

HUNGER DEVASTATES CHILDREN

FACTS ON CHILDHOOD HUNGER IN AMERICA



1 in 5

KIDS IN THE UNITED STATES LIVES WITH HUNGER.
THAT'S 13 MILLION CHILDREN.



22 million

the number of kids that rely on free or reduced-price school lunches.



12 million

the number of kids that rely on free or reduced-price school breakfasts.



4 million

the number of kids that rely on free meals in the summer when school meals aren't available.



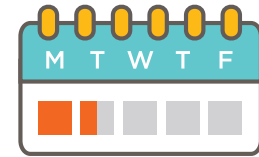
44%

Percentage of SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, formerly food stamps) participants are children. That's nearly half.



3 out of 4

public school teachers say that students regularly come to school hungry.



+1.5 days

average increase in school attendance for students who regularly start the day with a healthy breakfast.

\$1.46

the average SNAP benefit per meal.

81%

Say it happens at least once a week

+17.5%

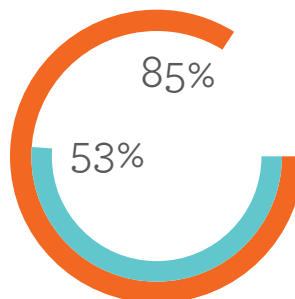
average increase in standardized math scores seen by students who regularly start the day with a healthy breakfast.



\$300 more

spent by low-income families for groceries when kids are out of school.

That's almost \$1,000 more each summer that families must scrape together to pay for food.



85% of families want to eat healthy meals, but only around 53% are actually eating healthy meals most days of the week.

The perceived cost of healthy groceries is cited as their number one obstacle.