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Adams	31,979	24.9%	7,960	61%	17%	23%
Alcorn	37,319	16.5%	6,160	73%	12%	16%
Amite	12,840	20.3%	2,610	65%	21%	14%
Attala	19,175	22.2%	4,260	65%	17%	18%
Benton	8,470	18.8%	1,600	59%	37%	5%
Bolivar	33,803	29.0%	9,810	70%	17%	13%
Calhoun	14,789	18.9%	2,800	69%	17%	15%
Carroll	10,338	19.2%	1,980	51%	14%	36%
Chickasaw	17,391	21.9%	3,800	68%	21%	11%
Choctaw	8,354	20.4%	1,710	72%	12%	16%
Claiborne	9,330	34.1%	3,180	70%	24%	6%
Clarke	16,362	19.5%	3,180	58%	16%	26%
Clay	20,279	25.5%	5,180	62%	21%	17%
Coahoma	25,254	31.7%	8,010	67%	23%	10%
Copiah	28,921	22.6%	6,520	61%	18%	21%
Covington	19,471	19.8%	3,860	67%	16%	17%
DeSoto	168,586	13.6%	22,970	41%	21%	39%
Forrest	76,267	22.7%	17,290	62%	13%	25%
Franklin	7,857	19.6%	1,540	59%	15%	26%
George	23,104	14.6%	3,370	61%	9%	30%
Greene	14,129	16.9%	2,380	40%	11%	49%
Grenada	21,591	20.8%	4,500	60%	23%	17%
Hancock	45,627	16.2%	7,380	68%	6%	26%
Harrison	196,268	18.7%	36,620	60%	14%	26%
Hinds	245,874	25.9%	63,640	56%	19%	25%
Holmes	18,772	34.6%	6,490	76%	21%	3%
Humphreys	8,984	33.8%	3,040	75%	24%	2%
Issaquena	1,291	34.8%	450	60%	24%	16%
Itawamba	23,451	14.7%	3,450	68%	14%	18%
Jackson	140,676	16.2%	22,850	50%	17%	32%
Jasper	16,588	22.3%	3,700	64%	25%	11%
Jefferson	7,586	37.9%	2,870	69%	16%	14%
Jefferson Davis	11,941	26.8%	3,200	72%	25%	3%
Jones	68,276	18.3%	12,490	66%	17%	17%
Kemper	10,211	26.0%	2,660	60%	30%	10%
Lafayette	51,169	19.7%	10,090	59%	5%	36%
Lamar	58,885	16.1%	9,460	56%	9%	35%
Lauderdale	79,832	21.5%	17,190	56%	20%	24%
Lawrence	12,586	19.4%	2,450	62%	17%	21%
Leake	23,153	21.0%	4,850	63%	19%	18%
Lee	85,036	17.7%	15,060	59%	15%	27%
Leflore	31,516	33.1%	10,440	71%	16%	13%
Lincoln	34,765	19.9%	6,930	67%	14%	19%
Lowndes	59,699	22.4%	13,350	60%	15%	25%
Madison	100,202	16.4%	16,420	40%	10%	50%
Marion	26,109	21.1%	5,500	69%	15%	16%
Marshall	36,385	20.0%	7,260	56%	21%	23%
Monroe	36,175	19.1%	6,900	59%	18%	23%
Montgomery	10,464	23.3%	2,430	67%	17%	16%
Neshoba	29,553	18.8%	5,560	69%	16%	15%
Newton	21,663	18.6%	4,040	65%	18%	17%
Noxubee	11,143	29.3%	3,270	66%	24%	9%
Oktibbeha	49,048	24.6%	12,050	62%	11%	27%
Panola	34,373	22.7%	7,800	61%	24%	15%
Pearl River	55,196	16.1%	8,910	65%	9%	27%
Perry	12,187	17.1%	2,090	66%	24%	10%
Pike	40,075	24.6%	9,850	65%	17%	18%

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Pontotoc	30,517	14.2%	4,320	59%	21%	20%
Prentiss	25,380	16.9%	4,290	68%	19%	12%
Quitman	7,761	31.2%	2,420	75%	19%	6%
Rankin	146,761	13.1%	19,300	42%	18%	41%
Scott	28,293	18.6%	5,270	72%	23%	6%
Sharkey	4,805	28.9%	1,390	63%	36%	0%
Simpson	27,401	19.8%	5,420	71%	15%	14%
Smith	16,257	17.8%	2,890	66%	13%	22%
Stone	17,978	16.4%	2,950	49%	21%	30%
Sunflower	27,911	31.2%	8,710	60%	18%	22%
Tallahatchie	14,959	19.0%	2,850	45%	17%	39%
Tate	28,415	18.1%	5,150	53%	26%	21%
Tippah	22,054	17.0%	3,740	68%	13%	19%
Tishomingo	19,539	13.9%	2,720	75%	14%	11%
Tunica	10,477	30.5%	3,200	62%	29%	9%
Union	27,811	16.3%	4,550	69%	17%	15%
Walthall	14,978	22.0%	3,300	67%	15%	18%
Warren	48,020	22.1%	10,610	59%	17%	25%
Washington	49,499	31.2%	15,440	69%	18%	13%
Wayne	20,564	21.0%	4,320	64%	14%	22%
Webster	9,999	18.2%	1,820	62%	11%	27%
Wilkinson	9,345	28.1%	2,630	53%	19%	28%
Winston	18,697	24.3%	4,550	67%	18%	15%
Yalobusha	12,381	19.9%	2,460	57%	28%	15%
Yazoo	27,911	26.4%	7,370	57%	16%	27%
State Total⁶	2,992,333	21.5%	643,390	57.5%	17.1%	25.4%

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	758,765	18.3%	138,670	54%	17%	30%
2	724,075	29.1%	211,040	62%	19%	19%
3	745,475	19.1%	142,580	55%	17%	28%
4	764,018	19.8%	151,100	57%	15%	28%

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