

# 2015-2016 WILSON COUNTY PROFILE

What is the impact of food insecurity in the 34 counties served by the Food Bank of Central & Eastern North Carolina? In our service area, 636,000 individuals were unable to consistently access enough nutritious food to live a healthy, active life, or went hungry because they had to skip meals. Hunger has grown into an epidemic, and is still more prevalent than ever, affecting more than just the families living at or below the poverty line. Food insecurity has emerged as a defined reality for hundreds of thousands of hard-working Americans who still cannot keep food on the table. The Food Bank continues our commitment to feed those living with hunger and will be more focused than ever as we deliver care through our programs to serve children, families and seniors.

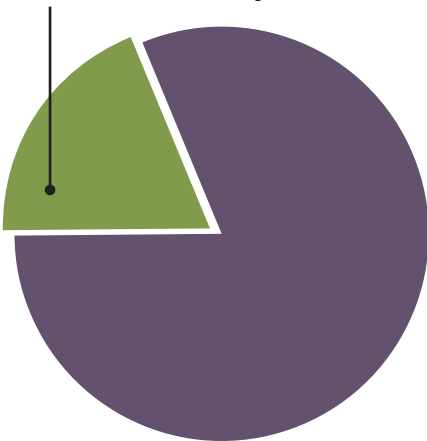
## THE NEED County population<sup>1</sup>: 81,499

Food insecurity <sup>1</sup>	
Number of people who are food insecure	17,960
Percentage of people who are food insecure	22.0%
Children under 18 who are food insecure	5,600
Percentage of children under 18 who are food insecure	31.2%
Individuals over 18 who are food insecure	12,360
Percentage of individuals over 18 who are food insecure	68.8%
Individuals over 65 who are living in poverty <sup>2</sup>	1,309

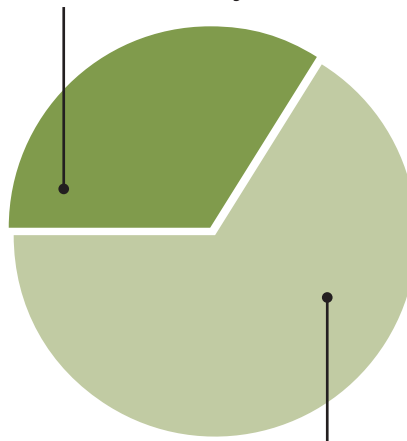
Hunger <sup>3</sup>	
Number of children receiving free/reduced school meals	6,886
Percentage of children receiving free/reduced school meals	56.4%
Unemployment <sup>4</sup>	
Percentage unemployment June 2016	8.7%

Partner agencies are listed on the reverse side.

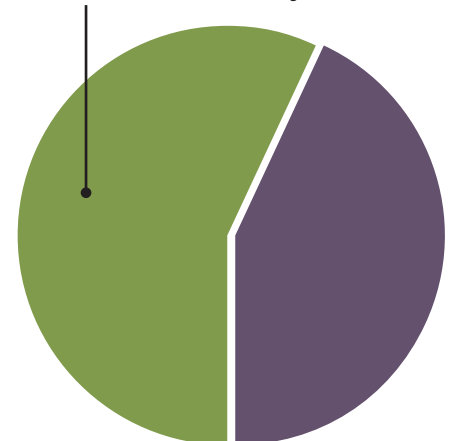
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<sup>1</sup>Feeding America Map the Meal Gap 2015

<sup>2</sup>North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services <http://www2.ncdhhs.gov/aging/cprofile/cprofile.htm>

<sup>3</sup>Department of Public Instruction [www.dpi.state.nc.us/fbs/resources/data](http://www.dpi.state.nc.us/fbs/resources/data)

<sup>4</sup>United States Department of Labor – Bureau of Labor Statistics

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## ADDRESSING NEEDS

Total lbs. of food distributed by the Food Bank in 2015-2016	<b>64.4 million lbs.</b>
Total meals provided in this county	<b>1,653,687</b>
Per-meal cost of distributing food in this county	<b>25¢</b>
Total lbs. of food distributed in this county	<b>1,963,753 lbs.</b>
Total cost of distributing food in this county	<b>\$421,422</b>
Value of food distributed in this county	<b>\$3,279,468</b>
Households served in this county <sup>5</sup>	<b>62,537</b>
Individuals served in this county <sup>5</sup>	<b>131,481</b>
For every dollar donated, how much is spent on food distribution	<b>97¢</b>

Major Local Food Donors:  
Wholesalers, retailers, and  
grocery chains such as Bimbo  
Bakeries, Bruce Foods Corp.,  
Food Lion, Harris Teeter, Kroger  
Stores, Lowes Foods, Mt. Olive  
Pickle Co., Reser's Fine Foods,  
Society of St. Andrew, Spring  
Acres, and Walmart.

## WILSON COMMUNITY PARTNER AGENCIES

Community Soup Kitchen of  
Salvation Army-Wilson  
Wilson County Interfaith  
Glad Tidings Gospel Church  
Salvation Army B&G Club  
St. Marks'/La Guadalupana  
NC Love in Action (LIA)  
Community Missions/New  
St. Paul Church of Christ/  
Christ Deliverance Tabernacle  
Pathway Outreach Center Inc.  
New Christian Food Pantry &  
The Word Became Flesh

Wilson Praise & Worship Church  
Mt. Hebron Seventh Day  
WRAJ Outreach Ministries  
Abundant Life Church  
Light of Peace Church  
Mary Grove Missionary Baptist  
Kairos Church Ministries  
By Faith Church  
Operation Care of Wilson, Inc.  
Vaughn's Chapel MB Church  
Spreading Seeds, Inc.  
Open Door Community Center



<sup>5</sup>FBCENC Partner Agency Reports, Households/Individuals served 1 or more times.