**STATUS OF HUNGER IN WHEELER COUNTY**

The data on this fact sheet reflect 2019 figures.

**GENERAL HUNGER STATISTICS**

- **People food insecure:**
  - County: 13.6%
  - Oregon: 11.5%
  - Statewide: 20.3%
  - Wheeler County: 14.6%

- **Children food insecure:**
  - County: 0%
  - Oregon: 2%
  - Statewide: 18.2%
  - Wheeler County: 14.6%

- **Percentage of people reporting food insecurity who do not qualify for federal nutrition assistance, Wheeler County:**
  - County: 0%
  - Oregon: 2%
  - Statewide: 3.5%
  - Wheeler County: 4%

**SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (SNAP)**

- **PROGRAM ACCESS INDEX (PAI)*:**
  - PAI for all people, Wheeler County: 0.29
  - PAI for people over 65, Wheeler County: 0.19
  - PAI for all children, Wheeler County: 0.33

- **Total County Population:** 1,440

**Hunger and Food Insecurity by Race/Ethnicity, statewide**

- **White:** 41%
- **Black:** 12%
- **Native American:** 13%
- **Asian and Pacific Islander:** 37%
- **Hispanic:** 8%

- **Hunger and Food Insecurity by household type, statewide**
  - Couples with children: 0.0%
  - Couples without children: 3.0%
  - Single mothers: 15.4%
  - Women, alone: 9.0%
  - Men, alone: 5.1%

- **Hunger and Food Insecurity by housing status, statewide**
  - Renters: 9.9%
  - Owners: 0.9%

**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).

**People Receiving SNAP**

- Wheeler County: 185
- Statewide: 421,114

**Eligible People Not Receiving SNAP**

- Wheeler County: $586,925
- Statewide: $621,270,345

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

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- **64%** students with Free and Reduced Price meal eligibility, Wheeler County
- **50%** students with Free and Reduced Price meal eligibility, statewide
- **0%** schools serving Breakfast after the Bell, Wheeler County
- **10%** schools serving Breakfast after the Bell, statewide

### SUMMER MEALS

- **0.0%** Students participating in summer meals compared to students participating in school lunch, Wheeler 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

- **38%** % all pregnant people served by WIC, Wheeler 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](http://www.oregonhungertaskforce.org/county-fact-sheets)