



In New York City, where this photo was taken at a homeless shelter, the number of families with children requesting emergency food assistance has increased 5%, from approximately 1.5 million to more than 1.6 million.

based on a comparison of the pounds of food distributed by the Harvester's Food Bank to local emergency assistance agencies and church pantries. The percentage was also substantiated by the Mid-America Assistance Coalition which reported a 16% increase in requests for food."

Louisville: "The community-wide pantry system, which supports 27 distribution centers, has seen an increase of 15%. The system is operated by our local food bank, Dare to Care."

Southern states:

San Antonio: "The percentage of food assistance requests by families continues to increase. The number of two-income households ineligible for food stamps, but in need of assistance, is increasing annually. Families are utilizing a higher percentage of their expendable income for housing."

New Orleans: "Families, even if employed, are unable to meet bare minimum expenses, and if they do, they live on the edge. Expenses incurred for children such as school supplies, have increased. . . . Ozanam Inn reports an increase from the 327,620 meals served in 1988. Travelers' Aid has also seen a 20% increase in clients requesting assistance during the past year."

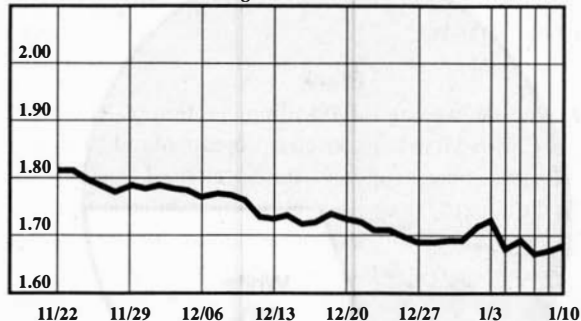
Western states:

San Francisco: "While there are more services for women and children generally, their need continue to increase. In addition to those who request emergency food assistance, there are many others, especially families, who are unable to turn their immediate need into a vocalized request for food. They simply skip a meal and go hungry because they are unable to reach out at a given time of day, or to leave their neighborhood and home in search of food elsewhere."

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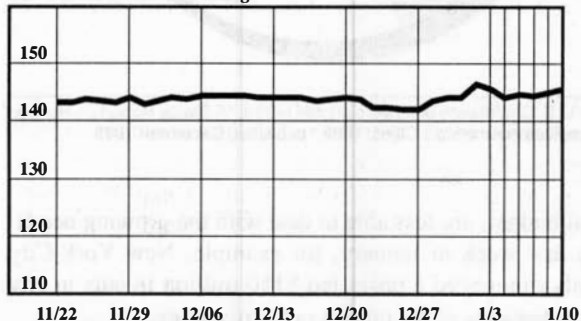
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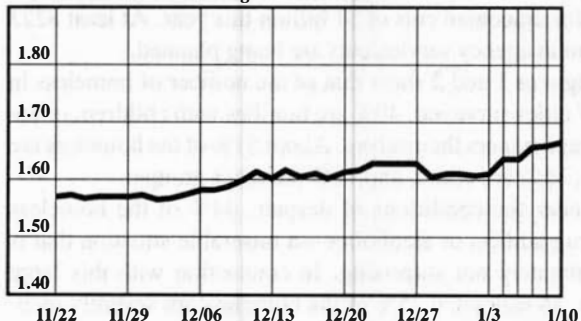
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