# **Eligible Population**

# **Policy**

#### **USDA Federal Regulations:**

(ii) "An estimate of the number of potentially eligible persons in each area..."

#### **FNS Instruction 113-1:**

B Determining the Eligible Population. State agencies must identify the population of potentially eligible persons to participate in an FNS program by racial and ethnic data category for each service delivery area, project area or county. The information may be derived from standard statistical sources such as reports issued by the U.S. Census Bureau or Bureau of Vital Statistics. State agencies may also use the data or information collected by other Federal and State agencies (e.g. Department of Education (DOEd).)

# **Authority**

**USDA Federal Regulations:** 7 CFR Part 246.4 (a)(5)(ii), excerpt **FNS Instruction 113-1:** XII Data Collection and Reporting, B

### **Procedures**

The State Office runs a report on a yearly basis that includes participation information by county, participant type, age, and race/ethnicity data. This report will be compared to other data sources to identify gaps in service. Progress and trends will be analyzed. Information gathered can be used in local agency outreach efforts and will be used for the State Office State Plan.