# Illinois Hunger Coalition

## Illinois Health, Hunger, and Poverty Fact Sheet

**2019**

### General (2018)
- Illinois Population: 12,741,080
- Child population (under 18): 2,879,484

### Poverty (2018)
- Number of Illinois residents living in poverty: 1,569,273
- Illinois Poverty Rate: 12.6%
- Number of Illinois children living in poverty: 486,196
- Illinois Child Poverty Rate: 17.0%

### Hunger (2015-2017 avg)
- % of Illinois households that are food insecure: 11.2%
- % of Illinois households that are very low food secure: 4.7%

### Health & Well-being
- Number of Illinois residents on Medicaid (11/18): 2,859,467
- Illinois children enrolled in Medicaid/All Kids/CHIP (11/18): 1,356,780
- % of Illinois children without health insurance (2017): 3%
- % of U.S. children without health insurance (2017): 5%

### School Breakfast Program (2017-2018 school year)
- Free/Reduced Price students receiving school breakfast per 100 receiving lunch (Average Daily Participation ratio): 49.7
- Illinois rank among 50 states and Washington DC: 43
- Number of low-income Illinois children receiving breakfast: 410,643
- Number of low-income Illinois children served if Illinois met FRAC ADP ratio goal of 70/100: 578,097

### Summer Food Service Program (2017)
- Number of Illinois children receiving meals in SFSP: 89,065
- % change from 2016 to 2017: -2.7%
- Illinois rank among 50 states and Washington DC: 31
- Number of Illinois children served if Illinois met FRAC ADP ratio goal of 40/100: 307,157

### Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC)
- Average monthly participation in Illinois (total): 199,360
  - Women: 47,908
  - Infants: 56,841
  - Children: 94,641
- % change in average monthly participation FY 2008- FY 2018: -32.3%

### Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP)
- Average daily participation: 114,888
- % change in daily participation in last 10 years: +27.1%

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SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (SNAP) (FY 2018)

Average Illinois monthly participation: 1,826,011
Average monthly benefit per person in Illinois: $127
Participation rate of Illinois eligible working poor: 82%

TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE FOR NEEDY FAMILIES (TANF) (FY 2018)

Average Illinois monthly participation: 23,285
Maximum TANF benefit (single parent family of 3): $432

MINIMUM WAGE

Illinois: $8.25
Cook County: $11
Chicago: $12

RESOURCES


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