

San Diego County Issues Barometer

FOOD INSECURITY

n=504 San Diego County residents

Margin of Sampling Error +/- 4.4%

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Weighted on race, ethnicity, education, age

Hello is ____ there? Hi this is _____ with Competitive Edge Research, a national polling firm and we're calling the good folks of San Diego to ask your opinion on local issues. We are not selling anything. Most people find it interesting, and all your answers will be kept strictly confidential. Please let me begin by asking...

Q1. To help us better understand what's important in different areas of San Diego County, what is your ZIP code?

	%
South Suburbs	16.7
South Central	21.4
North Central	17.4
North Coastal	8.6
North Inland	16.9
East Suburbs	16.1
East County	2.9

Q2. And in what year were you born?

	%
18-24	7.8
25-34	21.4
35-44	17.8
45-54	17.7
55-64	17.0
65-74	10.6
75+	7.7
Average	47.7

Q15. Thinking about San Diego County, how serious of a problem, if at all, is food insecurity, which is when a household lacks consistent access to enough food for an active, healthy life. Is it...

	%
Extremely serious	20.5
Very serious	25.7
Somewhat serious	32.7
Not that serious	11.7
Not serious at all	3.5
Unsure (<i>Not read</i>)	5.9

Q16. Here is a statement some people make about their community: Most people are able to access affordable food that is healthy and nutritious. Thinking of your community is that statement...

	%
Very accurate	21.5
Somewhat accurate	35.0
Somewhat inaccurate	24.4
Very inaccurate	13.6
Unsure (<i>Not read</i>)	5.4

Q17. For you and your household, is obtaining nutritious food at a convenient location...

	%
Very easy	49.2
Somewhat easy	33.2
Somewhat difficult	13.5
Very difficult	4.0
Unsure (<i>Not read</i>)	0.0

Q18. There have been a few proposals to reduce food insecurity in San Diego County. Please tell me which of the following, if any, would be the most effective.

	%
Free school meals for all children	24.1
Extend pandemic-era Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program	16.4
Enhanced child tax credits	12.5
Extra WIC (women, infants, and children) benefits	9.4
Increase annual funding for the Community Food Bank	9.2
Multiple/All (<i>Not read</i>)	2.5
None would be effective (<i>Not read</i>)	14.0
Unsure/Depends (<i>Not read</i>)	11.8

Q19. And there are some ways people can assist those who are food insecure. Which of the following, if any, would you most likely do?

	%
Donate money to an organization providing food assistance	18.5
Donate food to an organization providing food assistance	16.7
Volunteer at a food bank	16.0
Deliver food for a non-profit meal service	4.2
Would not do any of the above	15.5
Multiple/All (<i>Not read</i>)	15.6
Unsure/Depends (<i>Not read</i>)	13.3
Refused (<i>Not read</i>)	0.1

Thanks. Now I have some demographic questions to ensure we have a representative sample...

Q20. What is the highest level of education you have completed?

	%
Less than high school graduate	11.0
High school graduate, including equivalency	17.8
Some college or an associate degree	31.0
Bachelor's degree	21.0
Graduate or professional degree	19.3

Q21a. Is your ethnic heritage mainly...

	%
Not Hispanic	69.4
Hispanic	30.6

Q21b. Is your racial heritage mainly

	%
White	67.4
Asian or Pacific Islander	12.4
Black or African American	5.2
Native American	1.0
Multiracial	13.2
Something else	0.8

Thanks for your time and your opinion counts, goodbye.

22. SEX

	%
Male	50.4
Female	49.6

23. LANGAUGE

	%
English	89.7
Spanish	10.3

24. REGISTERED VOTER/POLITICAL PARTY

	%
Democrat	31.1
Republican	21.0
Non-partisan	18.9
Minor party	8.1
Non-registrant	20.9