

# HUNGER PROFILE: Somerset County



Food for Families is the Partner Distribution Organization (PDO) of Greater Pittsburgh Community Food Bank serving Somerset County.

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### 2019 Food Assistance:

- 60,511 individuals
- 17,323 children
- 16,911 seniors
- 24,842 households

## PA Agricultural Surplus System

### Allocation to Somerset County in Fiscal Year 2018-19:

38,907 pounds of fresh food, serving 4,672 households

## Commodity Supplemental Food Program

### Commodities Provided to Somerset County in Fiscal Year 2018-19:

627 seniors received a 35 lb. box of food each month

## State Food Purchase Program

### Somerset County Allocation in Fiscal Year 2018-19:

\$104,078 fed 1,436 households, including 1,001 children and 722 seniors

## The Emergency Food Assistance Program

### Commodities Provided to Somerset County in Fiscal Year 2018-19:

245,514 pounds of food

## Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program

### Benefit Recap in Somerset County:

April 2020: 10,285 people received benefits

## The Numbers:

Food Insecure Population:  
8,930

Food Insecurity Rate:  
11.8%

Population Below 150% Poverty:  
15,924

Below 150% Poverty Rate:  
22.3%

Seniors Below 150% Poverty:  
3,459

Seniors Below 150% Poverty Rate:  
23.5%

## Child & Adult Care Food Program

### Fiscal Year 2018-19 in Somerset County:

114,618 meals and snacks served at 5 sites

## School Lunch and Breakfast Programs

### 2018-19 School Year in Somerset County:

- 4,294 students in 23 schools
- 601,676 free or reduced-price lunches
- 316,608 free or reduced-price breakfasts

## The Numbers:

Food Insecure Children:  
2,670

Children Below 150% Poverty:  
4,500

Children Below 150% Poverty Rate:  
32.5%

Child Food Insecurity Rate:  
19.3%

## Summer Food Service Program

### Summer 2018 in Somerset County:

20,362 meals and snacks distributed at 36 sites

*The State Food Purchase Program (SFPP) is a state-funded program administered by the PA Department of Agriculture. Income Eligibility is below 150 percent of the poverty level.*

*The Pennsylvania Agricultural Surplus System (PASS) is a state-funded program administered by the PA Department of Agriculture. It provides funds to cover the costs associated with harvesting, processing, packaging and transporting surplus products in order to donate those items to the charitable food system.*

*The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP) is a federally-funded program administered by the PA Department of Agriculture. Income eligibility is below 150 percent of the poverty level.*

*Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) is a federally-funded entitlement program administered by the PA Department of Human Services. Income eligibility is below 160 percent of the poverty level or below 200 percent for households with an individual over age 60 or with a disability.*

*The Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP) is a federally-funded program administered by the PA Department of Agriculture. Seniors with an income that is 130 percent of the poverty level are eligible.*

*The National School Lunch and Breakfast Programs are federally-funded entitlement programs administered by the PA Department of Education. Income eligibility is below 130 percent of the poverty level for free meals and below 185 percent for reduced-price meals.*

*The Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) is a federally-funded entitlement program administered by the PA Department of Education.*

*The Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) is a federally-funded entitlement program administered by the PA Department of Education.*

