**SCHOOL MEAL/FEEDING PROGRAM(S)**

School year: 2020–2021

- Scholarship Program for School Canteens
  (Programme de Bourses de Cantines Scolaires)

Lead Agency: Ministry of Health, Ministry of Education

**NATIONAL LAWS, POLICIES, AND STANDARDS**

- National school feeding policy
- Nutrition
- Food safety
- Health
- Agriculture
- Private sector involvement

Line item in the national budget... 

- Yes
- No
- No response

**INFRASTRUCTURE**

All schools in Andorra have electricity, clean and piped water, flush toilets, and dedicated eating spaces/cafeterias, most schools have kitchens equipped with refrigeration and gas or electric stoves. Meals and snacks for the school canteens are prepared on-site (on school grounds) and off-site in private facilities.

**BUDGET**

Total: USD 1,045,510

- Government: USD 1,045,510
- International donors*: USD 0
- Private sector: USD 0
- Other donors: USD 0

Includes funding from the United States Department of Agriculture

- Yes
- No
- No response

*International donations by United Nations agencies or non-governmental organizations often represent funding from multiple donors.

**MEALS/SNACKS/MODALITY**

- Breakfast
- Lunch
- Dinner
- Snacks
- Take-home rations
- Other

**FOOD SOURCES**

- Purchased (domestic)
- Purchased (foreign)
- In-kind (domestic)
- In-kind (foreign)

**COMPLEMENTARY ACTIVITIES**

- Handwashing with soap
- Height measurement
- Weight measurement
- Testing for anemia
- Deworming treatment
- Eye testing/eyeglasses
- Hearing testing/treatment
- Dental cleaning/testing
- Menstrual hygiene
- Drinking water
- Water purification

**COMPLEMENTARY EDUCATION PROGRAMS**

- Food and nutrition
- Agriculture
- School gardens
- Hygiene
- Health
- Reproductive health
- HIV prevention
- Physical education

The checked items were provided in most or all participating schools.

**MEALS/SNACKS/MODALITY**

- Grains, cereals
- Roots, tubers
- Legumes, pulses, nuts
- Dairy products
- Eggs
- Meat
- Poultry
- Fish
- Green, leafy vegetables
- Other vegetables
- Fruits
- Oil
- Salt
- Sugar

- Dairy milk
- Yogurt drink
- Fruit juice
- Tea
- Water
- Other

Prohibited food items: None

**SCHOOL MEAL PROGRAMS**

**CHILDREN RECEIVING FOOD, 2020–2021**

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<td>4,024</td>
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<td>9,145</td>
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All students access the school canteens. A subset of students receive school canteen grants.

**COVERAGE: PRIMARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOL-AGE CHILDREN**

Total number primary and secondary school-age children: 7,172

- Receiving school food: 1,122

Food was also provided to some students in...

- Pre-schools
- Vocational/trade schools
- Other

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NUTRITION
School feeding program(s) included/involved the following:
- Fortified foods
- Bio-fortified foods
- Micronutrient supplements
- Nutritionists involved
- Special training for cooks/caterers in nutrition
- Objective to meet nutritional goals
- Objective to reduce obesity

Food items fortified/biofortified:
Not applicable

Micronutrients:
Not applicable

AGRICULTURE, EMPLOYMENT, AND COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION

Jobs created by school feeding programs*
- Cooks and food preparers
- Transporters
- Off-site processors
- Food packagers and handlers
- Monitoring
- Food service management
- Safety and quality inspectors
- Other

*If blank, no response was provided.

Farmers were involved with the school feeding program(s)... □ Yes □ No □ No response

Other private sector (for profit) actors involved... □ Yes □ No □ No response

There was a focus on creating jobs or leadership or income-generating opportunities for...
- Women □ Yes □ No □ No response
- Youth □ Yes □ No □ No response
- Other groups □ Yes □ No □ No response

There was community engagement (by parents or others) in the school feeding program(s)...
□ Yes □ No □ No response

Were there links between food banks and the school feeding program(s)?
□ Yes □ No □ There are no food banks in this country

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Parents' associations, in cooperation with schools, manage the school canteen program and ensure that children receive balanced meals through the canteens. Nutritional requirements are aimed at preventing or mitigating overweight/obesity, and various education programs (food and nutrition education, health education, and physical education) are offered in schools.

STUDIES CONDUCTED

None

RESEARCH NEEDED

Research on children's diets and childhood obesity.

SUCCESSES AND CHALLENGES

As a small country, Andorra is easily able to oversee the school canteen program and address any problems as they arise. However, effort is still needed to ensure that school canteen grants reach all families in need, and that vulnerable families receive food baskets in the event of school closures.

EMERGENCIES/COVID-19 PANDEMIC

COVID-19 caused some school closures in Andorra. For the duration of these closures, students' families were reimbursed for their canteen payments, and families that received a school canteen grant received the money. Once students returned to school, the COVID-19 crisis caused very minimal disruption to school feeding.

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Parents' associations are involved in managing the school canteen funds, inclusive of the grants program, and cooks/caterers are paid by parents' associations and schools. The private sector is engaged in food trade, transport, preparation, catering, and the provision of utensils/equipment for the school canteens.

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Website: www.govern.ad/ministeri-educacio-i-ensenyament-superior

GCNF GLOBAL SURVEY 2021
SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM FOR SCHOOL CANTEENS

PROGRAMME DE BOURSES DE CANTINES SCOLAIRES

Lead implementer(s): Ministry of Education (school canteen grants)

OBJECTIVES:
• To provide a social safety net
• To meet nutritional and/or health goals
• To prevent or mitigate obesity

MODALITIES OF PROVIDING STUDENTS WITH FOOD:
• In-school meals

FREQUENCY AND DURATION:
• 5 days per week during the school year

TARGETING:
Families below a certain level of income and assets

HOW MANY STUDENTS RECEIVED SCHOOL FOOD IN 2020–2021 SCHOOL YEAR?

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The number of secondary school students is inclusive of 56 students in vocational/technical schools.

FOOD AND BEVERAGE ITEMS:
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Legumes, pulses, nuts
Dairy products
Eggs
Meat
Poultry
Fish
Green, leafy vegetables
Other vegetables
Fruits
Oil
Salt
Sugar
Water
* fortified

FOOD SOURCES:
0% Purchased (domestic) 0% In-kind (domestic)
100% Purchased (foreign) 0% In-kind (foreign)

If blank, no response was provided.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:
School canteens operate in all schools, and this program takes the form of school canteen grants for low-income pupils. As a small country, Andorra sources the food for its school canteens from nearby countries. To limit food waste, a marketing campaign aims to reduce how much food students throw away.