



# Map the Meal Gap 2013

## Mississippi Child Food Insecurity by County in 2011 <sup>1</sup>



County	Food insecurity rate (full population) <sup>2</sup>	Population under 18 years old	Child food insecurity rate <sup>2</sup>	Estimated number food insecure children (rounded)	Food insecure children likely income-eligible for federal nutrition assistance <sup>3</sup>	Food insecure children likely NOT income-eligible for federal nutrition assistance <sup>3</sup>
Adams	25.3%	7,366	28.5%	2,100	71%	29%
Alcorn	17.9%	8,986	30.4%	2,730	74%	26%
Amite	21.1%	3,017	29.2%	880	92%	8%
Attala	23.5%	5,076	30.5%	1,550	78%	22%
Benton	22.7%	2,191	27.0%	590	98%	2%
Bolivar	28.8%	8,872	30.0%	2,670	64%	36%
Calhoun	19.4%	3,702	26.7%	990	98%	2%
Carrroll	19.1%	2,311	25.0%	580	82%	18%
Chickasaw	23.0%	4,670	29.6%	1,380	81%	19%
Choctaw	20.0%	2,062	26.9%	550	97%	3%
Claiborne	31.9%	2,384	30.6%	730	78%	22%
Clarke	20.9%	4,218	28.4%	1,200	76%	24%
Clay	28.3%	5,359	30.8%	1,650	86%	14%
Coahoma	32.8%	7,824	33.3%	2,600	66%	34%
Copiah	22.2%	7,382	23.0%	1,700	71%	29%
Covington	19.3%	5,232	26.9%	1,410	78%	22%
DeSoto	13.5%	44,798	20.8%	9,330	64%	36%
Forrest	22.7%	17,718	27.9%	4,940	70%	31%
Franklin	20.7%	2,062	30.5%	630	83%	17%
George	16.0%	6,037	28.3%	1,710	70%	31%
Greene	18.5%	2,998	29.9%	900	85%	15%
Grenada	21.8%	5,509	26.2%	1,440	68%	32%
Hancock	15.4%	10,328	29.3%	3,020	78%	22%
Harrison	17.8%	45,443	26.1%	11,870	74%	26%
Hinds	24.9%	65,740	21.8%	14,350	63%	37%
Holmes	35.2%	5,664	33.1%	1,880	73%	27%
Humphreys	34.0%	2,737	32.5%	890	65%	35%
Issaquena	32.7%	411	37.3%	150	62%	38%
Itawamba	14.6%	5,443	26.9%	1,460	91%	9%
Jackson	17.5%	35,451	25.5%	9,030	73%	28%
Jasper	21.8%	4,275	22.3%	950	78%	22%
Jefferson	34.4%	1,815	30.6%	560	61%	39%
Jefferson Dav	25.2%	2,935	28.5%	840	80%	20%
Jones	18.1%	17,279	27.5%	4,740	79%	21%
Kemper	26.2%	2,494	27.9%	690	85%	15%
Lafayette	19.4%	8,763	22.3%	1,960	62%	38%
Lamar	15.9%	14,265	22.4%	3,200	64%	36%
Lauderdale	22.2%	20,050	27.3%	5,470	71%	29%
Lawrence	19.5%	3,319	26.0%	860	69%	32%
Leake	21.5%	7,251	26.9%	1,950	82%	18%
Lee	18.8%	22,090	26.0%	5,740	74%	26%
Leflore	32.9%	9,015	33.4%	3,010	71%	29%
Lincoln	18.7%	9,061	25.4%	2,300	81%	20%
Lowndes	23.1%	15,171	27.4%	4,160	71%	29%
Madison	16.7%	25,449	17.6%	4,480	60%	40%
Marion	20.2%	6,962	28.6%	1,990	73%	27%
Marshall	22.9%	8,825	29.0%	2,560	72%	28%
Monroe	20.1%	9,117	27.8%	2,540	87%	13%
Montgomery	23.8%	2,734	28.7%	780	79%	21%
Neshoba	16.8%	8,451	26.5%	2,240	89%	11%
Newton	17.4%	5,624	25.8%	1,450	83%	18%
Noxubee	31.7%	3,167	31.8%	1,010	89%	11%
Oktibbeha	25.6%	8,642	26.2%	2,260	66%	34%
Panola	24.2%	9,473	27.5%	2,610	74%	27%
Pearl River	16.9%	13,931	30.3%	4,220	76%	24%
Perry	17.4%	3,169	23.8%	750	83%	18%
Pike	24.2%	11,010	27.8%	3,060	73%	27%
Pontotoc	15.4%	7,997	26.5%	2,120	81%	19%
Prentiss	17.9%	5,893	29.3%	1,730	96%	4%

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Quitman	30.1%	2,245	28.1%	630	77%	23%
Rankin	12.9%	35,277	20.3%	7,160	61%	39%
Scott	18.0%	7,709	23.3%	1,800	80%	20%
Sharkey	29.6%	1,208	29.7%	360	71%	29%
Simpson	19.0%	7,228	25.1%	1,820	78%	22%
Smith	15.8%	4,324	23.4%	1,010	75%	25%
Stone	16.0%	4,216	27.8%	1,170	64%	36%
Sunflower	31.7%	7,337	29.3%	2,150	77%	23%
Tallahatchie	25.7%	3,542	31.0%	1,100	71%	29%
Tate	18.9%	7,335	27.3%	2,000	86%	14%
Tippah	19.4%	5,632	33.0%	1,860	91%	9%
Tishomingo	16.9%	4,542	31.9%	1,450	94%	6%
Tunica	33.2%	3,240	29.6%	960	79%	21%
Union	17.8%	7,009	31.3%	2,200	85%	15%
Walthall	21.9%	4,097	25.1%	1,030	79%	21%
Warren	22.8%	12,708	25.4%	3,230	75%	25%
Washington	32.3%	14,667	32.6%	4,780	70%	30%
Wayne	21.6%	5,498	29.5%	1,620	74%	26%
Webster	20.9%	2,552	32.1%	820	76%	24%
Wilkinson	26.0%	2,287	26.2%	600	70%	30%
Winston	23.9%	4,760	28.4%	1,350	78%	22%
Yalobusha	21.6%	3,090	28.3%	870	77%	23%
Yazoo	27.2%	7,238	30.2%	2,180	73%	27%
<b>State Total<sup>4</sup></b>	<b>21.4%</b>	<b>744,133</b>	<b>27.4%</b>	<b>202,980</b>	<b>76%</b>	<b>24%</b>

For additional data and maps by county, state, and congressional district, please visit [www.feedingamerica.org/mapthegap](http://www.feedingamerica.org/mapthegap).

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<sup>1</sup>Map the Meal Gap's child food insecurity rates are determined using data from the 2001-2011 Current Population Survey on children under 18 years old in food insecure households; data from the 2011 American Community Survey on median family incomes for households with children, child poverty rates, home ownership, and race and ethnic demographics among children; and 2011 data from the Bureau of Labor Statistics on unemployment rates.

<sup>2</sup> The statistical model for estimating food insecurity in 2013 differs slightly from the model used in 2012. The updated 2013 model includes "homeownership" in addition to the variables used in previous years to account for household assets and help produce more accurate estimates of food insecurity at the local level. For more information about these factors, please see the technical brief or supplemental methodology information on HungerNet.

<sup>3</sup>Numbers reflect percentage of food insecure children living in households with incomes above or below 185% of the federal poverty guideline for 2011. Eligibility for federal child nutrition programs is determined in part by income thresholds which can vary by state.