



FOOD INSECURITY

AT RUTGERS- NEW
BRUNSWICK

USING RESEARCH TO UNDERSTAND THE PROBLEM*

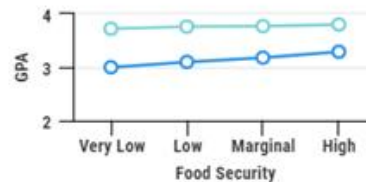


36.9% of Undergraduates are
Food Insecure



32.1% of Graduate Students are
Food Insecure

Food Insecurity is Associated
with GPA



19.8% Choose between food & educational expenses

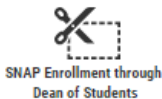


23% Attend campus events solely for food



2.2% Have SNAP benefits

RUTGERS RESPONSE



- ✓ **804** visitors to the Rutgers Student Food Pantry since 2016
- ✓ A total of **3,118** visits to the Rutgers Student Food Pantry since 2016
- ✓ Over **700** meals served to food insecure students at the Rutgers Community Cafe during a 2-week pilot period
- ✓ RU Student Farm donated **\$11,789** in fresh produce to food insecure students in 2019
- ✓ New Brunswick Community Farmers Market donated **\$5,266** in fresh produce to food insecure students in 2019
- ✓ **Many** courses offered across multiple schools at Rutgers address food insecurity

FUTURE DIRECTIONS FOR RESEARCH & PRACTICE

**CONTINUE
RESEARCH**



**EXPAND
PROGRAMMATIC
EFFORTS**



**OUTREACH &
COLLABORATION**



**INCREASE
AWARENESS**



**IMPLEMENT &
IMPROVE POLICIES**



*For the complete research report, see Cuite, C. L., Brescia, S. A., Porterfield, V., Weintraub, D. S., & Willson, K. A. (2018). Working paper on food insecurity among students at Rutgers-New Brunswick. http://humeco.rutgers.edu/documents_pdf/RU_Student_Food_Insecurity_2018.pdf