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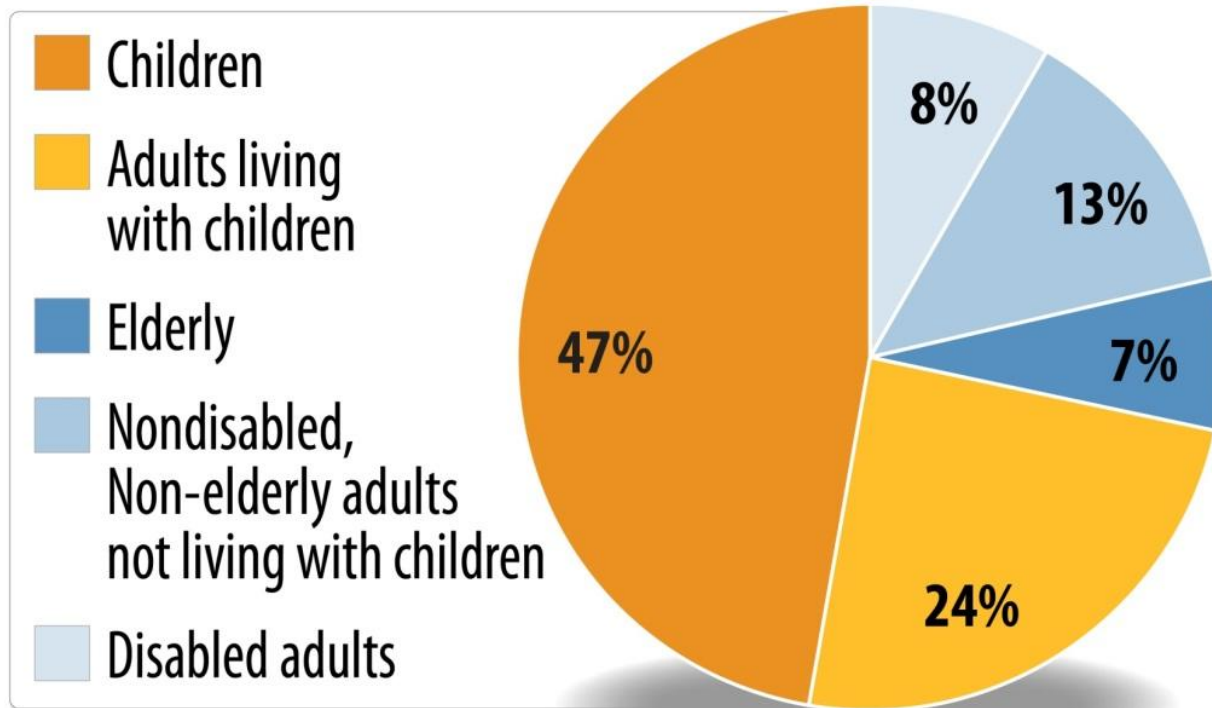
More than 1 in 4 Georgia Children Do Not Have Enough Food to Eat

- Nearly 29% of Georgia children are food insecure
- Georgia is the sixth worst state for child poverty, at a rate of 27.2%



Children are Primary Beneficiaries of SNAP in Georgia

SNAP Participants in Georgia, 2011:



Source: FY 2011 USDA Household Characteristics Data, as provided by Center on Budget and Policy Priorities

Child Food Insecurity Has Been Linked to:

- Developmental delays, poorer attachment, and learning difficulties in the first two years of life
- Hospitalization
- Higher risk for chronic health conditions, such as anemia and asthma
- More frequent oral health problems
- Truancy and school tardiness
- Behavior problems, including: fighting, aggression, anxiety, and bullying



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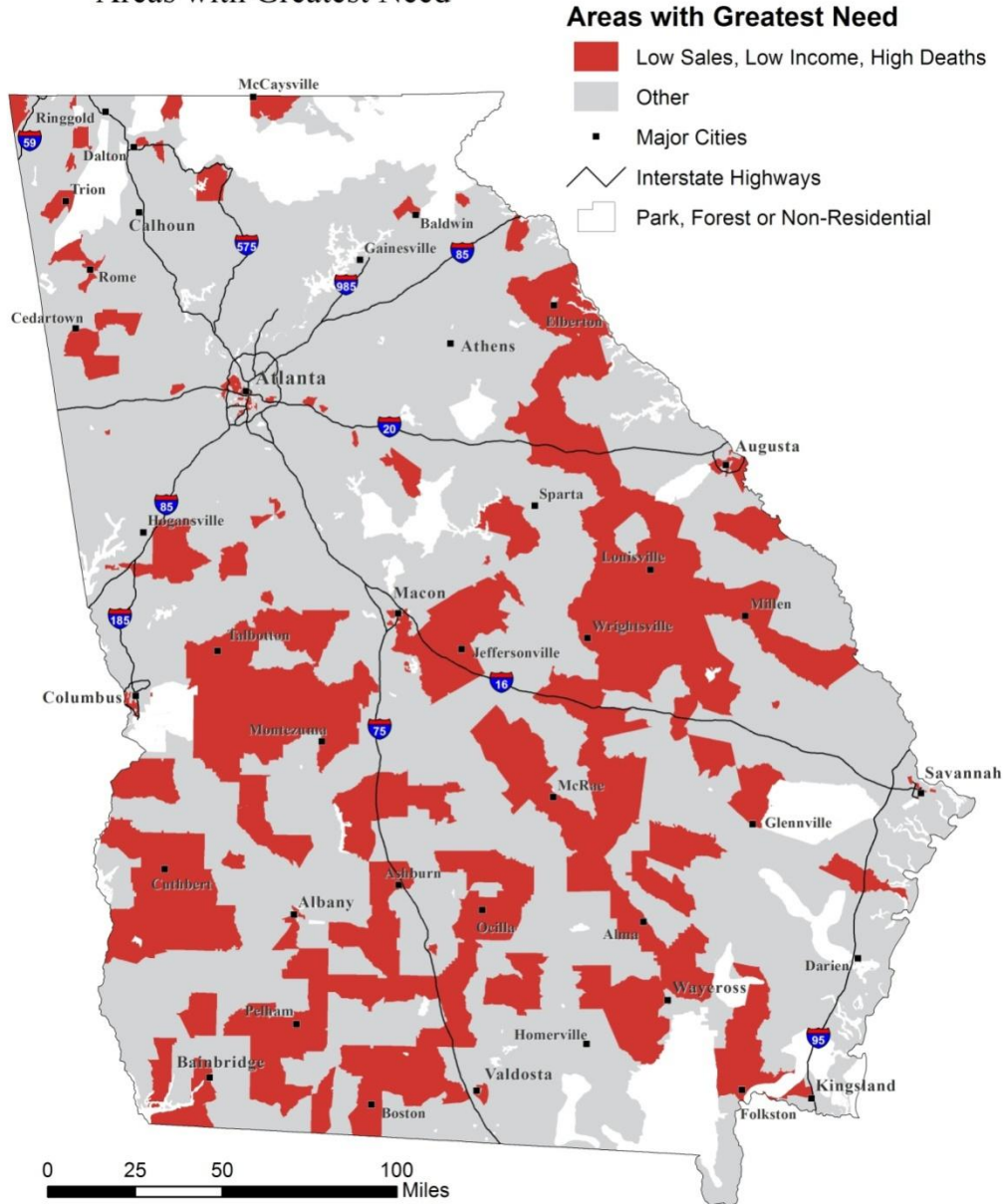
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Areas with Greatest Need



Data: TradeDimensions Retail Database, 2009,
US Census, 2000



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