



Hunger in America 2014

Report for Vermont Foodbank

Orange County Data





A Report on Charitable Food Distribution in 2013

Areas of volunteer/staff training needs

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Colleges/Universities 8 3	0
Court-ordered community service 7 4	0
Clients 8 5	0
Volunteers connected to food bank 10 0	0
Some Other Source 5 5	0
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Orange 62.9%	
Other 0.3%	
Donations 8.2%	
Purchased 28.6%	
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Program Access to Vehicles			
Owns truck(s), van(s), or car(s) for pickups	2	13.3%	16.0%
Rents/leases truck(s), van(s), or car(s) for pickups	0	0%	0%
Depends on personal truck(s), van(s), or car(s) of staff or volunteers for pickups	14	77.8%	17.5%
Works with other programs to share the responsibility for pickups	2	14.3%	17.2%
Food and groceries are delivered to program	14	66.7%	18.2%

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	Local nutritionists or other health professionals in partnership	4	36.4%	27.0%	

Table A1 Agency and Program Characteristics

		Perc	entage
Characteristic	Count	Fatimata	Margin of Error
Characteristic	Count	Estimate	(+/-)
with agency Staff from food bank	0	0%	0%
Staff from Farm Bureau or Cooperative extension	0	0%	0%
•	0	0%	0%
Staff from local colleges/universities Someone else	4	33.3%	24.9%
Someone else	7	33.370	24.570
Agency Obstacles to Distribution of Healthier Foods			
Client reasons (unwillingness to eat, inability to store, etc.)	10	47.6%	18.5%
Too expensive to purchase healthier foods	10	47.6%	18.5%
Inability to store/handle healthier foods	6	30.0%	17.5%
Lack of knowledge about healthier foods	0	0%	0%
Healthier food not a priority	2	10.0%	11.4%
Inability to obtain healthier foods from other donors/food sources	6	27.3%	16.0%
Agency Services Related to Government Programs			
Agencies that provided any SNAP-related services	11	50.0%	18.0%
Screening for eligibility	4	18.2%	13.9%
Application assistance	8	36.4%	17.3%
Education about the program	10	45.5%	17.9%
Recertification for the program	5	22.7%	15.1%
Agencies that did not provide any SNAP-related services	11	50.0%	18.0%
Total excluding nonresponse	22	100.0%	10.070
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Agency Reasons for Not Offering SNAP Services, Among			
Agencies Reporting Not Offering Them	0	07.50/	0.4.40/
Staff-related issues	3	37.5%	34.1%
Not enough time	2	28.6%	35.4%
Lacking physical space or equipment	2	28.6%	35.4%
SNAP is not part of what this agency does	8	72.7%	25.0%
Other reason	2	28.6%	35.4%
Agency Services Related to Other Non-SNAP Programs			
Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women	7	31.8%	16.7%
Infants and Children (WIC)			
Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)	4	18.2%	13.9%
program			
Medicaid or other health care programs	9	40.9%	17.7%
Supplemental Security income (SSI)	6	27.3%	16.0%
Tax preparation or Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC)	4	18.2%	13.9%
assistance			
Housing assistance like Section 8	7	31.8%	16.7%
Agencies Providing Combinations of Other non-SNAP			
Program Services	2	0.40/	40.20/
One non-food services	2	9.1%	10.3% 7.5%
Two non-food services	1	4.5%	7.5%

Table A1 Agency and Program Characteristics

		Perc	entage
		=	Margin of Erro
Characteristic	Count	Estimate	(+/-)
Three non-food services	0	0%	0%
Four or more non-food services	5	22.7%	15.1%
Agency Reductions in the past 12 Months			
Experienced Cutbacks	3	13.6%	12.3%
Cut hours of operation	2	9.1%	10.3%
Lay off staff	0	0%	0%
Limit the area served	1	4.8%	7.9%
Did not Experience Cutbacks	19	86.4%	12.3%
Total excluding nonresponse	22	100.0%	
Agencies reporting challenges associated with continui	ng to		
provide services Not enough money	0	0%	0%
Not enough food supplies	0	0%	0%
Not enough paid staff or personnel	0	0%	0%
Not enough volunteers	_	0%	0%
· ·	0	0%	0%
Not enough money for transportation	_		
Building or location problems	0	0%	0%
Not enough leadership	0	0%	0%
Not enough community support	0	0%	0%
Community doesn't need this program	0	0%	0%
		Count	
	No Funding	Half of total	More than half s of total funding
Agency funding		ranamy or loo	
Government	12	4	4
ndividuals	0	8	11
Corporations	11	5	0
Foundations	9	7	0
Religious institutions	8	10	0
Client fees	11	4	1
Other	8	7	0
		Pero	

		entage	
	Count	Estimate	Margin of Error(+/-)
Program Reliance on Food Bank: Effect if program no longer received food from food bank			
Major effect	19	76.0%	14.9%
Minor effect	6	24.0%	14.9%
No effect at all	0	0%	0%
Total excluding nonresponse	25	100.0%	

Table A2 Client Counts

	We	ekly	Monthly		Ann	Annually	
	Duplicated counts	Unduplicated counts	Duplicated counts	Unduplicated counts	Duplicated counts	Unduplicated counts	
Total number of individual clients, all programs	2,200 (+/-2,700)	2,100 (+/-2,500)	9,700 (+/-11,800)	8,200 (+/-10,400)	116,100 (+/-142,000)	22,700 (+/-28,800)	
Total number of client households, all programs	800 (+/-1,000)	700 (+/-900)	3,400 (+/-4,300)	2,700 (+/-3,500)	40,900 (+/-51,000)	7,500 (+/-9,700)	
Total number of individual clients by meal and grocery programs							
Meal programs	0 (+/-100)	0 (+/-0)	200 (+/-300)	0 (+/-100)	2,300 (+/-3,900)	100 (+/-100)	
Grocery Programs	2,200 (+/-2,700)	2,100 (+/-2,500)	9,500 (+/-11,800)	8,200 (+/-10,400)	113,800 (+/-141,900)	22,700 (+/-28,900)	
Total number of individual clients by selected program subtypes (not mutually exclusive)							
Pantries	2,200	2,100	9,500	8,200	113,800	22,700	

Table A3 Characteristics of Clients and their Households

Table A3 Characteristics of Clients and their Households				
		Percentage		
			Margin of Error	
Characteristic	Count	Estimate	(+/-)	
Client Age		0.557	0.531	
0-5	2,133	9.6%	3.2%	
6-17	4,836	21.7%	10.4%	
18-29	4,415	19.8%	0.8%	
30-49	6,041	27.1%	2.5%	
50-59	1,507	6.7%	0.8%	
60-64	1,921	8.6%	2.8%	
65 or older	1,475	6.6%	1.7%	
Total excluding nonresponse	22,327	100.0%	•	
Client Race/Ethnicity				
White Non-Hispanic	++	++	++	
Black Non-Hispanic	++	++	++	
Hispanic	++	++	++	
Other	++	++	++	
Total excluding nonresponse	++	++	++	
Household Size				
1 member	++	++	++	
2 to 3 members	++	++	++	
4 to 6 members	++	++	++	
More than 6 members	++	++	++	
Total excluding nonresponse	++	++	++	
Primary Language Spoken By Adults at Home				
English	++	++	++	
Spanish	++	++	++	
Other	++	++	++	
Housing				
Housing				
Non-temporary housing	++ 4 7 0	++ 47.00/	++	
House or townhouse	473	17.6%	8.1%	
Apartment Mahilla hayana an hayana traillan	1,323	49.3%	1.9%	
Mobile home or house trailer	886	33.0%	9.9%	
Other	++	++	++	
Temporary housing	++	++	++	
Total excluding nonresponse	++	++	++	
Households without access to stove, microwave or hot plate	++	++	++	
Households without access to refrigeration	++	++	++	
Housing payment arrangements (non-temporary housing)				
Own with Mortgage	++	++	++	

Table A3 Characteristics of Clients and their Households

		Pero	centage
Characteristic	Count	Estimate	Margin of Erro
Own free and clear	++	++	++
Rent or Lease	++	++	++
Do not have to pay rent	++	++	++
Total excluding nonresponse	++	++	++
Respondents lived at least two places in the past 12 months	811	30.0%	11.5%
Respondents started living with another person or family	++	++	++
Respondents experienced foreclosure or eviction in the past five years	++	++	++
Education			
Household Highest Education Level			
Less than high school	++	++	++
High school diploma	++	++	++
General equivalency diploma or GED	++	++	++
Business, trade, or technical license, certificate, or degree beyond high school	++	++	++
Some college beyond high school or a 2-year college degree	++	++	++
Four-year college degree or higher	++	++	++
Total excluding nonresponse	++	++	++
Client Education level			
Less than high school	++	++	++
High school diploma	++	++	++
General equivalency diploma or GED	++	++	++
Business, trade, or technical license, certificate, or degree beyond high school	++	++	++
Some college beyond high school or a 2-year college degree	++	++	++
Four-year college degree or higher	++	++	++
Fotal excluding nonresponse	++	++	++
Military Service			
No household member has ever served	++	++	++
At least one household member has served	++	++	++
Not currently serving	++	++	++
Household member currently serving	++	++	++
Unknown if currently serving	++	++	++
Total excluding nonresponse	++	++	++
Household Employment (of the person who worked the most in the past 12 months; in some households, this person may not be working)	++	++	++
Work Status	4 400	EO 40/	0.007
Worked for pay in the last 4 weeks	1,406	52.1%	0.9%
Worked for pay in the last 12 months	1,697	62.9%	3.7%
Currently out of work	1,291	47.9%	0.9%
Currently out of work, but actively looking in the last 4 weeks	++	++	++

Table A3 Characteristics of Clients and their Households

		Percentage		
			Margin of Error	
Characteristic	Count	Estimate	(+/-)	
Hours worked per week, among persons who worked the most in the household				
1-10 hours per week	++	++	++	
11-20 hours per week	++	++	++	
21-30 hours per week	++	++	++	
31-40 hours per week	++	++	++	
Over 40 hours per week	++	++	++	
Total excluding nonresponse	++	++	++	
Time out of work, among households where previously most employed person is not working				
Less than 1 month	++	++	++	
1-6 months	++	++	++	
7-12 months	++	++	++	
More than 1 year	++	++	++	
Total excluding nonresponse	++	++	++	
Out of the workforce, in the past 4 weeks, and not looking for work because				
Retired	++	++	++	
Disabled/poor health; caretaker for another person	++	++	++	
Other	++	++	++	
Total excluding nonresponse	++	++	++	
Potential Barriers and Bridges to Employment				
Respondent responsible for grandchildren in household	++	++	++	
Household member(s) released from prison in the past	++	++	++	
12 months				
Adult client student status				
Full-time student(s)	++	++	++	
Part-time student(s)	++	++	++	
Health, Health Insurance, and Medical Bills				
Household: Health status of respondent				
Excellent	++	++	++	
Very good	++	++	++	
Good	++	++	++	
Fair	++	++	++	
Poor	++	++	++	
Total excluding nonresponse	++	++	++	
Household member in poor health	803	33.0%	2.6%	
Household member with diabetes	502	18.6%	4.8%	
i louseriola member with diabetes				
	1,008	41.2%	5.2%	
Household member with high blood pressure Household: no member has health insurance	1,008 ++	41.2% ++	5.2% ++	

Table A3 Characteristics of Clients and their Households

		Percentage		
		Margin of Erro		
Characteristic	Count	Estimate	(+/-)	
Income				
Household Annual Income				
\$0	++	++	++	
\$1 - \$10,000	++	++	++	
\$10,001 - \$20,000	++	++	++	
\$20,001 - \$30,000	++	++	++	
More than \$30,000	++	++	++	
Total excluding nonresponse	++	++	++	
Total excluding nomesponse		. ***	. ***	
Household Annual Income as % of Poverty Level				
0% (no income)	++	++	++	
1% - 50%	++	++	++	
51% - 75%	++	++	++	
76% - 100%	++	++	++	
101% - 130%	++	++	++	
131%-150%	++	++	++	
151% - 185%	++	++	++	
186% or higher	++	++	++	
Total excluding nonresponse	++	++	++	
Household Monthly Income				
\$0	++	++	++	
\$1 - \$1,000	++	++	++	
\$1,001 - \$2,000	++	++	++	
\$2,001 - \$3,000	++	++	++	
More than \$3,000	++	++	++	
Total excluding nonresponse	++	++	++	
Households living in poverty	1,148	50.8%	9.0%	

Table A4 Clients Use of Food Assistance

Table A4 Clients Use of Food Assistance		P	
		Percentage	
Characteristic	Count	Estimate	Margin of Error (+/-)
Food Security	Oddiit	Lottinate	(17)
Food secure	274	11.6%	3.1%
Food insecure	2,092	88.4%	3.1%
Total excluding nonresponse	2,366	100.0%	
Total excluding nomesponse	2,300	100.070	•
Spending Tradeoffs			
Choose between paying for food and paying for other			
expenses (ever in the past 12 months)			
Medicine/medical care	2,060	76.4%	17.2%
Utilities	1,887	75.2%	16.6%
Housing	1,502	64.7%	1.3%
Transportation	2,154	79.9%	2.4%
Education	825	30.6%	9.2%
Choice of food versus medical care			
Every month	583	21.6%	7.1%
Sometimes	1,476	54.7%	10.2%
Never	637	23.6%	17.2%
Total excluding nonresponse	2,697	100.0%	
Choice of food versus utilities			
Every month	619	24.7%	1.7%
Sometimes	1,267	50.5%	17.8%
Never	621	24.8%	16.6%
Total excluding nonresponse	2,507	100.0%	•
Choice of food versus housing			
Every month	++	++	++
Sometimes	++	++	++
Never	++	++	++
Total excluding nonresponse	++	++	++
Choice of food versus transportation			
Every month	860	31.9%	2.7%
Sometimes	1,293	48.0%	4.8%
Never	543	20.1%	2.4%
Total excluding nonresponse	2,697	100.0%	
Choice of food versus education			
Every month	++	++	++
Sometimes	++	++	++
Never	++	++	++
Total excluding nonresponse	++	++	++

Table A4 Clients Use of Food Assistance

Table A4 Clients Use of Food Assistance		Pero	Percentage	
Characteristic	Count		Margin of Error	
		Estimate	(+/-)	
Household SNAP Participation				
Currently receiving SNAP	1,472	54.6%	13.2%	
Not currently receiving SNAP	1,225	45.4%	13.2%	
Never Applied	++	++	++	
Have Applied	++	++	++	
Unknown	++	++	++	
Total excluding nonresponse	2,697	100.0%		
Time to exhaustion of benefits for households receiving SNAP				
1 Week or less	++	++	++	
2 Weeks	++	++	++	
3 Weeks	++	++	++	
4 Weeks	++	++	++	
More than 4 Weeks	++	++	++	
Total excluding nonresponse	++	++	++	
Potential SNAP income eligibility among client households not receiving SNAP				
Not income-eligible	249	20.3%	2.2%	
Potentially income-eligible	974	79.7%	2.2%	
At 130% threshold	816	66.7%	7.1%	
At higher broad-based categorical eligibility (BBCE) threshold	158	12.9%	7.5%	
Total excluding nonresponse	1,222	100.0%	•	
Reasons for not Applying for SNAP, among households that have never applied				
Didn't think eligible	379	42.9%	0.6%	
Personal reasons	++	++	++	
Too difficult to apply	++	++	++	
Never Heard of Program	++	++	++	
Other	++	++	++	
Other Program Participation				
Household participation in programs targeted at school-aged children (ages 5-18)				
Free or reduced-price school lunch programs	550	100.0%	0.0%	
Free or reduced-price school breakfast programs	++	++	++	
Afterschool snack or meal programs	++	++	++	
BackPack weekend food programs	++	++	++	
Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children (WIC) (among all households)	++	++	++	

Table A4 Clients Use of Food Assistance

		Percentage	
		Margin of Error	
Characteristic	Count	Estimate	(+/-)
Households participating in at least one child nutrition program			
One program	936	34.7%	12.2%
Two or more programs	794	29.5%	2.2%
Strategies for Food Assistance			
I usually wait to come to this program until I run out of food	584	22.4%	3.5%
I plan to get food here on a regular basis	2,026	77.6%	3.5%
Total excluding nonresponse	2,610	100.0%	-
Top Products Desired by Clients but Not Currently Receiving at Program			
Beverages such as water or juice	++	++	++
Dairy products such as milk, cheese or yogurt	1,145	43.8%	5.2%
Fresh fruits and vegetables	1,622	62.0%	5.3%
Grains such as bread or pasta	++	++	++
Non-food items like shampoo, soap, or diapers	563	21.5%	6.5%
Nothing	++	++	++
Other foods or products	++	++	++
Protein food items like meats	1,387	53.0%	4.7%
This is my first time coming to this program	++	++	++
Coping Strategies			
Types of household coping strategies used in the past 12 months			
Eaten food past expiration date	1,966	75.2%	2.8%
Grew food in garden	499	19.1%	5.0%
Sold or pawned personal property	1,221	51.6%	4.5%
Purchased food in dented or damaged packages	1,736	73.4%	5.2%
Purchased inexpensive, unhealthy food	2,075	87.7%	6.8%
Received help from family or friends	1,361	52.0%	3.4%
Watered down food or drinks	1,032	39.4%	5.1%
Number of household coping strategies used			
None	++	++	++
1	++	++	++
2	++	++	++
3 or more	++	++	++
Total excluding nonresponse	++	++	++