2021 STATUS OF HUNGER IN WASCO COUNTY

The data on this fact sheet reflect 2019 figures.

GENERAL HUNGER STATISTICS

- 11.8% people food insecure
- 11.5% people food insecure, county
- 15.9% children food insecure
- 14.6% children food insecure, county

SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

- 24% people reporting food insecurity who do not qualify for federal nutrition assistance, Wasco County
- 17% children in food insecure households who do not qualify for federal nutrition assistance, Wasco County
- 40% people reporting food insecurity who do not qualify for federal nutrition assistance, statewide
- 36% children in food insecure households who do not qualify for federal nutrition assistance, statewide

Hunger and Food Insecurity by Race/Ethnicity, statewide

- 4.1% White
- 11.2% Black
- 13.1% Native American
- 3.7% Asian and Pacific Islander
- 8.3% Hispanic

Hunger and Food Insecurity by household type, statewide

- 0.0% Couples with children
- 0.2% Couples without children
- 15.4% Single mothers
- 9.0% Women, alone
- 5.1% Men, alone

Hunger and Food Insecurity by housing status, statewide

- 9.9% Renters
- 0.9% Owners

PROGRAM ACCESS INDEX (PAI)*

This indicator estimates SNAP utilization in this county. It is a ratio comparing people participating in SNAP with all income-eligible people. In some counties, time limits may cause a participation gap. These kick some individuals off SNAP after three months even if they are income-eligible.

Out of an average population of 100 people in this county, this visualization represents those who are participating in SNAP, eligible for SNAP but not participating, and receiving the Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR).

- .57 PAI for all people, Wasco County
- .41 PAI for people over 65, Wasco County
- .63 PAI for all children, Wasco County

- 4,490 average monthly SNAP participants, Wasco County
- 421,114 estimated income eligible people not participating in SNAP, statewide
- $4,670,459 estimated annual value of increasing SNAP participation, Wasco County
- $621,270,345 estimated annual value of increasing SNAP participation, statewide

* Figures capped at 1.00. See study methodology for further information.
SCHOOL MEALS

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69% students with Free and Reduced Price meal eligibility, Wasco County
50% students with Free and Reduced Price meal eligibility, statewide
50% schools serving Breakfast after the Bell, Wasco County
10% schools serving Breakfast after the Bell, statewide

Summer Meal participation percent change from 2018 to 2019, statewide

SUMMER MEALS

12.0% Students participating in summer meals compared to students participating in school lunch, Wasco County
27.7% Students participating in summer meals compared to students participating in school lunch, statewide

-2.5% Summer Meal participation percent change from 2018 to 2019, statewide

WOMEN, INFANTS AND CHILDREN

41% % all pregnant people served by WIC, Wasco County
27% % all pregnant people served by WIC, statewide

ABOUT THE OREGON HUNGER TASK FORCE

The Oregon Hunger Task Force was created by the State Legislature to act as a resource within government and as a statewide advocate for Oregonians who are hungry or at risk of hunger. Made up of legislators, state agency representatives, and nonprofit and community leaders, the Oregon Hunger Task Force works collaboratively with stakeholders throughout Oregon to: research, document, and raise awareness about the extent of hunger in Oregon, coordinate the provision of food and nutrition services across the state, and make recommendations for government action for the alleviation of hunger.

To see all 36 Oregon Hunger Task Force county fact sheets and read about our methodology, visit www.oregonhungertaskforce.org/county-fact-sheets