

# The ‘Meal Gap’ in the Archdiocese

“Map the Meal Gap” is a project by Feeding America to learn more about the level of hunger on a local level. Statistics were compiled per county for the United States by comparing average meal costs with surveyed families’ food budget shortfall. Archdiocese of New York data was calculated by Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of New York.

Results of the entire study are available at <http://feedingamerica.org>.

FOOD INSECURITY RATE	OVERALL	PEOPLE	CHILD FOOD INSECURITY	CHILDREN
Nationwide	16.60%		23.20%	
New York State	13.50%	2,616,780	22.40%	1,006,390
<b>Archdiocese of New York</b>	<b>12.42%</b>	<b>817,860</b>	<b>21.97%</b>	<b>324,960</b>
By county:				
Bronx	21.20%	292,320	31.80%	124,760
Dutchess	10.70%	31,350	18.70%	12,700
New York (Manhattan)	14.00%	226,190	24.90%	64,930
Orange	11.70%	44,010	22.60%	23,640
Putnam	8.60%	8,540	17.00%	4,160
Richmond	11.70%	56,490	21.00%	24,060
Rockland	10.60%	31,590	20.30%	16,900
Sullivan	13.80%	10,490	23.80%	4,180
Ulster	11.90%	21,560	21.90%	8,370
Westchester	10.00%	95,320	17.70%	41,260

Source: Feeding America “Map the Meal Gap” 2011