), Seamless Summer Option (SSO),[1] Summer Food Service Program (SFSP), and National School Lunch Program (NSLP) — and Number of Meals Served by District, October 2020

School District	State	Breakfasts Served			Lunches Served		
		SBP	SSO	SFSP	NSLP	SSO	SFSP
Albuquerque Public Schools	NM	-	365,949	-	-	369,244	-
Alexandria City Public Schools	VA	-	-	134,183	-	-	135,732
Anchorage School District	AK	-	-	13,000	-	-	13,000
Atlanta Public Schools	GA	-	263,596	-	-	263,596	-
Austin Independent School District	TX	-	351,923	-	-	386,748	-
Boise School District	ID	-	-	38,844	-	-	64,174
Boston Public Schools	MA	-	-	270,913	-	-	274,135
Brentwood Union Free School District	NY	-	-	104,796	-	-	121,773
Charlotte Mecklenburg Schools	NC	-	-	553,494	-	-	552,373
Chicago Public Schools	IL	-	-	1,461,523	-	-	1,462,202
Cincinnati Public Schools	OH	-	-	336,635	-	-	355,152
Clark County School District	NV	-	-	1,384,620	-	-	1,385,173
Cleveland Metropolitan School District	OH	148,622	-	-	148,672	-	-
Cobb County School District	GA	-	297,540	-	-	465,880	-
Cypress-Fairbanks Independent School District	TX	-	551,023	-	-	981,848	-
Dallas Independent School District	TX	-	1,030,461	-	-	1,215,710	-
District of Columbia Public Schools	DC	-	-	49,629	-	-	49,629
Denver Public Schools	CO	-	-	266,795	-	-	265,563
Duval County Public Schools	FL	-	-	579,256	-	-	797,570
Elizabeth Public Schools	NJ	-	-	113,076	-	-	113,076
Erie City School District	PA	-	93,192	-	-	97,528	-
Ferguson-Florissant School District	MO	-	27,815	-	-	27,916	-
Floyd County Schools	GA	-	57,122	-	-	68,856	-
Fulton County Schools	GA	-	294,004	-	-	453,082	-
Houston County Board of Education	GA	-	231,904	-	-	314,532	-
Indianapolis Public Schools	IN	-	-	76,008	-	-	115,755
Jefferson County Public Schools	KY	-	-	365,296	-	-	366,496
Kalamazoo Public Schools	MI	-	-	97,613	-	-	97,050

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Table I: Program — School Breakfast Program (SBP), Seamless Summer Option (SSO),[1] Summer Food Service Program (SFSP), and National School Lunch Program (NSLP) — and Number of Meals Served by District, October 2020 (cont.)

School District	State	Breakfasts Served			Lunches Served		
		SBP	SSO	SFSP	NSLP	SSO	SFSP
Knox County Schools	TN	-	177,146	-	-	388,131	-
Los Angeles Unified School District	CA	-		1,818,563	-	-	1,820,066
Metro Nashville Public Schools	TN	-	325,475	-	-	335,414	-
Milwaukee Public Schools	WI	-	-	75,873	-	-	80,626
New York City Department of Education	NY	-	-	2,675,831	-	-	3,244,208
Newark Public Schools	NJ	-	-	101,699	-	-	101,699
Newburgh Enlarged City School District	NY	-	-	127,308	-	-	127,574
Norfolk Public Schools	VA	-	-	82,022	-	-	82,157
Omaha Public Schools	NE	-	-	164,500	-	-	228,500
Pinellas County Schools	FL	372,379	-	-	541,916	-	-
Pittsburgh Public Schools	PA	-	47,358	-	-	47,347	-
Portland Public Schools	OR	-	-	182,541	-	-	182,304
Reading School District	PA	-	95,942	-	-	94,938	-
Richmond Public Schools	VA	-	-	130,232	-	-	130,232
Rochester City School District	NY	-	-	105,933	-	-	109,183
Rockford Public Schools	IL	-	-	153,416	-	-	169,207
Salt Lake City School District	UT	-	98,643	-	-	100,367	-
San Antonio Independent School District	TX	-	247,301	-	-	263,575	-
San Bernardino Unified School District	CA	-	189,561	-	-	189,561	-
Savannah-Chatham County Public School System	GA	-	137,681	-	-	137,339	-
School District of Philadelphia	PA	-	206,920	-	-	206,920	-
Syracuse City School District	NY	-	-	77,695	-	-	83,703
Broward County Public Schools	FL	-	-	504,412	-	-	705,224
The School District of Palm Beach County	FL	-	584,406	-	-	939,901	-
Wake County Public Schools	NC	-	-	187,453	-	-	210,228
Waterbury Public Schools	CT	62,905	-	-	65,655	-	-
TOTAL		**583,906**	**5,674,962**	**12,233,159**	**756,243**	**7,348,433**	**13,443,764**

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