



RIPLEY COUNTY

OVERALL RANK*

Need	Performance
High	High

*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	19.9%	15.4%	Very High
% Individuals < 18 Food Insecure	20.9%	18.1%	High
% Individuals Food Insecure with Hunger	9.1%	5.8%	Very High
Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP/Food Stamps) 2023			
% Total Population Income Eligible	28.4%	16.1%	Very High
% < 18 Years Income Eligible	32.2%	25.0%	High
Free and Reduced-Price Lunch (National School Lunch Program) 2023			
% Students Enrolled	88.8%	47.4%	Very High
Women, Infants, and Children Program (WIC) 2023			
% < 5 Years Income Eligible	41.9%	37.4%	Average
PERFORMANCE INDICATORS	COUNTY	STATE	RANK
Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP/Food Stamps) 2023			
Number of Monthly Participants	2,640	636,724	—
% Total Population Participating	24.5%	10.3%	Very High
% Income Eligible and Participating	87.6%	63.9%	Very High
Number of Monthly Participants < 18 Years	1,007	269,042	—
% < 18 Years Participating	40.0%	19.6%	Very High
Free and Reduced-Price Lunch (National School Lunch Program) 2023			
% Students Enrolled and Participating	73.4%	66.9%	Very High
Women, Infants, and Children Program (WIC) 2023			
Number < 5 Years Participating, Monthly	247	67,306	—
% < 5 Years Eligible and Participating	96.7%	51.2%	Very High
Food Bank Distributions 2023			
Total Pounds Distributed in County	404,794	132,203,712	—
Pounds Per Capita Below 100% Poverty Level	193	175	Average
COUNTY PROFILE	COUNTY	STATE	
Demographic Indicators 2023			
Total Population	10,755	6,196,156	—
% Population < 18 Years	23.4%	22.1%	—
% Population > 64 Years	20.2%	18.4%	—
Health Indicators 2022			
Obesity Prevalence (%)	43.3%	36.6%	—
Diabetes Prevalence (%)	20.2%	12.4%	—
Hypertension Prevalence (%)	50.1%	37.5%	—
Economic Indicators 2023			
% Population Below Poverty Level	19.7%	12.6%	—
% < 18 Below Poverty	17.3%	16.0%	—
% > 64 Below Poverty	16.2%	10.0%	—
Median Household Income (\$, Annual)	\$43,898	\$68,920	—
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.1%	3.0%	—
Single-Parent Households (%)	5.1%	8.3%	—
Food Affordability (%)	21.5%	13.1%	—