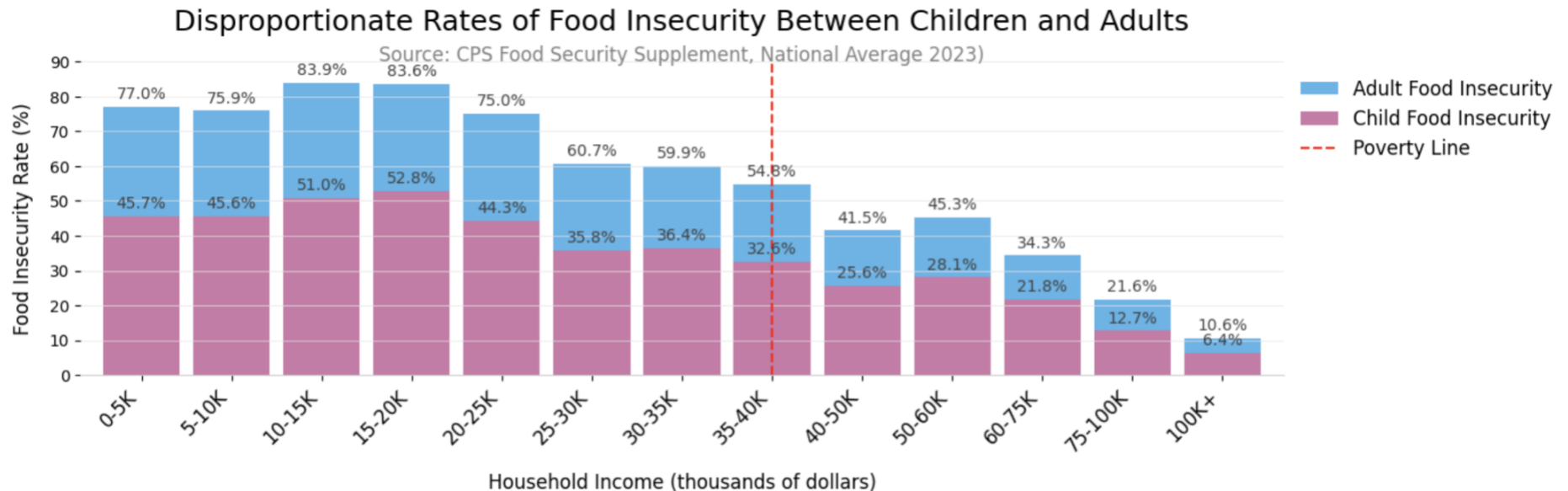


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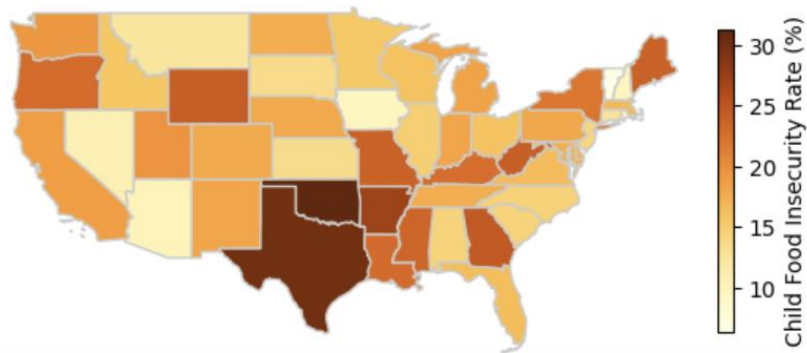
Story - 6 : What Is The State of Food Security and Nutrition in the US

U.S., Senator, I urge you to look at this data showing that food insecurity disproportionately affects those in poverty, here in the U.S. not just in other countries. The attached graph highlights the devastating impact of food insecurity on low-income households in the U.S., where over 75% of families earning less than \$25,000 annually experience food insecurity. Children are disproportionately affected, making up nearly half of those impacted. These children face long-term consequences, including malnutrition and starvation which leads to health issues, and often requires continued public support into adulthood. 38 million people are living in poverty and need your help to expand SNAP, WIC, and school meal programs, particularly in high-poverty states, to break this cycle.



Regional Variation in Child Food Insecurity and Poverty

Child Food Insecurity Rate by State (2023)



Poverty Rate by State (2023)

