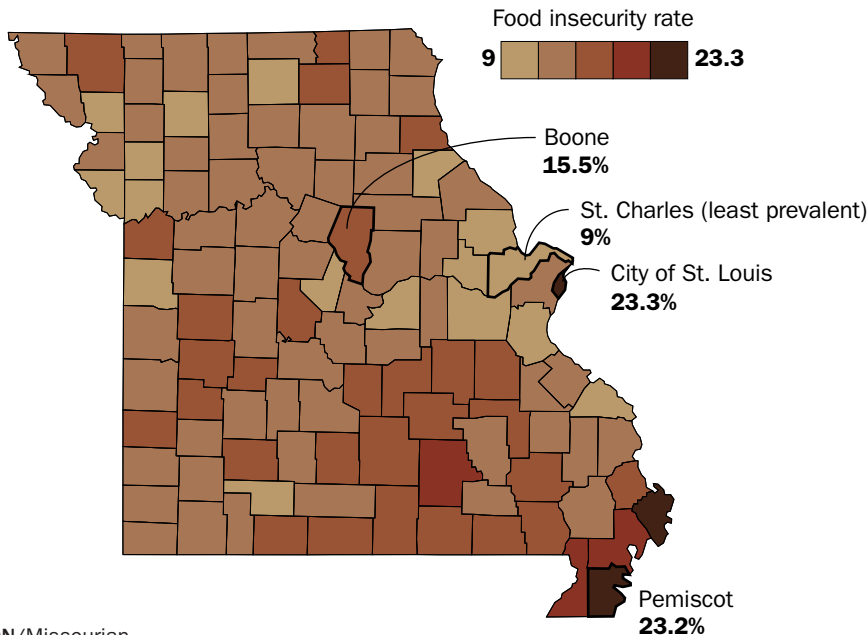


Food insecurity most prevalent in St. Louis, Missouri's Bootheel counties

Food insecurity is the inability to consistently access nutritious food for an active, healthy life. In 2017, families in many of the counties in southeastern Missouri struggled to keep that food on the table. In Pemiscot, the county with the highest rate, nearly 1 in 4 people are food insecure.



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Source: C. GUNDERSEN, A. DEWEY, M. KATO, A. CRUMBAUGH & M. STRAYER. MAP THE MEAL GAP 2019: A REPORT ON COUNTY AND CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT FOOD INSECURITY AND COUNTY FOOD COST IN THE UNITED STATES IN 2017. FEEDING AMERICA, 2019.