

ANNUAL PROGRESS REPORT SUMMARY

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WELCOME TO THE NESTLÉ COCOA PLAN 2023 PROGRESS REPORT SUMMARY

Since 2009, the Nestlé Cocoa Plan has positively impacted cocoa-farming families across our three pillars – Better Farming, Better Lives, Better Cocoa – as we aim to source 100% of our cocoa through the Nestlé Cocoa Plan by 2025.*

In 2023, we made significant progress toward our goal, increasing the percentage of cocoa we sourced through the Nestlé Cocoa Plan to 85.5%*. We also welcomed more than 20 000 new farmers – bringing the total to 179 339 – who received training and resources to help them improve yields and livelihoods as part of the Nestlé Cocoa Plan.

Every year, we report on our progress with the support of our measurement and evaluation partners: [The Rainforest Alliance](#), [International Cocoa Initiative](#) and [KIT Institute](#).



Providing training and resources to help farmers improve yields and livelihoods

- **1 286 240** forest and fruit trees distributed to cocoa farmers
- **19 635 HECTARES** pruned as part of the income accelerator program (see below)

* This percentage includes volumes of Rainforest Alliance certified and Nestlé Cocoa Plan verified mass balance cocoa.

Improving social conditions, promoting women's empowerment to improve gender equality and household revenues, and enabling access to quality education

- **108 810** households covered by our Child Labor Monitoring and Remediation Systems (CLMRS) to prevent and address child labor risks
- **178 553** children covered by our CLMRS to prevent and address child labor risks
- **793** Village Savings and Loan Associations (VSLA) groups

Building a more transparent and traceable supply chain, continuing to develop certification and verification, and promoting forest positive actions towards better quality cocoa

- **85.5%** of cocoa sourced through the Nestlé Cocoa Plan
- **287 783** tonnes of cocoa sourced through the Nestlé Cocoa Plan
- **179 339** farmers in the Nestlé Cocoa Plan

INCOME ACCELERATOR PROGRAM

We completed the test-at-scale phase of our innovative income accelerator program, and have now expanded to reach 30 000 families in Côte d'Ivoire and Ghana.



[Read the Income Accelerator Program Summary Report](#)



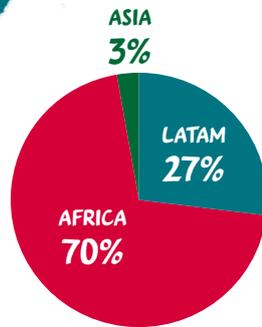
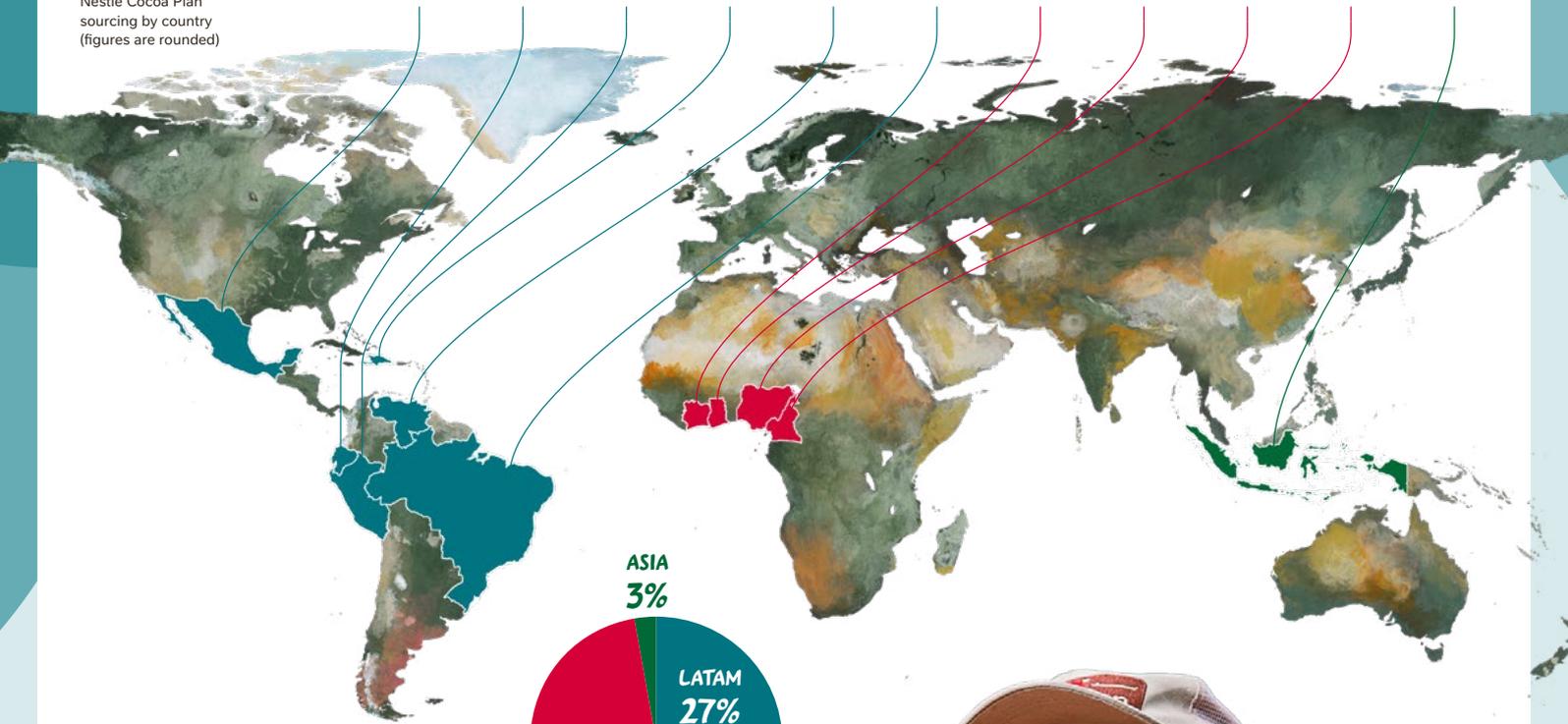
ORIGINS OF COCOA SOURCED THROUGH THE NESTLÉ COCOA PLAN

OUR SOURCING ORIGINS

Nestlé Cocoa Plan sourcing by country (figures are rounded)

We sourced 287783 tonnes of cocoa through the Nestlé Cocoa Plan in 2023

Country	Percentage
MEXICO	0.4%
ECUADOR	11%
PERU	0.2%
DOMINICAN REPUBLIC	2%
VENEZUELA	0.3%
BRAZIL	13%
CÔTE D'IVOIRE	55%
GHANA	7%
NIGERIA	5%
CAMEROON	3%
INDONESIA	3%



85.5% of cocoa sourced through the Nestlé Cocoa Plan in 2023*

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A COLLABORATIVE APPROACH



The Nestlé Cocoa Plan sets out to tackle systemic challenges that are beyond the scope of any single organization. Our success is based on a collaborative approach.

We work closely with partner organizations that bring expertise to measure and evaluate the impact of the activities we implement around some key areas such as forest protection and restoration, cocoa-farming families' livelihoods, community development and access to education. Together, we are aiming to build a brighter future for cocoa-farming families and sustainably produced quality cocoa.

International Cocoa Initiative | [Learn more](#)



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Further reading

For more information on the Nestlé Cocoa Plan, and on sustainability at Nestlé, please read our other recent publications.



[Cocoa progress reports](#)



[Nestlé Creating Shared Value and Sustainability Report 2023](#)



[Rainforest Alliance & Nestlé Cocoa Plan: Monitoring and Evaluation Highlights 2017-2023](#)

Governments

We cooperate closely with national and local governments, as well as government agencies. In Côte d'Ivoire for example, we work with public bodies such as the Ministère des Eaux et Forêts (MINEF) and Société de développement des Forêts (SODEFOR). Collaboration extends into key sustainability projects.

Cocoa suppliers

Our suppliers work in close collaboration with us. They are very much partners in the implementation of our activities, and supported by the Nestlé Cocoa Plan team.



2023 PERFORMANCE



Our key performance indicators are presented across the Nestlé Cocoa Plan's three strategic pillars: Better Farming, Better Lives and Better Cocoa.

The data presented in this report is from the calendar year January 1 – December 31, 2023 as collected by the [Rainforest Alliance](#) and the [International Cocoa Initiative](#).

This year, we report data for five countries: Brazil, Côte d'Ivoire, Ecuador, Ghana and Mexico. Therefore, the data is not directly comparable with previous years, for which we reported data only for Côte d'Ivoire and Ghana.

Better Farming	2021	2022	2023
Farmers in Brazil ²	-	-	4 256
Farmers in Cameroon ²	-	-	7 217
Farmers in Côte d'Ivoire ²	73 402	84 718	121 938
Farmers in Ecuador ²	-	-	6 110
Farmers in Ghana ²	18 258	16 319	17 301
Farmers in Indonesia ²	-	-	12 234
Farmers in Mexico ²	-	-	3 000
Farmers in Nigeria ²	-	-	6 364
Farmers in Venezuela ²	-	-	979
Data only available for Côte d'Ivoire and Ghana			
Pruning in Côte d'Ivoire ¹	44%	32%	62%
Pruning in Ghana ¹	55%	19%	18%
Percentage of farmers considered to have adopted at least four Good Agricultural Practices (GAPs) to a satisfactory standard – Côte d'Ivoire ¹	33%	27%	52%
Percentage of farmers considered to have adopted at least four GAPs to a satisfactory standard – Ghana ¹	42%	13%	11%

Better Lives	2021	2022	2023
Covering only Côte d'Ivoire and Ghana			
Households covered by CLMRS to prevent and address child labor risks ²	80 029	82 422	108 810
Children covered by CLMRS to prevent and address child labor risks ²	100 726	110 343	178 553
Number of children identified who reported no longer engaging in activities posing a risk of child labor ²	7 045	8 974	12 135
Cumulative - Total number of children who received support ²	159 783	168 506	203 401

Better Cocoa	2021	2022	2023
Tonnes of cocoa sourced annually through the Nestlé Cocoa Plan ²	198 000	254 000	287 783
Nestlé Cocoa Plan cocoa as a percentage of total Nestlé cocoa ²	50.6%	68.3%	85.5%
Number of farmers in the Nestlé Cocoa Plan ²	152 236	157 157	179 399
Average yield Nestlé Cocoa Plan farm in Côte d'Ivoire (kg/ha) ¹	635	541	594
Average yield Nestlé Cocoa Plan farm in Ghana (kg/ha) ¹	464	412	444
Average yield Nestlé Cocoa Plan farm in Brazil (kg/ha) ¹	-	-	860
Average yield Nestlé Cocoa Plan farm in Ecuador(kg/ha) ¹	-	-	698
Average yield Nestlé Cocoa Plan farm in Mexico (kg/ha) ¹	-	-	289

Data sources

1 [Rainforest Alliance survey data](#)

2 [Nestlé CSV Report 2023](#)