

2019-2020 JOHNSTON COUNTY PROFILE

In the 34 counties the Food Bank services, nearly 600,000 individuals are unable to consistently access enough nutritious food to live a healthy, active life. Hunger is an epidemic, affecting more than just the families living at or below the poverty line. Food insecurity has emerged as a defined reality for hundreds of thousands Americans who cannot keep food on the table. The Food Bank works every day to nourish people while building solutions to hunger through programming and partnerships, empowering North Carolina communities to thrive.

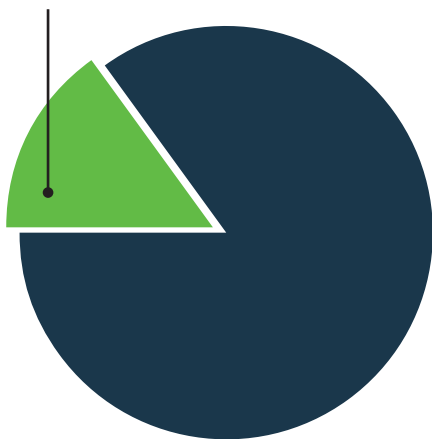
THE NEED County population¹: 186,308

Food insecurity ¹	
Number of people who are food insecure	22,700
Percentage of people who are food insecure	12.2%
Children under 18 who are food insecure	9,320
Percentage of children under 18 who are food insecure	19.1%
Individuals over 65 who are living below the poverty level ²	2,202

Hunger ³	
Number of children receiving free/reduced school meals	16,028
Percentage of children receiving free/reduced school meals	32.8%
Unemployment ⁴	
Percentage unemployment June 2019	4.2%

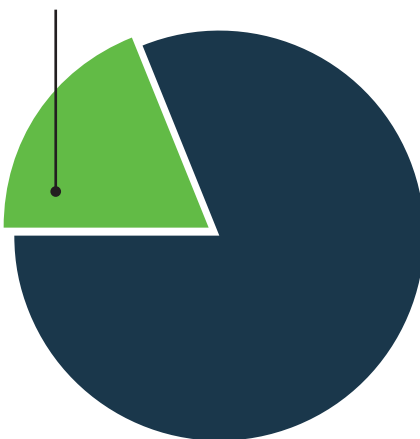
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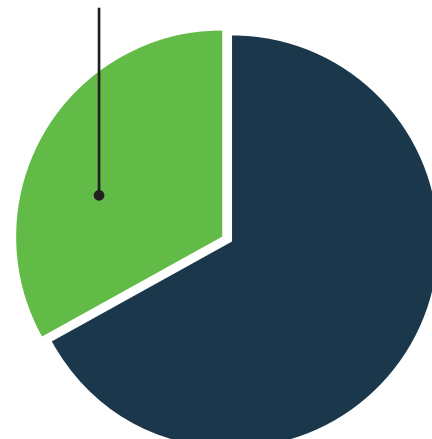
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ADDRESSING NEEDS

Total lbs. of food distributed by the Food Bank in 2018-2019	82 million lbs.
Total meals provided in this county	2,849,720 meals
Total lbs. of food distributed in this county	3,419,664 lbs.

TOP AGENCIES

Building 323
Edgerton Memorial UMC
First Baptist Church of Smithfield

Heavens Gate Ministry
Shiloh Christian Food Pantry



¹Feeding America Map the Meal Gap 2016

²files.nc.gov/ncdhhs/documents/files/NC%20County%20Aging%20Profiles%202016.pdf

³dpi.state.nc.us/docs/fbs/resources/data/freereduced/2016-17freereduced.xlsx

⁴ncommerce.com/LinkClick.aspx?fileticket=041CGg7ePHs%3D&tabid=1849&mid=4733