

# FOODSHARE OVERVIEW

## Washington County

### Washington County SNAPshot



Washington



### FoodShare Recipients

**6,435**  
People  
(April 2020)

**4.8%**  
of the county  
population

Average Monthly Benefit  
Amount per Person: 2020

**\$98.71**

\$105.83 in Wisconsin  
\$129.96 for U.S. SNAP\*\*

Average Monthly Benefits  
Distributed throughout  
Washington County, 2020

**\$554,176**

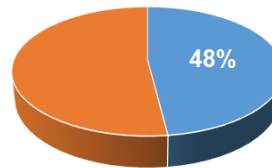
### What is FoodShare?

- ↳ 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.

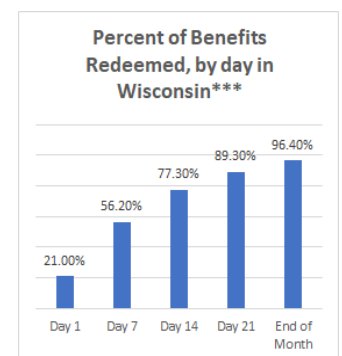
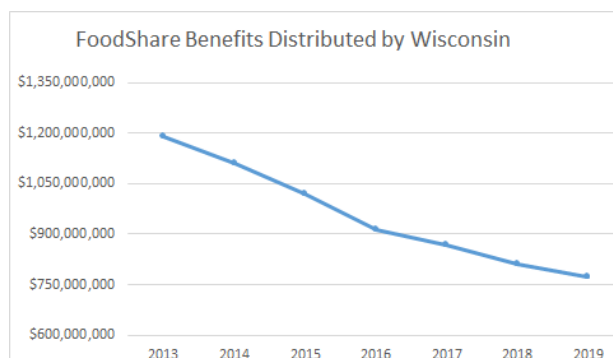


**48%** of families have at least one member who is elderly, blind or has disabilities.



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

### FoodShare Benefits Distributed and Redeemed in Wisconsin



\* From Wisconsin Department of Health Services. April 2020. FoodShare Program at a Glance.

\*\* Based on the average benefit amount per person in Fiscal Year 2019.

\*\*\* 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

**\$41,384**

4th out of 72 counties



Unemployment

**13.5%**

-6.3% below  
 the U.S. rate of 14.4%

Latest data available from April 2020.

## Economic Impact



SNAP dollar

+



Grocer

=



Economic Growth

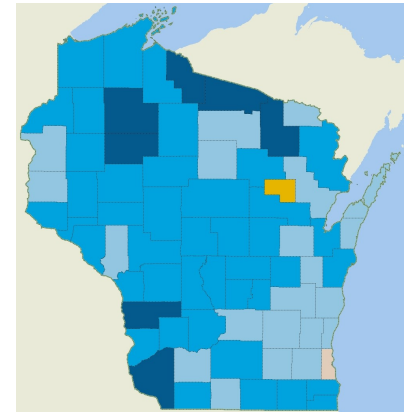
For every \$1 in FoodShare benefits,  
 an additional \$1.70 is used in the local economy.

## Wisconsin Poverty by County

Percentage of Poverty

	<10
	10-15
	15-20
	20-25
	≥25

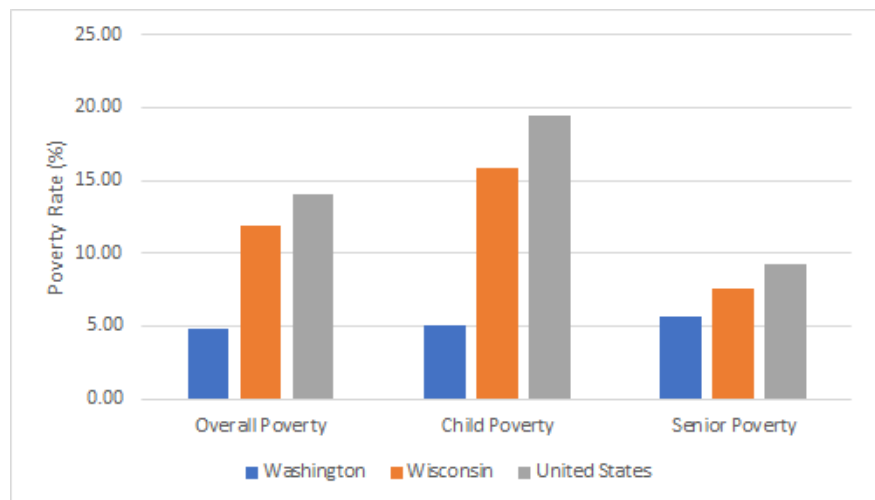
★ Washington County: 4.8%



## Washington County Poverty

- Washington has a low level of poverty (4.8%), ranking it 2nd out of 72 counties.
- Washington has a low level of child poverty (5.1%), ranking it 2nd out of 72 counties.
- Washington has a low level of senior poverty (5.7%), ranking it 9th out of 72 counties.

## Child and Senior Poverty



Sources:  
 United States Census, 2013-2017 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