



Map the Meal Gap 2016:

Child Food Insecurity in Massachusetts by County in 2014 ¹



County	Food insecurity rate (full population)	Population under 18 years old	Child food insecurity rate	Estimated number food insecure children (rounded)	Food insecure children likely income-eligible for federal nutrition assistance ²	Food insecure children likely NOT income-eligible for federal nutrition assistance ²
Barnstable	9.9%	35,577	17.1%	6,080	63%	38%
Berkshire	11.6%	24,294	18.4%	4,470	69%	31%
Bristol	12.1%	119,217	17.6%	20,960	69%	31%
Dukes	10.8%	3,189	18.5%	590	66%	34%
Essex	9.0%	170,228	14.3%	24,290	70%	30%
Franklin	10.4%	13,514	16.7%	2,260	77%	23%
Hampden	11.7%	107,362	18.8%	20,160	82%	18%
Hampshire	10.6%	25,861	14.7%	3,800	64%	36%
Middlesex	9.0%	321,702	11.8%	38,020	57%	43%
Nantucket	10.4%	2,177	14.8%	320	37%	64%
Norfolk	8.7%	150,906	11.2%	16,930	46%	54%
Plymouth	9.5%	116,459	13.7%	15,910	60%	40%
Suffolk	15.9%	129,795	16.7%	21,720	71%	29%
Worcester	10.3%	182,331	15.3%	27,930	64%	36%
State Total³	11.1%	1,390,685	15.1%	210,050	63%	37%

For additional data and maps by county, state, and congressional district, please visit www.feedingamerica.org/mapthegap.

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²Numbers reflect percentage of food insecure children living in households with incomes above or below 185% of the federal poverty guideline for 2014. Eligibility for federal child nutrition programs is determined in part by income thresholds which can vary by state.

³Data in the state totals row do not reflect the sum of all counties in that state. The state totals are aggregated from the congressional districts data in that state.



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Child Food Insecurity in Massachusetts by Congressional District in 2014 ¹



Congressional District	Food insecurity rate (full population)	Child food insecurity rate	Estimated number food insecure children (rounded)	Food insecure children likely income-eligible for federal nutrition assistance ²	Food insecure children likely NOT income-eligible for federal nutrition assistance ²
1	12.3%	19.2%	29,760	79%	21%
2	11.4%	15.7%	23,690	59%	41%
3	9.3%	15.0%	26,210	70%	30%
4	8.2%	11.6%	19,550	42%	58%
5	9.7%	12.0%	18,250	56%	44%
6	8.4%	12.5%	19,540	55%	45%
7	18.3%	20.0%	27,590	71%	30%
8	11.6%	14.4%	21,640	58%	42%
9	10.2%	16.4%	23,820	67%	34%

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