



HOWELL COUNTY

OVERALL RANK*

Need	Performance
High	Average

**Need* is from a composite score including % food insecure, % 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 2023			
% Individuals Food Insecure	20.0%	15.4%	Very High
% Individuals < 18 Food Insecure	22.6%	18.1%	Very High
% Individuals Food Insecure with Hunger	9.1%	5.8%	Very High
Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP/Food Stamps) 2023			
% Total Population Income Eligible	27.3%	16.1%	Very High
% < 18 Years Income Eligible	41.1%	25.0%	Very High
Free and Reduced-Price Lunch (National School Lunch Program) 2023			
% Students Enrolled	59.2%	47.4%	High
Women, Infants, and Children Program (WIC) 2023			
% < 5 Years Income Eligible	41.4%	37.4%	Average
PERFORMANCE INDICATORS	COUNTY	STATE	RANK
Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP/Food Stamps) 2023			
Number of Monthly Participants	7,072	636,724	—
% Total Population Participating	17.6%	10.3%	Very High
% Income Eligible and Participating	65.7%	63.9%	High
Number of Monthly Participants < 18 Years	2,838	269,042	—
% < 18 Years Participating	29.0%	19.6%	Very High
Free and Reduced-Price Lunch (National School Lunch Program) 2023			
% Students Enrolled and Participating	61.7%	66.9%	Very Low
Women, Infants, and Children Program (WIC) 2023			
Number < 5 Years Participating, Monthly	895	67,306	—
% < 5 Years Eligible and Participating	95.1%	51.2%	Very High
Food Bank Distributions 2023			
Total Pounds Distributed in County	676,554	132,203,712	—
Pounds Per Capita Below 100% Poverty Level	80	175	Very Low
COUNTY PROFILE	COUNTY	STATE	
Demographic Indicators 2023			
Total Population	40,168	6,196,156	—
% Population < 18 Years	24.3%	22.1%	—
% Population > 64 Years	19.9%	18.4%	—
Health Indicators 2022			
Obesity Prevalence (%)	39.0%	36.6%	—
Diabetes Prevalence (%)	16.8%	12.4%	—
Hypertension Prevalence (%)	38.3%	37.5%	—
Economic Indicators 2023			
% Population Below Poverty Level	21.4%	12.6%	—
% < 18 Below Poverty	25.0%	16.0%	—
% > 64 Below Poverty	16.9%	10.0%	—
Median Household Income (\$, Annual)	\$49,814	\$68,920	—
Unemployment Rate (%)	3.7%	3.0%	—
Single-Parent Households (%)	9.6%	8.3%	—
Food Affordability (%)	18.2%	13.1%	—