

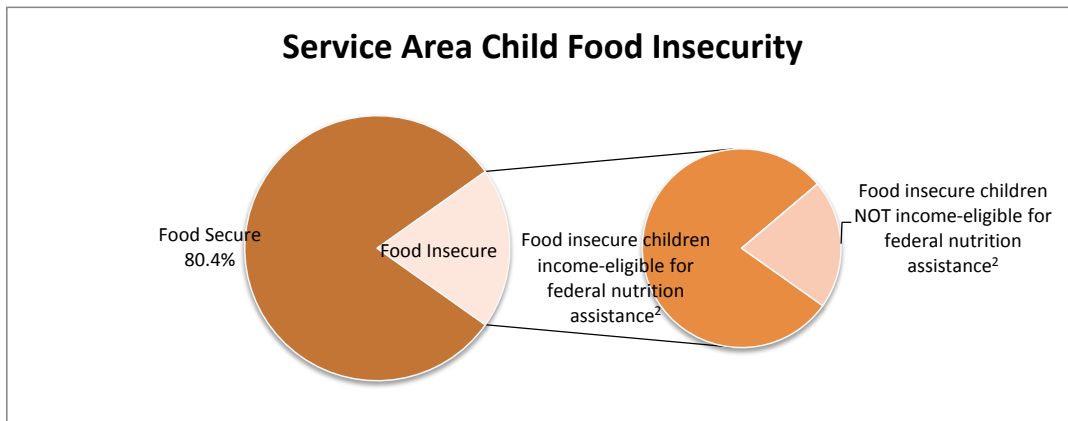
Map the Meal Gap 2018: Child Food Insecurity Service Area Overview

Ozarks Food Harvest

Population under 18 years old

258,046

Child food insecurity rate (2016) ¹	19.6%
Estimated number food insecure children	50,590



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¹A child (under 18 years old) is defined as being food insecure if he or she lives in a household experiencing food insecurity. The food insecurity measures here are derived from the measures of food insecurity found in the nationally representative Current Population Survey. Since 1995, those measures have been calculated from responses to a series of questions about conditions and behaviors known to characterize households having difficulty meeting basic food needs. For more details about how food insecurity is calculated, see Coleman-Jensen, Alisha, Matthew Rabbitt, Christian A. Gregory, and Anita Singh. *Household Food Security in the United States in 2016*, ERR-237, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Economic Research Service, September 2017.

²Program eligibility for child hunger programs such as National School Lunch Program, School Breakfast, and other federal nutrition programs is determined in part by these income thresholds. These thresholds vary by state.



Map the Meal Gap 2018

Child Food Insecurity by County in 2016¹

Member ID: 192

Service Area: Ozarks Food Harvest



County	State	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
Barry	MO	13.9%	8,181	21.6%	1,770	88%	12%
Barton	MO	16.0%	2,998	22.5%	680	80%	20%
Cedar	MO	16.3%	3,327	20.6%	690	82%	18%
Christian	MO	11.5%	21,461	16.2%	3,490	72%	28%
Dade	MO	14.3%	1,609	21.3%	340	88%	12%
Dallas	MO	14.7%	3,917	21.0%	820	100%	0%
Dent	MO	16.0%	3,592	21.0%	750	70%	30%
Douglas	MO	15.3%	2,904	22.8%	660	89%	11%
Greene	MO	15.3%	60,019	18.3%	10,970	73%	27%
Hickory	MO	16.0%	1,611	24.3%	390	70%	30%
Howell	MO	16.6%	9,806	23.5%	2,310	86%	15%
Jasper	MO	13.8%	29,823	18.4%	5,490	73%	27%
Laclede	MO	15.3%	8,618	21.2%	1,830	85%	15%
Lawrence	MO	13.2%	9,754	19.9%	1,940	87%	13%
McDonald	MO	13.3%	6,023	20.0%	1,200	98%	2%
Newton	MO	12.7%	14,227	17.5%	2,480	80%	20%
Oregon	MO	16.9%	2,448	26.1%	640	78%	22%
Ozark	MO	17.9%	1,817	24.5%	450	86%	15%
Polk	MO	14.7%	7,362	19.0%	1,400	84%	16%
Pulaski	MO	16.1%	12,170	18.4%	2,240	66%	34%
St. Clair	MO	15.9%	1,805	23.4%	420	77%	23%
Shannon	MO	16.6%	1,845	23.0%	420	62%	38%
Stone	MO	13.5%	5,465	19.8%	1,080	79%	21%
Taney	MO	16.3%	11,443	21.9%	2,510	80%	20%
Texas	MO	17.4%	6,040	24.4%	1,470	85%	15%
Vernon	MO	14.7%	5,103	20.8%	1,060	81%	19%
Webster	MO	14.5%	10,091	20.1%	2,020	90%	10%
Wright	MO	17.3%	4,587	23.3%	1,070	93%	7%
Service Area Total	MO	14.8%	258,046	19.6%	50,590	79%	21%

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¹Map 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.

²Numbers 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.