

PROGRAMA BOLSA FAMÍLIA

Programa Bolsa Família is the largest Conditional Cash Transfer (CCT) program in the world, and Brazil's largest social welfare program.

Objectives

- Combat hunger, and food and nutrition insecurity
- Combat poverty and other forms of familial deprivation
- Provide access to public services: health, education, food security and social assistance

Participants

Bolsa Família targets Brazilian families in two specific income brackets

Extreme Poverty: less than R\$85.00 per person per month.

Poverty: between R\$85.01 and R\$170.00 per person per month.

Participating families can be allocated between R\$32.00 and R\$242.00 per month.

Program Stats

1/4
99.7%
50 Million
13.9 Million

Total population currently enrolled
Brazil's 5570 municípios involved
People currently benefiting
Families currently enrolled

Program Requirements

- ✓ **Mandatory school attendance** 85% of the time for children 6-15 years old; 75% for those 16-17 years old.
- ✓ **Mandatory immunization** for children age 7 and under. Mothers and children must get **regular medical checkups**, allowing children's growth and development to be monitored by national health service professionals.
- ✓ **Mandatory prenatal and postnatal care** for pregnant and new mothers.

Between 2003 and 2013, Bolsa Família helped to reduce extreme poverty from **9.7% to 4.3%**. It has also been credited with **reducing child mortality, increasing school attendance and grade progression, and promoting dignity and autonomy of the poor.**