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# Another Voice: New York's Food Safety Net Needs Strengthening

Families in New York are still struggling to secure adequate food during the pandemic. The unemployment rate statewide this February was 8.9%, more than double the rate a year ago.

In New York City, the unemployment rate in February was 12.9%, more than triple the rate before the pandemic. A report by the Brookings Institution found that an unprecedented number of children are suffering from food insecurity as a result of the current recession. [Read full article on \*The Buffalo News\*.](#)

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