HUNGER IN OKLAHOMA

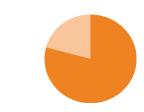
OKLAHOMA STATISTICS

FEEDING AMERICA PROJECTIONS



16.1%

FOOD INSECURITY RATE



22.5%

FOOD INSECURITY RATE



1 IN 6

OKLAHOMANS LIVE IN POVERTY

1 IN 10

SENIORS LIVE BELOW THE POVERTY LEVEL

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.

OKLAHOMA IS ONE OF ONLY

FIVE STATES



WITH A FOOD INSECURITY RATE ABOVE 14.5 PERCENT.

583,570 TOTAL FOOD INSECURE PEOPLE 3,932,870

2019 OKLAHOMA POPULATION



\$2.89

AVERAGE COST PER MEAL IN OKLAHOMA

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 ROGERS 91,353 COUNTY 446,76



6.2% 5.8% **POVERTY**

RATE AVERAGE

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



INSECURITY

FOOD 11.6% 10,640 TOTAL FOOD **RATE** INSECURE PEOPLE

INSECURE CHILDREN

CHILD FOOD **INSECURITY**

11 PARTNER AGENCIES

Blue Starr Church of Christ CARD Claremore Meals on Wheels Claremore SDA Church **FUMC/Claremore** The Good Samaritan Ministry Lifechanger Church **Light of Hope Oologah UMC Safenet Services** Senior Citizens of Chelsea

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.



