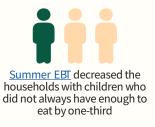
## **COMBAT CHILD HUNGER WITH SUMMER FOOD BENEFITS**

Keeping kids fed when school is out has long been a challenge for families, made tougher by current supply chain issues and rising food costs. USDA is committed to helping states provide food benefits to children through Summer P-EBT to ensure kids are nourished and healthy.

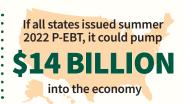
Summer food benefits for children give **families** the boost they need in difficult times, help local **communities**, and boost the **economy**.





Children reached by states that issued summer P-EBT benefits in summer 2021





## IT'S SIMPLE FOR STATES TO APPLY, AND USDA IS HERE TO HELP!

States need an approved school year or child care plan for 2021-2022 to be eligible to provide Summer P-EBT, and USDA has made it easy. States can:



Apply for child care P-EBT using USDA's simplified model with pre-filled, state-specific information



Get approved for child care P-EBT



Apply for Summer P-EBT using USDA's template application



Provide Summer P-EBT benefits to kids

Check out USDA's <u>Summer 2022 P-EBT guidance</u> or reach out to your <u>FNS Regional Office</u> to learn more.