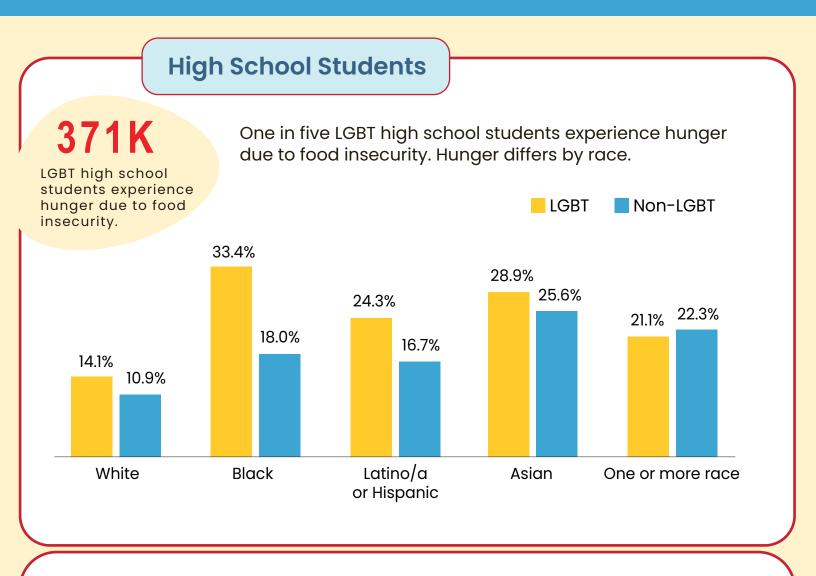
## Hunger Among LGBTQ+ High School Students and Young Adults



School meals are a reliable food source for millions of U.S. students, but many LGBTQ+ youth miss school because they feel unsafe or uncomfortable.



## **1 in 3** LGBT high school youth was bullied at school in the past year.

## 32%

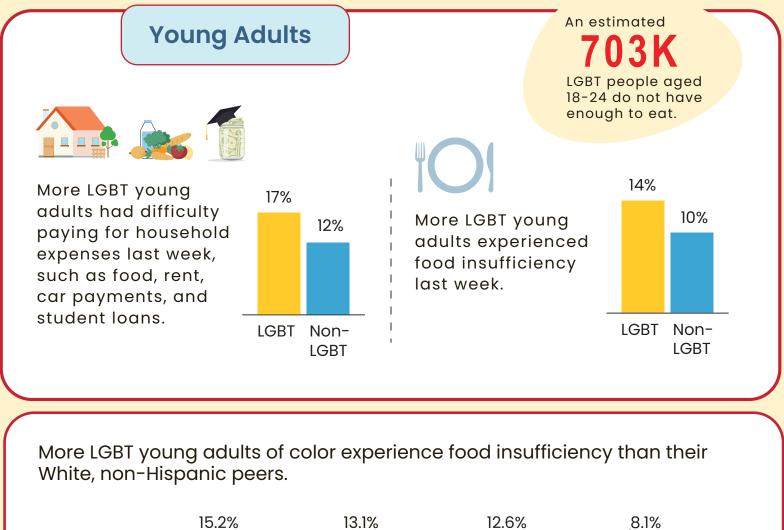
of LGBTQ+ youth missed a day of school in the past month because they felt unsafe or uncomfortable.

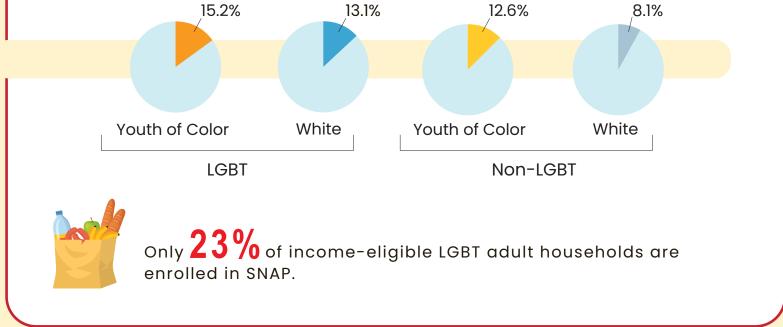
**11%** missed four or more days of school in the past month.

## **22%**

of LGBTQ+ youth say they avoid the cafeteria because they feel unsafe.







Note: Data are labeled LGBT or LGBTQ+ to accurately reflect who was included in the cited research.

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