

Estimated Impact of Temporary Increase in Food Stamp Benefits SENATE Economic Recovery Package

(about \$16 per person per month from November 2008 through September 2009)

How to Read This Table:

As soon as November 1st, Michigan would be able to put about \$16 a month in the hands of more than 1.2 million people. By the end of the year the state would see \$214 million in additional food stamps and approximately \$390 million in increased economic activity as a result of the temporary food stamp increase."

	Total Additional Food Stamp Benefits (in millions of dollars)	Estimated Total Economic Stimulus Impact* (in millions of dollars)	Number of People Receiving Increased Benefits (in 000s)
TOTAL U.S.	5.2 billion	10 billion	28,616
Alabama	\$104	\$190	579
Alaska	\$10	\$20	61
Arizona	\$102	\$190	646
Arkansas	\$72	\$130	382
California	\$391	\$720	2,271
Colorado	\$48	\$90	257
Connecticut	\$41	\$80	227
Delaware	\$12	\$20	76
District of Columbia	\$17	\$30	90
Florida	\$236	\$430	1,506
Georgia	\$178	\$330	1,044
Hawaii	\$18	\$30	98
Idaho	\$17	\$30	104
Illinois	\$238	\$440	1,306
Indiana	\$109	\$200	639
Iowa	\$43	\$80	257
Kansas	\$34	\$60	190
Kentucky	\$114	\$210	639
Louisiana	\$123	\$230	653
Maine	\$31	\$60	179
Maryland	\$59	\$110	367
Massachusetts	\$85	\$160	514
Michigan	\$214	\$390	1,283
Minnesota	\$47	\$90	300
Mississippi	\$79	\$150	451
Missouri	\$150	\$280	899
Montana	\$15	\$30	81
Nebraska	\$22	\$40	121
Nevada	\$23	\$40	151
New Hampshire	\$10	\$20	65
New Jersey	\$80	\$150	443
New Mexico	\$46	\$80	243

New York	\$346	\$640	2,005
North Carolina	\$165	\$300	957
North Dakota	\$8	\$10	49
Ohio	\$203	\$370	1,169
Oklahoma	\$81	\$150	417
Oregon	\$83	\$150	483
Pennsylvania	\$209	\$380	1,199
Rhode Island	\$14	\$30	87
South Carolina	\$103	\$190	599
South Dakota	\$11	\$20	64
Tennessee	\$163	\$300	922
Texas	\$485	\$890	2,442
Utah	\$25	\$50	137
Vermont	\$9	\$20	57
Virginia	\$95	\$170	550
Washington	\$105	\$190	566
West Virginia	\$50	\$90	279
Wisconsin	\$66	\$120	447
Wyoming	\$5	\$9	23
Guam	\$5	\$9	29
Virgin Islands	\$3	\$5	13
Puerto Rico	\$177	\$330	NA

Source: USDA, Economic Research Service, "Effects of Changes in Food Stamp Expenditures Across the U.S. Economy" by Kenneth Hanson and Elise Golan, August 2002. USDA research finds a \$1 in food stamps generates \$1.84 in economic activity. Mark Zandi of Moody's Economy.com estimates a similar multiplier (\$1.73) (Mark Zandi, testimony before the House Committee on Small Business, "Economic Stimulus For Small Business: A Look Back and Assessing Need for Additional Relief (July 24, 2008).

Notes: Estimates are based on a 10 percent increase in the maximum food stamp benefit, through 9/30/09 and on CBO cost estimates, 2006 food stamp quality control data, and Food Stamp administrative data. Participants from June 2008 data. If food stamp participation continues to rise, the number of people helped also will grow. We assume that the provision will help households that receive the minimum benefit or participate in Combined Application Projects (CAPs).