

Productive Safety Net Programme (PSNP) - Conditional cash transfer - Family (living in same household)

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Programme Data

Programme Description

The Productive Safety Net Programme (PSNP) provides direct budgetary support through a multi-donor trust fund. Outside of South Africa, PSNP is the largest social protection programme in sub-Saharan Africa. PSNP employs geographic, administrative and community-based targeting to identify chronically food-insecure populations. The objective of the programme is to improve food security and prevent vulnerable households from having to sell assets (nutrition is not explicitly addressed).

Program type

Large scale programmes

Cost

Resource intensity estimated at US\$ 47,37/hd/year. The annual budget is around US\$ 360 million. Per capita, cash and food transfers totaled US\$ 32.8 for male-headed households and US\$ 37.1 for female-headed households in 2007.

References

WHO (2013) *Essential Nutrition Actions – Improving maternal, newborn, infant and young child health and nutrition*, which provides a compact of WHO guidance on nutrition interventions targeting the first 1000 days of life. Part I presents the interventions currently recommended by WHO, summarizes the rationale and the evidence, and describes the actions require to implement them. Part II provides an analysis of community-based interventions aimed at improving nutrition and indicates how effective interventions can be delivered in an integrated fashion. It shows how the essential nutrition actions described in the first part have been implemented in large-scale programmes in various settings, what the outcomes have been, and to examine the evidence for attribution of changes in nutritional outcomes to programme activities. This summary of PSNP is retrieved from the ENA Part II where PSNP is one of 32 large-scale community-based programs that has been reviewed in detail and evaluated.

http://www.who.int/nutrition/publications/infantfeeding/essential_nutrition_actions/en/

Implementing organisations

Funding sources

Action data

Start date	
Country(ies):	Ethiopia
Status:	On-going
Topic:	Conditional cash transfer
Target group:	Family (living in same household)
Delivery:	Community-based
Implementation details :	Cash and/or in-kind support is provided to targeted households in exchange for labour-intensive public works to build community assets. Labourpoor households (i.e. female-headed households with young children, the elderly, pregnant or lactating women (PLWs)) receive unconditional transfers
Coverage level (%):	Nearly 10% of the country (7.6 million people), covering more than 40% of the woredas.
Outcome indicator(s):	Anthropometry
M&E system:	An impact evaluation in 2008 found no significant change in anthropometric status of children in PSNP households compared to non-PSNP households. However, participation had positive effects on use of education and health services and household food security, caloric acquisition, and asset protection.
Post-intervention:	No change in anthropometric status of children.

