# **NUTRITION SECURITY: SOURCES OF** UNHEALTHY AND HEALTHY FOOD

**Percentage of Poor Nutritional** Quality Food, by source

# RESTAURANTS



**ENTERTAINMENT VENUES & FOOD TRUCKS** 



# WORKPLACES



## **GROCERY STORES**



### **SCHOOLS**



# SCHOOLS: THE HEALTHIEST SOURCE OF FOOD IN THE UNITED STATES

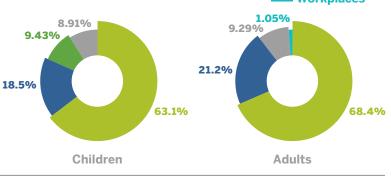
The nutritional improvements in foods obtained at school came from kids eating more of what's good for them, such as whole grains, total fruits, greens and beans, and less of what's harmful, such as sugary drinks, refined grains, and foods with added sugar.

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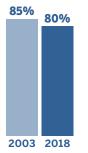
# Primary Sources of Food (Percentages of the Average Diet, — Gr

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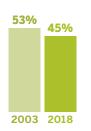
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Consumption of Nutritionally Poor Quality Food in Children and Adults 20.905 Children\* 39.757 Adults\*



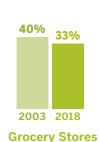
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**Nutritionally** poor quality food consumption decreased. significantly in schools.







**Workplaces** 

\* Side-by-side comparison of percentages at the beginning and end of the 16-year period.

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# **EQUITABLE IMPROVEMENTS IN NUTRITION FOR ALL**

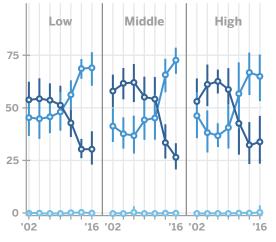


Our results underscore that nutritional quality of much of the meals, snacks, and drinks consumed in the US remain poor, but that there are also important differences by where the food is obtained. Improvement in schools were especially striking, large, and also equitable across population subgroups. These appeared linked to the Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act (HHFKA).

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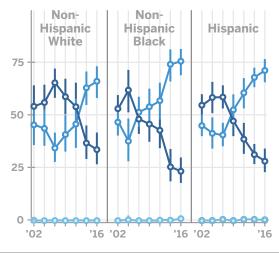
## SCHOOL FOOD QUALITY BY HOUSEHOLD INCOME



Among youths (95% CI), across the span of 14 years (2002–2016):

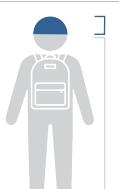
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# SCHOOL FOOD QUALITY BY RACE/ETHNICITY



Among youths (95% CI), across the span of 14 years (2002–2016):

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10%

SCHOOL MEALS ONLY PROVIDE 10% OF CALORIES FOR CHILDREN OVER THE COURSE OF A WHOLE YEAR. WHILE THE REMAINING 90% OF CALORIES COME FROM SOURCES WITH WORSE NUTRITIONAL OUALITY.

The researchers used data from seven cycles of the National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey (NHANES), between 2003 and 2016.

In addition to the American Heart Association (AHA) diet score, the Healthy Eating Index (HEI-2015), which measures adherence to the 2015-2020 Dietary Guidelines for Americans.