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Acadia Parish	62,163	15.3%	9,510	67%	16%	17%
Allen Parish	25,653	14.0%	3,590	52%	20%	29%
Ascension Parish	114,738	10.7%	12,270	48%	12%	41%
Assumption Parish	23,057	14.9%	3,430	58%	21%	21%
Avoyelles Parish	41,389	17.8%	7,380	63%	16%	21%
Beauregard Parish	36,259	13.4%	4,870	65%	9%	26%
Bienville Parish	13,977	20.7%	2,890	64%	15%	21%
Bossier Parish	123,403	13.1%	16,180	52%	19%	29%
Caddo Parish	254,742	20.0%	50,930	57%	18%	26%
Calcasieu Parish	195,887	14.6%	28,580	58%	18%	25%
Caldwell Parish	9,990	15.7%	1,570	69%	3%	28%
Cameron Parish	6,706	6.8%	460	71%	7%	22%
Catahoula Parish	10,247	18.1%	1,850	56%	17%	27%
Claiborne Parish	16,639	21.4%	3,570	57%	17%	26%
Concordia Parish	20,449	22.6%	4,630	64%	13%	24%
De Soto Parish	26,965	19.1%	5,140	64%	12%	24%
East Baton Rouge Parish	444,690	18.1%	80,660	53%	15%	32%
East Carroll Parish	7,501	34.1%	2,560	66%	15%	19%
East Feliciana Parish	19,855	16.6%	3,290	50%	16%	35%
Evangeline Parish	33,768	18.7%	6,320	68%	15%	16%
Franklin Parish	20,550	21.3%	4,370	67%	13%	20%
Grant Parish	22,362	13.4%	2,990	54%	19%	28%
Iberia Parish	73,938	16.9%	12,490	59%	16%	25%
Iberville Parish	33,229	18.1%	6,020	47%	23%	30%
Jackson Parish	16,109	18.0%	2,900	66%	11%	23%
Jefferson Parish	435,092	13.4%	58,140	57%	13%	30%
Jefferson Davis Parish	31,434	14.7%	4,620	68%	20%	13%
Lafayette Parish	231,811	14.5%	33,660	56%	12%	33%
Lafourche Parish	97,474	11.5%	11,160	60%	13%	27%
LaSalle Parish	14,899	13.4%	1,990	65%	7%	27%
Lincoln Parish	47,349	22.6%	10,720	67%	8%	25%
Livingston Parish	133,949	9.9%	13,310	62%	12%	26%
Madison Parish	11,873	28.0%	3,320	68%	15%	18%
Morehouse Parish	27,012	23.6%	6,380	67%	19%	15%
Natchitoches Parish	39,330	21.9%	8,630	66%	16%	19%
Orleans Parish	376,738	23.4%	88,170	59%	17%	24%
Ouachita Parish	155,769	19.5%	30,390	61%	13%	26%
Plaquemines Parish	23,599	13.2%	3,100	55%	18%	27%
Pointe Coupee Parish	22,498	16.2%	3,640	59%	16%	25%
Rapides Parish	132,225	17.4%	22,980	61%	15%	24%
Red River Parish	8,838	17.9%	1,580	71%	16%	14%
Richland Parish	20,777	18.9%	3,930	60%	22%	18%
Sabine Parish	24,248	14.1%	3,430	66%	10%	24%
St. Bernard Parish	42,858	14.2%	6,070	69%	17%	14%
St. Charles Parish	52,639	11.5%	6,060	51%	18%	31%
St. Helena Parish	10,818	20.9%	2,260	66%	20%	14%
St. James Parish	21,650	18.3%	3,960	46%	17%	37%
St. John the Baptist Parish	44,161	17.9%	7,910	47%	24%	29%
St. Landry Parish	83,613	20.5%	17,170	68%	14%	18%
St. Martin Parish	53,126	15.1%	8,030	58%	20%	22%
St. Mary Parish	53,441	17.3%	9,250	65%	16%	19%
St. Tammany Parish	242,960	10.0%	24,180	54%	14%	33%
Tangipahoa Parish	125,486	17.2%	21,610	62%	13%	26%
Tensas Parish	4,893	26.1%	1,280	79%	14%	8%
Terrebonne Parish	112,742	13.9%	15,680	63%	11%	26%
Union Parish	22,533	16.7%	3,770	69%	7%	24%
Vermilion Parish	59,110	13.5%	7,970	64%	14%	22%

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Vernon Parish	52,476	14.3%	7,520	55%	21%	23%
Washington Parish	46,556	18.5%	8,610	69%	13%	18%
Webster Parish	40,617	19.0%	7,710	63%	22%	16%
West Baton Rouge Parish	24,669	16.4%	4,040	50%	12%	38%
West Carroll Parish	11,454	19.8%	2,270	66%	6%	29%
West Feliciana Parish	15,415	15.9%	2,450	42%	16%	42%
Winn Parish	14,855	20.0%	2,970	63%	13%	25%
State Total⁶	4,670,724	16.9%	789,330	57.5%	15.1%	27.4%

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

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⁶Population and food insecurity data 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. All data in the state totals row pertaining to the cost of food or the "Meal Gap" reflect state-level data and are not aggregations of either counties or congressional districts.



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1	806,140	11.9%	96,120	58%	11%	32%
2	791,393	23.5%	185,670	57%	19%	25%
3	782,417	15.7%	122,670	58%	14%	28%
4	758,913	18.3%	139,220	59%	17%	24%
5	746,021	19.9%	148,350	61%	14%	25%
6	785,840	12.4%	97,300	50%	14%	36%

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