

# Food Insecurity in Southeast Missouri



Area	Overall food insecurity	Food insecure population	State food insecurity ranking*	Food insecure children	State child hunger ranking*
SEMO Food Bank	17.2%	61,530	--	22.1%	--
Missouri	15%	924,180	--	18.7%	--
Bollinger County	16.5%	1,760	46	19.2%	49
Butler County	19.5%	8,260	12	2,450	10
Cape Girardeau Co.	14.4%	11,800	82	17.3%	73
Carter County	21.1%	1,120	3	27.3%	5
Dunklin County	20.2%	5,700	6	26.7%	8
Madison County	16.1%	2,040	52	19.6%	45
Mississippi County	20.2%	2,480	7	31.0%	2
New Madrid County	17.5%	2,860	31	24.4%	13
Pemiscot County	21.7%	3,370	2	35.5%	1
Perry County	13.8%	2,630	96	13.7%	102
Reynolds County	19.8%	1,210	9	26.9%	6
Ripley County	19.8%	2,140	10	20.8%	33
Scott County	15.9%	6,060	59	21.9%	24
Ste. Genevieve Co.	13.5%	2,510	101	14.8%	97
Stoddard County	17.7%	5,090	28	21.2%	26
Wayne County	22.6%	2,500	1	28%	4

*Hunger rates from 2024 Map the Meal Gap based on 2022 USDA Data*

*\*Ranking out of 114 counties in Missouri & City of St. Louis*

Two counties in our service are in the top 100 most food insecure counties nationally:

No. 45 – Wayne County; No. 75 – Pemiscot County