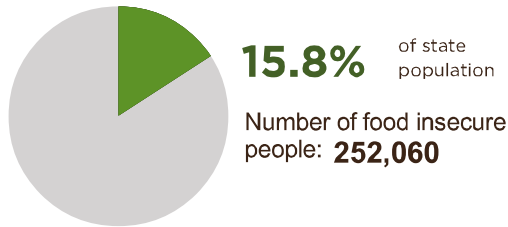




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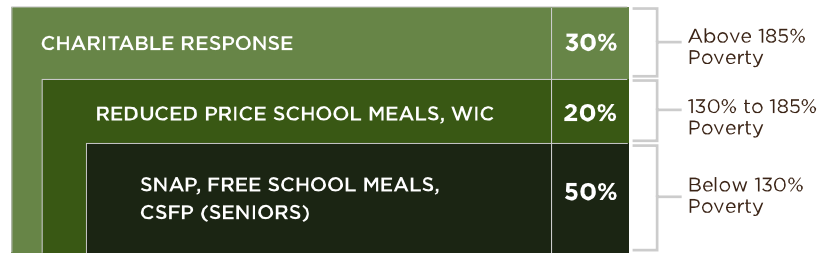


## FOOD INSECURITY RATE



National average food insecurity rate: **15.9%**

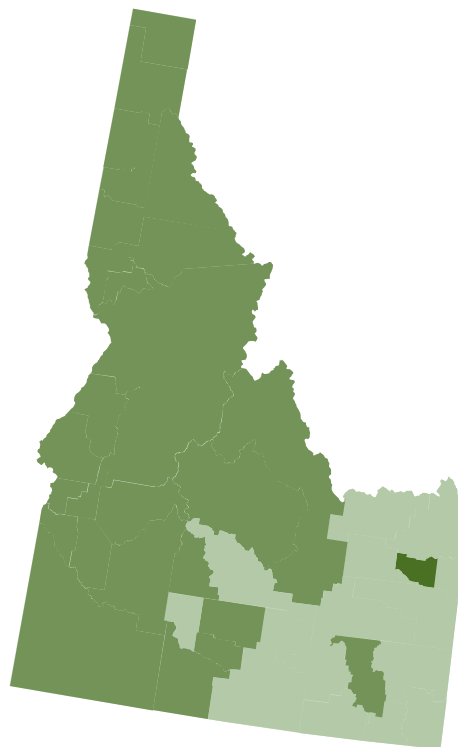
## INCOME BANDS WITHIN FOOD INSECURE POPULATION



## AVERAGE COST OF A MEAL

**\$2.69**

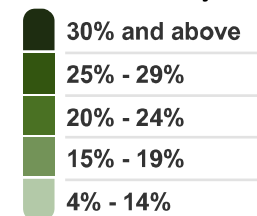
\* National average cost of a meal is: **\$2.74**



**TOP** counties with the highest food insecurity rates

- Madison**
- Shoshone**
- Latah**
- Adams**
- Lemhi**

### Overall Food Insecurity Rates



Hunger exists in every corner of the United States, but as Feeding America's Map the Meal Gap study shows, food insecurity looks different from one county to the next. In addition to providing data about the prevalence of food insecurity at the local level, Map the Meal Gap estimates the share of food insecure individuals who are income-eligible for federal anti-hunger programs and provides local variations in food costs. The study finds that many food insecure individuals do not qualify for federal nutrition programs and must rely on charitable food assistance, suggesting that complementary programs and strategies are necessary to reach food insecure individuals at different income levels. By providing information about hunger at the local level, Map the Meal Gap can help policymakers and service providers identify strategies to best reach those in need of assistance.



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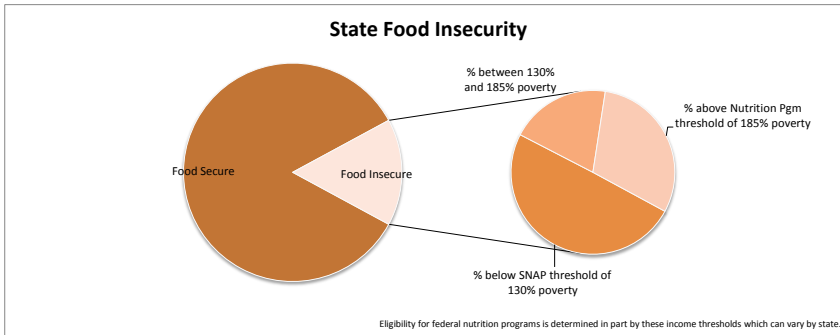
\*Due to rounding, totals range from 99-101%

**Map the Meal Gap 2014: Food Insecurity  
State Overview**

Idaho  
Population 1,595,728

Food insecurity rate (2012) <sup>1,2</sup>	15.8%
Estimated number food insecure people	252,060

Ratio of cost-of-food in the state to national average <sup>3</sup>	0.982	lower than the national average
Cost of an average meal in the state <sup>4</sup>	\$ 2.69	
Annual "Meal Gap" <sup>5</sup>	44,144,800	



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

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<sup>1</sup>A person 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, A., Nord, M., & Singh, A. "Household Food Security in the United States in 2012." U.S. Department of Agriculture, Economic Research Service: Washington D.C. 2013.

<sup>2</sup>Food insecurity rates shown here may differ from the state-level prevalence rates of food insecurity presented in "Household Food Security in the United States in 2012" (ibid.) Among other factors, those rates are three-year average rates for the period 2010-2012; the rates presented above reflect one-year rates for 2012. For more information about these factors, please see the supplemental methodology information on HungerNet.

<sup>3</sup>Pricing index created from actual cost of food relative to the cost of food in other states across the U.S.

<sup>4</sup>Weighted cost per meal is the national average cost spent on a meal by food secure persons, weighted by the cost of food in the area

<sup>5</sup>Annual "meal gap" represents the following formula:

**Annual dollars food insecure persons report needing to meet their food needs in this area / Average cost of a meal for food secure individuals in the U.S.**



# Map the Meal Gap 2014

## Idaho Food Insecurity by County in 2012<sup>1</sup>



County	Population	Food insecurity rate	Estimated number food insecure individuals (rounded)	Income within the food insecure population <sup>2</sup>		
				% below SNAP threshold of 130% poverty	% between 130% and 185% poverty	% above Nutrition Pgm threshold of 185% poverty
Ada	394,961	14.4%	57,040	42%	17%	41%
Adams	3,976	18.0%	720	46%	26%	28%
Bannock	82,584	15.1%	12,500	46%	20%	34%
Bear Lake	5,977	13.4%	800	55%	23%	22%
Benewah	9,247	17.7%	1,640	48%	25%	27%
Bingham	45,312	13.4%	6,090	53%	19%	27%
Blaine	21,323	12.9%	2,750	38%	15%	47%
Boise	7,014	15.4%	1,080	44%	17%	40%
Bonner	40,806	17.1%	6,990	48%	22%	30%
Bonneville	104,177	13.3%	13,880	45%	23%	32%
Boundary	10,857	16.8%	1,820	51%	36%	14%
Butte	2,828	14.4%	410	47%	23%	30%
Camas	1,276	16.6%	210	69%	19%	12%
Canyon	189,396	15.6%	29,570	60%	21%	20%
Caribou	6,872	12.1%	830	45%	18%	37%
Cassia	22,813	13.6%	3,100	61%	25%	15%
Clark	780	12.4%	100	76%	20%	4%
Clearwater	8,679	16.9%	1,460	38%	23%	40%
Custer	4,338	15.1%	660	54%	15%	31%
Elmore	26,655	15.9%	4,240	50%	23%	26%
Franklin	12,739	12.1%	1,540	51%	26%	24%
Fremont	13,123	12.3%	1,620	49%	38%	14%
Gem	16,768	16.4%	2,740	51%	20%	30%
Gooding	15,327	13.9%	2,130	67%	12%	21%
Idaho	16,215	16.9%	2,730	53%	22%	25%
Jefferson	25,940	12.3%	3,180	45%	27%	27%
Jerome	22,140	14.6%	3,240	62%	23%	15%
Kootenai	139,083	15.7%	21,820	42%	21%	37%
Latah	37,365	18.2%	6,810	50%	18%	31%
Lemhi	7,892	17.8%	1,400	51%	18%	31%
Lewis	3,818	15.0%	570	51%	24%	25%
Lincoln	5,167	14.6%	750	58%	23%	19%
Madison	37,311	20.9%	7,790	74%	12%	14%
Minidoka	19,909	12.7%	2,520	59%	25%	16%
Nez Perce	39,226	14.7%	5,760	40%	22%	38%
Oneida	4,236	12.8%	540	59%	17%	24%
Owyhee	11,479	15.5%	1,780	78%	13%	9%
Payette	22,614	15.4%	3,480	57%	16%	27%
Power	7,717	13.4%	1,040	64%	30%	6%
Shoshone	12,797	18.5%	2,370	46%	16%	38%
Teton	10,007	12.4%	1,240	47%	23%	31%
Twin Falls	77,122	15.1%	11,630	56%	19%	26%
Valley	9,793	15.7%	1,540	34%	24%	42%
Washington	10,144	15.0%	1,520	62%	22%	16%
<b>State Total<sup>b</sup></b>	<b>1,595,728</b>	<b>15.8%</b>	<b>252,060</b>	<b>49.7%</b>	<b>19.8%</b>	<b>30.4%</b>

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