



Discussion questions for Poverty and Covid-19:

What underlying inequities has the Covid-19 pandemic brought to light and exacerbated?

The pandemic has resulted in new groups of people accessing the social safety net; how might this exposure influence public opinion about public assistance in the future?

What systemic change needs has the pandemic revealed?

Additional materials on “Administrative burdens in the time of Covid-19”:

IRP Webinar with Pamela Herd and Donald Moynihan, “Administrative Burdens in the Time of COVID-19”: <https://www.irp.wisc.edu/resource/administrative-burdens-in-the-time-of-covid-19/>

New York Times Opinion by Pamela Herd and Donald Moynihan, “The Coronavirus Stimulus Is Playing Hard to Get”: <https://www.nytimes.com/2020/04/13/opinion/coronavirus-stimulus-relief.html?smid=nytcore-ios-share>

IRP *Fast Focus* brief, “Barriers to Public Service Delivery and Receipt”:
<https://www.irp.wisc.edu/resource/barriers-to-public-service-delivery-and-receipt/>

Center on Budget and Policy Priorities Fact Sheet, “States Are Using Much-Needed Temporary Flexibility in SNAP to Respond to COVID-19 Challenges,” <https://www.cbpp.org/research/food-assistance/most-states-are-using-new-flexibility-in-snap-to-respond-to-covid-19>

Urban Institute Feature, “Unemployment Insurance Claims during the COVID-19 Pandemic”: <https://www.urban.org/features/monitoring-state-unemployment-insurance-claims-during-covid-19-pandemic>

Data on weekly unemployment insurance claims from the U.S. Department of Labor:
<https://www.dol.gov/ui/data.pdf>

Additional materials on “Policy and economic factors that affect food security”:

Information on nutrition assistance programs from the U.S. Department of Agriculture:
<https://www.nal.usda.gov/fnic/usda-nutrition-assistance-programs>

IRP Webinar with Judi Bartfeld, Craig Gundersen, Timothy Smeeding, and James Ziliak, “SNAP Matters: How Food Stamps Affect Health And Well-Being”:
<https://www.irp.wisc.edu/resource/snap-matters-how-food-stamps-affect-health-and-well-being/>

IRP *Fast Focus* series:

“The Basics of SNAP Food Assistance”:
<https://www.irp.wisc.edu/resource/the-basics-of-snap-food-assistance/>

“SNAP Trends and Antipoverty Impacts”:
<https://www.irp.wisc.edu/resource/snap-trends-and-antipoverty-impacts/>

“SNAP, Food Security, and Health”:

<https://www.irp.wisc.edu/resource/snap-food-security-and-health/>

“SNAP and the Low-Income Safety Net”:

<https://www.irp.wisc.edu/resource/snap-and-the-low-income-safety-net/>

Information on the effects of COVID-19 on U.S. child food insecurity, from The Brookings Institution: in America <https://www.brookings.edu/blog/up-front/2020/05/06/the-covid-19-crisis-has-already-left-too-many-children-hungry-in-america/>

Tool for visualizing U.S. food insecurity data from the Institute for Policy Research at Northwestern University: <https://www.ipr.northwestern.edu/state-food-insecurity.html>

Additional materials on “Discrimination and African American health inequities”:

IRP Podcast with Bridget Goosby, “The Biosocial Links Between Discrimination and African-American Health”: <https://www.irp.wisc.edu/resource/the-biosocial-links-between-discrimination-and-african-american-health/>

IRP *Focus* article, “How Does Economic and Social Disadvantage Affect Health?”:

<https://www.irp.wisc.edu/resource/how-does-economic-and-social-disadvantage-affect-health/>

IRP *Fast Focus* brief, “The Brain Science of Poverty and Its Policy Implications”:

<https://www.irp.wisc.edu/resource/the-brain-science-of-poverty-and-its-policy-implications/>

IRP Poverty Fact Sheet, “Brain Drain: A Child’s Brain on Poverty”:

<https://www.irp.wisc.edu/resource/brain-drain-a-childs-brain-on-poverty/>

IRP Feature, “Poverty and the Developing Brain”:

<https://www.irp.wisc.edu/2019-poverty-and-the-developing-brain/>

Information on African American health from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention:

<https://www.cdc.gov/vitalsigns/aahealth/index.html>

Analysis from The Hamilton Project, “Racial Economic Inequality Amid the COVID-19 Crisis”:

https://www.hamiltonproject.org/papers/racial_economic_inequality_amid_the_covid_19_crisis

IRP’s Poverty & Covid-19 page: <https://www.irp.wisc.edu/poverty-and-covid19/>