

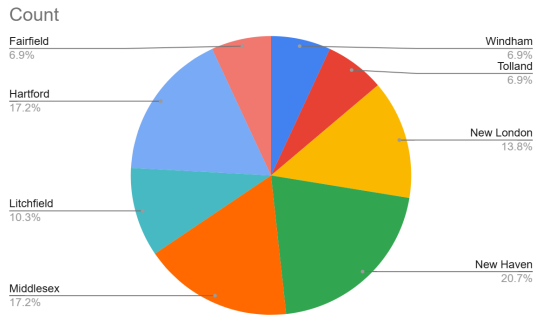
SNACT End of Year Meal Debt Survey

Survey Opened June 5, 2025 closed June 18, 2025

29 Districts responded (There are 169 districts that participate in NSLP, so this # represents 17% of NSLP participating districts)

Districts were asked to report their debt as of the end of the 2024- 2025 school year (debt commences with the start of the school year, there is no carry over from prior years)

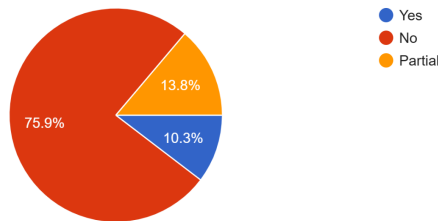
Geographically, every CT county represented



CEP Status

The majority of the responding districts are not CEP (3 CEP, 4 partial CEP, 22 not CEP)

Are you a CEP district?
29 responses



District Size

4 Districts report enrollment of fewer than 1,000 students. The remaining districts report student enrollment of between 1,000 and 9,500 students.

Statewide Total

UNPAID MEAL DEBT TOTAL FOR ALL Non CEP & Partial CEP YEAR END SY 2024- 2025 : (CEP districts have no debt.)

	2024-2025 EoY Debt	2023-24 EoY Debt	% increase
All responding districts (29/ 26)	\$608,359	\$411,229	47.9%
Average of debt per district	\$23,398	\$17,135	36.5%

National Average Debt: SNA reports that national average debt is 26% higher than last year. **National**

Average per District Debt: SNA reports that national average debt is \$6,900 per district.

Statewide: Non CEP and Partial CEP Breakdown

UNPAID MEAL DEBT TOTAL FOR NON CEP & PARTIAL CEP DISTRICTS

	2024-2025 EoY Debt	2023-24 EoY Debt	% increase in debt (EOY)
Non CEP Districts (22)	\$498,859	\$311,604	60%
Partial CEP Districts (4 with 3 reporting last year)	\$109,500	\$99,625	9.9%
TOTAL DEBT (17% of districts in the state)	\$608,359	\$411,229	47.8%

Non CEP and Partial CEP PER District Debt. Total reported debt / by number of districts reporting.
Partial CEP districts carry higher meal debt per district.

	2024-2025 EoY Debt	2023-24 per district EoY Debt	% change in per district debt
Non CEP Districts (22)	\$22,675	\$14,838	52.8%
Partial CEP Districts (4 with 3 reporting last year)	\$27,375	\$33,208	-17.5%
DISTRICT DEBT	\$23,398	\$17,134	36.5%

Note about partial CEP Districts: One district moved a school into CEP for the current SY, resulting in a drop in unpaid meal debt. 3 out of 4 Partial CEP districts reported year to year comparison, one did not have last year #s.

COUNTY LEVEL Breakdown

Non CEP and Partial CEP Districts TOTAL and Per District Meal debt by County

County	2024-2025 Total EoY Debt	Per District 2024-2025 EoY Debt	2023-24 EoY Debt	Per District 2023-2024 EoY Debt
Fairfield	\$96,000	\$48,000	\$91,000	\$45,500
Hartford	\$123,500	\$24,000	\$28,000	\$7,500
Litchfield	\$68,500	\$22,833	\$30,500	\$10,167
Middlesex	\$67,700	\$13,540	\$48,260	\$9,652
New Haven	\$49,659	\$9,932	\$46,344	\$9,268
New London *	\$61,000	\$20,300	\$89,625	\$29,875
Tolland / Windham	\$142,000	\$47,333	\$77,000	\$25,667

*school moved to CEP