

Hunger by the Numbers— A Quick Quiz

Circle the response you think best fits the question. Be ready to explain why you think your answer is correct.

1. Hunger and *food insecurity* in the United States are still a problem, but with our improving economy, there are fewer hungry people in our country every year.

Agree

Disagree

2. In 2001 how many people were *food insecure*—hungry or worried about where their next meal would come from?

A. 5,000,000

B. 10,000,000

C. 20,000,000

D. 30,000,000

3. The country's hunger problem is predominantly an urban, central-city problem. There are not many hungry people living in the suburbs or in rural areas.

Agree

Disagree

4. How many Americans are living in poverty?

A. 4%

B. 8%

C. 12%

D. 16%

E. 20%

5. Child poverty rates are higher in rural areas than in metropolitan areas.

Agree

Disagree

6. What percentage of the people who use food pantries and soup kitchens are children or senior citizens?

A. 20% (1/5)

B. 33% (1/3)

C. 50% (1/2)

D. 75% (3/4)

7. Getting a high school diploma makes it less likely that a person will need food assistance.

Agree

Disagree

8. According to the U.S. government, how much annual income does a family of three need to avoid living in poverty?

A. \$11,245

B. \$14,630

C. \$17,853

D. \$21,290

Note: The questions and answers come from the research compiled by America's Second Harvest. For additional information and updated statistics, visit America's Second Harvest online at www.secondharvest.org.