

# Supplement

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## **The State of Senior Hunger in America 2012: An Annual Report**

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## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

In this supplement to our report (Ziliak and Gundersen 2014) we provide an overview of the extent and distribution of food insecurity in 2012, along with trends over the past decade using national and state-level data from the December Supplements to the Current Population Survey (CPS).

Based on the full set of 18 questions in the Core Food Security Module (CFSM), the module used by the USDA to establish the official food insecurity rates of households in the United States, in Ziliak and Gundersen (2014) we concentrate on the measure of the *threat of hunger* (i.e. marginally food insecure) if a household answered affirmatively to at least one question on the CFSM. In this supplement, we examine two other measures of food insecurity: *facing the risk of hunger* (i.e. food insecure) if a household answered affirmatively to at least 3 questions and *facing hunger* (i.e. very low food secure) if a household answered affirmatively to at least 8 questions in households with children and at least 6 questions in households without children.

Based on the barometer of food insecurity, this report demonstrates that seniors continue to face increasing challenges despite the end of the Great Recession. For all three measures of food insecurity, there was an increase among those age 60 and older between 2011 and 2012. Those at risk of hunger increased about 5% and the fraction facing hunger 8% over 2011 levels, with each increase statistically significant. Looking at subgroups, the following had statistically significant increases in both the risk of hunger and facing hunger under at least one of the measures: poor persons, whites, those who are divorced or separated, those between the ages of 75 and 79, the employed, the retired, and men.

Specifically, in 2012 we find that

- 15.3% of seniors face the threat of hunger, 8.8% face the risk of hunger, and 3.5% are facing hunger. This translates into 9.3 million, 5.3 million, and 2.1 million seniors, respectively.
- Those living in states in the South and Southwest, those who are racial or ethnic minorities, those with lower incomes, and those who are younger (ages 60-69) are most likely to be food insecure.
- Out of those seniors who face the threat of hunger, the majority have incomes above the poverty line and are white.
- From 2001 to 2012, the fraction of seniors experiencing the threat of hunger, the risk of hunger, and hunger has increased by 44%, 66%, and 146%, respectively. The number of seniors in each group rose 98%, 130%, and 244% which also reflects the growing population of seniors.
- Since the onset of the recession in 2007 until 2012, the number of seniors experiencing the threat of hunger, the risk of hunger, and hunger has increased by 49%, 63%, and 68%, respectively.

Increasing numbers of seniors in our country are going without enough food due to economic constraints. This has not slowed down in recent years even in the midst of an improving economy and financial markets, and based on the findings regarding food insecurity and health in Ziliak and Gundersen (2013a), this threatens to further deteriorate the health of millions of our seniors.

## I. FOOD INSECURITY IN 2012

We document the state of hunger among senior Americans ages 60 and older in 2012 using data from the Current Population Survey (CPS). In December of each year, households respond to a series of 18 questions (10 questions if there are no children present) that make up the Core Food Security Module (CFSM) in the CPS. (See the Appendix for more details on the CPS and CFSM.) Each question is designed to capture some aspect of food insecurity and, for some questions, the frequency with which it manifests itself. Respondents are asked questions about their food security status in the last 30 days as well as over the past 12 months. We focus on the questions referring to the past year.

Consistent with the nomenclature and categorizations in Ziliak and Gundersen (2014), we consider three characterizations of food insecurity: the *threat of hunger*, when a person is defined as marginally food insecure due to having answered affirmatively to one or more questions on the CFSM; the *risk of hunger*, when a person is food insecure (three or more affirmative responses to questions on the CFSM); and *facing hunger*, when a person is very low food secure (8 or more affirmative responses to questions in households with children; 6 or more affirmative responses in households without children). This means that the threat of hunger is the broadest category of food insecurity since it encompasses those responding to at least one question on the CFSM. The next broadest category is the risk of hunger since this group encompasses those who are either food insecure or very low food secure. It follows then that the most severe category in our taxonomy is facing hunger. Box 1 summarizes the categories.

**Box 1:** Categories of Food Insecurity

	USDA Classification	Number of Affirmative Responses to CFSM
Fully Food Secure	Fully Food Secure	0
Threat of Hunger	Marginally Food Insecure	1 or more
Risk of Hunger	Food Insecure	3 or more
Facing Hunger	Very Low Food Secure	8 or more (households with children) 6 or more (households without children)

In Table 1 we present estimates of food insecurity among seniors in 2012. Overall, 15.3% faced the threat of hunger (9.3 million seniors). In the more severe food insecurity categories, we find that 8.8% faced the risk of hunger (5.3 million seniors) and 3.5% faced hunger (2.1 million seniors). The table also presents estimates of food insecurity across selected socioeconomic categories. Here we see great heterogeneity across the senior population. For example, for those with incomes below the poverty line, 48.8% face the threat of hunger, 31% face the risk, and

13.4% face hunger. In contrast, seniors with incomes greater than twice the poverty line, these numbers fall dramatically to 6.9%, 3.4%, and 1.1%. Turning to race, white seniors have food insecurity rates that are less than half the rates for African-American seniors. (The category of “other race” includes those American Indians, Asians, and Pacific Islanders.) Similarly, Hispanics (of any racial category) have food insecurity rates which are nearly one and a half times the rates of non-Hispanics.

**Table 1.** The Extent of Senior Food Insecurity in 2012

	Threat of hunger	Risk of Hunger	Facing Hunger
Overall	15.33%	8.75%	3.47%
By Income			
Below the Poverty Line	48.79	31.04	13.36
Between 100% and 200% of the Poverty Line	29.98	17.44	6.59
Above 200% of the Poverty Line	6.88	3.40	1.10
Income Not Reported	9.88	5.28	2.37
By Race and Ethnicity			
White	13.45	7.65	3.05
Black	30.64	17.74	7.54
Other	17.65	9.95	2.83
Hispanic	31.86	19.15	6.78
Non-Hispanic	13.94	7.88	3.19
By Marital Status			
Married	11.09	5.69	2.08
Widowed	18.30	10.53	3.83
Divorced or Separated	26.92	17.58	8.21
Never Married	21.97	13.69	5.69
By Metropolitan Location			
Non-Metro	16.75	9.32	3.12
Metro	14.99	8.61	3.56
By Age			
60-64	18.23	11.37	4.61
65-69	16.41	9.34	3.56
70-74	13.98	7.90	3.26
75-79	13.60	6.92	2.84
80 and older	11.58	5.70	2.11
By Employment Status			
Employed	11.73	6.59	2.76
Unemployed	30.14	20.41	8.88
Retired	12.61	6.69	2.50
Disabled	41.31	26.59	10.94
By Gender			
Male	13.79	7.95	3.15
Female	16.60	9.41	3.73
By Grandchild Present			
No Grandchild Present	14.35	8.16	3.26

Grandchildren Present	34.67	20.46	7.57
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Source: Authors' calculations from 2012 December Current Population Survey. The numbers in the table show the rates of food insecurity for various groups.

Food insecurity among divorced or separated seniors is two to three times greater than married seniors, and younger seniors, especially those under 70, are at heightened risk in comparison to those over age 71. Likewise, the threat and risk of hunger is 3-4 times higher among the disabled in comparison to the retired, and if a grandchild is present, food insecurity is more than twice as likely than among households with no grandchildren present.

Table 1 allows us to see the proportions of persons within any category who are food insecure and, with this information, we can make statements about who is most in danger of being food insecure. For example, those with lower incomes are substantially more likely to be food insecure in any of our food insecurity categories than those with higher incomes. Also of interest, though, is the distribution of senior hunger. In other words, out of those who are food insecure, what proportion fall into a particular category? We present these results in Table 2.

As seen in Table 2, the majority of seniors in any food insecurity category have incomes above the poverty line. For example, out of those reporting income, nearly 2 in 3 seniors at risk of hunger have incomes above the poverty line. A similar story holds for race – while African-Americans are at greater risk of hunger than whites, almost 3 in 4 food insecure seniors are white. As discussed above, there is a decline in food insecurity rates for older seniors. It still remains, however, that 13.4% of seniors facing the threat of hunger are over age 80 and for the risk of hunger and facing hunger, the figures are 11.6% and 10.8%. And while the rates of food insecurity are lowest for retired persons, they make up nearly half of each category.

**Table 2.** The Distribution of Senior Food Insecurity in 2012

	Threat of hunger	Risk of Hunger	Facing Hunger
By Income			
Below the Poverty Line	29.02%	32.36%	35.11%
Between 100% and 200% of the Poverty Line	32.22	32.84	31.27
Above 200% of the Poverty Line	21.08	18.28	14.93
Income Not Reported	17.65	16.52	18.69
By Race			
White	74.49	74.28	74.68
Black	19.18	19.47	20.85
Other	6.33	6.25	4.47
By Ethnicity			
Non-Hispanic	83.91	83.05	84.88
Hispanic	16.09	16.95	15.12
By Marital Status			
Married	43.60	39.21	36.06
Widowed	24.59	24.80	22.74

Divorced or Separated	23.82	27.26	32.07
Never Married	7.99	8.73	9.13
By Metropolitan Location			
Non-Metro	21.16	20.65	17.43
Metro	78.84	79.35	82.57
By Age			
60-64	35.16	38.43	39.25
65-69	25.06	25.00	24.01
70-74	15.17	15.02	15.64
75-79	11.18	9.97	10.31
80 and older	13.43	11.58	10.79
By Employment Status			
Employed	21.29	20.97	22.16
Unemployed	3.72	4.41	4.84
Retired	50.24	46.70	44.06
Disabled	24.75	27.92	28.94
By Gender			
Male	40.78	41.20	41.18
Female	59.22	58.80	58.82
By Grandchild Present			
No Grandchild Present	89.13	88.76	89.52
Grandchildren Present	10.87	11.24	10.48

Source: Authors' calculations from 2012 December Current Population Survey. The numbers in the table sum to 100 percent within each subcategory.

In Table 3 we present state level estimates of senior hunger for 2012. The range for the threat of hunger spans from 8.1% in Minnesota to 25.4% in Arkansas; the risk of hunger spans from 4.7% in Minnesota to 12.8% in Tennessee; and the rate of those facing hunger spans from 0.9% in Kansas to nearly 4.8% in Missouri.

**Table 3.** State-Level Estimates of Senior Food insecurity in 2012

	Threat of Hunger	Risk of Hunger	Facing Hunger		Threat of Hunger	Risk of Hunger	Facing Hunger
AL	17.53	10.36	3.82	MT	12.72	7.17	2.82
AK	11.47	6.11	1.78	NE	13.48	8.68	3.63
AZ	13.61	7.21	3.33	NV	17.12	9.92	3.86
AR	25.44	12.45	4.53	NH	10.17	5.57	2.18
CA	16.32	9.12	3.75	NJ	13.72	8.05	2.95
CO	13.29	7.01	3.25	NM	13.13	5.75	3.44
CT	13.96	8.84	3.55	NY	15.69	7.39	3
DE	12.91	6.63	2.34	NC	20.08	12.7	3.8
DC	15.19	8.29	3.71	ND	13.24	5.41	1.05
FL	14.41	7.86	3.54	OH	12.92	7.23	3.93

GA	16.99	8.49	4.19	OK	15.42	8.41	3.69
HI	14.4	8.37	2.95	OR	16.18	9.81	3.46
ID	10.88	5.84	2.68	PA	12.93	6.2	2.03
IL	14.68	9.46	3.44	RI	16.2	9.93	3.07
IN	12.9	7.59	3.01	SC	18.43	10.62	4.12
IA	12.79	7.16	2.42	SD	12.97	6.47	2.79
KS	13.37	7.16	0.9	TN	21.43	12.75	4.36
KY	15.07	6.81	3.47	TX	19.82	12.39	4.09
LA	23.56	12.45	3.58	UT	14.77	6.95	1.58
ME	16.11	8.72	3.01	VT	12.33	6.33	3.16
MD	13.92	7.49	3.78	VA	11.95	6.65	2.86
MA	11.63	5.96	2.02	WA	13.52	7.74	4.27
MI	12.12	6.52	2.21	WV	13.18	5.99	1.67
MN	8.13	4.72	1.69	WI	9.72	5.26	2.5
MS	22.67	14.95	4.06	WY	16.06	9.13	3.51
MO	16.57	11.04	4.76				

Source: Authors' calculations. The numbers are two-year averages found by summing the number of food insecure seniors in each category by state across the 2011-2012 December Current Population Surveys and dividing by the corresponding total number of seniors in each state across the two years.

In Table 4 we highlight the ten states with the highest rates of senior hunger in 2012. In each category, almost all of the states are located in the South and Southwest, and on average the rates are higher than in 2010 or 2011. There are some differences across categories, though. For example, Arkansas has the highest level for the threat of hunger, Mississippi has the highest for the risk of hunger and Missouri has the highest for hunger. There are some commonalities insofar as Arkansas, Mississippi, South Carolina, Tennessee, and Texas each show up in the top 10 for all three categories.

**Table 4. Top Ten States in Terms of Senior Food Insecurity in 2012**

Threat of Hunger		Risk of Hunger		Facing Hunger	
AR	25.44	MS	14.95	MO	4.76
LA	23.56	TN	12.75	AR	4.53
MS	22.67	NC	12.7	TN	4.36
TN	21.43	AR	12.45	WA	4.27
NC	20.08	LA	12.45	GA	4.19

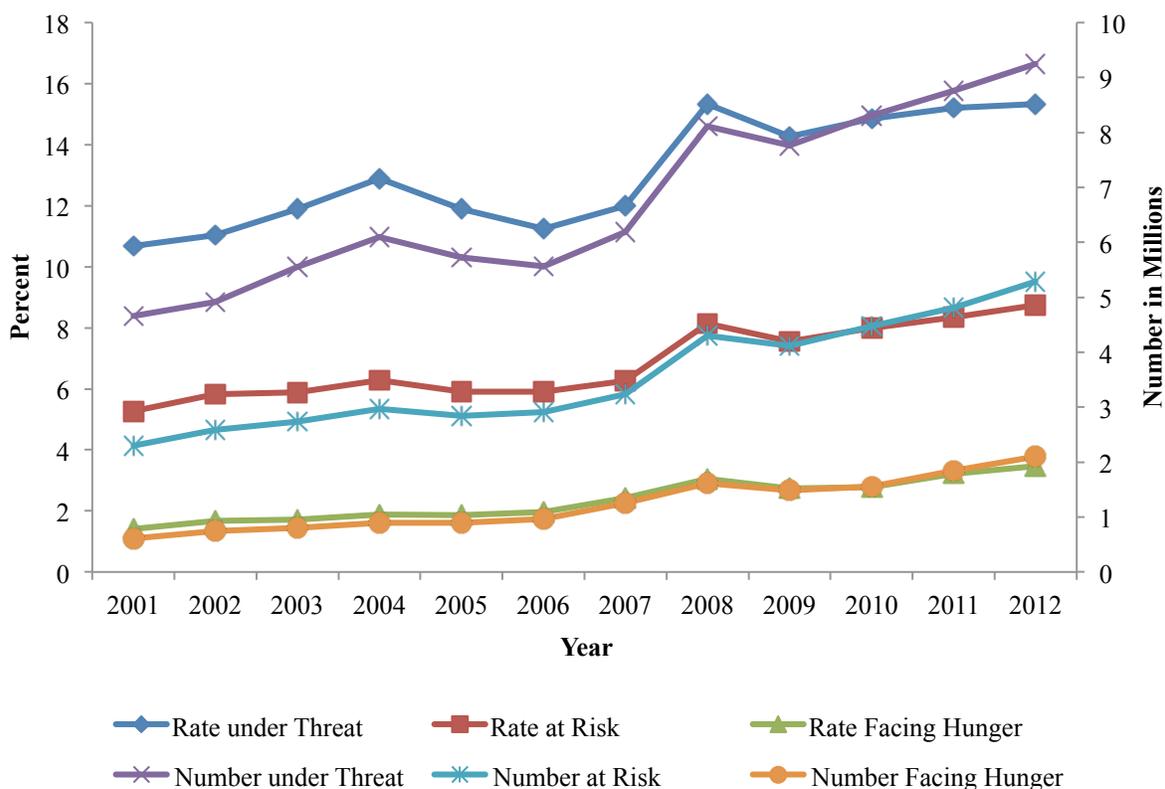
TX	19.82	TX	12.39	SC	4.12
SC	18.43	MO	11.04	TX	4.09
AL	17.53	SC	10.62	MS	4.06
NV	17.12	AL	10.36	OH	3.93
GA	16.99	RI	9.93	NV	3.86

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## II. FOOD INSECURITY OVER TIME

To place the 2012 estimates into perspective, we now examine trends in food insecurity since 2001. We describe the trends for the full population of seniors along with select subgroups. In Figure 1 we display results for the full population in terms of the percentage of seniors (left-hand axis) and number of seniors in millions (right-hand axis) within each of our food insecurity categories. As seen there, across all three measures there was a substantial and statistically significant increase in food insecurity since the start of the recession in 2007. For example, the fraction of seniors at risk of hunger or facing hunger increased by 40% from 2007-2012. And reflecting the fact that an increasing percentage of the U.S. population is over age 60, the number of seniors at risk of hunger or facing hunger has increased by over 60 percent since 2007. Likewise, there was also a statistically significant increase in both of these categories over the past year, continuing a trend from prior years, but distinct from the stability in food insecurity rates for the population overall (Coleman-Jensen, et al. 2013). Overall, from 2001 to 2012 the fraction of seniors experiencing the threat of hunger, the risk of hunger, and hunger has increased by 44%, 66%, and 146%, respectively, while the number of seniors in each group rose 98%, 130%, and 244% reflecting the growing population of seniors.

**Figure 1. Trends in Food Insecurity among Senior Americans**



In Table 5 we take a deeper look into underlying changes in the composition of food insecure seniors from 2011 to 2012. The table presents percentage point changes in each of the three categories of food insecurity by the same set of socioeconomic characteristics in Table 1. In the first row, the results for the full population of seniors are reported and, as discussed above, the increases in food insecurity rates from 2011 to 2012 are evident there. As seen in the subsequent rows, there is a wide degree of variation in terms of changes that are masked by the overall changes. The following had statistically significant increases in both the risk of hunger and facing hunger under at least one of the measures: the near poor, those who are divorced or separated, those between the ages of 75 and 79, the employed, the retired, and men. The unemployed, who had a substantial jump in food insecurity between 2010 and 2011, appear to have bounced back in 2012, though we note that the small samples of unemployed and changes in the composition of the unemployed over time make estimates of food insecurity more susceptible to large swings.

**Table 5.** Changes in the Composition of Senior Hunger from 2011 to 2012

	Threat of hunger	Risk of Hunger	Facing Hunger
Overall	0.12%	0.40%*	0.27%*
By Income			
Below the Poverty Line	2.70*	3.32***	-0.29
Between 100% and 200% of the Poverty Line	0.23	1.20*	0.87**
Above 200% of the Poverty Line	0.30	0.31	0.13
Income Not Reported	0.09	-0.17	0.65***
By Race and Ethnicity			
White	0.12	0.36	0.29**
Black	-0.57	0.53	0.71
Other	0.87	0.59	-1.03
Hispanic	0.08	0.33	0.30**
By Marital Status			
Married	0.09	-0.03	0.13
Widowed	-0.26	0.80	0.17
Divorced or Separated	1.20	1.69**	1.00*
Never Married	-0.60	0.55	0.47
By Metropolitan Location			
Non-Metro	1.09*	0.32	0.36**
Metro	-0.12	0.74	-0.11
By Age			
60-64	0.70	0.58	0.20
65-69	-0.62	-0.22	-0.14
70-74	-1.08	0.35	0.52
75-79	1.83**	1.41**	0.68**
80 and older	-0.09	0.19	0.36
By Employment Status			
Employed	0.56	0.83**	0.80***
Unemployed	-6.89**	-4.29	-3.76**
Retired	-0.11	0.45*	0.33**
Disabled	2.74*	0.48	-0.60
By Gender			
Male	0.28	0.54*	0.32*
Female	-0.01	0.28	0.22
By Grandchild Present			
No Grandchild Present	0.10	0.35	0.18
Grandchildren Present	-0.23	0.89	1.89**

Source: Authors' calculations. The numbers in the table reflect percentage point changes from 2011-2012. The asterisks denote statistical significance at the following levels: \*\*\* p<0.01; \*\* p<0.05; \* p<0.1

In the next set of figures we examine trends in food insecurity since 2001 across a variety of subpopulations found in Tables 1 and 5. We begin in Figure 2 with trends in food insecurity for seniors living in metropolitan areas versus nonmetropolitan areas. The figure shows that, in the years leading up to the Great Recession there were differences between metro and non-metro

areas in terms of the threat of hunger, but this seemed to dissipate during the recession. This gap, however, has re-emerged in recent years, reaching almost 2 percentage points in 2012. A similar pattern holds for the risk of hunger, but there is no substantive gap in metro and non-metro rates of facing hunger.

**Figure 2. Trends in Food Insecurity among Senior Americans by Metropolitan Status**

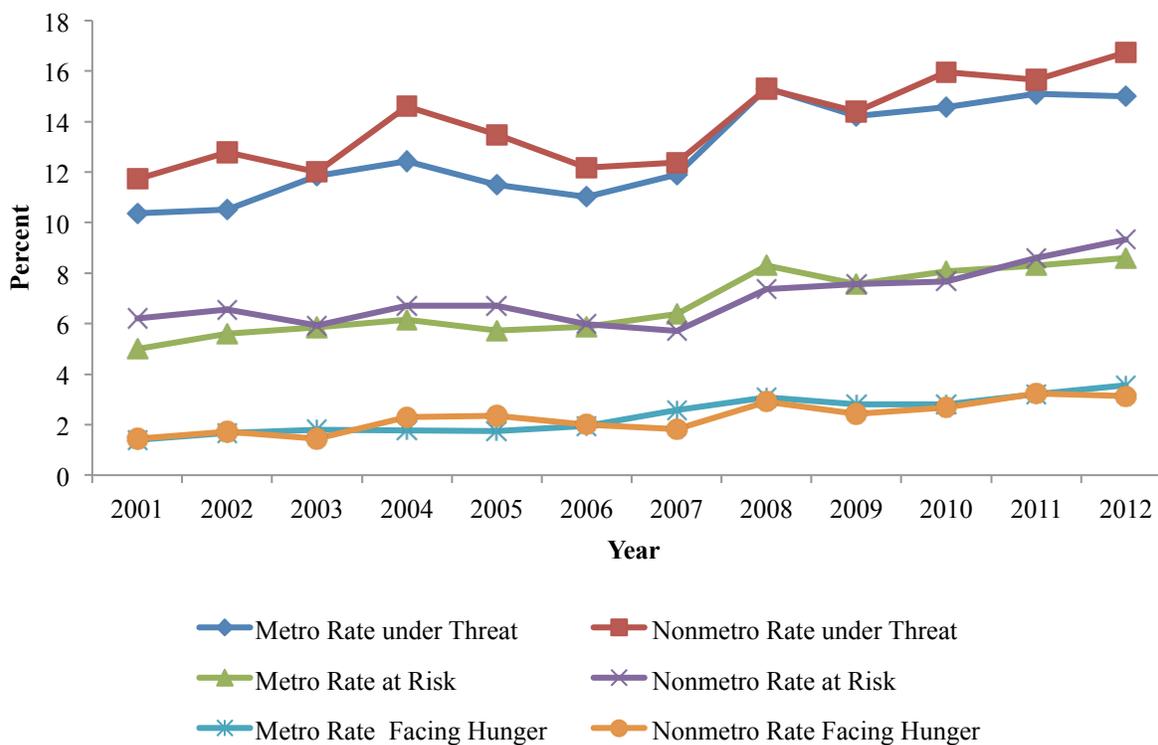
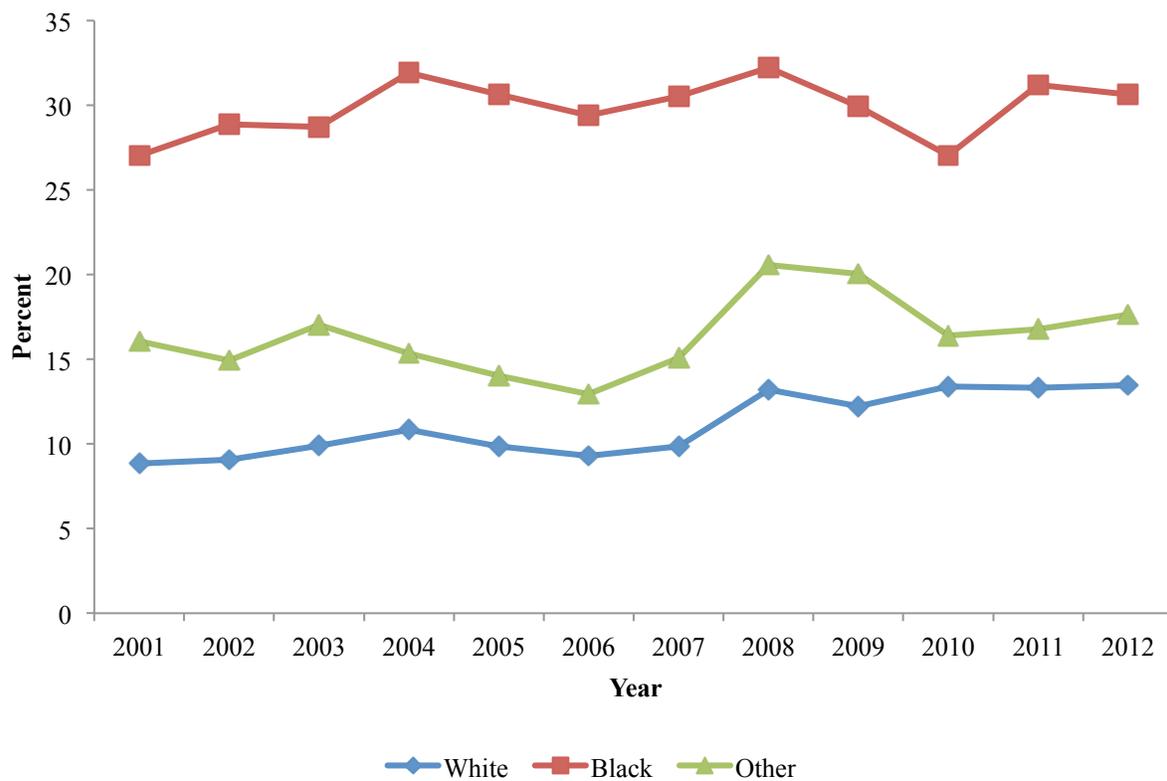
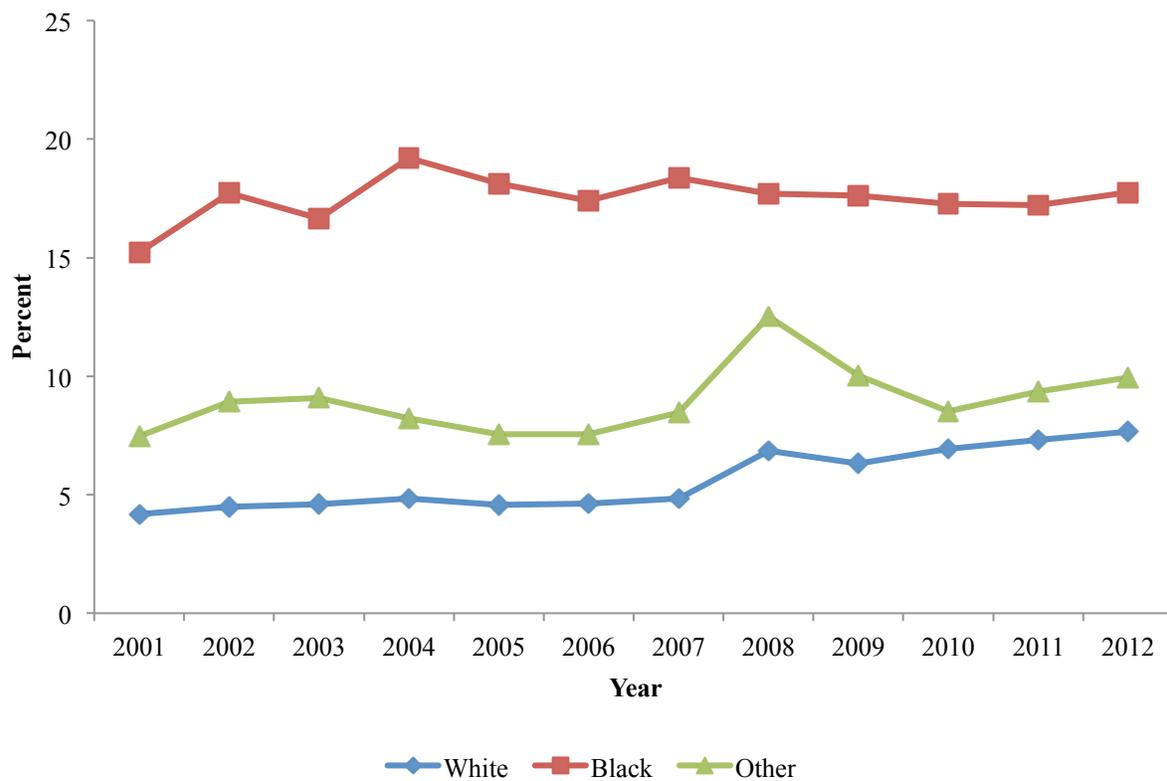
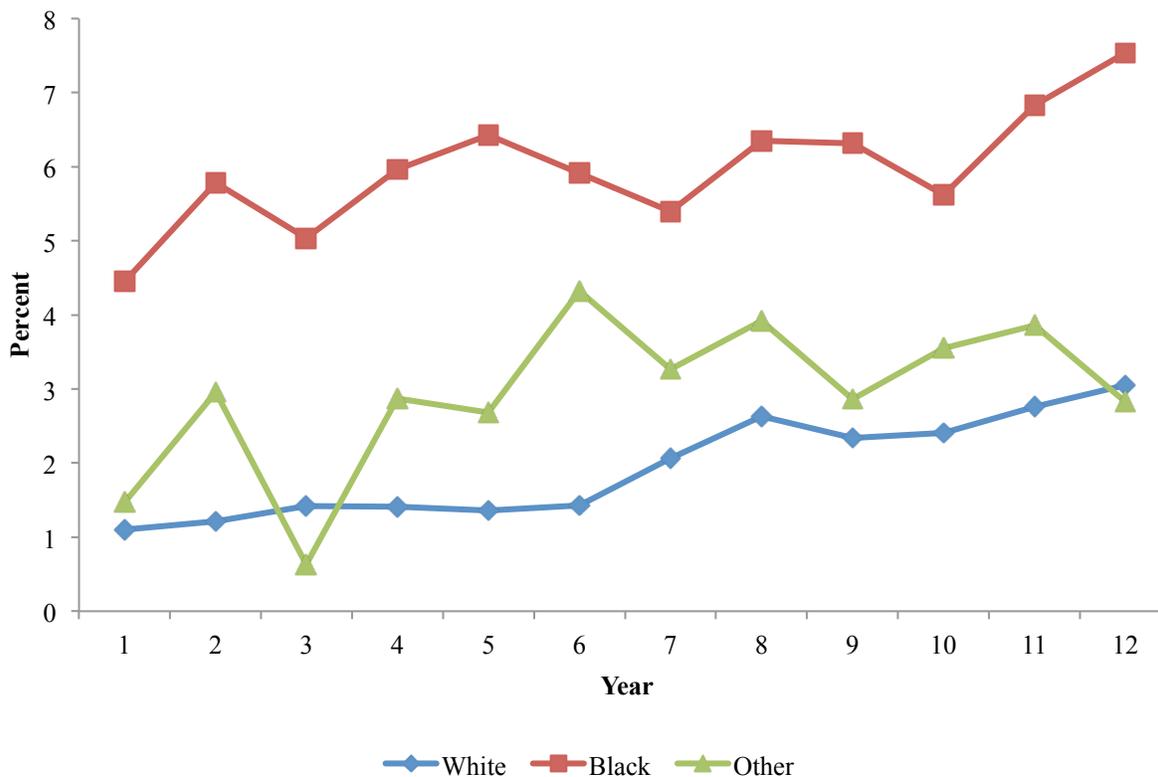


Figure 3a depicts trends in the threat of hunger across different races, while Figures 3b and 3c present similar trends for those at risk of hunger and for those facing hunger. As discussed above, the rates of food insecurity for blacks are substantially higher than whites. These figures reveal that these differences were present in each year from 2001 to 2012. Rates of marginal food insecurity and food insecurity were fairly stable among blacks over the past decade, but there appears to be a strong increase in the fraction of blacks facing hunger after the 2007 recession (Figure 3c). On the other hand, the trend has been increasing among whites across all three food insecurity categories.

**Figure 3a. Trends in Threat of Senior Hunger by Race**

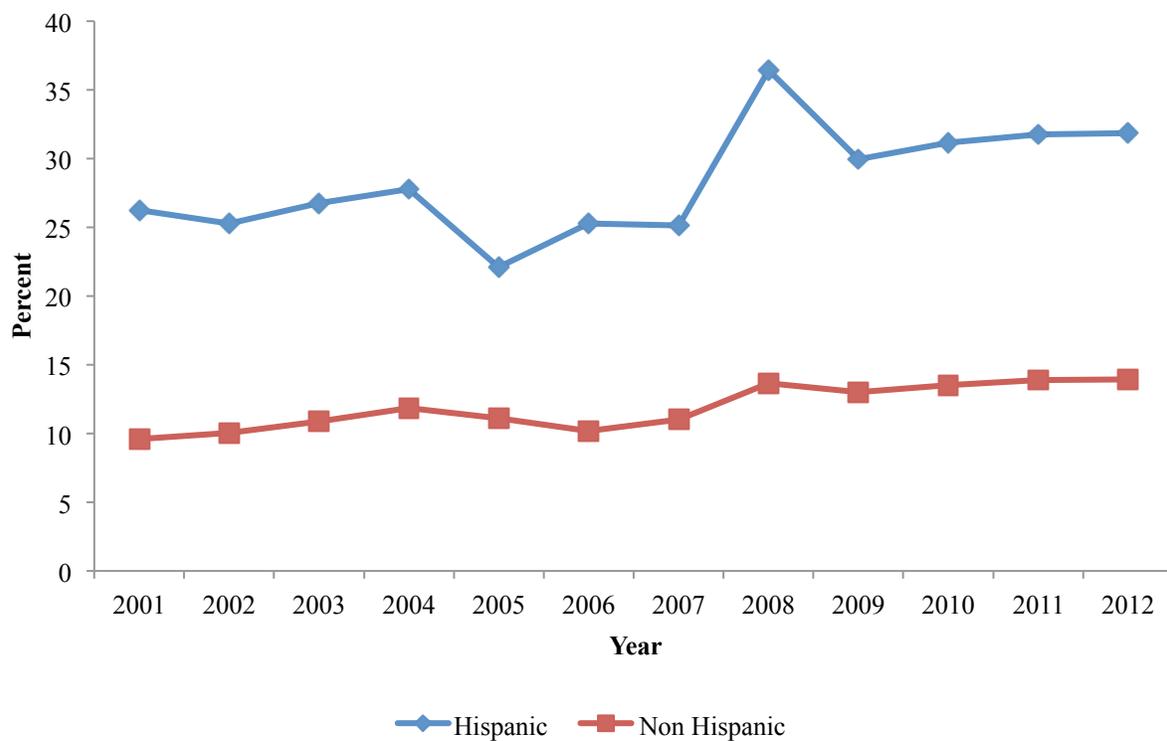
**Figure 3b. Trends in Risk of Senior Hunger by Race**

**Figure 3c. Trends in Seniors Facing Hunger by Race**

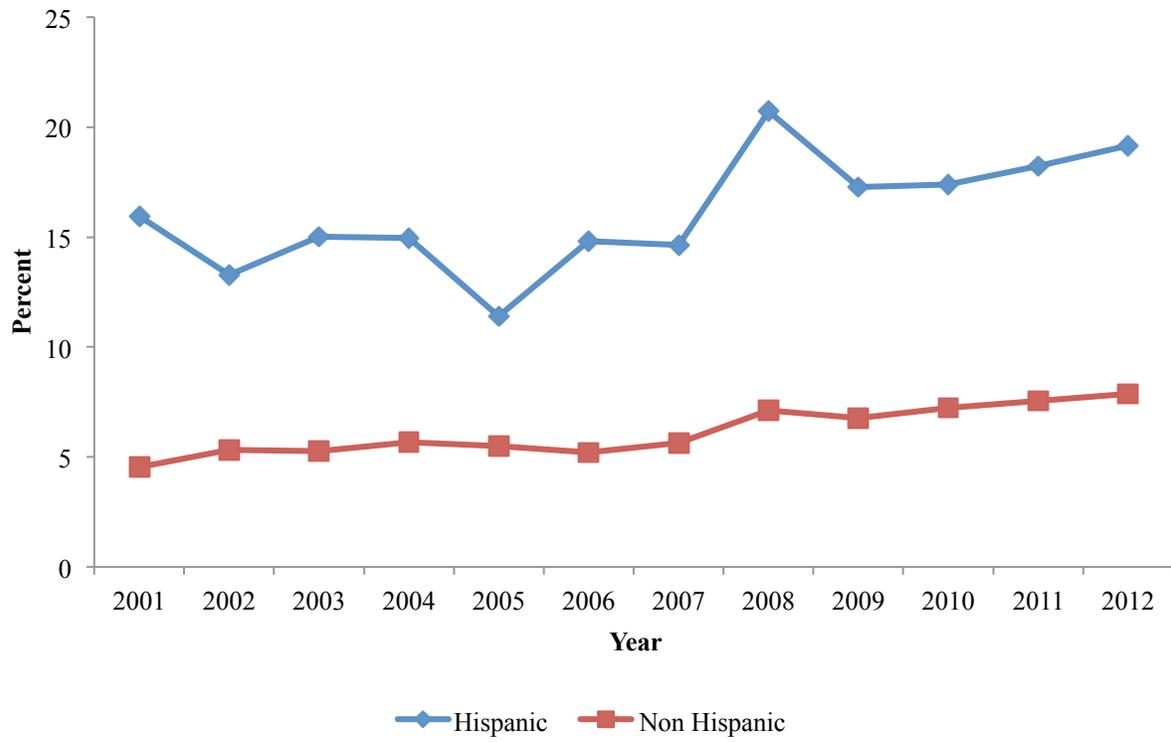


In Figures 4a-4c we present trends based on Hispanic ethnicity. In most years Hispanics face rates of food insecurity 2-3 times higher than non-Hispanics. One key difference in the trajectories over time is with respect to what occurred after the sharp increase in 2008 for the threat of hunger and risk of hunger. After this increase, in 2009 for Hispanics there was a fall to levels just above those in 2007 in contrast to non-Hispanics who did not see such a sharp fall. However, since 2009 there has been a trend increase among Hispanics and non-Hispanics in all three food insecurity categories.

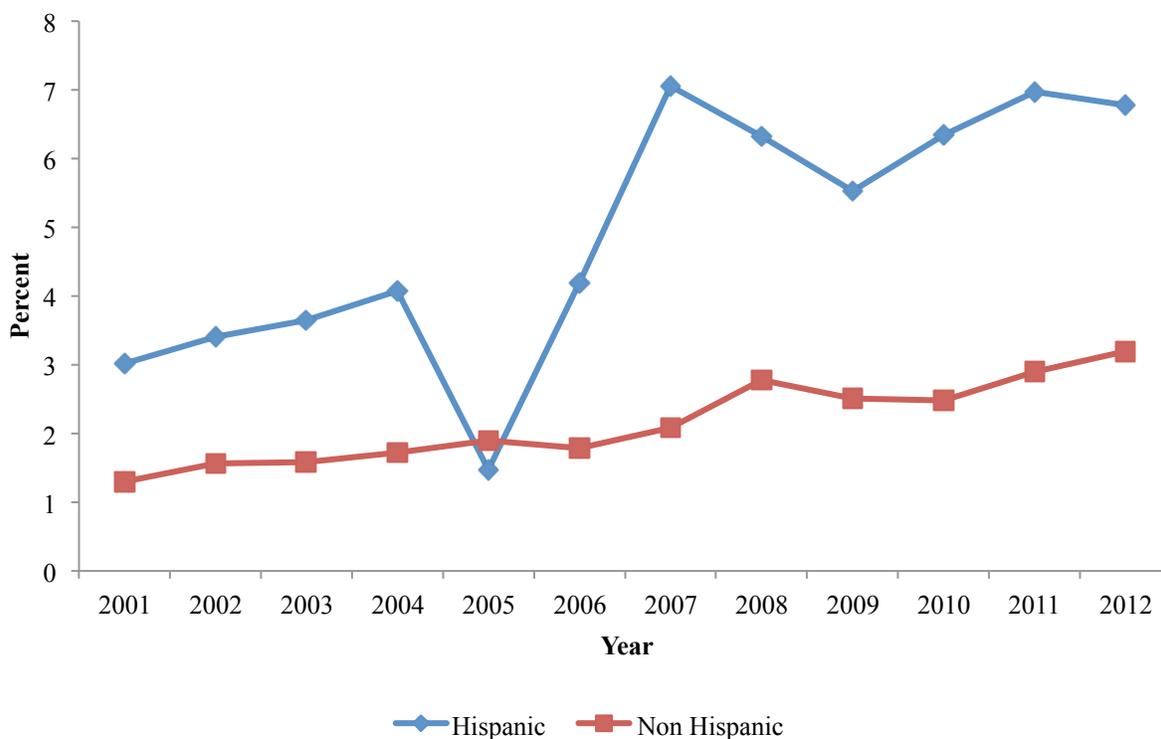
**Figure 4a. Trends in Threat of Senior Hunger by Hispanic Ethnicity**



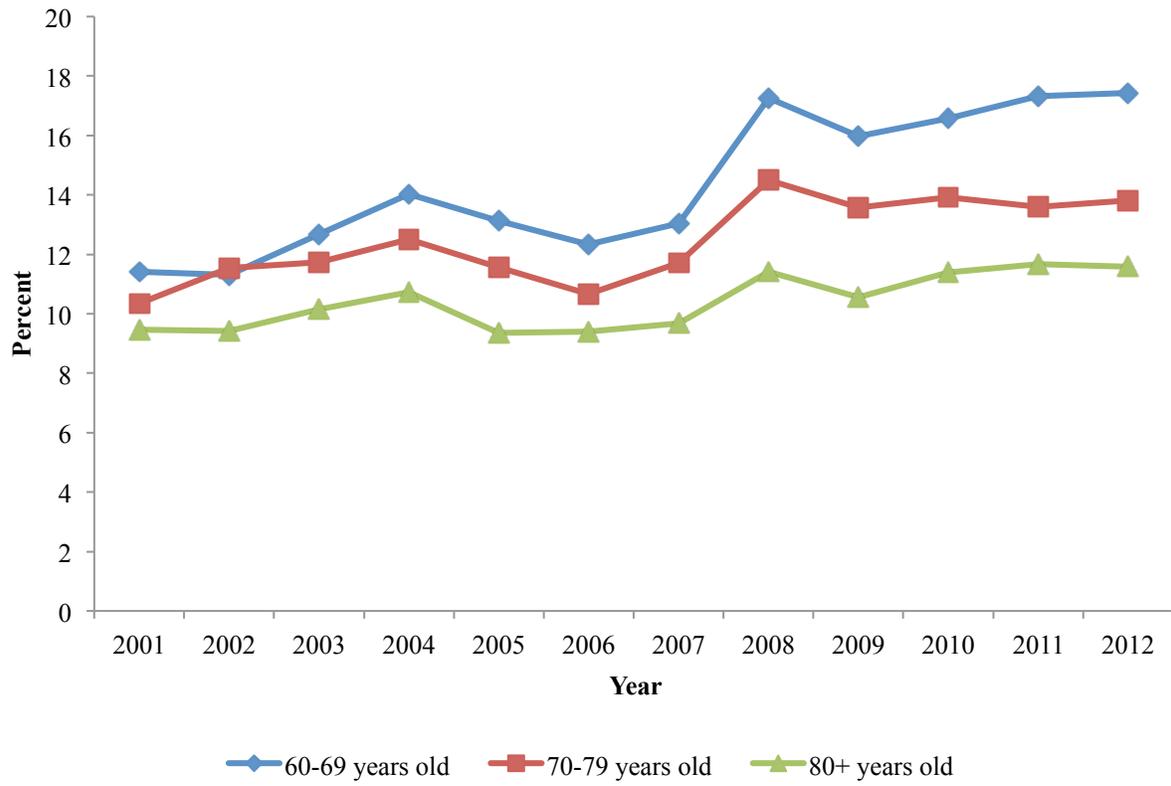
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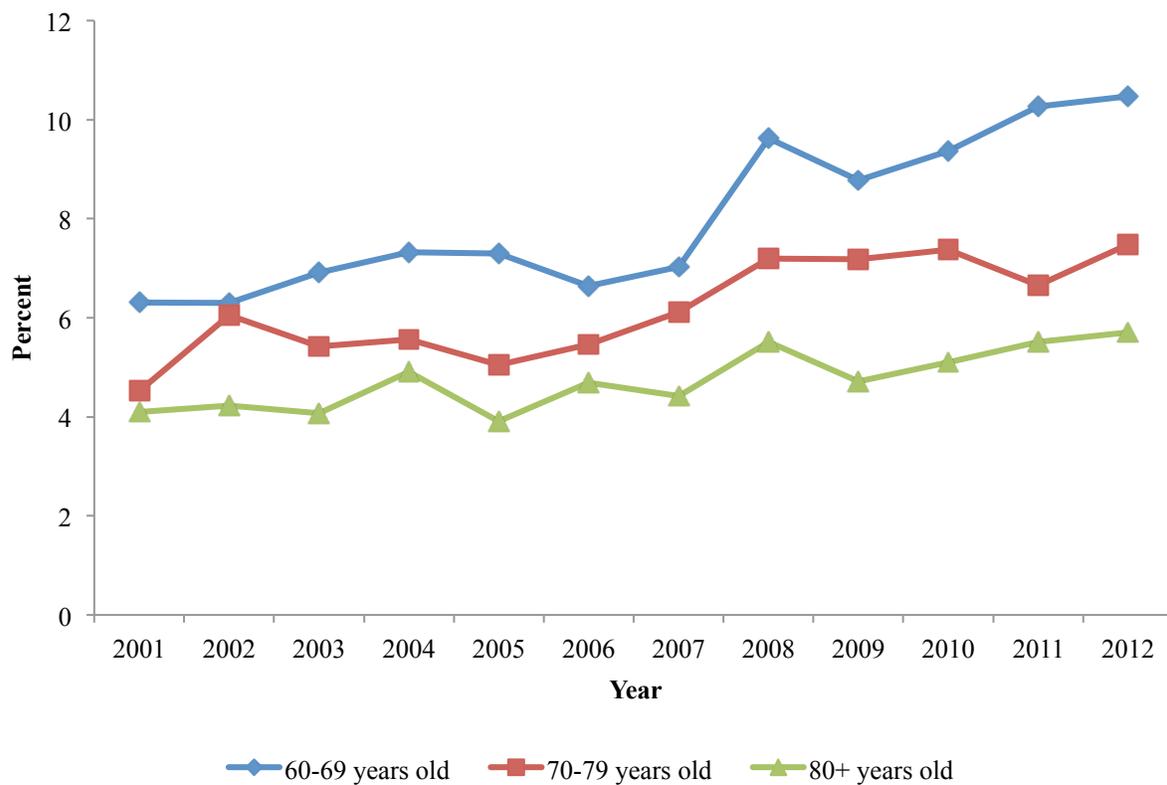


**Figure 4c. Trends in Senior Americans Facing Hunger by Hispanic Ethnicity**

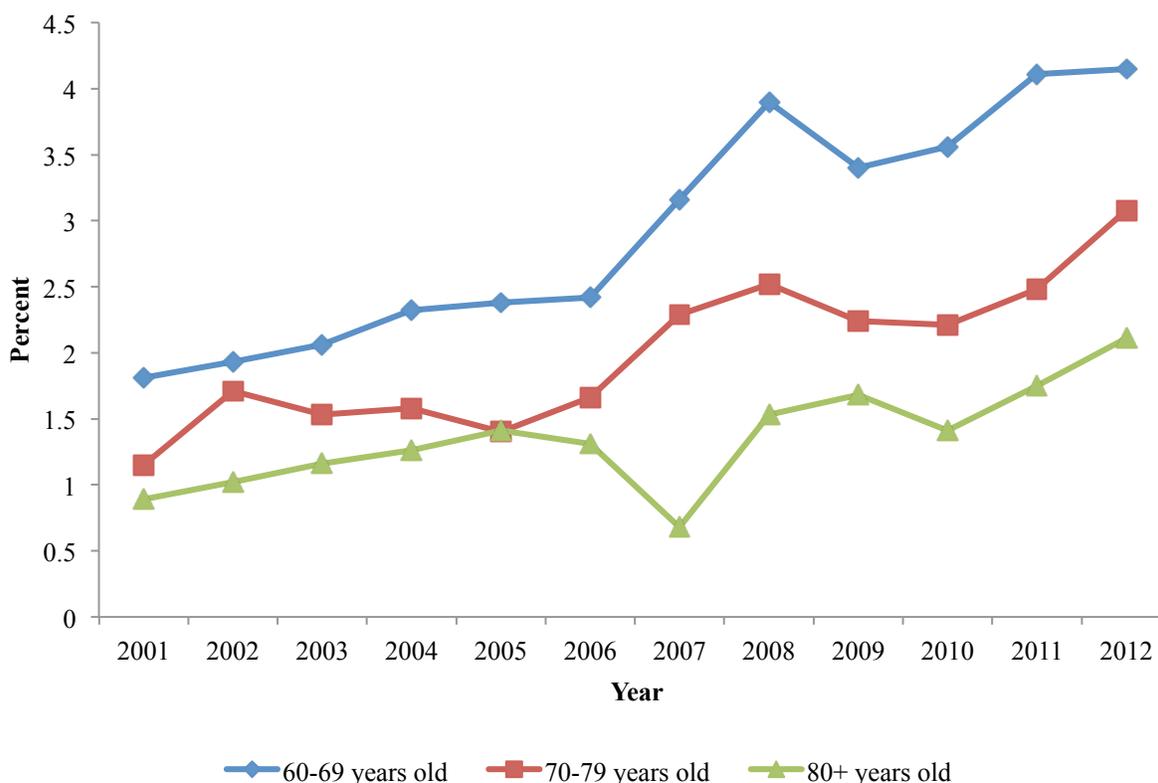


Figures 5a-5c present a parallel set of charts for seniors of three broad age groups—60-69 years old, 70-79 years old, and age 80 and older. As seen in Figure 5a, there were sharp increases in the threat of hunger from 2007 to 2008 across all three age groups and these rates remain, in 2012, substantially above those found in 2007. In Figure 5b the patterns by age for the risk of hunger are more sharply increasing after 2009 than seen in Figure 5a. This is even more pronounced in Figure 5c where we see a very dramatic increase across all three age groups in the fraction facing hunger.

**Figure 5a. Trends in Threat of Senior Hunger by Age**

**Figure 5b. Trends in Risk of Senior Hunger by Age**

**Figure 5c. Trends in Senior Americans Facing Hunger by Age**



### III. CONCLUSION

This report demonstrates that food insecurity among seniors in America is a continued crisis facing the nation. Despite the end of the Great Recession in 2009, nearly 1 in 6 seniors faced the threat of hunger in 2012. And, even more troubling is the 150% increase in the fraction of seniors facing hunger in 2012 compared to 2001, and that has continued unabated in recent years across all ages in the senior population. Given the compelling evidence in Ziliak and Gunderson (2013) that food insecurity is associated with a host of poor nutrition and health outcomes among seniors, this report implies that these high rates of food insecurity among seniors will likely lead to additional public health challenges for our country. This suggests that a key potential avenue to stem the growth of health care expenditures on older Americans is to ameliorate the problem of food insecurity.

## APPEXDIX

The CPS is a nationally representative survey conducted by the Census Bureau for the Bureau of Labor Statistics, providing employment, income and poverty statistics. Households are selected to be representative of civilian households at the state and national levels, using suitably appropriate sampling weights. The CPS does not include information on individuals living in group quarters including nursing homes or assisted living facilities. For this report and previous reports, we use data from the December Supplement which contains the Core Food Security Module (CFSM). The questions from the CFSM are found in Appendix Table 1. Because our focus is on hunger among seniors, our CPS sample is of persons age 60 and older. In 2012 this results in 22,761 sample observations. Appendix Table 2 presents selected summary statistics for the CPS sample.

**Appendix Table 1:** Questions on the Core Food Security Module

Food Insecurity Question	Asked of Households with Children	Asked of Households without Children
1. “We worried whether our food would run out before we got money to buy more.” Was that <b>often, sometimes</b> , or never true for you in the last 12 months?	x	x
2. “The food that we bought just didn’t last and we didn’t have money to get more.” Was that <b>often, sometimes</b> , or never true for you in the last 12 months?	x	x
3. “We couldn’t afford to eat balanced meals.” Was that <b>often, sometimes</b> , or never true for you in the last 12 months?	x	x
4. “We relied on only a few kinds of low-cost food to feed our children because we were running out of money to buy food.” Was that <b>often, sometimes</b> , or never true for you in the last 12 months?	x	
5. In the last 12 months, did you or other adults in the household ever cut the size of your meals or skip meals because there wasn’t enough money for food? ( <b>Yes/No</b> )	x	x
6. “We couldn’t feed our children a balanced meal, because we couldn’t afford that.” Was that <b>often, sometimes</b> , or never true for you in the last 12 months?	x	
7. In the last 12 months, did you ever eat less than you felt you should because there wasn’t enough money for food? ( <b>Yes/No</b> )	x	x
8. (If yes to Question 5) How often did this happen— <b>almost every month, some months but not every month</b> , or in only 1 or 2 months?	x	x
9. “The children were not eating enough because we just couldn’t afford enough food.” Was that <b>often, sometimes</b> , or never true for you in the last 12 months?	x	
10. In the last 12 months, were you ever hungry, but didn’t eat, because you couldn’t afford enough food? ( <b>Yes/No</b> )	x	x
11. In the last 12 months, did you lose weight because you didn’t have enough money for food? ( <b>Yes/No</b> )	x	x
12. In the last 12 months, did you ever cut the size of any of the children’s meals because there wasn’t enough money for food? ( <b>Yes/No</b> )	x	
13. In the last 12 months did you or other adults in your household ever not eat for a whole day because there wasn’t enough money for food? ( <b>Yes/No</b> )	x	x
14. In the last 12 months, were the children ever hungry but you just couldn’t afford more food? ( <b>Yes/No</b> )	x	
15. (If yes to Question 13) How often did this happen— <b>almost every month, some months but not every month</b> , or in only 1 or 2 months?	x	x
16. In the last 12 months, did any of the children ever skip a meal because there wasn’t enough money for food? ( <b>Yes/No</b> )	x	
17. (If yes to Question 16) How often did this happen— <b>almost every month, some months but not every month</b> , or in only 1 or 2 months?	x	
18. In the last 12 months did any of the children ever not eat for a whole day because there wasn’t enough money for food? ( <b>Yes/No</b> )	x	

Notes: Responses in bold indicate an “affirmative” response.

**Appendix Table 2:** Selected Characteristics of Senior Americans Age 60 and older in 2012

	Percent
Income Categories	
Below 50% of the Poverty Line	1.88
Between 50% and 100% of the Poverty Line	7.24
Between 100% and 200% of the Poverty Line	16.48
Above 200% of the Poverty Line	47.01
Missing Income	27.39
Racial Categories	
White	84.90
African American	9.60
Other	5.50
Hispanic Ethnicity	7.74
Marital Status	
Married	60.25
Widowed	20.61
Divorced or Separated	13.57
Never Married	5.58
Non-Metro Region	19.37
Northeast	18.72
Midwest	22.35
South	37.23
West	21.71
Age	
60 to 64	29.56
65 to 69	23.42
70 to 74	16.63
75 to 79	12.60
80 and older	17.79
Employment Status	
Employed	27.83
Unemployed	1.89
Retired	61.10
Disabled	9.18
Education Level	
Less Than High School	15.31
High School Diploma	33.33
Some College	24.17
College Degree	27.19
Food Stamp Recipient	6.29
Grandchild or Parent Present	
No Grandchild and Parent Present	95.19
Grandchild and Parent Present	3.01
Grandchild Present	1.80
Female	54.68
Living Alone	25.01

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