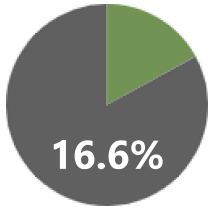
Kentucky

2023 OVERALL FOOD INSECURITY & FOOD COST IN THE US

STATE FOOD INSECURITY RATE

FOOD INSECURE PEOPLE: 753,410



OF STATE POPULATION

14.3 NATIONAL FOOD INSECURITY RATE

ESTIMATED PROGRAM ELIGIBILITY AMONG FOOD INSECURE PEOPLE

30% Above SNAP threshold

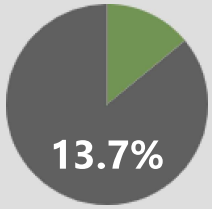
71% Below SNAP threshold of 200%

Average Meal Cost	State	National
	$3.19	$3.58

Jessamine County, Kentucky

COUNTY FOOD INSECURITY RATE

FOOD INSECURE PEOPLE: 7,400



OF COUNTY POPULATION

ESTIMATED PROGRAM ELIGIBILITY AMONG FOOD INSECURE PEOPLE

33% Above SNAP threshold

67% Below SNAP threshold of 200%

Average Meal Cost	County	National
	$3.45	$3.58

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Hunger exists in every corner of the United States, but as Feeding America's Map the Meal Gap study shows, food insecurity looks different from one county to the next. In addition to providing data about the prevalence of food insecurity at the local level, Map the Meal Gap estimates the share of food insecure individuals who are income-eligible for federal antihunger programs and provides local variations in food costs.

The study finds that many food insecure individuals do not qualify for federal nutrition programs and must rely on charitable food assistance, suggesting that complementary programs and strategies are necessary to reach food insecure individuals at different income levels. By providing information about hunger at the local level, Map the Meal Gap can help policymakers and service providers identify strategies to best reach those in need of assistance.

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