

IFPRI & Activities in Africa



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sustainable solutions for ending hunger and poverty
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The International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI) is one of 15 centers supported by the Consultative Group on International Agricultural Research (CGIAR). Through research, capacity strengthening, and communications activities, IFPRI seeks to provide sustainable policy solutions for reducing poverty and ending hunger and malnutrition. In particular, IFPRI focuses on identifying and analyzing alternative policies for improving food security and nutrition, while emphasizing low income countries, poor people, and sound environmental management in support of agriculture.

IFPRI is headquartered in Washington, DC, and conducts research within four divisions: (1) Development Strategy and Governance, (2) Environment and Production Technology, (3) Markets, Trade, and Institutions, and (4) Poverty, Health, and Nutrition. The Institute's Communications Division is dedicated to sharing IFPRI's research with a broad audience, including policymakers, development practitioners, universities, and the media through publications, conferences, policy dialogues, social media, websites, and videos.

To help increase its effectiveness and as part of its decentralization policy, IFPRI has established regional and country offices in various parts of the developing world. As a global research institute, IFPRI believes its researchers should be located where they are most needed and where they can have the greatest impact. At present, IFPRI has regional offices for Asia (in New Delhi, India), Eastern and Southern Africa (in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia), and West and Central Africa (in Dakar, Senegal). These offices offer local stakeholders broader access to IFPRI's public goods while allowing the Institute to better align its portfolio with the needs of the regions and individual countries. In addition to regional offices, IFPRI has eight country offices located in Bangladesh, China, Ghana, Ethiopia, Malawi, Mozambique, Nigeria, and Uganda.

Activities in Africa account for more than 50 percent of the Institute's overall resources. The Africa regional offices actively work with African governments and stakeholders to provide policy-relevant advice and knowledge products. For instance, IFPRI is supporting the Comprehensive Africa Agriculture Development Program (CAADP) by providing expertise and developing capacities at the country and regional levels to meet the analytical and knowledge needs of evidence- and outcome-based agricultural policy planning and implementation. IFPRI conducts this work in close collaboration with the African Union Commission, the New Partnership for Africa's Development (NEPAD) Planning and Coordination Agency, the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS), the Common Market for Eastern and Southern Africa (COMESA), governments, and other key stakeholders at the regional and country levels. The output from this collaboration includes more than 100 technical papers on agricultural growth and investment trends and strategic options for poverty reduction. More than 20 countries, including all 15 ECOWAS countries, have adopted CAADP compacts and investment plans based on the work from this collaboration.

In addition to its publications, such as research monographs, food policy reports, policy briefs, and discussion papers, IFPRI also produces various **knowledge products**, some of which are featured on the following page.

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knowledge products

AGRODEP: African Growth and Development Policy Modeling Consortium

AGRODEP promotes access to data and economic modeling tools, develops methodologies to improve data quality, provides training workshops and research grants, and supports collaboration between African and international researchers.

ASTI: Agricultural Science and Technology Indicators

ASTI outputs describe trends in human and financial capacity in agricultural research and development (R&D) at national levels and compare agricultural R&D performance across countries and regions.

Food Security CASE Maps: Climate, Agriculture, and Socio-Economic Maps

An interactive visualization tool, developed in partnership with StatPlanet, to provide detailed information about a diversity of indicators, including subnational crop area and yields, national average calorie availability, and international trade flows.

Food Security Portal

An open-access policy information portal facilitated by IFPRI.

Global Hunger Index

The Global Hunger Index monitors the incidence of hunger in various developing countries based on three equally weighted indicators.

HarvestChoice

An initiative to generate knowledge products to help guide strategic investments to improve the well-being of poor people through more productive and profitable farming.

IFPRI Food Policy Datasets

A collection of more than 70 publicly accessible datasets on agriculture and rural development, and training manuals on how to employ many of these tools.

IMPACT: International Model for Policy Analysis of Agricultural Commodities and Trade

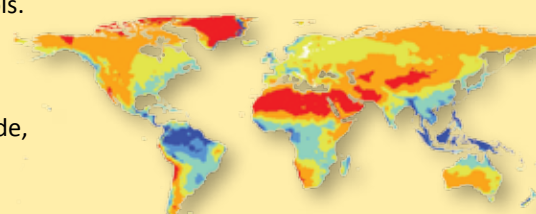
A model that examines alternative futures for global food supply, demand, trade, prices, and food security.

MAcMap-HS6: Market Access Map at the HS6 level

A detailed protection database on bound and applied tariffs for 171 importers and 209 exporters—more than 5,113 products.

ReSAKSS: Regional Strategic Analysis and Knowledge Support System

Africa-focused database nodes that compile, analyze, and disseminate information to help design, implement, monitor, and evaluate rural development strategies.



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