



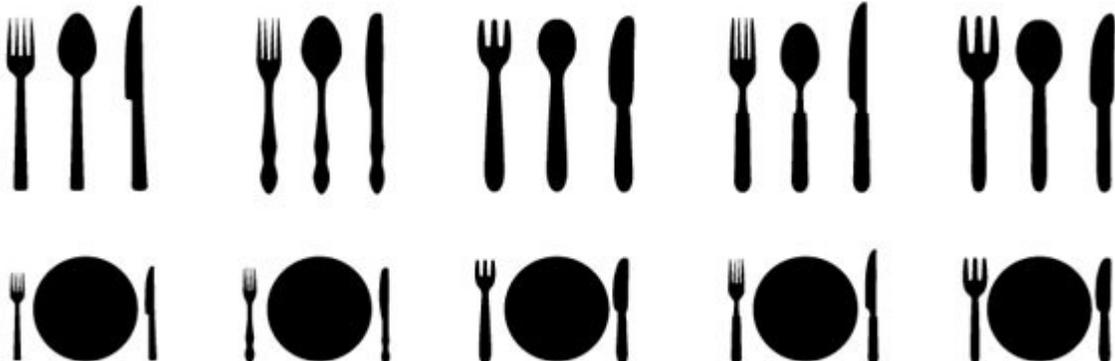
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# 2015 Hunger Report

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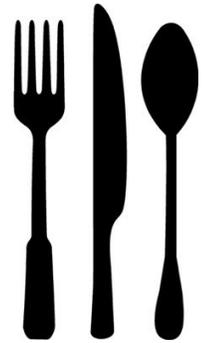
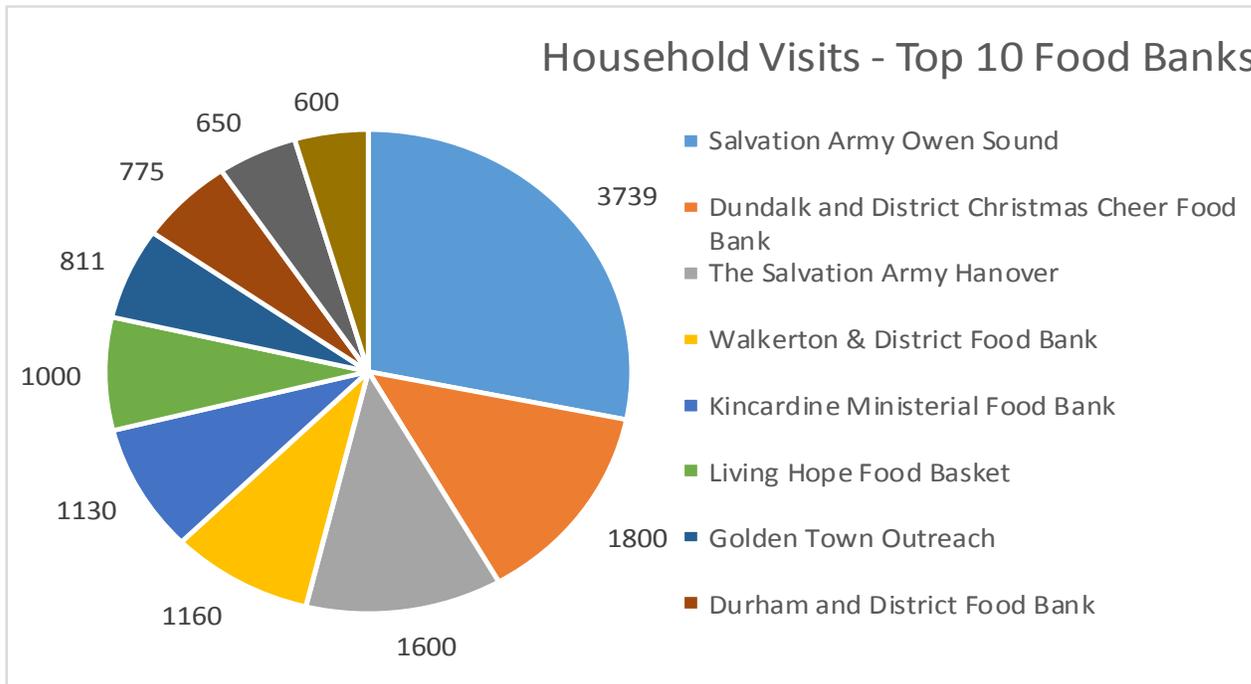
# Where's The Food?





## 16 out of 21 Food Banks completed the survey

The Salvation Army in Hanover and the Dundalk and District Food Bank were both started in 1980 and are the oldest running Food Banks in the region



### 16% of the population of Bruce and Grey Counties have accessed a food bank

14 Food Banks collected data on the number of people and families that visited their food bank.

Almost **26 000** families and individuals visited a food bank in 2015 **92% increase** from 2013

2014 Grey Bruce Hunger Report noted **13 500** people accessing food banks (10 food banks reporting)

### How often can people access the food bank?

One food bank allows people to access food as many times as they need per month, two food banks allow people to access food twice a month and the other 13 food banks allow people to come once a month.

### Can people chose their own food?

Can people chose their own food? 50% - no, 50% yes with some extenuating circumstances such as food allergies, what is available, if there is fresh food available

### How much food has been given out?

Seven food banks track the amount of food that is given out—over 100 000 kg of food was given out in 2015

## What is available?

- ⇒ Fresh fruit and vegetables: 7 food banks
- ⇒ Frozen fruit and vegetables: 9 food banks
- ⇒ Fresh milk or milk substitutes: 12 food banks
- ⇒ Fresh eggs: 11 food banks
- ⇒ Fresh or frozen meats: 13 food banks
- ⇒ Canned and dry foods: 16 food banks
- ⇒ Frozen processed meals: 7 food banks
- ⇒ Infant food and formula: 14 food banks
- ⇒ Pet food: 9 food banks
- ⇒ Household cleaning supplies: 10 food banks
- ⇒ Personal hygiene: 15 food banks



The Salvation Army food banks in Hanover and Wiarton provide cooking programs as part of the food bank program

Meaford is the only food bank with a dedicated community garden

## 2-bedroom\*

Avg market rent:

**\$847**

To afford the apartment,  
a household must earn  
at least:

**\$34 440**

Per year

Or

**\$16.56**

Per hour, 40 hr work  
week

### Min Wage earnings

**\$23 400/year**

**11.25/hour**

**Max rent: \$579**

### ODSP housing allowance

**\$479 single**

**\$753 couple**

**\$816 couple + 1 child**

### OW housing allowance

**\$376 single**

**\$602 couple**

**\$655 couple + 1 child**

## Provincial data from The Ontario Association of Food Banks

- The average food bank client spends 70% of their income on rent, leaving very little for all other necessities
- 1 in 3 jobs in Ontario is temporary, contract, or part-time. An individual working full time, at minimum-wage will have an annual income of approximately \$21,000, falling well below Ontario's



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