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School Meal Programs in Latin America & the Caribbean



COVERAGE



of primary and secondary school age children benefit from school feeding programs, a higher coverage rate than any other region.*

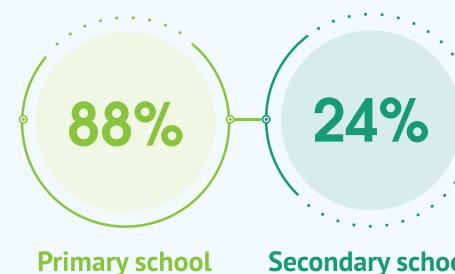


million children received some food through their schools.

Statistics reported here cover



of the countries in Latin America and the Caribbean, which together hold



of the population

of the region.

age coverage

80%

Secondary school age coverage



Ecuador (62%)

Chile (68%)

The highest levels of primary

Brazil (92%)

Barbados (65%)

and secondary school age

coverage are found in

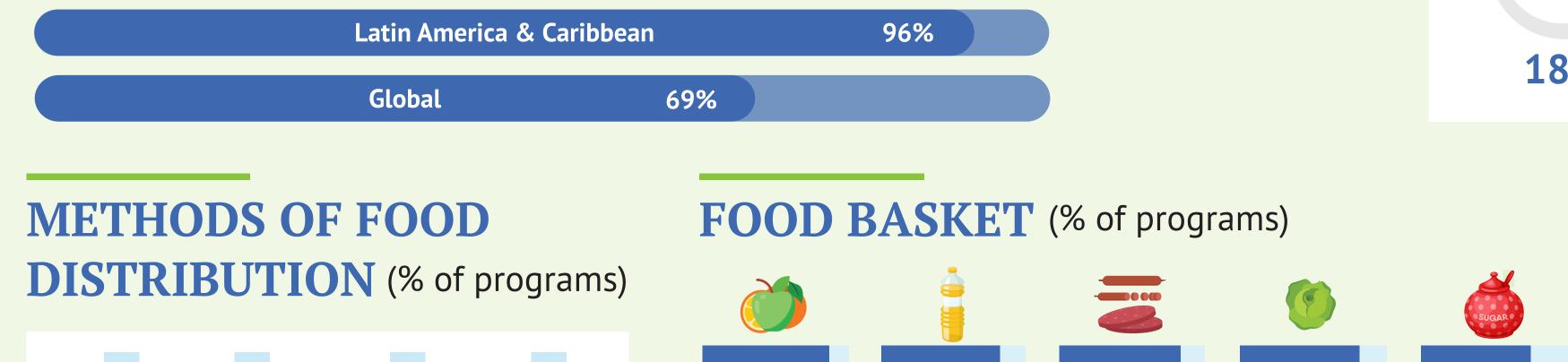


Honduras (65%)

COUNTRIES WITH NATIONAL LAWS, POLICIES, OR STANDARDS RELATED TO SCHOOL FEEDING

Dedicated Line Item in National Budgets

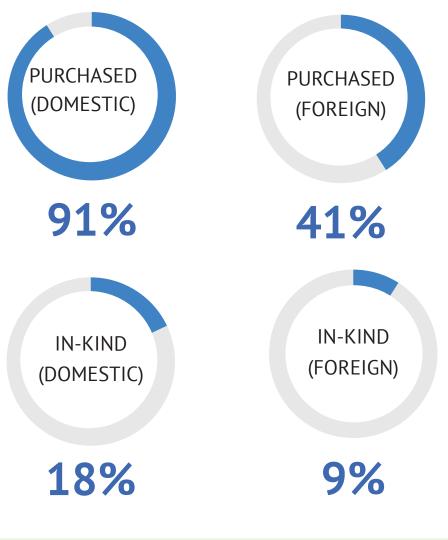
There is often a positive relationship between having a dedicated line item and the coverage of school feeding.



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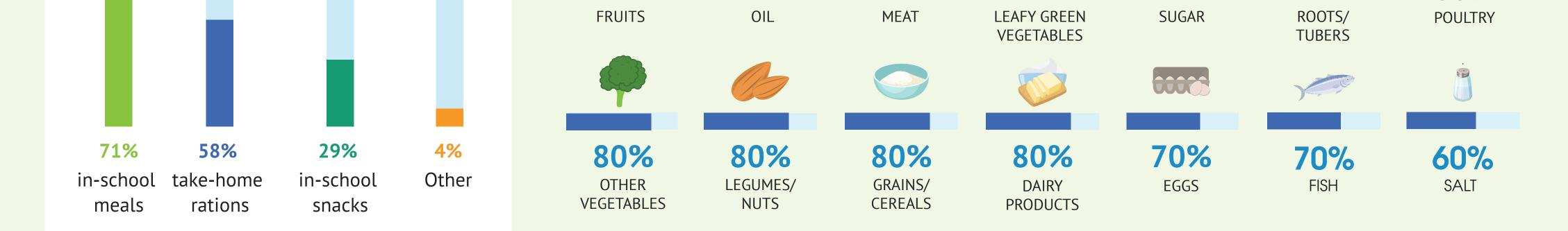


FOOD SOURCES (% of programs)



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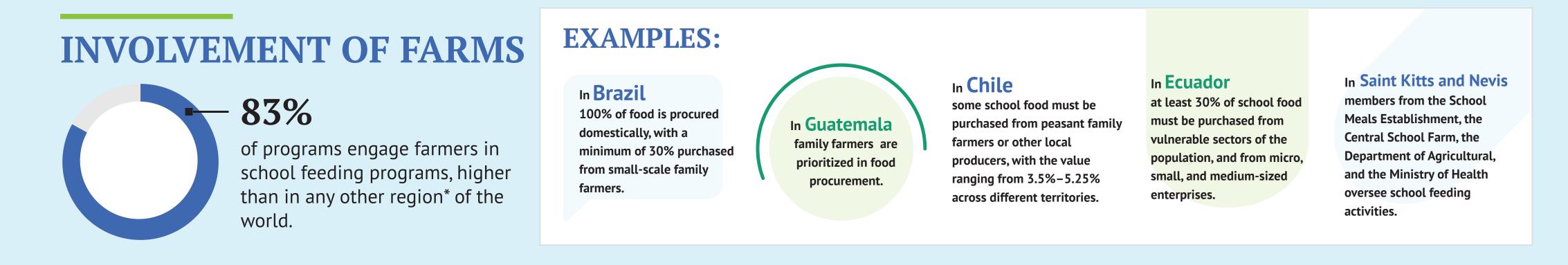


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The analysis is based on the **Global Survey of School Meal Programs © database**. See **School Meal Programs Around the World: Results from the 2021 Global Survey of School Meal Programs ©**

https://gcnf.org/global-reports/ for regional information.

*Comparative regions are Sub-Saharan Africa; South Asia, East Asia, & Pacific; Middle East & North Africa; Europe, Central Asia & North America. Suggested Citation: Global Child Nutrition Foundation (GCNF). 2022. School Meal Programs in Latin America and the Caribbean. Accessed at https://gcnf.org/infographics-and-tools/

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