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Provisions of the Food Security Act of 1985, by Lewrene K. Glaser. AIB-498. April 1986. 116 pp. \$5.50. Order SN: 001-019-00461-4.

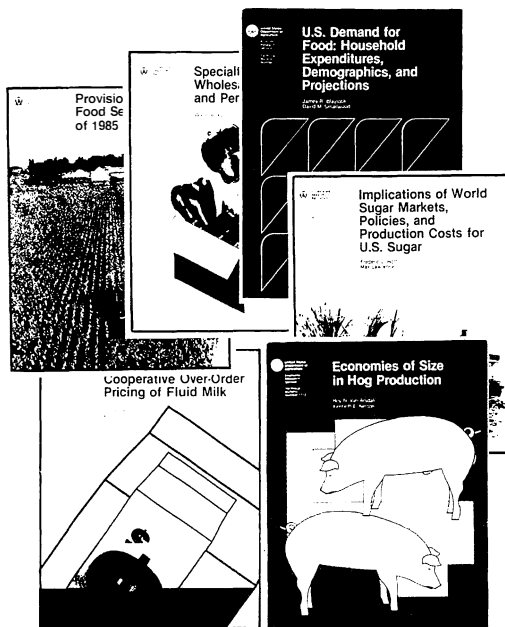
The Food Security Act of 1985 will guide U.S. agricultural policy for the next 4 years. This new report summarizes the Act's provisions for USDA's commodity, trade, nutrition, and conservation programs, among others. It compares the 1985 Act with previous legislation and summarizes the Food Security Improvements Act of 1986.

U.S. Demand for Food: A Complete System of Price and Income Effects, by Kuo S. Huang. TB-1714. December 1985. 60 pp. \$2.00. Order SN: 001-019-00433-9.

A complete matrix of all direct, cross-price, and expenditure elasticities for 40 food items and one nonfood item. The estimated demand system examines the interdependent nature of demand for foods in terms of prices and income.

U.S. Demand for Food: Household Expenditures, Demographics, and Projections, by James R. Blaylock and David M. Smallwood. TB-1713. February 1986. 56 pp. \$2.25. Order SN: 001-019-00436-3.

Measures the effects of income and other demographic factors on per person spending for 28 food groups and alcoholic beverages. The results are combined with projections for income, age distribution, regional population shifts, racial mix, and population growth to project food spending to the year 2020.



Specialty Grocery Wholesaling: Structure and Performance, by Walter B. Epps. AER-547. March 1986. 24 pp. \$1.00. Order SN: 001-019-000435-5.

Specialty grocery merchants sell more food at wholesale than any other group of wholesale vendors, according to this benchmark study of the industry. The typical specialty grocery merchant is a supplier of perishable food who runs a low-volume wholesale operation with few employees, handles one product line, supplies particular customers, trades with other wholesale vendors, and offers specialized services. Although these establishments predominate, changes in marketing, such as processors selling directly to retail clients, may reduce the demand for specialty services.

Food Marketing Review. AER-549. March 1986. 60 pp. \$3.00. Order SN: 001-019-00455-0.

Sales in the U.S. food marketing system in 1985 reached an estimated half a trillion dollars and grew faster than the gross national product. The food marketing system comprises more than 1 million firms in food manufacturing, wholesaling, retailing, and service and employs more than 1 out of every 10 U.S. workers. The current status and outlook for these firms, workers, and the food marketing system as a whole are examined in this publication.

Implications of World Sugar Markets, Policies, and Production Costs for U.S. Sugar, by Frederic L. Hoff and Max Lawrence. AER-543. November 1985. 44 pp. \$1.75. Order SN: 001-019-00424-0.

Analyzes production costs of 56 sugarcane producing countries and 26 sugarbeet producing countries to determine the conditions under which total world sugar production has expanded since 1981, despite low prices. Most major sugar producing and exporting countries have adopted national policies to protect domestic producers from periodic price depressions.

Economies of Size in Hog Production, by Roy N. Van Arsdall and Kenneth E. Nelson. TB-1712. December 1985. 100 pp. \$3.50. Order SN: 001-019-00417-7.

Discusses economies of size in hog production: inputs and costs; investments in depreciable assets; returns; income taxes; and physical, price, and economic performance measures in the North Central and Southeast regions, the major U.S. hog producing areas.

An Analysis of Cooperative Over-Order Pricing of Fluid Milk, by Edward V. Jesse and Aaron C. Johnson. TB-1708. August 1985. 52 pp. \$2.00. Order SN: 001-019-00401-0.

Focuses on what over-order premiums represent, whether they monopolize milk markets through dairy cooperatives, or whether they are a means of achieving competitive pricing in Federal milk marketing orders. Identifies factors likely to influence the level of over-order premiums and estimates their individual and combined effects.

Dietary Guidelines and Your Diet. June 1986. 52 pp. \$4.50. Order SN: 001-000-004467-2.

Set of the first seven bulletins that supplement *Nutrition and Your Health: Dietary Guidelines for Americans*. Each bulletin focuses on one of the seven dietary guidelines, providing suggestions for their implementation. Second set to be published in 1987. □