

HOW WIC HELPS

THE NORTHERN ARAPAHO



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Mission of WIC

Assuring healthy pregnancies, birth outcomes, growth and development for mothers, babies, and young children to age 5 who are at nutritional risk. Providing nutritious supplemental foods, breastfeeding promotion and support, education on healthy eating, and referrals to healthcare and critical social services.



41%

OF INFANTS BORN IN THE UNITED STATES PARTICIPATE IN WIC



56%

OF ELIGIBLE INDIVIDUALS IN THE UNITED STATES PARTICIPATE IN WIC

WHO PARTICIPATES IN WIC IN THE NORTHERN ARAPAHO?

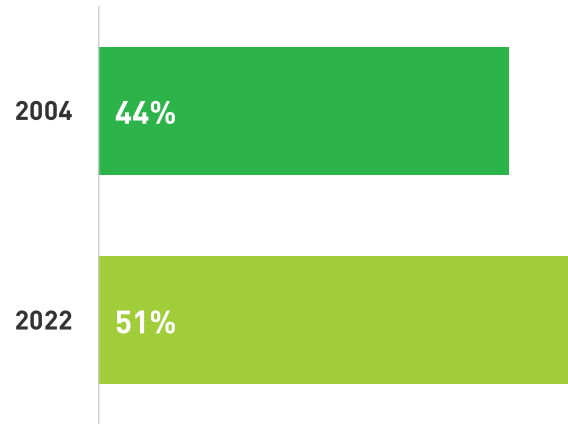
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 WIC PARTICIPANTS

Pregnant women.....	17
Breastfeeding women.....	21
Postpartum women.....	9
Infants.....	54
Children.....	108

BREASTFEEDING IN WIC

The Northern Arapaho WIC breastfeeding initiation rates increased by **17 percent** between 2004 and 2022.



Among WIC infants who initiated breastfeeding in the Northern Arapaho in 2022, **18 percent** continued breastfeeding at 6 months.

THE NORTHERN ARAPAHO WIC PARTICIPANT CHARACTERISTICS

\$4,039

AVERAGE FAMILY INCOME

\$71

AVERAGE MONTHLY FOOD COST IN FY 2025

78%

RECEIVED MEDICAID

HOW WIC SUPPORTED THE NORTHERN ARAPAHO ECONOMY IN FY 2025

\$177,474

WIC FOOD AND FORMULA BENEFITS

\$395,487

NUTRITION, BREASTFEEDING SERVICES, AND PROGRAM OPERATIONS

Sources: WIC eligible individuals participating from USDA WIC Eligibility Estimates report for 2023 (<https://www.fns.usda.gov/research/wic/eer-2023>). WIC participants and economic impact from USDA WIC Data Tables for fiscal year (FY) 2025 (<https://www.fns.usda.gov/pd/wic-program>) as of January 20, 2026. Participant characteristics for 2022 and WIC breastfeeding and rates for years displayed from USDA WIC Participant and Program Characteristics reports (<https://www.fns.usda.gov/research/wic/participant-program-characteristics-2022>).