

HUNGER IN OKLAHOMA

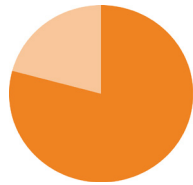
OKLAHOMA STATISTICS

FEEDING AMERICA PROJECTIONS



16.1%

FOOD INSECURITY RATE



22.5%

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At least 60 million people turned to food banks, food pantries and other private food assistance programs in 2020, the first calendar year of the COVID-19 pandemic. This was an increase of 50% from 2019.

1 IN 6

OKLAHOMANS LIVE IN POVERTY

1 IN 10

SENIORS LIVE BELOW THE POVERTY LEVEL

OKLAHOMA IS ONE OF ONLY
FIVE STATES



WITH A FOOD INSECURITY RATE ABOVE 14.5 PERCENT.



\$2.89

AVERAGE COST PER MEAL IN OKLAHOMA

583,570
TOTAL FOOD INSECURE PEOPLE

3,932,870
2019 OKLAHOMA POPULATION

A Tulsa Public Schools paraprofessional unexpectedly became the guardian of her three grandchildren. She said, "I can draw a bath. I can read a bedtime story. But I can't create food out of thin air."

These quick fact sheets include data from Feeding America's Map the Meal Gap, the Bureau of Labor Statistics, and the United States Census Bureau, compiled by the Community Food Bank of Eastern Oklahoma.

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COUNTY QUICK FACTS

SEQUOYAH COUNTY

41,709
2019 POPULATION

1,183,428
MEALS DISTRIBUTED FY2021

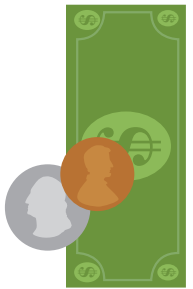


13.2% SENIORS LIVING IN POVERTY

6.8% UNEMPLOYMENT RATE AVERAGE

\$2.94 AVERAGE COST PER MEAL

“There are many people in our community who hit a rough patch at times. One box of food at the end of a month won’t solve a financial crisis, but it may help someone and their family eat more securely while they work through that crisis.” - Sue Catron



FOOD INSECURITY RATE **18.2%**
7,610 TOTAL FOOD INSECURE PEOPLE



26.5% **CHILD FOOD INSECURITY RATE**
2,620 TOTAL FOOD INSECURE CHILDREN

9 PARTNER AGENCIES

- Catholic Charities/Sallisaw
- First Assembly of God
- First Assembly Soup n’ Souls
- Marble City Community Pantry
- Members in Christ/Vian
- Rural Community Initiatives Foundation
- Trinity UMC/Muldrow
- United Faith Church
- Vian Peace Center Pantry



For a map of Partner Agencies in your county with contact information and hours of operation, go to okfoodbank.org/get-help

Low-income households spend a higher portion of their total income on food. This leaves less resources for other needs such as healthcare, utilities, and transportation.



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