

# Illinois Hunger Coalition



Illinois Health, Hunger, and Poverty Fact Sheet  
2019

<b>GENERAL (2018)<sup>6</sup></b>	<b>Illinois Population</b>	<b>12,741,080</b>
	<b>Child population (under 18)</b>	<b>2,879,484</b>
<b>POVERTY (2018)<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>Number of Illinois residents living in poverty</b>	<b>1,569,273</b>
	<b>Illinois Poverty Rate</b>	<b>12.6%</b>
	<b>Number of Illinois children living in poverty</b>	<b>486,196</b>
	<b>Illinois Child Poverty Rate</b>	<b>17.0%</b>
<b>HUNGER (2015-2017 avg)<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>% of Illinois households that are food insecure</b>	<b>11.2%</b>
	<b>% of Illinois households that are very low food secure</b>	<b>4.7%</b>
<b>HEALTH &amp; WELL-BEING<sup>4, 5</sup></b>	<b>Number of Illinois residents on Medicaid (11/18)</b>	<b>2,859,467</b>
	<b>Illinois children enrolled in Medicaid/All Kids/CHIP (11/18)</b>	<b>1,356,780</b>
	<b>% of Illinois children without health insurance (2017)</b>	<b>3%</b>
	<b>% of U.S. children without health insurance (2017)</b>	<b>5%</b>
<b>SCHOOL BREAKFAST PROGRAM (2017-2018 school year)<sup>3</sup></b>	<b>Free/Reduced Price students receiving school breakfast per 100 receiving lunch (Average Daily Participation ratio)</b>	<b>49.7</b>
	<b>Illinois rank among 50 states and Washington DC</b>	<b>43</b>
	<b>Number of low-income Illinois children receiving breakfast</b>	<b>410,643</b>
	<b>Number of low-income Illinois children served if Illinois met FRAC ADP ratio goal of 70/100</b>	<b>578,097</b>
<b>SUMMER FOOD SERVICE PROGRAM (2017)<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>Number of Illinois children receiving meals in SFSP</b>	<b>89,065</b>
	<b>% change from 2016 to 2017</b>	<b>-2.7%</b>
	<b>Illinois rank among 50 states and Washington DC</b>	<b>31</b>
	<b>Number of Illinois children served if Illinois met FRAC ADP ratio goal of 40/100</b>	<b>307,157</b>
<b>SPECIAL SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION PROGRAM FOR WOMEN, INFANTS, AND CHILDREN (WIC) (FY 2018)<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>Average monthly participation in Illinois (total)</b>	<b>199,360</b>
	<b>Women</b>	<b>47,908</b>
	<b>Infants</b>	<b>56,841</b>
	<b>Children</b>	<b>94,641</b>
	<b>% change in average monthly participation FY 2008- FY 2018</b>	<b>-32.3%</b>
<b>CHILD AND ADULT CARE FOOD PROGRAM (CACFP) (FY 2017)<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>Average daily participation</b>	<b>114,888</b>
	<b>% change in daily participation in last 10 years</b>	<b>+27.1%</b>

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## SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (SNAP) (FY 2018)<sup>2</sup>

<b>Average Illinois monthly participation</b>	<b>1,826,011</b>
<b>Average monthly benefit per person in Illinois</b>	<b>\$127</b>
<b>Participation rate of Illinois eligible working poor</b>	<b>82%</b>

## TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE FOR NEEDY FAMILIES (TANF) (FY 2018)<sup>2</sup>

<b>Average Illinois monthly participation</b>	<b>23,285</b>
<b>Maximum TANF benefit (single parent family of 3)</b>	<b>\$432</b>

## MINIMUM WAGE<sup>2</sup>

<b>Illinois</b>	<b>\$8.25</b>
<b>Cook County</b>	<b>\$11</b>
<b>Chicago</b>	<b>\$12</b>

## RESOURCES

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