



# Map the Meal Gap 2018:

## Child Food Insecurity in Texas by County in 2016<sup>1</sup>



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 <sup>2</sup>	Food insecure children likely NOT income-eligible for federal nutrition assistance <sup>2</sup>
Anderson	19.3%	11,191	24.8%	2,780	86%	15%
Andrews	8.5%	5,309	18.5%	980	52%	48%
Angelina	19.9%	22,915	26.7%	6,130	71%	29%
Aransas	15.6%	4,575	25.7%	1,180	74%	26%
Archer	14.8%	1,952	20.3%	400	61%	39%
Armstrong	13.8%	433	19.0%	80	46%	54%
Atascosa	8.5%	13,401	22.0%	2,940	71%	29%
Austin	15.8%	7,125	24.2%	1,720	61%	39%
Bailey	9.5%	2,147	22.5%	480	100%	0%
Bandera	15.1%	3,712	25.5%	950	63%	37%
Bastrop	12.6%	20,097	20.9%	4,210	77%	24%
Baylor	16.6%	777	18.9%	150	71%	29%
Bee	14.1%	7,044	26.6%	1,880	71%	29%
Bell	19.3%	92,350	22.9%	21,140	68%	33%
Bexar	11.1%	487,339	21.2%	103,350	67%	33%
Blanco	13.3%	2,088	19.9%	420	72%	28%
Borden	14.2%	211	24.2%	50	6%	94%
Bosque	15.8%	3,928	24.6%	960	77%	23%
Bowie	23.0%	22,309	27.1%	6,040	75%	25%
Brazoria	14.5%	91,105	20.1%	18,290	54%	46%
Brazos	21.3%	43,152	22.7%	9,790	66%	34%
Brewster	11.6%	1,884	18.9%	360	76%	24%
Briscoe	13.6%	375	22.3%	80	88%	13%
Brooks	12.5%	1,750	33.3%	580	80%	20%
Brown	16.8%	8,723	25.4%	2,220	73%	27%
Burleson	16.1%	4,024	23.8%	960	68%	32%
Burnet	14.6%	9,720	23.2%	2,250	70%	30%
Caldwell	12.7%	9,686	22.0%	2,130	78%	22%
Calhoun	12.7%	5,561	25.3%	1,410	66%	34%
Callahan	17.8%	3,252	23.9%	780	73%	27%
Cameron	10.4%	132,594	28.8%	38,150	76%	24%
Camp	19.7%	3,314	26.4%	880	84%	16%
Carson	13.0%	1,558	19.5%	300	42%	58%
Cass	22.7%	6,849	29.1%	2,000	77%	23%
Castro	8.4%	2,377	20.6%	490	93%	7%
Chambers	15.2%	10,588	21.6%	2,280	59%	41%
Cherokee	19.2%	13,083	27.3%	3,580	83%	17%
Childress	19.2%	1,427	24.4%	350	68%	32%
Clay	17.3%	2,228	24.8%	550	64%	36%
Cochran	11.1%	851	22.7%	190	85%	16%
Coke	16.0%	651	24.4%	160	69%	31%
Coleman	18.1%	1,859	26.8%	500	79%	21%
Collin	15.0%	241,386	18.4%	44,420	41%	59%
Collingsworth	14.3%	789	24.5%	190	93%	7%
Colorado	14.9%	4,811	21.2%	1,020	74%	26%
Comal	12.1%	28,634	19.7%	5,650	57%	43%
Comanche	15.7%	3,065	26.9%	820	83%	17%
Concho	7.7%	546	22.4%	120	68%	32%
Cooke	16.3%	9,424	24.1%	2,270	62%	38%
Coryell	19.2%	19,010	23.8%	4,530	74%	26%
Cottle	19.7%	368	26.9%	100	77%	23%
Crane	9.2%	1,469	21.5%	320	48%	52%
Crockett	11.3%	955	28.0%	270	54%	46%
Crosby	12.0%	1,647	23.9%	390	81%	19%
Culberson	8.2%	525	23.8%	120	83%	17%
Dallam	12.5%	2,207	21.0%	460	78%	22%
Dallas	17.6%	676,745	23.3%	157,870	74%	26%
Dawson	11.0%	3,235	20.4%	660	79%	21%
Deaf Smith	7.4%	6,052	20.3%	1,230	74%	26%
Delta	20.4%	1,159	29.3%	340	79%	21%
Denton	15.0%	197,147	18.7%	36,810	49%	51%

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DeWitt	14.9%	4,634	23.2%	1,070	77%	23%
Dickens	16.1%	464	24.6%	110	72%	29%
Dimmit	7.8%	3,245	25.0%	810	72%	28%
Donley	17.7%	694	25.2%	180	70%	30%
Duval	10.1%	2,807	28.4%	800	69%	31%
Eastland	18.0%	3,887	25.1%	980	99%	1%
Ector	10.3%	45,672	21.1%	9,640	61%	39%
Edwards	6.6%	333	19.0%	60	100%	0%
Ellis	14.2%	43,658	20.5%	8,930	64%	36%
El Paso	8.5%	236,974	23.3%	55,120	74%	26%
Erath	19.1%	8,600	23.7%	2,040	78%	22%
Falls	20.8%	3,682	27.5%	1,010	75%	25%
Fannin	17.9%	7,128	23.6%	1,680	80%	20%
Fayette	14.3%	5,257	19.8%	1,040	61%	39%
Fisher	15.3%	791	23.3%	180	71%	29%
Floyd	12.0%	1,664	24.9%	410	83%	17%
Foard	13.4%	263	20.1%	50	89%	11%
Fort Bend	14.8%	191,947	19.1%	36,750	47%	53%
Franklin	18.0%	2,578	26.1%	670	81%	19%
Freestone	19.9%	4,456	27.0%	1,200	63%	37%
Frio	8.2%	4,522	22.6%	1,020	80%	20%
Gaines	10.4%	6,858	19.3%	1,320	76%	25%
Galveston	17.0%	77,531	22.4%	17,400	59%	41%
Garza	9.5%	1,215	22.1%	270	66%	34%
Gillespie	12.8%	5,093	20.7%	1,060	70%	30%
Glasscock	9.8%	353	16.1%	60	47%	54%
Goliad	13.8%	1,616	24.8%	400	55%	45%
Gonzales	12.2%	5,472	21.9%	1,200	66%	34%
Gray	16.4%	5,832	24.8%	1,450	63%	37%
Grayson	17.9%	29,612	23.9%	7,060	71%	29%
Gregg	21.3%	31,849	25.7%	8,200	77%	23%
Grimes	19.2%	6,050	27.5%	1,660	76%	24%
Guadalupe	11.5%	38,594	19.5%	7,530	60%	40%
Hale	12.7%	9,804	24.5%	2,400	76%	24%
Hall	20.5%	756	30.0%	230	90%	10%
Hamilton	17.2%	1,676	22.9%	380	73%	27%
Hansford	11.8%	1,629	24.1%	390	74%	26%
Hardeman	16.2%	936	21.5%	200	70%	30%
Hardin	18.0%	13,857	23.9%	3,320	56%	44%
Harris	16.6%	1,207,399	23.5%	284,240	68%	32%
Harrison	21.0%	16,853	25.7%	4,330	70%	30%
Hartley	13.3%	1,285	18.6%	240	46%	54%
Haskell	16.1%	871	28.6%	250	78%	22%
Hays	13.4%	43,820	19.4%	8,520	60%	41%
Hemphill	11.9%	1,326	21.6%	290	76%	24%
Henderson	18.8%	17,497	27.0%	4,720	78%	22%
Hidalgo	10.1%	279,428	28.6%	79,810	77%	23%
Hill	17.6%	8,263	25.9%	2,140	76%	24%
Hockley	12.2%	6,200	21.1%	1,310	70%	30%
Hood	15.9%	11,445	23.4%	2,680	71%	30%
Hopkins	18.2%	9,034	25.8%	2,330	77%	23%
Houston	23.3%	4,388	28.8%	1,260	72%	28%
Howard	13.8%	8,070	22.2%	1,790	80%	20%
Hudspeth	12.3%	875	31.6%	280	76%	24%
Hunt	18.7%	21,415	24.8%	5,320	72%	28%
Hutchinson	16.1%	5,724	24.6%	1,410	71%	29%
Irion	13.0%	416	21.9%	90	72%	29%
Jack	16.9%	1,918	25.7%	490	76%	24%
Jackson	14.1%	3,787	21.1%	800	64%	36%
Jasper	21.8%	8,645	26.9%	2,320	65%	35%
Jeff Davis	9.8%	416	15.8%	70	95%	5%
Jefferson	23.5%	60,257	27.1%	16,320	69%	31%
Jim Hogg	7.3%	1,482	25.8%	380	64%	36%
Jim Wells	10.1%	11,770	26.3%	3,090	64%	36%
Johnson	14.8%	41,561	22.2%	9,240	68%	32%
Jones	17.3%	3,173	26.2%	830	74%	27%
Karnes	13.5%	3,064	26.8%	820	67%	33%
Kaufman	15.8%	31,087	21.8%	6,770	66%	35%

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Kendall	11.8%	9,176	18.3%	1,680	47%	53%
Kenedy	12.5%	154	26.8%	40	92%	8%
Kent	14.5%	135	23.5%	30	52%	48%
Kerr	15.1%	9,831	24.2%	2,380	75%	25%
Kimble	15.8%	755	25.6%	190	89%	12%
King	15.5%	56	19.9%	10	53%	47%
Kinney	9.9%	704	25.1%	180	80%	20%
Kleberg	12.2%	7,805	23.6%	1,840	65%	35%
Knox	14.0%	1,003	22.6%	230	73%	27%
Lamar	21.6%	11,726	27.3%	3,200	82%	19%
Lamb	13.2%	3,838	24.9%	960	88%	12%
Lampasas	15.7%	4,944	23.2%	1,150	66%	34%
La Salle	4.9%	1,826	20.8%	380	100%	0%
Lavaca	15.2%	4,603	21.0%	970	64%	37%
Lee	15.7%	3,861	22.1%	850	65%	35%
Leon	18.2%	3,861	26.9%	1,040	82%	19%
Liberty	18.7%	19,796	26.0%	5,160	73%	27%
Limestone	20.2%	5,450	28.1%	1,530	75%	26%
Lipscomb	12.5%	955	20.9%	200	60%	40%
Live Oak	13.2%	2,472	23.7%	580	57%	43%
Llano	16.6%	3,016	24.3%	730	73%	27%
Loving	18.7%	6	*			
Lubbock	16.2%	71,082	22.1%	15,710	71%	29%
Lynn	12.3%	1,503	24.8%	370	87%	13%
McCulloch	14.9%	1,975	24.9%	490	78%	22%
McLennan	18.9%	60,492	24.1%	14,570	75%	25%
McMullen	7.5%	164	15.9%	30	71%	29%
Madison	18.8%	2,071	25.3%	520	73%	27%
Marion	24.0%	1,859	29.4%	550	63%	37%
Martin	9.3%	1,628	19.2%	310	88%	12%
Mason	14.1%	786	24.1%	190	87%	13%
Matagorda	17.2%	9,576	28.5%	2,730	77%	23%
Maverick	8.9%	18,325	27.9%	5,100	82%	18%
Medina	9.3%	11,495	20.6%	2,360	59%	41%
Menard	12.9%	513	21.2%	110	47%	54%
Midland	10.7%	43,372	18.3%	7,950	51%	49%
Milam	17.0%	6,075	23.2%	1,410	82%	18%
Mills	14.8%	1,192	23.7%	280	63%	37%
Mitchell	13.3%	1,724	22.1%	380	55%	46%
Montague	17.9%	4,449	26.2%	1,170	72%	28%
Montgomery	14.6%	139,106	21.2%	29,420	58%	42%
Moore	10.8%	7,086	21.4%	1,510	75%	25%
Morris	24.8%	2,890	30.4%	880	65%	36%
Motley	17.3%	208	22.4%	50	92%	8%
Nacogdoches	22.2%	15,437	25.7%	3,970	76%	24%
Navarro	17.9%	12,693	25.4%	3,230	77%	24%
Newton	22.9%	3,030	27.7%	840	63%	37%
Nolan	14.9%	3,793	24.3%	920	74%	26%
Nueces	11.0%	89,933	22.6%	20,320	65%	35%
Ochiltree	10.0%	3,393	20.4%	690	61%	39%
Oldham	15.8%	703	21.9%	150	38%	62%
Orange	19.8%	20,733	26.1%	5,400	69%	31%
Palo Pinto	17.7%	6,636	25.9%	1,720	82%	18%
Panola	20.5%	5,709	25.7%	1,470	68%	32%
Parker	14.8%	30,385	21.1%	6,410	58%	42%
Parmer	8.2%	2,924	20.8%	610	75%	25%
Pecos	7.0%	3,870	18.3%	710	54%	46%
Polk	19.4%	9,563	27.7%	2,650	79%	21%
Potter	16.6%	33,675	24.0%	8,090	78%	22%
Presidio	11.3%	2,012	28.5%	570	93%	7%
Rains	16.0%	2,275	22.3%	510	75%	25%
Randall	14.2%	31,366	19.7%	6,180	52%	48%
Reagan	9.5%	1,007	23.8%	240	63%	37%
Real	16.9%	642	27.0%	170	93%	8%
Red River	21.1%	2,498	25.4%	630	80%	20%
Reeves	7.2%	3,276	19.3%	630	63%	37%
Refugio	12.5%	1,721	24.5%	420	61%	39%
Roberts	14.1%	285	24.6%	70	29%	71%

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Robertson	18.3%	4,040	23.0%	930	68%	32%
Rockwall	12.7%	24,533	18.1%	4,440	47%	53%
Runnels	13.9%	2,475	23.5%	580	65%	35%
Rusk	19.3%	12,413	25.3%	3,130	72%	28%
Sabine	23.1%	2,156	35.3%	760	79%	21%
San Augustine	25.6%	1,745	32.9%	570	88%	12%
San Jacinto	18.7%	6,169	25.1%	1,550	85%	15%
San Patricio	11.2%	18,210	23.5%	4,280	71%	29%
San Saba	15.1%	1,202	25.8%	310	86%	14%
Schleicher	9.6%	921	20.5%	190	44%	56%
Scurry	11.6%	4,458	19.3%	860	81%	19%
Shackelford	17.1%	812	24.0%	190	57%	43%
Shelby	21.3%	6,919	28.2%	1,950	88%	12%
Sherman	10.1%	748	20.5%	150	78%	22%
Smith	19.2%	54,861	23.7%	13,030	72%	28%
Somervell	16.6%	2,052	24.7%	510	69%	31%
Starr	12.5%	21,013	33.9%	7,130	83%	17%
Stephens	17.1%	2,202	27.8%	610	80%	20%
Sterling	11.8%	339	25.2%	90	80%	20%
Stonewall	16.4%	324	25.4%	80	65%	35%
Sutton	9.6%	1,087	21.6%	240	45%	55%
Swisher	15.2%	1,959	25.9%	510	71%	29%
Tarrant	16.6%	527,866	21.8%	115,120	66%	34%
Taylor	17.5%	33,217	23.1%	7,680	70%	30%
Terrell	10.2%	110	23.8%	30	58%	42%
Terry	10.5%	3,442	21.2%	730	100%	0%
Throckmorton	15.7%	279	20.6%	60	50%	51%
Titus	15.9%	9,533	25.6%	2,450	80%	20%
Tom Green	13.7%	27,332	21.7%	5,920	67%	33%
Travis	15.2%	264,425	20.7%	54,640	63%	37%
Trinity	19.2%	2,888	26.4%	760	84%	16%
Tyler	19.8%	4,143	27.4%	1,140	68%	32%
Upshur	18.9%	9,775	25.2%	2,460	65%	35%
Upton	12.4%	1,066	23.3%	250	61%	39%
Uvalde	8.9%	7,580	24.1%	1,820	85%	15%
Val Verde	8.5%	14,277	23.0%	3,290	74%	27%
Van Zandt	17.3%	12,294	24.6%	3,030	71%	29%
Victoria	12.9%	23,538	22.3%	5,250	69%	31%
Walker	23.3%	10,834	24.7%	2,680	64%	36%
Waller	19.2%	11,306	24.0%	2,710	78%	22%
Ward	11.8%	3,152	22.3%	700	52%	48%
Washington	18.3%	7,533	23.9%	1,800	74%	26%
Webb	8.1%	90,863	25.9%	23,500	74%	26%
Wharton	15.3%	10,773	24.1%	2,600	75%	25%
Wheeler	16.0%	1,468	25.0%	370	80%	20%
Wichita	19.2%	29,780	25.0%	7,450	74%	26%
Wilbarger	16.8%	3,087	23.7%	730	83%	17%
Willacy	13.5%	5,507	33.6%	1,850	83%	18%
Williamson	13.0%	132,887	18.2%	24,170	45%	55%
Wilson	9.7%	11,524	19.1%	2,210	48%	52%
Winkler	11.0%	2,313	23.7%	550	64%	36%
Wise	15.0%	15,699	23.7%	3,720	72%	28%
Wood	17.3%	8,471	24.4%	2,070	80%	21%
Yoakum	7.0%	2,684	18.8%	510	70%	30%
Young	15.6%	4,409	23.8%	1,050	79%	22%
Zapata	10.8%	4,847	31.0%	1,500	71%	29%
Zavala	13.9%	3,687	36.1%	1,330	84%	16%
<b>State Total<sup>3</sup></b>	<b>15.4%</b>	<b>7,291,694</b>	<b>23.0%</b>	<b>1,676,740</b>	<b>66%</b>	<b>34%</b>

\*The 2016 ACS dataset does not contain adequate data for households with children in Kalawao, HI, or Loving, TX. As a result, child food insecurity rates could not be estimated for these two counties.

For additional data and maps by county, state, and congressional district, please visit [map.feedingamerica.org](http://map.feedingamerica.org).

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<sup>1</sup>Map the Meal Gap's child food insecurity rates are determined using data from the 2001-2016 Current Population Survey on children under 18 years old in food insecure households; data from the 2016 American Community Survey on median family incomes for households with children, child poverty rates, home ownership, and race and ethnic demographics among children; and 2016 data from the Bureau of Labor Statistics on unemployment rates.

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<sup>2</sup>Numbers reflect percentage of food insecure children living in households with incomes above or below 185% of the federal poverty guideline for 2016. Eligibility for federal child nutrition programs is determined in part by income thresholds which can vary by state.

<sup>3</sup>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.



# Map the Meal Gap 2018:

## Child Food Insecurity in Texas by Congressional District in 2016<sup>1</sup>



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 <sup>2</sup>	Food insecure children likely NOT income-eligible for federal nutrition assistance <sup>2</sup>
1	21.2%	26.7%	46,840	78%	22%
2	14.9%	21.0%	40,700	57%	43%
3	15.2%	18.4%	40,720	42%	59%
4	18.2%	23.9%	42,820	64%	36%
5	17.1%	23.3%	46,790	81%	19%
6	17.2%	21.2%	42,180	60%	40%
7	15.9%	21.0%	41,210	58%	42%
8	15.6%	20.9%	42,110	61%	39%
9	22.1%	26.8%	56,640	73%	27%
10	15.1%	20.4%	42,320	52%	48%
11	13.8%	22.7%	44,040	66%	34%
12	16.3%	21.3%	40,850	61%	39%
13	16.1%	23.2%	40,530	71%	30%
14	18.8%	24.1%	44,870	62%	38%
15	9.8%	26.5%	65,540	73%	27%
16	9.3%	23.9%	48,200	71%	29%
17	18.6%	23.0%	40,820	67%	33%
18	22.8%	27.9%	59,560	76%	24%
19	15.3%	22.7%	41,510	72%	28%
20	11.1%	23.1%	46,640	73%	27%
21	13.8%	18.8%	30,630	52%	48%
22	15.0%	20.1%	48,820	44%	56%
23	9.6%	23.2%	50,040	70%	30%
24	15.8%	19.2%	35,320	56%	44%
25	15.4%	20.7%	37,520	56%	44%
26	14.3%	18.9%	43,660	47%	53%
27	11.6%	21.8%	40,360	65%	35%
28	10.7%	26.6%	61,080	75%	25%
29	12.1%	25.3%	59,320	76%	24%
30	22.2%	25.3%	51,610	70%	30%
31	16.0%	21.0%	46,350	50%	50%
32	16.5%	21.2%	39,520	68%	32%
33	14.9%	25.8%	62,520	81%	19%
34	10.0%	27.3%	58,170	75%	25%
35	13.4%	23.6%	51,240	71%	29%
36	17.0%	24.6%	45,690	66%	35%

For additional data and maps by county, state, and congressional district, please visit [map.feedingamerica.org](http://map.feedingamerica.org).

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<sup>1</sup>Map the Meal Gap's child food insecurity rates are determined using data from the 2016 Current Population Survey on children under 18 years old in food insecure households; data from the 2016 American Community Survey on median family incomes for households with children, child poverty rates, home ownership, and race and ethnic demographics among children; and 2016 data from the Bureau of Labor Statistics on unemployment rates.

<sup>2</sup>Numbers reflect percentage of food insecure children living in households with incomes above or below 185% of the federal poverty guideline for 2016. Eligibility for federal child nutrition programs is determined in part by income thresholds which can vary by state.