



Making Food and Nutrition Security A SNAP: Recommendations for the 2023 Farm Bill

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BPC's Food and Nutrition Security Task Force: Timeline

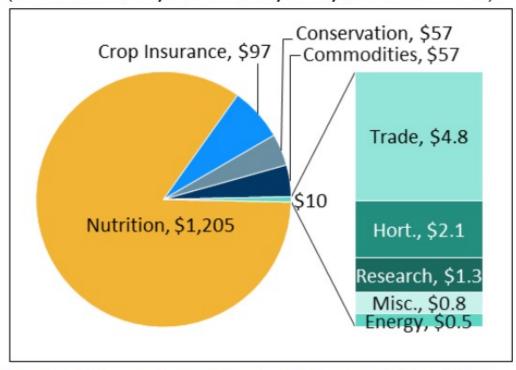
- Making Food and Nutrition Security a SNAP: Recommendations for the 2023 Farm Bill (January 2023)
- Strengthening the Child Nutrition Programs (January 2022)
- Improving Food and Nutrition Security During COVID-19, Recovery, and Beyond (September 2021)



2023 Farm Bill

- Farm bill is typically reauthorized every five years;
- In 2023, the nutrition title is expected to comprise 85% of total farm bill spending, mostly for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP).

Figure I. Baseline for Farm Bill Programs, by Title (billion dollars, 10-year mandatory outlays, FY2024-FY2033)



Source: CRS using the CBO Baseline (February 2023) for the five largest titles, and amounts in law for programs in other titles.

Note: Total estimated at \$1,426 billion.

Federal Nutrition Assistance Programs Authorized Under the Farm Bill

Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Food Distribution
Program on Indian
Reservations

The Emergency Food Assistance Program Commodity Supplemental Food Program

Community Food Projects Seniors Farmers'
Market Nutrition
Program

Healthy Food Financing Initiative Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program



BPC Report Recommendation Areas

SNAP Eligibility, Benefit Levels, and Program Administration

Nutrition ad Eligible Foods in SNAP

SNAP Integrity, Technology, and Retailer Considerations

Food Distribution Programs

Other Food and Nutrition Programs Authorized Through the Farm Bill

SNAP Eligibility, Benefit Levels, and Program Administration

Policy Recommendation: Ensure that SNAP benefit levels are adequate to achieve a nutritious diet; that eligibility requirements and employment and training programs promote workforce participation and increased earnings without presenting undue barriers to SNAP participation; and that access to SNAP is expanded to all U.S. territories.

Nutrition and Eligible Foods in SNAP

Policy Recommendation: Strengthen nutrition in SNAP by encouraging the consumption of nutritious foods through establishment of a fruit and vegetable cash value benefit (CVB), further expansion of and investment in the Gus Schumacher Nutrition Incentive Program (GusNIP), stronger retailer stocking standards, improvements to the SNAP-Ed program, better data collection, and demonstration projects.



SNAP Integrity, Technology, and Retailer Considerations

Policy Recommendation: Use data matching, online purchasing, and other technology enhancements to improve SNAP access, integrity, and operations for participants and retailers.

Food Distribution Programs

Policy Recommendation: Modernize the food distribution programs, including The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP), the Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR), and the Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP), to improve nutrition, program access, and program operations.



Other Food and Nutrition Programs Authorized Through the Farm Bill

Policy Recommendation: Improve food and nutrition security for priority populations through other food and nutrition assistance programs, including the Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program (FFVP), Seniors Farmers' Market Nutrition Program (SFMNP), Healthy Food Financing Initiative (HFFI), Public-Private Partnerships Program, and Micro-Grants for Food Security Program.



Questions?



Thank you!



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