Participation Data

Policy

USDA Federal Regulations:
7 CFR 246.4 (a)(3) An estimate of Statewide participation for the coming fiscal year by category of women, infants, and children.

USDA Federal Regulations:
7 CFR 246.2 Definitions.
Participants means pregnant women, breastfeeding women, postpartum women, infants and children who are receiving supplemental foods or food instruments or cash-value vouchers under the Program, and the breastfed infants of participant breastfeeding women.

Participation means the sum of:
(1) The number of persons who received supplemental foods or food instruments during the reporting period
(2) The number of infants who did not receive supplemental foods or food instruments but whose breastfeeding mother received supplemental foods or food instruments during the report period; and
(3) The number of breastfeeding women who did not receive supplemental foods or food instruments but whose infant received supplemental foods or food instruments during the report period.

Authority

USDA Federal Regulations: 7 CFR 246.4 (a)(3)
USDA Federal Regulations: 7 CFR 246.2 Definitions, excerpt

Procedures

State Caseload Projection
The Iowa WIC Program plans to serve Priorities I through VI in FFY 2027. The Iowa WIC Program's estimated monthly statewide caseload for FFY 2027 is as follows:

- Women: 13,447
- Infant: 14,728
- Children: 35,860

Local Agency Caseload Data

Fifteen local agencies provided WIC services in all Iowa counties in FFY 26. The Iowa WIC Program served Priorities I through VI throughout the year. The table below lists cumulative caseload data for the first nine months of FFY 2026.

Local Agency	Cumulative Caseload
Broadlawns Medical Center	125,089
New Opportunities	19,656
Hawkeye Area Community Action Program	73,037
Community Heath Care	33,941
MATURA Action Corporation	15,395
Mid-Iowa Community Action	34,387
Mid-Sioux Opportunity	25,504
North Iowa Community Action	22, 317
Dubuque VNA	27,442
Operation Threshold	39,781
Community Action of Southeast Iowa	26,808
American Home Finding	27,781
Siouxland District Health Department	29,380
Webster County Public Health	21,103
Pottawattamie County WIC Program	25,370
State Total	546,991

Fifteen local agencies will be providing WIC services in all Iowa counties in FFY 27. The table below lists the estimated monthly WIC participation for each local agency for FFY 27.

Local Agency	Estimated WIC Participation
Broadlawns Medical Center	14,028
New Opportunities	2,376
Hawkeye Area Community Action Program	8,224
Community Heath Care	4,227
MATURA Action Corporation	1,956
Mid-Iowa Community Action	4,229
Mid-Sioux Opportunity	3,056
North Iowa Community Action	2,786
Dubuque VNA	3,250
Operation Threshold	4,642
Community Action of Southeast Iowa	3,348
American Home Finding	3,165
Siouxland District Health Department	3,351
Webster County Public Health	2,611
Pottawattamie County WIC Program	2,786
State Total	64,035

Food Funds Projection
Planning assumes little, if any, growth beyond inflationary adjustment. The following factors are considered in projecting availability of food funds.

Factor	Anticipated Funding (FFY 27)
Federal food funds	$45,292,802
Cost containment efforts (infant formula)	$18,397,204
Total available food funds	$63,690,006

Note: In FFY 2027, Iowa will be in the fifth year of a possible six-year contract period with Mead Johnson & Company, LLC holding the formula rebate contract for milk-based formulas and Abbott Laboratories, Inc. holding the formula rebate contract for soy formula.

NSA Funding Projection
For FFY 27, Iowa anticipates receiving base funding of $ $17,963,142 of Nutrition Services and Administration (NSA) funds. Anticipated needs for Operational Adjustment (OA) funding for caseload management equal $1,995,905. Total NSA and OA funds projected at $19,959,046.