



Map the Meal Gap 2011

Rhode Island Food Insecurity by Congressional District, 2009

Rhode Island Congressional District	Food Insecurity Rate	Number of Food Insecure Individuals	% Food Insecure Individuals Eligible for Federal Nutrition Assistance*	% Food Insecure Individuals NOT Eligible for Federal Nutrition Assistance*
1	15.1%	75,850	55%	45%
2	16.1%	82,520	54%	46%

*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