



Working Together to Reduce Food Insecurity

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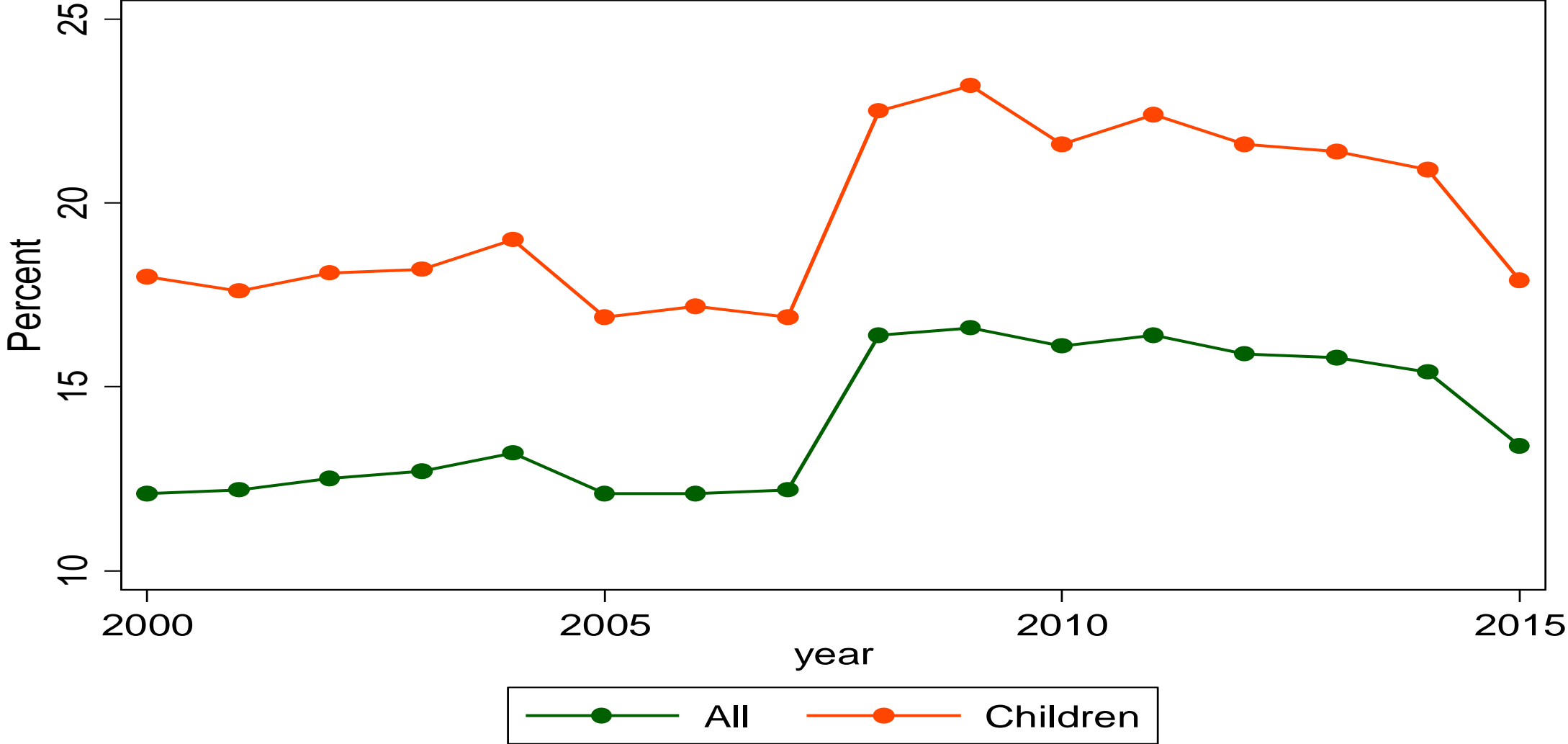
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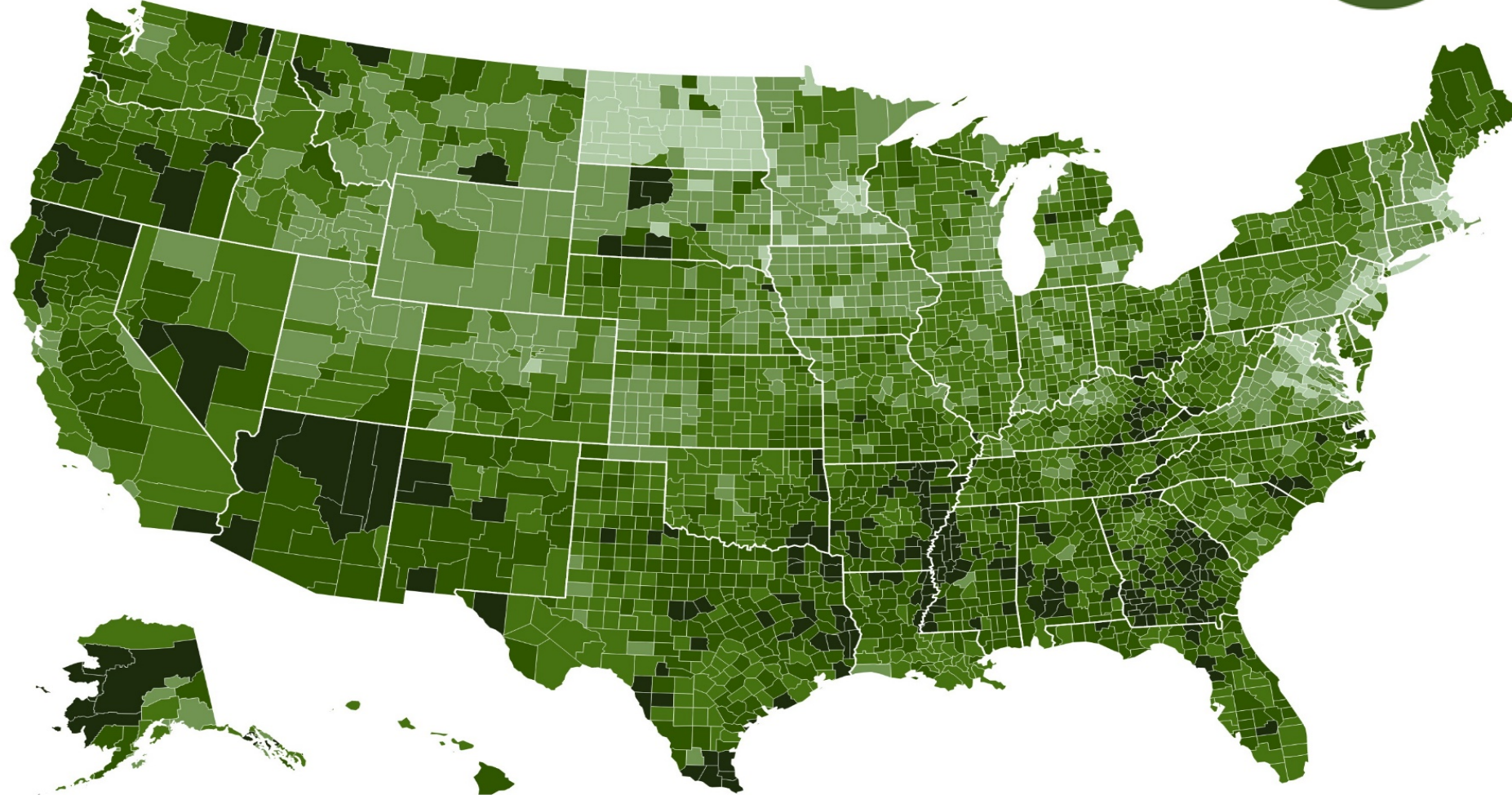
Defining Food Insecurity

- A household's food insecurity status is based on responses to 18 questions in the Core Food Security Module (CFSM)
- Examples of questions:
 - “I worried whether our food would run out before we got money to buy more”
 - “Did you or the other adults in your household ever cut the size of your meals or skip meals because there wasn't enough money for food”
 - “Were you ever hungry but did not eat because you couldn't afford enough food”
 - “Did a child in the household ever not eat for a full day because you couldn't afford enough food”
- Categories
 - food insecure if have 3 or more affirmative responses

Figure 1: Food Insecurity Rates by Year



CHILD FOOD-INSECURITY RATES



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Overlapping Goals of Anti-Hunger Groups and the Agricultural Industry

- Reducing food insecurity as central goal
- Importance of food assistance programs
- Removing poorly thought-out regulations
- Enhancing efficiencies
 - including distribution of foods across outlets
- Recognizing who benefits from farm subsidies
- Removing barriers to food
- Concern for immigrants
- Support for free trade