

THE AVAILABILITY, AFFORDABILITY AND QUALITY OF HEALTHY FOODS AND BEVERAGES IN LOUISIANA SNAP-AUTHORIZED STORES



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Louisiana Cooperative Extension partners with food retailers to improve healthy food access in communities with lower income. To guide these efforts, a team of researchers from the LSU AgCenter measured the healthy food options in stores that accept SNAP/EBT (formerly known as food stamps). See their key findings below or read the full article at bit.ly/LASNAPStores.



SNAP-authorized stores in Louisiana scored low on measures of healthy food access.



There were no differences found between stores located in urban and rural Louisiana.



Independently-owned SNAP-authorized stores scored lower than corporate or chain stores.



SNAP-authorized grocery and dollar stores scored higher than SNAP-authorized convenience stores.



Louisiana needs healthy food retail partnerships with independently-owned SNAP retailers.