

Debrief – FSANZ Binational Food Industry Dialogue (BFID)

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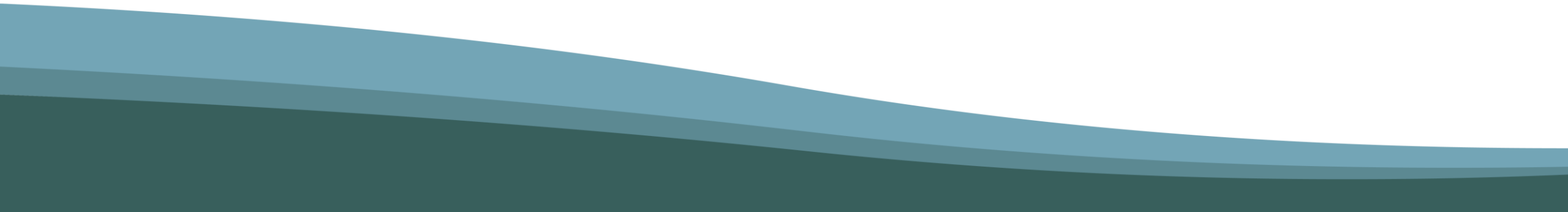
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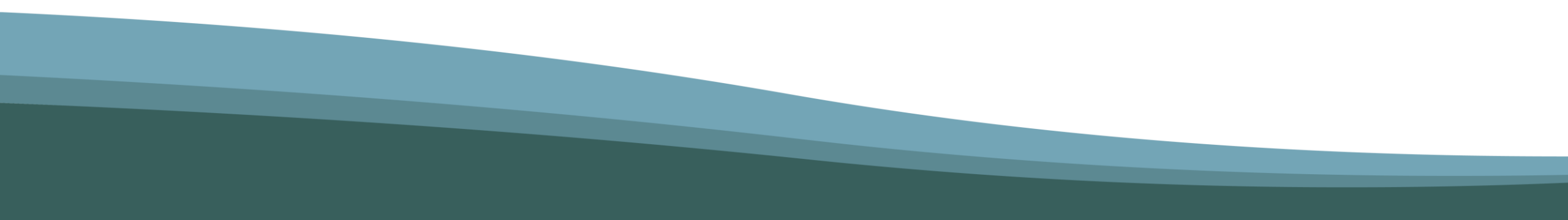
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The Australian Food and Grocery Council acknowledges the Traditional Owners of Country throughout Australia. We pay our respects to Elders past, present and emerging.



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The recording and presentation will be made available to members.

What is BFID?

- FSNZ mechanism to facilitate collaboration and information sharing with key industry stakeholders
 - Peak industry bodies + nominated member representatives
- Sister groups
 - Consumer and Public Health Dialogue
 - Jurisdictional Forum



Structure of the discussion

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FSANZ updates

Workplan, applications
and proposals

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Australian Government

Health, Disability and
Ageing; DAFF + others

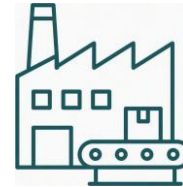
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New Zealand Government

Ministry for Primary
Industries

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Industry updates

Member and sector
perspectives

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ISFR

Implementation Sub-
Committee
on Food Regulation

FSANZ

- P1067 – Health Star Rating System
- Label change cost model
- P1066 – Review of young child formula



FSANZ (continued)

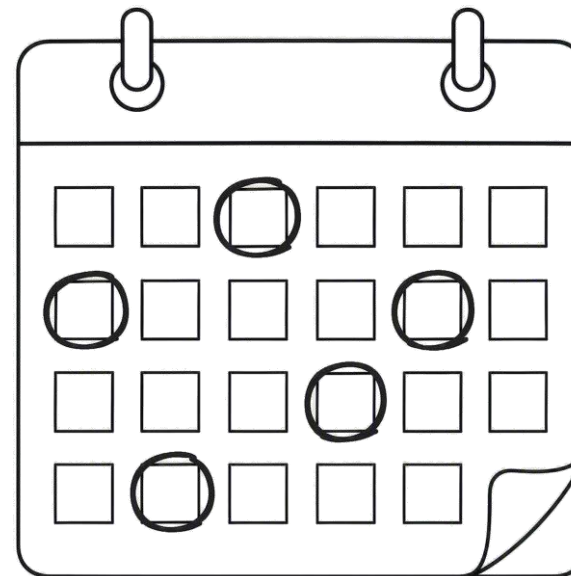
- Digital labelling
- Evaluation framework
- 28th Australian Total Diet Study
- Branded Food Database



Upcoming FSANZ consultations

- Applications and Proposals
 - HSR 2CFS (Oct)
- Discussion papers ([2030 Roadmap](#))
 - Digital labelling and e-commerce
 - International harmonisation
 - (P1024) Nutritive substances and novel foods
- Application Handbook update

(FSANZ [workplan](#))



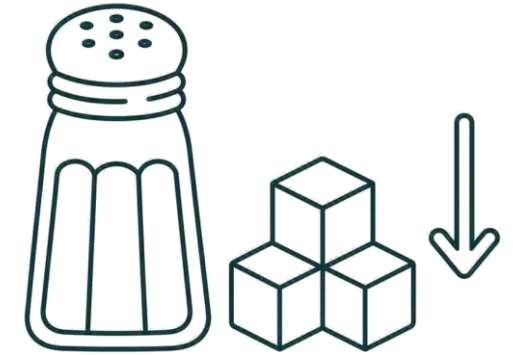
Department of Health, Disability and Ageing

- FSANZ Act review
- Health Star Rating
- Improving the composition of the food supply in relation to industrially-produced trans fats
- Review of the Australian Dietary Guidelines ([link](#))
- Advertising and marketing of unhealthy foods to children ([link](#))



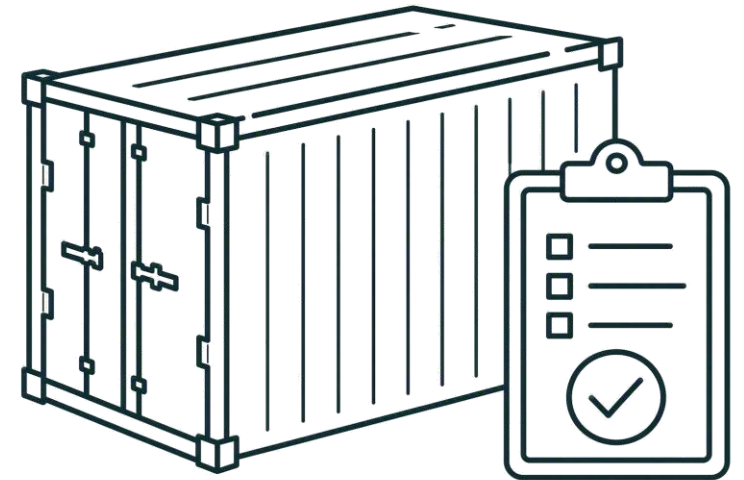
Department of Health, Disability and Ageing (continued)

- Considering the role of the food regulation system in addressing vitamin D deficiency
- Controls on Infant Formula Marketing ([link](#))
- Healthy Food Partnership ([link](#))
 - Partnership Reformulation Program
 - QSR Improvement program



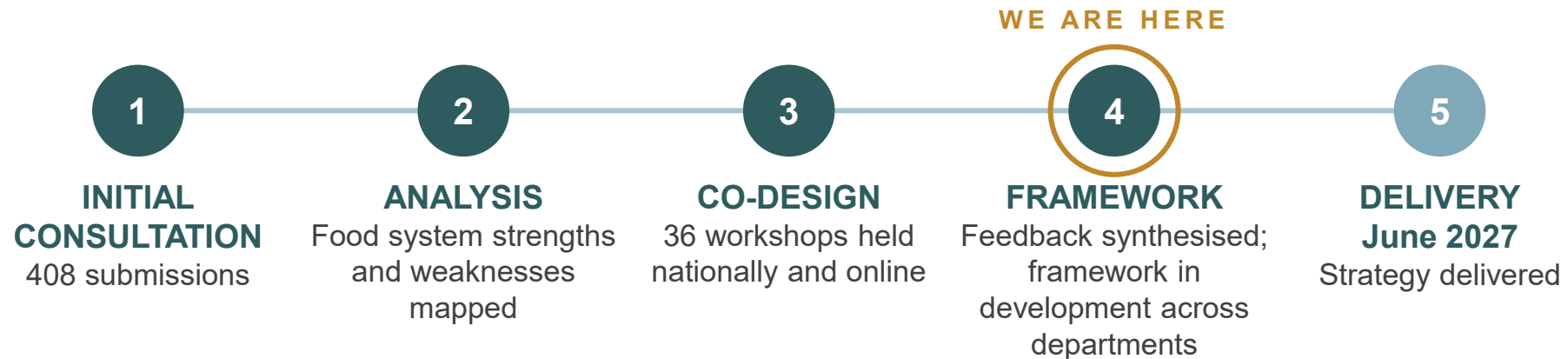
Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry (DAFF)

- Plant based labelling (government [response](#) to Senate committee report + [webpage](#))
- Domestic organic regulation (government [response](#) to Senate committee report)
- Imported food [risk advice](#)/risk management update ([Imported Food Notices](#))
- PEAL compliance
- Honey authenticity pilot survey
- Update on incident response activities
- Certification activities



National Food Security Strategy

Production and exports remain strong — but rates of food insecurity are rising. The National Food Council is continuing to meet and is back on task after Middle East focus.



[National Food Security Strategy website](#)

Other government updates

- ABS - National nutrition and physical activity survey ([link](#))
 - Reporting on consumption of food groups from ADGs ([link](#))
 - Analysis of micronutrient intakes (thiamine, folate, iodine, iron, calcium, vitamin B6 and vitamin D) ([link](#))
- NZ Ministry for Primary Industries
 - Digital labelling trial
 - Policy guideline on information requirements for prepackaged food sold online



Food Regulatory System

- See [ISFR](#) and [FRSC](#) websites for list of activities
- FRSC donated food roundtable, Adelaide 7 Oct
 - Including date marking (best-before)

IF PAST THE DATE



**SNIFF, LOOK OR
TASTE TO AVOID
FOOD WASTE!**

BFID – next meeting

1

NEXT MEETING

19 November 2026

2

LOOKING AHEAD

2027

Meeting dates to be confirmed

Q&A



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