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				% below 130% poverty <i>SNAP, WIC, free school meals, CSFP, TEFAP</i>	% between 130% and 185% poverty <i>WIC, reduced price school meals</i>	% above 185% poverty <i>Charitable Response</i>
Acadia Parish	62,372	15.3%	9,520	65%	12%	23%
Allen Parish	25,619	13.2%	3,380	51%	18%	31%
Ascension Parish	117,009	10.3%	12,000	48%	8%	44%
Assumption Parish	22,973	15.6%	3,590	62%	13%	24%
Avoyelles Parish	41,252	17.5%	7,240	62%	10%	28%
Beauregard Parish	36,435	12.7%	4,630	62%	8%	30%
Bienville Parish	13,924	19.6%	2,720	61%	10%	29%
Bossier Parish	124,720	13.0%	16,170	53%	16%	31%
Caddo Parish	253,125	19.9%	50,410	61%	12%	28%
Calcasieu Parish	197,233	14.0%	27,540	58%	15%	27%
Caldwell Parish	9,997	15.8%	1,580	68%	32%	0%
Cameron Parish	6,739	5.9%	400	62%	13%	25%
Catahoula Parish	10,145	17.9%	1,810	57%	13%	30%
Claiborne Parish	16,452	22.3%	3,670	63%	9%	29%
Concordia Parish	20,288	22.7%	4,600	67%	7%	26%
De Soto Parish	27,047	18.9%	5,100	64%	6%	31%
East Baton Rouge Parish	445,337	17.8%	79,390	54%	11%	35%
East Carroll Parish	7,419	34.4%	2,550	64%	10%	26%
East Feliciana Parish	19,756	15.8%	3,120	49%	10%	42%
Evangeline Parish	33,765	18.7%	6,320	70%	6%	24%
Franklin Parish	20,464	21.5%	4,390	68%	8%	24%
Grant Parish	22,372	13.3%	2,980	52%	15%	33%
Iberia Parish	73,799	17.6%	12,960	60%	12%	28%
Iberville Parish	33,159	17.6%	5,830	51%	19%	30%
Jackson Parish	15,999	17.8%	2,850	64%	5%	31%
Jefferson Parish	435,204	12.7%	55,280	57%	12%	31%
Jefferson Davis Parish	31,399	14.1%	4,440	64%	17%	19%
Lafayette Parish	234,963	14.5%	33,970	55%	10%	35%
Lafourche Parish	97,688	11.8%	11,500	57%	11%	32%
LaSalle Parish	14,927	14.3%	2,130	65%	6%	29%
Lincoln Parish	47,480	22.0%	10,430	67%	4%	30%
Livingston Parish	135,925	9.7%	13,120	59%	10%	31%
Madison Parish	11,803	28.4%	3,350	70%	4%	25%
Morehouse Parish	26,739	23.1%	6,180	70%	12%	19%
Natchitoches Parish	39,258	21.8%	8,570	66%	11%	22%
Orleans Parish	382,922	22.8%	87,170	62%	12%	27%
Ouachita Parish	156,398	18.9%	29,530	62%	10%	28%
Plaquemines Parish	23,584	12.8%	3,020	56%	14%	30%
Pointe Coupee Parish	22,366	15.9%	3,560	57%	17%	25%
Rapides Parish	132,373	16.8%	22,250	60%	11%	29%
Red River Parish	8,757	17.5%	1,530	69%	8%	23%
Richland Parish	20,692	18.9%	3,900	66%	15%	20%
Sabine Parish	24,144	13.8%	3,320	63%	9%	29%
St. Bernard Parish	44,091	13.9%	6,120	68%	14%	18%
St. Charles Parish	52,708	11.3%	5,970	53%	15%	32%
St. Helena Parish	10,714	20.9%	2,240	67%	14%	19%
St. James Parish	21,581	17.5%	3,770	49%	14%	37%
St. John the Baptist Parish	43,888	17.7%	7,790	51%	17%	32%
St. Landry Parish	83,699	20.7%	17,330	70%	10%	20%
St. Martin Parish	53,385	15.1%	8,070	57%	13%	30%
St. Mary Parish	53,053	18.0%	9,570	62%	13%	25%
St. Tammany Parish	246,269	9.3%	22,840	52%	12%	36%
Tangipahoa Parish	127,115	16.7%	21,270	62%	10%	29%
Tensas Parish	4,793	25.9%	1,240	91%	9%	0%
Terrebonne Parish	113,099	14.3%	16,220	62%	9%	29%
Union Parish	22,460	15.7%	3,530	66%	7%	28%
Vermilion Parish	59,524	13.4%	7,980	61%	12%	27%

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Vernon Parish	52,101	13.4%	6,980	56%	21%	22%
Washington Parish	46,367	18.2%	8,460	69%	9%	22%
Webster Parish	40,335	19.1%	7,720	65%	16%	20%
West Baton Rouge Parish	25,017	16.1%	4,020	54%	7%	39%
West Carroll Parish	11,370	17.9%	2,030	62%	9%	30%
West Feliciana Parish	15,384	15.6%	2,400	46%	12%	42%
Winn Parish	14,695	19.0%	2,800	63%	6%	30%
State Total⁶	4,681,666	16.7%	783,400	59.3%	10.6%	30.1%

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

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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	803,427	10.8%	86,450	57%	9%	35%
2	792,390	23.7%	188,170	60%	14%	26%
3	785,686	16.3%	127,720	61%	9%	30%
4	753,181	18.6%	139,990	61%	10%	29%
5	748,306	18.8%	140,550	63%	9%	28%
6	798,676	12.6%	100,520	51%	10%	39%

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