

VAN WERT COUNTY, OH

NEIGHBORHOOD NUMBERS ¹

Van Wert County, OH has...



12.5%
overall food
insecurity rate



3,600
food insecure
residents



15.6%
child food
insecurity rate



1,050
food insecure
children



7,585
residents eligible for
foodbank services with a
26.69% overall rate of foodbank eligibility

Access to food goes beyond just availability; it is deeply influenced by factors like SNAP benefit access and adequacy, health coverage, housing, and other social determinants of health. When individuals face challenges in securing these essential services, their ability to access nutritious food is also impacted.



2,537
individuals
participating in
SNAP



8.80%
residents
participating in
SNAP



5,939
Medicaid Enrollees



7%
Uninsured rate

SERVICE SNAPSHOT ²

In SFY 2024, West Ohio Food Bank and their 8 food pantries and hunger relief agencies in Van Wert County served...



8,616
households



8,128
children
(ages 0-17)



13.90%
disability rate



8.40%
overall poverty rate



11,614
adults
(ages 18-59)



4,718
older adults
(ages 60+)



2,378
residents living below
the poverty level



\$64,841
household
median income



24,460
total people



416,724lbs
of food distributed



4.60%
unemployment rate

THE BIGGER PICTURE: SOCIAL DETERMINANTS IMPACT FOOD ACCESS ³

¹ Feeding America Map the Meal Gap 2024 (2022 data); U.S. Census Bureau American Community Survey 2022 5-Year Estimates

² Ohio Association of Foodbanks Network Data; represents duplicated count of households and individuals served

³ DataOhio SNAP Data Map (November 2024); Ohio Department of Medicaid MDE Dashboard (November 2024); U.S. Census Bureau American Community Survey 2023 5-Year Estimates; Ohio Labor Market Information (November 2024)