

Food Purchase Program (PAA)

Thematic areas	Food and nutrition security; rural productive inclusion.
Summary	Program aimed at promoting access to food while fostering family farming in Brazil through Government purchasing of food products.
General objective	Promote access to food and foster family farming.
Specific objectives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Provide food for people in a situation of food and nutrition insecurity, and for those served by the social assistance network and the government's food and nutrition security bodies; » Strengthen family farming through government purchasing of food products; » Promote regular access to good quality food in the necessary quantities, emphasizing that access to plentiful and healthy food is a human right; » Help family farming organizations to build up food stocks; » Value biodiversity and encourage healthy eating habits.
Year launched	2003.
Key stakeholders	Ministry of Development and Fight against Hunger (MDS) - National Secretariat for Food and Nutrition Security (SESAN).
Other stakeholders	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Ministry of Agrarian Development (MDA); » National Supply Company (CONAB); » State and municipal governments and the Federal District government; » Family farming producer organizations.
Management and implementation	<p>Implemented through a framework cooperation agreement between the National Supply Company (CONAB) and partners which have signed a term of adherence with states, municipalities or municipal government consortia.</p> <p>The program purchases foodstuffs from family farms with no need for tendering procedures, and delivers them to people in a situation of food and nutrition insecurity, as well as those served by the social assistance network, the government's food and nutrition security bodies, and the public and charity schools network.</p>
Target audience	Food suppliers (family farmers) and food consumers (people in a situation of food and nutrition insecurity and those served by the social assistance network).

Selection criteria for target audience	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Individual beneficiary suppliers must have a DAP (Readiness Declaration/PRONAF – the National Program for Strengthening Family Farming, Ministry of Agrarian Development); » Beneficiaries organized as collectives must possess a Special Legal Entity DAP; » Consumer beneficiaries are targeted by the social assistance network or by the official food and nutrition bodies working in their own municipalities.
Coverage	National.
Funding sources	Federal Budget funds linked to the Ministry of Development and Fight against Hunger (MDS) and the Ministry of Agrarian Development (MDA).
Supplementary information	Further information can be obtained at: http://www.mds.gov.br/segu-rancaalimentar/aquisicao-e-comercializacao-da-agricultura-familiar (only in Portuguese) and the data sheet, available at WWP website (https://wwp.org.br/).

TABLE - PAA SCHEMES

Scheme	Purpose	Executing Units	Limits per farmer
Purchase with Simultaneous Donation	Purchase of various foodstuffs and simultaneous donation to entities	Federative entities that have joined the program	R\$ 6.500,00 per annum
		CONAB	R\$ 8.000,00 per annum
Direct Purchase	Purchase of products defined by GGPAA in order to maintain prices	CONAB	R\$ 8.000,00 per annum
Stockpiling Support	Financial support for stockpiling foodstuffs by supplier organizations	CONAB	R\$ 8.000,00 per annum
Promotion of milk production and consumption	Purchase of cow's or goat's milk to be supplied directly to beneficiaries or entities	State Governments in the Northeast and Minas Gerais	R\$ 4.000,00 per semester
Seeds Purchasing	Purchase of food crop seeds	CONAB	R\$ 16.000 per annum
Institutional Purchasing	Purchasing of foodstuffs by different government agencies by public tender	Purchasing agency	R\$ 20.000,00 per annum, per purchasing body