

Farm Bill for America's Families

Sustaining Our Future

Who We Are

We are agricultural, environmental, forestry, nutrition, and hunger organizations advocating for an effective farm bill in 2023 to benefit America's families and our future.



Our Core Objectives



Food Security:

Secure our domestic food supply with high-quality, affordable food.



Job Creation:

Support 46 million jobs in the food and agriculture industry.



Conservation:

Help farmers and ranchers further their sustainability achievements.



Risk Management:

Keep food on our tables by helping farmers manage risks from market fluctuations to weather disasters.



Addressing Hunger:

Support nutritional programs to provide healthy, affordable food to all.



What the Farm Bill Addresses

The farm bill encompasses risk management for farmers, nutrition assistance for low-income families, conservation programs, and investments in agricultural research. Farm bill funding helps keep our food supply secure and our economy strong by supporting millions of farms and jobs in the U.S. It encourages voluntary enrollment of acres in conservation programs and provides billions of meals annually. It ensures accessibility to nutritious food and a secure, affordable food supply in our country. Moreover, it aids economic and rural development through provisions like rural broadband and business support.



Why Is the Farm Bill Urgent?

The farm bill is crucial legislation that safeguards the livelihoods of farmers and ranchers while guaranteeing the availability of safe and nutritious food. It is reauthorized every five years, and the current farm bill is set to expire on September 30, 2023. Failing to pass a new farm bill would have a serious impact on farming and food security in the United States. Therefore, it is essential for Congress to prioritize the passage of a new farm bill this year to ensure the protection of our food, land and livelihoods.



The Farm Bill's Impact

- ▶ **84%** of American adults believe it is a national security priority to ensure a safe and abundant food supply, according to a recent American Farm Bureau survey.
- ▶ The food and agriculture industry supports **46 million U.S. jobs** and contributes more than **\$1 trillion** to U.S. gross domestic product.
- ▶ **71%** of adults in this country have limited or no knowledge about the farm bill.
- ▶ **73%** of Americans recognize there would be a significant impact on the country if the farm bill is not reauthorized.
- ▶ **Over half (57%)** of adults in the U.S. say they would be more likely to support their members of Congress if they voted to reauthorize the farm bill.
- ▶ Through the farm bill, farmers and ranchers have voluntarily enrolled **140 million acres** in conservation programs—that's equal to the size of California and New York combined.
- ▶ Today, the farm bill's nutrition programs help supply more than **9 billion meals** annually. **21 million U.S. families** rely on SNAP benefits.