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Farmers Getting Less While Consumers Pay More

APAS has released the **2026 Farmers & Food Prices Report**, continuing a four-year effort driven directly by member resolutions. The report examines the relationship between farm-level commodity prices and retail food costs and highlights a troubling trend: while grocery prices remain high, the farmer's share of the food dollar continues to shrink.

Key Findings

- The farmer's share declined for more than half of the products tracked.
- Grocery prices remain elevated despite changes in farm commodity prices.
- Producers and consumers continue to face rising costs.
- Greater transparency is needed throughout the food supply chain.

APAS is encouraged to see the federal government's recently released **National Food Security Strategy** commit to examining food supply chains and market dynamics—a recommendation that this report has consistently called for over the past four years.

[Read the Full Report](#)

National Food Security Strategy: Positives Signals for Agriculture

In June, the federal government released its new **National Food Security Strategy**, outlining a long-term approach to food security, supply chain resilience, regulatory efficiency, and domestic food processing. APAS reviewed the strategy and was pleased to see many priorities that align with producer concerns and longstanding advocacy efforts.

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- Strengthening competition and addressing market concentration in the food system
- Improving supply chain efficiency and reducing infrastructure bottlenecks
- Faster approvals for critical agricultural inputs such as seed, feed, and fertilizer
- New investments in domestic value-added processing capacity
- Continued support through the Advance Payment Program and initiatives focused on farm transition and young farmers

Of particular interest to APAS is the strategy's commitment to examining food supply chains and market dynamics. This directly aligns with recommendations raised in APAS's **Farmers & Food Prices Report**, which has consistently called for greater transparency and understanding of where costs accumulate between the farm gate and consumers.

While the strategy is a promising starting point, implementation will be key. APAS will continue working with government and industry partners to ensure these commitments translate into meaningful outcomes for Saskatchewan producers.

[Read the APAS News Release](#)

Protecting Landowner Rights While Producers Are in the Field

This spring, APAS submitted detailed feedback to the Government of Saskatchewan on proposed amendments to:

- The Surface Rights Acquisition and Compensation Act (SRACA)
- The Mineral Resources Act
- The Oil and Gas Conservation Act

These consultations took place during one of the busiest periods of the year, while many producers were focused on seeding and managing challenging field conditions.

APAS Recommendations Included:

- Fair compensation based on current land values
- Compensation for damages caused by weeds, pests, and operator activity
- Meaningful consultation outside peak farming seasons
- Recognition of agriculture as a priority use of pore space in Saskatchewan

While producers were busy in the field, APAS was working to ensure their voices were represented at the consultation table.

Protecting landowner rights. Protecting producers.

CFIA Traceability: Facts, Not Rumours

The proposed CFIA livestock traceability regulations generated significant discussion across the livestock sector this spring.

To help producers better understand what was actually being proposed, APAS developed a traceability fact sheet summarizing the proposed regulations as they existed in March 2026.

Important Reminders:

- The fact sheet summarizes the proposed regulations only.
- It does not represent APAS's position or indicate support for the proposals.
- The proposed regulations are currently paused for cattle and bison.

APAS's Livestock Committee continues to work with producers to identify what a practical, producer-led traceability system could look like—one that supports animal health and market access while minimizing unnecessary burden on producers.

Traceability Factsheet

New S-CAP Program Deadlines Announced

Several Sustainable Canadian Agricultural Partnership (S-CAP) programs have updated intake deadlines and program windows.

Producers considering investments through S-CAP programming are encouraged to review current timelines and application requirements to avoid missing funding opportunities.


Visit [Saskatchewan.ca](https://www.saskatchewan.ca) for the latest S-CAP program information and deadlines.


Ag In Motion: Join APAS in Saskatoon

APAS will be attending Ag In Motion and connecting with producers from across Saskatchewan.

From the Field to Policy: Building the Next Framework Together

Join APAS for a special discussion on the **Next Policy Framework (NPF)** at the ADAMA Lounge:

 July 22, 2026

 9:30–10:30 a.m.

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driver and nation-building industry.

Recent coverage in *The Western Producer* highlighted APAS's push for a stronger focus on:

- Economic growth and competitiveness
- Innovation and business resilience
- Trade and market diversification
- Farm transition
- Climate adaptation and resiliency

If you're attending Ag In Motion, stop by and join the conversation.

APAS in the News

Farm.com - Farmers' Share of Food Dollar Shrinking - June 30

SaskNow - Wet Weather - June 27

Farms.com - Food Security Strategy - June 16

Global News Canada - National Unity - June 10

Farms.com - Rapid Seeding - June 2



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