



HOWARD COUNTY

OVERALL RANK*

Need	Performance
Low	Low

*Need is from a composite score including % food uncertain, % SNAP eligible, % NSLP enrolled, and % < 5 WIC eligible. Performance is from a composite score including % eligible and participating in SNAP, NSLP, WIC, and pounds of food distributed per capita < 100% poverty.

NEED INDICATORS	COUNTY	STATE	RANK
Food Insecurity 2017			
% Individuals Food Insecure	13.6%	14.2%	Average
% Individuals < 18 Food Insecure	19.1%	17.5%	Average
% Individuals Food Insecure with Hunger	5.1%	4.8%	Average
Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP/Food Stamps) 2018			
% Total Population Income Eligible	22.3%	19.4%	Average
% < 18 Years Income Eligible	32%	26.1%	Average
Free and Reduced-Price Lunch (National School Lunch Program) 2018			
% Students Enrolled	46.4%	49.5%	Low
Women, Infants, and Children Program (WIC) 2017			
% < 5 Years Income Eligible	55.1%	43.3%	Average
PERFORMANCE INDICATORS	COUNTY	STATE	RANK
Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP/Food Stamps) 2018			
Number of Monthly Participants	997	720,543	—
% Total Population Participating	9.8%	11.8%	Low
% Income Eligible and Participating	47.3%	63.2%	Low
Number of Monthly Participants < 18 Years	453	325,938	—
% < 18 Years Participating	20.6%	23.6%	Low
Free and Reduced-Price Lunch (National School Lunch Program) 2018			
% Students Enrolled and Participating	72.3%	74.7%	Low
Women, Infants, and Children Program (WIC) 2017			
Number < 5 Years Participating, Monthly	125	89,338	—
% < 5 Years Eligible and Participating	37.7%	55.9%	Very Low
Food Bank Distributions 2018			
Total Pounds Distributed in County	290,122	140,373,817	—
Pounds Per Capita Below 100% Poverty Level	187	163	—
COUNTY PROFILE	COUNTY	STATE	
Demographic Indicators 2017			
Total Population	10,139	6,113,532	—
% Population < 18 Years	21.7%	22.6%	—
% Population > 64 Years	18.4%	16.5%	—
Health Indicators 2016			
Obesity Prevalence (%)	27.5%	31.2%	—
Diabetes Prevalence (%)	13.1%	11.1%	—
Hypertension Prevalence (%)	33.8%	33.7%	—
Economic Indicators 2017			
% Population Below Poverty Level	16.4%	14.6%	—
% < 18 Below Poverty	24.5%	20.0%	—
% > 64 Below Poverty	11.7%	8.8%	—
Median Household Income (\$, Annual)	\$50,356	\$51,542	—
Unemployment Rate (%)	3.9%	3.8%	—
Single-Parent Households (%)	13.4%	16.2%	—
Food Affordability (%)	16.7%	16.0%	—