

# Map the Meal Gap 2011

## Tennessee Food Insecurity by Congressional District, 2009

Tennessee Congressional District	Food Insecurity Rate	Number of Food Insecure Individuals	% Food Insecure Individuals Below SNAP Threshold of 130%*	% Food Insecure Individuals Between 130% and 185%*	% Food Insecure Individuals NOT Eligible for Federal Nutrition Assistance*
1	21.2%	139,030	43%	23%	34%
2	18.1%	127,040	35%	19%	46%
3	21.1%	140,310	42%	19%	39%
4	20.7%	137,610	42%	24%	34%
5	19.6%	133,340	40%	17%	43%
6	18.9%	141,770	35%	20%	44%
7	16.2%	119,490	28%	16%	57%
8	23.5%	148,240	49%	17%	34%
9	27.2%	163,210	64%	8%	29%

\*Eligibility for federal nutrition programs is determined in part by income thresholds which vary by state.

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[www.feedingamerica.org/mapthegap](http://www.feedingamerica.org/mapthegap)

*Map the Meal Gap* food insecurity estimates are based on unemployment rates, median incomes, poverty rates, and other demographic measures. Because Congressional District estimates use a three-year average of unemployment data (2007-2009) and county-level estimates use unemployment data from one-year (2009), Congressional District estimates are not directly comparable with county estimates or the aggregated state totals.