



ALLIANCE FOR FAIR SUGAR POLICY

Modernize the Sugar Program

Every five years, stakeholders in America's immense and diverse farm and food sector come together to update the farm bill and chart a policy path forward. This process provides a valuable opportunity to update policies and programs to reflect current economic, technological and other advancements.

As part of this process, there is an important opportunity in 2023 to modernize the U.S. sugar program, which has not seen significant reforms in over 80 years. Now is the time to give the U.S. sugar program the flexibility it needs to be more relevant in today's economy while better supporting American farmers, workers and consumers nationwide.

Why Do We Need to Modernize the U.S. Sugar Program?

Lower Costs at the Checkout Counter		Protect American consumers from paying an estimated \$2.4 to \$4 billion more per year for the program, thanks to the program-induced artificially high sugar costs.
Protect Taxpayers & Consumers		Eliminate government-guaranteed buybacks that require the U.S. Department of Agriculture to buy and dispose of sugar at a loss and prevent the government from selling forfeited sugar back to American consumers.
Create Flexibility & Market Fairness		Provide the U.S. Department of Agriculture with the ability to better respond to ever-changing market demands in real time and support the entire food supply chain, from farms to retail shelves.
Support Small Businesses & Workers		Help nearly 600,000 American workers who are employed by businesses of all sizes that include sugar as an ingredient in their products.
Equalize Benefits Across Industries		Make the sugar program more consistent with other commodity programs, including corn, peanut, soy, rice, cotton, barley and wheat.
Streamline Solutions for All		Simplify the administration of the current sugar program with clear, modest reforms to offer more relevant support for American farmers, small businesses and workers.

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