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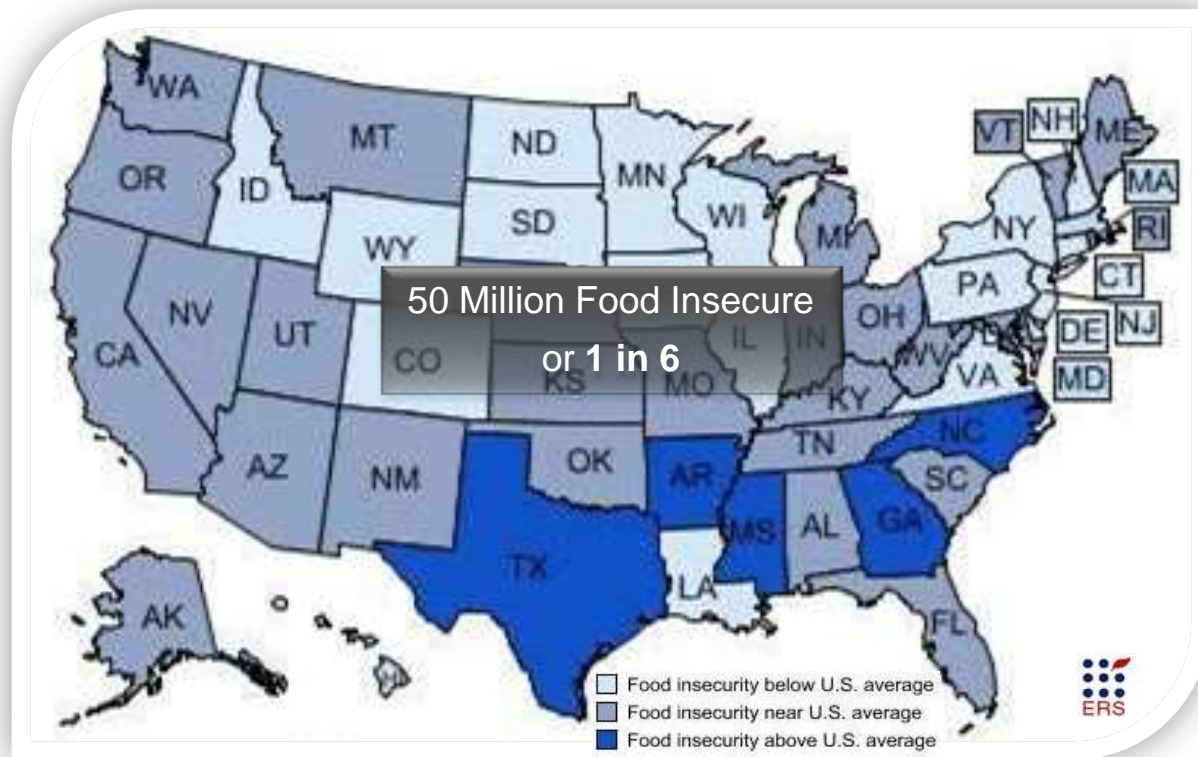


WE ARE ASKING TWO QUESTIONS

- 1) What is the population in need?
- 2) How can we address the need?



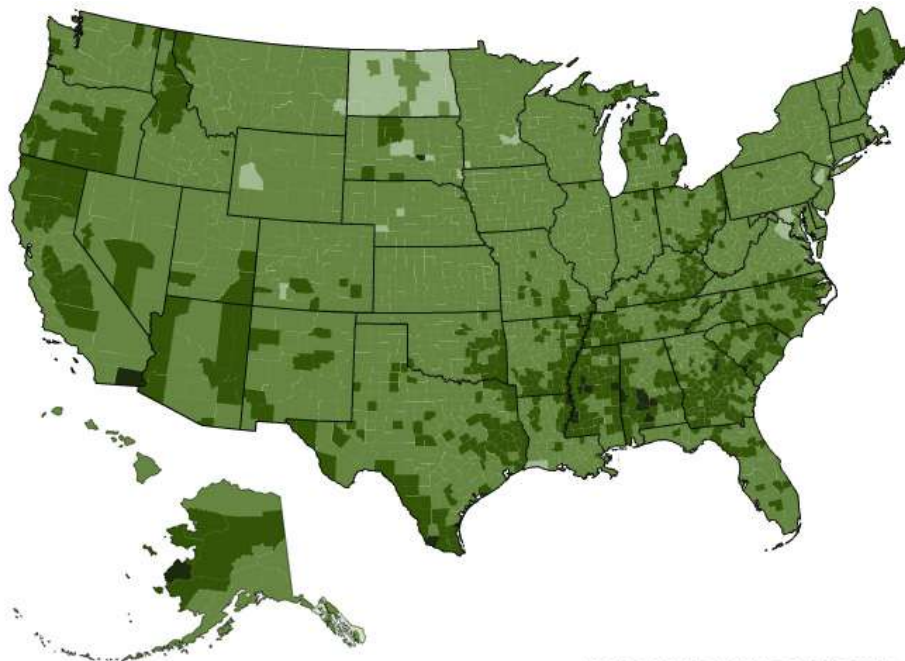
FOOD INSECURE INDIVIDUALS NATIONAL AND STATE-LEVEL



Source: Household Food Security in the United States, 2009



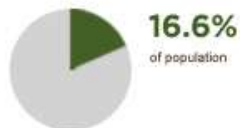
MMG: FOOD INSECURITY BY COUNTY



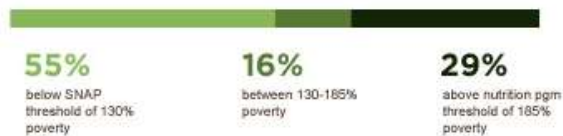
Food Insecurity Rates



FOOD INSECURITY RATE

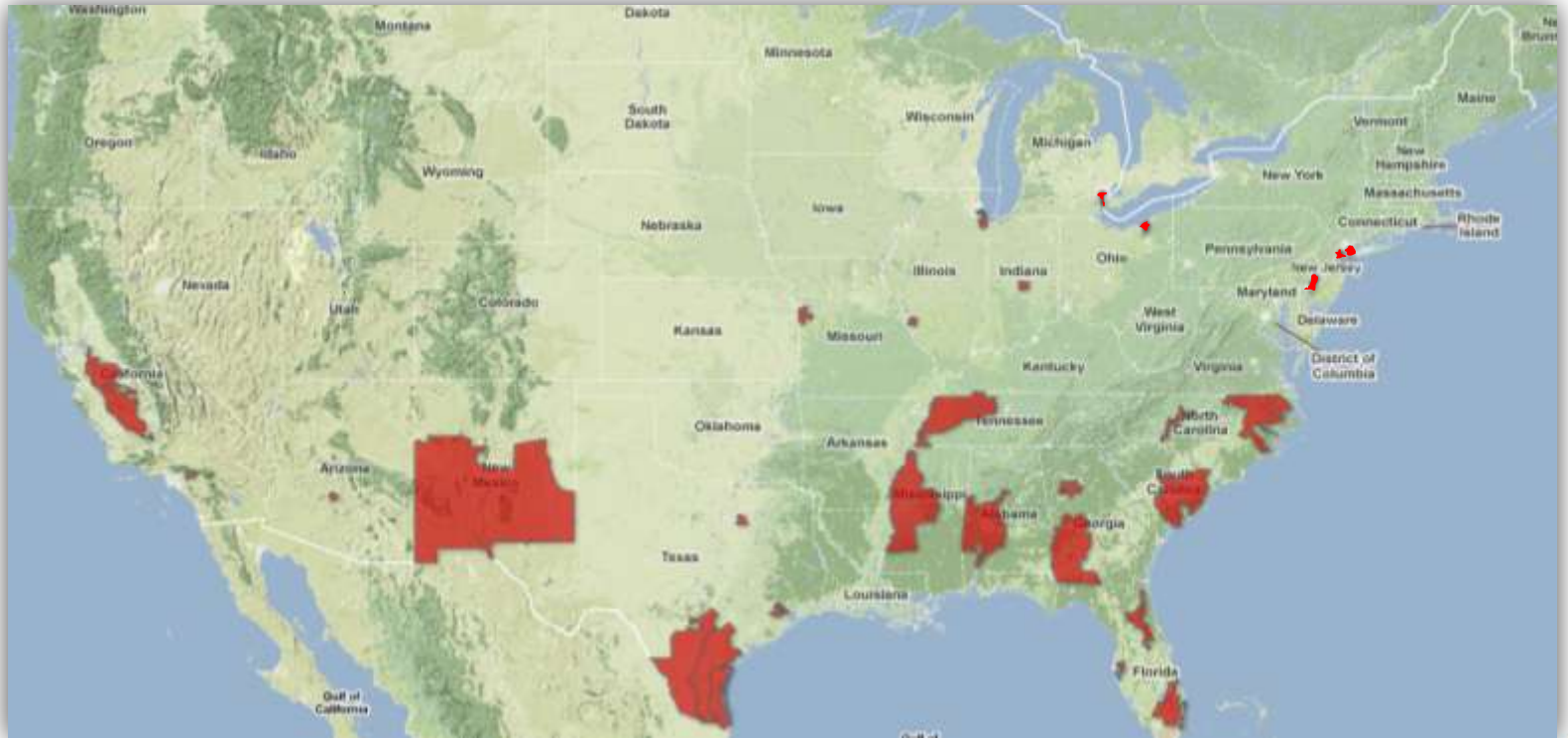


INCOME BANDS WITHIN FOOD INSECURE POPULATION





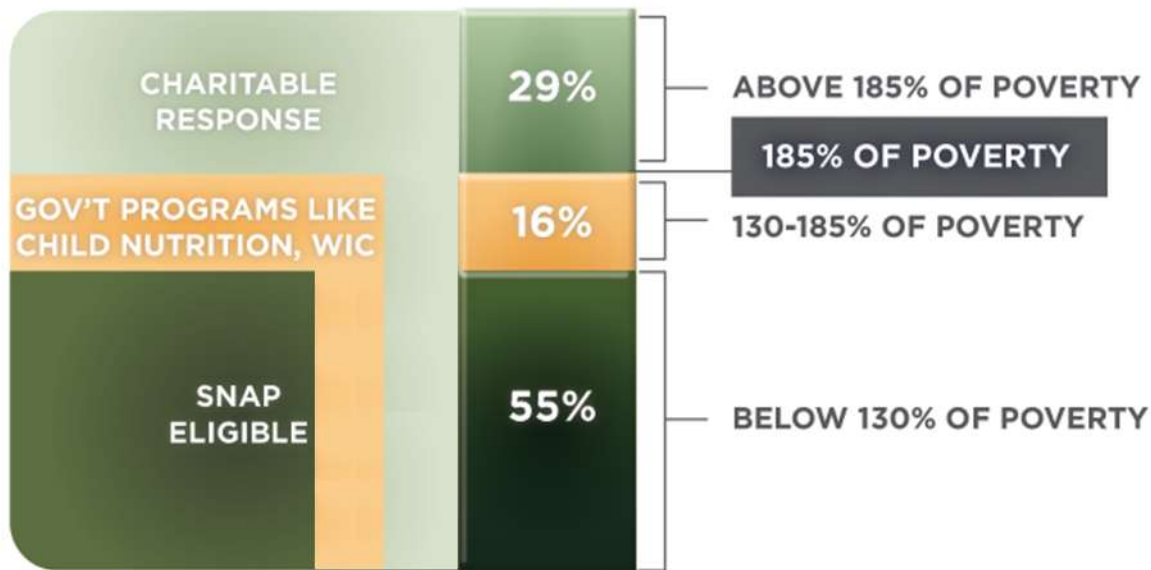
MOST FOOD INSECURE CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS (TOP 44)





POVERTY ≠ FOOD INSECURITY

29% OF FOOD INSECURE INDIVIDUALS ARE ABOVE 185% OF POVERTY

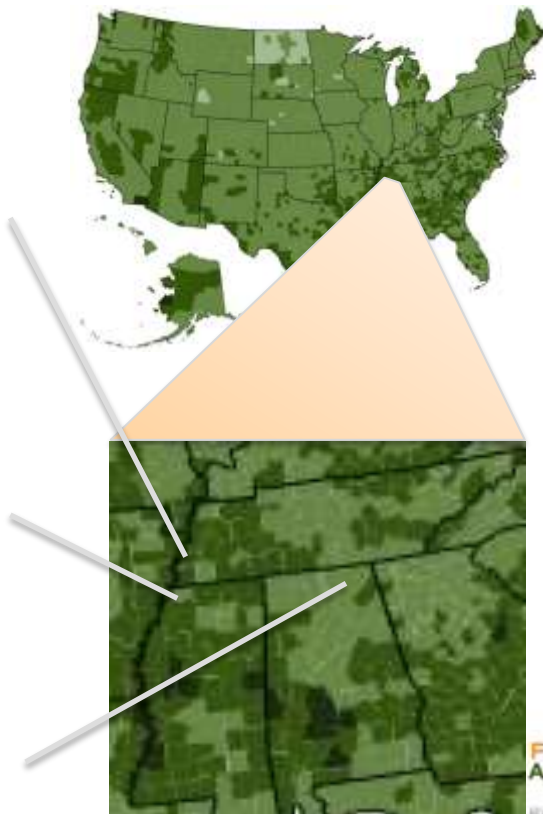
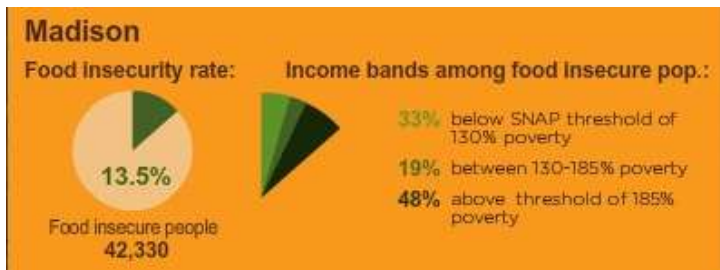
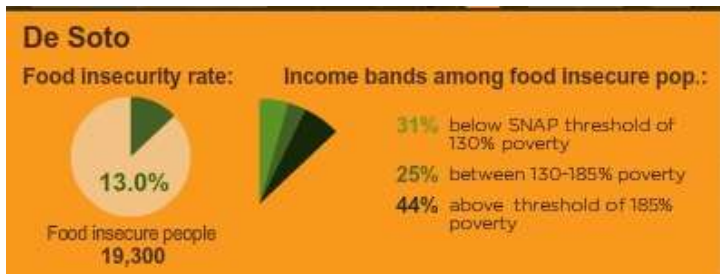
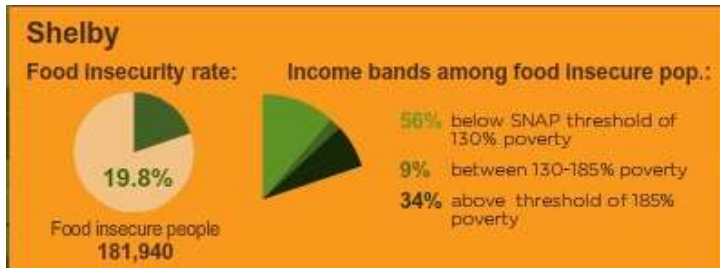


Food Insecure Individuals, 2009

Source: USDA, Household Food Security in the US, November 2010



DETAILED INFORMATION ABOUT EACH COUNTY





FOOD BUDGET SHORTFALL



ESTIMATED \$21.3 BILLION IN 2009
/\$2.54 PER MEAL = 8.4 BILLION MEALS

Source: USDA, Household Food Security in the US, November 2010



SHELBY, TN: HOW BIG IS THE GAP?



ESTIMATED \$75,046,820 IN 2009
/ \$2.47 PER MEAL = 30.4 MILLION MEALS

Source: Feeding America, Map the Meal Gap 2011



FOOD PRICE VARIATION ACROSS THE US

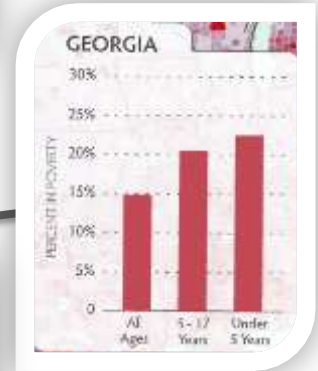
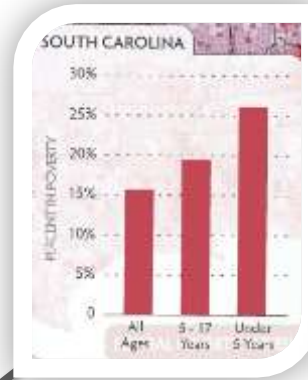




HUNGER IN THE SOUTH



FOOD INSECURITY IS AFFECTED BY POVERTY

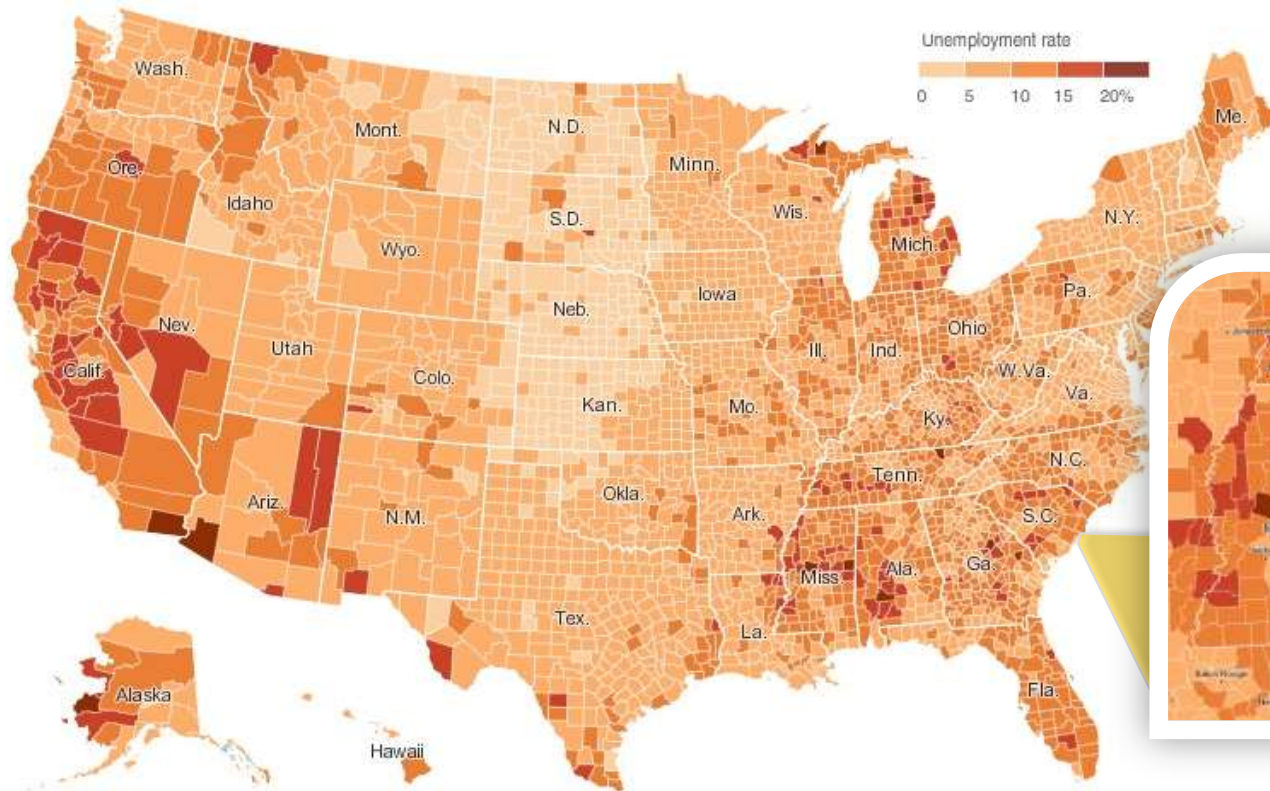


Source: Mint.com



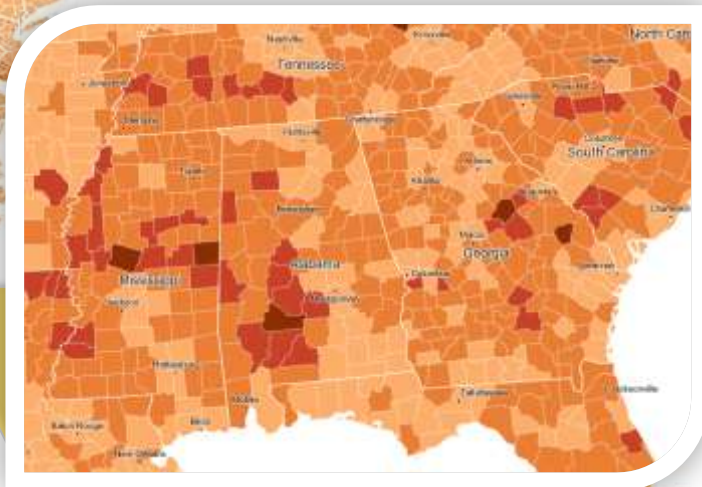


FOOD INSECURITY IS AFFECTED BY UNEMPLOYMENT



Unemployment rate
0 5 10 15 20%

June '10 unemployment rate: **9.6%**
One-year change: -0.1 pct. pts.



Source: New York Times, 2010



WHO EXPERIENCES FOOD INSECURITY?

Counties and CDs with majority populations of color are disproportionately impacted by food insecurity.

Race/Ethnic Breakout	# of counties in US	% of counties in Top 10% Food Insecure
Majority African American	93	82% (N=76)
Majority Hispanic	70	29% (N=20)
Majority American Indian	26	35% (N=9)
Majority White, Non-Hispanic	2,835	7% (N=191)



TOP 10 FOOD INSECURE AND HIGH FOOD COST COUNTIES:

NATIONAL AVERAGE = 16.6% FOOD INSECURITY
\$2.54 MEAL COST

1 Wilcox County, AL:	37.6%	\$3.25
2 Noxubee County, MS:	33.1%	\$2.96
3 Hancock, GA:	30.4%	\$2.95
4 Sumter, AL:	30.3%	\$3.07
5 Lowndes, AL:	29.2%	\$3.05
6 Conecuh, AL:	29.1%	\$3.04
7 Perry, AL:	29.1%	\$2.95
8 Issaquena, MS:	29.1%	\$2.91
9 Bullock, AL:	28.7%	\$3.04
10 Tunica, MS:	28.3%	\$3.06
11 Perry, TN:	28.3%	\$2.92



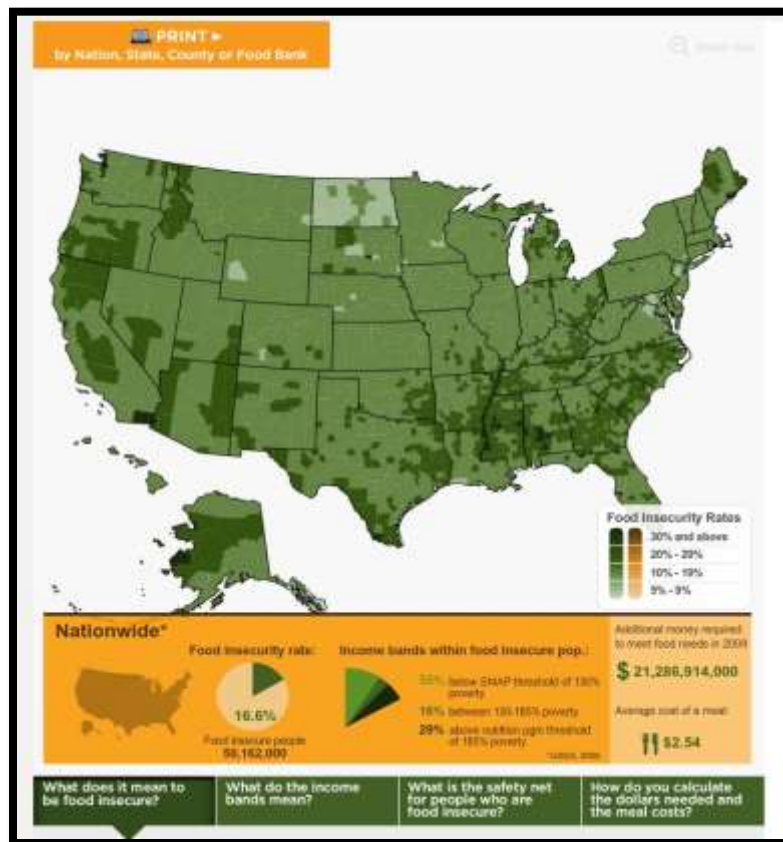
ONLINE RESOURCES

Interactive, printable maps are available for:

- US
- States
- Counties
- Food bank service areas

www.feedingamerica.org/mapthegap

Congressional district maps can be downloaded at that site, as well.





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