

# FOODSHARE OVERVIEW

**Jefferson County** 

Jefferson County SNAPshot

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**FoodShare Recipients** 

6,022

People (November 2019) 7.1%

of the county population

Average Monthly Benefit Amount per Person: 2018

\$98.19

\$107.03 in Wisconsin \$125.25 for U.S. SNAP\*\*

Average Monthly Benefits Distributed throughout Jefferson County, 2018

\$631,137

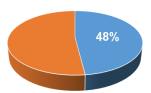
## What is FoodShare?

- FoodShare is the name of the Supplemental Nutritional Assistance Program (SNAP) in Wisconsin.
- This federally funded program enables hundreds of thousands of low-income adults, children, and seniors throughout the state with funds to purchase groceries.
- FoodShare is the state's leading anti-hunger program.

## Who Uses FoodShare in Wisconsin?\*



**42%** of recipients are children.

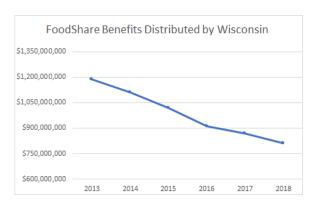


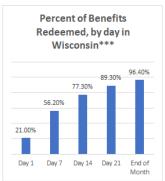
**48%** of families have at least one member who is elderly, blind or has disabilities.



**40%** of adult recipients are employed.

### FoodShare Benefits Distributed and Redeemed in Wisconsin





- \* From Wisconsin Department of Health Services. November 2019. FoodShare Program at a Glance.
- \*\* Based on the average benefit amount per person in Fiscal Year 2018.
- \*\*\* Cumulative percentages reported. Source: Department of Agriculture report, "Benefit Redemption Patterns in the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program". April 2011.



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Median Individual Earnings

\$32,958

25th out of 72 counties



Unemployment

2.6% 21.2% below the U.S. rate of 3.3%

Latest data available from November 2019.

# **Economic Impact**



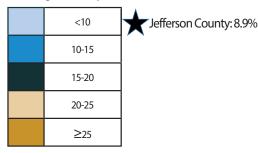


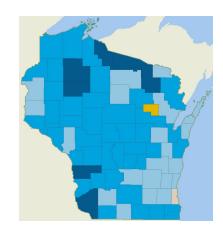
**Economic Growth** 

For every **\$1** in FoodShare benefits, an additional **\$1.70** is used in the **local** economy.

## Wisconsin Poverty by County

Percentage of Poverty

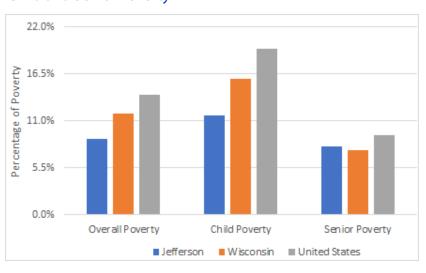




## **Jefferson County Poverty**

- → Jefferson has a low level of poverty (8.9%), ranking it 16th out of 72 counties.
- → Jefferson has a low level of child poverty (11.7%), ranking it 21st out of 72 counties.
- → Jefferson has a moderate level of senior poverty (8.0%), ranking it 38th out of 72 counties.

## **Child and Senior Poverty**



#### Sources:

United States Census, 2013-2018 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates United States Department of Agriculture: Food and Nutrition Service United States Department of Labor: Employment & Training Institution

Wisconsin Department of Administration Wisconsin Department of Health Services Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development