PULSE FACTS

Affordability and Food Security



The world's growing population will require a 70% increase in agricultural production by 2050



Over half of all global pulse production occurs in developing countries

- Pulses are a staple food around the world, playing a key role in many traditional cuisines
- Pulses enhance crop diversity, decreasing the risks farmers face from environmental and market fluctuations

U.S. cost per serving of lentils is \$0.10 vs.:



for beef



\$0.73 for pork



\$0.63 for chicken

Cost per serving data sourced from ERS calculations, based on average prices from The Bureau of Labor Statistics and USDA Agricultural Marketing Service Data, as reported by the USDA, July 2015

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