



Map the Meal Gap 2011



Mississippi Food Insecurity by Congressional District, 2009

Mississippi 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	21.3%	160,220	43%	24%	33%
2	28.5%	185,710	66%	13%	21%
3	20.0%	144,770	43%	21%	36%
4	20.1%	142,140	39%	24%	38%

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

Source: Gundersen, C., E. Waxman, E. Engelhard and J. Brown. Map the Meal Gap: Preliminary Findings. Feeding America, 2011. 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