



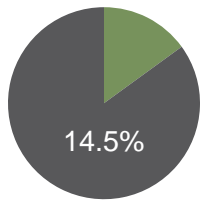
# Tennessee



## 2016 OVERALL FOOD INSECURITY & FOOD COST IN THE US

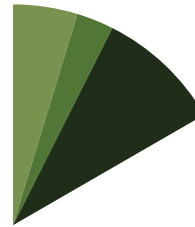
### STATE FOOD INSECURITY RATE

FOOD INSECURE PEOPLE: 967,430



14.5% OF STATE POPULATION

### ESTIMATED PROGRAM ELIGIBILITY AMONG FOOD INSECURE PEOPLE



28%	Above Other Nutrition Program threshold of 185% poverty
16%	Between 130%-185% poverty
55%	Below SNAP threshold 130% poverty

12.9% NATIONAL FOOD INSECURITY RATE

Average meal cost	State	National
	\$3.00	\$3.00

## Second Harvest Food Bank of Middle Tennessee

331 Great Circle Road  
Nashville Tennessee 37228

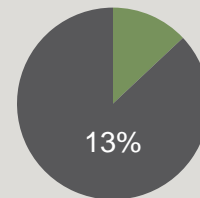
[www.secondharvestmidtn.org](http://www.secondharvestmidtn.org)

### 46 Counties Served:

Bedford (TN), Benton (TN), Cannon (TN), Carroll (TN), Cheatham (TN), Chester (TN), Clay (TN), Coffee (TN), Davidson (TN), Decatur (TN), DeKalb (TN), Dickson (TN), Franklin (TN), Gibson (TN), Giles (TN), Hardin (TN), Henderson (TN), Henry (TN), Hickman (TN), Houston (TN), Humphreys (TN), Jackson (TN), Lawrence (TN), Lewis (TN), Lincoln (TN), Macon (TN), Marshall (TN), Maury (TN), Montgomery (TN), Moore (TN), and 16 more ...

### SERVICE AREA FOOD INSECURITY RATE

FOOD INSECURE PEOPLE: 362,020



13% OF SERVICE AREA POPULATION

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.

