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## FOOD ALLERGIES: WHAT ATTRACTIONS CAN DO TO CONTROL RISKS



### What is Food Allergy?

### Why it's important to be attended with care?

According to [foodallergy.org](http://foodallergy.org), more than 15 million people or one in 25 people in the United States have a food allergy, which is roughly 4 percent of the population. One in thirteen children has a food allergy, which equates to an average of two children per typical school classroom. About 40 percent of children who have had a reaction have had a severe reaction. There are about 150-200 deaths per year from a food allergy, and half of these occur in a food service environment.

Food allergies are seemingly increasing in the world. For example, there was a fivefold increase in nut allergy in the United Kingdom between 1995 and 2016. Overall Australia has the highest rate of food allergies.

