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*Investment in Priorities:
 Human Service Indicators*

Number of Persons Receiving Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Benefits (Food Stamps)

Area	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Chesapeake	8,838	9,760	10,758	12,079	12,449	12,133	12,656	15,019	19,318	20,994	23,559	24,715	24,116	22,816
Franklin	1,225	1,402	1,518	1,663	1,828	1,681	1,619	1,822	2,217	2,423	2,679	2,794	2,701	2,507
Isle of Wight County	1,975	2,061	2,287	2,412	2,462	2,414	2,523	2,964	3,586	3,968	4,105	4,283	4,116	3857.0
Norfolk	25,945	27,666	28,602	31,736	31,695	31,234	31,894	34,801	42,742	46,222	49,530	51,214	50,076	46,463
Portsmouth	10,235	10,784	12,349	13,999	14,607	14,686	14,579	15,952	19,509	21,252	23,579	24,395	23,794	22,409
Southampton	1,422	1,504	1,718	1,848	1,976	2,023	2,159	2,282	2,648	2,746	2,968	3,067	2,973	2,684
Suffolk	5,501	6,072	6,854	7,646	7,818	7,513	7,600	8,525	10,659	11,864	13,037	13,118	13,445	12,548
Virginia Beach	11,579	13,149	15,065	16,528	16,815	16,194	17,575	20,177	27,637	31,441	34,837	35,573	36,234	34,059
South Hampton Roads	66,720	72,398	79,151	87,911	89,650	87,878	90,605	101,542	128,316	140,910	154,294	159,159	157,455	147,343
Virginia	347,196	382,503	442,866	486,014	508,113	513,572	536,959	616,644	771,357	842,225	911,412	938,389	930,264	867,297
Region as a % of State	19.2	18.9	17.9	18.1	17.6	17.1	16.9	16.5	16.6	16.7	16.9	17.0	16.9	17.0
United States (in millions)	n/a	20,707	23,489	25,442	26,512	26,367	27,761	32,204	40,302	44,708	46,609	47,675	46,530	46,252
State as a % of U.S.	n/a	1.8	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	2.0	2.0	2.0	1.9

Note: The number of cases is for January of each year.

Note: The state's data collection methodology changed starting in 2002.

Source: Virginia Department of Social Services, U.S. Department of Agriculture